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Snowflake Study Aids War Effort

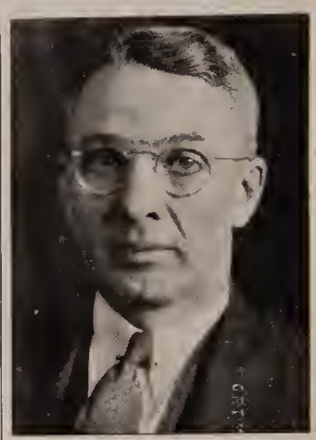


Vincent J. Schaefer, assistant to Dr. Irving Langmuir, of Research Laboratory, Schenectady, whose use of transparent plastic to study snowflakes led him to develop a method of studying polished metal surfaces to improve alloys used in war effort. He is shown here on Mount Washington, N. H., where he is carrying on further research related to cold weather phenomena.

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Assumes Important New Post In G-E Organization

Prominent among appointments recently made by Vice President R. C. Muir, upon becoming general manager of the apparatus department, is that affecting Neil Currie, Jr., formerly Fort Wayne Works Manager, who was made manager of manufacturing. In this position Mr. Currie will be responsible for all apparatus manufacturing.



Neil Currie, Jr.

Mr. Currie is a native of Minnesota. In 1908 he joined the power apparatus department of the Western Electric Company following his graduation from the University of Minnesota in Electrical Engineering. With the purchase of that department by the General Electric Company, Mr. Currie joined the

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G-E Scientist Subject Of Sketch In American

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Vincent J. Schaefer, assistant to Dr. Irving Langmuir, Associate Director of the G. E. Research Laboratory, is the subject of an article in the January American Magazine in its series entitled "Interesting People." Says the article, "Vincent J. Schaefer's hobby of collecting and preserving snowflakes has resulted in a lot of smashing blows to the Axis. He is the first person to make a permanent replica of a snowflake, and his method of recording the symmetrical patterns of snowflake crystals has given scientists a way of studying and improving the structure of metals that are used to make tanks, guns and planes."

Mr. Schaefer, whose interest in the character of snowflakes led him some years ago to suspect that their formation and density might indicate the character of coming weather, discovered that, if coated by Formvar plastic, their structure could be preserved and studied at leisure under powerful microscopes. He thus laid the groundwork and developed the technique for the use of Formvar in the study of the superfine structure of polished metal surfaces through the electron microscope.

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G-E Buys Ken-Rad Radio Tube Interests

Two Indiana Plants Are Involved In Transaction

The General Electric Company has purchased the radio tube manufacturing and plant facilities of the Ken-Rad Tube and Lamp Corporation at Owensboro, Kentucky, and at Huntington and Rock Port, Indiana, and will take over operation of government-owned plants at Tell City, Indiana, and Bowling Green, Kentucky, where Ken-Rad has been making tubes for the government.

This announcement was made December 27, by Dr. W. R. G. Baker, General Electric Vice President

Sale of the tube interests was authorized by Ken-Rad stockholders on December 20. All units are engaged in war work. The sale does not include the electric lamp manufacturing business of Ken-Rad.

General Electric took possession of the property January 2, and took over purchase orders and sales agreements outstanding as of that date.

George W. Nevin, Manager of the G-E Tube Division, has announced that Carl J. Hollatz, formerly Executive Vice President of Ken-Rad, will manage the new G-E operation, which will be known as the Ken-Rad Division of the Electronics Department of the General Electric Co.

With the purchase of the Ken-Rad tube interests involving primarily radio receiving tubes, General Electric will enter the radio business in all branches post-war.

Mr. Hollatz, the new G-E official, has been with Ken-Rad since 1932. He has been engaged in the incandescent lamp and radio tube business, in various capacities since 1918. He is a native of Madison, Wisconsin.

NOTICE To Employees

In the near future a limited number of electric irons and electric alarm clocks will be available for sale through the Employees' Store and its branches. These items are sold strictly for the employee's use and not for gifts. Beginning Monday, Jan. 8, 1945, applications for these items will be taken at the Employees' Store in Bldg. 10-2 and at the branch stores at Winter Street, Taylor Street, Decatur and Kokomo.

G-E Display In Connection With "Winged Victory"

Products Used By Army Air Forces Shown In Patterson-Fletcher Window Starting January 9

In connection with the showing of the picture "Winged Victory" which is to be shown at the Paramount Theater starting January 11 and appearing through January 17, an interesting display of G-E products which are an important part in the operation of the planes used in the picture will be set in the Patterson-Fletcher show windows.

Arrangements for the display are under the direction of Verne Flint of the Personnel Division, B. R. McClure of the FHP Motor Sales Division, C. A. Graham of Specialty Transformer Sales, and William Knaus of the Taylor Street Plant. The display will open for inspection on January 9.

All proceeds from the presentation of "Winged Victory" above cost of production will be turned over to the Army Air Corps Relief Fund. Most actors in the picture are members of the Army Air Forces.

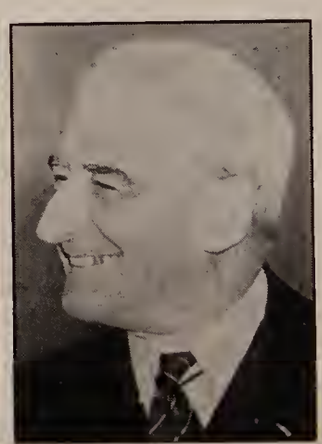
Produced by Darryl F. Zanuck of Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corporation, "Winged Victory" is hailed as one of the important pic-

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G-E Officials Announce Retirement As Directors



Owen D. Young



Gerard Swope

Owen D. Young and Gerard Swope, former Chairman of the Board and former President of the General Electric Company, have announced their resignations as directors, effective last Sunday, December 31. Mr. Young and Mr. Swope have been directors of General Electric since May 16, 1922, when they were first elected Chairman of the Board and President. Then the

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We Look To 1945

The year 1944 is over and 1945 lies before us. We have been through three years of war and are facing another—tougher, rougher, more bloody and more severe than those that are now history. Our enemy in Europe is not yet beaten and the Jap in the Pacific is far from being eliminated. This time last year we all had high hopes, based on unfounded optimism—we have made vast progress in pushing both enemies back to their homelands, but we have not yet completely defeated or begun to subdue them. This we face in 1945 and perhaps in succeeding years.

How soon this war will end and how many thousands of Americans' lives will be saved through its earlier conclusion depends upon a great many factors well expressed in a recent address by Lt. General Brehon Somervell, Commanding General, Army Service Forces.

"The tempo is quickening—the fury more devastating. Our men are using supplies faster. They need new kinds of supplies. The more weight we can have, when we need it, and where we need it, the sooner we shall be able to knock over Germany and Japan. It is just a case of simple arithmetic. More materials equals fewer casualties, a shorter war.

"Our enemies are tough, they are desperate. Their objective was to destroy us. It is still their objective. War is their simple purpose. What reason have we to believe that they will not continue to fight? Why won't they defend their homeland with the same, yes, even more desperate fanaticism than they now show on every front?

"American industry and American workers must rededicate themselves, here and now, to an upsurge of production on the home front so that our forces on all fronts shall be limited in their use of material only by our ability to get it to them and by elbow room on the fiighting fronts in which to use it."

General Somervell knows what he is talking about since he is responsible for the distribution and shipment of all of our war supplies. This is what we face in 1945.

FAST-MOVING PICTURE..



To win a war in modern times takes much more than heroism, marksmanship, ammunition and up-to-the-minute machinery. It takes ceaseless effort by millions of inconspicuous, loyal people who neither expect nor hope for any pay, save the knowledge that they are doing what they can to bring victory and the return of the boys at the earliest possible moment.

How many ways there have been for the unselfish to render service will never be known for they are countless. But from the able volunteer Red Cross executive and the movie headliner on a G. I. tour, to the littlest boy collector of newspapers and humblest housewife saving kitchen fat, the helpers are a tremendous force in the drive for victory.

As surely as war brings out the worst in some elements of mankind, just so certain it to call up the best in the hearts of others. And most of this best is shown by common, ordinary people, in common ordinary ways. As always, Main street can be relied on for the long pull.

SCIENCE FORUM—by L. A. Hawkins

Q. How can heat rays from the sun pass through the millions of miles of intense cold, between the sun and earth, and still be so warm when they reach us?

A. Infrared rays, traveling at the speed of light rays, are the ones responsible for our heat from the sun. They have no heat in themselves, strangely enough, but produce heat in an absorbing object when they fall upon it. The rays make our air warm because they are partly absorbed by it as they pass through. More of the rays are reradiated from solid objects, such as the earth itself, for instance, when the infrared rays fall upon them. These reradiations also heat the air. Fliers find it so cold in the upper regions of our sky lanes because there is so little air there to be heated.

Q. Why is air thrown off by a fan cooler than unagitated air?

A. It really is not. It is simply that air circulated by the fan removes warmth from the surface of the body much more quickly than if it were not being circulated, just as a wind makes a cold day seem colder.

Q. What are the dynamic spheres of the globe?

A. The term refers to the various layers of the earth: the lithosphere, hydrosphere and atmosphere, the latter being composed of the troposphere, stratosphere and ionosphere. The lithosphere is the solid part of the earth, and the hydrosphere is the watery covering of the earth. The upper part of the atmosphere, about a height of about seven miles, is called the stratosphere. The lower part, in which we live, is known as the troposphere. The ionosphere, the region 20 miles or more higher, has several layers of ionized or partially broken atoms, which reflect radio waves back to earth.

Q. Does cabbage lose any of its vitamins or mineral value when made into sauerkraut?

A. During manufacture of sauerkraut from fresh cabbage, there is apparently little loss in any of the nutrients except a major loss in vitamin C. Sauerkraut sealed hermetically in cans undergoes essentially no loss in minerals or vitamins during periods of storage such as six months to a year. In kegs or other semi-open containers, however, there is a gradual loss in vitamin content, particularly with regard to vitamin C. There is relatively little loss in minerals.

Q. Why is 25-cycle current used around Niagara Falls since 60-cycle alternating current would have given much better light?

A. Niagara Falls station was one of the earliest large stations. Twenty-five - cycle generation was selected instead of the 60-cycle, which is nearly a universal standard in this country, principally because it was anticipated that much of the power would be converted into direct current for use in electrochemical processes, and rotary converters for 25 cycles were available at that time while 60-cycle rotary converters were not. Moreover, for long distance transmission, 25-cycle has some advantage over 60-cycle, since the impedance of the line is somewhat less.

Q. Is hot water heat more economical than steam heat for home use?

A. Other things being equal, there is practically no difference in efficiency between a steam and a hot-water heating system. The amount of heat supplied to a house must correspond to the amount of heat lost through leakage and conduction, and therefore it does not matter particularly how the replacing heat is delivered to the house.

Q. Do the stars, moon and the planets revolve?

A. They revolve just as we do. All the members of the solar system revolve around the sun, and our whole galaxy of stars and planets, circumscribed by the Great Milky Way, revolves around its own center of gravity. We are probably about 30,000 light years from this center of gravity, and we are traveling around it at the rate of 220 miles a second.

Q. How is nylon being utilized in the war?

A. To make parachutes, tow ropes for glider planes, bristles for paint brushes, and for many other things.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Good Work



E. Smelser O. L. Myers

PFC Oris L. Myers, Bldg. 26-2, is stationed at Camp Bowie, Texas. "Keep up the good work, and we will do the same." Cadet Eris Smelser is stationed at Chicago, Illinois. She was formerly employed in Bldg. 18-5. "I've been away from the G-E for 11 months, and in that time I've seen a lot of General Electric equipment in use. It sure seems good to be back and see all of the old gang again. Being a cadet nurse is just about the most wonderful thing I know. Keep up the good work there, and we'll all do our best, too. See you all soon again."

Dear Editor:

My best wishes to G-E. I am back in the jungle again. St. Nick is going to have to come UP to see me. My tent is on top a mountain with clouds rolling below.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Somewhere in the Pacific Area, 1944

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the yard
Not a creature was stirring—not even a guard.
My socks were stuffed in my shoes to save space
And alas in my tent there was no fireplace!
My friends in their shorts and me in my shoes
Had just settled down for a tropical snooze,
When out in the area there rose such a clatter,
That I sprang from my bunk to see what was the matter.

I became so entangled in my mosquito net
That if no one had helped me, I'd be there yet.
Then very cautiously I pulled back the flaps,
Expecting to see a battalion of Japs.
But to my amazement I saw there instead,
The famous St. Nick in his suit of bright red.
He sat in his sled, which was pulled by six jeeps
As they bounced along gaily in short bounds and leaps.
Then they came to a halt and away Santa went
And then very suddenly he was there in my tent.
He was chucking so merrily, that his fat little belly
Just like in the poem was shaking like jelly;
And then as I wondered, I was sure 'twas a gag
When I noticed his pack was a blue barracks bag.
Then he reached in his bag, and without hesitation,
Turned to my tent mate with a pack of K rations;
C ration, cookies and Bully Beef Ham.
He followed this quickly with Dehydrated Potatoes
And then reached in for a can of tomatoes.
And then he remarked there was work he must do
So he raised a plump finger and away he flew.
I dashed to the tent flap and was able to see
Him get in his sled as he waved back to me.
"Away Willis"—"Away Ford," was the cry in the night,
And in no time at all he was clear out of sight.
I'll still have to laugh when I'm ancient and droll
At the thought of St. Nick sliding down the tentpole.
That's all there is to it, the story is through
But before I sign off, here is my wish to you
"May Your Christmas be Merry and Filled With Good Cheer"
"May You Be Well and Happy Throughout the New Year."

John Laymon
(Time Study 4-5 Office)

Dear Editor:

. . . . In the 24 Nov., 1944, issue there was a picture and an article of the class of ship I am on. With the many, many things made by the G-E on it, I see no reason why they shouldn't be tops. Wherever we go I see men from the company coming aboard to service your equipment.

Give my regards to the guys and gals on 19-4 in x-60 and the paint shop. . . . .

Yours,
Keith Stonebraker, GM 3/c

Dear Editor:

Just a line to say, "How is the General Electric getting along?" And to ask you to say hello via the WORKS NEWS to all I know in 19-B and 19-1 east and west end. Have been here since July 15. We left by plane arriving here four hours later. It takes 25 hours by train and 4 hours by plane. It's a small place.

We work 12 hours on and 24 hours off. It's not much good for you never get used to sleeping and eating. All of our ships have some small motors from G-E and all the voltage regulators and generators are G-E.

My wife, Maria, is with me now. She was employed by Mr. Tobias of 6-4 south end until December 17. She will also read my WORKS NEWS. She would also like to be remembered to all the girls on 6-4.

She arrived here Monday December 18, and her first night was 23° below zero. We have about 15 inches of snow now and will have more before this is gone. They say we will not see the ground again until about May 15. It gets so low as 40 to 50 below.

I now live off post so Maria and I will enjoy to get a little news from the gang there through the WORKS NEWS to read and talk over on these cold nights ahead.

If you find some of this to put in paper go ahead and cut some of it out.

So thanks for everything. Will see you sometime, but on my next furlough in February my wife and I are planning a trip to Canada.

So till I see everyone I know there, and I hope the next time I do come this will all be history,

Sincerely your,
PFC Edward A. Harrison

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address Elmer F. Baade, WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Best Wishes



V. C. Wike F. F. Martens

"Best wishes and regards to all," says Forrest F. Martens, Bldg. 26-3. He is a flight instructor in the Army Air Corps. Vernon C. Wike, Bldg. 17-2, is stationed at Ft Jackson, South Carolina.

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines to let you know I'm feeling pretty good. I've been hit a few times since I have been over here. I have the Purple Heart and the Oak-leaf Cluster. . . . Tell all in 17-1 I said hello and look to be back soon. Things get pretty rough over here sometimes. Keep up the good work and we will be home some day soon.

PFC Elroy Miller
Somewhere in Belgium

Can't Be Beat



R. Hart T. J. Freeman

PFC Thomas J. Freeman, Bldg. 4-4, a member of the Marines, says, "The G-E has been doing swell work and if they keep it up getting their work out like it has maybe this will be over soon. We all are hoping for V-day overseas, so keep it up. We are all for you back home." Robert Hart, S 1/c, was employed in Bldg. 17-3 before joining the Navy. "I work with G-E equipment all the time, and it can't be beat."

PFC David Smith is somewhere in Germany. He sent season's greetings and special regards to the old gang in Bldg. 26-3.

Lt. Harold Eggeman sent the best of Holiday and New Year wishes.

Dear Editor:

As a former employee and lathe operator in Bldgs. 19-5 and 26-4, I wish to express my gratitude to all of you at the G-E who have worked so loyally. It is most comforting to find good quality G-E products over here where quality as well as quantity really counts. Your new type bazooka, for example, is really tops, and I might add that it has helped many of the boys in this parachute outfit out of tight spots. I am glad to be back in England. . . . I do hope that all of you at the G-E have a very Merry Christmas this year, I only wish that we could all celebrate it together.

Sincerely,
Pfc. H. R. Neptune

Dear Editor:

. . . . At present I am in a hospital here in England. I had to come back for an operation, but I am over that now and will soon be going back to duty again. I was with my outfit through France, Belgium, Luxemburg, and was in Germany.

Give my regards to the gang in Bldg. 17-1. I would like to hear from some of my old friends back there. Well, I must close, so keep up the good work, and I am certainly looking forward to the time when I can start to work at the G-E again.

Sincerely yours,
T/5 Lloyd E. Mason

Elmer Dawson, Bldg. 4-2, wishes to thank everybody at the G-E who sent him a Christmas package.

Tec. 5 James A. Hankee, Jr., now in France, sent greetings for a Happy Holiday Season and the best for the New Year to his friends at the G-E.



The Best



R. Freygang R. J. Hurst

"During the two years I spent in the South Pacific I saw and used a lot of equipment built by G-E. It has always been the best. In my line of work we use the searchlights and other signalling equipment built by the G-E. Keep up the good work, and we'll win a lot quicker," says Robert J. Hurst, SM 2/c, who was employed in Bldg. 18-B. Richard Freygang, Bldg. 20-1, says, "I am in the electrical department aboard ship, so I've worked with General Electric equipment. The G-E equipment is tops."

Dear Friends:

Just a few lines to let you know that I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly and I want to thank you for it because it sure comes in handy. It's about my only source of news from my home town, so you can see why I appreciate it. I would like to write a longer letter, but we are pretty busy doing a little job we have to do over here. Tell all the boys in 26-5 that I said hello and I hope to be with them soon.

PFC Erwin Lepper

Somewhere in Germany

My Dear Friends:

Many times I have thought about writing, but I have failed to do so until now, but I have an excuse, and it is we have been very busy, so please accept my apology. I have been overseas now for a year and I guess I am as homesick as any other G. I. over here. I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS regular, although it is late to you at home, it is news and welcome news to me. I have come in contact with many pieces of machinery over here since D-day, and every time I see the G-E label it gives me a satisfied feeling to know that people at home are on the ball as always. I worked in 4-2 and 6-2 Broadway.

Your friend,
Cpl. Marion H. Spicklemeier

Pvt. Don Walters, somewhere in France, sent Christmas greetings to the Elex girls and the family of G-E workers. "Another G-E worker from the Schenectady Works and I have been together for over two years, so you see G-E travels the world. Tell everybody in Bldg. 4-4 hello and Louie Joseph in 6-B hello too for me."

Dear Editor:

. . . . I'm still in England. There is a lot of material in the equipment I have charge of that's made by General Electric. We try to keep up the morale of the boys in the hospital. I have been overseas now for over 18 months . . . . Give my regards to Mr. Uhrick of 26-2 lab and keep up the good work.

I remain,
Cpl. William Burke

Pvt. Herbert Brennan is stationed somewhere in France. "I hope the end comes soon so I can return to the G-E and all my friends."

Announce Retirement

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Company's stockholders totalled but 29,044, roughly one-tenth of the total today, and orders then totalled $179,000,000, or approximately one-tenth of its new business for 1944.

Mr. Young and Mr. Swope retired from their respective offices as Chairman and President on January 1, 1940, and were succeeded by Philip D. Reed and Charles E. Wilson, but resumed these offices in 1942 when Mr. Reed and Mr. Wilson entered war service. On September 8, 1944, both again retired but continued as directors until December 31, 1944.

In presenting their resignations as directors, Mr. Young and Mr. Swope sent the following letter to the Board:

"After long discussion and careful consideration, we have decided to offer our resignations from the Board of Directors of the General Electric Company effective on acceptance not later than the close of the present calendar year.

"When we retired, first in 1940, we offered to continue as members of the Board believing that was the best way to aid in the transition from one administration to another. Now that both the competence and the acceptance of the new administration is so completely established both within and without the organization the reason for that service no longer remains.

"Therefore, we think our greatest service to the Company can be rendered by making our advice available to its chief executives and through them to the Board when and as requested.

"Accordingly, we will be glad to be of use in a consulting capacity rather than a directing one. Our long association with the Company, our intimate and friendly relationship to its officers and to the members of the Board all insure the maximum use of such helpful aid as we can give."

Mr. Young was born in Van Hornesville, N. Y., October 27, 1874. He received his early education in the district school, East Springfield (N. Y.) Academy, and St. Lawrence University, where he was graduated in 1894 with an A.B. degree. He entered Boston University, having decided upon law as a career. Supporting himself by tutoring and serving as librarian, he completed the three-year law course in two years (LL.B. degree, 1896) and then began to practice in Boston. He lectured at Boston University Law School from 1896 to 1903.

His law work brought him in close contact with the newly-formed electrical engineering firm of Stone & Webster. In this way he gained an intimate knowledge of the electrical development which attracted the attention of the late Charles A. Coffin, then President of the General Electric Company. On January 1, 1913, Mr. Young was appointed to succeed the late Hinsdill Parsons, general counsel for the Company.

In addition to being general counsel for General Electric, Mr. Young was also elected vice president in charge of policy, and he became particularly interested in the welfare and treatment of employees. When Mr. Coffin resigned in May, 1922, Mr. Young was chosen as Chairman of the Board to succeed him.

Mr. Young has been a director of many large companies. He was chairman of the board of Radio Corporation of America until 1929. After World War I, he was a member of the first committee of experts appointed by the Reparations Commission in 1924. The chairman of this committee was General Charles G. Dawes, and it drew up a system of German reparations payments known as the "Dawes Plan." In 1924 Mr. Young was unofficial adviser of the London Conference of Premiers and agent general of reparations payments. In 1929 he became the chairman of a new committee of experts whose proposals on reparations were known as the "Young Plan."

The many honors he has received from governments and honorary degrees from colleges and universities are:

Union College, LL.D., 1922; St. Lawrence University, D.H.L., 1923; honorary doctor of laws degrees from Tufts College, Harvard University, Dartmouth College, 1924; Johns Hopkins, Yale, Colgate, Columbia universities, 1925; Rutgers, Princeton, Lehigh universities, 1926; Brown and New York universities, 1928; Hamilton College, 1929; University of California, 1930; Wesleyan University, 1931; Notre Dame University, 1932; Queens University (Canada), 1933; University of Nebraska, 1934; Marietta College, 1935; Syracuse University, 1940; from Rollins College the degree of Litt.D., 1936, and from New York University the degree of D.C.S., 1927.

He also received the gold medal from the National Institute of Social Sciences, 1923; commander of Legion of Honor, France, 1924; commander of Order of Leopold of Belgium, 1925; gold medal from Roosevelt Memorial Association, 1929, and the Grand Cross of Crown Belgium, 1930.

Mr. Young is a member of the American, the Massachusetts, the New York State and the City of Boston Bar associations; the League of Nations Association, and the American Philosophical Society; director of the Holstein-Fresian Association of America, St. Augustine Historical and Preservation Association, Museum of City of New York, and of the New York, Florida, and Lexington Historical Societies; and honorary director of the Mohawk Valley Towns Association, and Pilgrims of United States, S.A.R. He is a member of the National Grange.

Mr. Swope was born in St. Louis, Mo., December 1, 1872.

His first job, the result of a desire to see the Chicago World's Fair in 1893, was as a helper at $1 a day in the Chicago service shop of General Electric, while still an undergraduate at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was graduated from M. I. T. in 1895 with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering and returned to Chicago, this time in the shops of the Western Electric Company.

He had a rapid rise with the Western Electric organization, becoming general sales manager in 1908 and a vice president and director in 1913. During these years he made several business trips to Europe and the Orient and gained a wide acquaintance among foreign business men and statesmen.

He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his services on the general staff of the United States Army in 1918, in connection with the army's procurement and supply program. Mr. Swope was brought back to General Electric on January 1, 1919, by the late Charles A. Coffin, president of the Company, to become the first President of the newly-formed International General Electric Company.

Mr. Swope was elected president of General Electric in May, 1922, and chairman of the board of the International General Electric Company in April, 1927.

It was under Mr. Swope's direction that General Electric pioneered in the development of electric appliances for the home. While up to that time the Company had sold principally apparatus for producing and transmitting electricity, the great blessings of electricity were now made available to everyone in the form of labor-saving appliances, which, year by year, have helped to remove the crushing burden of housework from the shoulders of American housewives and enable them to take their rightful places in the lives of their families and the social work of their communities.

Mr. Swope has always had an intense interest in providing better educational facilities. He has financed the Gerard Swope Scholarships for undergraduates, both at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and at Union College. He is a trustee and life member of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Corporation and has been extremely active in furthering the work and guiding the activities of that institution.

Mr. Swope is a fellow of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, a member of various other scientific societies, and director of several companies.

He has been awarded the following honorary degrees: doctor of science, Rutgers University, 1923; doctor of science, Union College, 1924; LL.D., Colgate University, 1927; doctor of engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology, 1929; and doctor of science, Washington University, 1932.

In 1932 he was elected an honorary member of Tau Beta Pi.

He has also received many domestic and foreign citations, among them being: Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, France; gold medal from the National Institute of Social Sciences, 1932; gold medal and purse, in 1932, for signal contributions to electrical manufacturing industry; and the 1942 Hoover medal by the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, American Society of Civil Engineers, American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, and American Society of Mechanical Engineers for "constructive public service in the fields of social, civic and humanitarian effort."

Given Appointment



N. R. Richey

The appointment of N. R. Richey to the position of Administrative Engineer of the Specialty Transformer Division, effective January 1, is announced by E. J. Thomas, Engineer Specialty Transformer Division. Mr. Richey was first employed on October 1, 1900, when he started in the armature winding shop. In 1903 he transferred to the Testing Department and in 1906 to the Inspection Department. One year later he transferred to the Transformer Engineering Division, with which he has been associated since.

G-E Scientist

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With this plastic, replicas about two-millionths of an inch thick—or about one one-thousandth as thick as the cellophane wrapper on a cigarette package—can now be made of such surfaces, according to Dr. David Harker of the Research Laboratory, with whom Mr. Schaefer cooperated in developing the method. Replicas are used because it is not yet known how to make a slice of the metal itself thin enough to be transparent to electrons.

Although the replicas are very thin, they are thick enough to carry the impressions of the delicate contours of the surfaces on which they are made. These impressions consist of variations in thickness of the plastic film of a couple of ten-millionths of an inch, about the height of a pile of ten atoms, one above the other, says Dr. Harker.

"This is how it is done," he explains. "A very dilute solution of the plastic Formvar is placed on the metal surface, and then allowed to drain off—as much as it will—leaving a thin layer of plastic solution on the metallic surface. The specimen is left alone until the solvent, a liquid similar to ether called 'dioxane,' has all evaporated, leaving a very thin layer of the plastic coating the surface of the specimen. The coating follows the hills and valleys of the metal's surface perfectly, and, when it is removed, it is a replica of the surface, just as sealing wax that has hardened in contact with an engraved seal preserves a replica of the seal."

Missing In Action

Sgt. Anthony L. Schall, Taylor Street Plant, has been reported missing in action since December 5. He entered the army in November, 1943, and trained at Camp Blanding, Florida, and Ft. Meade, Maryland. He went overseas in May.

G-E Display

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tures of the year. The progress of men in the AAF toward their fighting goal is carried from cadet induction through arduous training to the graduation and flight to battle stations across the Pacific. It has boyish exuberance, some tragic events, the gradual orientation to sober resolution as the lads master their tasks—pilots, bombardiers, gunners, ground crews—and a rich and poignant balance of romance as young wives follow their men to the jumping-off place and hour. Tremendous emotional effect is achieved from all this. Essentially, despite its moments of grimness and sadness, the characters in the play and the picture itself have a quality of elation and confidence which audiences will like.

Assumes Important Post

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motor department of General Electric, then located at the Pittsfield Works. In 1911 he was named assistant engineer of the power motor engineering department, in 1920, engineer, and, five years later, managing engineer. In 1929, he was named manager of the Philadelphia Works, and, on February 1, 1936, he was appointed manager of the Fort Wayne Works.

Mr. Currie returned to Schenectady in September, 1939, to become assistant to W. R. Burrows, vice president in charge of manufacturing, responsible for finding, in the Company's various apparatus works, the facilities and manpower for turning out a large number of production jobs required by the government and our other customers. He continued as assistant to E. D. Spicer when Mr. Spicer was made vice president in charge of apparatus manufacturing.

After Pearl Harbor, when General Electric was called upon to perform greater production feats for the Navy than ever before, Mr. Currie was given special assignments in arranging for production of marine equipment, of which the most important was propulsion units for Merchant Marine and Navy ships.

This work was done in close cooperation with officials of the Navy, both in Schenectady and Washington. As the war progressed, the Navy called upon General Eletcric for propulsion machinery to drive what is hoped would be the answer to Germany's submarine challenge, the Destroyer Escort. America's entire capacity for turning out geared turbines for DE's was judged insufficient, and General Electric engineers designed in quick order a turbine electric unit no bigger than a small automobile.

Under the production program as planned it soon appeared that new factory space was required, and the Syracuse Turbine Plant was built, but meanwhile the need was urgent and men and space had to be found to turn out the equipment at once. Mr. Currie, as he did with his other production problems, arranged for the solving of this one, finding capacity during the interim in works such as Erie and River. The Navy called for an expanded program, and it was under Mr. Currie's direction that facilities were provided to meet it.

Mr. Currie comes into his new responsibilities rich in experience in a wide field of activity within the Company.

Waste Paper Drive On January 13

The WORKS NEWS has been asked to call the attention of all employees to the paper salvage drive which will be held on Saturday, January 13. It is to be appreciated that paper is one of the critical items needed during war-time. Scrap paper should be placed in boxes or bundles and set at the curb by eight o'clock in the morning on the date given above. In the last drive Fort Wayne established a record when a collection of 1,200 tons of paper were collected.

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST
FORT WAYNE

No. 128 December 29, 1944 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

Electronic Counter And Tachometer



Because of exacting requirements on "Quick Stop" Solenoid-Brake equipped Motors, the apparatus pictured above was developed for production testing.

By means of an "Electric Eye," this apparatus not only checks the running speed but counts the number of coasting revolutions between full speed and standstill when power is turned off the motor.

The rotor stops in 8 revolutions from 19,000 R.P.M. and is at a standstill in approximately 0.04 sec. after switching.

MAIN OFFICE — Contents

The girls of Bldg. 18-2 enjoyed their annual Christmas party at the Castle Cafe with a big turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Each girl received a lovely gift. . . . Farewell and good wishes go to Ruth Young and Betty Crawford who have been transferred from Bldg. 18-2 to Bldgs. 6-4 and 6-2 respectively. . . . Doris Miller also from Bldg. 18-2, was greatly elated over the bottle of French perfume she received from her friend who is stationed in France. . . . Our deepest sympathy to H. D. Kelsey on the recent death of his mother. . . . Florence Badger, Bldg. 18-5, had the surprise of her life the other day. Coming back from lunch, and approaching her desk, she noticed Shirley Seward apparently sitting with her chin comfortably resting on the edge of the desk. However, seems that Shirley was only sitting on a small stool!!! . . . Everyone in the Data Bureau wishes to report that they had a swell time at Mabel Link's Christmas exchange held at her home in Waynedale. . . . Ask Ray White, Data Bureau, to tell you the cute story about his little son Byron. You'll really get a bang out of it. We did. Also, please notice the beautiful blush on his face as he tells the story. That is really somethin'!!! . . . Art Ulmer, Bldg. 18-5, certainly does like sweets. Naturally I'm referring to candy. Incidentally, he seems to have suffered no ill effects from the mistletoe that was floating around during the holidays. . . . Pvt. Robert J. Ort of Camp Hood, Texas, formerly employed in Bldg. 18-B, visited the gang during the past week. . . . Don Weberus, now attending Yale University, and formerly from Bldg. 18-B, also visited us last week. . . . Annabelle Steinbarger, Bldg. 18-B, received a lovely diamond for Christmas. . . . Erma Lagemann, Bldg. 18-5, was the lady who really rated when she celebrated her completion of 25 years service with the G-E Co. She received both a white and a purple orchid. Congratulations and best wishes to you, Erma. . . . Eloise Kartholl, Bldg. 18-5, nearly kicked the bucket when three green snakes jumped at her from a can of peanut brittle. She owes her survival to her strong heart and constitution. Was her face red! . . . Did you see that pipe that Ed Hagadorn, Bldg. 18-5, was gripping between his teeth. Really flashy and trimmed in gold too. He goes all out for smoking equipment. . . . Nina Clester, also from Bldg. 18-5, is really on the beam after spending a few days with her husband who was home on furlough. Nice Christmas present, eh, Nina? . . . December 20 the production Dept. held their Christmas party at the Vet's. The committee did an excellent job of planning and everyone had a very nice time. Out-of town guests were: W. J. Borth and W. S. Murphy from Schenectady and M. P. J. Minter of the Chicago office. A. E. Leider was master of ceremonies. . . . December 21 the Order & Stores section held a dinner and dance at the Vet's. Frank Hammond served as M-C, assisted (very professionally) by Andy Gerber. How Andy always manages to be the "life of the party" we'll never know. Where did you get all the ideas, Andy? . . . The Telegraph section held their Christmas party December 21 at the Y. M. C. A. After the dinner (and it was very good, they say) they went to Louise Buesking's home where gifts were exchanged, and games played. Jitterbugging also held a spot in the evening's entertainment—bet Betty Raucci (18-4's queen of jitterbugging) was the instigator. Wonder when she's going to charge for the lessons she gives. . . . Ruth Bullerman of the Telegraph section fell last week and broke her arm. Take it easy, Ruth, and come back soon. . . . Betty Bohde, Bldg. 17-3, is flashing a brand new diamond since Christmas. The lucky fellow is Carl Rash, formerly a member of G-E's family. He's serving with Uncle Sam's forces overseas, and at present is a prisoner of war in Germany. Best of luck, Betty, and our sincerest wishes for your future happiness. . . . Last Saturday the Accounting section bade farewell to Louise Lemper, who had been with us for quite a number of years. The office presented her with a gift as a token of their appreciation. We'll miss you lots, Louise, and hope you'll kinda miss us too. . . . Betty Jane Toole, Estel Sewell, Esther Klemm, Betty Bohde, Berniece Korte, Dorothy Frosch, Lois Emmert, Gladys Hurst, Gertrude Merkel, Marita Yehl, Ann McCarthy, Helen Brindle, Dorothy Volz, Mary K. Hostetter and Lucile Zimmerman attended the Order & Stores, Bldg. 17-3, office potluck which was held in their office one noon last week. . . . Margaret Kivi, Margaret Wood, Mary Ramey, Angela Baltes, Ann Klint, Margaret Buroker, Claire Blotkamp, and Rachael Luellen, all from Bldg. 18-3, had their Christmas dinner at the Yacht Club. After the dinner they all went to Margaret Vivi's apartment for their exchange.

Industry uses a temperature above 5,000 degrees Fahrenheit in electric graphitizing furnaces to convert carbon electrodes into graphite electrodes. Both types of electrodes are used in electric furnaces to melt and refine steel and other metals.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Buildings 8 and 12

Christmas came a little early for Edward Brinkman. He received a very nice wrist watch from his son in the Pacific a week before Christmas. . . . Everyone should follow Donna Wagoner's example. She allows herself two hours to go only about twenty-five miles. Do you walk in, Donna? . . . Gerhard Harbarth is ready for anything these days—even to carrying a spade in his car. Maybe he is afraid he will get stuck! . . . Last weekend Ida Erbe attended a family reunion of her three brothers and three sisters. This was the first time they had been together in thirty-five years. . . . Chester Stienbarger wants to warn everyone to be sure and carry an ice pick with them on these snowy days. It surely would have come in handy when Chester left the ventilator of his car open and it snowed in under the accelerator. . . . Elenore Plock entertained the gang at her home at a Christmas party last week. Everyone had lots of fun, Eleanore! . . . Ethel Heller has made an addition to the game of pinochle. Did you know you can meld four nines of different suits? . . . Edna Fahlsing and Grace Bedsworth are experts on dancing the rumba. Anyone interested just join in and start up a class. They are good teachers. . . . Amel Beck, Building 8-2, has improved his shooting 100% since he discarded that small bore cannon he used for scaring rabbits. He now owns a neat .22 match target rifle and proved his ability to use it by shooting a perfect score at the rifle range recently. . . . "Herb" Sherer and "Slim" Lothamer, Bldg. 8-2, are two oldtimers when it comes to target shooting. Both have perfect scores chalked to their credit and, together with Amel Beck, hold both the Director of Civilian Marksmanship and the National Rifle Association expert ratings. . . . Carl Hankel, Bldg. 8-1, was seen smoking a different pipe the other day. Could this mean that he is really going to put his "old faithful" on pension? Carl's "battle-scarred" pipe has served him for many years and by looking at it today one would wonder how it ever functioned as long as it did. The top of the bowl is cut away and it is held together by small pieces of wire. Carl stated that this was the best pipe he had ever smoked and could never buy another that would take its place. . . . Ursel Springer, Bldg. 8-1, is beginning to show a touch of old age creeping upon him. He went rabbit hunting recently and after a day's tramping in the snow, could barely manage to get to work the next day. He did, however, bag some rabbits, which wasn't so bad after all.

A blackout street light, based on new British specifications, gives light equivalent to the flame of a single candle—and as the eye becomes accustomed to the light, persons or objects can be seen at distances of 30 to 40 feet.

Skylines From 4-5

Pvt. Harold C. Sutton,
Hospital Plant.

Hi Harold:

Your 15x64 gang has split up somewhat and have gone over to join the 15x67 group. John Lacey is our new stewart now. We all enjoyed your V-mail letter written to Mr. Weigman. . . . Rosie Koehlinger is back with her sunny smile. You know Rosie was on our sick list for sometime. . . . While strolling through the train depot one night who should we bump into but a sailor. Oh, not just a sailor for it turned out to be John Capin. He was home for the holidays and was leaving for the boardwalk—Atlantic City, N. J. He makes a fine looking sailor. . . . Bill Koenig has been grinning from ear to ear. He's a grandpa for the first time. . . . It looks as though Santa Claus gave all the gals some loud bobby socks for Christmas. Now, they can swoon to Sinatra but if Frankie could see Leola Hart's new shoe strings he would probably swoon to her. . . . Bob Hughes is our good samaritan for this week. There were two "36" Fords parked in the parking lot by one another, exact color and everything. The windshields were covered with snow so Bob took a cardboard and cleaned off one of the windshields beautifully. He then discovered it was the wrong Ford. All Bob had left to clean his own window was his fingernails. . . . Glen Beers hair stands up as if he were scared but he still refuses to use hair oil for the guys told him if he did, he would end up with hair like Bob Kelsey. . . . Hoping our little note finds you in the best of health. We remain,

THE GANG

Sleuthing In 4-6

Now that the holidays are over, Bill McIver is making plans for a garden and orchard. He blew in the other morning with a colorful catalog from an Arkansas nursery, which reminds us that, in spite of all the ice and snow, the season for planting and for spring fever is not so very far away. . . . Gwen Southern has a nice warm pair of Campus boots that are wonderful for walking through the snow, but not very practical in the office. So she carries her shoes to work in her hand. Well, as usually happens, the morning came when Gwen forgot her shoes. However, Phyllis Bertsch a friend in need, was right on hand to search the floor for a pair of shoes just the right size, so everything turned out all right. . . . Jo Barr, of the Raw Material Section, is wearing a beautiful diamond ring since Christmas, a gift from her fiance, who was home on furlough after two years in the Pacific theatre. . . . Mr. Hageman, also of Raw Material, was lucky enough to have his son home for Christmas. . . . Paul Ohnesorge picked up the receiver the other day and a feminine voice asked for Lloyd Grodrian. It happened that Lloyd wasn't there at the moment, but his co-worker, Karl Reid, was. So Paul asked, "Would Karl Reid do?" The lady replied that Karl would not do, since she was married to Lloyd and wanted to speak to her husband. Was your face red, Paul? . . . Gloria Openlander and her girl friend went to a downtown store to do some last minute Christmas shopping, and before they knew it it was closing time. As the girls lined up with a crowd leaving the store, they found themselves in the midst of a group of employees, and when they stepped outside, the manager of the store shook their hands and wished them a very Merry Christmas.

Decaturites

Sammy Dellinger has all the makings of a good traffic cop. All Sammy needs is the uniform and the traffic. Confidentially, he did a very good job in the parking lot last Thursday night after work. . . . Doris Beerbower became the bride of Pvt. Kenneth Shell in an impressive ceremony on December 23. The newlyweds spent the past week honeymooning. Too bad the Army and the G-E had to call so soon. . . . Old age must be creeping up on Vilas Bollinger. One night he got struck in a snowdrift and had to shovel and push his way out. The next night he was so stiff and sore he could hardly move. The next time you get stuck, Vilas, be sure to have some of your riders with you. . . . Santa Claus is a grand old fellow, at least that's what Fern Passwater thought Christmas morning when she discovered he had brought her a diamond ring. . . . Tom Emshwiller is back at work after a week's vacation. . . . Dick Steele is back after several weeks' illness. . . . We have quite a few candidates for June brides or maybe before. Those displaying new diamonds include: June Stauffer, Tech. Sgt. James Dresser, U. S. Army, is the lucky fellow; Helen Roop, from Carl Barnett; Irene Heiman, from Gerald Groves, U. S. Army; Peggy Staley, from A. "Butch" Rehm, of Fort Wayne; Beatrice Mathys, from Chester Isch; and Florence Geimer from John Koors. . . . Imagine a little rip in Jake Eady's pants being important enough that he had to rush home and have it sewn up. A stitch in time saves nine, eh, Jake? . . . In spite of the fact that the cold weather hovered around the bubble, the midnight alleycats howled last week at regular session on the alleys at the club. Bowling was the chief topic in which the four teams indulged. The Thunderbolts, Jake Eady commanding, were unable to find the head pin, and as a result the Commandos took them for a sleigh ride, capturing two out of three games. Stults' Fireballs were unable to find the blaze and were stifled by the smoke from Rawley's Blue Streaks, Rawley taking all three games. Steele was high score man for the evening with a 216 score. . . . Iva Teeple, of the tool cage, has been exploiting her New Year's gift, a diary, of all things, and a king's size pencil to go with it. . . . Herman Pence won first prize of $20 by bowling a 708 in the G-E Club Singles Tournament. . . . Joe Globig called, seeking advice on how to win the doubles. Herewith it is: "Bowl with a male partner. Bowl on night when only males are bowling. Should this be impossible, then concentrate on bowling on assigned alley only. He further advised that items of beauty are passing events but the glory of winning lives on." No sooner had he closed this conversation than invitations started returning to his desk. Some prankster had sent many of them to his friends inviting them to a card party with refreshments at his house at his expense. At 5 o'clock Herman was still unable to make a statement for the press but he did manage, "the time and place will be announced soon." . . . News story entitled "Small But Fast" or "What Price Health" or "The Best Laid Plans of Mice and Men Go Wrong" by Tony DeLagrange, as heard by ghost writer: "I walk along Highway 27 every morning, caring not for rain, cold, sleet, snow or sunshine. Usually, I get 'picked up' about a mile out of Fort Wayne, which is a joyous pleasure. But the other cold, cold morning the car which furnishes this joyous pleasure became entangled with a snowbank, and I walked about six or seven or eight miles before a horn played welcome music to my blushing ears. I was only forty-five minutes late for work, but my delicate nose and sensitive ears were still very much on the red-colored side at noon." The end. . . . Peggy Gaunt, whose wedding will occur on January 28, was honored with a miscellaneous shower last week. Annabelle Doan, Kathleen Fryback and Mrs. Jud Acheson were hostesses of the lovely affair. Peggy received many beautiful and useful gifts. Guests of the party included the co-workers of Plant 2 and a few close friends. . . . S/Sgt. Harold J. Keller has returned to Amarillo, Texas, after spending a seven-day furlough at home. . . . Ted Bollinger of the U. S. N., spent a few days' leave with his parents and friends, and also became engaged to Ruth Gillig of our city. . . . Howard Elzy, Mickey McClure and Jim Meyers of the U. S. Army were visitors at the plant last week. . . . Herb Braun and "Chuck" Cook, who have been given medical discharges from the Army, have returned to the G-E at Decatur where they are serving on the home front. We are happy to have them with us again. . . . We have received word from the parents of Jack Eady, who is stationed in England, that he received our Christmas box and says "Thanks a lot." . . . In a letter to George Laurent, "Mungo" Meyers wishes to extend his greetings to all his friends. . . . We have received word that Leo Hackmann is now stationed in Belgium. . . . Pvt. Frances Kraner is stationed at Fitzsimon's Gen. Hospital, Denver. Colorado. . . . Season's greetings were received recently from Sgt. Wayne Bodle, Pvt. George Womack in France, Kenneth Chilcote, F 1/c, in the Western Pacific, Cpl. Ermel Shook in Belgium, who also thanks us for the Christmas box which reached him in fine shape, and the WORKS NEWS. . . . Don Fruchte, M.M. 3/c, sends us a letter from the Pacific thanking us for the Christmas package. Don is aboard a carrier and spends most of his time in routine duty, he says.

"France.

"Dear Gecode Club:

"Just a few lines from a former G-E employee to let you know I'm still going but ever looking forward to the time when I can be back with G-E once again.

"May I use this manner in expressing my thanks for the swell packet of stationery I received from you sometime ago. This is being written on one of the forms, and I can't tell you how appropriate they are. Stationery seems to be one of the scarcities over here so your gift pack certainly 'filled the bill.'

"The G-E NEWS has been reaching me very regularly, and it's full of interest, not only for me, but the other fellows around me enjoy going through it. Naturally 'Decaturites' holds the biggest interest for me. Reading about everyone around there is next to a letter from a friend back home. The editor's description of Decatur as it is now certainly brought back fond memories of a little spot in Indiana I'll never forget.

"Letters and news of men in service rate next, especially when a letter or news from an acquaintance appears.

"All in all, Gecode Club, let me compliment you on a swell job you are doing for all of us. It's appreciated above explanation, so keep up the good work, for we'll really be looking forward to hearing more from you.

"Thanks once again for everything. Loads of luck to all of you and a Merry Christmas to everybody back at G-E.

"Hope I'm back with you real soon.

"A grateful employee,

"Cpl. Raymond Franz."

No Way To Treat Good Motors



These salt-encrusted G-E units are being inspected after operating for a long period while being doused with harsh solution of salt spray, the motors meanwhile being switched constantly off and on. It's tough treatment, but it's like what they'd get in real service, and these tests result in tougher motors.

Killed In Action

Sgt. John F. Denton, Bldg. 26-5, was killed in action in France on November 20, 1944, according to word received here.

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

Members of the Kokomo G-E Club wish to take this opportunity to thank the Fort Wayne G-E Club for making our first Children's Christmas party possible, and the great success it was. The party was held at 10:00 A.M. December 23, at the Colonial Theater, with about 350 children attending. Movies were enjoyed and group singing was led by Santa Claus, after which followed distribution of gifts. . . . You can tell Christmas has "come and went" here in the Kokomo Plant by the display of new shirts and ties on the male members of the force. Charlie Griffith really has some beautiful jobs, and we hear that J. B. Kaade and Ralph "We're just getting ready for a bobsled party" Dennison did all right too. . . . The week prior to Christmas was full of social affairs, such as the dinner party which the factory girls held at the Frances Hotel, December 19. The party was not only one in celebration of Christmas, but also for Zelpha Turner's birthday. Zelpha was presented with a lovely 12-inch birthday cake, which she proceeded to cut into 29 pieces. (How did those crumbs taste, girls). At the same time our new bride, Nancy Ruman Stanley, was presented with a blanket. Bingo bridge was enjoyed, after which was the exchange of gifts. From all reports the party was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. . . . Also in the way of parties was the one held by the office girls at the social rooms of the Y. W. C. A. A highlight of the evening was the handkerchief shower given for Mrs. Sherman Barnhart, formerly Eileen Sailors. After the guests had thoroughly stuffed themselves on the delicious dinner, dancing was enjoyed and gifts exchanged. Consensus showed that the affair was quite a success. . . . Welcome to Marcella Fridlin, new member of the Production section. . . . Gayle Stripe would like to use this medium of exchange to find out if Ralph McVay misses the kittens at the Courtland Hotel. How about it, Mac? . . . Words of wisdom—Lew Gossman, quote "There is plenty of nuthin' around here." . . . Hope Wilma Kirby makes it back soon. She has been ill all week. . . . Congratulations to Hazel Baron on her twenty-first birthday, Dec. 31. . . . And our heartiest congratulations to Mark Bartz on the new female addition to his family, namely Linda Jean Bartz, born December 29. . . . The Sycamore Kid, Bob Taylor to the rank and file, really hit the road recently, or should we say the ditch. That is what you get for living out in no-man's land. . . . Complaint Department — Celestine Collins "I go all year in perfect health, Christmas comes and I have a pain in my neck and can't go any place." Now that would drive any lady to something or other, wouldn't it? . . . A word of advice to Betty Gilson—that she also look at the hour hand on the clock, in addition to looking at the minute hand. She jumped out of bed at 5:30 Friday morning and arrived at the plant at approximately 3 minutes till 7—her usual time being 3 minutes till 8. She couldn't figure out why there were so few people about, and asked someone if it were Sunday. They said no, but that it wasn't quite 7 o'clock yet. To make this tragic story short, Betty came in and went back to bed. . . . Earl Hartley has finally come into his own. He is now a proud grandfather. Congratulations, Earl. . . . The girls in Stator Winding presented Ralph Armey and Herschel Marsh with gift certificates for hats for Christmas. They were both pleasantly surprised and very well pleased. . . . This is really news. One of our new Tool Room foremen, Charles Myers, arrived in here at 7:30 one morning, having driven from Fort Wayne. That is really setting a good example, and should make some of the rest of us look to our laurels. And we want to welcome you to Kokomo, Charlie. . . . We hear that Stu Monroe had a very good time over Christmas week-end. . . . If you smell anything down around Personnel, it is just Rosie Lovegrove. She is now bathing in Woodhue, since Christmas . . . . We want to wish everyone the best of luck and success in the coming year.

Poinsatte Pistols

Here we are on New Year's Day with everyone starting out with their New Year's resolutions of full speed ahead on production. . . . Happy birthdays were in order for Harriet Bohler and Mary Shoda. A surprise birthday dinner at the English Terrace was given for Harriet. Her place was marked with a beautiful corsage of orchid baby mums. Those who shared in helping her have a grand time were—Dorothy Hemsoth, Mildred Banberry, Luella Kappel, Gertrude Hockemeyer, Connie Coppolino and Virginia Durbin, a former employee from the Inspection group. The new bride, Barbara Grelauch, is back with us and ready to start the new year right. . . . We all hope Bernice Emery had a wonderful time on her vacation down at London, Ohio. "Tied up by a sleet storm and no busses running" is a very good alibi, we'll say. . . . We understand Mr. Hauck's muscles are quite astounding. He pulls the gear shift right out of the floor of his car—a very bad way not to get to work on time, Irv! . . . Ruth Turner especially enjoyed the holidays, for her son and daughter were both home from college. . . . Would like to be able to tell you something about our new guard, Forest Calkins, but he is so quiet you would hardly know he is around. Will keep our ears open though. Hope to have something for you soon. . . . Reward for finding two hats, one black and one white. Return to Mary and Luella. Hang onto your hats, girls. . . . A frequent visitor to our building, who is now to be a permanent and welcome fixture is little Betty Fry (Navy Inspector) from Winter Street Navy Office. . . . Dalia Huber was passing New Year kisses around the building early Monday morning. Don't get excited though, they were only candy ones. . . . Everyone is making New Year's resolutions; wonder how long they can keep them. We understand Charlie O'Connor has taken a vow to say nothing except "Good Morning" and "Good Night." Connie is going to write her column on Monday instead of waiting until the last minute. Betty says she has been so good all year she doesn't have to make any resolutions. Ed Stauffer promises not to have any more tantrums over his telephone book and chair being misplaced. Bob Mann and Mrs. Turner are not going to wear out any more carpets worrying about non-receipt of terminal strips, etc. . . . The cooperation of everyone in helping to write this column this coming year will be appreciated. Any funny stories, situations and news events turned in to Connie will help. If we could persuade our artist, Alyce Swaim, to come through with some of her etchings this column would be a sensation. How about it, Alyce?

There are 10,000 lamp sockets on a battleship, 800 on a submarine and 50 on a PT-boat. They range from ¼-watt (for instrument lighting surgical uses) to 2,100 watts in searchlights.

WINTER STREET — Rumblings —

"Somewhere with the Third
"Army, December 1, 1944.
"Dear Friends of Power Drive:



"Just a few lines tonight to let you all know I am still O.K. and I very often think back on the days while at Power Drive. I received the letter from the Winter Street Division Editor, and enjoyed it very much, for mail from home, etc., is the most important thing over here.

"I see by the papers, G-E WORKS NEWS, etc., that the three G-E Plants are producing more service equipment every day and I'm sure everyone of us can be very proud to have such an army of ambitious workers behind us and to know the needed equipment is on its way, or will be, as soon as possible.

"Well, I guess I'll bring this little visit to a close for this time and I hope to be back there in your midst before too long.

"As ever,
"Cpl. William J. Allen

"P.S. Thanks a million for the consideration all of you give us servicemen."

Spare Parts

A Christmas party was enjoyed Friday evening by the following from the Spare Parts section at the home of Frances Walker: Jeanne Bond, Velma Strayer, Mary Seiter, Reichie Meyer, LaVon Graft, Eda Sweeney, Lola Funk, Phyllis Mountz, Ruth Jenes and Frances Walker. A lovely potluck dinner was served at six and the entire evening was spent in finding the gift exchanges which were located in various places, and the playing of games. Upon departure a very Merry Christmas was echoed by all. We wish to thank Frances Walker and Ruthie Meyer for the fine entertainment and their efforts in making such a success of the party.

Refrigeration Assembly

The holidays seemed to either give too much time for sleep, or not enough, because there were never so many people yawning, as there were last Tuesday morning. But from what I hear, everyone had a nice Christmas. . . . Joe Schneider had the misfortune of losing his wedding ring last week, but also had the fortune of having it returned by a certain honest young man, who found it the same day. . . . Bill Kelsey recently returned a primer to George Jackson, which he had borrowed from George forty-five years ago. Now we can understand the intelligence and the brilliant minds of Bill and his tool room gang. My, he sure took long enough to study that book! . . . Tommy Hayden seems to be walking around in a world of his own. From what they tell me, Tommy arose bright and chipper one morning, hopped out of bed, fixed his breakfast, and started off in his flivver to pick up his riders. As he drove up to the house, he noticed that everything was still dark and so decided to return home to see what was wrong. When he got home, he looked at the clock and lo and behold, it was only 4 a.m. It didn't take long for Tommy to plop himself on the davenport to sleep until morning. . . . We were very sorry to hear of the death of Art Ternet, one of our fine fellow workers, who passed away at his home last Sunday morning. . . . We had a new girl added to our gang last Thursday. Pretty little Mildred Butts. Welcome, Mildred; we're glad to have you. . . . Bob Bauch had a mishap over the Christmas holiday, when he slipped on the ice and went for a loop, thereby causing him to lose a day of work. . . . Here's hoping that everyone had a fine New Year's holiday, and that the New Year brings us Victory.

Power Drive Office

'Twas the day before Christmas vacation and there was mistletoe in the office. From there, just use your imagination. All we can say here is, a good time was had by all. . . . Bob Schulte is spending his annual vacation in Grand Rapids this week. . . . Walter Konow received a real Christmas present. His son, Pvt. Walter Konow, Jr., of Camp Blanding, Florida, arrived home on Christmas Day.

Production

Betty Wilson is displaying a sparkler on her third finger left hand. Congratulations, Betty. . . . Sometime ago we mentioned that John Quaintance's tie looked like he took the hacksaw to it; well, this week he was seen borrowing a tie from Ralph Schlup. What goes on here? . . . The Production section would like to extend their deepest sympathy to Bill Stockwell, whose father passed away Sunday, December 24.

Tool Room and Maintenance

John Schoedel goes on the lemonade wagon the first of the year and he is now busy collecting lemons. Largest one brought in to date is one by Ellsworth Geller that was grown in a hothouse and is about four times normal size. . . . Allen Anderson is visiting in Wisconsin this week while on vacation. . . . The Winter Street basketball team continues undefeated as they thumped Small Motor Office, last year's champions, 42-26. . . . Emily Colvin, the candy lady, celebrated her birthday New Year's Day. She claims she will be collecting her old age pension any day now, but we doubt it.

Shipping

Doris Polley's husband did a modern version of Sir Walter Raleigh last week when he carried her over the deep snow from the door to his car. . . . The new girl in our office is Iris Engle of Pennville, Indiana. . . . Joan Diehl has left for Indiana University.

Power Drive—Assembly Room

We were sorry to see Ethel Johnson leave us last week. Now who will Gerke tease. Good luck and hope you will be back, Ethel. . . . Hal Fisher had a narrow escape on Christmas Day as he wrapped his car around a tree. That ice is really sumpin'! Luckily his family was uninjured, but Hal got a cut on his head. . . . We are glad to have Max Fisher back again looking as pert as ever. Good to see you, Max. . . . Dorothy Fuhs did exceptionally well bowling last week. Good work! . . . Walter Vancurran has been ill for a couple of weeks. . . . Well—fellows don't forget all those New Year's Resolutions—any left??

Engineering

Oscar Mensch reached his lowest level last week when his chair overturned. Rumor has it that Walt Schmidt assisted because Oscar wouldn't drive him home. . . . That "exceptable child" of "Pop" Lynch's kept him up all night her first evening home.

Are Awarded Patent



Dean C. Rinehart



Albert A. Ralston

Dean C. Rinehart and Albert A. Ralston, engineers of the AC&Cr Division, Winter Street Plant, have been granted a joint patent covering a new design of drinking water cooler. The patent grants 13 claims covering ideas wherein various functional parts of the water cooler also serve as structural members and on the use of a cooling unit including a water reservoir of ceramic material. Mr. Ralston was also granted a patent containing eight claims, covering water cooling units, the water containers of which are made of ceramic material. The patent covers cooling units for cooling both bottled water and water under pressure.

These patents are Mr. Rinehart's third and Mr. Ralston's third and fourth.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

Everyone in Bldg. 20-2 would like to thank all who made their party a big success. And from what we hear and have seen it was just that. Ed O'Neill was chairman, assisted by Dale Lyons, William Schible, Art Davis and several others who worked to make the party the real thing. Velma Lehman furnished the music, which consisted of an orchestra for dancing, and she had her six girl vocalists there to sing all the gang's requests. "Shorty" Lawson put on a magic act which set some of the people back on their heels. No doubt the most bewildered was Dick Gallmeier, who conducted a personal investigation after the party was over to find out just what happened to those dice in the box. Art Davis served his summer drinks a little out of season when he served ice coffee. Jay Greer and Art Everett put on what they called a swan dance. Doyal White passed out the refreshments (which did not belong to him) and Elmer Messing took his same old stand in the front row and made it bad for the rest as the light flashed from his very smooth head. Dr. Bud Montague was on hand to furnish any medical attention that was necessary. Most of the people were still going around Monday picking the turkey out of their teeth and speaking of turkey, there was plenty of it and also the soda pop was plentiful. Several attendance prizes were given away with the Hatfields, Hanauers, and Piersons doing all right for themselves.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Have you kept any of those resolutions you made last week? We are happy to see Emma Groves has returned to work after an illness. . . . Larimore and a couple of boys got together and rolled up their supply of holiday cigarettes only to find after Harold clipped and inspected each one, the tobacco had a few unwelcome guests, so they're out on the "fag find" with the rest of us. . . . Did you know—Dot Fuhs rolled high game bowling Wednesday night; come on out gals, let's all get back in the groove this year. . . . What could have happened to Bill Weis' cleaning cart last Saturday? Seems it came up missing.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

We are taking this opportunity to express our thanks to Ed Sonday for his cordial Christmas Greeting and wish for him a Happy New Year and a speedy recovery. . . . Esther Snyder celebrated her birthday with a dinner party at the Griddiron Room. She received a gift and corsage from the guests, who were: Hazel Walker, Helen Klinker, Joan France, Emily Bedree and Mildred Close. . . . Elaine Walker, who is wearing a new diamond ring, says it won't be long until she'll be wearing the one that goes with it. . . . The Upper Ten Club celebrated their Christmas party with a dinner at the Colonial Gardens followed by a party and gift exchange at the home of Mary Ellen McFadden. Members attending the party were Mabel Didrick, Mary Gen McFadden, Diana Horstmeyer, Ellen Roberts, Marjorie Baker, Grace Bird, Irena McIntosh, Mary Ellen McFadden and Ida Walling. . . . Myralene Liddy has a new indoor sport —baiting mousetraps. She can hardly wait to come to work mornings to see how good a catch she's made. . . . We wonder if that popular periodical in their article on isms is referring to those two cows of Virgil Allmandinger's? . . . We understand that Marjorie Rall is now an ardent devotee of that sport, "snipe hunting." . . . We extend our sympathy to Winfield Lamont and Jean Reynolds in the death of his wife and her grandmother, Mrs. Lamont.

The following is an excerpt from a letter received from Timothy Dixie, now serving in Hawaii, who formerly worked in 19-5:

"Say hello to the boys at the General Electric for me. Tell them I am having a good time and I will bring them a Jap back when I come. Tell them that I see in the WORKS NEWS that the Sixth War Bond drive is on. I think that it is a fine thing for everyone to help the boys in the Army to win this war.

"Timothy Dixie."

A tiny motor inside the high voltage X-ray tube spins the electrode to keep it from being burned up by electrons.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Henry Wittber was taking his son for a ride around the block on his sled and upon attempting to remove son after first trip to go in to supper there was a howl of such a degree as finally induced a second trip and Hank, being completely winded after that was astounded by a request to play horsey but, as you guessed, a horseying they did go. . . . Hubert Langer is grieving with a just cause. A taxi clipped off a fender New Year's Eve while he was visiting a friend; on the way home he ran into the ditch, burned out a coil trying to get out, and is now more convinced than before that he should get a telephone. . . . August Wiegand is a bicycle rider who could teach the Old World riders a few things when it comes to continuous year-around riding on the tricky two-wheeler. Heretofore he has never failed greeting the robins in spring, jaybirds in summer, ducks going south in fall, snowbirds in winter, but, yea! at long last he has deserted the byways with his sit-down-and-run steed, caused by recent heavy snow, and believe it or not, but he was observed on a city street bus. When and where is this snow going to cease its unbelieving wonders! . . . We wonder if Bud Dunlap has a habit of going to sleep when he goes to all moving picture shows. Bud recently was over to a fellow worker's house to see a sketch of his play acting and when it came to the finish Bud was found fast asleep, enjoying every moment of it. . . . It seems that John "Burple" Allen is always in the wrong. He's sporting a nice black eye, which he claims he received in a basketball game, just as beefsteak is rationed again. Too bad, Johnny, no more meat to eat for a week. . . . Santa Claus and the New Year must have been good to some of the fellows because the number of pipes being smoked dropped off considerably this last week; however, Paul "Tex" Brinkroeger was seen still rolling his own. . . . George Horner and Don Carrier wish it to be known that they do not accept any honors such as being voted the best looking guys on our floor. Besides they wish to be referred to as the Frankenstein Brothers. If another such election is held they want it known that they are twenty-one and have a right to vote; so keep future elections on the "up and up." . . . Bob Mesing is avoiding all his pals these days. As ticket agent for Valpo-Great Lakes game Bob was going to get the best seats in the house. As it happens these seats are up the highest and Bob's personal seat is in the first row. . . . Lyman Steele loves to play Santa Claus when it only costs him a dime. . . . John Hengsteler thinks Chick Abbott sings similar to Frank Sinatra because when Chick sings John's kids burst their sides laughing. . . . Bill Trumbower is driving a horse and sleigh to work these days. He says the county hasn't gotten around to cleaning the snow off his roads so he can drive his car to work. . . . Bob Piquignot and Homer Rider of the Tool Division basketball team have really begun to find their scoring eye. It's their consistent scoring that has put the toolers back into the Inter-department race.

Germicidal lamps are electrically identical to fluorescent lighting lamps. The health lamps, however, are made of a special glass which transmits the shortwave ultraviolet radiation, while the fluorescent tubes have no phosphor on the inside to convert the ultraviolet to visible light.

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

I did not wish one and all a Merry Christmas in this column, neither did I wish them a Happy New Year, so as I will not be left completely out, I wish you all a very, very cloudy Ground Hog Day. . . . I would like to make one New Year's resolution which is as follows: I will try to the best of my ability to keep throughout the New Year the inner feelings I had through the holidays, the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man and the undying hope of peace on earth and goodwill to men. . . . The 4-4 Salaried Group had a great big Christmas party on Dec. 21 at the Phi Delta Club rooms. The party was featured by all the things that make a good Christmas party a success. A two-bit exchange, a very jovial Santa, plenty of food, some excellent entertainment, mistletoe, elbow bending, and a true Christmas spirit reigned throughout the evening. The various committees are to be highly commended for their superb functioning in making it a party that we are all still talking about. The entertainment was all drawn from our own group, and a lot of ability and talent was displayed to the people present. The Choiroleers, the girls trio, the dance routines of Betty Brown, the M.C-ing of Mr. Davis and all the decorations made it a perfect Christmas party, one which I know that we will all long remember.

4-4 Office

Doris Alleger has just been told that she doesn't have to show her "car pass" to the elevator operator to come up to 4-4. Was she surprised? . . . Mike O'Grady's face was deep purple when he became the father of two kittens, a present from Paul Smith's brother to Mike's kids. . . . I wonder if Joan Didier's big secret has anything to do with the sound of a doorbell. . . . The chairman for the Christmas party wants to thank all the people who served on the committees and made the party such a big success. . . . We have another sparkler in Bldg. 4-4. Joan Didier received one for Christmas from her boyfriend who is now overseas. Congratulations, Joan.

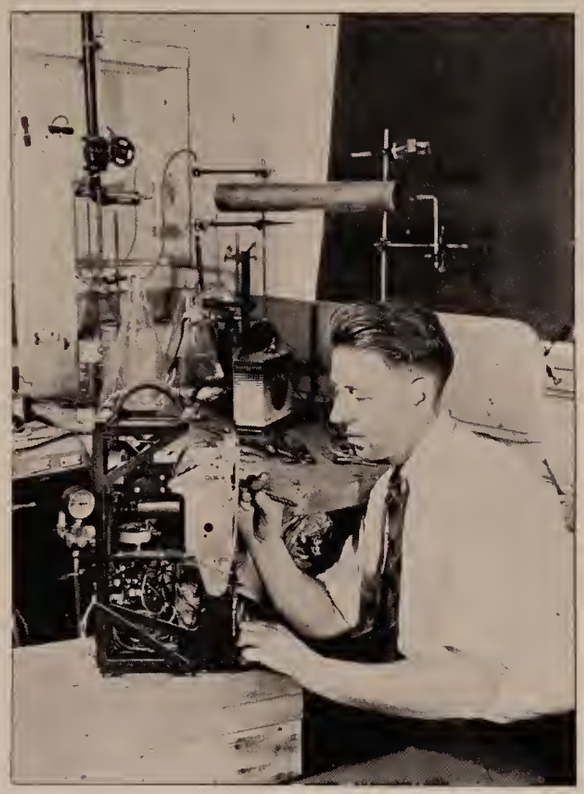
4-4 Floor

If anyone noticed something "smelly" when going through the Service Section one day last week, there really wasn't anything to worry about. It was just the onions on the hot dogs that Kitchen furnished for the gang. They were awfully good. Thanks, Kitchen. . . . We offer our deepest sympathies to George Houck in the loss of his child. . . . Will someone bring Art Kraft some polish? He sure is proud of his new milling machine. . . . The gang surprised Al the other day. In fact it's very easy to talk him out of most anything. If you want the whole story just ask him. He can tell it better than we would be able to write it. . . . Wonder what the reason was that Ed Martin only got a few fish last Sunday? Couldn't be that you got cold, could it, Ed? . . . R. Kelley and R. Ludwig were with us for a few minutes the other day. The army really agrees with them and they're both very proud of their wings. . . . Bob Edmunds, our helper, is now a married man. Congratulations and the best of luck from the Service Section. . . . J. Harris believes in "patch" pockets. He tears off the pockets so he can patch it on again. . . . There has been some mention of a club similar to the Tardy Tariff Club in the office. Let's talk it over and have comments. If it seems favorable, we would like to get started soon. . . . A stag party was held last Wednesday night at Paul Hitzeman's home. Due to the weather there was a very poor attendance. Some of the boys, Al Schonheinz in particular, really believed in playing Santa Claus. . . . We are sorry to lose Walt Buesking, who is going to our Kokomo plant. We hope you have loads of luck and success in your new job. We have certainly enjoyed your companionship and help during the past year. . . . The other day Herb Schumm takes home a second trick man's dinner bucket, returns it at 7:00, and the next day forgets his own bucket again. . . . Mary Beth Hakes sure had to work hard to get her Christmas present from Dorothy Parker. She got a whole pair of ear rings but they were in an awfully large box. . . . It has been here and is past. What? The Christmas Potluck and everyone's appetite was satisfied to the fullest extent. If you don't believe this ask Dale Irwin because he had three helpings of baked beans alone besides what else? . . . That delightful fragrance arising from the Winding Section was due to Mattie Pitts dropping and breaking her perfume bottle. What a person will not do to get a change of atmosphere! . . . Jean Mobberly and Maxine found out the old saying of the shortest way sometimes is the longest, proved true. They wanted to take the shortest way from Fairfield to the Main Gate, found themselves coming to an end in the coal yard. Not knowing how to get out, they turned around and went back to where they started from and took the long way which they knew would take them to their destination. . . . Herman Lepper still does not know how to recline in a swivel chair. In his last attempt he sat on the floor rather suddenly and on the way down he kicked Dale Irwin in the shin. . . . Virgil Snyder needed another electric receptacle in a clothes closet of his home. He started cutting a hole for one and in a short while the closet brightened up suddenly. With an inkling of what he had done, he rushed outside. "Lo and behold," a hole clear through to the outside of the house. . . . After a futile search for a certain piece of steel, Ed Martin found it has grown legs and crawled back on Ed's bench.

The X-Ray
OF BUILDING 17-2

Greetings are a little late but none the less sincere—Happy New Year! . . . The handsome Navy doctor that visited us last week was Dwight M. Frost. He is stationed at a Philadelphia hospital and will complete his training in six months. He worked in Bldgs. 17-1 and 17-2 before enlisting in the Navy. . . . Louise O'Connell came up to say hello to the gang. She looks fine after undergoing an appendectomy several weeks ago. . . . Vernon Wick also "looked in" last week. He is stationed in North Carolina with the Army. . . . Marilyn Fenton forgot her lunch money Monday morning. We understand her forgetfulness—she has an important engagement January 20—the wedding bells are going to ring. . . . Bertha Witham received a beautiful ring from her daughter for Christmas. We don't blame her for being proud of it. . . . Archie Boren would make a good food administrator, we believe. He supplies a large group with fresh crackers with butter every morning. Keep up the good work, Archie; we appreciate it. . . . Speaking of food, Art Maske, with four companions had a twenty-six pound turkey for Christmas, which brings us around to—wish the "candy wagon" would hurry!

Studies Metal Surfaces



Vincent J. Schaefer, G-E scientist, whose interest in snowflake structure led to development of use of plastic Formvar for study of metal surfaces. He is shown here in Research Laboratory, Schenectady. Also see the picture on the first page.

Revised Tax Rates Explained

Office of War Information

The revised rates for withholding income tax from wages, provided by the Individual Income Tax Act of 1944, apply to all wages PAID by an employer to his employees on and after January 1, 1945, regardless of when the wages were earned, Joseph D. Nunan, Jr., Commissioner of Internal Revenue, explained today.

Under the new law, for example, any wages earned in December, but not paid to the employee until January 1 or later, are subject to the new withholding rates.

On the average, about the same amount of tax will be withheld under the new rates as was withheld under the old rates. However, since the rates were revised to adjust each employee's withholding more closely to his annual income tax, in individual cases the withholding may be either more or less than before.

Commissioner Nunan further explained that the Withholding Receipt, Form W-2 (Rev.), for 1944 to be given by employers to all employees by January 31, 1945, must show all wages actually paid during 1944, together with the amount of income tax withheld during the calendar year.

If any wages earned in December are not paid to the employee until January 1 or later, such wages must not be included on the 1944 Withholding Receipt, he said. Inasmuch as these receipts will be used as their 1944 income tax returns by most employees, inclusion in the receipt of any wages not actually paid in 1944 would result in an incorrect return.

Accidents seldom happen at convenient times or places.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

A Christmas party was held at the Colonial. The guests were Kate Miller, Lois Barney, Carol White, Lona Gerardot, Midge Van Ryn, and Mary Pereulla. . . . A Christmas party was held in the lead section. They had a grab bag for Santa Claus, and everyone had fun and plenty to eat. Mattie Brunner and Shirley Miller ate whipped cream until it stuck out of their ears. Of course, Betty Hawk wasn't far behind. Rolly Wickliffe complains how much he had eaten already during the week, and we suppose he will take on a big steak tonight. Betty Richards was worrying how she was going to get her packages home. Golda Mentzer just ate and didn't talk. Who can believe that? Margaret Kocher and Eileen Groft, Joy Geerig, and Ruth Oswald did all right. . . . A Christmas party was held at Bonnie Oaks. The guests were Betty Hawk, Velma Meads, Mattie Lou Brunner, Golda Mentzer, Loretta Bloom, Carrie Green, Alma Berger, Margaret Kocker, Ceal Romary, Fred Banks, Rolly Wickliffe, Merlin Sweet, Lawrence Schuster, Katherine Ernsberger, Herb and Margaret Driftmeyer, Ray Feller. A good time was had by all.

Turret Tattles

We offer congratulations to Wilbert Scheumann on the birth of the new daughter. He's quite a proud pappy. Much of his happiness was dampened, however, by the death of his mother. Our most sincere sympathy in your grief. . . . One of those once in a lifetime joke backfires happened to Ralph Klaren one day last week when he purchased some exploding matches to give the "have you got a match?" boys. And then he had to get hold of the wrong package when he started to light up at the smoking area. Quite a pop! S'funny any way, Ralph. . . . K. D. Mallot had a recent communication from his son who is in training as an aerial gunner. Makes doggone interesting reading. That's a mighty rugged life, believe me. . . . Neatness is one of the requisites of the twenty-seven gang. When Ernie Kalenback showed up recently with a li'l too much hirsute adornment, a collection was immediately taken up and given him with the gentle suggestion he go get a shave. Being a sensitive sort of soul Ernie immediately accepted the donation and did a very neat job in the welding booth. Needless to say, no amount of cajoling could get their money back. He's a slicker, fellers. . . . Have you noticed the great amount of sharp shooters cropping up on the second trick. Getting in some training, fellers? . . . Herb Boltz is thinking of taking up glider training, at least he is exceptionally interested in the propulsion of the motorless craft. . . . We think the title of the quietest man on the second trick has moved from Cliff Pickering to Hienie Schnurr. . . . What in the world do those two barstock operators find to argue about all the time. They never seem to be settled. . . . A Happier New Year to everyone.



Sandy Says:

Hoot Mon! Who remembers way back when, if someone said thot blue points weren't worth anything, it meant thot the bottem had dropped out o' the oyster market?

And, who remembers way back when it was popular tae talk about post war planning?

O' course, thot was way back in 1944, before the germans decided tae re-invade Belgium. Things hai changed in a hurry. Old budgets are cancelled, new ones are written, including the amount o' war goods needed, and including the number o' men required in the infantry.

And, speaking o' budgets, and changes in same, I wrote a column in November, campaigning for the new year's budget o' the C. R.* committee. If thot budget had any post war ideas in it, I'd better campaign for a rewrite.

The more they holler for war goods, the more I ought tae yelp for more changes in the C. R.* budget.

When they cry for production, production, production, at any cost, I must cry for more production at less cost. If we hai tae get out more production, we will hai tae do it by cutting doon our losses. We will have tae do it without doing any more work than we do now, and without adding any new people—there aren't any new people tae be found—at least, so I'm told.

Then, how can we increase our output, except by the only way there is for us—C. R.* New, better ways o' doing old jobs. New designs thot can be made quicker, cheaper. New technic at our machines or benches thot will turn out the old job at new speed. Suggestions with some real thought behind them, and a real suggestion award in front o' them can turn the trick.

And o' course, we must conserve material, too. Material is labor in some other factory or mill, and they are behind, too.

And, speaking o' conserving material, my cousin Bonny is so conserving thot she powders her nose with a marshmallow before she eats it.

*Cost Reduction.

News From Taylor Street

Nozzle Box

Congratulations go to Rosemary Wolters who had a birthday on December 21. It came as quite a surprise to some of the girls. . . . Our deepest sympathy goes to Gerald Frymier on the recent loss of his mother. . . . Cecelia Lovett was absent from work owing to the loss of her grandmother. . . . We wish to welcome Harriet Williams on our trick. . . . Dolly Kizer was home sick one day this week. . . . Betty Taylor said her husband is getting a three day pass so they are spending it at home. . . . Nadine Heller left last Sunday morning to spend New Year's with her people in Montpelier, Ohio. Nadine is driving through with June Huston and her sister Kathryn from the Broadway plant. . . . This is really news: Wally Castle gave Florence Lea a dime to buy an ice cream cone for Christmas. Thanks, Junior, says Florence. . . . Leo Flanagan said he hopes to get to stay a while with Ab Grover. It appears that Leo has gotten around quite a bit. He came over from the Screw Machine Department. It's nice having you with us, Leo. . . . Fred Thompson said his father celebrated his 91st birthday a couple of weeks back, and is still growing strong. . . . Atley Prough said he will have to have chicken for Christmas. He hasn't been able to run down any poor little rabbits yet. . . . Olga Camilli went home to spend Christmas with her parents in Pennsylvania. . . . Ab Grover and his gang all had lunch together on Thursday. They all exchanged presents. Everyone seemed to be quite pleased with his gift. . . . We want to thank Ab Grover for the boxes of candy. . . . Alta Rudolph was absent from work for a few days owing to sickness in her family. . . . Ann Lemmell is home with first degree burns on her arms. It appears that Ann's gas stove blew up. We all hope you will be back on the job soon. . . . Ruth Kistler is now going to work for George Ellison. Hope you will like it, Ruth. . . . We lost Martha Kreigh to Max Clark's department. She seems to be getting along okay and liking it. . . . Harold Smith and Ab Grover were more than pleased with their gifts at Christmas. . . . Wimpy Wheeler received a letter from Ed Treska in the hospital at Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, New York. Ed has pneumonia. . . . Virgil Beck, George Ellison and Max Clark wish to express their thanks again for the fine Christmas gifts.

Screw Machine

We were sorry to hear of the death of Cleo Crowe's father-in-law. . . . The Screw Machine bowling team managed to give away two games again last week. Oh well, it is better to give than to receive and it was Christmas week. . . . There was quite a lot of shirt trouble in the department last Saturday. Cleo Crowe not only lost his shirt, but also his undershirt, while Earl Roemer only lost part of his shirt. . . . We sure were glad to see Orville Koble. He is home on a furlough. . . . Ethel Koontz had a birthday this week. That isn't the reason she can't get here on time though. She has alarm clock trouble. . . . Elsie Brecheisen has been off sick. Hurry and get well, Elsie. . . . The next time Clara Ringenberg wants to play a joke on one of her co-workers, she wants to be sure it won't boomerang. . . . Fuzz Amstutz sure got her money's worth out of her mistletoe, besides having a lot of fun. . . . Mavis Kuhl is flashing a diamond this week. Congratulations from the gang. . . . The Inspector's "Secret Pal Club" had their gift exchange and dinner at the China Inn last week. Everybody had a good time and plans were made to continue the club again this year. . . . Vada Staley and Lowneta Shady have been transferred to the Winter St. plant. We miss you and wish you both the best of luck in your new job. . . . Betty Motz is now at the Broadway plant. She likes her job and we all wish her the best of everything in the New Year. . . . Leanna Rhodes was off sick all last week. Glad to see you back, Leanna. . . . Flossie Banning has been transferred to the Broadway plant. Hope you like your new job Floss and Happy 1945 to you from all of us. . . . We are just wondering if Erv Schlotterback is still cutting down Christmas trees. . . . Harold Becker, who was wounded in Germany, is now believed to be back in action. He said hello to the gang. . . . Ed Egolf was telling us he had some nice bluegills home in the ice box. Ed, we just wanted to know if that is a fish story. . . . Al, does that new muffler you got for Christmas keep you warm on these cold mornings? . . . Just wonder who we saw walking down the street Saturday night carrying a chicken. Fannie Naumcheff we at least hope you had the chicken for Christmas dinner.

Punch Press

It seems Roy Chapman bad to get out the long brown coat again. John Crawford must have eaten too much turkey because it seems his trousers parted where they were thinnest so it was Roy to the rescue. It might be the poor grade of cloth we are getting nowadays. . . .Velma Doherty visited with her son and daughter in Detroit, Michigan over the holidays. . . . Russell (Spike) Poorman celebrated his 17th wedding anniversary New Year's eve. Congratulations, Spike.

Versatile Entertainer



Peggy Jean Roan

Peggy Jean Roan, daughter of Katherine Roan of the Taylor Street plant had the honor of leading the bands in the Spaghetti Bowl in Italy on New Year's day, when the Army and Air Corps football game was played. Peggy Jean was selected National Champion Baton Twirler in 1940 when she was 14 years old.

At the present time, Peggy Jean is traveling overseas with a U. S. O. show. The U. S. O. group went overseas in October of 1944. She not only is a baton twirler, but is also a featured singer, and a tumbler.

Aluminum Parts

We appreciate what the Christmas seal stands for, but do not exactly agree with Edith Clay, that they can be used for postage stamps. For your information, Edith, this seal belongs on the back of the envelope. . . . Whenever Bob Magley goes to the store for more than one item, his wife always gives him a note—you know Bob is getting forgetful which we will endeavor to prove. One day last week his wife gave a grocery list with five items on it, and trying to make it easy for him, she listed and numbered the items from one to five, inclusive. That is where she made her mistake—she should have sat down and took a few minutes to explain everything in detail instead of letting him go forth totally unprepared as he was. Bob went to the store (now we're not holding him accountable entirely) and brought one loaf of bread, two packages of paper napkins, three dozen eggs, four pounds of coffee, and was about to buy five pounds of butter when he discovered he didn't have enough ration points. Now the grocer, very considerate and being short of help as he is, looks over Bob's list, considers it a moment and finally decides to call Bob's wife for verification, makit easy for Bob. That's all right, Bob, we understand perfectly. . . . Mildred Snyder has been transferred from second trick to first, and we really miss your smile, Millie. . . . Matilda Henderson, Edna McClain, Jo Glasper, Betty Gradeless, and Betty Baker all have accepted transfers to Broadway. Frances VanDolick and Ann Keele have left the company, and Bess Coulon has gone back to manage her farm. To all of you we wish the best of luck. . . . We welcome Dave Gold and Helen Fraser to second trick pump line from third. . . . The second trick pump line gave Homer Miller a lovely pair of blankets and desk set for Christmas. Again he wishes to express his appreciation for the gift and remembrance. . . . Carrie Hills and Mina Gaff, victims of an automobile collision a couple of weeks ago, are reported doing nicely. We hope they are released from the hospital and allowed to go to their homes soon.

Tool Room

Russ DeBard

We've all heard of a hundred dollar saddle on a ten dollar horse, I suppose. Now we have a slight revision of that statement. Eddie Etter has a new bit for his horse and now the new saying will be "A sixty dollar bit on a six bit horse." . . . Dave Deem, telling of his Christmas, was overheard as saying, "The kids took over the house most of Christmas Day but when they got worn out I seized the chance and got a hammer lock hold on the youngest and made him give up his share of the living room anyway." Must raise them rather tough up around Dave's house. . . . The Saturday before Christmas saw a lot of red faces around the Taylor Street camp fire and it was partly from male blushing and female lipstick. We spotted several of the modern girls with mistletoe tied on the end of a stick, thus being able to place it where and when they wanted it. And it was always over male heads. Some of the ultra-modern girls didn't even bother with mistletoe.

Rotor

We bid farewell to Oscar Hollinger, set-up man on the Blanchards, who has left us to return to his farming. Good luck in your new adventure, Oscar. . . . We bid a fond farewell to Margaret Wise. She is being transferred to the office of Bldg. 16-3. We will certainly miss your sunny smile, Margy. . . . Paul Bricker, army inspector, believes in saving those precious shoe stamps. Down the aisle he comes proudly peddling the mail girl's bike. . . . Dick Madden's inspection girls have long wondered why those weekly Saturday night poker parties are always stag. They gave him a set of poker chips for Christmas. Now, Dick, a hint to the wise is sufficient. . . . We sincerely hope Pearl Durben enjoyed her little vacation home in Bird's Run. Hurry back, Pearl. . . . Paul DeWeerd sure solved the food shortage problem in a hurry at his house after the new point system was announced by the O. P. A. last week. It seems Paul has a pet gold fish of which he was very fond, but he always was remarking about how much it ate. Well, in short, the pet has died. He says from natural causes, but we think he starved it to death. Or maybe he ate it. How about it, Paul? . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Elizabeth Eubanks, of bucket inspection, who has been ill. . . . Dixie Adams has gone home to spend the hloidays in Kentucky. Have a nice time, Dixie. . . . Welcome to first trick, Russell Dimmick. He came from second trick to do set up in the blanchard section. . . . We wish you one and all a Happy New Year. And how about resolving to give our reporters more news for a bigger and newsier Rotor Section. . . . Eddie Hamilton certainly believes in waking people up early in the morning the way he lets his tray and contents clatter to the floor at breakfast in the cafeteria. . . . On the sick list is Eloise Schwartz. Hurry back Eloise, we miss you. . . . A snowbound case is Betty Robson in Michigan. Get a shovel Betty, and hurry back.

Impeller

We are really going to miss all of our friends that are leaving. Best of luck to all of you—Orley Zimmerman, Ilo Sollows, Marcella Hurni, Mary Bowen, Harold Roop, Mary Houlihan and Raymond Borders. . . . Latest News—A mustache is being grown by our production man Paul Hook. Anyone interested in the production of "such things" see Paul for instruction. . . . Joella Decker fell down and went boom! Darn that ice! . . . Mildred Amstutz better be carefful. The next time you get stuck in the snow Mildred don't shovel so hard that you hurt your back! . . . A Christmas Party and exchange was held at Rita Philo's new home. Those present were Faye Woodworth, Wanda Casterline, Hazel Cook, Thelma Barns, and Cecil Leslie and Margaret Erdly spent the night with Rita. Good refreshments and a nice time was had by all.

Prisoner Of War

Cpl. Robert W. Schweizer, previously reported missing in action, is listed as a prisoner of war of Germany since June 6. He was a rigger with a paratroop group before his capture. He entered the service two years ago, received his training at Fort Bragg, N. C., and was sent to England about a year ago.

The mines of the U. S. have 50,000 miles of electrical haulage—more than the total for electrical railroads and street railways.

G-E Radio Survey Results Announced

Nine out of every ten General Electric stockholders and radio dealers who replied to a recent post-war radio survey conducted by the company would like to buy an FM (frequency modulation) radio receiver.

This interest in FM radio reception was indicated in replies to a questionnaire returned by 16,635 stockholders and 1,538 radio dealers.

Almost half of those who replied were undecided as to when they would buy their new radios, which was interpreted by H. A. Crossland, Manager of Sales, Receiver Division, as an indication that many post-war receiver customers are awaiting the appearance of FM stations in their localities before they make a selection. As soon as receivers become available, 26.9 per cent of those answering stated that they will buy a new set.

The replies to the questionnaire also showed that 80 per cent knew about FM and that one out of every 10 had already bought an FM receiver.

Another phase of the survey disclosed that about 15 per cent of all the radios owned by those making replies were out of order because of war shortages on parts and tubes. Twenty per cent stated that they have one set currently out of order, while 10 per cent showed that they had two or more sets idle for lack of service.

The replies also revealed a distinct change in trend in the selection of models. They pointed out that 38.9 per cent now owned table sets while 13.5 per cent said they had floor radio-phonograph combinations. However, in giving their preferences as to post-war sets, the table sets were listed first by only 22.2 per cent, while the floor radio-phonograph combination claimed the choice of 33.8 of the respondents.

Almost 85 per cent of those replying stated that they plan to buy a portable radio after the war. The popularity of this type of receiver was seen in the responses of 2,268 stockholders who stated that they use a portable 75 per cent of the time indoors.

Newsies 17-3

Elda Johnson and Dortohy Heckman received blue honors this first week of the New Year. They ran three blocks to catch a street car to ride two. . . . A holiday potluck was had by twenty-four members of the 81 frame lineup. The boys enjoyed it so much they'd like to have 'em often in the future. . . . Speaking of the New Year, we have a former New Year's baby in our midst! Happy birthday, Marvene Ratcliff, and may this be one of your best. . . . We wish to extend our congratulations to Waundean Hile and Kathrine Fowley on their engagements. Good luck, girls. . . . Berniece Freiburger had one of the nicest Christmases a person could have this year. The reason, her two brothers, Philip and Quentin, were home on a furlough. They were formerly employed in Bldg. 19. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Marian Pappert on the death of her father. . . . A potluck dinner was held for Barbara Moorman by groups 13x28 and 13x29. She is quitting to be married. . . . Greetings to everyone on this New Year and especially to our fighting boys all over the world. We hope to have them with us this time next year.

Suggestiors Win Eight Hundred Dollars In Awards

Carl F. Spuller, Winter Street, Heads List Of Hundred And Five

More than $800 was distributed among 105 suggestors during the one-week period covered by the current suggestion award list, and Carl F. Spuller of the Winter Street Plant heads the list with a $95.00 award for his suggestion for the use of a three-step reamer to reduce operations on yokes.

Other large awards went to Carl W. Vizithum, Bldg. 4-6, who received $30.00; Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Bldg. 4-5, $25.00; and Leroy E. Miller, Winter Street, $30.00. Mr. Vizithum suggested new patterns to omit switch bosses. Mr. Tibbitt's idea covered master motors for test purposes. Mr. Miller's suggestion pertained to a special tool to machine high pressure valve seats.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Cecil E. Tarney, Bldg. 4-2; Chas. H. Gordon, Bldg. 4-2; Lloyd E. Mencer, Bldg. 4-1; R. Blackburn, Bldg. 4-5; John H. Schoppman, Bldg. 26-B; Dale E. Meyer, Bldg. 4-5; Gilbert P. Auth, Bldg. 4-5; Ernest Kallenback, Bldg. 27; Dorthea L. Ostrander, Bldg. 4-2; Eldon R. Lewis, Bldg. 4-2; Chas. Strebig, Bldg. 6-2.

Chas. F. Kaiser, Bldg. 26-B; Paul L. Beauchamp, Bldg. 4-4; Raymond I. Knight, Bldg. 4-2; Ross E. Fahl, Bldg. 4-5; Margaret A. Boyd, Bldg. 6-2; Lawrence E. Hosack, Bldg. 26-1; Harold A. Baehler, Bldg. 4-4; Milton E. Roller, Bldg. 4-5; Esther Ellen Moore, Bldg. 4-1; L. T. Johnson, Bldg. 4-2; LaVeda Bowman, Bldg. 4-2.

Clara E. Schenher, Bldg. 6-2; True J. Gephart, Plant No. 2, Decatur; Dale A. Grigsby, Bldg. 26-2; Wm. H. Babb, Bldg. 27-1; Anna Rebecca Decker, Bldg. 6-2; Russell J. Frank, Bldg. 4-4; Charlotte Mae Moser, Bldg. 6-2; Helen A. Surface, Bldg. 6-2; Ralph J. Loe, Bldg. 4-1; Catherine Geller, Bldg. 4-5; Maurice L. Poling, Bldg. 4-5.

G. L. Santon, Bldg. 19-1; Samuel C. Stillpass, Bldg. 4-2; Lloyd L. Runyon, Bldg. 6-4; George H. Hahn, Bldg. 6-2; Hugh A. Holthouse, Plant No. 2, Decatur; Paulus Adams, Bldg. 4-5; Harold A. Corson, Bldg. 4-2; Marion I. Schaaf, Bldg. 4-4; L. H. Botteron, Bldg. 4-4; Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., Bldg. 4-5; Gerald Emery Gamble, Bldg. 4-5.

Donald E. McKim, Bldg. 4-3; Ralph B. Bonbrake, Bldg. 4-4; Dorothy D. Parker, Bldg. 4-4; Elmer C. Witte, Bldg. 27-B; Clarence R. Hartman, Bldg. 4-3; Waldo D. Martin, Bldg. 4-4; Joseph Miller, Bldg. 27-1;Homer L. Huffman, Bldg. 6-4; Stanley W. Shirey, Bldg. 27-1; James Kitchen, Plant No. 2, Decatur; Berneil E. French, Bldg. 4-4.

Marion E. Oman, Bldg. 4-3; James Charles Hoelle, Bldg. 4-4; Waldo J. Stauffer, Bldg. 4-4; Forrest R. Allman, Bldg. 4-5; Lillian C. Hinman, Bldg. 6-4; Ralph W. Allen, Bldg. 27-1; Darris D. Hamilton, Bldg. 27-1; Ray Jacobs, Bldg. 27-1; Beulah L. Conrad, Bldg. 6-4; Luella Eisberg, Bldg. 4-2; Myron W. Cox, Bldg. 19-2.

Bernice Engle, Plant No. 2, Decatur; Guy L. Spencer, Bldg. 19-2; Cassandra M. Kehmeyer, Bldg. 4-5; Chas. E. Stuck, Bldg. 26-2; Alva M. Biggs, Bldg. 4-3; Raymond E. Meyer, Bldg. 4-3; Ralph M. Reed, Bldg. 4-4; Melvin Baumgartner, Plant No. 2, Decatur; William H. Archer, Bldg. 4-2; Lawrence VonGunten, Plant No. 2, Decatur.

Phyllis B. Lorenz, Bldg. 4-5; Nile D. Reynolds, Bldg. 17-2; Frank A. Fordham, Bldg. 27-1; Louis H. Steup, Bldg. 19-4; Gale E. Archbold, Bldg. 26-4; Esther Pape, Bldg. 19-4; C. Hoover and W. Zoch, Bldg. 19-4; Norman Wolf, Bldg. 19-4; Carl Plattner and Joseph Yoder, Bldg. 19-4; L. M. Palmer, Bldg. 26-3; Acra D. Brown, Bldg. 26-B; M. J. Ervin and James Lillich, Bldg. 26-2; Floyd L. Manor, Bldg. 26-3; Frieda Kiene, Bldg. 26-1; Curtis Rupright, Bldg. 26-B.

Winners Of Suggestion Awards



Pictured above are winners of large awards in recent lists. Top left is Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Bldg. 4-5, who received $25.00. Right, Carl W. Vizithum, Bldg. 4-6, $30.00. Center, Paul D. Weaver, Bldg. 26-5, $25.00. Lower left, R. W. Knoll, Bldg. 26-4, $50.00; and Charles Druce, Bldg. 26-B, $30.00.

Elex Club Program Dates Are Announced

The Elex Club will hold their next meeting January 15 with a special program. Entertainment will be furnished by the Dorothy Durbin Studios. Two parties have been scheduled, that for night workers at 12 o'clock at the Y. W. C. A., tickets 85c, and that for day workers at 4:45 o'clock at the G-E Club, tickets 55c. All reservations must be in Friday, January 13.

The first application of radio power tubes was in radio telephony rather than broadcasting.

RESOLUTIONS

For 1945 resolve that you will increase your earnings in 1945 by frequent and consistent use of the Suggestion System. Some employees have increased their yearly earnings up to forty per cent through their suggestions.

Your Suggestion Committee

Killed In Action

Pvt. Richard J. Graue, Bldg. 19-3 formerly reported missing, was killed in action in Germany on November 24. He entered the service in May, 1944, and received his training at Camp Fannin, Texas, and Fort Meade, Maryland. He went overseas with an infantry unit in October. It is believed that Pvt. Graue is the first member of the Apprentice Alumni Association to be killed in action.

NOTICE

All persons interested in bus transportation to Roanoke, Huntington or along U. S. 24 West who quit work at 3:30 P.M., please contact—Mr. Needham, Bldg. 10-2, Phone 476.

Alco G-E Diesel-Electrics Go Around The World 10 Times With Only Routine Attention

Working in pairs during three years of heavy traffic on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, ten Alco-G-E 2000-hp. diesel electrics, part of the road's fleet, hauled 16-car passenger trains by day and 4,500-ton freight trains by night over approximately 10 million motor-miles before receiving classified motor repairs.

To assure continuance of this outstanding wartime record, the New Haven has a planned maintenance program which calls for a complete overhauling of motors after they have gone 250,000 to 300,000 miles.

A recent order by the New Haven will place 30 more of these Alco-G-E diesel electrics in service as soon as they can be built.

Retires On Pension

Edward B. Rehnen of the Motor Generator Division and Homer F. Platt of Bldg. 4-5 have retired on pension. At the time of his retirement Mr. Rehnen had a continuous service record of 28 years and 9 months. Mr. Platt had completed 22 years and 5 months of service.

G-E Speech Club Has Meeting

The G-E Speech Club held its first meeting of the new year Tuesday evening.

The group enjoyed a special program which was presented by William Helenthal, Bldg. 16-3. Mr. Helenthal presented a two reel moving picture featuring Professors Borden and Busse, who compare the art of salesmanship to the art of public speaking.

Everyone enjoyed the pictures greatly, realizing that the principles presented would prove valuable to everyone who developed his ability to use them. The club is indebted to Mr. Helenthal for presenting these valuable pictures.

The Club was quite pleased to have as guests, William Brown, Bldg. 4-6, Ervin Hattendorf, Bldg. 4-6, Irwin Pothoff, Bldg. 4-6, Max Tritch, Bldg. 2-3, Richard Seeley, Bldg. 4-6, Hugh Reynolds, Bldg. 2-3, Sgt. Walter Clendenen and Harold Neuschwander, Bldg. 2-3.

From all indications the year of 1945 promises to be one of great prosperity for the Club, resulting in individual benefit to each member.

The Club meets every Tuesday evening from 5:30 to 7:00 P.M. in Bldg. 2-3 Conference Room and is open to all G-E men. Why not plan to visit the Club next Tuesday evening and see for yourself what the Club is doing.

Publicity Chairman
O. W. Carsten

Is Zat So?

Another year has rolled around without fulfilling the wish nearest to the hearts of all of us. Let's renew our efforts and our determination that this year will bring the Peace that we are all striving for. . . . Pat Becker was hostess at a New Year's Eve party at her home. Those who celebrated the old year out and the new year in were Olive Love, Goldie Taylor, and Betty Kaufman. . . . Whoever heard of paying 50c for a bag of peanuts? John Pipkin did, as he contributed to the peanut fund and treated his co-workers. They were very good, Johnny, thank you! . . . The co-workers of Jim Stafford surprised him on his birthday with a nice birthday cake which Johnny shared with his associates. . . . Agnes Cordes was surprised on her birthday too when she received a good, old-fashioned spanking. Our best wishes went with it, Agnes. Other birthday celebrants this week are Alonzo Crace, John Steele, Doris Thomas, Helen Kaylor, Chester Williams, Conrad Mosshammer and Alexander Peake.



"YOU KNOW, I FEEL SO STRONG NOWADAYS THAT HOUSEWORK'S A PLEASURE!"

High Praise Given G-E Men And Women

High praise for General Electric men and women who helped produce equipment for the Navy and Merchant Marine during 1944 was reflected in a summary of the Company's marine activity for the year, recently released by J. W. Belanger, manager of the Federal and Marine Divisions. Mr. Belanger predicted that the Company's 1945 production schedules for propulsion and most other marine equipment made for the Navy and the Maritime Commission would maintain the levels established during the past year. "Indicative of what those levels are," he said, "output of geared-turbine and turbine-electric propulsion equipment for merchant vessels last year nearly equalled the total of the preceding three years."

But the score in the G-E battle of marine production was really revealed in immensely added naval might, he indicated. "When the Navy revealed last October that it had at least 16 battleships and 37 cruisers as the backbone of its force blasting the Japanese from Pacific power, it told the real story of marine activity, for 1944 and a year or two more. With panoramic simplicity, the disclosure depicted the job that has been done. The materialization of thousands of production schedules is represented most tangibly in those warships, and the scores of aircraft carriers and hundreds of destroyers supporting them. Supplying them, and the positions they are helping to take and hold, are several thousand other ships of the Fleet Train and the Maritime Commission.

Support On D-Day

"The story is the same in all other waters where the U. S. chooses to pound the enemy. On August 15, for example, the date that the allied forces invaded southern France, the Atlantic fleet included at least four battleships and 10 cruisers as its 'big guns' . . .

"For merchant ships, 221 turbines and 196 gears, representing 1,433,000 hp. and 1,287,000 hp. respectively, were completed during the year. The combined output of 1942, 1943, and 1944 would have powered one-half the ocean-going combination passenger and cargo vessels under the American flag in January, 1941. The horsepower of this propulsion equipment is practically double that installed in vessels built before 1941 . . .

"In nearly equalling the total production figures for the preceding three years, a tremendous quantity of turbine-electric equipment was turned out. Delivery of 10,000-hp. turbine-electric equipments for a fleet of tankers being built by Marinship Corporation was completed during the year. These turbines operate at 590 lb. and 815-F total temperature. At Swan Island, late in October, the 100th turbine-electric tanker built there slid down the ways. Appropriately enough, it was named the W. L. R. EMMET in honor of the late G-E consulting engineer who championed turbine-electric drive as an attractive form of ship propulsion. Mr. Emmet's foresight will continue to be proved. G-E is building three-quarters of the turbine-electric propulsion units for the high-speed tankers ordered by the Maritime Commission since the U. S. entered the war."

Drives for Troopships

Mr. Belanger mentioned the addition to the Navy of several G-E-propelled turbine-electric twin-screw troopships put into service during the year, with a normal rating of 18,000 horsepower, and announced the completion of the last of the large number of turbine-electric drive units scheduled by the Company for destroyer escorts. "The speed with which such drives were produced and delivered," he said, "contributed greatly to the practical elimination of the submarine menace."

He saw a further trend toward higher-pressure propulsion turbines and predicted that merchant ship turbines could and would be built to use 1,200 pounds, 900F steam such as is being used by one of the Navy's present destroyers.

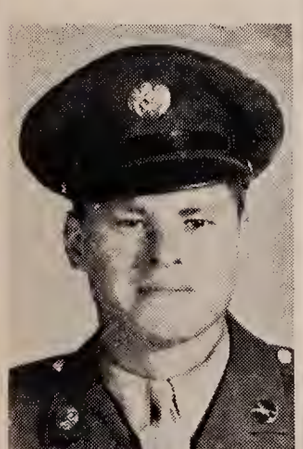
"The big program of the year in the Navy," he said, "was the supply of landing craft, imperative for the invasion. Electricity had a big role to play in outfitting the many different types of these vessels. Considerable quantities of auxiliary motors and control were required for such vessels as the LST and LSM. Even though the production demands doubled and trebled early in 1944, the factories involved were able to meet the Navy's requirements.

"Of particular interest in switchgear for Navy vessels was a complete line of new circuit breakers in the 600-, 1600-, and 3000-ampere frame sizes. This apparatus was specifically designed to meet the shockproof requirements of the Navy. It also features improved performance characteristics and higher interrupting capacity. Similar developments were also completed on other Navy-type circuit breakers in the 225- and 600-ampere frame sizes.

"Progress in aerodynamic design and metallurgy, with resulting improved efficiency and higher throttle temperatures have now brought the physical size of the gas turbine into the range of practicability for ship propulsion, he declared, citing as advantages its simplicity, compactness, light weight and almost complete absence of auxiliaries.

"Future applications of the gas turbine in the marine field," said Mr. Belanger, "will be predicated upon the fact that it is a space saver, is simple to operate, and will probably have low maintenance. In at least one instance a design study indicated that it should be possible to approximately double the power of a given ship by replacing the existing prime movers with gas turbines. This indicates that it may some day be practicable to replace the propulsion units of some emergency-built ships with gas-turbine power plants."

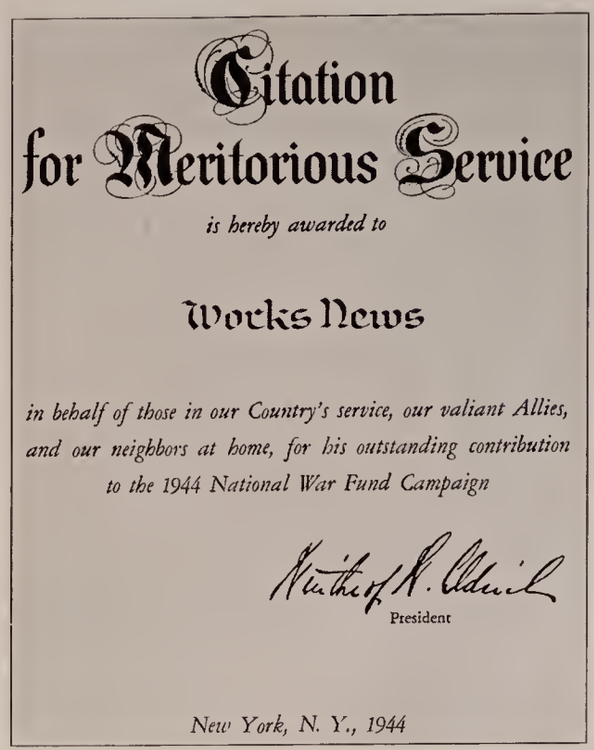
Killed In Action



Dore Gallogly

Pvt. Dore Gallogly, Decatur Plant, died on December 6 of wounds received in action in Germany, according to a message from the War Department. Pvt. Gallogly entered the army in 1943 and took training at Camp Swift, Texas. He went overseas last September.

Publicity Is Praised



National War Fund's liaison director sends commendation to Company for "splendid promotional-educational program" done for service organization.

High praise for the WORKS NEWS in its handling of publicity in the recent campaign of the National War Fund came recently from Mrs. Henry Breckinridge, Liaison Director, National Advertising, for the Fund, in the shape of a letter to former President Gerard Swope and a citation "in behalf of those in our Country's service, our valiant Allies and our neighbors at home. . . ."

The letter follows:

"Dear Mr. Swope:

"With this note goes a citation from the National War Fund in recognition of the splendid promotional-educational program you did for the campaign this year.

"I take this opportunity to thank you for the way in which your organization helped me put over what has turned out to be a very successful national program.

"Believe me,

"Sincerely,

Mrs. Henry Breckinridge,

"Liaison Director—

"National Advertising"

As part of U. S. preparedness against future aggressions, a new street lamp for use during air raids has been developed. Fixtures to be spaced 100 feet apart permit a light spread equal to starlight—or 1/100th of moonlight. The fixture is painted black with light channeled through a narrow plastic band.

More than 1,600 electronic tubes serve a battleship, and an aircraft carrier must have 1,550, according to the Navy.

GOOD MORNING
Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 8 won 3 games from Team No. 10 by forfeit. Team No. 3 won 3 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 12 won 3 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 11 won 2 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 6.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 3	28	14
Team No. 2	26	16
Team No. 7	26	16
Team No. 9	26	16
Team No. 4	26	16
Team No. 11	24	18
Team No. 8	21	21
Team No. 6	20	22
Team No. 12	19	23
Team No. 1	17	25
Team No. 5	13	29
Team No. 10	6	36

200 Games — Rodermund, 201; Schaab, 221.

Winners of chickens were: B. Meints, high single game, 225; A. Diemer, high 3 games, 595; Smart, highest above average, 3 games, 119 pins; Boester, highest above average 1 game, 72 pins.

Great Lakes shipping losses have been reduced by ship-to-shore-radio-telephone service. In Cleveland, post-war plans include routing cabs by radio.

Club Team To Meet Aboite A. C. On Tuesday

Girls Play Wayne Candies In Preliminary

By Bob Kessens

In the second game of Tuesday night's double-header, the Club team will again take on the strong Aboite A. C. at the Club gym Tuesday night at nine o'clock. Aboite played the Club team earlier in the season, and it was only in the last fifteen seconds of the game that G-E was able to eke out a 38 to 37 win. Aboite will again start Facks, Shoaff, Coverdale, Kahlenbeck, and Crowl, and this combination will be out to avenge their first defeat by the Club. The starting line-up for the Club no doubt will be Miller and Krieg at forward, Baade at center, with Stoner and Lowden at guard.

In the first game called for eight o'clock, the G-E girls will take on their bitter rivals, the Wayne Candies. The Club girls were forced to extend themselves to beat them 22 to 20 in their last meeting and a hard battle is expected as the Candies are out for revenge. They are rated as one of the best teams in this section.

Starting line-up for G-E girls will be Fitch and Williams or McGahan at forwards, Whiteleather at center, Stellar and Puff as guards. For the Candies, Hibschman and Bandolier at forward, Janssen at center, Heck and Hetz or Girardot as guards.

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. What preparation is used to prevent frost and iee from forming on the windows while washing them in winter?

A. **Ordinary denatured alcohol and water or propyl alcohol. The concentration is usually about 10 to 15 per cent of alcohol in water.**

Q. Is it possible to remove the coloring from the lenses of sunglasses and thus leave them clear?

A. **If the glass is colored throughout, it is impossible to make the glass clear again. However, if the lenses are made of flashed-glass, they can be made clear by grinding off the colored portion and then polishing.**

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Elmore R. Hurt (3)*	R. 4, Bluffton, Ind. Coming in on No. 1, 22 miles out.	6-4	Scherrer	7:00- 3:00
Bessie V. Johnson (3)*	R. 2, Churubusco, Ind. Coming in on No. 3, north 12 miles.	26-3	Platt	7:00- 3:00
Allison Van Wormer (2)*	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind. Coming in on No. 9 and No. 14 through Columbia City	26-5	Stewart	7:00- 4:00
Frank Garard (3)*	R. 2, Columbia City, Ind.	2-1	Franke	7:00- 3:30
Glen O. Schwandt (3)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne, Ind. Coming in on Leo Road about 11 miles out.	4-6	Hemphill	8:00- 5:15
Delbert Shough (2)*	Hicksville, Ohio Coming in on No. 37 through Harlan.	6-4	Nelmeyer	3:30-11:48
Melvin B. McKinzie (4)*	R. 2, Huntington, Ind. Coming in on No. 24, about 18 miles out.	4-5	Owens	7:00- 3:30
Walter Dean (5)*	R. 1, Spencerville, Ind. Coming in on Leo Road, about 20 miles out.	22	Mason	3:30-11:48

Employees Seeking Rides

Mrs. Watterson	R. 2, Columbia City, Ind.	10-1	Long	7:00- 3:30
Wayne Shirk†	R. 1, Garrett, Ind. Coming in on No. 27.	S-1	Sheets	7:00- 3:30
Mildred Orr	1514 N. Guilford, Huntington	6-3	Scherer	7:00- 3:25
May Sucher	334 S. Summitt, Kendallville	17-3	Kryder	7:00- 3:30
Madalyn Jackson	R. 1, Ossian, Ind.	6-B	Herman	7:00- 3:30

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants a ride or will haul 5 riders.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings
(Includes games of December 28th)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	5	0	1,000
Small Motor Office	4	1	.800
West Side	4	1	.800
Firemen	3	2	.600
Transformer	3	2	.600
General Service	3	2	.600
Small Motor Factory	2	3	.400
Taylor Street	2	3	.400
Tool Division	2	3	.400
Squares	1	3	.250
Taylor Street Test	0	4	.000
Messengers	0	5	.000

Results of Last Week's Games

Tool Division	27	Taylor Street Test	21
Winter Street	42	Small Motor Office	26
General Service	31	Messengers	24
Small Motor Fact.	44	Taylor Street	43
Firemen	34	Transformer	19

West Side won from Squares by forfeit.

Tool Division 27—Taylor Street Test 21

In a game that was close at all quarters Tool Division outscored Taylor Street Test 27 to 21. Tool Division had some men snow bound so after having three men whistled out of the game on fouls they finished with three men. Rider with 9 points paced the winners while Fox and Thieme each had 6 for the losers.

Tool Division (27)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St. Test (21)	G.	F.	T.
Rider	4	1	9	K.Roberts	1	1	3
Thomas	1	1	3	Thieme	2	2	6
Widner	1	1	3	Fox	1	4	6
Reed	1	0	2	Conkle	1	1	3
Dunlap	3	0	6	Buell	0	1	1
Waldrop	2	0	4	Bobllya	0	0	0
				Harris	1	0	2
Totals	12	3	27	Totals	6	9	21

Winter Street 42—Small Motor Office 26

Staging a strong rally in the second half, Winter Street dropped Small Motor Office's champions from the ranks of the undefeated and assumed undisputed leadership of the league in a torrid game.

Small Motor Office playing a more aggressive game held an 8 to 5 lead at the quarter and 18 to 14 at the half. At the intermission the East Enders evidently decided that if aggressiveness would pay off they would try it too and rallying sharply they not only smothered the champions with three points in the third quarter but scored eleven themselves to assume the lead 25 to 21. Continuing to drive in the last quarter Winter Street scored seventeen more points while Small Motor Office was collecting five to make the score at the final whistle 42 to 26.

Neitzert with 19 and Sciple with 12 were leading point men for Winter Street. Their teammates all aided materially with fine floor play and good passing to set up the scores. For the losers Joe Close, held to one field goal by close guarding, was fouled often and cashed in on six of seven tries from the free throw line to score eight points.

Winter Street (42)	G.	F.	T.	Small Motor Of. (26)	G.	F.	T.
Stucky	0	0	0	Lauer	0	2	2
Magnusson	1	5	7	Hoffman	1	2	4
Neitzert	7	5	19	Close	1	6	8
Sciple	5	2	12	Starkel	2	0	4
Hooley	0	0	0	Lee	1	2	4
Dent	2	0	4	Esterline	2	0	4
				Schuster	0	0	0
				Trott	0	0	0
Totals	15	12	42	Totals	7	12	26

Small Motor Factory 44—Taylor Street 43

Staging a hard driving last quarter rally to outscore their opponents 14 to 9 Small Motor Factory nosed out Taylor Street in a photo finish 44 to 43. Taylor Street, playing without their scoring mainstay, Rabus, but aided by the return of Walters, was in the lead 12 to 11 at the quarter, 23 to 20 at the half, and 34 to 30 at the third quarter only to fall before the rally of their opponents in a driving last quarter. Greater accuracy at the free throw line won the game as each team hit 18 times from the field. Small Motor Factory caged 8 of 14 gift tosses while Taylor Street hit only 7 out of 22.

Kasimier with 14 and Drayer with 10 points paced the winners while Walters with 18 and Yentes with 11 were high for the losers.

Small Mot. Fac. (44)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor Street (43)	G.	F.	T.
Drayer	4	2	10	Yentes	5	1	11
Pulley	2	2	6	Hannan	3	1	7
Kasimier	6	2	14	Hanefelt	2	1	5
Stetzel	4	0	8	Crosley	0	0	0
Young	1	1	3	Rohde	1	0	2
Smead	1	1	3	Walters	7	4	18
Totals	18	8	44	Totals	18	7	43

General Service 31—Messengers 24

In Thursday night's opener the General Service men leading by close margins all the way finally pulled away from the younger Messengers to win 31 to 24. Joe Ray with 13 points for the winners and Gnau with 8 points were leading scorers of the game.

General Service (31)	G.	F.	T.	Messengers (24)	G.	F.	T.
Pickett	0	3	3	Gnau	4	0	8
Schible	3	0	6	Hanley	2	0	4
Ray	5	3	13	Rice	2	0	4
Bauermeister	0	0	0	Hapner	2	2	6
Mann	1	1	3	Hoffman	0	0	0
Kauffman	2	1	5	Swank	1	0	2
O'Connell	0	0	0				
Dukes	0	1	1				
Totals	11	9	31	Totals	11	2	24

Firemen 34—Transformer 19

The Firemen using their height to control rebounds at both ends of the court trounced Transformer 34 to 19. Transformer, playing without Ropa and losing Ehrman early on fouls, was never in the ball game after the first quarter. The first quarter ended 5 all but the Firemen stepped out to lead 15 to 7 at the half and 22 to 13 at the third quarter.

Milholland scoring four times from the field and caging five of seven charity tosses scored 13 points to pace the winners while Altevolgt scored 10 to be high for the losers.

Firemen (34)	G.	F.	T.	Transformer (19)	G.	F.	T.
Hanic	2	0	4	Fritz	1	0	2
Lvdy	0	0	0	Kemp	1	1	3
Milholland	4	5	13	Altevolgt	4	2	10
Long	2	1	5	Ehrman	1	1	3
Zimmerman	3	0	6	Nickerson	0	1	1
Leazier	2	0	4	Vachon	0	0	0
Habig	1	0	2				
Walton	0	0	0				
Totals	14	6	34	Totals	7	5	19



Jeanne Crain reverses the usual custom and does the dreaming in this picture. Her sweetheart in the clouds is Cpl. Barry Nelson, who has a leading role in Moss Hart's "Winged Victory," coming Thursday January 11 to the Paramount Theatre. This epic story of the youth who fly our planes to victory was produced by Darryl F. Zanuck at 20th Century-Fox in association with the Army Air Forces.

G-E Club Table Tennis In Lead

The G-E Table Tennis Team continued to lead the City League with a 24 to 3 victory over Tokheim last Wednesday. This victory assures the G-E Club of at least a tie for the first half honors in the league as they are the only undefeated team and only have one more game to play.

G-E Club Team Wallops Kimble Aces

By Bob Kessens

Continuing their hot streak, the Club defeated the Kimble Aces in the Club Gym by a score 47 to 16. All Club players saw action and had a hand in the scoring. The Aces did not live up to their reputation and consequently had a hard time stopping the Club. Reed with 16 points was high for the Club, while McMillan was high with 5 points for the Aces.

The summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Kimble Aces	G.	F.	T.
Hassinger	2	1	5	Wilhelm	1	1	3
Allen	1	0	2	Gearing	2	0	4
Madden	1	0	2	McMillan	2	1	5
Lowden	2	0	4	Hohenberger	1	0	2
Baade	3	1	7	Grieser	1	0	2
Schinbeckler	1	0	2	Hammon	0	0	0
Reed	8	0	16				
Stoner	1	0	2				
Krieg	3	1	7				
Totals	22	3	47	Totals	7	2	16

Officials: Colyer, Jenkins.

Games Wednesday, January 10th

7:00—Squares vs. Firemen.

8:00—Small Motor Factory vs. Messengers.

9:00—Winter Street vs. Tool Division.

Games Thursday, January 11th

7:30—Small Motor Office vs. Taylor Street Test.

8:30—West Side vs. Taylor Street.

9:30—General Service vs. Transformer.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By Walter G. Kretzman

The prediction of zero weather had no effect on several of the thirty-two pinsters who participated in the mid-season singles tourney held Thursday, Dec. 21. That odor of burning varnish was generated by Mr. Bergman who blistered the alleys for 231-190-211 for an actual big total of 632. Spahr was building a fire right with him, rolling 200-222-189 for a neat 604 actual count. Wikel pounded out a 225 single. Evard collected a 210. Samuels came up with a 205, and Al Reith counted a 201. The frost got "Pop" DeLon who was colder than an Eskimo dog's sniffer. Because of his meager 364 actual score he was "presented" with a bag of peanuts. "Pop" says it was the new shoes, but a rumor has it he was hungry for peanuts. Prize winners and their scores including the handicap were as follows: Bergman 693; Spahr 672; Reith 643; Duncan 619; Turley 615; Wikel 596; Samuels 596; Dukes 589; Stodgell 586; Kallmyer 584; Evard 582, and Hartzell 571.

The third round of the Kokomo Bowling League started off with a wide variety of scores—all the way from a lowly 83 to a sizzling 246 for single games and 336 to 622 for 3 game totals. Team games ranged from 644 to 903, and the team totals span was from 2086 to a new high by the Receiving team of 2642, thereby "Accentuating the Positive" on their hold on first place. The Receiving team boys were definitely on the beam, taking 3 games from a revamped Maintenance Club which had three good games; scores of 795, 797, and 809, but these weren't good enough this time. FHP also took 3 games from Planning. For this accomplishment Jerry, the Alley proprietor, GAVE each bowler on the three game winning teams one package of cigarettes. In the other two matches, Inspector won the title of "Cellar Dwellers" from Order Service by dropping two.

For individual mention Bergman stands out with his aforementioned 246 and 202 for his first two 200 games in one night so far, and also for his 622. Spahr shot 548. Newlon 211 and 547, Dick rolled 202 and 566—Snyder is very proud of his first 200 on the nose. It is his first one of his bowling career. He's also happy about his 513 total. Wikel collected 512 pins for the evening, Springer reported a 193 and a 495 total on a 132 average. Gossman is all smiles over the fact that he rolled over 400 for the first time in this league. To console the boys who didn't do so well, you had company—the "Indians" got four of you and eight guys didn't reach the 400 total mark. Just 'twasn't their night.

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

Team	W.	L.
Knock Outs	30	18
Head Pins	27	21
Flying Pins	24	24
Whizz Bangs	23	25
Pin Hitters	23	25
Lucky Five	17	31

Games rolled over 170—Martha Wendel, 196; Esther Fuller, 186; and Louise Davis, 179.

Club Team Beats Benton Harbor By Score Of 65-49

By Bob Kessens

Playing the best ball of the season, the Club team went into a scoring mood at Benton Harbor, Michigan, Sunday afternoon to defeat the City Independents 65-49. The Club team got off to a slow start trailing in the first quarter, but in the second period opened up with a barrage of baskets that soon smothered the Independents under a ten-point deficit at the half. Half score was 31 to 21.

In the third quarter Miller and Krieg, scoring aces for the Club, blew hot, dropping them in from all angles. Hanauer contributed heavily in the fourth quarter, while Reed, Allen, Lowden, Madden and Stoner also helped in the scoring and played a fine defensive game. The score does not indicate the strength of the Independents as Perizo and Steinle, former Karetsky players, were added to strengthen the Independent line-up, but the Club team kept up their hot pace until the close of the last period. Miller led the scoring with 19 points, Krieg 14, and Hanauer with 10 for the Club, while Dunning with 13 points was high for Twin City Independents. This team will see action against the Club here at a later date.

The summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Benton Harbor	G.	F.	T.
Allen	4	0	2	Dunning	5	3	13
Miller	7	5	19	Kraill	1	0	2
Krieg	6	2	14	Steinle	1	0	2
Louden	1	2	4	Sheffer	2	1	5
Hanauer	5	0	10	Perizo	3	0	6
Madden	2	0	4	Wilming	3	3	9
Stoner	3	0	6	Brown	0	0	0
				Brannock	5	2	12
Totals	28	9	65	Totals	20	9	49

NOTICE

Any one wishing to bowl with the Friday night Girls' League please contact Voyce Brumbaugh, Phone work, 2356, home, H-74101.

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Laboratory	3	0
Chargers	3	0
Grinders	3	0
Receiving	2	1
Tool Room	2	1
Office	2	1
Production	1	2
Screw Machine	1	2
Firemen	1	2
Turbos	0	3
Air Corps	0	3
Developmental	0	3

600 Series—L. Taylor, 193, 201, 235—629.

200 Games—Clark, 211; Weihe, 204.

The second half started off with a bang as three teams, Laboratory, Chargers, and Grinders, came through unscathed. However, time will tell.

Taylor scored a nice 235 single game and wound up with a very lovely 629 series. The Laboratory had a 917 pin game to lead in that department.

Highlights of the evening were the "gutter ball" thrown by our popular Secretary, and the tie game between Production and Office. Production, after being downed by one pin in the middle game, won the "overtime" third game by a scant margin.

Better practice up for the coming City Tourney as we want a league to make a good showing.

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His Life For His Country



Sometime ago we published a picture of Scrapper the pet owned by Francis A. Ley, Bldg. 26-B, as he was being examined preparatory to his entrance in the armed forces. The picture is reproduced above. Scrapper is dead. His ancestry is doubtful but he died in line of duty.

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Fort Wayne Works Has Outstanding Bond Record

Leads Major Apparatus Works In Cash War Bond Purchases In Realization Of Quota

New records for cash bond sales were made during the Sixth Drive, just concluded, according to the final report, which was released this week. Not only did the men and women of General Electric push the total to 125.6% of quota, the highest percentage realized since quotas were fixed in G-E war bond campaigns, but the percentage of employees participating rose to a record high of 52.3%.

The cash total was $3,895,000, and the number of purchasers was 82,219. Cash sales were 10.6% of the monthly going rate of payroll. Leaders in the campaign were emphatic in their praise of General Electric personnel for the sustained support of the war indicated by the widespread cash purchases of bonds.

Sales during the drive by payroll deductions amounted to $7,408,000 which added to the cash sales make a total of $11,303,000 or an average

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Suggestors Get $1,077 For Ideas For Better Ways

Edward V. Brosche, Bldg. 17-1, Heads List With $225.00

Edward V. Brosche, Bldg. 17-1, who was pictured in the WORKS NEWS recently upon receipt of his award, received the top award of $225.000 in the current suggestion list. His was the highest award in a list of 109 suggestions for which $1077 was paid. Mr. Brosche's suggestion covered transferring drilling and tapping operations on locating blocks for motors from a drill press to a bench lathe. His present award is in addition to $75.00 previously issued.

Clarence R. Nussel, Bldg. 17-4, received the second highest award, $145.00, for his idea for plating on balance discs used on aircraft motors.

Three other large awards were also given. Herbert G. Wise, Bldg. 4-4, was awarded $40.00 for his suggestion covering changes in the sequence in which terminals are assembled on the leads of motors. Frank Quinn, Bldg. 17-1, received $35.00 for his suggestion for changes to sink operations on washers. Walter E. Durst, Bldg. 4-5, was awarded $30.00 for a suggestion to provide gages for motors to reduce rework.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Robert J. Shuster, Bldg. 4-1; Louis Stalf, Bldg. 19-4; Wilbur G. Krebs, Bldg. 17-4; Margaret A. Boyd, Bldg. 6-2; Clem L. Miller, Bldg. 17-4; Keith Jamison, Winter Street; J. Eifrid, Bldg. 17-1; Raymond J. Tudor, Bldg. 4-4; John H. Allendorph, Bldg. 4-4; Granville E. Heck, Bldg. 6-1; Anna E. Coleman, Bldg. 4-3.

Geo. H. Graue, Winter Street; Frederick L. Young, Taylor Street; Vella Robinson Lesh, Taylor Street; Edward Otto Bowser, Bldg. 19-4; Jeannette M. Perry, Winter Street; Vernon Wyatt, Bldg. 19-4; Peter

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Nominees Named For Office Of Bond Director

Candidates To Be Elected By Ballot. Three Are Nominated

The annual election of a candidate for the office of bond director of the G-E Employees Securities Corporation will be held next week. The official announcement of the nominating committee reads as follows:

The following candidates for Bond Director, G-E Employees Securities Corporation, have been selected by the Nominating Committee, namely,

Clara L. Gehring, Building 17-4
Louis D. Hopper, Building 10-1
Gustav F. Rogge, Building 26-5

The ballots in the form of tabulating cards will be distributed to all bondholders of record through their foremen or division heads so that the election may be held Wednesday, January 17th, Thursday, January 18th, and Friday, January 19th inclusive, the polls closing at Broadway, Winter Street, Decatur, Taylor Street and Kokomo not later than 2:00 P.M. Saturday, January 20th.

The Committee relies upon the foreman and division heads to notify all bondholders who are not working, of the opportunity so that they may come in and vote if they desire to do so.

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The "Black Widow" Is All The Name Implies

Closely guarded secrets about the powerful gunfire system on the P-61 fighter plane, including the fact that .50 caliber machine guns on a revolving turret can be aimed and fired by gunners located in comparative safety many feet away, have just been revealed by General Electric engineers.

Nicknamed the "Black Widow," the P-61 is primarily a night fighter of powerful potentialities. Its remotely controlled gunnery system permits gunners to bring a wicked stream of fire to bear on approaching planes with great accuracy by directing the turret from either of two sighting stations, one of which is located in the front part of the plane and the other located in the rear portion.

Either of these two sighting stations can take over control of the gun turret, although primary control rests with the gunner in the forward station, G-E aviation engineers explained. If, at any time, the gunner in the rear blister wishes to take over aiming and firing the guns, he can do so, provided the turret is not being used by the front gunner, by grasping an action switch which relinquishes to him control of the turret. Such a system of shifting fire control, one of the major advances made by G-E engineers in the P-61 gunnery system, permits far superior sighting and firing.

Selsyns Aid Alignment

To enable the gunner to move the guns instantly and align them accurately in response to quick sighting changes, G-E developed a highly sensitive system of electrical and mechanical parts. Selsyns on the sight and selsyns on the turret are joined by electrical connections which enable automatic comparison of the line of sight with the line of fire. If a difference exists, an electrical signal is fed into an electronic servo amplifier which amplifies the

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Much Interest Shown In G-E War Display

Considerable interest is being shown in the Fort Wayne Works' display in the Patterson-Fletcher windows which was made in connection with the showing of the picture, "Winged Victory," which is now being presented at the Paramount Theater and which will continue until January 17. Practically all roles in the film are portrayed by members of the Army Air Forces.

G-E Will Launch New Radio Hour

Things To Come When Victory Is Assured Will Be Emphasized

A full-scale, nation-wide radio network program is to be launched January 15, 1945, by the General Electric Company, according to a recent announcement by B. W. Bullock, advertising manager of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department at Bridgeport. The new program, titled "The G-E House Party," offering listeners something novel in audience participation broadcasts, and starring Art Linkletter as master of ceremonies, will be heard every weekday afternoon, coast-to-coast, Monday through Friday, 4:00 to 4:25 P.M., EWT, over the full network of the Columbia Broadcasting System. Originating from the studios of KNX, Hollywood, it is the plan to tour the show to other cities in the near future.

Sponsored by the Appliance and Merchandise Department, this new radio program is in direct support of the thousands of G-E appliance retailers throughout the country, as a further means of preparation now for post-war business. All G-E appliances and products will be advertised on the program to give listeners an idea of the new things to come, so that future purchases can

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Elex Club Program To Be Held Monday

The Elex Club will hold their next meeting January 15 with a special program. Entertainment will be furnished by the Dorothy Durbin Studios. Two parties have been scheduled, that for night workers at 12 o'clock at the Y. W. C. A., tickets 85c, and that for day workers at 4:45 o'clock at the G-E Club, tickets 55c. All reservations must be in today.

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST
FORT WAYNE

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Hi-Nites In 17-1

Bill Knuth was sporting a new shirt last week and Bob Daring had new overalls. See! There must have been a Santa Claus. . . . We're wondering if Eleanor Glass, our new inspector, is just bashful or if the cat really got her tongue. . . . Joe Eifrid always seemed to be on hand to welcome new members to the "skunk club," so we are letting everyone know here and now that the latest member is none other than "Little Joe" himself. . . . We wonder whether Bill Miller is riding his bike these cold days? . . . Jean Swaim is really growing up. Ask her to show you her new wisdom tooth. . . . Violet High is back after a week's illness. . . . We have a new sketch artist among us whose work rates him A-1. For a sample, see Dick Stults. Eve Hiatt knows a new cure for hiccoughs and is very willing to demonstrate for any person so afflicted. . . . Ask Andy Degler to smile for you and see his pretty new "toothies." . . . We wonder if there was a special reason why Garland Meyers was wearing two aprons, one in front and one in back? Maybe he was trying to keep us from knowing whether he was coming or going. How about it, Garland? . . .

And the drill presses drill
And the grinders grind
The automatics whirl
And the inspectors find that the job's done right
As punch presses bang like the sound of a gun
All in a night in 17-1.

Is Zat So?

We finally have a pretty good one on Argend Denny but don't tell any one we told you. Denny started out the New Year by forgetting his badge; but he avows that he was home in bed New Year's Eve at 10 o'clock. . . . Flash! Don Cobb lost his pants in Miller's ice cream parlor! Don't get excited, it wasn't as bad as it sounds. You see Don picked up an extra pair of trousers at the cleaners and then left them lay in Miller's. He was able to recover them so his little experience ended happily. . . . Have you noticed a difference in Ernie Riley lately? He seems to have aged suddenly, doesn't he. It may be because he is now a grandpa to a fine baby boy. Congratulations Ernie. . . . Vera Allen said "I do" on New Year's Eve and is now Mrs. William Stauffer. Best of wishes for a long and happy married life. . . . Earl and Nina Clifton have a good reason for wearing those big smiles. You see their only son Glen is home on furlough after completing his boot training at Great Lakes. . . . Maxine Mason really enjoys eating a hearty meal but she says she will have to learn not to take a dish of everything they serve at the cafeteria. She says it all looks so good that she can't decide what she wants in such a hurry so she takes some of everything. . . . We were all wondering what had become of Bill Miller, so we were happy to receive a nice letter from him last week. He says that he and Tom Salmon are stationed in France and feeling fine. He wishes to be remembered to the gang. . . . Another letter was received from Bob August asking the gang to keep up production to help get this War over. . . . Bob Mobberly received our chain letter a few days before Christmas and wishes to thank everyone responsible for their thoughtfulness. Watch the "News from the Services" page for Bob's letter. . . . Birthday wishes are extended to James Paxton, Willie Franklin, Roland McKenzie, Herb Kellenmeyer, Charles Boedecker, Dewey Lieberenz and George Silk.

The Tester May Either Accept Or Reject



- Pictured above is a fractional horsepower motor test broke.
- All fractional horsepower motors are tested 100% on above or similar equipment.
- All motors subjected to this test must have "Built-in" quality as there is no provision for any correction of "Built-in" errors during this test.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again, now that the festivities of the holiday season are at an end, perhaps we should take time out to review a few of the highlights. It seems the Cost Section had quite a turnout at the Harvester dance. A fine time was had by all. Even Harry Gargett had evidence of celebrating the New Year, for when he took off his coat the morning after, confetti fell all over the floor.—Wonder where that came from. . . . The Commercial Section was again treated to a luncheon by The Boss, P. M. Staehle, which evidently is becoming somewhat of a tradition. It was apparent that everyone enjoyed himself—herself — immensely. . . . Leonard Harsch is now known as the "mistletoe evader" and after all his threats—just goes to prove a barking dog won't bite. . . . A party was held at Ruth Bittler's home for Al Coxon's gang and a good time was had by all. . . . Some people like fancy matches, but Ruth Fields found that Cy Stonehill isn't so adept at lighting his pipe with them; however, Ruth did a very good job of it. . . . Our belated birthday greetings, Ruth. . . . Betty Kirke and June Krum claim that if it weren't for Jack Schutz's friend Lewie, life would be very dull for them. . . . Wendell Miller has ways of making his fun—just one push of Pete Eberhart into the snow, face down. Hank Lantz thought Pete might be trying to put his profile in snow just as John Barrymore put his in concrete in front of a famous theatre. . . . Kenny Disler has a new racket—giving out recipes—especially candy ones. Perhaps he has a few household hints to throw in for good measure. . . . It is good to see Ray Tuttle back at his desk after a long absence due to illness. . . . Undoubtedly you have notcied the lovely ring Eileen Schulien has been wearing the last few weeks. Our congratulations to the lucky fellow. . . . We would like to welcome a new girl, Sadanna Fell, who is working for Chris Starke. . . . Katy Dinkle is having food trouble—can't get enough to eat—at this point, is even begging food from Fred Vordermark and Dutch Wellman. . . . Our congratulations go to Nels Richey on his new appointment as Administrative Engineer and best wishes for many more successful years. . . . Who has shoe trouble? Well, rest assured it can't compare with Dick Herrod's trouble. He has been advised to go to the O. P. A. board for a special stamp in order to get a pair to fit. . . . We wish to welcome two newcomers to the Cost Section, Ruth Sweet and Maxine Ourey. . . . We had Harriet Basford and Bret Young on the sick list this past week. . . . For those who want to learn tricks of saving on ice, ask Jim Voirol for advice. He has a system all his own—gathering icicles and then putting them in his refrigerator. . . . That's all, folks. Best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Skylines From 4-5

Robert Hire, S 1/c
U. S. C. G.
Somewhere in the Pacific
Dear Bob:

New Year's wasn't celebrated this year like the days when you were home. The old haunts and hangouts were pretty quiet, and we worked just like any other day.

Mary Tobias is sorry Christmas is over because she has just learned the words to the song, "Up on the housetop click, click, click." . . . Pvt. Morton F. Nahrwold's mother received word last week that he was wounded in France. Mort is one of our former fellow workers. . . . Another year was added to John Lacey's life but he says he's getting younger every birthday instead of older. He was sporting a new pair of gloves and scarf that the stockroom gang gave him. . . . Art Fackler and Willis Dillman have been elected to receive their degrees in the Bldg. 4-5 "Double-Skunk Euchre Club." They became eligible for membership in the club during the noon hour one day last week when Leonard Jinne and Milt Roller deftly handed them two skunks in a row. What a kitty! . . . We missed Jessie Filler for a few days; then someone informed us that because of her health she has been forced to take a few months' sick leave. We are hoping she gets well soon. . . . Brooks Brickley is back and minus his appendix. . . . That's all, brother; that's all.

The Gang

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Hilda Dippon was sure excited about her trip to New York. She got to see the Lincoln Tower. . . . Cold weather is here. Ralph Fishback is now sporting his green vest. . . . Marie Kettering and Grace Schlatter celebrated their birthday by treating the office people to a cake and box of candy. . . . Congratulations to James Crockett on being a new father. Yes, it's a boy and until it is officially named Jim says just call him Butch.

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Herb Ort was very provoked when his bus left him at the bus station. Ralph Hoch said, "There is your bus, Herb." Herb replied, "Oh, no! They always announce the departure of the New Haven bus." Maybe they slipped that day, Herb. . . . Robert Till bought a cigarette lighter and the next day was seen buying a carton of matches. That's one way to keep it lit, Robert. . . . Ted Warner thanks the boys in the Service Section for not giving him a comb and brush in the Christmas exchange. Quoting Mr. Warner: "It would have been a waste of money." . . . Si Alspaugh emphatically maintains that the drill press handle is harder than the back of his head. . . . Carl Kloepper vociferously expounds on the good merits of his car. Even though he occasionally needs a push to start it. . . . "Oh, leave the fish live another week," that's what Maxine Warnock said, but after taking the second look at her the reason for her kindness is clearly revealed. When enroute to the lake Saturday night they had the misfortune of running in the ditch and Maxine ended up with a banged up nose and bruised shoulder. . . . "Service at Your Side," that's Irene Bowman's slogan. She went to a neighbors one day and when upon returning found the front door blown open and with it the paper blew in stopping right by the easy chair waiting for Irene to read all the latest happenings. . . . Our group is steadily increasing. We have added to our Section Clara Adams, Virginia Ballentine, Doris Kummer, Wilma Lynch and Martha Arnold. A big welcome to you all. . . . We wish to express our sympathies to Betty Gaff in the loss of her grandfather. . . . Cecelia Sidner had the same experience as many others have had the last couple of weeks as she too went "ker-flop" one night, finding out the snow does not make a very soft landing.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hall of Angola entertained a group of young folks Sunday afternoon and evening. They all enjoyed the Tobogan slide at the State Park, topping it off with a steak supper in the evening. The only casualty of the day was when Uncle Walt Niemeyer thought his car was a toboggan sled and tried to slide over the mail box and ended up in a snow drift and then had to shovel his way out. When he finally could back out he backed into another car and broke a fog light. It seems to us he needed that light because he must have been in a fog. That wasn't all for Sir Walter, he told the Manager of the restaurant that he wanted steak bones to take home for his dog. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Niemeyer, Mr. Cal Leikoef, Marie Bollhauavey, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Slough, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Crosley, Doris Yager, Mildred Helsel and Violet Minnich.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Dear Editor:

To the gang of Bldg. 4-5:

I'm sorry that I haven't written sooner than this, but I guess that I just didn't get around to it because of being so busy. It sure makes me feel good to pick up the WORKS NEWS and hear from the good old G-E.

I see that Bldg. 4-5 has finally got a strip in the NEWS now. It makes you feel good to hear about the gang that you used to work with. I saw in the WORKS NEWS a while back that Van Nelson was home on leave and how I wish that I could have seen him.

While I think of it I would like to inform Frosty that I am still waiting on the letter that he said he was going to send me when I was home on furlough. I would appreciate it very much to hear from him.

To all the gang a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. I hope that very soon I will be working back there again, and I hope that is very soon.

Sincerely yours,
Pvt. Vern Green

Barbara Buckner, Y 2/c, has been transferred to Glenview, Illinois.

Dear Editor:

. . . I'm on the island of Oahu and at a replacement depot since I've been released from the hospital on September 15, where I was for six weeks recuperating from an arm injury. Since I've been here at the depot I've been working at the post office and having quite a busy time. The main blunt of the Christmas rush is over and so we're able to catch our breath again. We had as many as 300 mail bags in one day and that's really piling them up, even more than those tote boxes up on good old Bldg. 26-4 in the repair section. . . .

A Merry Christmas to all:
Pvt. Eugene H. Werling

Glad To Be Back



E. W. Pfeiffer W. F. Decker

Lt. William F. Decker, Bldg. 17-4, is stationed at Camp Gordon Johnston, Florida. "Glad to be back to see the old gang in Bldg. 17-4 and Bldg. 17-1." Lt. Edward W. Pfeiffer, Bldg. 26-3 and Winter Street, is stationed at Fort Meyers, Florida.

Dear Editor and Friends:

. . . Since my departure from the States, I have seen a lot of the world and some very interesting places. So far, I have been in Scotland, England and France. Although France is a very battered and war-torn country, it still remains very beautiful. The countryside is dotted with farms and many small villages. Most of the houses are large and usually made of stone. They also have many windows in their houses. The French people are very friendly and have much respect for the American soldiers. One of the very interesting places I visited is called Mount Saint Michael. It has a lot of history behind it, as it dates back to the 700th century. Its unique situation is in the middle of flat sands which are covered by the sea at every high tide. It is on the borders of Brittany and Normandy. It is a huge abbey that was started in 709 A.D. From century to century it was gradually expanded. Finally it was completed in the 1800th century.

The G-E certainly is doing its utmost in winning this war. Your equipment can be seen all over Europe and everywhere the war is. Keep up the good work and maybe we will all be home soon. . . .

Before closing, I want to say hello to all the old gang of Bldg. 4-3 and would appreciate a letter from any of them.

Sincerely yours,
PFC Charles Coffman

Dear Editor:

. . . I have seen our G-E equipment in action over here and it really does the stuff. It has done a good job and helps us in reaching our goal.

There is one thing I would like to know. I have seen letters from friends of mine on the Service Page and would like to write them, but find no APO address. Now why is that? I have no way of finding out what it is other than through your paper, as some of them I have lost contact with, others are old school chums. I do not know if it is against your policy or not, but I think it would be a good idea.

Pvt. Warren Hershberger

(Ed. Note: Censorship regulations prohibit publishing APO addresses. Most service addresses of G-E people in service are on file in the WORKS NEWS office and will be sent to servicemen who request them).

Ed Rehling, Jr., S 1/c, is stationed at Detroit, Michigan.

Pvt. Donald J. Junk, Bldg. 19-5, received shrapnel wounds in Germany, suffering a fractured pelvis.

PFC Gail G. Gordon was wounded in action and is now convalescing in a hospital in France.



Dear Friends:

Will drop a line and let you know all is well and feeling fine. It was sure a surprise to me when I saw my picture in the paper. So will answer and let you know how I am. I am a lucky guy in more ways than one. It's kind of hard for me to write this—I don't know what to say. So guess I'll just have to close and say good luck to all and hope to be with you soon.

So long for now,
Ivan S. Cole

P. S. Hello to the gang in Bldg. 6-2.

Cpl. Ed Schafenacker says, "I'd like to take this opportunity to say hello to my many friends at the Broadway Works and to my pals now in the service. Keep up the good work, fellas and gals; we're counting on each and every one of you." He is stationed with Max Pippenger.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address Elmer F. Baade, WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Dear Editor:

. . . I've been overseas a little over four months now and so far I have thirty-six missions. So far I have received the Air Medal and two Oak-Leaf Clusters.

I'm anxious to complete my missions and get back and spend a day with the fellows in 4-2.

I also wish to say hello to Bob Merrill of 17-1 and Rich Hall of 4-5, my former bosses, and hope to be back soon to work for good old G-E Co.

Sinee I've been here in Italy I've seen and used a lot of G-E equipment and there is nothing that can compare with it. There is particularly one outfit made by G-E that I think a lot of, so when you see me when I get back I'll tell you what it is. It's really marvelous.

We have good eats and plenty of sleep, so I guess I don't have too much to kick about.

Keep up the good work, and maybe some day I'll have the privilege of working at the General Electric Company again.

Sineerely yours,
S/Sgt. Robert E. Richards

Wanda Grimm, S 2/c, is stationed at Peru, Indiana.

Robert Dull, MM 3/c, has been transferred to Solomons, Md.

Pvt. Eunice Gregory has been transferred to Bolling Field, Washington, D. C.

Lt. Wayne H. Bergman is stationed at MacDill Field, Florida.

Pvt. Eldon B. Stanley is stationed in New Guinea.

Cpl. J. Wappes is somewhere in Germany.

Interesting Work



R. O. Shull K. V. Foreman

"Somehow I always find my way back to Taylor Street to visit all of my friends whenever I have a few days off. My work is proving itself to be far more interesting than I had anticipated and I am enjoying thoroughly my life as a cadet nurse," says Kathleen V. Foreman of the Taylor Street Plant. She is stationed at Indianapolis. Ruth O. Shull, HA 1/c, is a member of the WAVES and is stationed at Farragut, Idaho.

Dear Fellow-workers of Bldg. 17-4:

Received your swell Christmas card today. I am in the Hawaiian Islands and have been here for quite a while, so nearly feel like a veteran. I am again attending radio school and treading time for bigger things to come. This is the third Christmas I've had in the army and has been a nice one considering the distance from home and old surroundings. It is very crowded here, and Honolulu is about all taken over by servieemen. I am eonstantly using G-E produets in my work, so keep them coming for the finishing off job on the Japs.

Yours, truly,
PFC Maurice E. Snyder

T/Sgt. Robert Dove is stationed in Holland.

On Basketball Team



Arthur Baker

PFC Arthur Baker is a member of the basketball team of the Alamogordo Army Air Base in New Mexico. He has been a high scorer for his team in its league games this year.

Dear Editor:

. . . . We have been here about a month. This place isn't much different from all the other islands. When you see one, you see them all. There is very little difference in the birds or vegetation. The main difference is in the soil. Before was mostly all coral, white sand and dirt, and here it is red dirt. The roads are really dusty, too, except for about two or three hours after a heavy rain.

I am still doing radio work and like it very well. At times there is more work than we can handle and at other times there is very little to do. On the whole, though, we manage to keep busy.

Please give my regards to all the gang in Bldg. 4-6.

Yours truly,
Cpl. Glenn D. Seabold

2nd Lt. Robert J. Blossom has joined an Eighth Air Force P-47 Thunderbolt group in England and is now flying missions over Germany.

Pvt. Paul A. Schwalm, Bldg. 6-1, sends greetings to the old gang.

Robert J. Craig, AMM 2/c, Glynco, Georgia, sent season's greetings to all at General Eleetric.

Gets Award



E. Chapman C. C. Schultz

Pvt. Clayton C. Schultz, Jr., has been awarded the Bronze Star for heroic action above and beyond the call of duty. Pvt. Schultz saved the lives of some of his buddies aboard a torpedoed transport ship. He has been wounded twice and has been awarded the Purple Heart. At the present time he is in action in Belgium. Edgar Chapman, Bldg. 26-4, is a member of the Merchant Marine.

Killed In Service

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
Robinson Quartermaster Depot Remount
Fort Robinson, Nebraska

J.C.F./sis
30 December, 1944

In Reply to:
Brand 073E.
Mr. Frank Ley,
Avilla, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Ley:

It is with sincere regret that we must inform you of the death of Scrapper, Ind. 838, Preston Brand 073E, while on active service with the Armed Forces.

We know the knowledge that your dog died in the service of his country will, in some measure, mitigate the regret occasioned by the news of his death. His conduct was such as to bring credit to both himself and to you as his owner.

You will undoubtedly understand that, in the interest of military secrecy, it is not possible to divulge any further details of Scrapper's service with the Armed Forces.

Sincerely yours,

James C. Ferguson,
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.
Adjutant, War Dog R. & T. C.

Nominees Named

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Ballots are to be returned to Wm. C. Buuck, Bldg. 20-2, care of Forrest Somers, through the same source that the distribution is made, or direct as the voter may choose. The black boxes at the time clocks are NOT AVAILABLE for the election and the voters should take due notice of this so that their ballots may not be lost.

COMMITTEE
G. F. Rogge
W. C. Buuck
E. G. Sauerwein

Bond Record

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purchase during the drive of $72 by each employee of the Company.

The final score in the cash sales campaign is as follows:

SIXTH WAR LOAN DRIVE

Works	Quota	Cash Sales	% Realization of Quota
*Schenectady	$ 520,000	$ 563,968	108.3
Fitchburg	12,000	12,650	105.4
Fort Edward	8,000	12,506	156.3
*Syracuse-Turbine	24,000	24,394	101.7
Lynn River	430,000	432,313	100.6
Pittsfield	160,000	172,593	107.8
Fort Wayne	245,000	362,861	148.2
Erie	200,000	265,090	132.5
Philadelphia	100,000	114,381	114.4
Trenton	10,000	9,949	99.5
West Lynn	115,000	119,750	104.2
*Bloomfield	54,000	75,544	139.8
Oakland	6,000	11,475	191.2
Total Works	$1,884,000	$2,177,474	115.5
Decentralized Departments			
Lamp	400,000	658,153	164.5
Appliance & Merch.	297,000	364,039	122.6
Electronics	155,000	197,786	127.6
Tot. Dec't. Depts.	852,000	1,219,978	143.2
General Office	1,530,000	221,234	144.5
Districts	171,000	200,843	117.5
Miscellaneous	40,000	75,737	189.5
GRAND TOTAL	$3,100,000	$3,895,266	125.6

*The total showing at locations having both apparatus and decentralized department units was as follows:

	Quota	Cash Sales	% Realization of Quota
Schenectady	$ 566,000	$ 619,624	109.5
Syracuse	64,000	90,475	141.4
Bloomfield	68,000	89,875	132.2
	$ 698,000	$ 799,974	114.6

New Radio Hour

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be intelligently planned and saved for, when victory assures a return to civilian manufacture.

By stimulating people's wants and desires to own new electrical appliances for better living it is hoped that "The G-E House Party" can be made a job-creating influence by helping to maintain a high-level of post-war production.

Radio fans will find "The G-E House Party" a microphone-full of fun and family entertainment.

Participants will be called from the studio audience. A children's section will highligbt each program. The children will be interviewed and quizzed. Interest will be fanned through the insertion of interesting and topical questions. Occasional guests will be invited from the movie celebrity world. Other departmental features, devised by Linkletter, include a listeners' mail box, a G-E—G.I. Department, in which soldiers and civilians exchange advice, a people's poll, a musical detective device, and a culinary quiz. There will be prizes for winning contestants.

The studio broadcast stage will be turned into a streamlined facsimile of a modern G-E equipped home, completely installed with G-E appliances, and much helpful information on housekeeping and homemaking will be featured.

At the helm is Radio Veteran Art Linkletter. Master of the ad lib, Linkletter will keep the show rolling at a fast tempo with amusing stories, trigger-paced gags. In radio since 1933, Linkletter was radio director of the San Diego Exposition, the Texas Centennial and the San Francisco World's Fair. The six foot one, blonde star has word-pictured every type of event from a dirigible to a submarine. His most exciting broadcast came when he was hoisted down a skyscraper, interviewing amazed inhabitants on each floor.

Retire On Pension



Oscar J. Baals

Oscar J. Baals, Specialty Transformer Division, has retired on pension. His continuous service with the Company totalled twenty-six years and six months.



Valentine Werkman

Valentine Werkman, Motor Generator Division, has also retired after a service record amounting to thirty-eight years and ten months.

"Black Widow"

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signal and decides which way the guns must be moved to bring them into alignment with the sight.

The servo amplifier then applies electric current to the field of an amplidyne motor-generator. In doing this, it makes the amplidyne generate a voltage which causes the turret drive motor to run in the proper direction until the selsyns signal that the guns are lined up accurately with the sight. Thus, when a change in sighting occurs, the turret moves similarly, as if the two were connected by a rigid shaft. So rapidly do the guns respond to changes in the sighting that in a little more than a second they can be raised from a level position to an elevation of 60 degrees.

If the gunner moves the sight faster than the guns can follow, they quickly catch up to him and stop instantly at the correct position. Firing the guns is accomplished by a trigger switch at the gunner's hand. There is also an action switch on the Northrop sight. As soon as this is released, control of the turret is given to the pilot, and, at the same time, the turret automatically positions, in line with the pilot's sight, so it can be used for strafing the ground when the plane is put into a dive.

Because the gunner is stationed in one part of the plane while firing the guns in another part, it might be thought he would sometimes misdirect his guns so they would hit other parts of the plane. However, fire interrupters prevent the guns from being shot when aimed in a direction that would endanger any part of the ship or its crew. This function is performed automatically, even when the gunner might happen to aim in a forbidden direction while following the rapid maneuvers of an enemy.

The P-61, developed from the start as a night fighter, is the first plane to be designed especially for this role. To fit it for the job, General Electric and Northrop engineers began before Pearl Harbor to develop special equipment for it. In flight the plane is highly maneuverable, fast climbing, able to land in a short space, and it is heavily armed, so that it might destroy an enemy on the first pass.

Although the Black Widow has seen action in both the Pacific and European theaters of war, it is now being used primarily against the Japs. In Europe it was used to track down and destroy robot bombs, and during the first two months following D-Day, was reported to have shot down around 400 German aircraft. Its name, "Black Widow," came from its original camouflage job, a solid, jet-black coat of paint. Pilots know it as a night prowler, but recent tests show that it can be used to great effect in the broad daylight as well.

Taylor Street Employees Will Present Minstrel

More than sixty employees of the Taylor Street Plant, members of the Victory Troupers, are now rehearsing their first Minstrel Show and Talent Revue which will be presented at the G-E Club auditorium Sunday, February 4.

There will be two performances—the first a matinee at 2:30 P.M. and the second an evening show at 7:30 P.M.

Tickets will be available to all G-E employees, their families and friends this week. The adult tickets are 50c tax included, and children's tickets 25c tax included.

This, one of the largest events produced by the Victory Troupers, is under the direction of a committee composed of Jack Morrissey and Bernie English, co-chairmen. Other members of the committee are Merle Smith, Helen Lassen, Gerald Roehling, Freeman Rohlfing, Dave Slater, Cora Polhamus, and Don Long.

BECAUSE OF CURTAILMENT OF FLIGHTS OVER NORTHERN ATLANTIC ROUTES, the Army and Navy post offices are urging increased use of V-Mail during the winter months. V-Mail, always a priority item on trans-Atlantic flights, will continue to reach its destination in the normal time of five to seven days. The equivalent of 25 sacks of air-mail letters can be carried in one small V-Mail sack, recorded on 16-mm film. Because of the quantity of air-mail posted, much of it will have to be carried in ships during the winter.—Army and Navy release.

Suggestions

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Spitler, Winter Street; Elton R. Sunday, Taylor Street; Alma O. Kensler, Bldg. 6-2; Violet O. Renkenberger, Bldg. 6-2.

Viola M. Baumgartner, Taylor Street; Anna E. Goldsmith, Bldg. 19-4; Carolyn North, Plant No. 2, Decatur; Henry Foley, Bldg. 6-2; True J. Gephart, Plant No. 2, Decatur; A. M. Mulholland, Taylor Street; Melvin T. Babcock, Bldg. 6-2; Harry L. Redlinger, Decatur Plant No. 2; Harry L. Ash, Bldg. 1-5; Marie F. Seffle, Bldg. 4-2.

Erwin H. Korte, Winter Street; Harry S. Bixler, Bldg. 4-1; Raymond H. Christman, Bldg. 4-2; Lewis H. Botteron, Bldg. 4-4; Walter H. Doenges, Taylor Street; Clara M. Ankenbruck, Bldg. 4-6; Clyde Skinner, Taylor Street; Victoria Walzer, Bldg. 4-5; Forrest R. Allman, Bldg. 4-5; Marlin D. Johnson, Bldg. 4-4.

Lucille L. Roesener, Bldg. 2-2; Solomon S. Andorfer, Bldg. 6-4; Grace E. Lopshire, Bldg. 6-4; John H. Allendorph, Bldg. 4-4; Richard L. Strock, Taylor Street; Harold R. Evans, Winter Street; Robert J. Till, Bldg. 4-4; Vilena E. Herbst, Bldg. 26-4; Walter J. Rauner, Bldg. 26-4; Clifford H. Crothers, Bldg. 26-5; Robert M. Truelove, Bldg. 26-5.

Russell L. Poorman, Taylor Street; Charlotte M. Moser, Bldg 6-2; Olka Johnston, Bldg. 26-4; Kenneth S. Drew, Taylor Street; Herbert Seslar, Bldg. 4-4; Cassendra M. Kehmeyer, Bldg. 4-5; Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Bldg. 4-5; William R. Epperson, Bldg. 17-1; Helen M. Dammeyer, Winter Street; Kenneth F. Bergman, Bldg. 4-1.

Wayne F. Stair, Bldg. 4-3; Carman R. Grant, Bldg. 6-2; Betty J. Oberlin, Bldg. 6-2; Eileen G. Goeglein, Bldg. 6-2; Jack Warren Leland, Winter Street; Darrel L. Bolds, Taylor Street; Paul C. Auman, Bldg. 26-5; Charlotte Drewett, Bldg. 26-5; Gustave H. Kruse, Bldg. 26-5; Joseph W. Ort, Bldg. 17-2; Hilda A. Scott, Bldg. 6-4.

Theodore Brockmeyer, Bldg. 17-1; Edward A. Teeple, Decatur Plant No. 2; Dale B. Peden, Bldg. 6-2; Mary Ann Boutwell, Bldg. 17-4; Pauline B. Baker, Bldg. 4-4; Paul L. Beauchamp, Bldg. 4-4; Jessie E. Coombs, Bldg. 6-2; Lula Marie Schwartz, Bldg. 6-2; Willie Mae Tate, Bldg. 6-2; Maurice D. Lesh, Bldg. 6-B.

Leola Hart and Jo Ann Manes, Bldg. 4-5; Edw. Lallak, Bldg. 6-B; Anna E. Coleman, Bldg. 4-3; Louis A. Gocke, Bldg. 4-3; Lloyd P. Miller, Bldg. 6-2; Kenneth R. Arnold, Bldg. 6-B; M. Kenneth Dwyer, Bldg. 17-1; Raymond H. Rodenbeck, Bldg 17-1; Loretta L. Hilbish, Bldg. 17-1.

AN ARMY SIGNAL CORPS RADIO SHIP, for the first time in military history relayed the news of American landings in the Philippines to the waiting communications channels of the world. Manned by the Army Communications Service of the Signal Corps the ship was a vital link in the longest radio network ever established. Among the first messages flashed was the original communique of General MacArthur, which was also given the British Broadcasting System by way of the United States. Radiophotos of the invasion were also flashed back to the United States to give the American press instantaneous picture coverage of the operations.—Army and Navy release.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

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B. Tomson — Commercial Refrigeration Engineering
N. T. Kelso — Fr. H.-P. Motor Engineering
Albert C. BeVier, Jr. — Test Engineers
Helen Yeranko — Winter Street
Veora Habig — Bldg. 17
LaVon Bohde — Taylor Street

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The Job Is Not Over

. . . The job is not over. Things wear out. A bomber can travel only so many miles. Even ships have to be dry-docked for repairs. And men wear out. They get sick or are wounded, and must be cared for.

So the cost not only goes on. It goes up. And we can't quit. We can't even afford to get tired. We are in this thing to the finish, and the finish is still far away.

Even when it comes, there will still be armies of occupation and the still more tragic army of the wounded. They are our responsibility, a part of the price we must pay for our children playing safely in the streets, for our unbroken cities, even for our high wages and war prosperity.

If the war has put money in our pockets, a part of it is certainly owed to the men who have fought for us, and to their families when they have died for us. And that is not all.

Extravagant spending only reduces the buying power of the dollar. We have the same number of dollars, but they buy less and less. So we have to cushion the dollar. Keep its buying power up and our spending down.

Only saving will do this, and our War Bonds are savings, as well as money loaned to fight our wars and equip our men so they can fight with a hope of survival, and at last come home to us. —Mary Roberts Rinehart.

SCIENCE FORUM—by L. A. Hawkins

Q. What gases are given off through the automobile exhaust pipe?

A. Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, water vapor, nitrogen, some methane, and excess oxygen if the motor does not happen to be quite properly adjusted. And for those who use ethyl gas, lead bromide should also be included among the exhaust gases. Up to seven per cent of the exhaust gases may be carbon monoxide.

Q. How does water glass keep eggs from spoiling?

A. There are two reasons why it is a good preservative. It is sufficiently alkaline to discourage bacteria, and it keeps air from penetrating through the egg shell. There is a tendency for eggs that have been in water glass to crack when boiled. Pricking the shell with a needle before boiling will prevent that.

Q. What is the difference in the manufacturing process of heat-resistant glass from that of ordinary glass?

A. The heat-resistant glasses, such as oven ware, are borosilicate glasses; that is, they contain appreciable amounts of boric oxide in addition to a high silica content. Another characteristic is the low content of alkali in the borosilicate glasses, as against a high content in ordinary soda lime glass. As the name suggests, the main constituents of ordinary glass are soda, lime and silica.

Q. What causes the slowing down of the blood stream in the body in cases of shock?

A. In shock, the nerves lose control over the blood vessels, which then relax. When the vessels relax, the pressure of the blood flowing through them is reduced; and of course with a decrease in blood pressure comes a decrease in rate of blood flow also.

Q. Does the blue flame of burning coal gas have any heat?

A. When carbon monoxide escapes unburned up the chimney, there is an economic loss of about 70 per cent of the heat. This carbon monoxide gas burns with a hot, pale-blue flame.

Q. How is mercury distilled, and at what temperature does it boil?

A. At atmospheric pressure, mercury boils at something like 365 degrees Centigrade. When mercury is distilled for the purpose of cleaning it or separating it from impurities, it is not boiled but is held at a lower temperature so that evaporation of the mercury from the surface takes place. It is desirable from a safety standpoint as well as from the standpoint of oxidation to distill mercury in a vacuum at a temperature of about 170 C; the lower the temperature, the better.

Q. In what way does sunlight disturb or affect radio reception?

A. Ultraviolet radiation from the sun is absorbed in the earth's upper atmosphere and ionizes the air molecules there, causing a conducting blanket of charged particles known as the Kennedy-Heaviside layer or ionosphere.

Q. Is it possible to obtain electricity from the earth's magnetism?

A. Yes. The earth-inductor compass, which has been used for aircraft navigation, converts components of the earth's magnetic field into electric energy. However, the amount of electric energy which can be so produced will be very small, because the earth's magnetic field is very weak by comparison with the magnetic fields used in commercial electric generators.

Q. Does the earth produce all of its magnetism, or is the sun the main source of supply?

A. There is much that is still uncertain about the earth's magnetism. While we cannot study the origin of that magnetism since that took place so long ago, studies are continuously being made of the constant variation in the earth's magnetism. It has been found that there is a relationship between this variation and the currents in the earth. It was believed for a time that one of these caused the other, although it was not certain which. Later studies, however, have shown that the currents in our upper atmosphere are greater than those in the earth, and consequently are the primary factor in the variation. The earth's currents themselves are probably induced by these upper atmosphere currents and the two together produce the variation in the earth's magnetism. The upper atmosphere currents are produced by the same rays from the sun which create the aurora borealis and interfere with radio reception. The PROBABLE answer, therefore, is that it is the sun which is repsonsible for the earth's magnetism.

COMING TO WITH A BANG.



Historians of this war will probably never cease to wonder why a large portion of the public, as well as some officials, were given to the rosy theory last fall that the Germans were nearly licked. It now appears that during those months the enemy under continued bombings was adding to his fighter plane force and meanwhile training new armies.

In the aftermath of the recent offensive in Belgium, it is generally admitted that we were caught off balance by the sudden attack and that it has paid rich dividends to the enemy. Plans for our winter offensive that was to finish off the Nazis appear to have been stalled, probably till spring. We have lost large quantities of supplies, and the public is being prepared for big casualty lists. Meanwhile, more armies are being trained to meet our spring attacks.

In brief, these are the facts, and we should be prepared to face a grim 1945 of hard work and sacrifice.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
E. W. Adams (2)*	224 W. Oak, Butler, Ind. Drives through St. Joe, Spencerville, Leo, on R. R. No. 1	20-1	Dressel	3:30-11:48
Harry R. Jones (3)*	R. 3, Fort Wayne Coming in on Road 33 about 8 miles out.	26-5	Paulson	4:00-12:30
Joseph Griffin (2)*	710 S. Cowen, Garrett	17-2	Fenner	7:00- 3:30

Employees Seeking Rides

Gladys Groh	R. 10, Fort Wayne Lives 12 miles out on the Winchester Road.	17-1	Shelper	3:06-11:00
Marjorie Ballentine	717 E. King, Garrett, Ind.,	4-4	Irwin	3:30-11:48
Richard A. Fast	35 Frederick, Huntington	19-2	Leisure	7:00- 3:30
Albert Householder	Huguenard Rd., Wallen, Ind.	6-B	Steinbacher	3:00-11:48
Donald Stephan†	R. 7, Columbia City, Ind.	19-5	James	10:42- 7:00
Paul Black§	Albion, Ind. Coming in on No. 9 and No. 33.	4-3	Kimble	7:00- 3:00

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants a ride or can haul 3.
§ Wants riders or can exchange drive.

NOTICE

The License Number and State of Registration of each rider's car, if he or she owns one, must be listed on the gasoline blank (Form R-535) regardless of whether you share drive or not. This will be answered in Col. No. 6 in the space provided for rider's signature.

Apprentice Broadcast

Jan. 12, 1945.

Apprentice Boys
Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard
U.S.A. and Overseas
Greetings Fellows:

I am very sorry I missed writing your column the last time, but it so happened that I was busier than a little bee and the time slipped away before I could get to it. However by missing that article I was able to gather some news of the service men which may be of interest to you.

Lt. Robert Blossom has arrived in England and has been assigned to the air force as a fighter pilot. Lt. Blossom who pilots a P-47 Thunderbolt, received his wings at Spencer Field, Ga. After receiving his wings he was given specialized training at Richmond, Va., Blackstone, Va., and Dover, Del.

We received word from George Lambroff and, according to his letter, he's right in Germany, the home of the Krauts. He says it gives one quite a mixed up feeling being in a country where everyone hates you.

By the way fellows, I mean those of you who are in France now, George wants to know how you like those French gals. The way his letter sounded they must be a little bit on the all right side; is that right?

Bobby Ludwig was recently home on furlough after his graduation at Waco, Texas, December 23. I didn't get to see him but I guess he is looking mighty good. He reported to Dodge City, Kansas.

I heard a rumor that Bob Branning is stationed in Florida now. I don't know what camp he is at though and the same goes for Arnold Engle who, according to Paul Yentes, is stationed somewhere in Florida.

Dorwin Stanley was recently home on leave after graduating from basic engineering training at Great Lakes, Ill.

First Lt. Richard Miller who was recently promoted to that rank in Italy is a pilot and has received the Air Medal after 380 hours. Dick wears three combat stars and the Presidential Citation Ribbon.

I now have a bit of news which I deeply regret to tell you, but word has been received that Pvt. Richard Graue, 22, was killed in action Nov. 24 in Germany. Pvt. Graue was previously reported missing Nov. 24. Dick entered the service May 8, 1944, and received his training at Camp Fannin, Tex., and Fort Meade, Md. He went overseas with an infantry unit last October.

I will now attempt to bring you up to date again on the basketball games which have been played since I wrote you last. Dec. 15 North Side took a decision from Central in a city series encounter 37-35, and Hoagland beat Central Catholic 31-24. Dec. 16 Concordia won from Central Catholic 34-25, North Side lost to Auburn 41-38, Kokomo beat Central 45-43, South Side tripped Warsaw 43-18.

On New Year's Day South Side defeated Peru and Wabash to become the champions in an invitational tourney which was held at Wabash. Jan. 5 North Side took a definite lead in the city series race by defeating South Side 35-22. The score was 17-14 in North Side's favor at the end of the third quarter.

Dale Romey

The first world's heavyweight championship bout to be broadcast was the Dempsey-Carpentier fight, July 2, 1921, from Boyle's Thirty Acres, Jersey City, N. J.

Industrialists estimate that 1,500,000 stores in the United States need relighting. New type, flexible fixtures adapted to specialized needs will be available after the war.

First Drafting Class Members Hold Reunion



Sitting, Left to Right: Oscar Mensch, Elga Ginder, Ralph Valentine, William Hockett, Ruel Smith (Instructor), Vern Gingher, Wendell Miller and Paul Sutter.

Standing, Left to Right: Phil Curran, Leroy Haifley, Harry Keller, William Steinbacher, Charles Thompson, Walter Whonsetler and Glenn McNutt.

By W. L. Whonsetler

It may be of interest to some of the "Old Timers" around here to know, that twenty-five years ago, on December 2, the first General Electric Drafting Class was organized. The formation of this class was largely the work of W. J. Hockett, H. A. Hartman and Wm. Crighton. Out of some two hundred applicants, this committee picked twenty-two, and of those picked, sixteen completed the course. The school was conducted by Ruel Smith, with Louis Hyde as his assistant, and covered a period of fifty-two weeks of forty-four hours each, with never less than twenty hours per week home work. It might be of interest to note that twenty-five years ago it took 3328 hours of hard work and study to qualify for a job in the drafting room, while today, under the pressure of war, we are accepting those with 144 hours Purdue Defense training. War changes many things.

Through the tireless efforts of C. P. Thompson, the entire sixteen graduating members were contacted and arrangements made for a class reunion, to be held on the 25th anniversary of its formation. This reunion took place on Saturday evening, December 2, with a banquet in the dining room of Post No. 47, American Legion. After a short business meeting, in which C. P. Thompson was unanimously elected chairman for the next year's meeting, the evening was turned over to general reminiscing.

Of the sixteen graduating members, nine still swear allegiance to the General Electric Co., as follows: Oscar Mensch and Vern Gingher (Winter Street), Wendell Miller, Ralph Valentine and Harry Keller (Transformer), Elga Ginder and Charles Thompson (Apparatus), Walter Whonsetler (Fract. H.P.), and Rufus Klopfenstein (Erie Works).

The other seven are located as follows: Paul Sutter, (New York Life Insurance Co., Fort Wayne), Wm. Steinbacher (Briggs Body Works, Detroit), Glenn McNutt (Engineer, Wabash R. R., Peru), Phil Curran (Fort Wayne Tailoring Co., City), Leroy Haifley (S. F. Bowser, Fort Wayne), Paul Hoffman (Victor Adding Machine Co., Chicago), and Paul Wilson (Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army Eng., Dallas, Texas). Ruel Smith (Instructor) made the trip here from Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, where he is now engaged in the Coal and Lumber business, and was much surprised to find that after twenty-five years, his "boys" had started to turn gray. Louis Hyde, unable to attend, was found with Western Electric at Elizabethtown, New Jersey. W. J. Hockett was there and enjoyed every minute of the evening. H. A. Hartman, who was unable to be present, sent a nice letter of regrets, and Wm. Crighton, now living in Florida, couldn't see fit to leave summer sunshine and risk a frostbitten ear in our Indiana winter. We can't say that we blame him.

Of the class, only three failed to attend: Hoffman, Klopfenstein and Wilson, but letters were received from each. We felt rather proud to learn that the youngest member of the class, Paul Wilson, after graduating from Purdue as a Civil Engineer, is now serving his country as a Lieut. Colonel in the U. S. Army Engineers. Paul sent his picture and we all agreed that he is a fine looking soldier.

Next year we have decided to bring our wives.

Prisoners Of War

Two employees of the Fort Wayne Works who had formerly been reported as missing in action have now been listed as prisoners of the German government. They are PFC Carl F. Rash, Bldg. 18-B, and PFC Joseph A. Hine, Bldg. 8-1.

PFC Hine took his basic training at Camp Swift, Texas, and Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. He went overseas with the infantry and fought in Holland and Germany.

PFC Rash entered the army in April, 1943, and went overseas last June.

In warplanes, the present type of engine is twice as efficient as jet propulsion at 150 miles an hour; the two are equal at 300 miles, and at 550 jet propulsion is twice as efficient.

A postwar feature, "instant starting" for fluorescent tubes when they are turned on, will be available for homes and offices. At present, it is confined to war plants.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Buildings 8 and 12

The Sonja Henie Ice Follies seemed to hold quite an allure for the girls in Bldg. 8. Evelyn Hewes and Nona Rutherford spent the New Year's Holidays in Chicago especially to attend the Ice Follies. Evelyn Arnold enjoyed the same show. . . . We are glad to report that Clifford Sterling, who has been ill for the past week, is back on the job again. . . . We have received word that Joseph Hine, who has been missing since October 4th, is now a prisoner of war in Germany. Joe was employed in Bldg. 8-1 before he entered the army. . . . Two of our enamelers in Bldg. 8 met with unfortunate accidents in the past couple of weeks, and we are all hoping for their early recovery. Dick Mansfield fell on the ice and broke his foot, while Melvin Bill injured his hand badly while he was jacking up his car. . . . Helen Emlick has been looking mighty happy the last week. Well, we can't blame her, for the other night she received a surprise telephone call from San Francisco. Who was it? Her husband, who has been stationed in the South Pacific for the past 15 months. He is expected home soon for a 30-day furlough. We all hope it will be very soon, Helen! . . . We want to welcome Walter White to our department. He has recently been employed in our die room in Bldg. 8-1. . . . PFC Andrew J. Klejnot is spending a 30-day furlough with his parents after serving for 35 months in the South Pacific. He is the son of John Klejnot, employed in Bldg. 8-1. . . . PFC Herbert E. Stearns, whose dad, Wm. Stearns, an operator in the enameling room, Bldg. 8-1, is now home enjoying a 30-day furlough. He has served two years in the South Pacific as a member of the Ninth Marine Corps, participating in several major battles. On January 16th he will report to Norfolk, Va., for re-assignment. . . . Olga Nickler wants to bet a week's wages that her big brother is two feet taller than Lawrence Gardt. Watch out, Olga, that would make him 7 ft. 6 in.! . . . What's this we hear about Mary Ringler losing 25 pounds! Was it because she had to push Walt's car about a mile? . . . Cleon "Red" Noyes had us all fooled for a while. That bulge in his mouth wasn't tobacco, but just an old-fashioned toothache. . . . Donna Wagoner is quite a meteorologist —you should hear some of her predictions. I guess she is right, it was below zero! . . . Here is an intelligent outburst by Lawrence Gardt: "There are only two kinds of people in this world—those that want the windows open, and those that don't!" . . . Joe Kramer is somewhat like "Dagwood." After carrying a letter around all day, he remembers his wife told him to be sure and mail it early. Kinda slipping, aren't you, Joe? . . . Maxine Kesling is in a great hurry these days, but there isn't any advantage in falling downstairs. Take it easy! . . . Margaret Witte carefully put her "mikes" in her tool box, locked the box and misplaced the key. Can any of you crystal gazers help her out? . . . Gerald Bosserman is going to invite us all to his home some evening for a good movie. Let us know and we'll be there. . . . Once again Bill Rohe has come forth with his usual New Year's resolution to refrain from the use of "Tiger Stripe." Bill has made this same resolution for the past 10 or 15 years but each year has found it necessary to make the same resolution again. However, Bill deserves much credit for the remarkable showing he made several years ago when he tortured himself for 16 long days without his favorite chewing tobacco. Such a rare display of intestinal fortitude and determination is seldom displayed in these modern times. Several of Bill's friends in Bldg. 8 are offering odds that Bill will probably hold out for the unbelievable time of 20 days this year.

Wooden Models Help Solve Real Problem

Wooden models recently helped General Electric's Lynn River Works Supercharger Division arrive at the best design for a machine to handle the difficult job of grinding integral wheel and shaft assemblies.

No standard grinder with both capacity and versatility to handle the job was available. Four angles ranging from zero to 90 degrees were required on each side of the wheel, and several diameters had to be ground on the shaft. Either a specially constructed machine or a converted grinder equipped with raising blocks and an extra swivel under the wheel head was required

Quarter-size wooden models of machines proposed for the job were made by both the pattern shop and the machine tool manufacturer. In each of the models the essential parts—the slide unit and its base, swivels, and ways; the table top with its headstock and footstock—were made accurately. For economy, however, the ways were simplified to dovetail or tongue and groove, but were correctly located and marked with limits of travel.

The completed models permitted every relationship between wheel and work to be duplicated quickly and accurately to determine capacities and limitations of the machines. Special features of the machines were easily demonstrated.

These models not only helped design a machine for a difficult job, but simplified the training of inexperienced operators to do it. Critical materials and manhours have been saved. The models are now being used to further improve methods and plan new work.

An electronic mercury-vapor detector that can detect one part of mercury in 200,000,000 parts of air protects many industrial employees from exposure to mercury poisoning. Vaporization of a single calomel pill will touch off the detector.

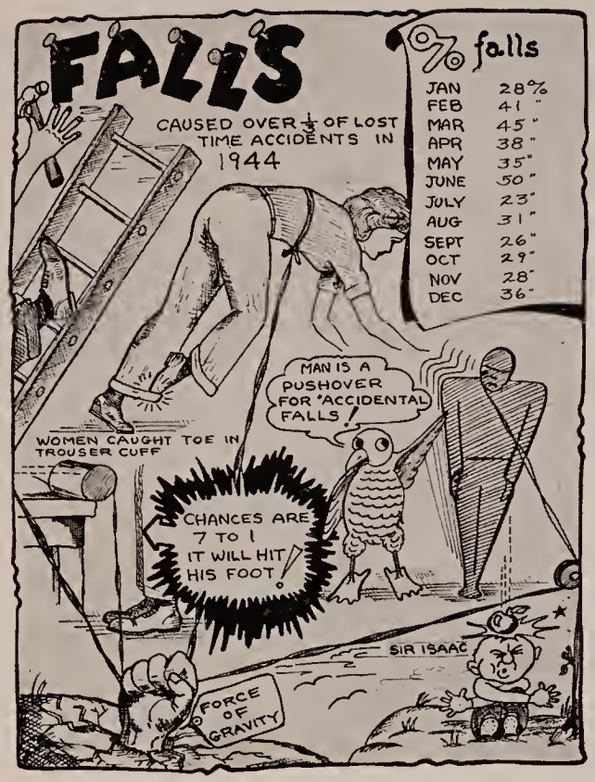
Sleuthing In 4-6

The Development Section is losing a fine secretary when Vera Hilfiker leaves us this week. We wish you the best of luck, Vera, on your new assignment as housewife, and we are sure that Margaret Christle, who is taking over for you, will do a fine job. . . . M. G. Norris is still on the trail of the person or persons who walked off recently with his fancy new ash tray, and I do mean fancy. We would suggest, Mr. Norris, that you offer a reward of one pack of cigarettes to the person who returns the ash tray. That should get results, if anything will. . . . Mary Smoak and her SeaBee husband, Chief Petty Officer Koger Smoak, left last Monday for San Francisco, California, where he will be stationed for the time being. Well, what with the large doses of Indiana weather we've been having around here, we couldn't think of a nicer place to go right now. . . . The girls on the 5 x 8 file felt that that Irene Whelan's birthday should be duly observed, so Marge Young produced a slightly dried cup cake, inserted a candle in the center, and Presto, a birthday cake! Congratulations, Irene. . . . We were happy to see two old friends from the Navy who dropped in to say Hello last week, Harry Splees, formerly of the Development Section, and Ensign Robert Langsdon of the Aircraft Section. . . . It appears that these Winter Street people really have a flair for color. That wasn't a fire in the DC Section, just Bob Schulte in a new plaid shirt. Wow! . . . Wonder what Lela Omspach was thinking of when she boarded a No. 4 street car and, after passing Creighton Ave., awoke to the fact that she was not on a No. 11, as she had supposed. Well, since Lela wanted to go uptown, and not to Foster Park, she had to debark at Huestis Ave. and walk 2 blocks back to Creighton; and to make it all the more exasperating, it was one of the coldest days we had. Now Lela, if you crave exercise, it would be lots more fun if the temperature weren't quite so low. . . . Wedding Bells will be ringing tomorrow for Jeannette Sanders and Ensign B. J. O'Niell of the U. S. Navy. They will be joined in wedlock at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 6:30 in the evening. A dinner was given in her honor Monday night by the Birthday Club at the English Terrace. Good luck and the best of everything for you both. . . . A luncheon was given for Jeanne Kelly at the English Terace Friday noon. Jeanne is leaving us to accompany her husband to Florida where he will be stationed for sometime. We will all miss you, Jeanne, but envy your spending the winter in Florida. By the way, the surprise box on her desk was a beautiful corsage of pink roses from Iona Grimes and Evelyn Smith. . . . If we continue having heavy snow falls we will have to hire a snow plow to get Stella Hagadorn and Helen Klopfenstein to work.

The electron micro-analyzer, developed in 1943 reports on atomic composition of submicroscopic particles of matter. It tells about particles too minute to be seen by microscopes!

There is something new under the sun. Man has devised an artificial light of greater intrinsic brilliancy than that produced by the sun itself. The crater of the positive carbon in a carbon arc light, similar to those used for motion picture projection screens, generates the most intense light known.

Gravitation



WE COULDN'T LIVE LONG ON THIS EARTH WITHOUT IT AND YET WE HAVE A TOUGH TIME LIVING WITH IT. When we look over our accident records we find that someone is constantly either "falling or being fallen on." Man is an unstable object standing on end, and his toes are protruding just right to get hit by objects falling in his direction.

Every month throughout 1944, as shown in the above chart, FALLS consistently "topped" the list. The percentages for each month are so close as to be uncanny. There were forty-seven lost-time accidents due to falling material. Thirty-six of these were the result of material striking the feet. WE DON'T LIKE TO BE CONSTANTLY MENTIONING IT, BUT, AGAIN, SAFETY SHOES WOULD HAVE PREVENTED NEARLY ALL OF THESE FOOT INJURIES.

Twice as many falls occurred at the same level as there were at a higher level. IF WE WILL REMEMBER THIS FACT WE WILL PROBABLY BE CAREFUL TO AVOID FALLING, ALTHOUGH WE MAY NOT BE CLIMBING A LADDER, STAIRS, ETC.

ANOTHER PERTINENT FACT IS THAT AGE, SEX, PHYSICAL CONDITION, OR OTHER SPECIFIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INDIVIDUAL HAVE VERY LITTLE BEARING ON THE CAUSE OF THE INJURY.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH,
Safety Engineer

26-5 TOOL BITS

It pays to have a good friend when in trouble. In this case it was Bob Truelove's wife who stood by Bob at a crucial moment. Bob was just the recipient of a couple of mule kicks and was lying sprawled all over the basketball floor when his wife raised up majestically from her seat and shouted, "Hey! Be careful with him, that's my husband!" . . . Barney Weber is going to consult Ross Cohagan on how to handle dogs (small ones). One day last week Barney tried to chase away a vivacious creature without success. . . . John Hensler of the tool crib wants it to be known that he isn't that Hengsteler in last week's "dirt column"; besides he thinks Chick Abbott's singing is wonderful. . . . The Gang of Wolves heard howling at various times and places in Bldg. 26-5 has been identified as a quintet of would-be, barber shop singers, comprised of: "Bustling" John Allen, "Bellicose" John Hensler, "Bellowing" Ross Vaughn, "Bubbling" Herbert Mennewisch and "Breezy" Art Dicke, who retire to the blacksmith shop at noons to "iron out" chromatics and harmonics which could be remedied at no other appropriate remedial choral remedifier. . . . Cliff Clapesattle is what you'd call a real sportsman. He chases a pair of foxes all day just to see them run into a tile ditch, then he tells a farmer of their wherabouts and lets him catch them and receive the bounty and the price for their pelts. . . . Well it looks like another Maverick has finally been corralled. Al DeVaux was the victim this time. Congratulations to you and your bride, Al, and thanks for the cigars and candy. . . . George Houser says that he's not worried about meat rationing as long as his boys bring home the bacon (I mean Bunnies). It seems that one of George's boys has been keeping their larder well supplied with rabbit since the first snow. . . . Paul Auman must like to be "on the level" with himself. The other day Paul used an 8" level to check his chair and make sure he was square with his machine. . . . Kenneth Sefton has found that you can't add water to your gasoline in the winter time. He spent the week-end trying to thaw out his fuel pump and carburetor. . . . We are hearing some big ice fishing stories from Ed. Steward now since he got that new sheeplined vest from Santa Claus. . . . Walter Elliot has a spare-time vocation. He was seen the other noon hour at the M. D. Walsh estate in the role of a veterinarian. . . . Just imagine Ross Vaughn running rabbits down with nothing but a club, and Jack Schemehorn and Paul Brinkroeger yelling for Bob McDermott at a basketball game. . . . Bud Dunlap doesn't like women fishermen when they chop holes between his and scare all the fish away.

Decaturites

Every dark cloud has a silver lining—ask Curly Reynolds of dept. 5-56, Plant 2. A week ago her husband wrecked their car almost beyond repair. Curly was wrecked as a result of it and tears rolled even the day after. A week later these tears were gone completely and the smiles were in their place—the car was repaired. . . . The girls in dept. 5-56 have turned out to be real "Northerners." It's surprising the amount of fresh air they can absorb after their lunch. . . . Pearl Ray is flashing a new diamond. . . . Our belated best wishes to Bessie Ward who has also been a member of the "Sparklers Club" for some time. . . . Dorothy Heimann and Lucille Schearer spent the week-end visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Othmar Wannemacher. Mrs. Wannemacher was before her marriage Celeste Heimann of Plant No. 1. . . . The G-E Club Choir enjoyed an unusually interesting "Winter Party" Thursday, January 4, at the Winter Lodge located on the lake in the Bluffton State Park. The choir met at their rehearsal room in the Decatur Jr.-Sr. High School shortly after work and were transported to Bluffton in private cars. Many of the group carried their sleds and skates, and there was excellent opportunity to use both. The picturesque lodge in its winter setting was an ideal location for such a party. Besides ice skating and coasting many of the group enjoyed Bingo and dancing throughout the evening. A delightful hot buffet lunch was served at nine o'clock. The group of 50 voices is under the direction of David Embler and sponsored by the General Electric Club of the Decatur Works. . . . Lo and behold! The goose now hangs high for the two weakest captains of the Tuesday night owl hooters who make a specialty of upsetting pins. Stults of the renowned Fireballs and Shoup of the Commandos paired off for the tournament doubles and captured high scores for the Tuesday niters. The famed Jake could hardly keep up his end with Schwartz the Patrolman, while Schafer and Small did nothing at all. The Geneva Whirlwind (Al) and Pete the Fair One placed somewhere near second for the Tuesday twirl. . . . Florence Worthman, Charlotte Schafer, Arden Schilling, Calvin Amick, Mary J. Case, Naomi Colchin, Cece Dull, Georgia Fletcher, Betty Jean Fosnaugh, Gladys Fosnaugh, Walter Gehres, Mae Marshall, Walter Ryf and Gregg Zimmerman are on the MBA sick list. . . . Pauline August and Elmira Kraner are recuperating nicely from injuries received in accidents. . . . The news item you have read earlier in this column concerning the G-E Club Choir party does not tell all the story. Your editor snooped around and found a few interesting highlights. For instance: Spike Cramer became "Oscar of the Waldorf" by assuming all kitchen duties and he did almost as good a job as Oscar himself could have done. Johnny Moore, besides being Ben Blue of the dance floor, was also mop bucket boy of the evening. The winners of the All-Events prizes were Roop and Eady, a couple of petite, diminutive jitterbugs. The entire party was accused by Director David Embler of many things including the hiding of his skates. Arriving home about midnight in a very bad humor, he found his skates lying on the dining room table where he had left them earlier in the evening. Dan Foreman and Bob Striker were awarded lapel ribbons denoting them as "chief lodge smeller-uppers." They did it with so-called cigars. Emma Goldner fell off the sled, but she got to the bottom of the hill anyway. Snozola Cramer accepted the invitation to direct the men's voices for a song. The consensus of opinion at the end of the song was that it was the worst singing ever heard. Phillip Dolby did so much fancy skating and making of figure 8's that he failed to overcome the urge to sleep. We could go on and on, but we think we'd better not. We would like to inquire in the name of our readers when this choir is going to present itself for our approval.

We received word from Cpl. Wendel Smith who is stationed in the Philippines that he received our box which he appreciated ever so much. He says it does a Joe good to know that he is still remembered. He also enjoys reading the WORKS NEWS and says it's good to read the amusing incidents that happen to the folks back home. He also says hello to all his friends. . . . Floyd Reed and Richard Briede spent several days at their homes after completing boot training at Great Lakes. . . . John A. Baumann is home on leave after spending several months in a Naval Hospital at San Diego recuperating from a broken arm. John is fully recovered from the accident and is awaiting reassignment. . . . Lyle Franz wishes all the Season's Greetings and hopes to be in our midst again very soon. . . . Harold E. August in Italy is grateful for the Christmas package he received. He also appreciates the WORKS NEWS. He wishes all a Happy New Year and hopes for a speedy victory. . . . Pvt. George Womack says he is seeing a lot of action. He and Bob Frey are in the same outfit and got to see each other on December 15. They both would like very much to see all the folks back home again. . . . Cpl. Edward Vogelwede is in India where the days are hot and the nights cool. He was very pleased with the Christmas box and found everything useful. Says they had a nice Christmas but hopes all the boys can be home for next Christmas. . . . Art Baker spent Christmas at home with his wife and family.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

We were made to realize the other day that the WORKS NEWS is not just a local paper. Frank Walzer, of the U. S. Navy, visited us and told us about reading a certain news item while in Rome, Italy. We are always glad to welcome our service men back and we do send greetings to all of our fellows from Bldg. 17-2. We wish you all would come back soon to stay. . . . Beverly Spiegel has returned to work after spending ten days in New York City, her home town. . . . Laura Storner spent New Year's in Detroit. . . . "Skinny" Mosshammer writes that he will soon be home on furlough. . . . If anyone is hungry for a good steak invite John Woods over for dinner. He promises to bring the steak. . . . Louise O'Connell is back to work after recovery from an appendectomy. . . . Williby and Ed Meyers finally won last week in the euchre games with Ed Stute and Eldon Roby. This really rates space in the papers because it's "news."

Here and There

BUILDING 17-4

We hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and now let's all work hard for the New Year and make it a swell one too. . . . Sy Seymore had a birthday recently and was pleasantly surprised to find a box on his bench all done up in ribbons. The present? Fifty pennies from his fellow workers. It's sure nice to be remembered. Best wishes and many more birthdays, Sy. . . . John Hillsmeir had a birthday too, but thought we didn't know it. This is to let him know we did. Congratulations, John. . . . When Lester Stauch tells a joke it's a killer-diller. Last week he elucidated on "Ten lessons on how to bake ginger bread." Seems like all you need is a bowl, a cup of water and a package of Duffy's ready-to-mix ginger bread. My gosh, Less, what kind of a chef are you anyway? . . . The guys and gals bade farewell to Woody Shields and Bob Bootman. We wish both all the success and happiness in your new adventure. . . . The new addition to high altitude, Bob Dichtel, is a little in the dark when it comes to the fairer sex. Sez Bob, "The single gals either think you want to marry them or are afraid you won't and the married ones always have a husband." To date, Bob is an elderly bachelor of 22. Oh well, time will tell. . . . Ice fishing has its fascination, especially for Don Kruse. A mess of delicious fish would taste good, Don, but I'll stick to the fireside with my knitting. . . . The New Year's week-end was very eventful for Eula Chaney. It seems that Eula was trying her skill on the ice when suddenly she hit a snag. Does any one happen to be skilled in the art of sewing? If so, report to Eula. . . . Our champion skiers, Steve Blaising and Eugene Witte, honored Pokagon Park with their presence. We wonder just how these two would look wrapped around a tree. Betty Billman enjoyed the toboggans at the Park too. . . . The smile on Valette Irwin's face gives away the fact that her husband was able to spend New Year's in Fort Wayne. Reason enough to be happy Valette. . . . Some of the elite of Bldg. 17-4 visited Chicago on January 6 and 7. Marjorie Michalowski, Mr. and Mrs. Art Nard and Vivian Baumgartner enjoyed Sonja Henie's Ice Review very much, even though they only saw 15 minutes of it. . . . The second shift is starting the new year off right by keeping all of their resolutions. Jim Young says he made three new ones. Let us in on them Jim. . . . We welcome our new tool coop girl, Wanda, to our floor. We also welcome Dorothy Holt, Mary Mobley and Lillian Kidder as newcomers to our second shift. . . . Marcus Gotsch says, "Why do they call me Fibber McGee?" Well Marcus, we will never forget those fishing stories and the time you told us about the chipmunk you got, which we found out later was a ground hog. Could there be any difference? . . . Charley Crain was seen doing a jig on the ice the other day. Now Charley we didn't know you danced. . . . Cecil Stair attended the theater and saw the Ghost of Canterville. When he saw Charles Laughton, the ghost, he said, "That's me." . . . Everyone enjoyed the potluck we had the other day. Most of us ate too much but did have a good time. Let's have more of them gang. . . . We are sorry to hear that our good friend Harry Jacobs has left us. Lots of luck Harry in your future and keep up the good work. We are going to miss you a lot. . . . The man-about-town saw Betty Vonderhaar and Carl Rutledge taking Artie Shaw in on Saturday night. He also saw Cora Jane Emenhiser and Jane Rison trying their luck on ice skates Sunday afternoon at the Reservoir. Watch out for this man-about-town, he will be looking for you next week-end.

Explain How P-61's Guns Work



In the shadow of a General Electric remotely controlled gun turret, W. A. Cox and D. J. Hamilton, electrical design engineers working on P-61 armament, show on a model of the plane how the guns offer protection from all angles. Turret's heavily concentrated fire power can be directed in any direction in a 360-degree circle and can, in little more than a second, be raised from a level position to where it's shooting straight overhead.

The LST 208, BATTLE-BUFFETED VETERAN OF FOUR GREAT AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULTS in three oceans has nosed into home port after traveling 35,000 miles in 16 months—first tank landing ship to return from the European war. For a month the bow-doored ship ferried troops, tanks, and supplies to Sicily, fighting off constant attacks from German dive bombers. Then the 208 proceeded to the Indian Ocean to land tanks on Arakan in support of British troops assailing Japanese positions. That action over, the 208 ran up to England to ready for the approaching invasion of France. It hit the Normandy beaches on D-Day and shuttled huge amounts of supplies across the channel. Months after D-Day, most of the Allied invasion supplies were still coming to the troops over the Normandy beachheads, dumped there by the 208 and thousands of sister amphibious craft.—Army and Navy release.

THE POWERFUL NEW 90-MM TANK DESTROYER is achieving an excellent record in mauling monster Royal Tiger tanks in fierce armor battles inside Germany. The M-36 carries a caliber .30 and a caliber .50 machine gun. Each member of the crew is armed with a carbine, but the principal armament is the long barreled high-velocity 90mm gun, one of the finest sharpshooting rifles in the world. No German tank on the western European front today can stand up to it. —Army and Navy release.

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

Group 15x71 welcomes Bob Johnson into the section. We hope you'll enjoy working with us. . . . Any team that wants to play basketball against our teams get in touch with Lloyd Miller or Ralph Reinking, Group 15x55. . . . Have you noticed the beautiful diamond Mary Jane Judt is wearing? Best wishes, Mary Jane. . . . Wilda Knelanger's son, Edward, is home on leave from the Navy. . . . Ruth Golliver, who is leaving the company, was the guest of honor at a delicious pot luck. All was kept a secret from Ruth until the big moment when fried chicken, baked beans, potato salad, hot rolls, olives, celery, cake and coffee was set before her and the following group: Arlouine Wise, Goldie Tuck, Melvin Babcock, Harry Babcock, Glenn Keck, Louis Frantz, Alfred Oelfke, Alva Smiley, Max Flohr, Basil Bear, Harold Waikel, Wilma New, Joel Jackson and Vance Burnau. Following the potluck, Ruth was presented a $20.00 Gift Certificate and Best Wishes for her success as a full time housewife from her many friends in Bldg. 6-2. . . . Larry Bergevin is so proud of his wife's date cookies and now we know why — on New Year's Day he passed the date cookie jar to his whole group. Yum, yum! Are those cookies good! Thanks, Larry and Mrs. Bergevin. . . . Anyone having a large 1945 calendar they don't use, please contact Jo Alles, as she hasn't any and doesn't know what the date is. We're afraid she might come to work on Sunday.

Painsatte Pistols

Birthday congratulations were in order this week for Marie Bowman of the Inspection Department. They all enjoyed the delicious cake she brought in. Very nice of Marie don't you think to treat the gang? . . . Have you ever eaten by candle light? Well James Lee thinks it is very old fashioned and silly, so Dottie Hemsoth of all things, had on his bench a lighted candle; he ate his lunch and it didn't seem to bother him a bit. . . . If anyone has an old pair of shoes, (mates of course) to give away I'm sure Alyce Swaim would appreciate them very much. Alyce came in the other morning with mismates on, poor child. Her excuse was that she must have put her shoes on before she had her eyes opened. But, here's what really happened, she got her feet wet and during the process of changing her shoes she looked up to find one of them sailing through the air. Alyce was unable to find it for some time because it landed in one of Charlie O'Conner's rubber overshoes. Strange things do happen. . . . A surprise kitchen shower was given for Helen Savieo by Dottie Hemsoth and Maxine Spitler of Winter Street. Those who participated in making Helen's evening an enjoyable one were Ruth King, Gertrude Hockemeyer, Martha Englert, Mildred Banberry, Gertrude Currie, Eleanor Grym, Bernice Emery, Glenora Widdifield, Connie Coppolino and the hostesses. Games were played and luncheon was served after the games. . . . Mr. Haugk suggested to Harriet Bohler that she send some stock through for inspection and lo and behold! she even tried to send the bins through too. Why Harriet, you should know that can't be done. We still have to use them for other stock, or didn't you know? . . . We are all very happy to know that Mr. Mann's mother is out of the hospital. Hope she will be well on the road to recovery real soon. . . . Bob Russel has just returned from St. Louis where he visited his son who is in the hospital. His son was wounded in France. He has now received a medical discharge from the Army. . . . Seems as though Helen Savieo was a little confused and got her phone numbers mixed up. She was trying to get the ice cream company and dialed her boss' number instead. Was her face red when Bob Moore asked "Is that you Helen?" for he recognized her voice when she said "Have you any ice cream?" . . . Ed Stauffer has finally forgiven Bernice after so long a time, for the comment. There's the cigarette shortage, you know and these Egyptian cigarettes must be tolerated, despite their odor. . . . We were all sorry to lose James Lee; he was transferred to Winter Street. At the same time we are glad to welcome back Glenora Widdifield transferred back from Winter Street. . . . See you all next week.

Missing In Action

Two servicemen from the Fort Wayne Works, Pvt. Paul P. Sheets of the Taylor Street Plant and MM 3/c Nelson Spice of Bldg. 19-5, have been reported missing in action.

Pvt. Sheets has been missing in France since December 7. He entered the service in April, 1944, and went overseas in October.

MM 3/c Spice has been missing in action since October 5, 1944. He was aboard the submarine Harder. He entered the Navy in October, 1942, and trained at Great Lakes and New London, Connecticut. He has been at sea for a year.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

The commotion of Christmas and New Year being over, perhaps there is a chance that I can write somekind-of a column for General Service without my thoughts being interrupted. Everyone in General Service seems to have recuperated from the holidays. The place really looked like a rainbow the day after Christmas with all the "loud ties" the men wore which they had received from—could it be their mother-in-law??? . . . So much for Christmas and on with the news. Congratulations to Max Stucke who became the proud father of a baby girl New Year's day. Max has the honor of being the father of the third baby born in 1945. . . . Why did Katie Steinman stay at her desk all morning one day last week? Could it be that after getting to work, she discovered that her hose needed washing. A person can easily hide their legs under a desk and according to several people, there was a pair of hose drying in the rest room. . . . Because of forgetfulness on the part of someone in Bldg. 20-2, Norma Jean Sprunger experienced a very embarrassing moment when she boarded a street car on her way to work last week. She looked in her purse for her pass, but unfortunately discovered that it wasn't there. Someone had borrowed it the day before and had failed to return it. She then looked in her purse for some money and to her surprise, discovered that she had left her coin purse at home. It was lucky for her that the conductor took pity on her. . . . Farewell greetings go to Barbara Lehmen and Bonnie Wright who both recently left the General Electric Company. Barbara left for Kansas to join her husband who is stationed there with the United States Navy. Bonnie went to California to marry her one and only who is also with the United States Navy. . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to Hedy Graue who was recently notified by the government that her husband was killed in the Atlantic War Area. . . . Welcome greetings go to Virginia Waymire and Bill Allen who are the newest members of our department. . . . "I'm a devil" Muehlenbruch is still talking about his son David as if he were the only baby ever born. You'd think that after seven months, the newness of it would wear off. It only took three months for him to stop talking about his dog Blackie; however, I guess we must make allowances because as Walter says, "David took the place of the dog." . . . Well, that's all the news from this department, so it's good-bye for now.

THE EXPERIMENT OF THE FIRST KNOWN BLOOD BANK TO BE WATER BORNE to the fighting front aboard a hospital ship proved highly successful at Guam. Three hundred Marines in the Marshalls gave their blood which was to save many lives at Guam in cases where whole blood was indispensable. Success of the plan depended on the ability of living blood to survive disturbances created by vibrating ship's engines and the rolling and pitching of the ship. Ashore under proper conditions whole blood can be kept for as long as 10 days. Its life at sea proved to be quite as long. No wounded man at sea will now have to go without whole blood if it is required.—Army and Navy release.

In Utah, there is a highway where single-lane traffic is controlled by photoelectric relays. The relays count the cars and guide traffic.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Aluminum Parts

Some people say that in the spring a young man's fancy turns to love—well, in the aluminum department, especially Harold Souder's section, it seems as though cupid must be working overtime at the end of the year. Anne Weaver, Mary Riggers, and Melba Cooper have all been sporting a sparkler on third finger, left hand, since Christmas and New Year's. . . . Does anyone have any idea how old Lawrence Garton and Ben Steigler are? Now Virginia Holle, the mail carrier, was asked this, and since she had only their actions and no records to go by, she considered a moment and said, "Well, at least 50 for you, Garton, and I'd say about 43 for Ben." Say, do you ever get prizes for guessing ages, Virginia? . . . Congratulations to Hymie Vondenkamp for the new nephew. Don't worry, Hymie, boys are just as nice as girls.

Impeller

We are going to miss several of our friends who are being transferred. They are Winnifred Miller, Cora Refakis, Wanda Casterline, Grace Baumgartner, Earl Byall and Verma Fryback. . . . We wish you success on your new undertakings and don't forget us for we are going to miss you. . . . One would think the way Bob Kinnaman goes around whispering this week he had a lot of secrets but I guess he has just lost his voice. Too bad, Bob. . . . Have you noticed our latest haircut? Why none other than Danny McGrath is sporting it. Don't freeze you ears, Danny.

Nozzle Box

Alma Keller and her husband have returned from Florida after spending a week with their son, Johnny. Alma said it was 85 in the shade and that they enjoyed it very much. . . . Hilda Engleman said that she and her husband gave a party at New Year's for two more couples and they sure did have a time. . . . Dorothy McGowen said she drove over to Ohio on New Year's and just about froze her feet off. . . . We were sure glad to see Ann Lemmel and Alta Rudolph back on the job again. . . . Jean Schurg said she spent the holidays at home and had a nice time. . . . Cecelia Lovett and husband visited with Betty Taylor and her husband over the holidays. Cecelia had a little trouble getting her car started one day last week. However, some good Samaritan gave her a push and everything was hunky dunky. . . . Nadine Heller started the New Year right by winning the pool. . . . We wish to welcome Gertrude Moss and Willard Linn from third trick in our department. Hope you both will like being with us. . . . Elizabeth Young was absent from work one day last week. Elizabeth said all the pipes froze up on them so she had to help hold the torch. That's what you get for moving out in the wide open spaces. . . . Tilly Wambsganss celebrates her two years with Taylor Street on January 5. Alta Rudolph and Florence Lea, two years on January 6. Tilly beat them by one day. . . . Florence Lea got word at last that John Lea is in France. . . .First Class Seaman, Bob Steigler, son of Aurelia Steigler is home on a thirty day furlough. Bob has done quite a little traveling. He is a gunner on a merchant ship. He just came home from France and will return back to New York shortly.

Tool Room

We welcomc John Fisher to our daytime shift and hope he likes us nice folks——ahem. . . . Say can you remember when we could read the WORKS NEWS on the street car while riding home? Now we would have trouble looking at a postage stamp. Boy, are those cars crowded. . . . Adrian Libbing made it to work. The roads must be clearing considerably. . . . Glenn Schmidt has renewed his membership to our huge "Forgotten Badge Lodge." . . . Something happened to a honey of a story last week about Walter Greiner. Anyhow, it may be an item on the cutting room floor; but me thinks the boys will know all about it anyhow. . . . D. E. Bowman, our helper, had some good news this last week. He heard from his boy after seven weeks without any word. Mr. Bowman's son, Donald, who took paratroop training, left for overseas and his mail was delayed. Good luck, Don. . . . Second Lieut. Robert Ludwig, formerly a G-E apprentice and operator in our grinding section, visited us this past week and was royally greeted. Bob has been in service about a year and a half, training in Waco, Texas as a B-26 pilot. Bob's home is in Ossian and after his leave is to be stationed for a period at Dodge City, Kansas. Hope to see you back soon, Bob. . . . Dick "The Firebug" I mean "fireman" Miller feels he should have had his name in the paper before this. Sorry Dick, why didn't you complain carlier? Dick's only exercise is in the case of a fire alarm so we don't see him in the aisle much. When we do hear an alarm he is always so much in a hurry, we hardly get to speak to him.

Rotor

The New Year of 1945 has brought out the snow shovels and snow shoes. . . . Farewell to Dessie Hammond, who left us to become a housewife. . . . Garnet Pepple and Lowell Burnsworth are back on the way of recovery. . . . Evelyn Hedges and Marion Linberry enjoyed their vacations. Congratulations to Ed Coil on his twenty-eighth Anniversary. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ott Langston's son, Arthur was home on leave from the Army. He is stationed in Texas. . . . Zella Zimmerman, Lois Jones, Mary Cordill are on our sick list. . . . Happy Birthday to Lois and Louise Jones on January 6, Ursula Wolfe on January 1, and Ellen Hirschbiel on January 10. . . .Blanche Davis is down on Blanchards. Luck on your new job. . . . A snowbound case is Oliver Kumfer. He had to have his car shoveled out of the ditch. Nice to have good neighbors, Ollie. . . . It seems that Howard Anderson has gotten a nice blue shirt for Christmas. It is really a nice blue. . . . Congratulations to Cleo Hammond, who is now a brand new grandma.

Screw Machine

We want to wish Marjorie Goff and Eugene Kilty a happy birthday, and many more to come. . . . Al Gordon has his ice fishing outfit up for sale to anyone who can catch more than one fish. . . . Ed Egolf was telling how many fish he caught when ice fishing. Just wonder if he was telling a fish story. How about that, Ed? . . . Waveland Bernardin said he had his Christmas tree for sale. . . . Winifred Coates reports that her son, Lewis Garrett serving overseas has received a promotion from Technician Fourth Grade, to Technician Third Grade. . . . He says they havc good eats. Chicken at least twice a week and he would like to hear from his friends back home. He was a former employee of Bldg. 4-5 and says to tell the boys to keep them coming. . . . Violet Swift has been transferred to the Broadway plant, building 19-2. Your old gang all wish you the best of luck, Violet and don't forget us. . . . Welcome to first trick, Mary Muzzillo. Hope you like us. . . . Mary Metzger is home ill this week. The place seems pretty lonesome without you, Mary, so hurry back. . . . Ethel Bobay was very pleasantly surprisecl to see her brother. He is home on furlough after being overseas. . . . With the man shortage and all, Fuzz Amstutz can gather together five men all in one evening. And of all things, to play ping-pong. . . . The snow and cold weather has sure been bad this week, but our gang makes it every time. . . . I wonder who pastes all the pictures on Grace Shaw's billboard? And all are picturcs of men. If anyone has a picture they won't hang, bring or send it to Grace Shaw. . . . Uncle Sam has sent for Bill Growcock and we are sorry to see him go, but wish him the very best of luck from all the gang. . . . It seems like good intentions don't help. Bill Charleston made a New Year's resolution to do all good and no bad, but no good came of it. He can't even park his car now without someone hitting it, let alone drive it safely. You can put on a new fender at the same time you tighten up that bumper guard, Bill. . . . Luella Day is leaving us to go to the Winter Street plant. Chester Bowen is going to Broadway. Velma Corwin is quitting. Ruth Hall is transferring to another department at Taylor Street. We hate to see these friends leave us, but we hope they get a good break wherever they go. . . . Lyle (Red) Cox is now wearing a woman's cap to work in. Wonder how Lyle would look in slacks.

To Star On A And M Show



Art Linkletter, well known Hollywood actor and producer is Master of Ceremonies for "The G-E House Party," new coast-to-coast Radio Show sponsored by General Electric Appliance and Merchandise Department, over CBS network every week-day Monday through Friday at 4:00 P.M., EWT.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

We noticed that Harry Brattain isn't a bit fussy whose coat he puts on when he goes out to lunch, although the sleeves are too short and the coat is not the same color. Were you in a hurry Harry? . . . Button, button, where is my button? That's what Phil Buckmaster wanted to know last Monday. We thought that was an awful blank expression on that tag you werc wearing Phil. . . . Congratulations to "Wimpy" Blalock, second trick foreman, proud papa of son number 4. Mother and baby doing fine. . . . S/Sgt. Charles Felts was home on a 21 day convalescent leave from the Kennedy General Hospital at Memphis, Tennessee, and as Charley must get around on crutches the snow and ice kept him pretty much inside and couldn't get up to see the gang; but he sends his regards and says hello to all the Transformer gang. So we say good luck Charley. We hope that leg heals real quick and that you're on your two feet again real soon. P.S.—We saw Charley a couple of times and he looks good. In the 21 days he was home he put on about 10 pounds—now we don't believe that he was that hungry. It was just home cooking. . . . Now the rest of you guys in the Service we would like to hear from you and your transformer editor promises to answer all letters received. . . . Mrs. Lillian White entertained her group of finishers at her home Thursday, December 21, with a special 12:00 Christmas dinner. Gifts were exchanged and a real Santa furnished the entertainment. All arrived at the factory in time for a hard day's work, none the worse for the good time they had. Guests were Lucille Colley, Carnella Caccanio, Esther Garrison, Agnes Reynolds, Margie McDaniels, Hazel Curts, I. Rodenacker, Helene Telfer, Gladys Newcomer, Pauline Facks, Delores Reitz, Emily Kelley, Margaret Hoffman, and Louise Hanauer. . . . Santa Claus visited the winding section at their annual Christmas party. A dinner was enjoyed by all, followed by a gift exchange. Everyone had fun watching the opening of gaily decorated packages. P. Gale was afraid to open his gift—but after a few peeps he was reassured it was O.K. to show it. The party was also a farewell for Mary Oetting who is leaving to visit her husband. Those who attended were Mildred Lake, Lela Klinker, Mary Oetting, Kay Cox, Jean Lockman, Betty Goeltzenleuchter, Lucile Graham, Alvina Wade, Noel Smith, Margaret Possell, Lucille Saylor, Mildred Leazier, Wanda Claus, Mabel Carmer, Josephine Richardt, Evelyn Minnick, P. Gale Harris, Edward Kruckeberg, and J. Wellington "Wimpy" Blalock. . . . Velma Meads says when you kick the ice away from the garage door be sure and look in your boot to see if the heel of your shoe is still on for it's very embarrassing to come to work and take off your boot and find you just haven't a heel to walk on—better luck next time. . . . A New Year's party was held at Clarence Kempf's —the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Speaker, Mr. and Mrs. George Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Cress Hollenbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wellman, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reitdorf, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ervin, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kempf, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Feller, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mentzer, Mr. and Mrs. James Frentz, and Elizabeth Hine and Clarence Kempf, Jr.

Serviceman Dies

Ens. Carl D. Shidler, Motor-Generator, died in a Chicago hospital on January 4. Cause of death was not immediately determined. Ens. Shidler, a fighter pilot aboard an aircraft carrier, recently returned from several months' duty in the South Pacific and had been in several hospitals in the United States.

X-raying of airplane propeller blades by electronic control, to find defects, speeds up inspection time 300 per cent.



THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

WINTER STREET Rumblings

"Dear Friends and All of Winter Street Plant:

"Have a little spare time at present so will try to drop a few lines to let my co-workers know that everything is OK over here with me. I really appreciate receiving the WORKS NEWS for it gives me an idea of the progress on the Home Front, and also note many names of buddies in the service who are overseas also. I want to add that the WORKS NEWS has been coming regularly each week and I really enjoy reading it.

"It's going on four months now that I have been overseas and so far everything has been on the up and up. Did quite a bit of traveling, first through England, France, Belgium, and at present I am in Luxembourg. Just before coming here we were relieved from the front lines which at that time were some distance in Germany. Being up there really makes one appreciate home, and what is being done in different war plants to help speed Victory. I have seen much equipment made by General Electric.

"As for the weather over here, it's not much different than in the States but at present it is quite cold, and the rain and sleet is pretty regular. Had snow for the first time, quite some time ago, and it made quite a beautiful scene when the snow was piled on the spruce, balsam, and hemlock trees which are in great numbers over here. But we'd all like it 100% better to be home again and start in where we had left off.

"It's really hard for one to write much in a letter, so I'll have to call it quits for this time. I'll say Hello to all my co-workers and wish them a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Hope to be back in the good ole United States and soon.

"Your fellow worker,
"PFC Lawrence H. Ehinger"

"Somewhere in Italy,
"December 10, 1944.

"Dear Editor:

"I received your letter asking me to write about a month ago, I believe. I'll tell you a little of my experience and my travels. I'm a right waist gunner and assistant radio operator on a B-17 'Flying Fortress' stationed in Italy. I've been over here since September and have made fifteen trips over targets in Germany, Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Italy. We've bombed such targets as Vienna and Munich. Other than that I don't know of much to tell you. It's no picnic over here and I'd give almost anything to be working back in the Ceneral Electric.

"I worked there until I was called into the Air Corps. I worked at Winter Street and Don Brighton was my foreman.

"When we came overseas we flew over and on the way one morning about 6 o'clock we flew over Fort Wayne and I was thinking of how much I'd like to bail out.

"My father, Wymond Ritter, is working at the Broadway Plant and has been working there for almost two years.

"I can't think of much more to write about. If it wasn't for the censoring of letters I could tell you a lot more, but I guess I'll have to wait until I get home for that.

"All I can say is I'll be awfully happy the day all of us guys over here and in all the other theaters of action can come home once again. That's the day I'm working and waiting for.

"Sincerely,
"S/Sgt. Don F. Ritter."

"December 13, 1944

"Hi Peoples:

"Well, for some reason I can't seem to get started on this letter to you all. Now if it was to my wife, I wouldn't have anything to worry about. I've been meaning to write to you for some time even before I received your letter but I've just been putting it off until my conscience got the better of me. So if the mosquitoes will let me alone long enough I'll try to do some good.

"I've been receiving the WORKS NEWS ever since I've been in the Army and I might say it means more to me now than it did in the States, although I know fewer of the names now. I guess you think more of the things now that you took just for granted before.

"There isn't much that I can tell you that someone hasn't already told you; that is of the Army. I've been in now about two years. Almost the same thing every day,



classes, hikes, field problems. Maybe I can write something different some time.

"I was on the island of Kauai, then came over here to Oahu. Didn't much care for Kauai but do a little more of Oahu. More and better places to go I guess is the reason. Buildings look more like home.

"Seems funny, December and no snow or cold weather. Some days and nights cool but just right. Rainy season here now and it does rain a lot at times. Second night I was here the tent almost floated away. Doesn't take water, in most places, long to dry up though. Still able to swim and go around without an undershirt, less, if you can get away with it. Gets pretty hot at times. But I'll never gripe about the weather in Indiana. I like a better change than what you get here.

"Well the candles are getting low and the mosquitoes are getting bigger and bigger from my blood, they seem to like class AB, they look at my dog tags first though before getting their meals to see if they are getting the right type then yell chow.

"So till next time I'll cease firing and close station, march order. Take care of yourselves and I hope we are all back with you soon.

"Yours sincerely,
"PFC Walter Durst"

How Black Widow Gets "Sting"



This is the first official photo of the Black Widow P-61 night fighter showing plane's top turret, source of its deadly "sting." While many of the actual performance statistics of the Black Widow are still highly restricted, the War Department permitted pictures of the lethal, revolving turret, on top of crew nacelle, housing four .50 caliber machine guns. This system can be controlled by either a gunner in the rear compartment or a gunner in the front compartment, located behind and above the pilot's cabin. Control of the guns is interchangeable. Plane's advanced gunnery system was developed by Ceneral Electric, while plane itself is a product of Northrop Aviation Company. Terrific firepower plus great maneuverability and safety of the P-61 enabled it to shoot down the best opposition the Japs and Nazis could send against it, without a single Black Widow being shot down by enemy action until it had been in numerous combat engagements.

Station 38

Laura Redding's son, First Lieut. Donald Redding, is home after forty-eight missions over Europe, which accounts for that happy smile on her face. . . . Congratulations to Mary Matthews, who is the proud grandmother of Larry Allen Doty. . . . Ernie, Mel, and Fred are now putting up reserved signs in here so they'll have a place to eat. Poor Herman. . . . We wish to welcome Vada Staley to our Inspection Department. Hope you like us. . . . We all miss Helen Beaty but hope she has lots of success on her new job.

Power Drive Office

We have read in the WORKS NEWS that there are several "I Fell Off My Chair" clubs in the Fort Wayne Works. Power Drive is now organizing one with Marjorie Meyers as President. Any further casualties, please contact Miss Meyers or the writer. . . . On one of our cooler days this week Power Drive had quite an awakening. What we thought was a rainbow entering the door perpendicularly proved to be Bob Schulte in his new shirt which he acquired while on his annual vacation during the Christmas holidays in Michigan. Bob is planning to rent this choice red, white, green, orange, pink and yellow wool garment to the adoring girls for a consideration. Line forms to the right, girls. . . . Maxine Myers is planning a visit in Richmond this week-end. . . . Several days ago our water fountain sprung a leak and is now in the repair shop. Your reporter interviewed various people in order to learn the methods now used in getting a drink. Here are a few answers: Mr. Bowman: "These cold days, I have to put on my hat, coat and rubbers and go down the hall." Bob Schulte: "I get down on my hands and knees, put my mouth over the pipe, turn the valve and hang on for dear life." Helen Schwartz: "Do I miss it? I just run up and down the hall and up and down stairs all day getting a drink." Howard Becker: "Oh, is it gone? What did they do with it?" Marge Meyer: "Nothing to wash my dry lunch down with (my vitamins either)." Hal Staley: "I just wait until evening and charge up for the next day." . . . Herb Adamski recently brought to the office a large German battle flag sent home by his brother, PFC Joseph Adamski, of the First Division of the First Army now fighting in Germany. PFC Adamski has been overseas two years and seven months and has seen action in Africa, Sicily, Italy and went into France on "D" Day. He was formerly employed at the Broadway Works in Bldg. 17-1. Power Drive Office sends him their best wishes and hopes for his safe return home soon.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

Bob Yoder came back to work after being off two weeks with a sprained back. The ice was the cause. . . . Margaret Snowberger was off work part of last week and we don't see her in starting Monday, due to illness in her family. . . . Millie Wray has been transferred to the Broadway Plant. We're sorry to see you go, Millie. . . . The painter Herman Buesching (and only three days to go) missed his hunting spree. Was the snow too deep for the bunnies? . . . Walter Fisher's wife is to be given a vote of thanks for the hasenpfeffer supper prepared for seventeen people from the Inspection Department. Cards and sundry were enjoyed by everyone. Cliff sat in the corner nodding and Walt did his the next day. D. P. acted up to. . . . Flo Fuerney is covered with black and blue marks, she says from her first basketball game played under boys' rules. . . . Has anyone found Bob Hosier's bowling shoes? . . . Sue Copelan found a strange apparition in her room recently, looked like Charlie McCarthy. Who dood it?

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

The new year brought a fish story by H. Bohde, nine bluegills weighing 16 pounds or 16 weighing nine pounds we're not sure; anyway Kensill made away with all of them. . . . Jeff Young's son had the misfortune to fracture a leg coasting during the Christmas vacation. . . . Georgia Zinn has a recipe for cocoa using cough syrup instead of vanilla. Max Fisher's boys, gentlemen that they are, refused second cups; maybe it didn't taste too good, but think of the results it might have achieved. . . . McMonigal very modestly related another win for our basketball team over K. of C. 37-30 and giving much credit to Magnusson for his fourteen points, Seiple and Neizert for their efforts. Mac says one game put him in bed for two days so he is content to play from the sidelines now. The gang from factory and office are contributing a few sheckles to see that the boys get their shirts, we hope for their next game. The story goes, they now have such an array of colors the players have to paint their faces to recognize each other. . . . LaVerda Heinfeld led the girls bowling, getting a 150 game. . . . We are sorry to lose Glenore from Inspection back to Poinsatte's. . . . Our girls' basketball team reported their first win of the season; this represents a good deal since there are only five girls to play and no chance for substitution, so congratulations from Power Drive. . . . Again in the news is "Snuffy" Stalter who tried very unsuccessfully to run under a coal truck on an icy intersection.

Planning

"Start the New Year Right" is Mr. Peden's motto. He is back with us again after a long illness. A hearty welcome to you, Pete, from all the gang.

Cost Section

Those who attended Sonja Henie's Ice Review in Chicago last weekend were Justine Luyben, Bernie and Helen Yeranko and Rita Pallone. Helen Cook visited at Great Lakes and Margaret Petro was in Warsaw over the week-end, so we think the Pennsylvania Limited, which brought them home, should have been called the Winter Street Express.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Greetings to Bonnie Newhart, the new girl in the Tool Room who was recently transferred here from Taylor Street. While at that plant she worked in the Tool Room under the supervision of Walt Greiner, who is well known to some of our old timers. . . . The Winter Street basketball team continues their torrid pace as they won two more games last week. They defeated K. of C. at Concordia in an exhibition game, 37-30, and trounced West Side in a league game, 43-25.

Refrigeration Assembly

Tommy Thompson sure can mess things up for himself. One night last week Tom gets in his car in the parking lot, starts the car and no go. He gets the shovel out, cleans the snow out under the back wheels, and gets in trying to get out of the lot, but still no go. After shoveling all the snow out he finds that his bumper is hooked on the back rail. With a little help they lifted the car off the rail. Then the car drops in the holes which he had dug in front of the wheels and stuck again. Tom goes for more help and with a lot of heaving and pushing he manages to get out. . . . Bill Stahl wants to know if a "C" clamp has anything to do with the ocean.



A picture is worth a thousand words—as Confucius said—and as I've repeated several times. But Confucius never saw a motion picture. I wonder how many words he'd say a good movie is worth.

I wonder how many words "Winged Victory" is worth. Weel, don't stop reading in disgust now—I won't try tae say thot many about it. O' course, ye all know, by the time ye read this, thot the movie, "Winged Victory," is now showing and thot it is about the American Air Forces.

O' course, ye also know thot we build some things for those same Air Forces.

But did ye know how much?

Some o' the very planes ye see flying in the picture have a Motor, Transformer, Supercharger, or some other device on it thot YOU, with your very own hands, worked on. Or, pairhops if thot isn't true, the transformers or motors YOU actually helped build are now working in the plane factory, building the planes, themselves.

And ye know, also, thot in a down town window is a display o' some o' the things we build. Others may be too secret to even be shown in such a public place.

Noo, thot's what I call a gude idea, letting us in on how some o' the things we make are used. If we were making the PLANES, themselves, we'd know darn well how important it is tae build everything PERFECT, and tae use COST REDUCTION* to build more o' those PERFECT things FASTER. O' course, "they" keep telling us and telling us how important our products are—but—telling us—even in 1000 words—weel—I'd rather look at the picture.

O' course, some o' my relatives would rather listen to the words—they've heard thot talk is CHEAP. I must tell Uncle Angus thot the down town display is FREE, so he'll be sure tae see it, and then, if it's interesting enough tae him, I know he'll go to the Theatre and see the "Winged Victory"—if he can catch up wi' Cousin Colin and borrow the price o' a ticket.

*C.R.



If General Electric had to depend for helpful suggestions wholly upon the "man at the top," the volume of prize-winning ideas would be much smaller than they are. Experience shows that many improvements in ways of doing things come from the men and women who are themselves doing them. If you want to know the best way of handling a job, ask the fellow who is handling it, particularly if he has an independent way of looking at that job.

Many ideas die without being born into suggestions because the ones who think of them are too shy to put them on paper and turn them in. What kind of a show would the Quiz Kids put on if they kept their traps shut? Send in your suggestion today.

INCOME TAX

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
Bureau of Internal Revenue
Washington 25, D. C.

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works who have received their Withholding Receipts for 1944, are now in a position to file the simplest income tax form ever written, according to Joseph D. Nunan, Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Wages paid and income tax withheld during 1944 have been entered on the receipt by the employer. All the taxpayer has to do is to answer a few simple questions regarding income and exemptions and mail the original copy of his receipt to the collector of internal revenue in his district. The collector will figure the tax and send a bill or a refund for the difference.

When the taxpayer uses his Withholding Receipt for a return, his tax is figured from a table which gives him an allowance of approximately 10 per cent of his gross income for charitable contributions, interest, taxes, casualty losses, medical expenses and miscellaneous items. Naturally anyone claiming a larger amount for deductions may get them by listing them on the standard tax blank, Form 1040.

With March 15, the deadline for filing of 1944 annual returns, not too far distant, millions of taxpayers who must clean up their 1944 tax obligations by that date are urged by Commissioner Nunan to file their returns, at the earliest possible moment and thus avoid confusion and last minute rush.

Radiograms transmitted by automatic sending machines go at speeds up to 650 words a minute, even on direct circuits thousands of miles long.

THE ARMY DOESN'T KNOW WHEN B-E DAY WILL COME, BUT IT IS THOROUGHLY prepared for the current winter campaign in Germany. From October, 1943, to March, 1944, 37 officers, enlisted men, and civilian specialists including Sir Huber Wilkins, famed Arctic explorer, tested 12 freight cars of materiel, with special emphasis on antiaircraft directors, and artillery electrical generating units, clocks and watches, batteries and sighting and optical equipment. Six mobile shop and maintenance trucks were also included for experimental and repair facilities. Located in the coldest area in North America where the ice is one thousand feet deep and temperature varies from 14 degrees above zero to 35 degrees below, and wind frequently has the velocity of 40 to 50 miles an hour, tests were conducted as nearly as possible under conditions that would be found in actual field operations. If equipment failed to operate satisfactorily, winterization, special operating procedures, modifications, heating and cover accessories and changes in design were made to correct difficulties.—Army and Navy release.

"THE NAVY HAS LEARNED A GREAT DEAL ABOUT THE NEED AND IMPORTANCE of skilled workers by witnessing the outstanding performance of the Seabees," declared Rear Admiral Frederick G. Crisp, USN, in a recent address at New Orleans. He predicted that the "precision-mindedness of our American workers and the men in our armed forces will have a profound effect upon our national economy and our standard of living when this war is won."—Army and Navy release.

New Electronics Department District Managers Announced

Four new district managers for the General Electric Company's Electronics Department have been announced by A. A. Brandt, General Sales Manager of the department.

They are R. L. Hanks, Manager of the New England District with headquarters at Boston; T. B. Jacocks, Manager of the Atlantic District with headquarters at Philadelphia; H. J. Mandernach, Manager of the New York District with headquarters in New York City; and R. J. Meigs, Manager of the West Central District with headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

R. L. HANKS

In his new position, Mr. Hanks will be responsible for the sale of all products of the department in the six New England states. His offices will be at 140 Federal St., Boston.

Born in Newark, Ohio, he has been with the General Electric organization for 16 years, joining the G. E. Supply Corp. when a branch house was established in Dayton, Ohio, in 1927. He worked for four years as a general salesman, selling both supply and appliance lines, then was transferred in 1931 to Cincinnati and appointed the home appliance dealer specialist for the G-E Supply Corp. in Southern Ohio and Kentucky. In 1933 Mr. Hanks was appointed district appliance sales manager in the Hartford, Conn., district office of the G-E Supply Corp. and served in that capacity for 10 years. He was appointed sales manager of G-E standard radio receivers in 1944 and has worked in the G-E Receiver Division since then.

T. B. JACOCKS

In addition to his new duties, Mr. Jacocks will continue with his former work on G-E electronics contracts with the government in Washington.

As Atlantic District Manager, Mr. Jacocks will be responsible for the sale of all Electronics Departments products in Eastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Washington, D. C., and North Carolina. He will have his offices in the Mitten Building, 1405 Locust St., Philadelphia.

Born in Tarboro, N. C., Mr. Jacocks was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1924 with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering and joined the General Electric Company that year. After a year of study in the G-E student test course, he was assigned to engineering in the Radio Dept. (now Electronics) where he remained until 1927. For the next four years he was associated with the Commercial Division of the department.

In 1931, Mr. Jacocks was sent to Washington, D. C., as a representative of the Radio Department and there handled government and commercial radio equipment. For the last four years he has devoted his time exclusively to Government-General Electric electronics contract negotiations.

H. J. MANDERNACH

In his new position, Mr. Mandernach will be responsible for the sale of all products of the department in metropolitan New York, New York State, and Northern New Jersey. He will have his offices in the General Electric Building at 570 Lexington Avenue.

Mr. Mandernach formerly was receiver tube sales manager in the G-E Tube Division at Schenectady. He succeeds R. J. Meigs who was acting manager of the district.

A native of Chicago, Mr. Mandernach was employed by General Electric in 1936 and became district radio representative in the Central West with headquarters in Chicago. He held that position until March, 1942, when he was transferred to Bridgeport, Conn., and there made sales manager of the Replacement Tube Section. He was made sales manager of receiving tubes, Tube Division, in November, 1943.

R. J. MEIGS

Mr. Meigs will have his headquarters in Kansas City, Mo., and will be responsible for the sale of all products of the Electronics Department in Missouri, Southern Illinois, Nebraska, Colorado, Northern New Mexico, Wyoming, Kansas and Arkansas.

Mr. Meigs was born in Pueblo, Colo., and was graduated from the University of Colorado with a B.A. degree in economics in 1929. That year he was employed by the General Electric Company and in 1931 was assigned to the Radio Division of the Merchandise Department. He was made assistant to the appliance sales manager of the department in 1934, and the next year became assistant to the sales manager of the Radio Division, assigned to field merchandising and advertising work. From 1939 to 1942, Mr. Meigs was a radio representative in the Philadelphia District. For the last year he has been Acting District Manager of the Electronics Department in New York.

ATTENTION, GIRLS!!

Any girl interested in bowling with the Women's Monday Night Bowling League which bowls at the Club at 8:30 P.M. please contact Dorothy Schmidt, Bldg. 18-2, Phone 658.

Table Tennis Completes First Half Schedule

The G-E Table Tennis Team completed the first half of their schedule in the City League with a 20 to 7 victory over Worthman on January 4. Most of the fireworks occurred in the feature match in which L. Ferverda of the G-E Club defeated Stan Weitz, the city table tennis champion. Ferverda lost one game 22-20, but emerged victorious in the other two games by the scores of 21-18 and 21-18 to win the match two games out of three.

The individual records of the G-E team are as follows:

	Won	Lost
Upper Bracket		
Ferverda	14	1
Campbell	9	3
Michels	10	5
Lower Bracket		
Downie	6	0
Hart	3	0
Karasek	5	1
Fox	11	4
Hamilton	9	3
Kuzeff	1	2

TAYLOR STREET *Bowling League*

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Laboratory	5	1
Grinders	5	1
Chargers	4	2
Office	4	2
Tool Room	4	2
Receiving	3	3
Production	3	3
Screw Machine	2	4
Developmental	2	4
Firemen	2	4
Air Corps	1	5
Turbos	1	5

200 games: Schuelke 222; Koogle 215; Grove 207; Leuenberger 206; Towns 206; Hammond 201.

Second half records to date:

Team High Single—Laboratory 917; Turbos 904; Production 892.

Individual High Single—Taylor 235; R. Schuelke 222; Koogle 215.

Team High Series—Grinders 2598; Tool Room 2500; Laboratory 2468.



"CAN'T YOU TRY HARDER PARKER? I'VE JUST GOT TO GET IN THE MOOD TO MAKE THIS V-MAIL LETTER TO MY GRANDSON CHEERFUL!"

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings
(Includes games of January 4th)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	6	0	1000
Small Motor Office	5	1	.833
West Side	4	2	.667
Firemen	4	3	.500
Small Motor Factory	3	3	.500
Taylor Street	3	3	.500
Transformer	3	3	.500
Tool Division	3	3	.500
General Service	3	3	.500
Squares	1	4	.200
Taylor Street Test	0	5	.000
Messengers	0	6	.000

Results of last week's games:

Firemen	35	General Service	25
Small Motor Fact.	42	Taylor Street Test	26
Taylor Street	26	Squares	21
Tool Division	36	Messengers	19
Small Motor Of.	38	Transformer	16
Winter Street	45	West Side	23

Firemen 36; General Service 25

In Wednesday night's opener the Firemen pulled away in the second half to win from General Service 36 to 21. After trailing 7 to 6 at the quarter the Firemen assumed a 16 to 14 half time lead. Scoring heavily in the third quarter while holding General Service to 3 points the winners assumed a commanding 29 to 17 lead and coasted in. Milholland and Hanic with 14 and 13 points were high scorers for the Firemen while Pickett tossed in three baskets in each half for 12 points to lead the losers.

Firemen (36)	G.	F.	T.	General Service (25)	G.	F.	T.
Hanic	6	1	13	Dukes	1	2	4
Lydy	0	0	0	Pickett	6	0	12
Milholland	7	0	14	Ray	1	1	3
Long	0	0	0	Kauffman	3	0	6
Leazier	0	0	0	Schible	0	0	0
Habig	1	0	2	Bauermelster	0	0	0
Zimmerman	3	1	7	O'Connell	0	0	0
Scherer	0	0	0	Mann	0	0	0
Walton	0	0	0				
Bieber	0	0	0				
Totals	17	2	36	Totals	11	3	25

Small Motor Factory 42; Taylor Street Test 16

Outscoring their opponents in every quarter the Small Motor Factory defeated Taylor Street Test 42 to 26. Kasimier and Young scored 10 points each to lead the winners while Hall and Conkle with 7 and 6 points were high for the Test men.

Small Mot. Fact. (42)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St. Test (26)	G.	F.	T.
Smead	1	1	3	L.Roberts	1	1	3
Drayer	2	1	5	Hall	2	3	7
Kasimier	5	0	10	Cox	2	1	5
Young	5	0	10	Conkle	3	0	6
Stetzel	3	0	6	Tobilya	0	2	2
Pulley	2	1	5	Thieme	1	1	3
Gitter	1	1	3				
Follis	0	0	0				
Totals	19	4	42	Totals	9	8	26

Taylor Street 26; Squares 21

In Wednesday night's final, Taylor Street broke a losing streak by taking the Squares 26 to 21. Taylor Street's scoring was well divided among five men with Rabus and Bohde leading with 7 and 6 points. For the Squares Stoner collected 10 points to score almost half of his team's total.

Taylor Street (26)	G.	F.	T.	Squares (21)	G.	F.	T.
Yentes	2	1	5	Turner	0	0	0
Hannan	1	2	4	Rowe	3	0	6
Henefelt	2	0	4	Edgar	1	0	2
Bohde	2	2	6	Gissler	1	0	2
Miller	0	0	0	Stoner	4	2	10
Crosley	0	0	0	Tellentbal	0	1	1
Rabus	3	1	7				
Totals	10	6	26	Totals	9	3	21

Tool Division 36; Messengers 19

In Thursday night's opener the Tool Division after a slow first quarter pulled away from the Messengers to win easily 36 to 19. The game was marred at times by unnecessary and uncalled for rough play on the part of the losers. Truelove and Widner of the Tool Division and Gnau for the Messengers all scored 8 points for scoring honors.

Tool Division (36)	G.	F.	T.	Messengers (19)	G.	F.	T.
Rider	2	2	6	Gnau	4	0	8
Reed	1	0	2	Hoffman	1	1	3
Truelove	4	0	8	Hapner	1	0	2
Thomas	3	0	6	Rice	1	0	2
Trump	3	0	6	Hanley	0	0	0
Dunlap	0	0	0	Steele	0	0	0
Widner	4	0	8	Swank	2	0	4
Totals	17	2	35	Totals	9	1	19

Decatur G-E Club Next Opponents For Fort Wayne

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club teams of Fort Wayne will play host to the Decatur G-E Club basketball teams in what promises to be one of the best balanced programs offered to this date.

Both Fort Wayne teams were forced to play their best brand of ball in defeating Decatur earlier in the season. The men's club defeated Decatur 30 to 26 while the girls defeated their Decatur rivals 14 to 12. Decatur will start Worthman, Strickler at forwards, Andrews at center, Schuep and Hill at guards. Fort Wayne Club will send Miller and Krieg at forwards, Reed, center, Allen and Stoner, guards.

The men's game is called for nine o'clock while the girls' game will get under way at 8 o'clock.

Small Motor Office 38; Transformer 16

After a close first quarter, the Small Motor Office men found the range and rapidly opened up a wide margin over Transformer to win easily 38 to 16. Esterline with 12 points led a well balanced scoring attack for the victors while Ehrman with 6 points was high for the losers.

Small Mot. Of. (38)	G.	F.	T.	Transformer (15)	G.	F.	T.
Starkel	2	0	4	Kemp	0	0	0
Esterline	5	2	12	Ehrman	3	0	6
Close	3	1	7	Altevolgt	2	0	4
Trott	2	0	4	Ropa	2	0	4
Schuster	0	0	0	Nickerson	0	0	0
Hoffman	1	0	2	Fritz	0	0	0
Lauer	4	0	8	Eisenbarger	1	0	2
Barber	0	1	1				
Totals	17	4	38	Totals	8	0	16

Winter Street 45; West Side 23

Winter Street had entirely too much on the ball for West Side and the league leaders coasted in to win Thursday night's final 45 to 23. Sciple and Magnusson with 16 and 13 points paced the winner's attack while Rowe with 6 points was high for West Side.

Winter Street (45)	G.	F.	T.	West Side (23)	G.	F.	T.
Magnusson	6	1	13	Coles	0	0	0
Dent	1	0	2	France	1	0	2
Neitzert	2	0	4	Olson	1	0	2
Sciple	8	0	16	Stellar	2	0	4
Hooley	1	0	2	Arnold	2	1	5
Fryer	4	0	8	Devine	1	0	2
Yoder	0	0	0	Seibold	1	0	2
				Rowe	3	0	6
				Gutermuth	0	0	0
Totals	22	1	45	Totals	11	1	23

Games, Wednesday, January 17:

7:00 Firemen vs. West Side.

8:00 Messengers vs. Taylor Street Test.

9:00 Winter Street vs. Squares.

Games, Thursday, January 18:

7:30 Taylor Street vs. Tool Division.

8:30 General Service vs. Small Motor Office.

9:30 Transformer vs. Small Motor Factory.

Club Forward



Dave Stoner

Dave Stoner, pictured above, who plays a forward position on the G-E Club basketball team, formerly played on the Wabash College team. While in high school, he was a member of the South Side team. Stoner, in his second year of play with the Club, is one of the starting line-up. He is a tough offensive and defensive player and has been turning in a fine brand of ball-playing.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 6 won 3 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 1 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 10. Team No. 5 won 2 games from Team No. 7.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 6	3	0
Team No. 9	2	1
Team No. 1	2	1
Team No. 4	2	1
Team No. 12	2	1
Team No. 5	2	1
Team No. 11	1	2
Team No. 3	1	2
Team No. 2	1	2
Team No. 7	1	2
Team No. 10	1	2
Team No. 8	0	3

200 games—Myers 200; Newell 206; Huff 207; O'Connell 222.

Elex Club Notice

The Elex Club has suggested that members transferring to different floors during the year should make it a point to locate the contact girl covering that section, so that the contact girl will know which girls belong to the club. If members are unable to locate their contact girl, they may call Irene Meyers, phone 555, or Mildred Harber, 2367, who can tell them her name and location.

Leading Scorers

Name	Team	Games	Baskets	Foul Baskets	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Magnusson, Winter Street		6	27	15	26	12	69
Milholland, Firemen		6	25	9	20	12	59
Sciple, Winter Street		4	24	2	6	2	50
Hanefelt, Taylor Street		6	22	6	24	10	50
Arnold, West Side		6	21	7	18	5	49
Kaslmler, Small Motor Factory		6	23	3	11	12	49
Pickett, General Service		6	22	4	7	9	48
Hanic, Firemen		6	19	6	14	5	44
Ehrman, Transformer		6	18	5	24	16	41
Rabus, Taylor Street		6	18	4	8	6	40
Reed, Squares		2	17	6	7	7	39
Altevolgt, Transformer		6	18	3	8	20	39
Neitzert, Winter Street		4	16	6	11	7	38
Ray, General Service		6	16	6	23	9	38
Yentes, Taylor Street		6	16	4	12	6	36
Rider, Tool Division		6	15	6	16	14	36
Close, Small Motor Office		5	13	10	15	5	36
Esterline, Small Motor Office		6	16	4	8	5	36
Starkel, Small Motor Office		6	17	1	8	5	35
France, West Side		6	17	1	9	3	35
Kauffman, General Service		6	16	1	10	8	33
Lauer, Small Motor Office		5	14	5	16	5	33
Stetzel, Small Motor Factory		6	14	4	12	11	32
R. Hoffman, Small Motor Office		6	13	5	14	6	31
Fox, Taylor Street Test		5	11	8	25	11	30

G-E Girls Start On Victory Path Again---Win Two

Defeat Harvester 37-16; Down Wayne Candies 32-13

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls' team got their feet firmly planted on the victory road again last week by turning in two wins. They downed the Harvester girls last Saturday by a 37 to 16 count; and then on Tuesday they tripped-up the Wayne Candies team by a 32-13 score.

The Harvester girls were right in the ball game during the first half of the tilt, and trailed only three points at half-time. The Club girls really clamped down in the third quarter, holding Harvester scoreless for the entire period. They allowed them only five tallies in the final quarter, to end up with their decisive 37 to 16 victory.

The G-E scoring was well-divided in this game with Whiteleather leading off on 9 points. Close on her heels were Williams, 8 points; Puff, 7 points; and Steller, 6 points. Foland and Augustyniak led the Harvester with 5 and 4 points respectively.

On Tuesday night, the G-E girls and the Wayne Candies girls met in their second game of the season. The G-E gals grabbed a first-quarter lead of 10 to 4, and never were behind from then on to the end. The Wayne Candies girls put up a terrific battle, but they were having "one of those nights" and couldn't seem to find the range of the basket.

G-E led 17 to 8 at the half, and held the Candies girls to 5 points in the entire second half of the game. The Wayne Candies girls had already played one game; so they might have been a bit tired, but they weren't looking for any excuses—they just couldn't score.

"Tommy" Williams led the G-E scoring in this game with six field goals for a total of 12 points. Varner added 7 markers to the total, and "Butch" Whiteleather contributed 5 points. Jannsen, tall center of the Candies squad, led their scoring with 5 points. Leto, with 3 markers was their next highest scorer.

This game was a hard-fought battle—much more than the final score would indicate. The Wayne Candies girls aren't the kind to give up; so they were right in there battling for every ball right up to the final gun.

The summaries:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Harvester	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	1	0	2	Foland	1	3	6
Boedeker	0	0	0	Augustyniak	1	2	4
Williams	4	0	8	Mason	0	3	3
McGahan	1	0	2	May	0	0	0
Whiteleather	4	1	9	Grance	1	0	2
Puff	3	1	7	Roth	1	0	2
Amstutz	1	0	2	Duncan	0	0	0
Steller	3	0	6				
Varner	0	1	1				
Totals	17	3	37	Totals	4	8	15

Officials—Eakin and Imel.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Wayne Candies	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	0	0	0	Randelier	1	0	2
Puff	2	0	4	McQueen	0	0	0
Varner	3	1	7	Hibscbman	0	1	1
Whiteleather	2	1	5	Leto	1	1	3
Amstutz	0	0	0	Janssen	2	1	6
Williams	6	0	12	Grensenbach	0	0	0
Boedeker	1	0	2	Heck	1	0	2
Steller	0	0	0	Sanders	0	0	0
McGahan	0	2	2	Girardot	0	0	0
				Hagerfeld	0	0	0
Totals	14	4	32	Totals	5	3	13

Officials—J. Johnston and Todd.

NOTICE

Any one wishing to bowl with the Friday night Girls' League please contact Voyce Brumbaugh, Phone work, 2356, home, H-74101.

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

Team	W.	L.
Knock Outs	33	18
Head Pins	27	24
Flying Pins	27	24
Pin Hitters	26	25
Whizz Bangs	23	28
Lucky Five	17	34

Games over 170—Jean Saint 185; Mildred Blievernicht 182.

Wednesday evening was the half way mark in our league. The Knock Outs are winners of the first half by a three game lead. Head Pins and Flying Pins tied for second place with the Head Pins having a total average of 606 and the Flying Pins a total average of 595.

Our standing at the half shows Esther Fuller with highest single game of 209. Martha Wendel with highest three games of 495. Head Pins lead in the single team event with 752 and the Pin Hitters high team three games with a total of 2087.

Let's start the second half with even better scores!

Girls To Play Decatur G-E Squad Tuesday

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls' team will meet the Decatur G-E girls in a return game at the G-E Club gym next Tuesday night at 7:45 o'clock. In their first game at Decatur, a last-second basket by Helen Boedeker gave our girls a 14 to 12 win; and Decatur is coming up here to avenge that defeat.

They have a good squad this year that combines both size and speed; so they have a good chance to do that very thing and gain their revenge. Our girls have lost only one game this year, and they are determined to keep up the good work.

Come on out you fans—you are assured of two very excellent ball games!

Club Defeats Aboite A. C.

By Bob Kessens

Tuesday night the Club team opened up with a fast-passing attack and a barrage of baskets to trounce the Aboite A. C. by a score of 58 to 35. Aboite failed to show the strength they displayed earlier in the season when the Club had to extend themselves to win 35 to 37. Continuing to hit the net from all angles, the Club led the scoring throughout the game, holding a 15 to 8 lead at quarter time. Krieg and Reed, teaming together in an accurate display of net sniping, ran the score to 36 to 17. The third quarter saw Aboite throw up a man to man defense that held the Club to 4 points with the third quarter ending 40 to 23. The fourth quarter saw the Club again hit from all angles with the scoring evenly divided for the Club. Aboite failed to hold the Club and fell before a 58 to 35 count.

Krieg and Reed led G-E with 14 and 13 points while Kahlenbeck was high with 11 points for Aboite A.C. Miller, star forward, is on the sick list and did not see action in the game.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Aboite A.C.	G.	F.	T.
Allen	4	0	8	Beck	2	1	5
Krieg	5	4	14	Mills	2	1	5
Hasslnger	0	0	0	Marcher	1	0	2
Reed	6	1	13	Baker	1	0	2
Stoner	1	2	4	Kahlenbeck	3	5	11
Madden	2	0	4	Crowl	5	0	10
Shinbeckler	0	0	0				
Baade	3	1	7				
Lowden	4	0	8				
Totals	25	8	58	Totals	14	9	35

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Record Making Turbo Completes 102nd Mission



Officers and enlisted men of the 381st Bombardment Group of the Eighth Air Force in England are shown removing from a Flying Fortress a turbosupercharger built at the Fort Wayne Works after it had functioned flawlessly for 1,004 hours on 102 missions against German targets, so that their Group can send it on its last mission as a Christmas present tribute to Dr. Sanford A. Moss, inventor of the turbosupercharger. This turbo, still sound and capable of functioning at more than 24,000 revolutions a minute and compressing frigid air at high altitudes, was presented to Dr. Moss at a ceremony on January 19, at the River Works of General Electric Co. in Lynn, Mass.

Members of the 381st Group shown above are, left to right, Corporal Edgar M. York, of Atlanta, Georgia, mechanic; Master Sergeant Bertis Barnett, of Huntingburg, Indiana, crew chief; Corporal Donald E. Carson, of Minneapolis, Minn., mechanic; Captain Jack L. Silva, of Stockton, California, squadron engineering officer, and Major Edgar G. Kurner, of Wheeling, West Virginia, group engineering chief.

Supercharger Made Here Presented To Dr. Moss

A turbosupercharger built at the Fort Wayne Works was presented to Dr. Sanford A. Moss, inventor of the turbosupercharger, on January 19 at the Lynn Works. This supercharger has a top operational record of functioning flawlessly on 102 Flying Fortress bombing missions against German industrial and military targets. It comes as a gift from the 381st Bombardment Group of the Eighth Air Force in England.

AAF mechanics of the famous 381st Group in paying their tribute to Dr. Moss and his associates hailed this turbosupercharger as a "hypertested wonder," and in recognition of its battle performance General Henry H. Arnold, Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, sent to the inventor a congratulatory message which will be read at the presentation.

Both General Arnold and the men and officers of the 381st Group praised the record making durability of the turbosupercharger, which served as the vital mechanical lung on the B-17 for 1,004 hours of combat flying without losing its efficiency.

"Although the grueling demands of high altitude combat flying wear out the average good turbo around 500 hours, this turbo apparently is as sound in its 1,004th hour as in its first," an AAF sergeant in England, who studied the long battle log of the B-17 on which this champion supercharger functioned, said in a report made public at the ceremony.

This message accompanied the turbo, which was sent as a Christmas present "tribute to the genius of a great scientist and inventor from the mechanics and airmen of the 381st Group." Due to transportation delays, however, the turbosupercharger did not arrive until late, but it was given to Dr. Moss as a Christmas present.

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Five Appointed To New Department

Assignments Are Announced For Positions In Chemical Department

E. L. Feininger of Schenectady and William H. Milton, Jr., of Pittsfield are named assistant general managers of the newly created Chemical department of the General Electric Company, effective at once, it was announced last week by Vice-President Zay Jeffries. Headquarters for the new department will be Pittsfield, where the Plastics divisions, in charge of Mr. Milton, are now located. Mr. Feininger will continue to make headquarters in Schenectady and will be in charge of the Resin and Insulation Materials division.

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Taylor Street Minstrel Show Date Is Changed

Dates of showings of the Taylor Street Minstrel and Talent Revue have been changed. The first performance will be held on Saturday evening, February 3, at 8:30 P.M., and the second is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, February 4, at 2:30 P.M. Performances will be at the G-E Club.

Tickets are available from any member of the Taylor Street All Out War Production Committee, any member of the "Victory Troopers," and at the G-E Club stand. Adult tickets are 50c including tax, and children's tickets are 25c, including tax; prices are for either the Saturday or Sunday performance.

The minstrel show is open to all G-E employees, their families and friends.

Red Cross War Fund Drive Is Announced

A Red Cross War Fund Campaign to raise $200,000,000 throughout the nation has been announced to open on March 1.

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works who contributed so generously to the 1944 campaign will be interested in the following letter from Elliott S. Moses, executive director of the Fort Wayne chapter, and addressed to J. W. Crise:

"Thank you very much for your letter of January 3 and the check for $3,210.50 representing the balance of employee contributions to the 1944 Red Cross War Fund. Our official receipt is attached. This represents a truly amazing record for General Electric Company employees.

"We thought that we were being complimentary to them when we estimated last summer that there would probably be a total shrinkage of approximately $1000.00. It is almost unheard of for such a large number of employees with such a large pledge to come through 100%. You will be interested in knowing that the total figure pledged in our War Fund Campaign last March was $314,535.54 and that our final report sent to Headquarters today indicates $312,606.17 actually collected.

"The citizens of Allen County have almost as good a record as those of General Electric Company. This represents the smallest percentage of shrinkage I have ever seen in any fund raising campaign.

"Again thank you for the outstanding part which General Electric Company and its employees had in making the campaign the success it was."

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Credit Union

The annual meeting of the Credit Union will be held on Wednesday, January 24, at 8:00 P.M. in the G-E Club. All members are urged to attend. Important matters connected with the operation of the Credit Union, including the election of officers, will be brought before the meeting.

Missing In Action

PFC Charles Edwin Taylor, Decatur Plant, has been reported missing in action in Germany since December 20. He entered the army in April, 1943, and went overseas in September of that year.

Dividends Go To G-E Stockholders

Dividend checks will be mailed next week to 234,631 stockholders of General Electric, the largest number in the company's history, it has been announced by Secretary W. W. Trench. This is an increase of 5,573 over a year ago.

Of the present number, approximately 65,000 own 10 shares or less. About 4,000 of the stockholders are business enterprises such as bank nominees or insurance companies who represent many thousands of people not of record as stockholders. The largest stockholder is the G-E Employees Securities Corporation, which holds 529,000 shares as an investment and which has more than 42,000 General Electric employees as owners of its savings bonds.

Report Is Made On G-E Orders Received

Orders received by the General Electric Company during the year 1944 amounted to $1,609,636,000, an increase of 18 per cent over the total of $1,360,643,000 for 1943, President Charles E. Wilson announced this week.

By quarterly periods in 1944 and 1943, the orders received were as follows:

	Orders Received 1944	1943	Increase
First Quarter	$ 391,901,000	$ 422,047,000	7%*
Second Quarter	419,122,000	519 482,000	19%*
Third Quarter	283,176,000	258,375,000	10%
Fourth Qurater	515,437,000	160,739,000	221%
Year	$1,609,636,000	$1,360,643,000	18%

*decrease

"The large volume of new business booked during the fourth quarter of 1944 was the result of increased demands by the armed services for special types of war equipment being produced by General Electric," Mr. Wilson stated.

The annual report covering the operations of the Company for the year 1944 will be issued in the latter part of March.

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No Wishful Thinking

"Even the shipment of mail was suspended for considerable periods to permit a greater tonnage of ammunition moving up to the front," said General George C. Marshall in describing his recent visit to the battle fronts in France.

"As a consequence," he continued, "our soldiers know little of what is happening elsewhere in the world. Incidentally, I hope that while they are in the present bitter group of battle in the cold and mud, *no echoes reach them from home indicating the belief that the war is practically over in Europe and we are free to turn to other interests.* I am fearful of the revulsion of feeling that would follow such a disclosure in the midst of the present battle when the greatest concentration of effort is imperative if we are to bring this war to an early conclusion. I may not be expressing myself tactfully but I mean exactly what I am saying, and I am sure that every man and woman in this country would heartily agree with me, could they too have visited our divisions in France and Belgium. Let's have no nonsense, no superficial thinking or selfish purposes until we have won this great struggle in which Allied forces on the western front and in Italy are attacking along almost 1,100 miles of a raging battle line."

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Army Ordnance firepower in the Battle of France and now Germany has reached such deadly concentration, accuracy and volume that Nazi soldiers prefer fighting on the Russian front or any other battle zone, to combat in Europe. One sergeant with two years of military service under his Nazi belt said that the "toughest thing we had to face was your artillery. Its accuracy, concentration, and slugging power are terrific. The blasting effect of your fire made one fellow in the next foxhole go crazy. I'd rather be dead than face another barrage from your 155-mm ("Long Tom") guns."

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What the tankdozer was in cleaning out the hedgerows in Normandy, the 155 GPF proved to be in the blasting of the Nazi Siegfried Line. These are M4-tank chassis mounting an old French 155-mm GPF gun from the last war. This is the same type gun that stopped the Germans at Verdun in the last war. This country admired it so much in 1918 that we bought dozens of 155's from the French after the Armistice. With mobility and modern ammunition they have turned out to be one of the most fearsome self-propelled siege guns we have.

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U. S. Artillerymen are enthusiastic about the battlefield performance of the 8″ gun. Nicknamed the "Black Panther" the 8″ gun fires 256 pounds of steel and high explosive a distance of 20 miles. In the advance at St. Malo one round fired from an 8″ gun is reported to have demolished the concrete wall of a pillbox which was five feet thick, blowing a hole in it ten feet in diameter.

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The 240-mm and 9.4″ howitzers, referred to as "Black Dragons" are rendering epic service in the current American offensives in Italy, France and Germany. Used principally to destroy heavy-rear line enemy fortifications and emplacements, the 240-mm howitzer has a range of nearly 15 miles. Each shell weighs 345 pounds, while the weight of the high explosive powder charge that sends the shell on its way is more than 36 pounds, and the howitzer can get off about one projectile a minute.

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German artillery fire is heavier now than it has ever been during the last two years fighting. Every time one of our big guns throws a shell, we get one thrown right back at us—and it's heavy stuff, too.—War Dept.

...THINKING OF CASHING A FEW BONDS?



While the Allies were cutting to pieces the hard-won gains of the Nazis in Europe and MacArthur and Nimitz were driving to new victories in the Pacific, a great victory was being won right here in the U. S. A. America had successfully completed her Sixth Bond Drive. In a vital sector of this winning battle were the men and women of General Electric.

Their record, when the smoke had cleared away, was the best since bond quotas were first established: A total better than 25% higher than quota; 52.3% of employees participating. Though this record has won no banner headlines in the daily press, it is the kind of thing the men at the front cannot get along without, any more than they can dispense with the supply line.

In this war, however, battles don't stay won until the enemy is finally licked. That is true also of the bond battles. The enemy wins a round every time one of these bonds is cashed for other than emergency reasons. And the more are cashed for unnecessary spending, the greater the risk of inflation, which would be a defeat for the whole country.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

SUGAR-SAVER-FAMILY IS PLENTIFUL— SUGAR'S NOT

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Reports from the nation's housewives say "even with rationing, oftentimes we cannot buy sugar." However, in checking with grocers it is found that the family of sugar-savers (i.e., light and dark corn syrup, honey) seems to be fairly plentiful.

These two facts suggest to Adelaide Fellows, Consumer Institute staff member, that the ways and means of conserving on sugar which were recommended in the early days of the war, be revived and brought to mind again.

Recipe Changes

The use of corn syrup or honey not only changes the standard recipe calling for sugar but also the mixing procedure in making cakes and cookies. When honey or corn syrup is used, use ¼ cup less per cup of sugar called for in the recipe.

Honey is slightly acid and so to neutralize this acidity when honey is used, add a small amount of soda to the recipe in the proportion of 1/5 tsp. per cup of honey. When honey is used to replace sugar in a recipe also calling for sour milk and soda, the extra soda as specified above need not be added.

Mixing Procedure Changes

The procedure in mixing when corn syrup or honey is used to replace sugar is slightly different from the standard method:

First, cream the shortening, then add the syrup or honey by pouring it into the shortening very slowly in a fine stream, mixing constantly. This can be done most successfully with an electric mixer. Next, separate the eggs and add only the yolks one at a time, continuing to mix. Sift and measure dry ingredients and add alternately with the liquid. Beat egg whites separately and fold into cake batter as the last step in mixing.

General Suggestions

It is best to store both honey and corn syrups in the cupboard at room temperature rather than in the refrigerator. It will pour better and mix easier when using for baking; besides, honey is liable to become granulated if stored in the refrigerator.

In case honey does become granulated, simply place the jar in a bowl of warm water and allow it to stand until granulation disappears.

Cakes and cookies made with corn syrup or honey will retain their moisture much longer. This is an advantage in cases where it is necessary to bake goods several days prior to eating, or when they are to be shipped through the mails.

There are other uses for corn syrup and honey which will stretch the sugar supply: for coffee, used as a sweetener; tea; hot chocolate; over cereals in place of sugar; on fruits.

Chocolate Chip Cookies

Temp.: 400°; Time: 10 to 12 min.

Cream thoroughly, ½ cup Oleomargarine. Pour in slowly and beat constantly ⅔ cup white corn syrup or ⅔ cup honey. Add and continue beating 1 egg. Sift together 1 cup All Purpose flour, ½ tsp. salt, ½ tsp. soda. Mix flour with 1 pkg. semi-sweet chocolate chips, ½ cup chopped nuts. Mix above mixture. Drop by teaspoonful on a greased cookie sheet and bake. Loosen from pan at once.

With the current restrictions on vehicles and tires, accidents involving defective vehicles increased from 8 per cent of the total in 1941, to 10 per cent in 1942, and to 15 per cent in 1943, according to the National Safety Council.

Fire Prevention Is Their Job



Not fighting fires but preventing fires is the main objective of the Fire Force of the Fort Wayne Works. Their prevention work carries them into many unusual situations in the course of their inspections. A few of these are shown in the pictures above. Top row, left to right, Ernest Hanauer, acting fire chief, in the control room. Taking precautions to see that no fire is caused in welding operations is J. Rodman. Vic Bradbury inspects a spray-booth stack. Carl Miller is inspecting sprinkler posts to see that they are open and ready for action. Second row, hose and hydrant inspection are being made by Biff Long and Vic Bradbury. Paul Jackson keeps in contact with the desk sergeant from East Side Fire station. Doyle Feasel, swing-shift desk sergeant, who is appointed to take any alarms that occur during his time on duty. Paul Jackson and Harold Smith testing a 40-gallon overhead automatic foamite tank. These inspections are made regularly to insure that the tanks are in good order when an emergency arises.

Third row, left to right, part of the West Side first shift Volunteer Firemen and Auxiliary Police assigned to fire duty. Excellent cooperation has been obtained from the city Fire Department; above is shown a truck from the Number 5 engine house entering our plant at Broadway. Part of the East Side first shift Volunteer Firemen and Auxiliary Police assigned to fire duty. Biff Long inspecting a varnish dip tank. Bottom row, left to right, it's not a foxhole, but nevertheless it's quite a task to drop into a pit to inspect the water control systems; pictured is Harold Smith. Acting Chief Ernie Hanauer and Carl Miller inspecting safety cans for volatile liquids. Harold Smith seeing that gas masks are in operating order. Carl Miller charging a foamite and Johnny Rodman charging a pyrene extinguisher.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

New Assignments Are Announced



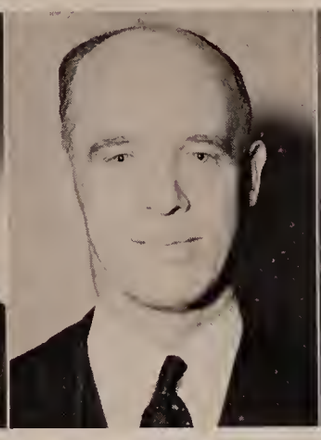
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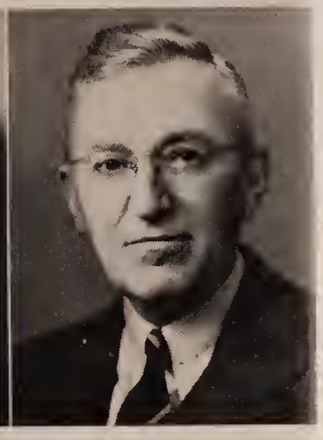
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Harold P. Smith



E. L. Feininger

Pictured above are five appointees to assume offices in the newly created Chemical Department. Appointments were announced by Vice-President Zay Jeffries.

Supercharger

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Dr. Moss and other General Electric engineers, under whose direction nearly 300,000 turbosuperchargers have been produced during this war making efficient substratosphere operations possible for fighting and bombing planes of the U. S. armed forces, lost no time in satisfying their curiosities by making a minute examination of this record making turbo.

This examination established that the AAF mechanics in the 381st Group in England had been right. Every working element of the turbo was sound. The turbine wheel, which had revolved up to more than 24,000 times a minute during its operational lifetime of 1,004 hours, thereby feeding vitally needed air to the engine's combustion chambers at high altitudes, still functioned in high order.

The "rigors" which this turbo withstood so successfully that it still is a unit fit for combat operations were referred to by General Arnold in his message to Dr. Moss.

"It is peculiarly fitting that you should be the recipient of a turbosupercharger that has successfully withstood the rigors of 1,004 combat hours on 102 missions against the enemy," General Arnold said. "Certainly it is a significant symbol of the strides we have made since you conceived the idea of supercharging engines more than two decades ago. Cordial congratulations."

The battle record mentioned by General Arnold began for this turbo in England during February of 1944, when a new B-17 named "Mizpah" went into action. The ground crew chief, who was assigned to keep "Mizpah"—now one of the historic four-motored bombers of the AAF—in fighting trim, was Master Sergeant Bertis Barnett, of Huntingburg, Indiana.

The "Mizpah," whose original crew began each mission with a short prayer meeting over the interphone, made the outstanding record of 71 consecutive bombing missions without a single turnback before reaching its target. For that accomplishment, combat crewmen gave much credit to Sergeant Barnett and members of his ground crew.

Bombs were dropping on Hamburg from "Mizpah" when it clocked its 1,000th hour of combat operations and carried out its 102nd mission. The bombs then falling on German industries made the total that had been dropped from "Mizpah" on enemy targets during the lifetime of this turbo more than 300 tons.

The records showed that "Mizpah" had been serviced by a total of 12 engines during its 102 missions. A turbo functions for each of the engines on a B-17, and the one presented to Dr. Moss outlived more than one power unit.

Walter E. Plummer, a General Electric service engineer assigned to work with AAF ground crews in England, also reported that the turbos on "Mizpah" had been called on more than once "to bring back a badly crippled airplane from deep in enemy territory and thereby severely strained."

As indicated by General Arnold's message to him, Dr. Moss successfully designed the turbosupercharger years ago. He made the first one, in cooperation with the Air Corps, during the first World War. The turbosupercharger is essentially a combination of compressor and gas turbine. In the turbosupercharger, flaming hot gases exhausted from a combustion engine operate a turbine which drives a compressor for supplying air to the engine. The engine thus is enabled to "breathe" normally in the thin air of high altitudes.

As exhaust gases leave an airplane engine at super-hurricane speed and are destructive to ferrous metals, many problems in metallurgy and design engineering had to be overcome before the device would operate successfully. It spins at whirlwind tempo, with the turbine blazing hot at approximately 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit. The compressor, only a few inches away, compresses air as cold as 76 degrees below zero.

Solution of the metallurgical and engineering problems involved in the development of the turbosupercharger placed General Electric so far in front in that field that the company was selected by General Arnold to be the first in the United States to develop and produce jet propulsion engines for the AAF. This is part of a logical war production pattern, since the metallurgical and engineering advances made in the turbosupercharger developments fits basically into jet propulsion improvements and production.

Elex Plans Parody On "Breakfast At Sardi's" Program

Asks Assistance Of Works News Readers For Nomination Of "Good, Good Neighbor"

In the near future the Elex Club Club second shift girls are planning a program, the principal feature of which will be a parody of the famous "Breakfast at Sardi's" radio program. All of the well-known features will be included, such as Uncle Corny, the wishing ring, Max Factor make-up kit, orchid to the oldest mother, and an orchid to the good, good neighbor.

In order to determine who is to receive the orchid for the good, good neighbor award, it will be necessary for the Club to receive nominations. Any WORKS NEWS reader may submit a candidate for the orchid award by observing the following rules:

1. The person nominated for the award must be a member of a G-E family. He or she need not be employed at General Electric, but there should be a G-E worker in the immediate family. Candidates may be wife, husband, mother, father, sister, brother, daughter, son, grandfather, or grandmother of a G-E employee.

2. All letters must be post-marked February 13.

3. The decision of the judges will be final.

4. All letters should be sent to Frances Krauskopf, c/o WORKS NEWS Office, Bldg. 10-2, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne 2, Indiana.

Firemen Will Hold Annual Dance

The Volunteer Firemen will hold their annual dance on Saturday evening, February 10, at the G-E Club. Les Hines' orchestra will play for the dancing from 9 until 12 o'clock. Tickets are 35c each, and the dance is open to G-E employees and their friends.

The U. S. daily relies on the services of 200,000,000 electric motors. Up to 14 serve the suburban home; the average city apartment has nine.

G-E Speech Club Elects New Officers

By O. W. Carston

The regular Tuesday evening meeting of the G-E Speech Club was held in the Conference room, Bldg. 2-3, from 5:30 to 7:00 P.M. January 16, 1945.

New officers elected were:

President: L. W. Smith, Bldg. 2-3.

Vice President: A. Singleton, Bldg. 2-3.

Secretary: H. Snyder, Bldg. 4-4.

Word Master: T. Budecki, Bldg. 2-3.

The Topic master of the evening was A. Singleton, Bldg. 2-3.

The Toast master of the evening was J. H. Jennings, Bldg. 2-3.

Speakers of the evening were:

R. Fishback, Bldg. 4-4, "My Army Days."

O. Carsten, Bldg. 2-3, "Stick-To-It-Iveness."

T. Budecki, Bldg. 2-3, "Parlor Cars With Wings."

With the above line-up of very capable officers, the club promises to continue to gain in success and to further improve its splendid service to all who attend.

Red Cross

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The subscription referred to by Mr. Moses was 25% of the amount subscribed during the November, 1943, Community-War Chest and Red Cross drive which was fully met in Fort Wayne, but which fell slightly short at both Decatur and Kokomo, where employment fell off somewhat during a portion of the year.

Subscriptions to Community-War Chest campaign last October, cash and payroll deductions, did not include the Red Cross, and announcements were made at the time that a separate campaign to raise funds for the Red Cross would be held in the spring of 1945.

The need for the services of the Red Cross on the European continent where our boys are now desperately fighting and the expanding need for service in the Pacific and Far Eastern operations presents a strong appeal to all who have sons, brothers, husbands or sweethearts in these theaters of war, and where the services rendered by the Red Cross will save the lives of many injured in battle.

The campaign will open early in March.

Five Appointed

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Three other Chemical department appointments were also announced by Dr. Jeffries. Don S. McKenzie, of Pittsfield, has been named general sales manager; Robert L. Gibson, of Schenectady, has been named advertising and sales promotion manager, and Harold P. Smith, also of Schenectady, has been named auditor. In his new position Mr. Gibson becomes a member of the company advertising committee, it was announced by Vice-President R. S. Peare.

Mr. Milton, a native of Roanoke, Va., and a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute, joined the Company in 1920, coming to the Plastic divisions as sales manager in 1938. He was appointed assistant manager in 1940 and since 1942 has been manager of the divisions.

Mr. Feininger has been with General Electric since graduation from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1912 and has been associated with the varnish and mica products since 1926. In 1931 he was named managing engineer and in June, 1944, was made manager of the Resin and Insulation Materials division. He is a native of Troy.

Mr. McKenzie, a graduate of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, came with General Electric in 1928 and since 1940 has been sales manager of plastics. He was previously associated with the Company's lamp department at Nela Park, Cleveland.

Mr. Smith, a native of Crescent, N. Y., and a graduate of the Troy Business College, began work for General Electric in the accounting department in 1920. He has served several years as auditor of various sections of the Appliance and Merchandise department and at the time of his present appointment was an assistant to the comptroller on general accounting work at Schenectady.

Mr. Gibson, born in Washington, D. C., has been with the Publicity department of General Electric since his graduation in 1925 from Park College, Missouri, with the exception of one year when he acted as public relation director for Lafayette College. When the market research section was established in 1932, he was placed in charge and at the time of his present appointment was advertising assistant to Vice-President R. S. Peare.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Aluminum Parts

Henrietta Vondenkamp, better known to us now as Aunt Hymie, has discovered posts are round! Marceil Watson's husband was the good Samaritan to inform her. Hymie asked him why he walked around to the other side of the post and the explanation followed. . . . Louise Davis is a happy girl the last couple of days. The secret is she had her Federal Income Tax made out and it was most pleasing. . . . The inspection gang miss Del Bucher, their foreman, who is confined to his home because of illness. We wish you a speedy recovery, Del. . . . We see Harold Souder is nursing a new upper lip. At first appearances he was accused of not washing under his nose, but upon closer examination it was discovered to be the beginning of a moustache. Use a little mascara, and it will show up better, Harold.

Rotor

New members of the Sparklers Club are Pearl Durben and Dixie Adams, who both received their diamonds for Christmas. Congratulations, girls. . . . Fond farewells to Hilda Hurd, Ruth Collins, Mabel Heater and Iris Hickman. We'll miss you, girls. . . . We are sorry to learn Helen Johnson's brother has been wounded. He is recovering in an English hospital. Helen's husband has just arrived in England. . . . The bucket inspection girls wonder how Mary Hughes enjoyed her mixed nuts that Otto Brandt presented to her. That was a mean trick, wasn't it, Mary? After all you can't eat paper "jumpouts", can you? . . . Jesse Hahn hopes no more of his help decided to grow a moustache. Russell Dimmick finally got the courage to shave off that little "soup strainer" and the following two days found Russ home with a cold. Could it have been from exposure? . . . On the sick list this week are Marian Sunderland and Elizabeth Eubanks. We hope you get to come back soon, girls. . . . Some people really believe in getting up early in the morning to get things done. At least Ica Konger. It seems Ica reported for work at 5 A. M. only to be seated in the guard house. I can think of a much more comfy place to sleep than there, Ica. P.S. Did you order one of those new alarm clocks while you were there? . . . Paul Deweerd has had quite a time during this icy spell. It seems Paul's sense of balance just isn't up to par. Paul is to sing for us all in the minstrel show in the near future, so let's have a good attendance. . . . Polly McPheron sure has a time with those new snow boots of hers. Every night she has to look all over the Rotor Section for them and, alas, when the lost is found there is no room for Poll's feet as they are full of rags. . . . Lucy Alexander's new hairdo sure sets off those feathers the welding gang gave her for Christmas very nicely. . . . Ruth Penrod has been transferred from the shaft line inspection to receiving. . . . When you see that blue zoot suit, that is Agnes Rugman, our welder specialty. . . . Happy birthday to Jene Stambaugh. . . . Hope you like first trick, Isabelle Blackburn. . . . Marion Lindberg is transferring to Broadway. We will miss you and hope you like your new job. . . . Mary Hoffman is new on bucket welded wheel. Luck to you on your new job. . . . Raymond Thatcher is going to report for Uncle Sam's Navy, January 30. Luck to you, Ray. . . . Lonnie Sonnenberg has joined the Forgot My Badge Club; also her brother was home on leave from the Navy. . . . Sophie Jensen is on our sick list.

Impeller

Blackie Guenin leaves us for the service January 19. His co-workers presented him with a farewell gift. We wish you lots of luck, Blackie, and don't forget to drop back to see us. . . . Louis Middleton has left us to work at Winter Street. We all miss you, Louie, but wish you lots of success on your new job. . . . Has everyone seen the new style hat that Lester Andrist is wearing? If you haven't, you're really missing something. . . . Hal Stewart is still going strong on his bowling. Two of our girls are pretty good too—Ardella Wyatt and Mildred Amstutz. Good luck and keep them rolling. . . . Since Cecil Stultz moved to town he is always on the job. Nice work, Cecil. . . . Does anyone believe in dreams? Ardella Wyatt does—she dreams she is late for work and then the next morning comes in at eight o'clock. Wonder if all of her dreams come true. . . . Betty Smith has been transferred to the Nozzle Box Section. She is going to welding school. Good luck, Betty. . . . Have you heard of Bob Bennett's latest occupation? He was hauling coal last week after work. It was only a case of necessity, and we all know he hopes it never happens again. . . . Mildred Amstutz was feeling fine. So what does she do? Buys "Doctor's Orders" candy bars. . . . We have a collector in our midst. Lola Rowe is collecting picture frames but is very particular about the kind they are. She prefers the large old-fashioned ones. . . . Poor Clarence Mallo—the peanut machine was out of order Friday morning, and Clarence remained hungry. . . . Rita Philo lost two pounds and is worried. So now she only eats two candy bars, an orange, one grapefruit and a handful of peanuts. . . . Mildred Amstutz wonders since having her wisdom teeth pulled whether she will be wiser or otherwise. . . . Faye Woodworth believes in getting plenty of exercise so she takes a nice long walk before lunch. Couldn't be you forgot something, could it, Faye?

Nozzle Box

Homer Bell left Thursday for the Merchant Marine. He was presented with a pen and pencil set. Lots of luck, Homer. . . . Rosemary Walters has returned to work after being absent with a sore throat. . . . Staff Sergeant Herbert D. Betchol is home on a 30-day furlough from the South Pacific visiting his wife, little son and his mother, Alta Rudolph. He was employed at the Broadway Plant before entering the service in 1942. . . . Dorothy McGoven said she got the shock of her life the other night. Something went wrong with her electric iron—the cord flew out and hit her in the face. . . . Tilly Wambsganns received a letter from Jeanette Kohlmeyer on Tuesday. She wishes to say "hello" to the old gang. Jeanette received the box of cookies that Tilly sent. . . . Esther Secor said she is ging to get married, but ask her when—she will politely tell you "some day". . . . Bob Whitehouse was home on leave from the Navy. Some of the girls were disappointed he didn't stay longer. . . . We are sorry to hear Ruth Kestler is on the sick list. Hope you will be back on the job soon.

Punch Press

Virginia Mankowski and Allen E. Haney, U.S. Navy, E.M. 3/c., were married December 27 at the Baptist Church in Garrett in a double ring ceremony. The groom had just returned from 18 months' sea duty in the Southwest Pacific. The gang wishes Virginia lots of luck and hope to see her back to work soon.

Screw Machine

If you want to know how to find the soft spots when sliding head first into a coal bin, ask Gladys Surface. She had some practice last week and recommends a nice soft snow drift instead. . . . Mabel Jones had a birthday this week and wants to thank the gang for the lovely rendition of "Happy Birthday". She also wants to thank her Secret Pal for the lovely gift. . . . We want to wish the girls who left our gang lots of luck on their new jobs. . . . Would anyone be interested in a bobsled party? If they are, just let us know. . . . If anyone has any car trouble, see Mary Ullery for further details. . . . We want to wish all the fellows good luck in the tournament Saturday night. . . . Was very nice of Dutch Schuelke to ask the gang over for a treat. Thanks a lot; maybe we can make it some other time. . . . We welcome Leona Schram back after over a week's illness. . . . Dale Feick sure is a busy little man. But he is sure handy with a needle. . . . The snow drifts sure make some of our girls keep banker's hours. Arlis, Joan, and Geraldine will have to have a better excuse when the snow leaves. . . . Phyllis Patten, a former employee of this section was married on January 12 to Lt. Bill Carroll. We want to offer our congratulations. . . . We all want to wish Mary Tarr a happy birthday. . . . Jay Michael had a flat tire one morning this week. Mike, the time to have flat tires is at night, eh? . . . We also want to wish Josephine Forste a happy birthday.

G-E Display Proves Popular



The G-E display which was placed in the Patterson-Fletcher show windows in connection with the showing of Winged Victory proved to be one of the more popular displays of the feature. One of the G-E window sections is pictured above; there were two others, one on superchargers and one on transformers, which are not shown.

G-E Executive Is Summoned By Death

Charles W. Appleton, retired vice president of the General Electric Company and former assistant District Attorney and magistrate of New York City, died Wednesday, January 10, in Blythewood Sanitarium, Greenwich, Conn., after an illness of five years which had necessitated his complete retirement in 1940.

A native of Brockton, Mass., he was born November 9, 1879. Judge Appleton attained his Bachelor of Science degree at St. Lawrence University in 1897 and graduated from New York Law School in 1899. In 1929 St. Lawrence conferred upon him an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. Admitted to the bar in 1899, he later became assistant District Attorney and was a city magistrate under Mayor W. J. Gaynor.

Judge Appleton resigned from the bench in 1918 to become counsel to the General Electric Company, in which capacity he continued for nine years. In 1927 he was elected a Vice President of the Company in charge of general relations with public utilities, which position he held at the time of his retirement. As chairman of General Electric's New York World's Fair committee, he directed the preparation and operation of the Company's extensive exhibit.

For more than 30 years, Judge Appleton was a trustee of St. Lawrence University, the Brooklyn Law School and the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Harriet Russell Ferry Appleton of 315 East 68th Street, New York City, two sons, Captain Oliver D. Appleton, U. S. Army, and John R. Appleton in Military Intelligence, and three grandchildren.

The A B C Of Diabetes

From Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

A: What Diabetes Is. Certain cells in your body—in a gland called the pancreas—produce a substance named insulin.

This enters your blood stream and enables your body to store sugar and convert it, as needed, into muscle energy.

Lacking insulin, sugar would simply accumulate in your blood. You would become unquenchably thirsty for water to flush out this excess sugar—unused, wasted. You would be constantly hungry because of the calories lost. And even though you ate a great deal, you would probably lose weight steadily.

B: How Diabetes is Treated. Thirty years ago, if you developed diabetes, your chances of living long would have been rather poor. But today, if you had it, your chances would be good for living as long as you would without diabetes.

And you'd probably owe most of these added years to a wonderful discovery made in 1921: that insulin can be extracted from the pancreas of certain animals, and that injections of it permit a diabetic to use the sugar and starches in his diet.

Many advances in insulin treatment have been made since its original discovery. Today most diabetics can live virtually normal lives, with proper diet and exercise and insulin—although not all diabetics require insulin.

C: How to Guard Against Diabetes. Medical science has not yet discovered why certain people develop diabetes. But research has revealed who are its most likely victims. They are:

1. **Middle-aged, overweight people**—You can't, of course, do anything about middle age. But you can guard against overweight by controlling the amount you eat—limiting the intake of sugar, starch, and fat—and by getting plenty of healthful exercise.

2. **People who have diabetes "in the family"**—Predisposition to diabetes is hereditary. Therefore, if anyone in your family has had diabetes, you should pay particular attention to diet and exercise. Above all, you should have periodic—at least annual—physical checkups with urinalysis.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Robert Harrold (4)*	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind.	27	Haruff	3:30-11:48
Arthur Cleland (2)*	R. 3, Albion, Ind.	4-1	Kissinger	7:00- 3:06
Hubert A. Ward (5)*	R. 7, Columbia City, Ind.	20-1	Dressel	3:30-11:48
Chester Reynolds (5)*	Decatur, Ind.	26-5	Spittler	7:00- 4:00
Glenn W. Kinsey (3)*	St. Joe, Ind.	4-B	Watt	3:12-11:30
Lillian Harris (3)*	R. 2, Payne, Ohio	26-3	Edmonds	3:00-11:06
Harold S. Richey (2)*	R. 1, Waterloo, Ind.	4-3	Nicole	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 427 or No. 27, 38 miles out.			
Elmer L. Minick (2)*	R. 2, Woodburn, Ind.	19-3	Barnes	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 14 and No. 101.			

Employees Seeking Rides

Wm. B. Hindenlang	R. 1, Avilla, Ind. 17-1	Meyers	7:00- 3:30
Nell Barcus	Waynedale, Ind. 4-6	Singleton	8:00- 5:15
Helen Barlett	E. Garrett, Ind. 26-1	Peterson	7:00- 3:06
Anna Jane Hoot	R. 1, Huntertown, Ind. 12-3	Buckmaster	3:30-11:42
May Sucher	334 S. Summitt, Kendallville 17-3	Kryder	7:00- 3:30
Harry H. Hire	Albion, Ind. 26-4	Hirschfelder	3:00-11:30
Eva Muller	Leo Road on No. 427 4-6	Elgar	8:00- 5:15
	One-fourth mile north of No. 427 and No. 27.		

* Number of ridera desired.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Ruth Mettler	Bluffton, Indiana	Holloway	3:12-11:12
Fred Thompson	1125 W. Jefferson, City	Smith	7:12- 3:12
Everett Harris	LaOtto, Indiana	Woody	6:48- 2:48

NOTICE

The License Number and State of Registration of each rider's car, if he or she owns one, must be listed on the gasoline blank (Form R-535) regardless of whether you share drive or not. This will be answered in Col. No. 6 in the space provided for riders signature.

How to Use Your Withholding Receipt as an Income Tax Return

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its employees.

Tax Collector Will Compute 1944 Income Tax for Most of Us



To file an income tax return for 1944, most of us need only to fill out the Withholding Receipt to be furnished by the Company and mail it to the Collector of Internal Revenue by March 15.

Everyone with a gross income of $500 or more during 1944 must file an income tax return by March 15. However, most of us can use the "Withholding Receipt" (a form which will be furnished each of us by the Company showing how much we earned during 1944 and how much was deducted for income tax) as our return. All we need do is to list some additional information called for on the Withholding Receipt, and mail the form to the tax collector. He will figure the amount of our tax, and mail us either a bill which must be paid within 30 days or a refund.

All those whose 1944 income was less than $5000, consisted wholly of wages, dividends and interest and included not more than $100 in interest, dividends or wages from which no tax has been withheld, may use the Withholding Receipt as their return. When these Withholding Receipts are distributed sometime later this month, each of us will receive an original and a duplicate copy. We fill out the original, following the instructions printed on it, and mail it to the Collector of Internal Revenue for our district any time up to March 15. The duplicate copy we keep for our own record. Any taxpayer may use the regular Tax Form 1040 instead of the Withholding Receipt. A taxpayer who wants to claim more than 10 per cent of his adjusted gross income (gross income minus business deductions) for charity, taxes, interest, etc., must use the long form (Pages 1, 3 and 4 of Form 1040) for a return.

The New Withholding Receipt

As shown in the sample Withholding Receipt below, we must correct our address if it is listed incorrectly. We list and add up our taxable income on lines 1, 2 and 3. If this is a joint return, we should list separately the incomes of husband and wife on Line 4. Those who made payments on estimated tax should write down the total of such tax paid on line 5. Disregard the square "For State Returns". If this return is based on more than one receipt, we must attach the others to it, writing number of such receipts in square on back of receipt.

On the back of the Withholding Receipt we are asked to list our exemptions. We get one exemption for each dependent, plus one for ourselves, and if married, one for wife (or husband) provided either a joint return is filed or the wife (or husband) has no separate income. A dependent is defined as a close relative who has an income of less than $500 and who receives more than half his or her support from us.

FACE

WITHHOLDING RECEIPT—1944 Form W-2 (Rev.) U. S. Treasury Department Internal Revenue Service — For Income Tax Withheld on Wages — ORIGINAL

To EMPLOYEE: This Withholding Receipt may be used as your income tax return if your 1944 income meets the TEST below.

A married couple may make a combined return on this Withholding Receipt, if their total income meets the test. Their incomes should be combined on Lines 1, 2, and 3, and shown separately on Line 4. The Collector of Internal Revenue will figure the tax on either the combined or the separate incomes, whichever is to the taxpayers' advantage.

LINE 1 Write total of wages shown on this and all your other 1944 Withholding Receipts (Form W-2)..... $ 3876.00

LINE 2 If you got any wages from which no tax was withheld, or any dividends or interest, write total..... $ 28.00

LINE 3 Add Lines 1 and 2. Write total here.... $ 3904.00

TEST: If Line 2 is not over $100 AND Line 3 is less than $5,000, you may use this Withholding Receipt as your return *provided you had no income other than wages, dividends, and interest.* If your income does not meet this test, use Form 1040.

Line 4 If Line 3 includes income of both husband and wife, show husband's income here..... $ 2940.00, wife's income here $ 936.00

Line 5 If you filed a 1944 Declaration of Estimated Tax (Form 1040-ES), write total of estimated tax paid..... $ 20.00

EMPLOYEE TO WHOM PAID (Print full name, address, Social Security No.)

John A. Doe, 073-03-3757
~~333 Elm Street~~
Mapleville, N. Y.
712 Loomis Street

To EMPLOYEE: Change name and address if not correctly shown

For State Returns	Total Wages paid during the calendar year 1944	Federal Income Tax withheld
☐ SINGLE	$2940	$250
☐ MARRIED		

EMPLOYER BY WHOM PAID (Name and address)

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
1 RIVER ROAD
SCHENECTADY 5, N. Y.

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

(over)

BACK

YOUR 1944 EXEMPTIONS

(1) List your own name on first line below.
(2) If married and your wife (or husband) had no income, or if this is a combined return of husband and wife, list name of your wife (or husband).
(3) List names of other close relatives with 1944 incomes of less than $500 who received more than one-half of their support from you.

NOTE: If this is a combined return of husband and wife, list dependent relatives of both and write letter "W" after names of dependents supported by wife.

Your Name — John A. Doe	
(Name) Mary N. Doe	(Relationship) wife
(Name) Dorothy Doe	(Relationship) daughter
(Name)	(Relationship)
(Name)	(Relationship)
(Name)	(Relationship)
(Name)	(Relationship)
(Name) If you need more space, attach list.	(Relationship)

Is your wife (or husband) making a separate return for 1944? No ("Yes" or "No")
If "Yes," write below:
Name of wife (or husband)
Collector's office to which sent

Was your income $500 or more? If so, you must file an income tax return either on a Withholding Receipt or on Form 1040.

Was your income under $500? If so, file a return to get a refund of tax withheld. A married couple should file a combined return to get full benefit of exemptions.

Deductions: If you file your return on a Withholding Receipt, the Government will figure your tax from a tax table provided by law, which allows about 10% of your total income for charitable contributions, interest, taxes, casualty losses, medical expenses, and miscellaneous items. In order to claim deductions of more than 10%, you must file your return on Form 1040.

To file a Withholding Receipt as your return, fill out both sides of the ORIGINAL, sign, and mail to Collector of Internal Revenue, your district, between Jan. 1 and Mar. 15, 1945. Keep the duplicate.

If you got more than one receipt for income tax withheld during 1944 (Form W-2 or Form W-2, Rev.), fill out and sign the last one received and attach the others to it. If filing a combined return, attach receipts of both husband and wife. If any receipt is missing and you cannot obtain a copy from your employer, make your return on Form 1040. Write here the total number of receipts you file, including the one used as your return: 2

Make no payment now, but wait for bill or refund from Collector.

I declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that ALL MY 1944 INCOME IS REPORTED HEREON.

Signature John A. Doe Feb. 19, 1945 (Date)

Signature Mary N. Doe

(If this is a combined return of husband and wife, it must be signed by both)

Relatives who can qualify as dependents are: son, daughter, or a descendant of either; stepson, stepdaughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law; father, mother or ancestor of either; stepfather, stepmother, father-in-law, or mother-in-law; brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law; uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece, except by marriage. These relationships also apply to a legally adopted child. Do not claim a non-citizen, unless resident of the United States, Canada, or Mexico.

WINTER STREET — Rumblings —

Power Drive Office

We were happy to receive a letter from T/Sgt. J. W. Goodman, a former employee of our Cost Section, this week. He is stationed on the Island of Leyte, having gone in on Invasion Day with an Engineer's Battalion. . . . We're sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. John Schwartz, mother of Helen Schwartz, and hope for her speedy recovery. . . . The drinking fountain which caused so much comment in last week's column is back in very active working order. Now we get a shower as well as a drink. . . . And how about the handsome sailor who was convoying Helen Stenger around the other day. All the girls had their radar working, but no success; sometimes we wonder. . . . This week we become even more aware than usual of Uncle Sam's hand on our pay check. It is well that he takes his cut before we get it, now all we have to worry about is our State tax—peanuts compared to Federal.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Billy Sommers of the Tool Room recently completed twenty-five years of service with the Company and has joined the Quarter-Century Club. His picture will be in the WORKS NEWS in the near future. . . . Good luck to Charlie Niblick, who has been transferred to Broadway.

Production

When Charlie Lammiman is out to the candy lady, he can never decide which candy bar is the biggest. That is—when the candy lady has them. A collection is being made for a ruler, Charlie. . . . We are convinced that Laverne Murphy is really the conservative type, when it comes to cigarettes. She doesn't believe in letting other people light their cigarette from hers, because it burns faster that way. She's open for any other cigarette-saving ideas. . . . Betty Wilson likes fresh air while riding buses. The other night, she was standing at the back door of a bus (with the door wide open) and looking out at the people. She must have been afraid that the doors wouldn't open when she wanted them to. . . . Did everyone hear Shorty Redding boasting of getting to work a half-hour early—not counting the time it took for a breakfast of doughnuts! He shouldn't take all the honor, though, because it was his wife who roused him from his peaceful sleep, so he could bring her to work. . . . Dolores Kiel certainly hides her 5 ft. 9 in. height well. Gabe Barrick thinks she's kidding, and we have our doubts too.

Grinding

Bob Scherrer attended a euchre party last Monday night and was so worried about his losses that he drove in the ditch on the way home. Bob called Waynedale for help and two-thirds of the village turned out to help him out. . . . Willford Trullender has been off work due to illness. . . . Junc Provines had a one day vacation Saturday.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Ella Jeffries has returned to the fold after an illness; glad to see her again. . . . Gene Bender spent some time in Bay City gathering some first hand information and reports a thrilling experience. . . . The Smelser's ten-year old daughter Shirley in showing her ingenuity captured first prize in a doll contest, by dressing a tiny one as a Red Cross nurse. . . . Articles of apparel sent home from the Philippines by Don Thompson's brother-in-law include a very interesting Jap religious battle flag, a badly worn fatigue hat and a split toed sneaker, very similar to our gym shoe. Don says the fellow's telephone number is in the hat, well could be! Anyone interested? . . . "Don't fence me in" most popular number warbled this past week by Dent. . . . Norm's car seems to start now without the usual manpower; maybe he put in a battery. . . . Dorothy Parent had her first lesson in rolling her own; she says there should be a little glue in the tobacco. . . . If you need any help locating missing articles, see our "Super Sleuth" Bernie Rayman. . . . What happened to Mary Black's pert white beret after last Thursday's game? . . . Since this is my last contribution to this page, I do want to thank everyone for their fine cooperation in the past and I know you will assist Lloyd Snider of Lathe Section in his effort to have some news each week.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

Wilodean "Willa" McCombs has been absent from our section for quite some time, as last Wednesday she left for Hunter College, New York to begin training in the WAVES. Eve and Jeanette went up to see her group leave, but you can imagine—they were at the wrong station. . . . Bill Sieple has taken over Millie Wray's inspection job, and fits in perfectly with the Fike-Richard-Trittipo trio. Do you suppose they'll get him to raise a mustache. . . . It isn't every day you can find twenty dollars behind a four-leaf clover, is it, Eileen? . . . They used to blame it on the heat, but we wonder what's wrong when we find Bob Fritz trying to shave himself with his fountain pen.

Refrigerator Assembly

Jack Herney went ice fishing last Sunday but the same old story, they just weren't biting. Jack you'd better see Glen Macy and learn the art of ice fishing. . . . Madarus Putt visited his parents at Wolcottville last Sunday. . . . Gay Jones is getting childish. The other day he went to dinner, sat down at the counter and kept trading pies until he got the biggest piece. . . . About two weeks ago Gus Herbst went to Broadway to have his picture taken. Something must have happened to the camera because Gus has gone back twice to get it taken over. Could he have broken the camera? Anyway Gus won't talk. . . . We have a new nameplate girl, Lowneta Shady. "Welcome."

Planning

A good way to get out of the tool coop is to slide through the window; at least that's the exit Ray Dumford uses. . . . Was Ed Ehrman embarrassed? All because of a flashy plaid shirt. It really got attention didn't it, Ed? . . . These cold days really bring out the styles. Such as Maxheimer's red plaid hat, and George Fisher's Daniel Boone hat.

Order and Stores

Anyone having trouble figuring their income tax, contact Dick Ashton. As an expert, he knows all the answers. . . . Margaret Petro spent last week-end in Warsaw.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

The Winter Street Bowling League this year consists of twelve teams, five from the Power Drive and seven from Refrigeration. The first half was completed recently and ended in a tie between teams 4 and 5, both Power Drive teams, with 27 victories and 18 losses apiece. Members of team 4 are: W. O'Neill, Capt.; R. Bender, L. Hildner, W. Konow and O. Rodenbeck. Members of team 5 are: N. Dever, Capt., R. Dennis, F. Lauer, T. Anderson and R. Hosier. There will be a roll-off for the first half championship after the second half of the league is completed.

The second half is now in progress and one night of bowling has already been completed. Team 6, a Refrigeration team has grabbed the lead with three victories and no defeats. They were lead by their Captain, Arnold Benecke, who posted a 627, including a nice 246 count, to be high scoring man for the night. Other 200 scores included: W. O'Neill 235, 209; C. Kreischer 235; O. Rodenbeck 225; G. Kniss 211, and W. Michelfelder 203.

The three individual scoring leaders for the league and their averages for the season are A. Benecke, 180 ave., C. Timme, 176 ave., and C. Miller, 172 ave.

Men's Basketball

The Winter Street basketball team went on another scoring rampage last Wednesday night defeating the Tool Division in a league game 52-16.

Women's Basketball

The best team may have won, but we didn't make it easy for them. Main Office spoiled our seven point lead at the half by bringing the score to 29 over our 24.

Furney couldn't do us justice with a sprained ankle. Watch that, Flo. We were lucky to have one substitute. Fuhs was high point man for the night.

Hey. Winter Street girls, how about a substitute for our substitute? We sure could use another player or two. See Kate Hively, Bldg. 1-2 Power Drive.

Shipping

The Shipping Section gave a surprise luncheon Monday noon in honor of Irene Mestemaker, who was celebrating her birthday. She received a corsage of yellow orchids, which made the rest of the girls practically swoon.

Accounting and Payroll

Vivian Dancer was a recent visitor to our little office. She has been spending the winter in Florida with her soldier husband, who is stationed down there. It was nice seeing her again, even if it was for only a short time.

Pump and Compressor

Dessie Spears surely can use her imagination when it comes to thinking a "door weight" looks like a rat. . . . "If anyone wants to start his car real quick, just pour hot water over the motor" says Jud Passwater. The only bad feature about this idea is that when Jud went to start his car the next day the motor was all frozen over with ice. . . . Wuanita Ebert surely likes to play around in the snow. Saturday night she took a nice big flop in a snow bank with a big container of chili. It so happened that there wasn't a drop of chili lost. . . . We have a new time clerk in the pump section on first trick. It is none other than "Joe" Treesh. She came from second trick, hope you like us all, "Joe." . . . John Thomas surely wants to be fancy while working at his machine. Especially when he tries wearing one of the girl's smock. You look very cute, John.

Factory Office

The Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church was the scene of the beautiful wedding Sunday afternoon of Mildred Atherton, daughter of Mrs. S. Atherton of Monticello, and Sgt. Glen Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clark of Paulding, Ohio. They were united in marriage by the Rev. Carl G. Adams in a double ring ceremony, and were attended by Mrs. Henry Koekman, sister of the bride, as matron of honor and William Ower, cousin of the bridegroom, as best man. The bride chose a floor length gown of white marquisette with a Juliet veil and carried a white prayer book with camilles. Mrs. Koekman wore a blue taffeta gown and carried talisman roses. A prelude of organ music was played by Kathryn Kannel. Selections included "Because," "Always," "I Love You Truly," "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life," and "O Promise Me." C. A. Chevillot and C. E. Kreischer acted as ushers. A reception was held immediately after the ceremony with Mrs. Maurice Lindemuch, Mrs. A. L. Hastings, Mrs. Herb Amstutz, Mrs. Glen Geiger, Mrs. Max Thompson and Mrs. Mark Overmeyer acting as hostesses. Mrs. Clark is employed at the Winter Street Factory Office and Sgt. Clark is with the United States Army Air Forces and is stationed at Craig Field, Selma, Alabama. After a short wedding trip the couple will be at home at 805 Cottage Avenue.

Dust Proof Room

We wish to welcome Luella Day, Myrtle Carpenter and two girls who have been transferred from Oil Pumps, Evelyn Houser and Bertha Noyer. . . . Virginia Bohnsack also took a trip to see Jane Seigel, who had previously worked in the dust proof room until she became a WAC. . . . Gloom was a long way from the dust proof room Monday, due to the flowers worn by one of our workers. . . . We had a sailor to visit our room. It was Mrs. Lemish's son Mike. He surely looked nice. Good luck, Mike. . . . We are sorry that Loretta Ellinger has been off and hope she returns soon.

Sleuthing In 4-6

The girls of the FHP Motor Section had a dinner shower, Wednesday evening, January 10, at the Oriental Gardens in honor of Dorothy Waggoner, who was recently married. She was presented with a lovely corsage, a beautiful wedding gift, as well as other shower gifts. The girls looked in vain for Alice Weller, who lives at the YWCA and was hurrying to get ready to go to this dinner. The lock on the bathroom door had jammed, and they had no key to open it, so for 45 minutes she had to wait, till they finally took off the hinges, but it was too late for Alice. She never got to the dinner party. . . . Henry Marahens, the Don of the Aircraft Section, is sporting a new suit these days. Could it be that he is trying to impress his nearby neighbor, Mr. Danford? . . . Congratulations to Martha Fiandt of the A. C. Section, who recently celebrated her birthday. . . . Frank Dubanowich resolved to go one week without smoking a cigarette. So confident was he that he could accomplish this superhuman feat, that he even marked the seventh day on his calendar, "Made it!" However, on the fifth day Frank wavered, and with slightly shaking hands he touched a match to a cigarette. He even admits that for the next two days he smoked enough to make up for the whole week. Better luck next time, Frank. . . . Marian Kinsey became the bride of Captain William Thaxton Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Lots of happiness to you both. A luncheon was given in her honor Thursday, January 11, at the English Terrace. A beautiful wedding cake, baked by Wilma McKay, formed the center piece. . . . Looks as though Mr. Welch's section was jinxed last week, first to start the week out Iona Grimes and Evelyn Smith decided to spend an entertaining evening by going to Pokagon State Park and partake in tobogganing. Unaccustomed as they were to manipulating a toboggan sled they decided to go alone. Little did they know that trees were in the path or at least the path they took. Naturally they hit the tree and upon recovering from the shock, Evelyn looked all over for Iona only to discover her buried underneath her in the snow. No bones were broken but the memories still remain. Then Grace Schwab with a display of enthusiasm dashed to the kitchen to do the dinner dishes. I guess she doesn't know her own strength as she broke a pyrex dish and cut her arm. Last but not least, Georgiana Leonard, after extending her sympathy to Grace on her mishap, pulled a requisition from the file and closed the door on her hand. We do hope this week finds you all in good condition again. . . . The friends of Mr. Konow wish to extend their sympathy in the death of his brother in California.



NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Violet Arnold was so excited and anxious to start the game with City Light that she put the trunks of her basketball suit on backwards. . . . We suggest that someone go along to the girls' basketball games to help Marcia Martin take care of her billfold. . . . The second heat of the midnite bowlers has now started off with a bang. Stults' Fireballs took a two-out-of-three victory from Jake's Thunderbolts, while the Commandos lost to Rawley's Blue Streaks. No large scores were made since everyone was trying to get the feel of the ball. Stults was unable to be present due to some conflagration in another part of town. . . . Frank Snider and Sarah Teegardin, a former employee, were married. Congratulations and best wishes are in order. . . . Those rum sessions in the club room on the second shift are really out of this world. . . . Celeste Miller came to work one morning with a few scratches on her face as a result of rough playing with her little niece, Patsy Miller. Patsy is the daughter of Lt. Leo Miller, stationed in Kansas, who formerly worked in Plant No. 1. Patsy, her mother and baby brother make their home with Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Miller. . . . Mina Lampy believes that the third time is the charm. She tried the third country road to the nearest highway one morning in order to get to work. She came into the shop in one grand hurry but reached the time clock O. K. . . . Irene Heimann had no chance at all. The snow blocked her in until noon or until the snow plows made traveling possible. . . . Alice Ulman is flashing a diamond which she received from Cpl. Parnell (Pete) Bales of the U.S. Air Forces. . . . Alice and Juanita Blum spent the week-end at Van Wert, Ohio, with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Wendel (Alice's sister and brother-in-law). . . . A hot dog stand would certainly be appropriate in my backyard—says Rose Gase of Department 5-56. The public skating rink in the north end of Decatur is directly across the alley, and the rink was a busy place during the cold snap. . . . The Gecode January party was held on Tuesday, January 9, at the Legion Home. After dinner games were played and prizes awarded to the following: Erna Weiland, Goldine Magley, Lydia Gerber, Ada Owens, Harriet Pollack, Lorena Keller, Ruth Christen, Helen Colchin, Opal Andrews, and Mary C. Hain. Leota Braun won the attendance prize. The committee in charge: Chairman, Ercie McConnell, Dollie Sprunger, Erna Gallmeyer, Lorette Weiland, Mae Womack, Eileen Reed, Annabelle Dull, Lydia Gerber, Alma Fruchte, Mabel Borne, Helene Colchin and Marvel Beery.

PFC William Morgan writes from France:—Am taking this opportunity to say hello to the whole gang there at good old G-E plant in Decatur. I want to thank each of you for the nice Christmas package you sent me. I have now seen a lot of the European countries, in a very unpleasant way. Until now I've seen Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. Choice of the four is France, of course. I've come into contact, yes, even used, a lot of G-E equipment and you fellows are doing a swell job. Keep up the good work and I hope we will be home soon. I would appreciate you sending me the magazines you can. Thanks. Keep the news coming. Best New Year of all to each of you. . . . Chester Lautzenheiser, GM 3/c. of the Navy, has written from Helensburg, Scotland, to thank us for the Christmas box and WORKS NEWS. He sends the best the New Year holds to all and hopes all the boys are home real soon for all time. . . . A/S Ronald Pierce of the U.S. Navy visited with us last week. . . . Dorothy Murphy has informed us that her husband, Pat Murphy, has been moved from New Guinea to the Philippines. . . . Ens. Sim Hain is located in the South Sea Islands and recently had the opportunity of visiting with Dick Sheets. . . . We have received word that Joe Hazelwood was a member of the crew who made the first raid over Tokyo in the famous B-29. He says he often warms his hands on the motors made by G-E. His mother works in Plant No. 2 and his wife, the former Virginia Shady, is manager of Bruce's Grill. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to the wife and family of Sgt. Anthony (Bill) Kitson who is missing in action in Germany since December 12. Bill formerly worked in the inspection section and was an employee of the General Electric since 1941. A brother, Sgt. Joe Kitson, is located in the Netherlands Dutch Indies and another brother, Harold, has been given a medical discharge from the Army and is now working in Plant No. 1. A third brother, Tom Kitson, also works in Plant No. 1.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

If anyone knows where an alarm clock can be bought, borrowed, begged, or stolen, please notify Dorothy Ellison or Kathryn Shady, or both of them. . . . If any of you ever happen to get stuck in a snowdrift, you might use George Broehm's method of getting out. He says, "Just start the motor, put the car in gear, then jump out and push." Of course, he can't guarantee results as to what will happen to the car or any cars in the immediate vicinity, but it works. . . . Will someone please explain to Margaret Kocker just what a hot tamale consists of; that is, what they are, how they are made, and how they are consumed. She thinks they are something like chili. In one way, we say, "Yes." At least they're hot. . . . George Correl can pick the hardest places to run out of gas, especially on a morning when the streets are icy and about halfway to Jones Street on College at 6:45 A.M. last Monday. Yes, George, those 200 fellows in back of you were blowing their horns at you. . . . As a basketball doper-outer we think "Pop" Raney is about the best (?) in the business, almost as good as Seymore played last week. . . . We think that the three gals in the Transformer Commercial Department, Ann, Mary Ellen, and Dottie, are about the three hungriest gals we know. Seems as if they will eat 'most anything 'most any time. Ask 'em. . . . A surprise birthday party was held in honor of Goldie Mentzer at her home last Saturday night. Those present were Ceal Romary, Betty Hawk, Loretta Bloom, Roy Mentzer, Mattie Lou Brunner, Velma Meads, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Feller, Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Wickliffe, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Benner and daughter Barbara. Of course, a good time was had by all. Loretta Bloom left early and missed a lot of fun. Anyway the gang decided to use the same candle on all birthday cakes from now on. Also two new members of the Bloomingdale Skunk Club were initiated into the national order. They were none other than Ceal Romary and Rollie Wickliffe. Refreshments were served, also a lunch. Goldie says, "Thanks for everything and hurry back."

"Lack Of Concentration"



IS THE MOST FREQUENT CAUSE OF ACCIDENTS ACCORDING TO THE ANALYSIS OF OVER 500 LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS OCCURRING IN 1943 AND 1944 AT THE FORT WAYNE WORKS. The analysis was made by safety committeemen and foremen. By "lack of concentration" we mean THOUGHTLESSNESS, INATTENTION, OR ATTENTION DISTRACTED. The first two are the greatest offenders, and it is not always the injured person who is at fault in this respect.

"IT HAPPENED SO QUICKLY I REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW IT HAPPENED" is an expression heard many times by persons investigating accidents and one which indicates a lack of concentration on the part of the injured at the time of the accident. Most of us can recall a similar experience.

It is the business of your safety committeeman and foreman to know "HOW IT HAPPENED;" therefore, they use the following list of probable causes to aid in the accident analysis:

INSTRUCTION—none, not enforced, incomplete, erroneous; UNSAFE PRACTICE—taking chances, short cuts, haste; PHYSICALLY UNFIT—defective, fatigued, weak, sick; POOR HOUSEKEEPING—improperly piled, congestion, material lying about, bad containers; IMPROPER PLANNING—layout of operation, layout of machine, unsafe processes, type of tool, lack of equipment, lack of data or rules; INABILITY OF EMPLOYEE—inexperienced, unskilled, poor judgment; LACK OF CONCENTRATION—attention distracted, inattention, thoughtlessnerr; POOR DISCIPLINE—disobedience of rules, interference of others, fooling, disregarded instructions; guards tampered with; IMPROPER DRESS—no goggles, no safety shoes.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett
Bldg. 4-4 Floor

"Si" (Frosty) Alspaugh was aware of someone looking over his shoulder the other night. It felt like it might be a salesman, but on turning around he found it to be Herb (5 O'Clock Shadow) Ort. . . . Herb Ort says he shaves every other day but uses a blade only once a week. . . . Ted Warner is glad that the Markle school boiler is fixed. For an exciting explanation, see Ted. . . . Kenny (Smokey) Crabill will have to start smoking a pipe. Someone found the source of his cigarette supply. . . . Mary Snyder claims that her husband, Virgil, knows where to buy surecure cold tablets. If anyone needs any place your order with him. . . . Herman Lepper came up with a good one last week. He said he was fishing with a helgramite and it crawled into a reed and pulled the bobber under. Who can top this one? . . . We were sorry to learn that Wilma Lynch had the misfortune of falling down stairs and breaking her arm. Hope it will soon be mended and again she can rejoin us. . . .The place to slow people down is a winding machine. Irene Bowman in trying to catch the elevator caught her coat on the winding machine and Verona Riley came to her rescue and the results were both girls taking the steps. Yes, girls, it is quite far to the bottom after a night's work. . . . Wanted —A pair of mud guards for Lois Daugherty's hose. . . Glenna Hyatt and Verona Riley have gone back to the refreshing cold drink of water at lunch time as both broke their thermos bottles the same night. . . . Mary Schwartz sends out a warning that the parking lot is icy at places and especially where you least expect it, as we learned she went down on the count of one. . . . Our old set-up man, Morrie Gage, was up to see us in that Navy uniform and we, the second trick, have voted him in as "Pin-Up Sailor." Must say we all were very glad to see him, but only sorry he could not remain but hope this great conflict will soon be over and all the boys can return.

Turret Tattles

Herb Boltz was very agreeably surprised not so long ago when he opened a package from "over there" and found the medals won by "the Boy" for his participation in a special raid on Germany. He is a gunner on one of our big "Boomers". . . . It has come to the attention of our bachelor's department, that when doing the wash it is unnecessary to put in a complete box of granulated soap in the washer. Neither is it correct to use a whole bottle of bluing in the rinse water. If there is anything else you are wondering about, ask and we will put you in touch with the right parties. . . . Wilbur Close was a very popular man 'tother eve when a loud smash brought many (sympathetic?) well wishers. . . . It is high time this column reported on the basketball team. To date they have won two games. We don't know how, but they did. Course they lost a couple too, but then Hilderbrand wasn't playing in those. . . . The expopualr song, "It's June in January" had its sequel lately when Sam Baumgartner noted one of his boys nibbling on a raw carrot. "Come over to the house, Buttercup, I've plenty of those in the garden." Kinda kiddin', see? Not long after, the carrot nibbler showed up at Sam's front door, complete with spade, pick and shovel, and the snow about a foot deep. A genuine Carrot Nibbler will go to as much trouble getting a carrot as Whimpy does to get a hamburger. Not to be outdone, Sam donned his ice fishin' outfit and departed for the rear of the lot. The end 'o this 'lil tale has the earth turnin' over with the weight of the spade sinkin' itself into the ground. It took some energy to flip the dirt off, but the carrots were long, large and succulent. Haven't you noticed the epidemic of twitching noses and ears, or maybe I'm self-conscious. . . . And our lads walked off with all the honors in the bowling tournament. One of the boys took the trouble to give me all of the dope on the games but the data has been lost in the shuffle somewhere. The outstanding points in my mind were Captain Stiver's "almost" three hundred game and Baumgartner's 144. Maybe you noticed a handful of lettuce being distributed lately. We're proud of you fellows. . . . It has come to our attention that someone should explain to Bill Bebee, or perhaps it was explained, that when the rear door of a street car opens that it for the people to get off, not to board through. Or maybe the conversation held with a railway inspector wasn't as one sided as we heard it was. Tsch! Tsch! Anything to keep from standing, eh, Bill?



"Elwood, stop wasting that electricity!"

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

We might as well call your attention to that slight tinge of green Mac McCollum was displaying. We can see why—anyone would be discolored after 7 bottles of 7-Up. . . . Glad to see Gurney Lindley back from a long absence due to an operation. . . . Wondered where Mary Holmes had disappeared to, and upon inquiry found that her husband, who is in the Armed Forces, is home on furlough. . . . Tool Room welcomes James Hamilton and Edgar Bowman. . . . Have to admit that we're a little late with this, Wilma Kirby, but we're very glad you're over your illness and back with us again. . . . The only difference we can see in Stu Monroe in that striped shirt of his and a barber pole is that a barber pole is straight up and down. . . . Hear that Charlie Griffith was going around the other day with a new name strung down his manly chest. . . . We know it is a little early to do spring plowing, but want to do a little premature advertising for Louie Morris. He really plowed up Bob Taylor's driveway the other night trying to get out. It took three tries, the third being the charm, to make it out, but Bob says that driveway looks as though it had been plowed on the bias. . . . Glad to have Ada Conwell with us in the Shipping Dept. Her brother is Earl Howard, former mail clerk of our plant. . . . Girls in the Pa-De-Ma house are really having a time dodging the salesmen who come to sell their wares. They turn out lights and lock doors, but even that doesn't work. Does anyone have any suggestions as to how to get rid of unwanted salesmen? . . . The Maintenance Dept. is wondering if John Pearce is still purchasing handmade gears for his winding machine. . . . Welcome to Walter Buesking to the Planning Dept. Hope you like it here, Walter. . . . Also welcome to Paul Deal, new Supervisor of Cost and Payroll. . . . Anyone want to sell a good house trailer? We think we have a buyer for you. . . . John Wolfe was really in an uproar here lately. It seems as though John didn't receive a check for quite some time, and, being a modest soul, hated to make too much fuss about it. Finally, when the wolf was almost at the door (this is a differnt kind of wolf, Samuels) he began inquiring. It was discovered that John had put his clock card in the Suggestion Box.

Retires On Pension



David H. Arnett

David H. Arnett, Bldg. 4-B, recently retired on pension. His continuous service with the Company to the date of his retirement totalled 28 years and six months.

Dispatchers Club Quiz Program Is Success

A quiz program was the entertainment feature of the Dispatchers Club meeting held at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club Tuesday evening, January 10. Reports from those who participated pronounced the program unusually successful. W. J. Bruns, Bldg. 4-5, the contestant who knew all the answers, won first prize, and Russel Skinner, Bldg. 19-5, won second prize. Quizmaster Fletcher Curnby facetiously announced that if the contestants would study just a little more he would secure a contest with the famous "Quiz Kids."

The entertainment was preceded by a short business session which was in charge of President Walter Doehrman. Elmer Pion announced that all plans were complete for the Dispatchers directory, and that copies would soon be available for distribution.

It may be a good idea, John, but we don't think that is the way you get a raise. . . . Just call Howard Weliver "Dagwood" from now on. Anyone who could eat the sandwich that he did deserves the name. At the party they had recently for our departed Art Duhamell, Howard fixed a sandwich stacked up something like this—bun, pickle, braunschweiger, cheese, cold meat, more braunschweiger (wish he had eaten less of that—it is too hard to spell). He had a hot dog left over and no place to put it, so he used it for a dowel pin. What a constitution! . . . Would like to welcome Harry Chism, a new assembly foreman, to the Kokomo Plant. . . . New employees in the Stator Winding Section are Mary Ellen Horoho, Marjorie Snyder, Beulah Isaac and Ruth LeMaster. Glad to have you, girls, and hope you like it here. . . . Have you noticed Anna Mikalas' "Oswald" lately? Looks like the termites had a picnic on that poor little plant. . . . Glad to have Adeline Cloverdale with us. She is a new member of the Pavroll Dept. . . . We hear that Mary Cagley was cleaning out the dresser drawers the other night and found a quantity of pills—various sizes, shapes and colors. Rather than throw them away and waste them, she took the whole bunch at once. If you see her weaving around, don't think anything about it—she just got a general overdose of a good thing. . . . Mark Bartz may look as gentle as a lamb, but he is even admitting his true vicious nature. The baby cried the other morning—hungry, of course, and Mark, thinking it was 5 o'clock, shook his fist at the poor little thing and screamed to her to go back to sleep till 6. Daddy also proceeded to slumber for another hour, and when he awoke and gazed squarely at the clock, it was exactly 7 o'clock.

Two men were flying east in a passenger plane, making the first air trips of their lives. The plane touched down at St. Louis, and a little red truck sped out to its side, to refuel it. The plane landed again at Cleveland, and again a little red truck dashed up to it. The third stop was Albany, and the same thing happened.

The first of the two men looked at his watch and turned to his companion.

"This plane," he said, "makes wonderful time."

"Yep," said the other, "and that little red truck ain't doin' bad, either."

It has been said that imagination was given to man to compensate him for what he is not, and a sense of humor provided to console him for what he is.



Skylines from 4-5

Pvt. Vern Green
Dear Vern:

We appreciated your letter that appeared in the WORKS NEWS last week. We only wish we could hear from more of the boys that are in the service. . . . Another gold star was recently added to our service placque when word was received that T/5 Ray Speaker died on December 27 from wounds received at Luxembourg. . . . Our servicemen seem to be taking the limelight this week. We had a visit from Sgt. Leo W. Rumbaugh, who is stationed in Texas with the paratroopers. Cpl. Dale Fredricks was also home on furlough from Arkansas. . . . The first letter from Clarence Bade, prisoner of war, was received last week. He is feeling fine and is able to write home once a week. . . . S. "Barney" Heaston is back to work with us after receiving a medical discharge from the Army. Barney says it's taking him awhile to get back in the groove again. . . . We have finally found out where Bob Sweeny was born—Dawkins. Did you ever hear of the place? Don't believe Boh did either. . . . We too are hoping, Vern, that you will soon be able to come back again to work with us up in Bldg. 4-5. Until then we remain—The Gang.

Here lies Daisy, our faithful hard-working mule. She made one mistake. She kicked 452 privates, 386 corporals, 259 sergeants, 186 lieutenants, 97 captains, 58 majors, 10 colonels, 2 generals and 1 bomb.

Elex Executive Board To Hold Pep Session

The executive boards of the Elex Club will hold a pep session on Thursday, February 1, at the West Creighton Avenue Church. The night girls will attend a 12 o'clock noon meeting, and the day girls will meet at 6 o'clock. Reservations must be in by Monday, January 29.

Suggestion Awards Are Distributed To Thirty-Two

Darrel F. Wilson, Winter Street, Heads List With $40.00

Darrel F. Wilson's idea for salvaging ball bearings by washing and cleaning brought him a $40.00 award and top place in the current suggestion award list. Thirty-two suggestors shared more than $215 in awards.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Taylor Street

Russell L. Poorman, Orville E. Anderson, Elton Sunday, Clifford A. Clauser, James P. Stoiche, John L. Hunnicutt, Emma Bell Bumgardner, Joseph F. Smith, Bernice Wilfong, Russell Mickley.

Bldg. 10

Charles E. Scott, Claude N. Baker, Joseph F. Ewing, Frank P. Martin.

Winter Street

Walter J. Hein.

Bldg. 17-1

J. Eifrid, Margaret M. Dietsch, Harold C. Fisher.

Bldg. 17-2

Harry W. Balzer.

Bldg. 4-B

Louis H. Baumgartner.

Bldg. 20

Marie I. Archer.

Bldg. 4-1

Kenneth F. Bergman.

Bldg. 26-1

Wilber M. Smith, Richard E. Welch.

Bldg. 4-3

Martha E. Hollopeter, Anna E. Coleman.

Bldg. 4-5

Leonard J. Jenne.

Bldg. 17-3

Ralph D. Fetters.

Bldg. 26-2

Mary J. Derck.

Is Zat So?

We didn't know that Hazel Hoffner could blush so hard and so long. Was her face red when she missed her chair and sat down forcibly on the floor? When the shock had worn off Hazel had to laugh with the rest of the gang and admitted that it was rather funny! . . . Dan Hoover was startled beyond words recently when he picked up the evening paper and in bold type saw his son's name. A war correspondent stationed in Italy wrote a story about the outstanding achievements of Sgt. Louden D. Hoover with the Polar Bear Regiment in Northern Italy. We are proud of him too, Dan! . . . Norbert Meyer is the new chairman of the Safety Committee and Elizabeth Love is the secretary. They would appreciate your whole-hearted cooperation to make this year a safe one for all of us. . . . Our illustrious co-worker, State Senator Von A. Eichhorn, has left our midst to join the assembly at Indianapolis. We are looking forward to great happenings, Pat. . . . Mary Jane Meyer received a grass skirt from a friend stationed in the Pacific. No wonder she was all excited. . . . On Friday Benjamin Putt will have completed twenty-nine years of service with the General Electric. His service record is rather unusual since he has worked all of those years in just the Plating Section. Congratulations, Ben! . . . Frank Hickman came back to work Monday still a little shaky from his recent illness. We are glad to have you back, Frank. . . . Ivy Beerman received a pleasant surprise when her son Robert unexpectedly walked in with a medical discharge from the Army. . . . Those who have added another year of experience to their records are Leonard Hutson, James Geistwhite, Kurt Harz, Art Conrad, and Warren Grayless. Happy birthday, fellows!

Missing In Action

Sgt. Anthony William Kitson, Decatur Plant, was reported missing in action in Germany since December 12. He was wounded in France last July. Sgt. Kitson entered the army in December, 1943, and went overseas in May, 1944. He trained at Camp Wolters, Texas.

Retires On Pension



Andrew Zeser

Andrew Zeser of the Decatur Plant, retired on pension recently with a continuous service record of twenty years and eleven months. Mr. Zeser plans to visit his brother in California as soon as traveling conditions permit.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Big Job



L. K. Sheets L. B. Crosley

"Have seen a lot of G-E equipment, and it's really doing a big job, which is helping to shorten the war. Keep it coming, and we'll all be back soon," says Pvt. Lee B. Crosley of Taylor Street. He is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla. Lester Kenneth Sheets has just finished his boot training. He was also formerly employed at the Taylor Street Plant.

PFC William H. Diamond has been transferred to Orlando, Florida. "In such an organization as this we have all types of electrical equipment, and you can bet I feel right at home among all the best of it marked with that familiar G-E."

Barbara Buckner, Y 2/c, has reported for duty in the Public Relations Department at the headquarters of the Naval Air Primary Training Command, U. S. Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill.

Tech Sgt. Harold P. Koenig, Bldg. 4-1, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for "extraordinary achievement" in bombing attacks over Germany and German-occupied Europe.

Glad I'm Here



M. E. Pierce R. L. Whitehouse

R. L. Whitehouse of the Navy Seabees has recently returned from the European theater. "I'm home—I'm glad to be here," he says. Pvt. Marvin E. Pierce is a member of the infantry. Both are former employees of the Taylor Street Plant.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address Elmer F. Baade, WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Dear Editor:

I am with the Quartermaster Department, and the distribution of equipment is our business, so just keep up the production, and we'll put it in use against the Japs. I would like to thank everyone of the General Electric Company for the work they are doing at the plant that makes it possible for us to carry out our instructions here.

Well, I must close; good luck and keep the ball rolling so we can all be back together at the good old G-E before long.

S/Sgt. Richard Till

Hello, Everyone:

Just a line to say hello to all the old friends in Bldg. 4-4 and also other folks in other departments of the grand old plant. I am now in England as a C-47 co-pilot and in the Troop Carrier Command. Since joining this new squadron, have noticed the large amounts of General Electric equipment used and am proud to tell fellow fliers that I worked for the same factory.

Hoping this finds everyone in fine spirits for the new year to come and keep up the good production you are now doing. . . .

Lt. Billy L. Buchanan

Dear Editor:

Due to a lot of hard fighting I haven't been able to write you. I'm now somewhere in Germany and it's plenty rough. I have been over here for eight months now. . . . Keep up the good work and we will keep these Germans on the run.

In closing I would like to say hello to the gang in Bldg. 4-1 and to my old boss, Cleon Oyer.

Sincerely yours,
PFC Leon L. Mowan

PFC Merton D. Allen, Bldg. 17-1, was seriously wounded in action in Germany on December 14.

No Trouble



B. L. Vagedes P. J. Bherns

"Being a radioman, I have some work on G-E generators, which I can say have not caused us any trouble, considering tbe fact that they are used 24 hours a day," says Bernard L. Vagedes, RM 3/c. P. J. Bherns, S 1/c, is a member of the Navy. Both were formerly employed at the Taylor Street Plant.

Hello, Gang:

Received the November 17 G-E NEWS, and I see that I still haven't given you my APO change.

Backing Up

I just finished reading Pvt. Elmer Dawson's letter which is in the "News from the Service" November 17. I'd like to say that I fully agree with him on the point that tbe boys overseas are tired of hearing the people at home gripe because they havc a rough life. I'm in the E. T. O., and I must say that life over here like elsewhere is no fun, but the men overseas know that the job must be done, so let's all forget about our troubles and pitch in with all we have. '45 V-day is near, so let's get down to business and show these Jerries and Japs that we have the best and only way to live.

I'm happy to see the folks at home back up the 6th War Loan, and I know tbat the G-E will hold up their end. Keep up the good work and buy all those bonds. Don't forget that Coast Guardsman in the Nov. 17 G-E NEWS, who hangs from his battlestation is just one of the many who have given their life and blood for liberty. The 6th War Loan is on. Let's go.

Well, I see my time is gone. Give the gang at Taylor Street Forge Shop my best regards, and I am hoping to see you all again soon.

Yours,
Pvt. Stan Richards

P. S. High sailing to my huddy in the Navy, Roger Green.

Dear Editor:

. . . As it is I had a little misfortune and thus wound up in the hospital back here in the States. . . . I've been here since the first part of November, which really hasn't been long. As I told you, I had some misfortune, which was an accident. The outcome is that I lost an eye, which probably doesn't sound too nice. However, they have me doctored up already.

I am now waiting to see whether I will be discharged or get limited duty. I am figuring that I will get discharged so I may be wandering back around that district soon. It isn't a nice idea to think that I must leave the service with such a big job to be done yet. However, I may be able to help out otherwise.

I imagine the G-E plant at Winter Street has changed quite a bit since I last saw it. Just before I left for the service I worked for Wayne Harding in the Recoil Section. By the WORKS NEWS I see they are still doing a swell job, as they always have.

I will close and enclose my change in address, so maybe I will get the NEWS much sooner. However, it has been a pretty nice trip to the South Pacific and back. Will close, wishing all a Happy New Year.

Yours Sincerely,
Michael B. Bloom, GM 2/c

S/Sgt. Warren G. Antoine, Bldg. 26-2, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross "for extraordinary achievement while serving as a gunner on a B-17 on a number of bombardment missions over Germany and enemy occupied Europe. Displaying great courage and skill, Sgt. Antoine, fighting from his gun position has warded off many enemy attacks and has materially aided in the success of these missions."

Tech. Sgt. Richard Hartnup, Bldg. 19-5, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action. He has returned to his unit after spending two months in an Army hospital, but he is restricted from combat flying for an indefinite period by medical authorities.

Best Equipment



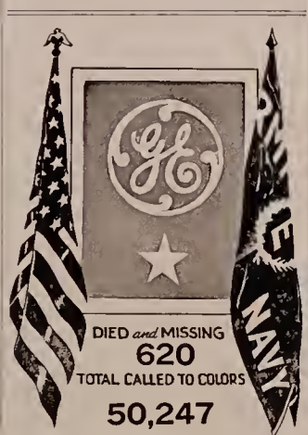
J. L. Leeth B. J. Ludwig

"The General Electric manufactures the best equipment in the world. The more we fellows get, the sooner we can win this war," says 2nd Lt. Bobby J. Ludwig, Taylor Street. He is stationed at Waco, Texas. John L. Leeth is a member of the Air Corps.

Dear Friends:

Just dropping a line to let you know I'm still kicking and to let you know my new address. . . . You can tell the gang on 4-4 and the south end of 6-4 I said "Hi." Some of those guys I won't name had better be writing or their stock will go way down. Let's keep pitching so I can get home and argue with some of them in person.

PFC Carl W. Langas



Howdy, Pals:

Just a few lines to let you know I am still alive and kicking.

Received two copies of the NEWS today, the first in a long time. Sure was glad to get them, although there was no nozzle box news. Maybe there is one no more, being I am so far behind on the news.

I am somewhere in France now. You probably have read about the paratroopers in France, so you know the part we played. Keep them coming, for it is a long way to Berlin. I like France a lot better than Sicily or Italy. It gets cold and damp here at night. People are a lot different here than at home. After all, four years of war is no fun. Their wine is swell, I can say that much. They use it for every meal just like we would coffee or any drink.

We are in a rest camp now, just taking it easy. I have a wine bottle filled with gas and a piece of jump rope for wick—makes a fair light. Well, will bail out for now, wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, to my pals, Nozzle Box, Taylor Street Plant.

Sgt. Roy Lee

Dear Sir:

. . . I've worked with and around more than one type of General Electric equipment and to me it's outstanding above all other. Upon my arrival aboard this said ship ten months ago, I find that 75% of its equipment is manufactured by G. E. It's quality average is very high.

Reading the G-E NEWS, I find a picture and paragraph written by M. K. Foor, a schoolmate and very good friend of mine in 1940. I would more than appreciate it if I could receive his address through the G-E office, so I may get in touch with him.

I'm hoping to receive mail soon so I can get caught up on the past from home and vicinity.

Having a mother, sweetheart, and brother-in-law working at G-E, I wish them a Merry Christmas with every other G-E employee.

Gerald L. Koomler, MM 2/c

Keep 'Em Rolling



N. L. Miller E. McDaniel

"All I can say is just keep 'em rolling," says Edward McDaniel, S 1/c, who is stationed at Brooklyn, N. Y. Norma L. Miller, S 1/c, a member of the WAVES, is stationed in Chicago. Both are former employees of the Taylor Street Plant.

1st Lt. Harrison D. Willoughby, Bldg. 27, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross upon completion of 300 hours of operational flight in transport aircraft over the India-China air routes.

PFC Marvin Ostermeyer, Bldg. 4-3, has been wounded the second time in France.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Hi-Nites In 17-1

The fellows whistle and the girlies grin,
The automatics sizzle and the big wheels spin.
Each one knows how the work's to be done
So each job is done right in 17-1.

Gerry Pierce is the new safety man in group 71, so watch your step, boys and girls, because to Gerry safety is spelled with a capital "S." . . . Hoy Bastian came back after six weeks' absence with his ever smiling eyes and good-natured grin for everyone. . . . Trousers will wear out in the most conspicuous spots. Does Art Rose know? . . . Kenneth Crow surprised us by his presence and also his rating in the U. S. Navy this week. He wears the Naval Air gunner's wings, which is something to be proud of. We always thought a guy with a name like his would flap his wings sooner or later. Best of luck to you, Kenny, and safe and speedy return. . . . If you want to know how to make sauer-kraut, just ask Joe Eifrid. He'll show you. . . . For a while, Purdy, our Tool Room girl, had us worried to the extent of thinking she had taken up chewing tobacco, but was finally explained that she was suffering from a toothache. . . . Rex Whitcomb says due to the meat shortage he is going to have a butcher shop of his own. He says he knows he won't have any to sell, but at least he will be in business for himself.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

Carolyn Brenton, who is leaving to make her home in Los Angeles, was honor guest at a dinner given by her co-workers, at which time she also received a gift. The following girls helped make the party a success: Virginia Free, Audrey Shuler, Virginia Neilson, Jerry Frederick, Mary McFadden, Laveda Bowman, Vivian Baumle, Savilla Hawn, Augusta Post, Audrea Dahlin and Eulalia Zuber. . . . We extend our sympathy to Max Baron in the death of his father and Joe Trentadue whose mother passed away recently. . . . You should hear the long sad story Margaret Hart, Helen Hine, Genevieve Figel and Betty Filchak tell about their trip to Chicago—they locked themselves out of their hotel room—lost their tickets for the Sonja Henie show and finally had to run most of the way to the station so they could board the train to get them back on time for work. They must have had a good time in spite of all their trouble for they are already making plans for another trip. . . . Bert Hardendorf tells us his little girl, Patty Jean, just two weeks old, is irresistible; she has a dimple. . . . Edith Hewes has left us to take up her duties as a full time housekeeper. . . . We've heard people boast about the accomplishments and qualifications of their cars, but Charlie Reed certainly wins first prize—his car got stuck in a snow drift; so he left it and went home on foot. During the night it must have extricated itself and come home, for next morning he found it parked in front of his house and headed for work. . . . Justin Heaston has been making consistently good bowling scores lately we've been told; hope he keeps right on making them. . . . Bob Kukla has a new pipe—nuff sed. . . . Speaking of appointments, Helen Hardy was a bit early for hers—when she arrived at the dentist's office January 9, she was informed that her appointment was February 9.

Winners Of Large Suggestion Awards



Winners of large suggestion awards in recent weeks are pictured above, Top row, left, Walter Durst, Bldg. 4-5, was awarded $30.00. Right, Clarence R. Nussel, Bldg. 17-4, received $145.00. Bottom row, left, Frank Quinn, Bldg. 17-1, $35.00. Center, Edward Brosche, Bldg. 17-1, $225.00. Right, Herbert Wise, Bldg. 4-4, $40.00. These and other Fort Wayne Works suggestors realize their ideas help win the war.

POINSATTE PISTOLS

Everything has been pretty quiet on the Western Front this week. Our little new bride, Helen Wood, is back to work after spending a short honeymoon with her husband. She is one happy girl. . . . We are happy to welcome Beth Dole to our little group here. She was transferred from Winter Street. . . . Gertrude Currie had a lovely time in Chicago last week, having attended the Sonja Henie Ice Revue. . . . Martha Englert certainly has had an awful time with these snow drifts lately. The other morning she was out at 5 A.M. shoveling away snow trying to get the car out of the garage. She thought "Oh success at last" so she backed the car out and you guessed it, stuck again so little Martha had to get in touch with her driver in order to get to work. . . . Bernice Emery has a new idea for coloring mushroom soup. Just boil a piece of red cardboard with it and it comes out the most delicious pink. . . . Mr. Mann was telling Alyce Swaim that he had been reading the paper and it said all teen-agers were wearing bobby socks and wanted to know why she was wearing silk hose. She really is our problem child around here. There must be a Santa Claus for she was sporting a new pair of shoes or was it the box she was wearing? . . . Ed Stauffer celebrated three years with the General Electric Co. Saturday. We hear Bill Murphy really was taken in by the story we were to have a program at 3 P.M. Saturday to celebrate and came in with face washed and hair combed all set for a speech by Ed and solo by Alyce, etc. Surely you should know better than to believe all you hear around the Poinsatte by this time, Murph. . . . Eleanor Grym was most embarrassed the other night. She would like to have someone explain the difference between a crew chief and a Licut. Better luck next time, Eleanor. . . . Gertrude Hockemeyer and Mary Hake are so quiet at their work in the bolt room we are liable to forget they are around, but they really are a good example of industriousness to the rest of us. . . . There is no truth to the rumor that Marie Bowman has signed a radio contract to "giggle" on the "People are Funny" program, so we can continue to smile when we hear that laughter from the Inspection Dept. And the reason it smells so much better in that Dept. than anywhere else in the building is that French perfume Dorothy Hemsoth gets so abundantly from her husband in Paris, France. She is most generous with it, too. . . . We wonder what Charlie O'Connor did during coffee rationing; his noon-day coffee is so strong all you need to do is smell the aroma and you don't need the coffee.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

We don't know which really tell the tallest stories, the summer fishermen or the ice fishermen, but the tales are certainly flying! Red Braden brought in some of his catch, however—the prettiest 12-inch, one and a quarter pound bluegill we've seen for some time. Good luck, you cold weather hounds. . . . A New Year is a time of new things, so Myrtle McKenzie started it right by buying a new outfit. . . . Robert Magers visited us this week. He looks fine, being a paratrooper seems to agree with him. Our WAC also came up to see us—Mary Baker. She enjoys her work very much. . . . Bertha Witham treated us with a big chocolate cake the other day. Happy birthday, Bertha! . . . And while we're expressing best wishes, may we extend them to Marilyn Fenton, who became the bride of Jordan Gunkle, January 20.

Many schools now use photoelectric tubes to control illumination in accordance with the degree of natural daylight available.



Hoot Mon. Once upon a time, (this is a fairy story, o' course). Way, way back when Hector was a young canine, there was a war on. It seems there is always a war on—some place. Weel, in this particular war, they had just learned how tae knurl the handles on their war clubs, tae keep them from s.ipping, so the war was called Knurled war two. Weel, during this Knurled War II, the citizens ran out o' corn silks, and had tae smoke apple roots.

They also ran out o' Rotowumpusses—a very necessary luxury o' those days. So, when Dame Rumor spread it around thot there would be a rotowumpus or two for sale at a certain spot in the market place, the citizens lined up for half a block.

Now, one o' the leading lads who made rotowumpusses saw this hunger for this product, so he got busy in his spare time and worked on C. R.* (I KNEW I'd bring it in, somehow) for post war production, who he couldn't spare any time whatever from his war work, o' knurling war clubs, for Knurled War II.

He couldn't DO much about his post war plans, but he COULD think about them in his spare time—and his spare time thinking spared him from a sparce post war period.

Have we seen any such signs? And can we do some spare post war thinking in our spare time? Weel, we ought to, and C. R.* will be very, very, very important then. Look aroond you for ideas thot ye might be working out WITHOUT affecting your war work.

Thot reminds me o' me Cousin Colin's wife, Bonny. She says her post war plans include trading off Colin's Model T for a pair o' post war nylons. She says she ought tae be able tae make an even trade—both guaranteed not to run!

*COST REDUCTION.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

The wood section will sure seem empty with Maxine Kesling gone, but we all wish you success with your beauty classes, Max. . . . The snow drifts can't be too terribly bad in the country when Bessie Jones can get into a drift and then out again. . . . I do believe we have had some cold weather. Last week Margaret Witte wore two blouses, a jacket, a sweater, and a coat—yes, all in one day. . . . Russell Lebeau couldn't be any more proud of his new white gloves if all the fingers were stuffed with cigarettes. . . . George Wirge's son, George, Jr., is home on furlough after overseas service. He is the possessor of four Oak Leaf Clusters, three Stars, and a Presidential Citation. . . . Marjorie Degitz is a very lucky girl to have such a thoughtful fiance. He was one of our boys to make the Christmas pilgrimage to Jerusalem and Bethlehem, and he sent her some beautiful gifts. . . . Muriel Wiedeman celebrated her birthday recently and treated the gang to a birthday cake. We all wish you many happy returns of the day, Murry. . . . Our little friend, Evelyn Arnold, came to work one morning the past week sporting a beautiful new diamond ring. Congratulations, "Evey"! The lucky man is Ward Gilbert, of the U.S. Navy. . . . We wish to welcome Donna Heisler to our Bldg. 8-2 office, and we are glad to have "Rosie" Smith back to work after a week's illness. . . . Arthur Baer, who has been off for some time sick, will be back to work again next week in Bldg. 17-1. The gang in Bldg. 8 are all glad to see you back, Arthur. . . . Steve Bobay, in the die room, has some of those unusual white footed rabbits. In case you want something different in rabbits, place your order with Steve now. . . . Don Lothamer, of Great Lakes Naval Training Station, sent a rapid-fire target home which was almost perfect. Imagine "Pop" going around showing the target bragging, "Just a chip off the old block!" We don't blame him tnough, for they don't come any nicer than Don. . . . Leo Elward has entered a team in the city bowling tournament by the name of "Screwballs". An appropriate name, don't you think? . . . Did you see Harley DeWitt's new red cap? Bright colors seem to be in style this year. . . . The feud of who's buying the dinners is still going on between Herman Bertsch and Leo Elward. . . . Herb Scherer proved himself the old timer, as quoted in a recent issue, by going out and getting another perfect score at the rifle range. . . . Louie Maier goes around yelling "timber!" and kidding about everybody's bowling scores; then when he can't produce, his favorite alibi is that sore thumb. . . . Howard Smith is always blaming his poor shooting on his gun sight. You know the old saying "A poor carpenter blames his tools". We suggest you use a shotgun instead of a .22 hereafter.

Missing In Action

PFC Paul H. Banet, Employees' Store, has been reported missing in Germany as of December 17. He entered the Army in August, 1942, and was accepted for ASTP training at Princeton University. At the close of that program he joined the infantry. PFC Banet has been overseas since last October.

INSPECTION QUALITY FORT WAYNE TEST

No. 131 January 19, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

This week we heard from several of our servicemen. Jack Miller was up to see us. It was nice to have you back with us again, Jack. We received two letters this week, one from Dick Katt (the good humor man) giving a very good description of the Philippines and one from Warren Schueler (Cowboy Joe) in Camp Bowie, Texas. Write often, boys. . . . We have just decided that the test section has talent for the stage. Among the cast of players off stage and on stage are: Comedian, Don Kruse; Salesman of patent medicine and Jester, Walter Lohm; Songsters, Dichtel, Giltz, Scheumann and Heller; Warbler Soloist, Lawrence Millinger; the Judge, Carroll Elder; Marrying Sam, Walt Beeth; Stars of the Russian Ballet, Lester Stauch and Ray Solga; Snake Dancer, Roemke; and last but not least the Villain, as portrayed by Frank Koziol, better known as "Kozy." . . . We are going to have some trouble with Walter Lohm in this production. It seems that Walt has given his upper lip the best years of his life without results. The other day he was seen going through some strenuous exercises and I asked him what he was doing. "Twirling my mustache," he replied. "I want to be the Villain." What will we do with a guy like that? . . . I am sure every one will agree that Larry Reed should go on a diet now that his chair doesn't seem to fit him or hold him. The other day he went to sit down and went straight down to the floor. Someone said the chair cracked in two and spilled him. Well, we can believe it. . . . Mel Azar had a birthday since the first of the year, on the seventh to be exact; however, we just found it out, so we'll say belated good wishes, Mel. . . . No one in Bldg. 17-4 is so quiet and shy as Max Weldy, but his shyness went the way of all goodness when he walked under the mistletoe during the holidays. . . . When Jess Romine comes to work on Monday morning the first thing he does is start to yawn. When that mouth of his begins to open the other fellows all grab on to a machine for fear they'll fall in. Could be listed as a Safety hazard. . . . The second trickers will all miss Art Schmidt, who is going on the first shift. Good luck, Art. . . . Clara McKissick is leaving us for a while. Hurry back, Clara; we're going to miss you. . . . Can you imagine Wilbur Krebs wanting to be a street cleaner at Columbia City? Now "Will," we don't think you can make the grade. . . . Mary Mobley is all smiles. Her hubby is coming home on a furlough in a couple of weeks. . . . Lester Meyers can be called "Farmer Meyers" from now on, as he just moved onto a big farm south of town. . . . We are glad to have Jesse Circle back with us. You're looking good, Jess; the hospital must have been O.K. . . . The man-arbout-town didn't see any one this week for the simple reason that he was caught in a snow drift. Maybe next week?

Dies Of Wounds

Cpl. Ray E. Speaker, Bldg. 4-5, died on December 27 of wounds received in Luxembourg. He was a radio operator with a field artillery unit. Cpl. Speaker entered the service in 1942 and received his training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and Fort Bragg, N. C. He went overseas in June, 1944.

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IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

Were you ever awakened on a Monday morning by a loud noise as you were attempting to dress for work? If so, that was just the explosion which occurred when Walter Muehlenbruch hit his little toe on the radiator. Later in the day, the sweet smiling nurse at the dispensary pronounced the extent of the bruise on Walter's toe as a fractured diminutive, terminal member of the foot (broken toe to you!). Walter is still limping around, but you can be sure that from now on, he opens his eyes wide as soon as he awakes in the morning and dresses for work. . . . Welcome greetings are extended to Lee Foster who has been transferred to our department from the Taylor Street Plant. We also welcome Cleta Mosbey who is replacing Betty Kavanaugh who recently left our department. . . . Belated birthday greetings are extended to Ray Quinn. Ray hails from the big city of Chicago and this was the first birthday that he has ever celebrated in Fort Wayne. We hope that he will like it here enough to celebrate many more birthdays in our fair city. . . . The gang in Bldg. 20-2 recently received a letter from Barbara Lehmen, who is now in Hutchinson, Kansas. Barbara left some weeks ago to join her husband who is with the United States Navy. Barbara would like to hear from the gang, so if you have a few spare moments drop her a line. . . . Ah! Yes! Sleigh rides are just the thing! It all started something like this: Helen Adler wanted a sleigh ride. OK. Everyone agreed. After siege upon siege of zero weather we decided Tuesday would be the eventful evening. Tuesday came, threatening cold weather, but our hearty co-workers weren't to be daunted. They donned their apparel and trudged to the meeting place. As I said before, Helen Adler wanted the party but Helen didn't show up. Anyway, we started on our journey with two beautiful mules in the lead. They kept telling us it was not cold, but we're still hunting around for part of our nose and all of our left ear. But really, it wasn't cold—John Manecke always looks that way. You know, sort of red, white and blue. A patriotic fellow. Evelyn Gordon was there—fur coat and all. She persisted in telling all about her operation. Dick Bliss and the Mrs. got a lecture on mules, while Bud Montague gave numerous demonstrations. Who said we wouldn't mention Bill Schible? Why, without him our ride would not have been a success! He was proudly wearing trousers his wife had patched with her own two little hands. Kids, Johnny Jones was there and cute little Margie Plye, too. Their share of peanut shells may be found scattered throughout the town. One incident in which you might be interested, was when three of our men crawled out of the sleigh to limber up. The horses (oops—mules) decided to test their trotting ability. Fast went the horses; faster went the three men. It was a race between man and mule. Cheers went up as the men triumphantly boarded the sleigh and fell flat on their faces, completely exhausted. John Manecke, who said they shut up all the race tracks? Cec Young, foreigner of Bldg. 20, but a friend nevertheless, tried to carry home the glassware from a certain eating place, but his conscience got the better of him. Virginia Babcock was reported to have been the instigator of said act, but one can never be too sure of rumors, can one? But all good things must come to an end, and so did this party. We crawled out of the sleigh and trudged wearily, but happily, home. Ah! Yes! Sleigh rides are just the thing!

Newsies 17-3

Bonnie Rehrer must be a very busy girl because she has just caught up on her reading. She has been saving her newspapers from December 8 until now. . . . For a new super sundae see Jeanette Smith. . . . Alma Geary had quite an experience this week. While rushing to catch a street car, she fell on the ice. We know Alma was in a hurry but hope she gets back to work soon. . . . A surprise potluck was held Saturday noon for Pearl Huett, who is leaving us. It was also to celebrate the birthdays of Lillian Smith and Roy Fuller. Those present besides Pearl, Lillian and Roy were John Mangan, Charles Rice, Charlotte Bowman, Rosemary Allen, Wayne Worman, Betty Geary, Sophia Zelt, Edward Gordon, Eunis Zehr, Doris Moon and Evelyn Reed. . . . We are glad to see Olive Siemik back after being ill. . . . Our best wishes to the fighting men all over the world. We are praying for their safe return.

The electronic photolight—or high-speed flash unit—gives a flash less than 4/1,000,000 of a second in duration, compared with the ordinary bulb's several thousandths of a second.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Hello, Lt. Harold Eggeman from Thieme's gang! Received your fine letter, and some fellows even think you're a better writer than toolmaker. But anyway, best wishes and happy landings until we see you again. . . . Hello, Lt. Dick Miller from Thieme's group! You sure aren't letting any moss gather on that flying crate of yours. We're holding up a couple dies for you to work on when you get around here again. Best wishes—and we'll be seeing you. . . . Rufus Niblick is all smiles and a satisfied man since his son Tom, P.O. 3/c, is home for a well-earned and much needed furlough after numerous major and minor successful engagements with the Japs. Best wishes, Tom. . . . Loretta Wyneken, or "Cake Nose" Wyneken as she is better known, found her way into Chet Reynold's cake sack by wishing him a happy birthday only to find out it was daughter's, but she took the cake anyway. Congratulations to Mary Lou on her twelfth birthday! . . . While everybody is talking about quartets on the floor they have overlooked the fact that we have a lyrical tenor soloist, a former dispenser of the cup that cheers, a master of ceremonies, a singer and jester presiding at the Blue Castle Nite Club, Payne, Ohio, we give you Manny Gerardot, M. C. extraordinary. Bobby soxers, beware! . . . Ross Vaughn was wondering why everyone was calling him "flash" last week one day. Of course the bright shirt he was wearing had little to do with it. Bob Grogg said that if it happened again he would furnish sun glasses for the boys in the immediate vicinity. . . . Glenn Hoon of the Repair Section, who made a New Year's resolution not to eat between meals, reports satisfactory progress. Glenn says that he has lost some weight off his middle section already. . . . B. B. Byanskie asked Chet Burgette to go ice fishing with him last week-end. The only think Chet said was, "Life is too short to go out and try to outsmart the fish." Of course Bernie disagreed. . . . Bob Brodrick claims to be the champion jinx when he goes fishing with you and he isn't kidding. . . . Earl Brandon is on a liquid diet now. It seems that he had a sandwich made with this utility beef the other day and it was too much for him. He finally finished the sandwich but on the final check-up he was short two teeth. . . . Things you never see: When R. Grogg doesn't want to buy a used car or used tire. If you have any old tires that you wish to sell or you want to buy some, see R. Grogg.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Well, here we are again. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we have been unable to be with you for the last two or three weeks. . . . We have five newcomers to add to our clan, Betty Crawford, Marie Needy, Valeska Neat, Georgie Jamieson, and Clova Markle. . . . Have you noticed Edna Lovell's beautiful diamond? Congratulations, Edna. . . . It's a little late for New Year's, but New Year's Eve found four of our midst in Chicago for the Sonja Henie "Ice Revue": Phyllis Trump, Harriet Weber, Joanetta Henninger, and Doris McAdams. . . . Ye ole card players have changed from euchre to cassino. . . . Does anybody know how to tie a Navy tie? Eleanor Phillips would like to have a volunteer. . . . The gang is glad to welcome back Naomi Knapp and Ola Buckmaster.

Dieselette



Rosa Fisher

Rosa is one of the several stars on the "Dieselette" basketball team from Peoria, Illinois. This squad, one of the best in the Middle West, will invade the G-E Club gym Saturday night to play the G-E girls. Many of the Dieselette players are familiar to Fort Wayne sports' fans who saw them playing softball in the Midwestern Regional Tournament at the Beach last fall.

Red Cross Blood Donor Schedule Is Announced

The American Red Cross has announced the following schedule for blood donations: January 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 inclusive; February 19, 20 and 21 (three days only); March 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 inclusive.

It is also pointed out that in December the total of pints collected —840 in 6 days—was exceptionally low because cancellers of appointments did not notify the Red Cross in advance that they would not be able to keep their appointments. Consequently, there was not sufficient time left for securing substitute blood donors. It is requested that people who must cancel appointments report that fact to the Red Cross by calling A-5446.

Carver Club To Furnish Club Rooms

The Carver Club is planning a project to furnish a club room for members of the organization at the Wheatley Center, 442 E. Douglas. To complete this project the club is asking the help of anyone who wishes to donate articles of furniture to the organization. Those interested in helping are asked to call Irene Meyers, Bldg. 16-3, or Winnolia Marshall, A-55372 after 4 o'clock. Furniture needed includes: rugs, large and small; end tables; lounge chairs; occasional tables; mirrors; book case; two-piece living room set.

Old Maid (to sniffling Junior): "Little boy, have you a handkerchief?"

Junior: "Yes, ma'am, but I never loan it to strangers."

G-E Girls' Team Defeats Decatur G-E Team 37-14

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls' basketball team trounced their fellow-workers from the Decatur G-E by a 37 to 14 count last Tuesday night in the Club gym. The gals got off to a slow start in the first period, with some poor passing and inaccurate sniping leaving them tied with Decatur at 5-all at the end of the first period.

That was Decatur's first and last real threat, because our girls began to pull away in the second quarter, and held a 17 to 7 halftime advantage. The Decatur girls were held to seven points for the entire last half, when our defense really began to work.

Gladys Varner was unquestionably the big gun in the G-E attack, as she scored seven field goals on eleven attempts in the last half. "Tommy" Williams with 7 points, and Jerry Steller with 6 were the other leading scorers for the Club. The Decatur girls' scoring was well divided with Royer getting 4 points to lead her teammates.

The Decatur gals put up the good fight which had been expected of them, but they just couldn't seem to hit any of their long shots and the Club girls defense was keeping them out from under the basket.

The G-E girls will face the Caterpillar "Dieselettes" from Peoria, Illinois, Saturday night in what will probably be their toughest game of the season. This tilt is scheduled for 9 o'clock in the Club gym.

The summary of the Decatur game:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Decatur G-E	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	1	0	2	Royer	2	0	4
Boedeker	0	1	1	Miller	1	0	2
Williams	3	1	7	Thatcher	1	0	2
McGahan	0	0	0	Sheets	0	0	0
Puff	2	0	4	Smith	1	0	2
Steller	3	0	6	Snyder	1	0	2
Varner	7	0	14	McLean	0	2	2
Whiteleather	1	0	2	McCoy	0	0	0
Amstutz	0	1	1	Hoffman	0	0	0
				Bower	0	0	0
Totals	17	3	37	Totals	6	2	14

Officials—MacKenzie and McCoy.

Kathryn Garten Will Give Elex Book Review Soon

Kathryn Turney Garten, well-known book reviewer of the Middle West, will come to Fort Wayne on January 30 to present a review of "Green Dolphin Street" to members of the Elex Club.

She will appear before night workers at a 12 o'clock dinner at the West Creighton Avenue Church; tickets are 55c and reservations must be in by January 27.

The day girls will meet at 8 P.M. at the G-E Club for Mrs. Garten's review. There will be no charge, but Elex members must present membership cards. Members may bring mothers or other guests, but all such guests must be accompanied by an Elex member.

Attendance prizes, in the form of copies of "Green Dolphin Street" autographed by Mrs. Garten, will be awarded.

Do you think the Pacific war is going to be an easy war? Listen to this and THINK! . . . Japan's army is NOT YET at its full strength . . . 4 million are under arms and 2 million more are available . . . AND REMEMBER . . . Japan's normal replacement of men is 200,000 a year, more than are being eliminated in battle *right now!*

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings
(Includes games of January 11th)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	7	0	1000
Small Motor Office	6	1	.856
Firemen	6	2	.714
West Side	5	2	.714
Small Motor Factory	4	3	.571
General Service	4	3	.571
Tool Division	3	4	.429
Taylor Street	3	4	.429
Transformer	3	4	.429
Squares	1	5	.167
Taylor Street Test	0	6	.000
Messengers	0	7	.000

Results of last week's Games:

Firemen	26	Squares	18
Small Motor Fact.	37	Messengers	22
Winter Street	52	Tool Division	16
Small Motor Of.	53	Taylor Street Test	21
General Service	38	Transformer	28

West Side won from Taylor Street by forfeit.

Firemen 26; Squares 18

Taking full advantage of their control of the ball on rebounds from both backboards the Firemen defeated the Squares 26 to 18 in Wednesday's opener. Taking an early lead the Firemen assumed a 5 to 1 lead in the first quarter which they stretched to 13 to 4 at halftime. The Squares came back in the second half to outscore the winners 14 to 13 but found the early margin of the Firemen too much to overcome. Stoner scored 8 points to pace the losers, while Milholland was high for the winner with 8 tallies.

Firemen (26)	G.	F.	T.	Squares (18)	G.	F.	T.
Hanic	3	0	6	Turner	0	3	3
Long	1	0	2	Aubuchon	0	0	0
Milholland	4	0	8	Nauman	1	1	3
Lydy	1	0	2	Kissler	2	0	4
Habig	1	1	3	Stoner	4	0	8
Leazier	2	0	4				
Bieber	0	0	0				
Scherer	0	1	1				
Totals	12	2	26	Totals	7	4	18

General Service 38; Transformer 28

Led by Kepler who paced his mates with 21 points, General Service was in the lead at each quarter horn to down Transformer 38 to 28 and so go by their opponents in the league standings. Dick Ehrman was high scorer for the losers with 14 tallies.

General Service (38)	G.	F.	T.	Transformer (28)	G.	F.	T.
Pickett	2	1	6	Coughlin	0	0	0
Dukes	0	0	0	Vachon	2	0	4
Kepler	9	3	21	Altevolgt	2	0	4
Kauffman	2	0	4	Ehrman	6	4	14
Schible	2	0	4	Nickerson	1	0	2
Ray	2	0	4	Fritz	2	0	4
Bauermeister	0	0	0				
O'Connell	0	0	0				
Totals	17	4	38	Totals	12	4	28

Small Motor Factory 37; Messengers 22

Small Motor Factory used the Messengers as a stepping stone to help in their climb into the upper half of the league—final score 37 to 22. Kasimier scored 16 points as high scorer for the winners and pulled himself into third place in the individual scoring race only four points behind the leader. Hapner and Hoffman with 7 and 6 points were high for the losers.

Small Mot. Fact. (37)	G.	F.	T.	Messengers (22)	G.	F.	T.
Pulley	1	0	7	Cllek	0	0	0
Drayer	0	0	0	Hapner	2	3	7
Girard	0	0	0	Rice	2	0	4
Young	2	2	6	Hoffman	3	0	6
Stetzel	2	0	4	Swank	2	1	5
Kasimier	7	2	16	Wallace	0	0	0
Hardiek	0	0	0	Steele	0	0	0
Follis	0	0	0	Hanley	0	0	0
Smead	1	0	2				
Totals	14	9	37	Totals	9	4	22

Winter Street 52; Tool Division 16

Playing without Stretch Magnusson, the leading scorer in the league, the league leaders from Winter Street still had far too much on the ball for the smaller Tool Division men, romping to an easy win 52 to 16. Sciple and Dent each scored 14 points for the winners while Truelove and Pequignot were high for the losers with 4 points each.

Winter Street (52)	G.	F.	T.	Tool Division (16)	G.	F.	T.
Stucky	3	1	7	Truelove	2	0	4
Hooley	0	1	1	Trump	1	0	2
Neitzert	4	1	9	Waldrop	1	0	2
Dent	6	2	14	Pequignot	2	0	4
Sclple	7	0	14	Rider	1	0	2
Fryer	1	0	2	Thomas	1	0	2
Snyder	1	3	5	Lowden	0	0	0
Kelly	0	0	0	Reed	0	0	0
Yoder	0	0	0	Widner	0	0	0
Totals	22	8	62	Totals	8	0	16

Basketball Captain



John Allen

John Allen, 5 foot, 11 inch captain and forward of the G-E Club basketball team, is a veteran of 8 years of play with the Club team. Prior to coming to G-E, he played with the Magnavox A.C.

Small Motor Office 53; Taylor Street Test 21

Outscoring their opponents in all except the third quarter the Small Motor Office men ran over Taylor Street Test 53 to 21 in the opening game Thursday night. The champions took command at the start and had comfortable quarter leads of 9 to 0, 25 to 6, 35 to 16 and the final margin of 53 to 21. Esterline with 20 points and Fox with 10 were high scorers for their respective teams.

Small Mot. Of. (53)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St. Test (21)	G.	F.	T.
Schuster	8	2	8	Conkle	2	0	4
Esterline	10	0	20	Buell	0	0	0
Lauer	6	1	11	Fox	5	0	10
Trott	1	3	6	Hall	2	0	4
Barber	1	1	1	Bobilya	0	0	0
Slack	3	0	6	R.Roberts	0	1	1
				Harris	0	0	0
				Thieme	1	0	2
Totals	23	7	53	Totals	10	1	21

Next Week's Schedule

Wednesday, January 24:

7:00, West Side vs. Small Motor Factory.

8:00, General Service vs. Winter Street.

9:00, Squares vs. Small Motor Office.

Thursday, January 25:

7:30, Firemen vs. Tool Division.

8:30, Taylor Street vs. Taylor Street Test.

9:30, Transformer vs. Messengers.

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Laboratory	8	1
Grinders	6	3
Chargers	6	3
Tool Room	6	3
Production	5	4
Developmental	5	4
Office	4	5
Receiving	4	5
Screw Machine	3	6
Turbos	3	6
Air Corps	2	7
Firemen	2	7

200 Games—Meese 210, 215; Merica 221; Weihe 214; Huber 208; Taylor 201.

Laboratory, by sweeping 3 games, moved into an undisputed lead. However, grinders and chargers are tied for second position two games down the ladder.

Meese, Production Anchor man, served a convincing 594 series and moved into second place for individual high series. Production "produced" a 2598 per team total to tie the Grinders' previous high mark for Team High Series. Merica's 221 game entitles him to third place for individual high single game.

Four Taylor Street teams have rolled in the City Pin Tourney and their scores are as follows: Tool Room 2985; Production 2928; Receiving 2900; and Office 2825.

Robert Mills, who bowls on the Turbo Team at Taylor Street, is being transferred on January 20 to the Lynn Works, where he is going to the Field Service Training Supercharger School. The bowling team members wish you success, Bob—we'll miss you.

KOKOMO BASKETBALL

By G. Garritson

On Wednesday, January 10, 1945, the local G-E Club Basketball team defeated the Chrysler Corp. team in the second meeting of the two teams in the local Industrial League play.

The game was another of these low scoring affairs with the score being tied at the end of the first quarter 2 to 2, and the half ending 12 to 5 with G-E leading. However, in the third and fourth quarters G-E pulled away to a safe lead and finished ahead by the score of 28 to 14. Gross and Fouts were outstanding in the scoring department with 11 and 8 points apiece respectively for G-E while Heltzel and Evans played outstanding floor games. Chrysler scoring was evenly divided.

The local industrial league season will end Jan. 31, which leaves three more games to be played by each team. G-E's opponents will be Kingston Products Co., Delco Radio and Eagles Lodge in that succession.

Leading Scorers

Name	Team	Games	Baskets	Foul Baskets	Foul Trles	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Magnusson,	Winter Street	6	27	15	26	12	69
Milholland,	Firemen	7	29	9	24	14	67
Kasimier,	Small Motor Factory	7	30	5	17	12	65
Sciple,	Winter Street	5	31	2	6	2	64
Esterline,	Small Motor Office	6	26	4	8	6	56
Ehrman,	Transformer	7	23	9	32	16	55
Pickett,	General Service	7	24	5	8	12	53
Hanic,	Firemen	7	22	6	16	5	50
Hanefelt,	Taylor Street	6	22	6	24	10	50
Arnold,	West Side	6	21	7	18	5	49
Neitzert,	Winter Street	5	20	7	15	7	47
Lauer,	Small Motor Office	6	19	6	19	7	44
Altevolgt,	Transformer	7	20	3	11	24	43
Ray,	General Service	6	18	6	23	11	42
Rabus,	Taylor Street	5	18	4	8	6	40
Fox,	Taylor Street Test	6	16	3	27	12	40
Reed,	Squares	2	17	5	7	7	39
Rider,	Tool Division	7	16	6	16	18	38
Dent,	Winter Street	7	15	7	12	1	37
Kauffman,	General Service	7	18	1	11	11	37
Yentes,	Taylor Street	6	16	4	12	6	36
Close,	Small Motor Office	5	13	10	15	5	36
Stetzel,	Small Motor Factory	7	16	4	15	12	36
Young,	Small Motor Factory	7	14	7	15	13	35
Starkel,	Small Motor Office	6	17	1	8	5	35
France,	West Side	6	17	1	9	3	35
Hoffman,	Small Motor Office	6	13	5	14	6	31

Decatur G-E Club Girls' Net Team



Pictured above is the 1944-1945 Decatur G-E Club Girls' Basketball Team. Members are, left to right, front row: Marcia Martin, Jean McLean, Lillian Royer, Rosie Thatcher, Ethel Miller, and Opal McCoy. Back row, Leo Hoffman, trainer; Betty Bower; Alice Sheets; Violet Smith; Catherine Hoffman; Nondus Snyder; and Jason Moser, coach.

G-E Girls Will Play Dieselettes Of Peoria

G-E Club Gym Is Scene Of Game Saturday Night

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls' basketball team will meet the Caterpillar "Dieselettes" tomorrow night at the G-E Club gym at 9 o'clock. This game will be one of the "biggest" on the G-E girls' schedule this season. On the other half of a double bill, the men's team will engage in one of their best games of the season—meeting the Bendix Brakes at 8 o'clock.

The gals from "down Peoria way" are rated as one of the top-notch feminine teams of the Middle West. All Fort Wayne softball fans will testify to the ability of the "Dieselettes", after seeing them play in the Midwestern Regionals the past two seasons.

Some of the same girls who were "the talk of the tournaments" during the softball season are now playing on the hardwood courts. Irene Kerwin, outstanding short-fielder for the "Dieselettes" is one of these performers. Perhaps the one best remembered by Fort Wayne sports fans is attractive, red-headed Ann Elliott, who pitched two no-hit ball games for Peoria in the tourney.

These girls along with Rosa Fisher, Julia Boucher, Anna Aleksich, Jean Boeker, Marion Kneer, Bonnie Welsh, Nadine Hoffman, and Betty Wanless comprise the "Dieselettes" basketball squad for this season. These girls have a splendid record so far this year, having defeated such teams as the Pepsi-Cola girls from Indianapolis; the Kutis girls from St. Louis; and the Rockolas, Blue Marines, and Whippets from Chicago. Their record has been marred only by a loss to the White Liners of Chicago.

The "Dieselette" line-up for Saturday night's game is not known at present. The probable starting line-up for the G-E Club will be Whiteleather and Steller at guards, McGahan jumping center, and Williams and Fitch starting at forwards.

This game will be one of the season's toughest for the G-E gals, but they hope to add another scalp to the ones already dangling from their belt. They have lost only one game in eight starts so far this year, and hope to finish the season with this near-perfect record held to its present level.

G-E Club Girls To Play Bowser Team Tuesday

By Helen Forker

Next Tuesday night, January 23, the G-E Club girls team will play the girls from Bowsers at the G-E Club gym. Game time is slated for 7:45 o'clock.

The G-E girls are striving to better their current season record, which has been excellent; against Bowsers—the only city team that they have not yet played. The Bowser girls are currently "on the bottom" in the city-wide girls' league; but since they have acquired a bit of "know-how", they are getting harder and harder to beat. Other city teams can testify to that fact!

The probable starting five for Bowsers will be Coil and Deitel at forwards, Sroufe at center, and DeLaet and Fleckenstein at guards. The starting line-up for the G-E girls will probably be McGahan jumping center, Fitch and Williams at forwards, and Whiteleather and Steller at the guard posts.

The G-E Club men's team will meet the Culver Independents in the 9 o'clock tilt. Both of these games are open to the public free of charge. All G-E employees and guests are invited to attend.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzman

Sorry we missed last week—but for a short resume we might mention that Spahr took second place in high three game total with his 591, Bergman rolled his second score over 600—a 607 and the secretary picked up a 5-7 split to win a game by 3 pins.

This week the 500 scores were few. Spahr rolled best with 574, Wikel shot 550, Rapp 538, Al Reith 516 and Snyder 513. Adams came close with 499, and Kretzman got a 492. 200 scores were rolled by Reith 214, Wikel 211, Spahr 210, and Snyder 200 on the nose, his second this season. The leading Receiving Team got thumped for three games by FHP. Maintenance collected three from Order Service, Planning took 2 from Power Drive, and Inspection won two from Production. With the January thaw on now, there should be some hot scores next week.

Culver Independents Opponents For Club Tuesday Night

By Bob Kessens

Next Tuesday night the G-E Club team will meet the strong Culver Independents Basketball team of Culver, Indiana, in another of the interesting double-headers.

Culver comes to the Club with a record of 30 games won and 6 lost in the past two seasons. They count among their victims such teams as Bourbon All-Stars, Laporte Coalers, Plymouth A. C., and the Walkerton Independents. Their team personnel consists of former college and high school stars: Don McKee and Paul Snyder, Martin Mahler, Bob May, sectional high school champions, Bob and Red Overmeyer, Culver High School of '43 and '44, Chet Crump, Purdue. '42, and Bob Osborn, '41 Northwestern University varsity. Mahler and Snyder have averaged 12 and 14 points per game and spell plenty of trouble for the Club team. The Club will depend on Krieg, Stoner, Miller, Allen, Reed, Lowden, Hassinger, Madden, and Shinbeckler to carry the G-E Club to another victory. As before, these games are open to the public free of charge and a large crowd is expected, so come on out, fans, and support your team.

Double Header Booked By Club Teams For Saturday

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club teams will play host to two of the best independent teams in the Middle West Saturday night when the Men's Club tackles a rejuvenated South Bend Bendix team in the eight o'clock game and the Girls will take on the Peoria Caterpillars of Peoria, Illinois, in the nine o'clock game.

Since playing the Moose here earlier in the season the Bendix has revamped their lineup and now are leading the Major "AA" league in South Bend. This team has not lost a game since their loss to the Moose and promise to give the locals their toughest assignment this season. Their lineup will have the following men starting as follows: Wm. Clason, Ball State; Ed Claussen, Augustus Adolphus University of Minnesota at forwards; Chas. Borowski, Notre Dame; Al Costello, Notre Dame, at Guards. It will be remembered that Costello played at third base for the G-E Club Baseball Team for a short while last season. C. Gensichen, Western Michigan, at center; Don Yeaglery and Del Bennitt of George Washington University, are outstanding guards and Wm. Weigands, Lakeville High School of South Bend, forward; and Tom Denmark, Mishawaka High School round out the roster for the Bendix. Against this outstanding lineup the G-E Club will place Krieg, Miller or Lowden at forward; Reed, center; Allen and Stoner at guard. Madden, Baade, Shinbeckler and Hassinger will no doubt see plenty of action before the night is over.

Main Office Team In First Place In Girls' League

By Helen Forker

The gals from the Main Office have taken over first place in the Girls' Interdivision Basketball League. Their record is two wins against no defeats and it puts them right up on top. The second place is all tied up between Small Motors and Winter Street, each of them having a one-and-one record. West Side is currently in the cellar, mainly because they have been having trouble getting enough players out. With a couple more to strengthen their team they will be hard to beat.

Winter Street is a much improved ball club this year; as evidenced by their 21 to 13 victory over Small Motors in their first game. They have had only five players; but they used their height to good advantage; holding a half-time lead of only one point, they really played the second half to score ten points while holding Small Motors to three tallies. Fuhs with 9 points and Hively with 8 were high for the winners; while Shively's 6 markers was high for the losers.

Small Motors came out determined to "get" a win and succeeded in doing so at the expense of the West Side girls who bowed down 24 to 11. The Small Motors lassies held only a 5 to 4 margin at the first quarter, but built it up to 12 and 6 at the half. They continued to wear down their opponents, using their reserves to good advantage against the West Side gals six-player squad. Affolder tossed in 10 points for Small Motors, with Stanski adding 7 more. Miller and Coles led West Side scoring with 5 points apiece.

Main Office really had to come up with a ball game to defeat a very determined Winter Street team that was out in front 18 to 11 at the half. The Main Office girls came out with a bang in the third period, scoring 15 points while holding their opponents to nothing at all. Winter Street staged a desperate comeback in the final period but they were unable to overcome the eight-point lead which Main Office had piled up on them. Nelson led the Main Office scoring with 12 tallies; while Steinbarger, Gutermuth, and Smith each contributed 5 points to their team's victory. Scoring for the Winter Street team was well divided, with Fuhs gathering 8 points, Furney getting 7, and Miller getting 6.

The "first five" in the league scoring to date are:

Fuhs, Winter Street.
Nelson, Main Office.
Affolder, Small Motors.
Hively, Winter Street.
Shively, Small Motors.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 1 won 3 games from Team No. 10. Team No. 9 won 3 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 3 won 3 games from Team No. 12. Team No. 5 won 2 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 11 won 2 games from Team No. 5.

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 1	5	1
Team No. 9	5	1
Team No. 5	4	2
Team No. 5	4	2
Team No. 3	4	2
Team No. 12	3	3
Team No. 2	3	3
Team No. 11	3	3
Team No. 4	2	4
Team No. 7	2	4
Team No. 10	1	5
Team No. 8	1	5

200 Games—Mize 200; Stiver 201, 213; Mann 205; Diemer 217, 221.

Well fellows next Sunday is the day, remember the day, remember the time is 3:30 p.m. at Court Street alleys. Let's all be there on time and really pour them in the pockets.

Owl League Bowling

R. F. Dressel

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 4	4	2
Team No. 5	4	2
Team No. 8	4	2
Team No. 9	4	2
Team No. 11	4	2
Team No. 12	4	2
Team No. 2	3	3
Team No. 10	3	3
Team No. 1	2	4
Team No. 3	2	4
Team No. 7	2	4
Team No. 5	1	5

Results of Bowling

Team No. 9 won 3 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 5 won 2 games from Team No. 10. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 11 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 8 won 2 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 7.

200 Scores—Dressel 203; Cowan 202; Eifrid 201; Sarrazin 200.

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Gets Present From AAF Group



Dr. Sanford A. Moss, inventor of the turbosupercharger and consulting engineer of General Electric Company, is shown opening his Christmas present from the famous 381st Bombardment Group of the Eighth Air Force in England, which was presented to him at a ceremony last week in the River Works.

Plans Being Made For Red Cross War Drive

A number of meetings have been held to complete plans for the Red Cross War Fund campaign, which will open early in March and has for its national goal a total of $200,000,000.

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works are asked to contribute generously during the drive. It will be recalled that no solicitations for the Red Cross were made during the Community-War Chest drive last October. Announcement was made at that time that a separate campaign to raise funds for the Red Cross would be held in the spring of 1945.

Practically every employee understands the important work being performed by the Red Cross, particularly those who have family members of relatives in the service. Its activities are so comprehensive that it is almost impossible to list them. For instance, the Fort Wayne Chapter of the orginization met the following troop movement requests: 1,750 packages of cigarettes, 1900 magazines, 24 comic books, 2 scrap books, 1488 chocolate and candy bars, 286 decks playing cards, 12 checker sets, 16 assorted games, 50 pencils, 50 scratch pads, 100 pocket-sized books and comics.

Suggestion List For Current Week Is Issued

A $25.00 suggestion award to Elton C. Throndsen of the Decatur Plant heads the list of 75 suggestors who were awarded $535.00, according to the current suggestion list.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Fred Hagadorn, Bldg. 19-5; Lee G. Witte, Bldg. 4-3; Oscar L. Fleming, Sr., Taylor Street; John M. DeWald, Bldg. 4-4; Delbert R. Dennis, Taylor Street; Edward T. Teeple, Decatur Plant No. 2; Bertha K. Bertsch, Bldg. 6-2; Robert W. Hendrickson, Bldg. 17-2; Joseph K. Cox, Taylor Street; T. G. Hatter, Bldg. 4-5.

Edith Kyler, Bldg. 18-3; Robert C. Johnson, Bldg. 4-4; Bernice Viola Dafforn, Bldg. 6-2; Mildred A. Whitmer, Bldg. 20-2; Rudolph A. Becker, Bldg. 4-5; Eugene Joseph Miller, Bldg. 19-2; Albert J. Smith, Bldg. 6-4; Byrl R. Miller, Bldg. 4-3; Maurice F. VonderHaar, Bldg. 4-4; Homer H. Bash, Taylor Street; James R. King, Taylor Street.

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G-E Equipment Takes Part In Thrilling Battle

In a communication to the men and women of General Electric commending the switchboards they made for an unnamed destroyer taking part in the second battle of the Philippines, comes one of the most exciting stories of the war in the Pacific. The message, quoting a letter from the destroyer's commander, was written by Rear Admiral E. W. Mills, Acting Chief of the Bureau of Ships.

The speedy little craft, dwarfed by battleships and heavy cruisers of an approaching Japanese force, joined some other destroyers in dashing pell-mell into the fray. In the lead were the enemy's cruisers. These were attacked with torpedoes. The destroyer in question had some torpedoes left, and, by way of rounding off the job, she used them on one of the Jap battleships and made a hit.

Silence Battleship Guns

With far heavier guns than are mounted by any destroyer, the battleship was doing her best, but it was not good enough, for tbe destroyers were pounding her superstructure and those of the other Jap vessels. "Numerous five-inch hits were observed," says the commander's letter, and the hits on the battleship temporarily silenced her batteries "and made possible the retirement from the torpedo attack."

But the epic battle was not yet over for the little destroyers. On the way out of the engagement, they took on another heavy cruiser, and after 20 minutes of this encounter, she turned away, "apparently to put out several small fires and one large hanger fire which were visible." Switchboards were the only G-E equipment which the commander identified as being in the battle.

The communication from the admiral adds the significant words, "Well done," a phrase reserved for the highest navy achievements. The text follows:

Acid Test of Equipment

"The following comments are quoted from a letter received recently from the commanding officer of a destroyer, for which you supplied switchboards, describing the part played by this ship in the second battle of the Philippines:

"'One month ago today this vessel was a unit of an escort carrier group that contacted and engaged

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Flier Safe

First Lt. Clarence E. Byers, Taylor Street, who was reported missing in action over Yugoslavia since November 20, is now safe and has reported back to his air group in Italy, according to word received here. Lt. Byers holds the Air Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster.

Dr. Moss Receives Locally Made Supercharger

In the presence of a large number of employees of the River Works, Dr. Sanford A. Moss, inventor of the turbosupercharger, was presented last week by a representative of the Army Air Forces with a turbo having a top ranking operational record of functioning flawlessly on 102 Flying Fortress bombing missions against German industrial and military targets. The turbosupercharger was a Christmas gift from the 381st Bombardment Group of the Eighth Air Force in England. The supercharger was built at the Fort Wayne Works.

Introduced by Col. J. A. MacDonnell, Deputy Commander for the Eastern District Air Technical Service Command, who said the turbosupercharger is "absolutely vital to high altitude operations." Capt. W. E. O'Brien, assigned to the Air Inspection Office, Westover Field, Chocopee, Mass., made the presentation.

Capt. O'Brien served for 18 months with the 5th Air Force in the South Pacific. He has been awarded the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross with cluster, the Air Medal with cluster and the Presidential Unit Citation with two clusters.

Pays Tribute to Moss

AAF mechanics of the famous 381st Group in paying their tribute to Dr. Moss and his associates hailed this turbosupercharger as a "hypertested wonder," and in recognition of its battle performance General Henry H. Arnold, Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, sent to the inventor a congratulatory message which was read at the presentation.

Both General Arnold and the men and officers of the 381st Group praised the record-making durabil-

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Plans Completed For Elex Party

The Elex Club second shift girls will present a parody of the famous "Breakfast at Sardi's" radio program as the principal feature of their February meeting. All of the well-known features will be included, such as Uncle Corny, the wishing ring, Max Factor make-up kit, orchid to the oldest mother, and an orchid to the good, good neighbor.

In order to determine who is to receive the orchid for the good, good neighbor award, it will be necessary for the Club to receive nominations. Any WORKS NEWS reader may submit a candidate for the orchid award by observing the following rules:

1. The person nominated for the award must be a member of a G-E family. He or she need not be employed at General Electric, but there should be a G-E worker in the immediate family. Candidates may be wife, husband, mother, father, sister, brother, daughter, son, grandmother, or grandfather of a G-E employee.
2. All letters must be postmarked February 13.
3. The decision of the judges will be final.
4. All letters should be sent to Frances Krauskopf, c/o WORKS NEWS Office, Bldg. 10-2, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne 2, Indiana.

J. M. Lang Appointed Assistant Manager Of Ken-Rad Division

J. M. Lang has been appointed Assistant Manager of the Ken-Rad Division of the General Electric Company's Electronics Department, it has been announced by Carl J. Hollatz, division manager.

Mr. Lang, formerly accountant of the G-E Tube Division, Schenectady, will have his new headquarters at the Ken-Rad Owensboro, Ky., plant.

A native of Erie, Pa., and a graduate of the University of Michigan, Mr. Lang has been employed by General Electric in various responsible accounting capacities since 1928.

Election Of Employees Securities Corporation

Louis D. Hopper, Bldg. 10-1, was named the successful nominee for the Fort Wayne Works for the year 1945 in the G-E Employees Securities Corporation election held January 17, 18, and 19.

G-E Employees Maintain High War Bond Deductions

General Electric men and women are continuing to maintain a high payroll deduction average for War Bonds, it became known this week with publication of a report of this phase of buying throughout the Works and Departments of the Company. As of December 31, the ratio of payroll deductions to total payroll was 10.7%, the same as that reported in July following the Fifth Bond Drive.

The figure, it was pointed out, was much better than the latest available figures showing the trend of the payroll deduction average in the United States generally. This percentage, was 10.8 in July and fell to 9.5 in October. Further, it re-

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Salute to the Men and Women Of American Industry

By Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr., USN, Commander, Third Fleet

I salute the productive power of America. It has built for us a powerful, efficient Navy—a Navy that has met the severe test of all-out battle. What a contrast from the dark days of Guadalcanal in 1942, when we attacked with all we had to stop the Japanese, to the brightness of this day, with our invincible Navy swiftly and surely gaining unchallenged command of the sea.

Management and labor can take pride in our fighting ships—and the remarkable machinery which you have built to drive those fighting ships today.

After weeks of unprecedented fighting at the very door of Japan, your Navy was nevertheless in material readiness to give a superlative performance on those memorable days of the 24th, 25th and 26th of October. The enemy fleet sortied from their anchorages and approached the Philippine Sea expecting to find the United States Navy weakened by land-based air attacks and exhausted by extensive steaming far from base. Instead they found the Third and Seventh Fleets in fighting trim—a tribute to the Navy's ships and equipment and weapons.

You can be proud, too, of the performance of the officers and men who man the planes and ships you have given your Navy. Our American heritage has bred into them the same sort of good stuff that we expect and find in the ships and weapons industry is producing.

I salute the productivity of the past, but that is not enough. You know that our Army is waging a major campaign in the Central Philippines. You know the thousands of tons of ammunition, trucks, guns, and supplies needed to keep an Army on the offensive. You cannot but see that more armies will be soon engaged in similar offensives closer and closer to the heart of the Japanese empire if this stubborn enemy is to be decisively beaten. You must know that hundreds of ships and thousands of planes must be employed to land and support those armies. If anything, the demand on you for productive support will increase—I repeat *increase.*

Your fighting men have never faltered yet and will not falter. Keep it coming—and nothing can prevent the achievement of a complete victory and a safe and decent peace!—Navy Dept.

LOOK WHAT HAPPENED...



Safety, like charity, should begin at home. And yet it doesn't! The best showing, according to the latest statistics released by the National Safety Council, comes from the places where men and women work. In industry, the year 1943 saw a reduction of accidents by three per cent, in spite of the fact that many people had been added who were new to occupational hazards. The showing is largely due to the care taken by personnel.

But at home the story is quite different. There, fatalities increased seven per cent over the preceding year. This unfortunate record can probably be attributed to the fact that home life in wartime is inclined to be hurried and slap-dash and that in some instances child-supervision is less careful. But whatever the causes, it is plain that a great deal of care and thought should be spent this year on accident prevention in off hours.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

WILL YOU HELP KEEP FOOD PRICES DOWN?

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Word comes from the Office of Price Administration, Information Division, saying, "the most critical time in our battle against inflation lies in the months just ahead."

This government agency advises housewives to learn all they can about ceiling prices, and ceiling price posting, so the Consumers Institute passes along the information they offer and suggestions on how every housewife can help to maintain the existing ceiling price structure.

To Check Prices

1. Make out regular shopping lists either on a printed grocery list or on any handy piece of paper, noting definitely items, sizes, brands, weights and so on.

2. On each shopping trip, note down carefully the selling price of at least five items . . . Check these carefully with prices on the Community Price Lists for groceries and the meat price lists posted in your food stores.

3. If you find any selling prices that are above the official ceiling price lists, talk this over in a friendly way with your grocer or butcher. In the overwhelming majority of cases, he will make a correction if the price is truly out of line.

4. If you find that your grocer's or butcher's store has well posted lists, and that prices are in line, tell him that you appreciate the fact that he is doing a good job of trying to keep food prices in line!

5. If you do find the rare case where a grocer or butcher refuses to make the correction, where you are sure that the price is out of line, call attention of this to the Local Price Panel of the War Price and Rationing Board with full details . . . name of store, date, item, size, grade, brand, weight and selling price.

At the end of a short time you will find the matter of checking prices a pretty easy way of helping to keep your food costs down. Checking ceiling prices is a help to you and a help to busy merchants.

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. What is fluorine gas?

A. A member of the halogen family (others being chlorine, bromine and iodine), fluorine is a yellowish gas that has an especially irritating smell. Small traces of it in the air quickly act upon the eyes and the mucous membranes. If it should happen to come in contact with the skin, severe burns will result, and the tissues are rapidly destroyed by it.

Q. Of what metal is the filament of the ordinary electric lamp bulb made?

A. The almost universally used filament material in a lamp bulb is tungsten.

Q. Why do people who have limbs amputated often feel sensations of pain in the member after the amputation?

A. The sensation of pain in the toes or fingers is carried to our brain by means of nerves which project into them from the leg or arm as the case may be. When the toe or finger is missing, the nerves leading to it still exist in the leg or arm and are still sensitive. And as we have learned to associate the stimulation of those particular nerves with the missing member, we continue to do so for quite some time after amputation takes place.

Q. What kinds of metals are in meteors?

A. Many of them are crystalline stone. Some, however, are of metallic iron alloyed with nickel and cobalt. Others are a mixture of stone and iron. About 30 elements have been found in meteorites. Some of these elements are combined so as to produce minerals not found in our terrestrial rocks, though no new elements have ever been found in meteorites.

How to Fill Out the 'Short' and 'Long' Income Tax Forms

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its employees.

We cannot use the "Withholding Receipt," which the Company will furnish us, as our income tax return, if

(1) We had more than $100 of other income, such as dividends, interest, or wages not covered by payroll deductions for taxes, or

(2) We had income from any source other than wages, dividends, and interest, such as income from rent, capital gains, or being in business, or

(3) Our "adjusted gross income" amounted to $5000 or more. (Adjusted gross income means our total income minus any business expenses we may have had. Since most of us have no business expenses, this figure is our total income, in most cases.)

The 'Short' Form

The short form (Pages 1 and 3 of Form 1040) can be used by those whose adjusted gross incomes are less than $5000.

Using this form, we merely list our exemptions and our income, look up the amount of our tax in the tax table on Page 2 of the form, deduct the tax we have already paid, and write down the balance we still owe. If we have paid too much already, we indicate the amount of the refund we have coming.

The table shown below is the one which the tax collector will use to figure our tax if we use the "Withholding Receipt" as our return and is the same as the table which appears on Page 2 of the tax form. It allows about 10% for charity, taxes, interest, and other deductions.

How Many Exemptions?

We get one exemption for each dependent, plus one for ourselves, and if married, one for wife (or husband) provided either a joint return is filed or the wife (or husband) has no separate income. A dependent is defined as a close relative who has an income of less than $500 and who receives more than half his or her support from us.

Relatives who can qualify as dependents are: Son, daughter, or a descendent of either; stepson, stepdaughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law; father, mother, or ancestor of either; stepfather, stepmother, father-in-law, or mother-in-law; brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law; uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece, except by marriage. These relationships also apply to a legally adopted child. Do not claim a non-citizen, unless a resident of the United States, Canada, or Mexico.

Filling Out the 'Long' Form

The long form (Pages 1, 3 and 4 of Form 1040) must be used by anyone whose adjusted gross income amounts to $5000 or more, or who wants to claim deductions for charity, taxes, interest, etc., amounting to more than the 10% allowed by the tax table. In using the long form, the Normal Tax and Surtax must be computed separately, and added together to get the total tax. The steps are as follows:

1. From adjusted gross income subtract deductions for charity, taxes, interest paid, etc. Those with adjusted gross incomes of $5000 or more may take a flat $500 deduction if they wish. This leaves "Net Income."

2. Figure the Surtax. From Net Income subtract $500 for each exemption. This gives the Surtax Net Income. The Surtax Table below shows how to figure the Surtax on this amount.

3. Figure the Normal Tax. From Net Income subtract your own personal exemption of $500. If making a joint return, subtract $500 plus the smaller of the two incomes, but not more than $1000 for both. The Normal Tax is 3% of the remainder.

4. The total tax is the sum of the Normal Tax and Surtax. Subtract any amounts already paid.

Surtax Table

If Surtax Net Income is:	The Surtax is:
Not over $2000	20% of the Surtax Net Income
$2000 to $4000	$400 plus 22% over $2000
$4000 to $6000	$840 plus 26% over $4000
$6000 to $8000	$1360 plus 30% over $6000
$8000 to $10,000	$1960 plus 34% over $8000
$10,000 to $12,000	$2640 plus 38% over $10,000
$12,000 to $14,000	$3400 plus 43% over $12,000
$14,000 to $16,000	$4260 plus 47% over $14,000
$16,000 to $18,000	$5200 plus 50% over $16,000
$18,000 to $20,000	$6200 plus 53% over $18,000
$20,000 to $22,000	$7260 plus 56% over $20,000
$22,000 to $26,000	$8380 plus 59% over $22,000
$26,000 to $32,000	$10,740 plus 62% over $26,000
$32,000 to $38,000	$14,460 plus 65% over $32,000
$38,000 to $44,000	$18,360 plus 69% over $38,000
$44,000 to $50,000	$22,500 plus 72% over $44,000
$50,000 to $60,000	$26,820 plus 75% over $50,000
$60,000 to $70,000	$34,320 plus 78% over $60,000
$70,000 to $80,000	$42,120 plus 81% over $70,000
$80,000 to $90,000	$50,220 plus 84% over $80,000
$90,000 to $100,000	$58,620 plus 87% over $90,000
$100,000 to $150,000	$67,320 plus 89% over $100,000
$150,000 to $200,000	$111,820 plus 90% over $150,000
Over $200,000	$156,820 plus 91% over $200,000

TAX TABLE WHICH COLLECTOR WILL USE TO FIGURE YOUR TAX

If total income (Line 3) is— At least	But less than	And the number of your 1944 exemptions is— 1	2	3	4	5 or more
		Your tax is—				
$0	$550	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
550	575	1	0	0	0	0
575	600	7	1	1	1	1
600	625	12	2	2	2	2
625	650	17	2	2	2	2
650	675	22	3	3	3	3
675	700	27	4	4	4	4
700	725	32	4	4	4	4
725	750	38	5	5	5	5
750	775	43	6	6	6	6
775	800	48	6	6	6	6
800	825	53	7	7	7	7
825	850	58	8	8	8	8
850	875	64	8	8	8	8
875	900	69	9	9	9	9
900	925	74	10	10	10	10
925	950	79	10	10	10	10
950	975	84	11	11	11	11
975	1,000	89	12	12	12	12
1,000	1,025	95	12	12	12	12
1,025	1,050	100	13	13	13	13
1,050	1,075	105	14	14	14	14
1,075	1,100	110	14	14	14	14
1,100	1,125	115	15	15	15	15
1,125	1,150	120	20	16	16	16
1,150	1,175	126	26	16	16	16
1,175	1,200	131	31	17	17	17
1,200	1,225	136	36	18	18	18
1,225	1,250	141	41	18	18	18
1,250	1,275	146	46	19	19	19
1,275	1,300	152	52	20	20	20
1,300	1,325	157	57	20	20	20
1,325	1,350	162	62	21	21	21
1,350	1,375	167	67	22	22	22
1,375	1,400	172	72	22	22	22
1,400	1,425	177	77	23	23	23
1,425	1,450	183	83	24	24	24
1,450	1,475	168	88	24	24	24
1,475	1,500	193	93	25	25	25
1,500	1,525	198	98	26	26	26
1,525	1,550	203	103	27	27	27
1,550	1,575	208	108	27	27	27
1,575	1,600	214	114	28	28	28
1,600	1,625	219	119	29	29	29
1,625	1,650	224	124	29	29	29
1,650	1,675	229	129	30	30	30
1,675	1,700	234	134	34	31	31
1,700	1,725	239	139	39	31	31
1,725	1,750	245	145	45	32	32
1,750	1,775	250	150	50	33	33
1,775	1,800	255	155	55	33	33
1,800	1,825	260	160	60	34	34
1,825	1,850	265	165	65	35	35
1,850	1,875	271	171	71	35	35
1,875	1,900	279	170	76	36	36
1,900	1,925	281	181	81	37	37
1,925	1,950	286	186	86	37	37
1,950	1,975	291	191	91	38	38
1,975	2,000	296	196	96	39	39
2,000	2,025	302	202	102	39	39
2,025	2,050	307	207	107	40	40
2,050	2,075	312	212	112	41	41
2,075	2,100	317	217	117	41	41
2,100	2,125	322	222	122	42	42
2,125	2,150	327	227	127	43	43
2,150	2,175	333	233	133	43	43
2,175	2,200	338	238	138	44	44
2,200	2,225	343	243	143	45	45
2,225	2,250	349	248	148	48	45
2,250	2,275	353	253	153	53	46
2,275	2,300	359	259	159	59	47
$2,300	$2,325	$364	$264	$164	$64	$47
2,325	2,350	369	269	169	69	48
2,350	2,375	374	274	174	74	49
2,375	2,400	379	279	179	79	49
2,400	2,425	384	284	184	84	50
2,425	2,450	390	290	190	90	51
2,450	2,475	395	295	195	95	51
2,475	2,500	400	300	200	100	52
2,500	2,525	405	305	205	105	53
2,525	2,550	410	310	210	110	54
2,550	2,575	415	315	215	115	54
2,575	2,600	421	321	221	121	55
2,600	2,625	425	326	226	126	56
2,625	2,650	431	331	231	131	56
2,650	2,675	436	336	236	136	57
2,675	2,700	441	341	241	141	58
2,700	2,725	446	346	246	146	58
2,725	2,750	452	352	252	152	59
2,750	2,775	457	357	257	157	60
2,775	2,800	462	362	262	162	62
2,800	2,825	468	367	267	167	67
2,825	2,850	473	372	272	172	72
2,850	2,875	479	378	278	178	78
2,875	2,900	485	383	283	183	83
2,900	2,925	490	388	288	188	88
2,925	2,950	496	393	293	193	93
2,950	2,975	502	398	298	198	98
2,975	3,000	507	403	303	203	103
3,000	3,050	516	411	311	211	111
3,050	3,100	527	422	322	222	122
3,100	3,150	538	432	332	232	132
3,150	3,200	549	442	342	242	142
3,200	3,250	561	452	353	253	153
3,250	3,300	572	463	363	263	163
3,300	3,350	583	473	373	273	173
3,350	3,400	594	484	384	284	184
3,400	3,450	606	496	394	294	194
3,450	3,500	617	507	404	304	204
3,500	3,550	628	518	415	315	215
3,550	3,600	639	529	425	325	225
3,600	3,650	651	541	435	335	235
3,650	3,700	662	552	446	346	246
3,700	3,750	673	563	456	356	256
3,750	3,800	684	574	466	366	266
3,800	3,850	696	586	477	377	277
3,850	3,900	707	597	487	387	287
3,900	3,950	718	608	498	397	297
3,950	4,000	729	619	509	408	308
4,000	4,050	741	631	521	418	318
4,050	4,100	752	642	532	429	329
4,100	4,150	763	653	543	439	339
4,150	4,200	774	664	554	449	349
4,200	4,250	786	676	566	460	360
4,250	4,300	797	687	577	470	370
4,300	4,350	808	698	588	480	380
4,350	4,400	819	709	599	491	391
4,400	4,450	831	721	611	501	401
4,450	4,500	842	732	622	512	411
4,500	4,550	853	743	633	523	422
4,550	4,600	864	754	644	534	432
4,600	4,650	879	766	656	549	442
4,650	4,700	887	777	667	557	453
4,700	4,750	898	788	678	568	463
4,750	4,800	909	799	689	579	473
4,800	4,850	921	811	701	591	484
4,850	4,900	932	822	712	602	494
4,900	4,950	943	833	723	613	504
4,950	5,000	954	844	734	624	515

If total income (Line 3) is— At least	But less than	And the number of your 1944 exemptions is— 6	7	8	9 or more
		Your tax is—			
$2,300	$2,325	$47	$47	$47	$47
2,325	2,350	48	48	48	48
2,350	2,375	49	49	49	49
2,375	2,400	49	49	49	49
2,400	2,425	50	50	50	50
2,425	2,450	51	51	51	51
2,450	2,475	51	51	51	51
2,475	2,500	52	52	52	52
2,500	2,525	53	53	53	53
2,525	2,550	54	54	54	54
2,550	2,575	54	54	54	54
2,575	2,600	55	55	55	55
2,600	2,625	56	56	56	56
2,625	2,650	56	56	56	56
2,650	2,675	57	57	57	57
2,675	2,700	58	58	58	58
2,700	2,725	58	58	58	58
2,725	2,750	59	59	59	59
2,750	2,775	60	60	60	60
2,775	2,800	62	60	60	60
2,800	2,825	67	61	61	61
2,825	2,850	72	62	62	62
2,850	2,875	78	62	62	62
2,875	2,900	83	63	63	63
2,900	2,925	88	64	64	64
2,925	2,950	93	64	64	64
2,950	2,975	98	65	65	65
2,975	3,000	103	66	66	66
3,000	3,050	111	67	67	67
3,050	3,100	122	68	68	68
3,100	3,150	132	69	69	69
3,150	3,200	142	71	71	71
3,200	3,250	153	72	72	72
3,250	3,300	163	73	73	73
3,300	3,350	173	75	75	75
3,350	3,400	184	76	76	76
3,400	3,450	194	77	77	77
3,450	3,500	204	78	78	78
3,500	3,550	215	80	80	80
3,550	3,600	225	82	82	82
3,600	3,650	235	83	83	83
3,650	3,700	246	84	84	84
3,700	3,750	256	86	86	86
3,750	3,800	266	87	87	87
3,800	3,850	277	88	88	88
3,850	3,900	287	89	90	90
3,900	3,950	297	97	91	91
3,950	4,000	308	108	92	92
4,000	4,050	318	118	94	94
4,050	4,100	329	129	95	95
4,100	4,150	339	139	96	96
4,150	4,200	349	149	98	98
4,200	4,250	360	160	99	99
4,250	4,300	370	170	100	100
4,300	4,350	380	180	102	102
4,350	4,400	391	191	103	103
4,400	4,450	401	201	104	104
4,450	4,500	411	211	111	106
4,500	4,550	422	222	122	107
4,550	4,600	432	232	132	109
4,600	4,650	442	242	142	110
4,650	4,700	453	253	153	111
4,700	4,750	463	263	163	113
4,750	4,800	473	273	173	114
4,800	4,850	484	284	184	115
4,850	4,900	494	294	191	117
4,900	4,950	504	304	204	118
4,950	5,000	515	315	215	119

SPECIAL RULE FOR HUSBAND AND WIFE.—If line 4 on Withholding Receipt shows separate income for husband and wife, subtract from tax shown in table an amount equal to 3 percent of the smaller income, but do not subtract more than $15.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Suggestions

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Martha M. Scheele, Bldg. 19-1; William R. Kizer, Bldg. 4-4; Henry E. Foley, Bldg. 6-2; Martha Ruth Major, Bldg. 4-5; Robert C. Johnson and Waldo J. Stauffer, Bldg. 4-4; Harry W. Balzer, Bldg. 17-2; Doris M. Fishback, Bldg. 6-2; Henry Clay, Decatur Plant No. 2; Marion I. Schaaf, Bldg. 4-4; Zelma M. Wood, Taylor Street.

Faye Clark, Taylor Street; Art E. Swain, Bldg. 19-3; Mary E. Stuckey, Bldg. 6-2; Raymond J. Tudor, Bldg. 4-4; Thaddaues Ray Christlieb, Bldg. 4-4; Marion C. Harter, Bldg. 17-1; Arthur LaRue Bender, Bldg. 19-1; Leola Hart and Jo Ann Manes, Bldg. 4-5; Jesse Niblick, Decatur Plant No. 1; Chas. C. Rupel and John Allendorph, Bldg. 4-4.

Florence E. Wiggins, Taylor Street; G. L. Santon, Bldg. 19-1; Ernest H. Leffler, Bldg. 19-3; Waldo J. Stauffer, Bldg. 4-4; Maurice L. Poling, Bldg. 4-5; Louis A. Frantz, Bldg. 6-2; Wm. C. Brown, Taylor Street; Jack H. Grafe, Bldg. 6-4; Nora E. Furthmiller, Bldg. 4-4; Chas. Wilt, Bldg. 4-6; Roland A. Thompson, Bldg. 19-1.

Jacob R. Renner, Bldg. 4-5; Darrell Bolds, Taylor Street; Adele M. Kuckuck, Bldg. 3-2; Chas. W. Scarlett, Bldg. 2-2; Marjorie Huffman, Bldg. 2-2; Gladys M. Smolek, Bldg. 17-3; Dave Gold, Taylor Street; Robert J. Hughes, Bldg. 4-5; Anna E. Coleman, Bldg. 4-3; Harry A. Schmidt, Bldg. 4-5; Irene L. Barrand, Bldg. 6-2.

Garnet M. Borne, Taylor Street; William R. Rubert, Taylor Street; Fern I. Sage, Bldg. 6-4; Richard W. Erickson, Taylor Street; Philip Nussbaum, Decatur Plant No. 1; Arthur Torbeck, Bldg. 4-4; Albert H. Timme, Bldg. 4-3; Harold A. Baehler, Bldg. 4-4; Emma C. Baker, Taylor Street; Zella M. Wittmer, Taylor Street.

Supercharger

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ity of the turbosupercharger, which served as the vital mechanical lung on the B-17 for 1,004 hours of combat flying without losing its efficiency.

"Although the grueling demands of high altitude combat flying wear out the average good turbo around 500 hours, this turbo apparently is as sound in its 1,004th hour as in its first," an AAF sergeant in England, who studied the long battle log of the B-17 on which this champion supercharged functioned, said in a report made public at the ceremony.

Gift Arrived Late

This message accompanied the turbo, which was sent as a Christmas present "tribute to the genius of a great scientist and inventor from the mechanics and airmen of the 381st Group." Due to transportation delays, however, the turbosupercharger did not arrive until late, but it was given to Dr. Moss as a Christmas present.

Dr. Moss and other General Electric engineers, under whose direction nearly 300,000 turbosuperchargers have been produced during this war, made a minute examination which established that every working element of the turbo was sound. The turbine wheel, which had revolved up to more than 24,000 times a minute during its operational lifetime of 1,004 hours, thereby feeding vitally needed air to the engine's combustion chambers at high altitudes, still functioned in high order.

General Arnold said in his message to Dr. Moss that the gift "is a significant symbol of the strides we have made since you conceived the idea of supercharging engines more than two decades ago. Cordial congratulations." The battle record mentioned by General Arnold began for this turbo in England during February of 1944, when a new B-17 named "Mizpah" went into action. This bomber, whose original crew began each mission with a short prayer meeting over the interphone, made the outstanding record of 71 consecutive bombing missions without a single turnback before reaching its target.

Bombed Hamburg

Bombs were dropping on Hamburg from "Mizpah" when it clocked its 1,000th hour of combat operations and carried out its 102nd mission. The bombs then falling on German industries made the total that had been dropped from "Mizpah" on enemy targets during the lifetime of this turbo more than 300 tons. Also, gunners on "Mizpah" shot down two German fighters during these operations.

The records showed that "Mizpah" had been serviced by a total of 12 engines during its 102 missions. A turbo functions for each of the engines on a B-17, and the one presented to Dr. Moss outlived more than one power unit.

Planes Of Third Fleet Strike Japs On Formosa



Enlisted men aboard a U. S. Navy carrier load rockets on warplanes in preparation for a strike at Formosa on October 12, 1944. The carrier is a unit of Admiral William F. Halsey's Third Fleet.—Official U. S. Navy Photograph.

Thrilling Battle

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in daylight surface action a large enemy task force consisting of battleships, cruisers, and destroyers. The commanding officer believes that the subsequent engagement was such as to test the ordnance equipment, machinery and hull under the most trying conditions.

"'The action lasted about two hours. Early in the action in company with other destroyers, a torpedo attack was made on the leading enemy heavy cruisers. The vessel then attacked the enemy battleships with the remaining torpedoes. A hit was made. From the very first this vessel engaged in counter battery fire with enemy battleships and cruisers. Numerous five inch hits were observed in the superstructures of the enemy vessels. The hits on the enemy battleship temporarily silenced her batteries and made possible the retirement from the torpedo attack. For about twenty minutes, toward the end of the action, an enemy heavy cruiser was engaged. This was ended by the cruiser turning away apparently to put out several small fires, and one large hangar fire which were visible.

Anti-aircraft Defense

"'A total of 1025 rounds of 5"/38 AA common and common projectiles, and all torpedoes were fired without a single casualty of any description due to materiel failure. About an hour later 157 rounds were fired in anti-aircraft action by all guns including the gun which had previously been put out of action by enemy gunfire. The ruggedness of the fire control equipment was much in evidence because during the whole battle the guns were in automatic and the vessel was maneuvering radically. Although the right hand end of the rangefinder was shot away, the electronic equipment remained in commission throughout except for a five minute period when an eight inch shell hit forward, shorted the electrical system causing a temporary overload.

"'At this time other electronic equipment proved itself to be an admirable fire control pinch hitter. The performance of the engineering plant was excellent. The plant was operated at full power the entire time. A terrific strain was placed upon the hull when it was necessary to operate at full power for about forty minutes although flooded forward as a result of enemy hits. We are proud of our materiel, machinery, and the hull that carries them.

Bond Deductions

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flected the ratio of deductions to the total pay of the persons actually participating, while the present General Electric figure gives the ratio of deductions to the total payroll, including persons not participating.

Calculated on the same basis, the G-E figure would be substantially higher than 10.7% it was indicated. The itemized report is as follows:

PAYROLL DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATIONS

At Close of 6th Loan Dec. 31, 1944;
And Close of 5th Loan July 31, 1944

	Percent of Subscribers 12/31	Percent of Subscribers 7/31	Percent of deductions to Payroll 12/31	Percent of deductions to Payroll 7/31
WORKS				
Schenectady*	96.5	91.4	11.8	11.6
Fitchburg	87.3	89.2	10.3	10.2
Fort Edward	92.2	86.9	9.7	13.1
Syracuse—Turbine*	66.1	80.8	6.5	7.7
Lynn River	94.0	95.2	8.8	8.6
Pittsfield	87.7	92.7	11.0	13.1
Fort Wayne	97.1	98.3	11.9	11.7
Erie	88.9	88.8	14.5	13.1
Philadelphia	76.8	84.4	9.0	9.4
Trenton	76.0	87.7	10.0	9.5
West Lynn	90.4	91.8	9.6	10.0
Bloomfield*	92.2	85.5	9.7	8.4
Oakland	83.5	80.5	11.7	10.6
Total Works	92.2	92.4	10.8	10.9
DECENTRALIZED DEPARTMENTS				
Lamp	84.5	87.0	9.5	10.9
Appliance & Merchandise	85.5	87.4	10.7	10.0
Electronics	77.2	75.4	9.0	8.5
GENERAL OFFICE	91.7	92.0	11.4	11.2
DISTRICTS	94.6	95.9	10.9	10.9
GRAND TOTAL	89.9	90.0	10.7	10.7

*The showing for the operating units by locations was as follows:

	Percent of Subscribers 12/31	Percent of Subscribers 7/31	Percent of deductions to Payroll 12/31	Percent of deductions to Payroll 7/31
Schenectady	95.2	89.6	11.7	11.4
Syracuse	63.8	66.2	6.3	6.3
Bloomfield	91.2	87.5	9.6	8.5

H. D. Kelsey To Be Speaker At Foremen's Meeting

The G-E Foreman's Association will hold a dinner meeting and election of officers Wednesday, February 7, at 6:30 P.M. at the Chamber of Commerce. H. D. Kelsey, assistant to manager in charge of engineering, will be the principal speaker. Entertainment will be furnished by the Barber Shop Quartet of Taylor Street.

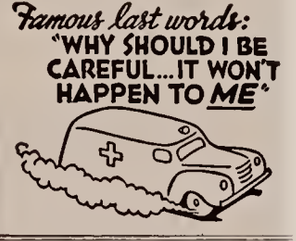
There will be a dinner meeting and election of officers at the south end cafeteria at 12:45 P.M., Wednesday, February 7, for the second trick members. H. D. Kelsey will also speak to this group.

Carver Club Will Hold Valentine Tea

The Carver Club will hold a formal Valentine tea on Sunday, February 4 at the Wheatley Social Center from 4 P. M. to 6 P. M.

Thelma Ridley is the general chairman, Billie Tate program chairman, and Gladys Jones is in charge of the decorations. The officers of the Club will be in the receiving line and Georgia Dixie and Thelma Ridley will pour.

A silver offering will be taken towards the furnishing of the Carver Room at the Wheatley Social Center.



THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Pressurized Cabin Is G-E Development

"Superfortresses Stage Another Raid Over Tokio; Jap Industrial Areas Left in Flames After B-29 Sweep." Headlines like these bring a smile of pride and accomplishment to the lips of all Americans. Sharing in the credit for the deadly efficiency of the Superfortress are not only the G-E engineers who developed its gun control equipment as already described in the WORKS NEWS, but the engineers who helped perfect the pressurized cabin of the powerful plane. Much of this work was done at the River Works.

The famed B-29s fly at extremely high altitudes for three major reasons: to escape damage by flak, to keep out of range of enemy fighters and to maintain the element of surprise. Flight at these altitudes, however, is not without its drawbacks. Until recently crewmen were forced to obtain oxygen by wearing face masks at altitudes of 10,000 feet and higher. Even so, their efficiency suffered, their reflexes were not up to par, their overall fighting ability decreased as they flew higher into the atmosphere and masks were cumbersome at best.

Go To 35,000 Feet

As a result of development work carried on by River Works engineers, B-29 crewmen are now able to fly at altitudes up to 35,000 feet without experiencing fatigue because they are operating in pressurized compartments, pressurized by a system which utilizes the turbosupercharger instead of the engine-driven cabin supercharger originally experimented with.

Nearly two years ago, the General Electric Company acquired from the Army Air Forces a B-23 bomber which was completely rebuilt to incorporate a cabin pressurizing system utilizing the turbosupercharger. Flight tests of this airplane were begun in cooperation with American Airlines at LaGuardia Field and are now continuing with Pan American Airways.

As a result of the success of the system, as developed by General Electric, the Boeing Aircraft Company and the United States Air Forces decided to adopt it for the B-29 Superfortress. The original plans were modified accordingly.

The engine-driven cabin supercharger was removed and by the simple expedient of running ducts from four of the eight turbosuperchargers used for the main engine supercharging to the pressurized crew compartments, the entire system was simplified.

IN THREE YEARS OF WAR, THE NAVY HAS HELPED CLEAR THE JAPS from a Pacific area of eight million square miles, Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal revealed recently. During that time, the Secretary said, the Navy has convoyed in the Atlantic and the Pacific, troops and supplies in 61,000 ships. It has landed 1,200,000 assault troops on invasion beaches. It has sunk over 1,400 enemy ships totaling about 4,750,000 tons. And its air power has shot down or destroyed 10,000 planes.—Army and Navy release.

Approximately 2,300,000 United States workers were injured off the job in 1943, the National Safety Council reports.

Home-Front Drama Involved In Bazooka Production

Bridgeport, Conn.—A home-front production drama involving that mighty midget the bazooka, ended early in the morning of December 17 when a sleepy, tousleheaded driver stopped his ice-mantled truck in the freight yard of the General Electric plant here.

The truck was filled with vital steel tubing necessary for the steady production of bazooka barrels. The driver was Roy (Curley) Johnson, a veteran of thirteen years of pushing trucks over the Alleghenies. Johnson's story together with the stories of Army Ordnance men, a G-E expediter and the state police of Pennsylvania, is an eloquent example of how cooperation on the home front means a steady flow of arms and ammunition to the men at the fighting fronts.

Johnson left a midwestern city early in the week and, according to his story, hit the worst snowstorm he has ever encountered in the western Pennsylvania mountains. It took him 24 hours to drive the first 67 miles. He continued to push ahead, past cars stalled in snowdrifts that were growing higher by the second. By the time he reached West Springfield, Pa., the truck was plowing ahead through drifts so high the snow was going over the top of the truck's cab. Finally it was impossible to go any farther.

When Johnson got out of the cab he was surrounded by drifts, some of which towered 30 feet high. He battled through four miles to a telephone, convinced the operator of the urgency of his call to his home office in Akron—and from there on the ball really began to roll.

A G-E expediter called Major C. E. Bryden of the Ordnance department in Washington. Major Bryden called Albert Donahue, chief of the traffic division of the Philadelphia Ordnance district. Donahue and his assistant got in touch with the Pennsylvania state police and the state's traffic department. After some high-speed talking Donahue's assistant drove through the blinding storm to locate the truck.

A relief convoy was formed by the state police in a matter of minutes. The convoy consisted of a snowplow, a truckload of cinders and a patrol car. When the convoy arrived at the spot where the truck was stalled they found an endless line of other trucks ahead, in some places two and three abreast.

With the snowplow in the lead, the little convoy practically blasted a new road around drifts and stalled cars for that sorely needed truckload of steel, all the way across the state of Pennsylvania.

When the truck pulled into Bridgeport early in the morning, Johnson, a tired man if there ever was, closed his eyes for the first time in four days and nights. Twenty minutes after Johnson stopped his truck, the first of the steel tubing was in the factory, on the production line and in process of becoming a bazooka barrel.

The giant B-29 bomber contains 14 miles of electrical wires.

Apprentice Broadcast

January 26, 1945

Apprentice Boys
Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard
U.S.A. and Overseas

Dear Fellows:

The ground in Fort Wayne is still covered with a thick blanket of snow which has been here continuously since before Christmas Day. If everyone doesn't have his fill of snow before this winter is over we at least won't be able to blame it on the weather man, because he has done his part.

Well, how is everything going there where you fellows are? I hope everything is doing along O.K. for you.

I received a letter from someone this week whom I hadn't heard of since he left for the service, and it was none other than John Snyder, AMM 3/c. I was very glad to hear from you, John, and to all you ex-apprentices John requested that I remember him to you and that little thing I'm glad to do. John is located at Ottumwa, Iowa, in a Naval Air Station machine shop. He works with all new machinery, and he says it's about the same type work we had at "Walter Wolf's Night Club." Write again, John, when you have time; we were mighty glad to hear from you.

Arnold Engle, fireman first class, has completed basic engineering training at the U. S. Naval Training Station at Great Lakes and has reported for duty at Pensacola, Florida.

Oh, yes! We received a letter from Lyle Claphan last week. He had just returned from a short session of maneuvers prior to writing the letter and from all indications he received quite a workout. He also told us he is now the father of a new baby girl, and that it makes him feel rather funny. To you and your wife may I wish the heartiest of congratulations and the best of luck to you and your family.

Now to you sports fans who are interested in basketball, I'll give you the latest scores. January 6 South Side defeated Hammond Clark 33-29, Concordia High defeated Huntington Catholic 46-25, Central Catholic bowed to Berne 42-36, and Anderson took a decision from Central 55-22. January 17 Central tripped South Side in a City Series upset 31-28 to give North Side the city championship. January 19 South Side lost to Huntington 35-33, Central Catholic defeated Yorktown 45-31, Elkhart tripped North Side 30-25, and Central slipped past Columbia City 39-38.

I now will give you the scores on the County Tournament which was held at New Haven gym this weekend. In the opening game Wednesday night Huntertown downed Arcola 33-22 and in the second game Leo trounced Elmhourst to the tune of 42-25. Thursday night Hoagland defeated Woodburn and Lafayette Central won from Monroeville. Friday night Leo trimmed Huntertown 42-21 and New Haven romped over Harlan 63-27. Saturday afternoon Leo won from Hoagland and New Haven defeated Lafayette Central. In the evening game Saturday it left New Haven pitted against Leo, and when the smoke of battle lifted it revealed Leo to be the victor and still champion by a count of 42-37.

The standings of the county teams just prior to the tournament were:

	Won	Lost
Leo	13	0
New Haven	12	2
Hoagland	10	3
Huntertown	9	5
Lafayette Cen.	7	5
Elmhurst	5	7
Monroeville	4	8
Harlan	4	9
Woodburn	4	9
Arcola	1	9

Dale Romey

G-E Engineer Is Subject Of Article In American Magazine

Father of the G-E electric blanket, out of which application engineers of the Apparatus and Merchandise Department developed electrically-heated flying suits for combat aviators, W. K. Kearsely, of the Research Laboratory, is the subject of an article by Frederick G. Brownell in the February American Magazine describing his accomplishments in development work on all kinds of devices, in the laboratory and out, from crucially essential apparatus used by our flyers to an electric eye ensemble for his home, built to admit only his own black cat.

His work on the electric blanket was done some years ago when the Laboratory wes experimenting on plans to warm the beds of people who slept too chilly for comfort in winter. He had earlier designed for his own comfort a two-foot square warming pad for his feet, and out of this home-made contrivance grew a blanket into which many turns of wire were served. A low-voltage transformer was used to energize the blanket, for purposes of safety. In collaboration with application engineers, the highly popular G-E product was placed on the market, and the pioneer work he had already done simplified the development of the heated flying suit.

Non-fogging Goggles

Another aid to airmen which has grown out of earlier work by Mr. Kearsley has been electrically-heated goggles which do not "mist up." He first used electricity for this purpose to aid a surgeon in examining a patient's lungs with a bronchoscope. For the surgeon's glasses, he put several turns of wire between two lenses. The perfected device for flyers now carries very thin wires in a transparent plastic between two other sheets of plastic. A part of Mr. Kearsley's job has been to devise a method to take the static electricity out of the plastic just before the sheets are fused together. Otherwise dust particles collect on them and interfere with vision.

"Among his 32 recorded patents," says the American Magazine article, "are several involving developments in X-rays, high frequency, and the like. His electronic process for curing rubber has pointed the way to better quality in large rubber-covered cables." But it adds that he also answers for the Company many inquiries made to it by people with special problems.

Many Kinds of Things

"A shoe-machinery manufacturer wanted to dry boots by high frequency; Kearsley showed him how. A tender-hearted poultry farmer couldn't bring himself to slit his chicken's throats; Kearsley contrived a gadget that electrocuted them instead. A maker of surgical bandages wanted a knife to cut triangles of cheesecloth; Kearsely piled them up and sliced them with a red-hot wire frame. A manufacturer of vitamin pills couldn't get his molds to fill; Kearsley subdued the mischief-making static charges by spraying them with X-rays. An oyster packer wanted something quicker than a knife for opening bivalves; Kearsley placed them on an endless belt, marched them between high-frequency electrodes, where each pair of shells popped open.

"When Toto, Ringling Brothers' quarter-ton gorilla, became unruly her keeper appealed to G-E; and G-E turned to Kearsley. What was needed was a device that would get instant obedience but do no harm to Toto's valuable anthropoid carcass. Kearsley built a shock stick out of some dry-celled batteries, an old automobile spark coil, a flashlight case, and a couple of electrodes. His 'gorilla goader' has kept Toto a good girl ever since."

Some requests for help reveal somewhat unusual purposes contemplated by the inquirer. Mr. Kearsley recently received a letter from a woman who wanted to know if it was not possible to design a machine with revolving mirrors to aid in hypnotism. Another was from an overworked mother who wished someone would design a mechanical diaper-folder.

THE NATURAL TENDENCY OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS TO NAME THEIR FIGHTING EQUIPMENT with which they live day and night has resulted in the following nicknames: Light tank, M-5—General Stuart; Light tank, M-24—General Chaffee; Medium tank, M-4—General Sherman; 240mm Howitzer—Black Dragon; 8-inch Gun—Black Panther; 8-inch Howitzer—Gargantua; 3-inch gun motor carriage, M-10—Wolverine; 155mm gun motor carriage, M-18 the King Kong; 76mm gun motor carriage, M-18 the Hellcat; 90mm gun motor carriage, M-36 the Slugger; Twin 40mm gun motor carriage, M-19, the Badger; 105mm Howitzer motor carriage M-7, the Priest; 75mm Howitzer motor carriage M-8, the General Scott; Tank recovery vehicle, M-25 the Dragon Wagon; the 155mm gun, the Long Tom; 3-inch antitank gun, the Moccasin; 81mm short mortar, the Bobcat; 60mm Jungle mortar T18E6, the Tom Thumb, and the 2.36-inch Rocket Launcher M9A1, the Bazooka.—Army and Navy release.

The reckless man will meet with an accident even on a safe machine.



You don't need a uniform to be a Yank; This guy's a general in command of a tank!



But this dumb cluck is as free as the breeze; It's a cinch his son is not overseas!

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

Beg pardon, Violet—so sorry that we printed your name as Arnold instead of Smith in last week's issue. Article should have read, "Violet Smith gets excited over basketball game and puts trunks on backwards." . . . The lovely diamond ring that Lydia Meyer is wearing on her third finger of her left hand is a belated engagement ring—late by twenty-eight years. It was presented to her by her husband on Christmas day, and Lydia is mighty proud of it. . . . Dept. 5-56, Plant 2, welcomes Betty Fosnaugh back into their group. Betty had a 6-weeks' vacation—an appendicitis operation. . . . You can never be too sure of your footing on ice. Wilbert Hoffman found that out last week when his feet slipped out from under him, and he politely sat down on the streets of Decatur. Poor Willie! . . . Bernice Miller has informed us that her husband Eugene has been moved from New Guinea to somewhere in the Philippines. . . . Bob Wendel had the misfortune of losing his billfold after the ball game a week ago Wednesday, but we are happy to report that it was found a couple of days later. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Al Laurent who were recently married. Al is a member of Plant 2, and his wife, formerly Edna Austin, is an ex-employee of Plant 2. . . . Naomi Colchin wishes to say thanks for the many cards and gifts she received during her recent illness. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John DeBolt, who are the parents of a baby boy born January 13. . . . Delsie Sheets has left the services of the Company. She was married to Miles Nishiyama Sunday, January 14. They are living at Piqua, Ohio. . . . Mr. and Mrs. James E. Sprunger are the parents of a baby girl, Julia Ann, born Jan. 14. Mrs. Sprunger was formerly Ruth Montgomery of Plant No. 1. . . . "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Recently Hugh Kent has adopted this as his "way of living." Your editor tells for the first time the story that brought about this "change in ways." Several weeks ago in a local club, Kent was performing magic tricks. One didn't work and he cut a barber's tie in two. A few days ago Kent stopped at a work station to untie a girl's apron string. The girl proceeded to cut his tie in two. A few more lessons and Kent will be going around with a halo over his head. . . . The top of the morning bowlers met in regular session and had a genuine jamboree which resulted in a complete washout for the famous Fireballs, commanded by Harry Stults, Shoups' Commandos taking all three games in easy stride. Stults could not find the groove, and as a result the rest of the team went down a one-way street. Jake's Thunderbolts took a two out of three victory from Rawley's Blue Streaks. Pete Fairchild was the hot one of the evening, bowling a 200 score. Activity in this sport has waned considerably and unless we have more turnout we shall have to discontinue. So let's go fellows.

Pvt. Rufus Sommer, who was recently injured in Germany, has been moved to a hospital in France where he is recovering satisfactorily. . . . PFC Ermil Shook is with the engineers regiment and is stationed in Belgium. . . . Charlie Nyffeler reports that both his sons are OK. Robert is in Paris and Kenneth is with the fleet in the Pacific. . . . We have also received word that Ivan (Curly) Reynolds is now in New Guinea. . . . Cpl. Guy Koos is in Calcutta, India. In a letter to his parents he reports he is well and getting along fine, and the picture which he enclosed of himself is proof. His father, Harvey Koos, works in Plant 2 and his mother, Gladys, works in Plant 1. . . . T/5 Lloyd A. Myers has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge. He is in France, and the citation is for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy. . . . Cadet Midshipman Gerald Kimble was a visitor in the plant last week. His father, Mike Kimble, works in the tool room, Plant 2. . . . In a letter to his parents, S/Sgt. Richard Noll reports that he opened his Christmas gift in his fox hole. Sgt. Noll is with the First Army in Germany. He also told of milking a cow which provided the essential ingredient for the delicious cocoa he made. . . . Our deepest sympathy goes to Mr. and Mrs. C. Murray Holloway, who received word that their son Robert was killed in action in Belgium.

Gecode Club received the following letters: From PFC Irenaeus Gase—I received that lovely Christmas box that you sent me. Thanks a million. It sure will come in handy for me, because there are some things that we cannot get over here. Thanks too for the "quick stationery." I dropped you a few lines at that time but maybe you didn't receive it. I receive the G-E NEWS and it sure is good to hear about a lot of our friends in service and the ones at home and all they are doing for the war effort. Keep up the good spirit and we will be seeing you one of these days. I am stationed in Paris and it sure is a nice place and I am seeing a lot of sights, but good old Decatur would look the best to me. . . . From Cpl. Don Harman—I received your Christmas box and was very pleased to get it. It's a very great morale booster to get a remembrance from your old friends and I thank each one of you. You really hit the spot with things that I needed and they are difficult to get over here. Again I say, "Thanks." I receive the G-E WORKS NEWS regularly and I dive for the Decaturites news immediately. It helps immensely to find out just how the old gang is doing. I just hope that all of the boys are lucky enough to get the NEWS as regular as I do. As far as I'm concerned, I'm situated in a good spot in Merry Old England and I'm keeping fairly busy. The work isn't too difficult but still I'll always say that there is no place like Merry Old Decatur and I'm hoping to get back there soon. Give my regards to the old gang and I'll be glad to hear from any one or all of you.—Cheerio. . . . We were very happy also to hear from T/5 Paul Wolpert. Your address change has been sent in, Paul. Here is Paul's letter: First of all I want to thank you for the swell Christmas box you sent me. All of those articles will come in very handy, believe me. I received the package some time ago but I couldn't write to thank you for it because I've been moving around quite a bit, which brings me to the second part. I always look forward to receiving the WORKS NEWS and find plenty in it to read. I like the letter for servicemen very well. Keep it in there! I'm now in Italy taking infantry training. Many times during this war the army has done the impossible. But whether it can make an infantryman out of a former quartermaster man remains to be seen. Again, thanks a million for the kind remembrance. I won't forget it.

Four-fifth of all gas fatalities in 1943 occurred in the home, according to the National Safety Council.

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST

FORT WAYNE

No. 132 January 26, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

GOOD INSPECTION LAYOUT



Inspection gages and equipment should be handled and stored in such a manner that they will be protected from damage.

Gages and equipment should be arranged so they can be used efficiently.

Here is such an arrangement.

Skylines from 4-5

S/Sgt. Wilfred D. Eichel,
Somewhere in England.
Dear Dale:

Every once in a while your wife, Doris, gets up on our floor to tell us the latest news about you. We were sorry to hear you had been in the hospital sometime ago but we know they can't keep a good man down. . . . Dorothy Ray has gone to California to see her son, who is stationed there with Uncle Sam's navy. . . . They say honey bees are dormant during January but anyone who believes that old tale should contact "Chris" Stauffer—our roving inspector. While attempting to secure some winter honey, "on the wing" last Sunday Chris fell victim to a "dive bombing" attack and we understand that he has made application for a purple heart decoration with oak leaf clusters. . . . Maxine Bottoms middle-aisled it—stardust — orange blossoms — anyway she married Pfc. Ray Conley Jan. 10 at Hicksville, Ohio. Incidentally Maxine's father is Art Bottoms; you no doubt remember him. . . . Pearl Miller was reading all the latest beauty hints and she came upon one that appealed to her—"A dash of perfume placed in your rinse water after washing your beautiful tresses." The only trouble Pearl didn't know how much a dash was, so she played safe by using the whole bottle. . . . It was Maybelle Giant's birthdays last week and oh what beautiful serenading was done for her honor. . . . Well, Dale, drink "a spot of tea" for us sometime and we'll do likewise, only we'll do it up the American way.

The Gang

POINSATTE PISTOLS

We wish to welcome Winifred Scheeler, transferred here from Bldg. 17-3 Broadway, and Margaret Frederick from Winter Street. We're glad to have you join us. Hope you'll like us, too. . . . Luella Kappel has just returned from Carolina where she was visiting her Marine husband. Welcome back, Luella; sure good to see you. . . . Mary Shoda left last week to visit her husband in Texas, who has just returned from overseas and is in the hospital. Good luck, Mary! . . . Ralph Lochner certainly has had an awful time with his car lately. Said he didn't know if he should take it to the junk heap or buy a new one; he means if new ones could be bought. Wishful thinking again, eh, Ralph? . . . We were all so sorry to lose little Betty Fry of the Navy office. She has accepted a position in Southern Indiana. Good luck, Betty. . . . Birthdays have been coming so fast and regular around here it's really hard to keep up to date on them. Birthday congratulations to Luella Kapel. A dinner party was given in her honor at the English Terrace; her place was marked with a beautiful corsage of pale pink and white camellias. Those attending the dinner were Evelyn Fulks, Gertrude Hockemeyer, Barbara Greulach, Virginia Durbin and Connie Coppolino. At work Luella was presented with a billfold and everyone had a luscious piece of birthday cake. Hope you have many more happy birthdays, Luella. . . . Will some one please explain to our editor that she doesn't have to worry about poll taxes. Yes, Connie, we all understand. . . . Our little Irishman, Charlev O'Connor, was quite put out when he received a government check with his name spelled just Connor, omitting the "O," therefore making him an Englishman. He said he didn't mind that so much until he received some English money for change, that was just too much. . . . Eleanor Grym has partially given up the marine hymn and "Anchors Aweigh." Now she's y o d e l i n g "something has stopped the Army Air Corps." . . . Gee, we wish Gertrude Currie didn't mind her own business so well. Break down, Gertrude, so we can put your name in our little "dirt column." . . . That diet of lettuce, carrots, etc., that Helen Wood sticks to so religiously has resulted, by her own admission, in long pointed ears.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

If there is anyone who doubts the fact that "there is a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow," see Len Runyan, Russ Miller or Marshall Tarney. Yes, they really found it and will cheerfully give directions how to get there. . . . Have you noticed Hutson's new ties he's sporting since Christmas? The wife can sure pick 'em, eh, Lenny? . . . No, that wasn't Fern doing the conga last Thursday night. She just had a bad case of hiccoughs. . . . Glad to see you back, Ann Handy! . . . What would Bob Hank do if he didn't have his two half dollars to perform tricks with? . . . The little chair that wasn't there is what Dick Evans went looking for the other day. When he finally found it he thought it was an awful long way from where he looked for it. Then to top it all off he blamed those poor little pixies for moving it. . . . Ferne Bermes enjoys the snow very much but not the cracked ribs. . . . If any one wants rabbits for pets or to eat, see Westfall. He has some.

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

Several weeks ago we heard what a wonderful chef Lester Stauch was. He told a certain party how to make delicious gingerbread and was overheard by Deloras Giltz. Being a thrifty housewife, Deloras thought she would give her family a treat, but somehow it didn't work out very well for Deloras. She came to work the next morning after the gingerbread bake with a very bad case of indigestion. Better have Lester bake the gingerbread next time, Deloras. . . . Any one wishing a good partner for pinochle please contact Caroline Finch. She has been taking lessons during her lunch hour from the master himself, namely, Mike Lowe. . . . We hear a lot about "the man about town" but has any one ever heard of "the man about the Plant?" I believe we can call him Carl Cochran, as he knows just about every nook and corner around Broadway Plant. . . . This snowy and icy weather has been very hard on shoes and galoshes and any one being fortunate enough to own a pair of rubber overshoes of any kind sure tried to take care of them. Betty Billman belonged to the unfortunate group, but the rubber shortage made no difference to her. She has boots now that can't be beat for warmth and dryness. . . . Snow and ice is tricky with some people. Mr. Brooks had the misfortune to slip on a piece of ice and sprain his ankle. He was unable to attend to his duties immediately but after a few days he came to work hobbling around on a cane. All went well till lunch time, and he couldn't decide how he was going to stand in line for something to eat. From all appearances he didn't have to worry at all because several of the girls brought his lunch right to his desk. Now isn't that service? . . . Charlie Fruechtenicht has been walking around in sort of a daze this past week, just dreaming and smiling to himself. I wonder if he isn't dreaming of the day when he and his new son will be able to go fishing together. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Fruechtenicht and best wishes for Michael. . . . Charlie isn't the only one that has been in a daze. Ruth Burris came in Monday morning with two different kinds of shoes on her feet. What is your trouble, Ruth? . . . Jane Korte left us Wednesday to live with her husband in Texas. We know she will be very happy there but it looks so funny to see Jean walking around all by herself. . . . We want to welcome Art Schmidt to the first trick. Now Don Thomas will have someone to listen to those fantastic fish stories he tells. . . . Beware! Rose Ann Haysley cooked her first dinner with bad results. She was not able to work the next day so think what it could do to you. . . . Eula Chaney believes in early rising. Sometimes she's ready to go to work at 4:30 A.M. We would all like to know how you do it, Eula. . . . Bldg. 17-4 wishes to extend their sympathy to Ethel Rakoczy in her recent sorrow. . . . Here is a tale well calculated to keep you in suspense. Have you HEARN about my trip to the SCHEUMANN? BEETH-fore I tell you, let me FANN the BLAISING fire. As I was leaving, I heard my father HELLER-ing at me. MANN did I run cause I knew he'd grab the ELDER stick, which at that was better than being DRAGE-d by the ears. So when we went in the woodshed, the one with the LOCK on the door, he sez, "HENDERSON, for the first time you may drive the car." So I goes out and find it out of KOZOIL and there's no CRANKshaw. I set out on foot and as I passed by the MILLER'S he SCHAADT one of his LOUGHRAN chickens. I noticed birds in the horizon KRUSE-ing along. I watched GILTZ, who would soon go to market to be SLAUGHTER-ed, grazing the pasture. I dug my toe in the LOHM-e soil. Finally after I reached WEBSTER street, and entered the SCHEUMANN'S I discovered I had no money. The pocket where I KNEPP-t my money was empty. Did I LOSE my money? Disgusted I went home to ROBB the piggy bank. Upon reaching home my father stood stern and STAUCH. Say does anyone have a pillow that I can SHIELD my sitting-room? . . . We wonder why Beeth's bench smells like an overripe orange grove—how D. Giltz enjoyed her birthday cake, where Roemke got his peculiar dice and why everyone is so up in the air cause Mellinger was up in the air. . . . The second trick got together Friday night for another ice skating party. Gee it was fun. Cracking the whip was gobs of fun till little Dottie Holt bumped her chin on the ice. Chin up, Dottie, and we'll go skating again in the near future. . . . We can't quite figure out why George Miller was wearing red shoes to work the other night. However his face was just as red when he tried to rub it off. Bet he's using all purpose Rit. That just won't work, George. . . . We have received another letter from our friend Harry Jacobs. Glad to hear from you, Harry. Our morale is almost lost. We need another, Harry. . . . Our glamour boys are at it again. Charlie Crain has attained new feats as a dancer. Ask the boys at the north end. . . . Other favorite jive kings are Lester Myers, Carl Freygang and Edwin Coburn, who we understand are taking lessons from Arthur Murray and Madame Lazonga. . . . George Fann is missing. We don't understand it. He looked good the last time we saw him. Could it be he misses Harry Jacobs. Well hurry back anyway George. Hope you get well soon. . . . George Patterson was seen with another one of those wild ties on the other night. Last year 1,600 women drivers were involved in fatal accidents and 780,000 were involved in all traffic accidents, according to the National Safety Council.

Turret Tattles

I wonder if everyone was as surprised as we were, when out of a clear sky there sounded a "wolf call" from about half way down the Turret line, on an afternoon, not so long ago? The Florida Fountain of Youth has nothing on the invigorating atmosphere of our own 27-G. . . . 'Twas funny, wasn't it, when Breesy Breeze explained what he would do, if they "bored a hole" and put that "screw" through his nice tool box? But wasn't it funnier when he returned after his heated discussion of things in general to find his box with a screw through the side? And we think it still funnier when he grabbed the screw to loosen it, and found it very cleverly pasted at the correct angle to the outside of the box? . . . Our Minnesota Mischief Maker also bowls a grand game. On a recent foray to one of our alleys he grossed a total of 104! Did you learn that in Minnesota, too, Cassidy? Heh! Heh! . . . Speaking of the Great Plains States, we have just learned that Wilbur Close is from North Dakota. Way out where it gets really cold! Forty below and the like. If you think you have trouble with your 'lil personal problems on cold days, ask Wilbur about the cold and frosty mornings down at the barn. Br-r-r-r-! . . . The office force has been augmented by Nancy Latchem. . . . We are in receipt of a nice letter from PFC Leonard Bressler. Away out in them there islands. Ya betcha, Leonard, we're gonna fix you up. . . . Sure wish it would snow some, don't you? . . . The Lathes have a couple of new operators. Welcome, Bob Orcutt and Don E. Zilch.



"PERSONALLY, I THINK SHE LIKES THAT MARINE THE BEST. SHE ALWAYS SENDS HIS LETTERS V-MAIL!"

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES
SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers: As your snooper wandered from office to office various items came to light that should be passed on to you. First stopping off in the Drafting Section —Notice to all Drafting Section Men:—It pays big dividends to know the right answer. Joanne Worman can supply the blushes for any event in the Drafting Section. . . . Bob Altevogt and Bill Boling don't contribute much news; but at least Bill has given us the reason. "See no evil, hear no evil, and do no evil." . . . Mildred Fettinger surely should get good service for the size tips she leaves—by mistake, she left $10.00 the other day; but it was returned to her luckily. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Agnes Reynolds of the Service Bureau, whose mother passed away recently. . . . Vera Reeves is mechanical-minded, and it is reported she can make any ole machine run like new. . . . As you enter the Engineering Section if a big guffaw meets your ear, don't run, it is only Joe Uttal's new laugh. As some have said, everything is "Stabilized" but Joe. . . . We wish to express our sympathy to Gladys Sutter, of the Transformer Engineering Lab, whose mother passed away last week. . . .The engineers had a Stag party at the G-E Squares Club on Monday night and the Commercial Section was represented by Clarence Burke, Del Roloff and Joe Coughlin. The discussion covered "Luminous Tube and Ignition Transformers." . . . In the Production Section we find that Audrey Lyman and June Krum are nicknamed the respective names of Daisy Mae and Daisy June, all in honor of Betty Kirke's dog, Daisy, to which they are adopted godmothers. . . . Congratulations to Velma Meads, whose birthday was last Thursday. . . . Frances Bringham's engagement to Richard Ahlersmeyer, a petty officer in the U. S. Coast Guard, has been announced, and she is the wearer of a beautiful diamond as a result. Best wishes to you, Frances. . . . Norman Craig is a new man with Chris Starke's group, and we wish to welcome you at this time. . . . If Joe Hammitt looks like he has his feathers dampened, it was just the result of having a bucket of water thrown on him by his wife after the car struck and splashed mud all over him. It is a new way of taking a quick shower. . . . Our congratulations to another proud father, Johnny Neiman, who was blessed with a baby boy, John Williams, last Thursday. . . . Theresa Ueber, Helen Kespohl, Bob Paul and Johnny Cronkhite are about to send a suggestion in to the City Council to install escalators at Franke Park. You figure out the reason. . . . Helen Nettrour is our latest bathing beauty in the snow—very photogenic it is said. . . . We wish to welcome Pat Jackson to the Cost Section and Rex Mickler to the Wage Rate. . . . If the aroma seems strong around the Cost section, the blame goes to George Bir, who was the distributor of corncob pipes. Bill Schuler is chief of the smoking men and Dorothy Reichel is the first woman to own a corncob pipe. (We suspect it doesn't get much use). . . . Marjorie Vallier baked a cake for Dusty Rhodes' birthday. No one could eat supper; it appears Dusty wasn't the only one who ate cake. . . . Joan Bobay will buy any candy bar she can find or she will accept any donations. Wonder if she has a sweet tooth. . . . Getting back to the Commercial Group, Chuck Graham and Clarence Burke have offered their services as consultants on basketball pools. Of course, please note, there will be a slight fee for their services. . . . Joe Coughlin and his wife were host and hostess for a bridge party at their home Saturday night. . . . Andy O'Dwyer, Snuffy Smith, Joe Uttal, Jim Steele and their respective wives—Johnny Carr—well, were all present. Bye now. . . . "Muscle-bound Joe," he was knowed as. Well, what do you think when a guy goes hobbling around on a cane. It is evident Joe Coughlin enters into his sportsman activities with too much Brooklyn zest and zeal.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Patty Newlin was looking for a hole in the floor large enough to crawl into, but finding none, she just had to sweat it out. Patty spied a note on a tracing signed O.O.V., and mistook the signature for the familiar cry of the "Wolf." (At least she assumed that it looked like that in writing). Well, Patty lost no time in getting over to Owen Vaught's desk, intending to give him a ribbing about the note, but ere long she tumbled to the fact that O.O.V. were Mr. Vaught's initials and quite respectable. Well, we didn't see her face when the light dawned, but we are told it turned every color from mauve to chartreuse. . . . Gerry Zehender is strutting around here looking at least an inch taller since young Stephen Michael arrived. Stephen is the newest member of the Zehender family, born January 16, and weighs 9 lbs. Congratulations, Gerry and Martha. . . . If anyone has a left-handed drafting machine, please see Harry (Southpaw) Richardson. It certainly won't be hard to find him if he is wearing that noisy plaid shirt he wore last Saturday. . . . Donnabelle Douglas went to get her coat from the rack one night and couldn't find it, but there was a similar coat there. Since there was nothing else to do, she wore the coat home. Her sister then confessed that she had taken the coat by mistake the previous day and wore it home from work. Well anyway, we hope these coats are all straightened out; it's just too confusing. . . . Betty Zimmerman, formerly of the D. C. Section, paid us a short visit last week. Betty is now a member of the SPARS and looks very fetching in her navy blue and white. . . . Any one wishing to take a course in Electrical Engineering to determine the difference between volts and cycles, please contact Paul Horstman, Bldg. 4-6, who will conduct special classs in Bldg. 19-5 office. . . . With due respect for the Bldg. 4-6 Commando Section the Bldg. 2-3 expeditors really go all out to meet their due dates. Max Tritch, with a stock of breathing plugs that wouldn't breathe, and an AAA job due within the next two days, found that only one type of chemical used by housewives as soap would renew the life of the breathless breathing plugs. It seemed simple to obtain such a common commodity as soap; however, Max found that this particular brand had been frozen by the W.P.B. and is now almost impossible to obtain. After contacting numerous vendors Mrs. Francis M. Long of the A. H. Perfect Company, volunteered to telephone personal friends. Mrs. Lee L. Bohne of 2435 Drury Lane was the patriotic housewife from whom Max finally obtained her last half box. The simple formula solved the problem and the motors were shipped in time. In all sincerity may we say "Thanks" to these two women whose cooperation enabled us to meet our due date. Such small acts of patriotism and friendly cooperation spell the difference between defeat or Victory for our country. Incidentally, Mrs. Bohne has a son who is with our fighting forces in the Pacific theatre of warfare.

Elex Executive Board To Hold Meeting

The officers and contact girls of the Elex Club with hold a pep session on Thursday, February 1, at the West Creighton Avenue Church. The night girls will attend a 12 o'clock noon meeting, and the day girls will meet at 6 o'clock. Reservations must be in by Monday, January 29.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett
Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Si Frosty Alspaugh had trouble with the transmission of his car. Having often heard the saying, "Put a nickel in it," he thought he would comply and learn what the results would be. Well now the car doesn't run at all. We think Frosty used a slug instead of a nickel. . . . Charles Curly Knowck tried all last summer to catch a mess of fish. He finally turned the trick one day last week. Perseverance always wins, Curly. . . . Junior Red Rarick has been limping around with a badly swollen ankle, the results from a backward gyration on ice skates. It sometimes happens to the best of them, Junior. . . . One evening at lunch time Maxine Warnock and Jean Mobberly were strolling up the street eating ice cream cones and very much engrossed in a conversation when all of a sudden Maxine's feet seemed to be getting out of control. First she gets one controllable and then the other one wanted to go up instead of down but anyway she managed to keep from going down. After the struggle she was left holding the tip of her ice cseam cone. On, this ice!! . . . Crack, crack, crunch, crunch, a very familiar sound heard Thursday evening as Alpha Fyson brought in some good old country style cracklings for the gang. Dale Irwin must have cracked and crunched too much as tonight (Friday) he was not in. . . . Can you imagine, Irene Bowman with one hair out of place; Glenna Hyatt without her lunch purse; Maxine Drabenstot without her million-dollar smile; Gracie Wall without earrings; Mattie Pitts without hair bows; Joe Tricker with straight hair; the girls running the two pole machines one evening without having trouble; Orville Roberts without a broom at 11:00.

January 8, 1945.

Dear Ted and Bldg. 4-4 Gang:

Beings it's a day of rest here today had a little time to read the WORKS NEWS. I noticed Russ Deveny is laid up in the hospital somewhere in Italy. If Kloepper should write him give him my best wishes for a quick recovery.

You know it's been two years ago since I paid you folks a visit at the plant. Lots of things happened since I've been overseas. At the time I'm located on one of those "On the Road to Tokyo" islands.

Here we live in the boondocks on what used to be a ranch. The ranch house is converted to a wreck hut (as we call it) where magazines are read and our rations of beer are kept. Chow is fed on the line style and everybody carries his own stool to the movie area if you want to enjoy a picture.

Looking over the Bldg. 4-4 column in the WORKS NEWS I see that Irma Augsburger has joined the "I forgot my badge Club." I wonder if she is related to Helen Augsburger near Woodburn.

How is Grier coming along by now? Is Pots giving him trouble to balance the scales. Jean Mobberly's picture appeared in the WORKS NEWS when she was six years old. Now, let's grow up and have a late picture of Jean in the WORKS NEWS.

This is about all I have to say now; hoping to hear from you in the near future.

Sincerely,
John Gillett

The above letter was received by Ted Warner and Ted wanted to share it with every one so he asked us to carry it in our column in the WORKS NEWS. This letter means a lot to me and should mean a lot to the rest of us too. As you all know the WORKS NEWS is sent to all our boys and girls in service wherever they are and as this letter proves that it is a source of keeping in touch with their friends in G-E and also it shows that it serves to bring them a small portion of home. We may think our column is a bunch of idle gossip, etc., but when you're miles away from home as John is then the little things we accept as routine become quite a factor in our daily lives. So all you people in all sections see that your section is represented each week so that our boys and girls can read about you and you and you and I know more letters will follow like John's that will be all the compensation that we ask for. Also please send G-E service-people's addresses to the WORKS NEWS so that the papers will go out correctly addressed.

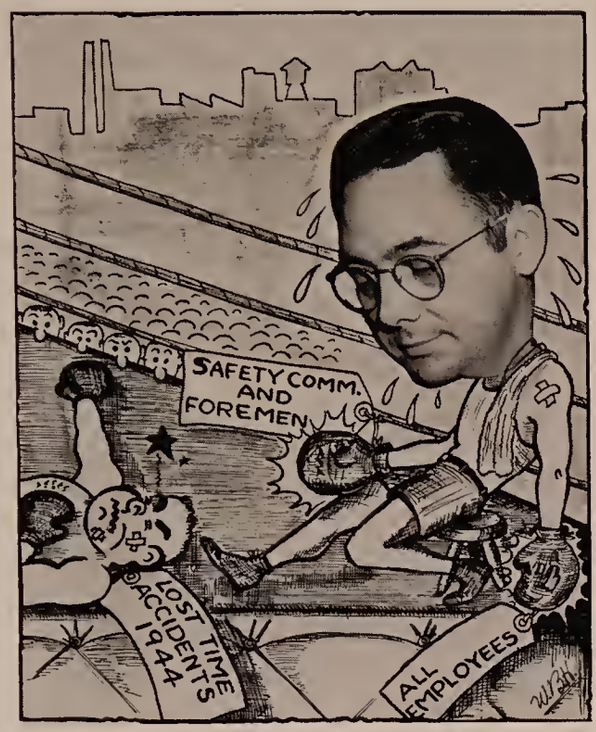
"Jaysee"
Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Bob Kissinger takes a chiropractice treatment and puts on a Ladies' Adjustment Gown. The Chiropractor was wondering if he was an interne or a lady, but he did tell him he didn't need to wear that. . . . Pappy Griswold bet against Leo. That's some way to back his home team. . . . Russell Frank got a new pair of shoes and how he did strut around. . . . Beulah Carrol was operated on and is now in the Methodist Hospital, Room 604. Here's hoping she has a speedy recovery.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Last week Edith Paxson was boasting about her bravery. She said "I'm not afraid of a mouse—ooooo." You guessed it! She saw the frightened little creature. . . . Late, but nevertheless interesting, was the news of a personal letter received by Kathryn Gallmeier on Dec. 26, 1944, from her brother, PFC Dick Reed, Marines, who has been a prisoner of war in Japan for 3 years. This was the first direct word received from him in 2 years. . . . The girls in the armature section remembered Loretta Lothamer with a surprise card shower on Friday, Jan. 19, celebrating her birthday. Several gifts of hankies were brought by some of the girls. She was also pleasantly surprised with a handsome "Bulova," the gift of her mother and immediate family. . . . We do not want to question Helen Miller's art, but we draw our own conclusions about the drawings she made for us illustrating her chemistry lesson. . . . We extend our sympathy to Floyd Edwards in the loss of his brother, Lynn Edwards. . . . Helen Miller's most embarrassing moment was when she dropped a glass can of pumpkin, and on the sidewalk too. But Edith Paxson came to the rescue and spirited her away. . . . The girls' from Bldg. 6-4 mail situation from their males wasn't so good this week. That may be the cause of their new theme song, "No letter this week." Perk up, girls, these males are fighting so they won't have to write mail. . . . Imo "Dropsey" Mich changed her tune to "Give me lots of Land on the Slippery Ground." Why ? ? ? She can't stay on her own feet.

"It Wasn't Easy—"



SAYS ARTHUR GARDT, Secretary of the Safety Committee in the Wire Division, TO ATTAIN THE RECORD OF "NO LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS" IN THE ENTIRE DIVISION FOR THE YEAR OF 1944, EVEN WITH THE EXCELLENT HELP OF FOREMEN, SAFETY COMMITTEE, AND ALL EMPLOYEES.

As an example of how "tough" it is, our Tool Division successfully completed the first 11 months without a "lost-time accident," but failed to finish the year. A finger amputation occurred in this division in December. It takes more than "CROSSING YOUR FINGERS OR KNOCKIN ON WOOD" for luck to attain a good personal safety record or a good record in the department in which you work.

The 1944 Safety Committee in the Wire Division was as follows: H. E. Hire, Chairman; A. G. Gardt, Secretary; Virgil Summers, Earl Glass, Clarence Wood, James Chesterman, Romie Baumgartner, Earl Richey, Sr., George Green, Cletus Lothamer.

The 1945 Safety Committee is as follows: Robert McCollister, Harry Perl, Virgil Summers, Earl Rickey, George Green, Robert Johnson, Cletus Lothamer, Lester Faus, and Francis Isenbarger.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

26-5 TOOL BITS

Elmer Sauerwein has been in the mood to go ice fishing this winter, but since his water pipe broke in the front yard he has decided that he could probably have just as good luck fishing from his front porch. . . . Jerry Widner is all smiles these days since those Leo Lions won the county tournament. . . . Kenny Doell is trying to learn Polish in his spare time. The other day he thought he had a few words of Polish mastered and decided to try them on Frank Przebindowski. Much to his surprise Frank couldn't understand a word he said. Must be your Polish has too much of an English accent, Kenny. . . . It is a question of debate now as to whether Ralph Steward gained or lost friends the other day when he was passing out limburger cheese sandwiches. He made friends of the ones he gave the sandwiches to but he sure lost a lot of those who were within smelling distance. . . . When we came to work last Monday morning we found that "something new had been added," and now we take this space to welcome our new blueprint girl, Mary Lambert. So "Howdy do yuh" and a "welcome to yuh," Sis. . . . Anyone noticing Bill Garman's slight limp last Monday might be interested in knowing that he hit his ankle with a bowling ball on his back swing. . . . Congratulations, Barney Dammeier on your new baby boy! . . . Al DeVaux, we have just found out, is a connoisseur of fine pianos. He can tell if the soundboard is split or not by playing just one note. If you don't believe it, just ask him.

Casualties

Marion L. Shuler, Taylor Street, has been reported missing in action since December 8 somewhere in France.

S/Sgt. Mark Varner, Bldg. 19-1, was killed in action in Holland on December 1.

Lt. Yvo Leo Ernst, Bldg. 26-2, was killed in action in France on January 5. He had been overseas since December 16.

Pvt. Robert E. Shoaff, Bldg. 6-2, was wounded by shrapnel near Nancy. He is now recovering in a United States Army General Hospital in England.

S/Sgt. Vernon E. Caley, Bldg. 26-1, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross following completion of 35 missions as turret gunner on a B-24. He entered service April 19, 1942.

S/Sgt. Virgil R. Guebard, Bldg. 19-5, now a prisoner of war in Germany, was awarded the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters. He entered the service June, 1943.

First Lt. Thurman C. Long, Bldg. 19-4, who is a P-51 Mustang pilot received a commendation from Gen. Henry H. Arnold for his part in the ground-strafing attack which destroyed 18 German jet-propelled planes. He entered the Air Corps in February, 1943.

The National Safety Council reports that 7,000 to 10 000 deaths per year are caused by burns and scalds. One-fifth of all fatal burns are to children under five years old.

SANDY SAYS

"Hoot Mon!" said Cousin Colin, looking up from the WORKS NEWS, "I see where one o' our Fort Wayne superchargers has been on 102 missions against the Germans, and was given tae Dr. Moss, as a souvenir."

"Weel, ye know thot souvenirs are very important tae Americans," I answered, "but this one has some real history. If thot supercharger could only tell us all it has seen!"

"I wasn't thinking about thot, sae much," said Colin, "as I was about the way it held up for those 102 trips. 1004 hours is a long time for any machine tae hold up, at 24000 r.p.m. I know. I own a Model T. Noo, let's see, my engine runs at a modest average o' 1000 r.p.m., instead o' 24000, so it would hai tae run 24000 hours tae equal the record o' the supercharger. 24000 hours at 20 miles per hour would be 480,000 miles. I doubt if I make it!"

"Weel, ye can hardly compare your Model T wi' a supercharger. When your jalopy was old enough tae vote, this supercharger was still a gleam in Dr. Moss' eye.

"One thing this story's teaching me," Colin went on. "I'll never cuss another inspector. Thot particular supercharger must hai been PERFECT. It never could hai held up like it did if some inspector hadn't insisted on everything in it being exactly right. And it always hurts me Scotch nature tae see any part not made RIGHT—the first time."

"Ah, yus," I answered, "we Scotch hai a reputation o' being very frugal, and ardent workers on C.R.*, but we also are great mechanics, and are gude around machinery. It comes natural for us. Ye ken how many relatives we have in engine rooms o' all the big ships at sea. In fact, marine engineering is practically a Scotch profession. Thot's where it takes C.R.* and a love for machinery. Imagine any one but a Sotsman in a profession where an engine has tae carry its own fuel clear around the world, and at the same time have enough space left for cargo."

"Weel, we start out on superchargers and end up in the hold o' a ship," Colin mused. "Anyway, I'm glad I inherited both Scotch frugality, and love o' machinery."

"Yus, without both, ye'd nae keep your Model T running."

*COST REDUCTION.

Elex Members To Hear Book Review

Kathryn Turney Garten, well-known book reviewer of the Middle West, will present a review of "Green Dolphin Street" on January 30 to members of the Elex Club.

She will appear before night workers at a 12 o'clock dinner at the West Creighton Avenue Church; tickets are 55c and reservations must be in by January 27.

The day girls will meet at 8 P. M. at the G-E Club for Mrs. Garten's review. There will be no charge, but Elex members must present membership cards. Members may bring mothers or other guests, but all such guests must be accompanied by an Elex member.

Attendance prizes, in the form of copies of "Green Dolphin Street" autographed by Mrs. Garten, will be awarded.

Norman Bade, who was employed in Bldg. 19-2 before joining the service, has been discharged and is working on his old job.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

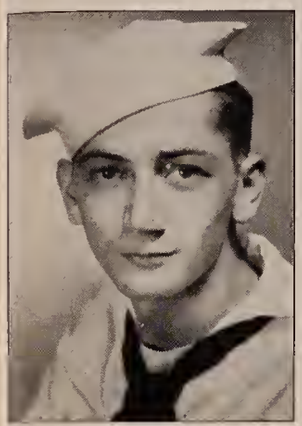
WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Southwest Pacific,
"December 24, 1944

"Dear Friends:

"I've been wanting to write you for some time, but never had time, so I'll take this opportunity now.

"We have been kept quite busy lately. Recently we returned from Leyte. You have most likely read all about that place in the papers. It was no picnic up there on those first days of the invasion. Gradually we are getting closer and closer to Tokyo, so maybe some of these days this war will be over, and we can all return to a normal and peaceful life.



"Concerning the G-E products and how they stand up in action, let me tell you this. I have been on one of our Navy's tankers for the past nineteen months, and we have considerable G-E equipment aboard. It's never let us down yet, and I feel sure it never will. Being an Electrician's Mate, I feel as if I have some authority in saying this. Keep up the good work.

"A few months ago we received an amplidyne for one of our generators. When I looked at the crate, it had the label, "From General Electric, Fort Wayne, Indiana," on it. It certainly seemed good to see that out here.

"In closing I want to say 'Hello' to my old foreman, Vic Cartwright and all the gang back home. I hope to see all of you soon. So long,

"A former employee,
"Richard A. Busche E.M. 1/c."

Power Drive Office

We hear someone is reneging in the daily pinochle game in the rear of the office. We can't imagine who it could be with such honorable gentlemen as Mike Walker, Blincoe, Kensill, Herman Norr and Frank Lude playing. . . . The Busy Bee Sewing Circle with the following members: Agnes Mason, Marge Meyer, Dorothy Mills, Maxine Meyer, Charlotte Christen and Helen Wyss, work so hard at noon they interfere with the bridge game several desks over, causing Hal Staley to trump his partner, Helen Schwartz's, ace and incidentally they haven't finished a rubber of bridge in three weeks.

Production

Mary Jo "Forget-Me-Not" Suelzer received a song written in her honor. It's called "Please Count Me In" and it's sung to the popular tune of you-know-what. . . . Don Lichty was being kidded about wearing a black vest, and brown trousers. The color scheme isn't so good, but that doesn't matter to him—he's interested in keeping warm. . . . Overheard: That Lou Lichty is getting awfully tired of wearing boots. Evidently she doesn't like the snow either. That Stella Welling is hiding a bright, red smock in her drawer. Why don't you wear it, Stell?

Machine Shop

A bit of good news came R. Cline's way, when he was informed that his son, Dana, who has been missing in action since November, is a prisoner of Germany, safe and well. . . . Walt Johnson has gone feminine on us. He looked so cute in a dainty little apron that he made by hand. . . . You're really missing out on something if you haven't heard Buddy Shelton play his trumpet. He can certainly swing it out—he also makes a drum talk. That boy's got rhythm! . . . "Rube" Cline believes in the old saying that "where there's smoke there's fire." The other day he discovered that he forgot to put out his pipe before he put it back into his pocket. Result—one little hole in his jacket pocket. . . . If you look real close you can see stars in Velma Kellar's eyes. The reason is Husband Bob is home on furlough, and that's enough to be starry-eyed about. . . . Everyone was wondering who the very well-dressed man was walking down the aisle one day last week. It was none other than Henry Graper, who has been off work, ill, and came in for a few minutes. . . . Ask M. Michelfelder his secret on making spit curls. He has the cutest one in the middle of his forehead. That dropped chest of his comes from having his drawer well stocked with a good variety of candy. . . . Please make it a point to visit old Doc Johnson. You'll get a laugh out of the sign on his office door. . . . B. Stahl had a very bad case of stiff neck last week. He says it comes from looking at the scenery on the wall in the dust proof room in station three.

"December 25, 1944
In Foreign Port

"Dear Editor,

"I received your letter a few days ago asking that I write and tell you some of the things I've been doing. I've been intending to write for some time but just never got around to it.

"I receive the Works News regularly and I enjoy reading it very much, especially the letters from the other fellows and girls that are serving in Uncle Sam's outfit too.



"It seems like a long time since I left the Winter Street Plant and came in the service. Since then I've traveled around quite a lot and have seen many places and things that I never before dreamed of seeing. I've been on a destroyer over a year and a half now.

"Last night being Christmas Eve a bunch of the fellows got together and put on a little program which was enjoyed very much by all of us. It certainly didn't seem much like the Christmas Eves we have back in Indiana. Instead of snowing it rained here. We had a swell dinner today and it really proved what good chow our cooks can hand out. Guess we were pretty lucky we could be in port even if it was so darn far from home.

"Before I close I'd like to say Hi to all the gang I used to work with in the Power Drive Division and will be glad to hear from any of them. Can't think of anything else for now so will say,

"So long,
"Red"
(Harold W. Gravit MM 3/c)

Cost

Harold Hartman is the proud daddy of an 8 lb. 4 oz. son. And why shouldn't he be proud? Especially because there aren't any other new baby boys at the Methodist Hospital! Congratulations, Harold, from all of us. . . . Last Sunday Clarence Kreischer and Walter Strasser spent the day ice fishing. We all know that fish travel in schools, so they must have all been in class, because the only ones Clarence and Walter were able to hook were the ones which played hookey.

Engineering

We certainly are happy to see Helen Yeranko's injured thumb out in the open again. It seems she had one bandage to protect the thumb, a bandage to keep that bandage clean, one to keep the second bandage clean, etc., etc. The thumb almost gave out under the load. . . . We were glad to have SPAR Janie Hale back to see the old gang last week. She looked happy, healthy and more blonde than ever. . . . It seems that Moyne Walker has developed a time system all of his own—a sort of war daylight saving time. Last week he was all set to leave work an hour early and had to work the last hour in his "glad rags." . . . Pops Billings and Lynch are still comparing weight gains of their daughters. They must be up to around 50 pounds easily now.

Power Drive—Assembly Room

Keith Jamison drove his car into a snow bank one night last week. Much to his surprise he found a snow plow underneath the snow bank. Tough luck, Keith. . . . The girls in the section helped build up Keith's morale by singing "happy birthday" to him Saturday. . . . To some people Christmas has passed and been forgotten, but not to Kate Hively. She is just mailing her Christmas cards. Mary Black was happy to receive one. . . . Kathryn McClure has left us to take up housekeeping in earnest. Much luck to you, Kate, and we will miss you. Velma Huser from Bldg. 19-3 is now with us to take up where Kate left off. We are glad to have you with us, Velma. . . . We welcome Pearl Swank back after a week's illness.

Refrigerator Assembly

Ed Hauke has returned home from the Lutheran Hospital and is convalescing at his home. Hurry and get well, Ed; we miss you. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Jack Herney due to the death of his sister. . . . Vic Cartwright had no tobacco worries this week. Gay Jones brought him cigarettes, and Gus gave him cigars. . . . Our new employees this week are Elmer Filler and Lewis Ehrman.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Bruce Murphy is surely not particular about the source of his popcorn these days. . . . Kate Polka has joined the ranks of the Test Section. She comes from Bldg. 4-1, Broadway. . . . We're sorry to hear of your tonsil operation, Rudy Langus; feeling better now? . . . Will someone please tell Joan Hively the difference between a punch board and a punch press. Boxes of candy very definitely do not come off a punch press. . . . Don Thompson has a new way of getting to go home. It's by the "tearing your trousers" method. . . . Want to buy a car, cheap? Dick Harvey says sometimes he feels like giving his away, from all the trouble it's causing. . . . Bud Lawson seems to have lots of political trouble these days. He says at the showdown his lawyer will be none other than Walter Schultz. . . . One way to try to catch up with the cigarette problem these days is to do like Clara Blough is doing. She cuts the package crosswise in the center making forty smokes instead of the usual twenty per package. Nice savings, gal. . . . Welcome to the daylight trick, Ed Imel.

Pressurized Cabin Engineers



Examining a miniature bomber model are five River Works engineers whose efforts contributed to the success of the pressurized cabin on the Superfortress. Seated, left to right: S. R. Puffer, Designing Engineer, Supercharger Division; R. G. Standerwick, Engineer, Supercharger Division; E. S. Thompson of the Aviation Division. Standing, left to right: G. H. Sawtell and C. Haughton.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

For the second straight week Benecke was the only bowler to top the 600 mark, winding up with a 607 total on games of 204, 203, and 200. In bowling, it is considered unusual when any series under 650 contains three 200 games. In fact, we nominate this as the smallest 600 series in the city this year containing three 200 games. Can you top it? Other 200 scores included: Roeger, 226; Zollinger, 225; Grosh, 213; Young, 210, and Michelderfer, 206.

Team 6 continues to lead the league with 6 victories and no defeats. At this rate they will run off with the title but somebody is bound to stop this streak soon. No change in the individual scoring leaders of the league.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team won two more games last week and need only two more victories to complete an undefeated first half in the inter-department league. They defeated Darrow's Service in an exhibition game 61-27 with Magnusson and Seiple leading the scoring parade. In the league game they ran up an 11-0 count at the end of the first quarter and then coasted to a 40-15 win over the Squares. The floor play of Chet Neitzert and the scoring of Fryer featured this game. Practicing up for the tournament that decides the second half, they will play three games this week.

The ball club wishes to thank all Power Drive and Refrigeration employeers for their fine contributions toward the Basketball Team Uniform Fund.

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team deserves much credit. What they now need is some boosters. How about it? The games are on Friday night and early. Those G-E sweaters which the winners receive would really look good at the Winter Street Plant this year.

We don't have much to talk about this week. We won the game by a forfeit. West Side came out to meet us with two players. They joined our forces for a little scrimmage.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Back Home



G. E. Mankey B. A. Young

Two G-E servicemen who dropped in for brief visits at the Taylor Street Plant recently are Bruce A. Young, S 1/c, and Pvt. Glen E. Mankey. Seaman Young is stationed at Patuxent River, Md.

Robert L. Schuster has been advanced to Seaman, first class, at the U. S. Coast Guard yard at Curtis Bay, Maryland.

1st Lt. Thurman C. Long, Bldg. 19-4, has been awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for "exceptionally meritorious service in aerial flight." He is a P-51 Mustang fighter pilot.

Lt. Richard W. Freuchtenicht has been awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal. He is a P-51 pilot.

Pvt. John D. Mishler, Bldg. 17-1, is convalescing at a hospital in England from wounds suffered in Holland. He has been awarded the Purple Heart and the Oak Leaf Cluster.

Sgt. Edward R. Deventer, Bldg. 4-3, was wounded by a shrapnel during an advance in the Nancy sector. He is now recovering in a hospital in England.

Cpl. Robert L. Day is stationed somewhere in Italy.

Lt. Charles W. Schroeder, Bldg. 4-5, who was injured on the Western Front, is now in a hospital in England.

First Lt. Robert L. Longardner, Bldg. 26-4, recently won the Distinguished Flying Cross for outstanding achievement and courage in battle. He piled up more than 30,000 miles while flying with the Eighth Air Forces against targets in Nazi Europe.

Sgt. Homer Hibler, Bldg. 26-1, was a member of a crew of a B-29 which started fires recently in Tokyo's industrial area.

Pvt. Paul E. Angel, Bldg. 19-4, suffered shrapnel wounds in his leg while fighting in Germany. He is hospitalized in England.

PFC John C. Collins is somewhere in France.

Very Accurate



O. W. Koble F. J. Andrews

"My experience with the new bazooka the G-E is putting out has proved it to be very accurate," says Orville W. Koble of the Taylor Street Plant. Frank J. Andrews, also of Taylor Street, is stationed at Shawnee, Okla.

Camp Blu-Up
Germany

Dear Editor:

I have been wanting to write you now for some time and let you know how much I appreciate your sending me the WORKS NEWS regularly. It really comes in handy over here because we don't get much to read. Even the fellows I am with like to see me get it because they too read it from cover to cover, although none of them have ever worked for the G-E. It is the only paper that I get over here with news in it about home.

I haven't had much chance to write in the last two months because we have been taking apart the vaunted Siegfried Line. I won't say it wasn't a tough job because it was plenty tough, but it wasn't the super-fortress that the Germans thought it was.

The telling factor in any battle that we have had with the Germans so far is our equipment. It is superior to theirs. Don't sell them short because they come up with some awfully good stuff, but as a rule it can't compare with ours. It is you people on the home front who are making this equipment that we have to thank for that and I believe I can speak for every doughboy over here—we really appreciate it.

The weather over here has really been against us the last couple of months. It rains almost every day and the mud is bad for our morale and it bogs down our armor. Trying to sleep in a muddy fox-hole with the rain coming down every so often never put anyone in the best of spirits, I don't believe.

It is getting colder as each day dawns up here and today we had some more snow, so I guess we can plan on a pretty rugged winter. A good day really brings out our Air Corps and how we love to see them.

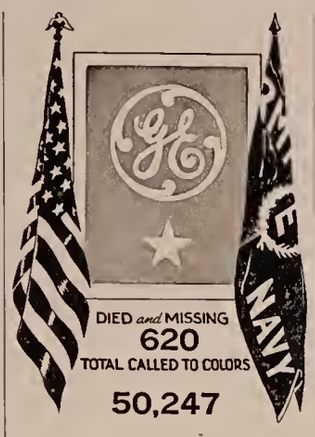
I have done a lot of traveling since I have been overseas and have seen Ireland, England, Scotland, France, Belgium, Holland, and now Germany. I believe we will be here for quite some time, though, because we aren't going very fast now.

Well, I guess that's about all I have time for now because our time here is limited, but again I would like to say thanks for sending the WORKS NEWS and hello to all of my friends in Bldg. 6-2.

PFC William C. Pappert

Pvt. Giles Ogg is now in Germany.

Pvt. Samuel G. Lahrman is stationed at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Arkansas.



Cpl. Ralph M. Freiburger, Bldg. 17-3, was recently wounded in action for the second time. He also has received the Bronze Star for treating a wounded soldier under intense enemy gun fire.

Pvt. Clarence L. Hull is stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Pvt. Ralph R. Herb is stationed at Rupert, Idaho.

Donald C. Sollberger, S 1/c RT, is stationed at Navy Pier, Chicago, Ill.

Lt. (jg) Fred H. King has returned from active duty to the United States and is stationed at Pensacola, Florida.

Cpl. Ray H. Lovin has been transferred to Dyersburg, Tennessee.

Sylbert Heaston, recently discharged from the service, has been re-employed on his former job in Bldg. 4-5.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address Elmer F. Baade, WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Italy

Dear Gang in Bldg. 17-1:

Unrolling steadily for quite a few minutes, while the paper draped itself over the edge of the bed and onto the floor, I at last came to the beginning of your most welcome "round robin" letter. Midst open-mouthed and wide-eyed stares from the other patients, I began the enjoyable task of reading.

To really thank each and every one who contributed to the success of the letter is my intention, Veora. Yet to say just thanks is not enough—mere words seem to appear so lifeless when I attempt to explain the deep gratitude I felt. It is with all my heart and sincerity that I say thanks from the bottom of my heart to all of you.

The chain letter, both unique and novel, is much more than that. It is unquestionable proof of friendship, friendship loyal and sincere. If the Rock of Gibraltar is the symbol of steadfastness, then your letter is a symbol of friendship as durable as the earth itself. It is proof of that which this war is being fought for. It is visual proof of the friends I have to return to. There is no doubt whatsoever that behind me, all the way, are the ones I worked with. Someone once said, "A man has no idea how many friends he has until his death." I am very much alive, and I've discovered that I have a good number at the G-E.

That all the gang of Bldg. 17-1 took time and trouble to remember an ex-member of that department, I'll never forget this tribute you paid me.

Still another thing was accomplished by your letter, in that it was proof that the people at home haven't forgotten the fellows over here. There are times when every G.I., in a despondent mood, feels he is a forgotten man. You people proved beyond a doubt that this idea is false.

As if pre-arranged by Fate, your letter arrived just before Christmas—who could ask for a finer Christmas gift? It is a gift that no one on earth could begin to estimate the value of.

One of these days Victory will be ours and along with V-Day will be the peace that follows. When that day arrives I hope it won't be too long until I can return and exchange khaki for civilian clothes, exchange my army serial number for a clock number and once more sing out, "Hi, there, gang!"

Thanks, gang—a million times and over—may your Christmas be the merriest ever and your New Year begin full of good health, happiness, and luck.

As ever,
PFC Robert Mobberly

P.S. I hope without too much trouble you can circulate this in order that all of the gang will know I haven't forgotten them, Veora.

Keep 'Em Coming



E. K. Priwer L. E. Becker

"Sure swell to get back for a visit with the gang," says Lt. Erwin K. Priwer, Bldg. 2-3. Pvt. Louis E. Becker, Bldg. 26-5, a member of the Infantry says "keep G-E equipment coming, we need all we can get."

Norbert Jacobs, who was recently discharged from service, is now employed in Bldg. 19-2. Before joining the service, he was employed at the Taylor Street Plant.

Pfc. Bonnell Clawson sends greetings from Belgium to the gang in Bldg. 6-2.

Robert W. Kasserman, F 2/C, has been transferred to Newport, Rhode Island.

Stanley K. Love, MMR 2/c, is now stationed at Miami, Florida. "You folks at home are doing a great job, too!"

Seasons greetings to everyone at General Electric were sent by PFC Dale W. Stalter, formerly Bldg. 4-2.

Ens. Frank DeBrabander has been transferred to San Diego, California.

Cpl. Paul E. Kite is now stationed at Ft. Riley, Kansas.

Pvt. Harry E. Coleman sent the season's greetings to all and a hello to the employees of Bldg. 4-4 and 4-3.

Lt. Robert R. Kiester has transferred to San Antonio, Texas.

Pvt. Harold A. Ponsot, Bldg. 26-1, was slightly wounded in France on December 9.

Henry S. Perriguey, S 1/c, was recently advanced to that rank.

Ens. Frank C. DeBrabander has been transferred to Norfolk, Va.

"The G-E equipment used in our company does a very fine job," says Pvt. Andrew D. Wilbur, somewhere overseas.

PFC Homer L. Carson has been transferred to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

From Taylor Street



C. T. Zolman T. Trumbower

Thelma Trumbower is enlisted in the Cadet Nurse Corps and Charles T. Zolman is a member of the Army Air Corps. Both were formerly employed at Taylor Street.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

News From — TAYLOR STREET

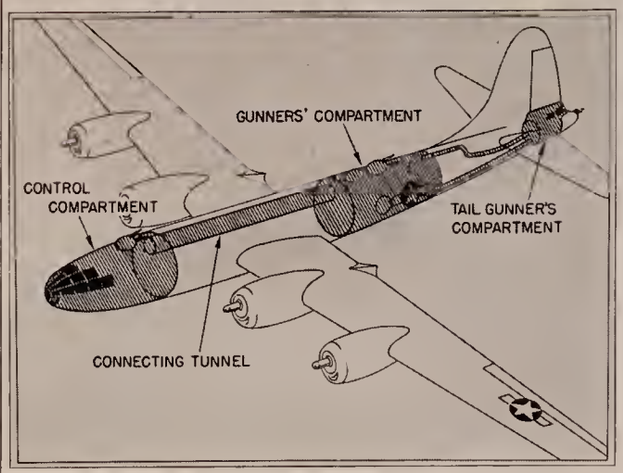
Punch Press

Oh yes, speaking of something new, we've heard of singing in the bathtub but never, no never have we ever before heard of going to sleep in one and never awakening until 5 a.m. How about it, LaVern? . . . Beatrice Schemehorn has been off ill this week. . . . Edgar Lahmeyer left us. . . . Angie Kane has been transferred to the Forge Shop. Hope you like it, Angie. . . . Anna Smith is with her husband in New Jersey. He has a furlough and they are visiting with relatives. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Edna Mae in the death of her grandmother. . . . We were sorry to hear that Alma Welches' house burned down. . . . We extend our best wishes to Cpl. and Mrs. Brooks M. Borne, who were married Jan. 6. They are living in Louisville, Kentucky, while he is stationed at Fort Knox. Mrs. Borne was the former Dorothy Hyser, who worked here. . . . We understand some of the old punch press boys who are in the service have been getting the G-E NEWS, so we are saying to Russell McClain and all you other boys, hello and good luck; write to the old punch press gang once in a while and let us know how you are. . . . The gang wishes to congratulate Russell Gerardot on moving into his newly purchased home in Fort Wayne. Don't be surprised, Russell, if you have a lot of unexpected guests one of these evenings. We hope you will like it here in town. . . . Welcome to first trick, George Ayers. Hope you like us.

Nozzle Box

We were all sorry to hear about Tilly Wambsganss getting her shoulder dislocated last week. Hope you will get well and be back on the job soon, Tilly. We miss you. . . . Dorothy McGowan had an accident the other night. Her heating stove blew out and burned her fingers pretty bad. . . . Edith Kesterson got the surprise of her life last Sunday when her son, Joe, E.M. 2/c, of the Navy flew in from the South Pacific on a 38-day furlough. He was over there for a year. . . . Nadine Heller and Dolly Kizer had a letter from Verle Crossley; she wants to say "Hello" to the gang. . . . Congratulations go to Elizabeth Moss, who had a birthday on January 14. Elizabeth received a nice gift from the girls on second trick. . . . Sherley Hollins has been working on first trick for a few weeks and seems to like it very well. . . . Ann Lemmel said she has been a pretty good girl lately and just hasn't got any news. . . . The girls in the air inspection received a letter saying Olga Camilli is under the doctor's care; as you know Olga went home for Christmas and was taken ill. . . . Eddie Noll has returned to his family in Chicago and will work there. . . . Mary Macklin was married on January 1 to Vilas Ludy. She has moved to Detroit. . . . Mary Shull is ill at her home. . . . Mary Ledges has returned to work after visiting with her husband. . . . We hear that John Uhl is improving. . . . Eddie Lemanski has returned to his home in Wisconsin and will work there. . . . Cleo Dicks was off one day this week with a cold. She's found a little of her voice now. . . . Alberta Fate is home due to illness. . . . We welcome Louis Dauret and Helen DeMetri to our line. . . . Georgianna Winebrenner's husband is home on leave. Georgianna intends to spend three weeks with him. . . . Virgil Beck and Harold Smtih made a bet. Consequently "Smitty" won a box of candy, which turned out to be all day suckers. By the way, "Smitty," do you know any new card tricks?

The Big Superfortress



This cross section cutaway of the B-29 Superfortress clearly shows pressurized sections in which all crewmen from pilot to tail gunner work comfortably and safely at high altitudes, thanks to the highly efficient pressurized cabin developed by River Works engineers in collaboration with Boeing Aircraft Co. and officials of the Army Air Forces.

Forge Shop

Francis Beekman bears the distinction of being the first of the Forge Shop's ex-service men to return to work. Welcome back, Francis. We hope you won't miss the horseshoe pitching and pinochle too much. . . . Our first casualty of the local ice field was Jean Pappert who slipped and fell down her front steps last Friday, suffering a sprained ankle. The worst part of it from Jean's viewpoint was that it happened just before the evening when the Service Men's Club was holding a party at Franke Park. . . . The Forge Shop welcomes Angela Kane who comes to us from the Punch Press Section. Warning: Don't call her Angeline. . . . Having a cow to take care of is paying John Moorhouse good dividends for his trouble in view of the points on butter. . . . Don't miss the minstrel show being put on by our local talent. In addition to hearing "The Voice" Dobson, Gene Fair is going to sing a solo. What is that title again, Gene? . . . Frank Adams has been on the sick list this past week and we all hope Frank gets back soon. . . . We were sorry to lose Beatrice Lindemuth, who decided to try her hand at housekeeping again. . . . The current mystery of the forge shop is how Johnny Ruhl manages to move after getting on all of his ice fishing togs. It is reported that he closely resembles Man Mountain Dean. . . . Howard Snyder and Joe Cox are enjoying life again since they are now working "bankers' hours." . . . Let's remember that the Forge Shop has pledged 100% for safety glasses—and wear 'em! Glasses can be replaced—eyes, never.

Rotor

Reathel Bright, Edna Fuhrman, Mamie Ray, Tom Fonner, Violet Hammond, Dixie Adams, Kathleen Baker, Mary Bohnstedt, Ruth Byall, Delight Smith, Edith Fair, Pearl Chilcote, Margaret Porter, and Dorothy Landgraff, have all accepted transfers. Good luck to all of you girls in your new work. . . . Annie Holloway has been absent the past week caring for her mother who is very ill. Hope she's better, Annie. . . . Just what is it Mary Lynn has the rest of us haven't that she gets her picture taken. She says it's the machine. Well, you smiled real pretty anyway, Mary. . . . We'll bet on it the next time Ross Morr shampoos his hair he'll read the label first. Was your new shampoo the dandruff remover type, Ross? . . . We are sorry to learn Helen Boedeker's brother is missing in action. . . . A speedy recovery to Martha Rice, wheel assembly, Kate Miller, bucket inspection, and Ruth Grodrian, rotor assembly. . . . Welcome, Johnny Holloway, to first trick. Johnny is a foreman from third trick. . . . A happy little girl these days is Maxine Ressler, who is waiting the return of her husband, who is just back from overseas. Maxine's husband will be remembered as Blackie Ressler, former set-up man in wheel assembly. . . . We thought for a while maybe they would make Mildred Blievernicht wash dishes for the breakfast she ate but some kind soul loaned her a dollar. Bet you'll look to see if you have your billfold next time. . . . We are glad to report Kenny Hyman's little girl has been taken from the oxygen tent and is on the road to recovery. Charlotte has been having a siege of pneumonia. . . . All you skaters ready for another party? This time it will be held at Bell's Rink. Feb. 9, and is sponsored by the Taylor Street Athletic Committee. . . . Edith Bartles is leaving us to resume household duties. We are also losing Esther Fry to second trick. . . . Cleota Stallbaum found her daughter's house slippers so comfortable she just wore them to work the other morning. How about taking turns wearing them, Cleota? . . . Evidently Deweerd doesn't like the publicity the news has given his singing debut in the coming minstrel show lately, from the threats your reporter has received. But attend anyhow; we're sure he'll be good.

Impeller

Ardella Wyatt created quite a sensation the other morning when she came to work in her loud sox and zoot suit. Was she snazzy looking! . . . Between zippers and buttons Cecil Leslie has quite a time getting to work. Her driver may have to wait a minute, but leave it to Cecil; she always has a safety pin handy. . . . Remember Glenna Mae Crow who used to inspect? She is displaying a diamond on her left hand. Who is the lucky fellow, Glenna? . . . We all wish Mary Gordan good luck on her new job, the P & J's. . . . Joe Cochoit has been ill this week. Hurry back, Joe; we all miss you. . . . Susanna Pickett and Benjamin Prickett are also on the sick list. We wish you both a very speedy recovery. . . . We hear Marguerite Kesler had a close shave, and not by a barber either. It is icy out, isn't it, Marguerite? We found out the best policy, when you think you are going to hit something, is to shut your eyes. That's what Marguerite did. When she opened them everything was all right. Be careful, Marguerite! . . . Maxine Sabourin, who runs the "Hungry Corner Boarding House," has a special menu for the boarders called—"Short meat and long gravy." . . . Robert Bryan is leaving us for the service. He received a very nice gift from his co-workers. Each and every one of us wishes you the best of luck, Robert. We will be waiting to see you in that uniform. . . . Kenny Bett's mother has been ill for quite some time now. We wish her a quick recovery. . . . Walter Subzda is leaving us to take a job at Winter Street. We wish you the best of luck, Walter. . . . Elma Brown is wondering what long distance means—a long wait or a long distance to travel. She received a call one night at work from Panama and a week later it came through. . . . Ione Wonderly is our blushing girl. If you don't believe it just stop and visit with her. . . . Bob Mills, our rate setter, is leaving us for the Lynn Works. Good luck, Bob!

Screw Machine

Dorma Hoopingardner has joined the sparkler group. Congratulations, Dorma. . . . Audrey Robinette is at home sick. Hurry back; we miss you, Audrey. . . . Marie Coomler is going to buy a few more aprons. She has so much trouble finding hers. . . . Fuzz Amstutz said she doesn't want her name in the WORKS NEWS, so she isn't going to play ping-pong anymore. O. K., Fuzz. . . . Jennie Baker had a birthday this week. The gang "initiated" her pretty thoroughly. She said it's the first time she has had such a whipping since she is grown up. Many more happy birthdays, Jennie. . . . Nettie Foor is ill at home this week. . . . We had a letter from Vada Staley at Winter Street. She is getting along fine on her job and says hello to everyone. . . . Pete Reed says the only news he knows is after Saturday comes Sunday and sleep. Oh, boy, sleep! . . . There must be some mistake. The Screw Machine bowling team won 3 games Wednesday evening. . . . We all hated to see Lois Fowler have to leave our trick and work nights. We hope you hurry back, Lois. . . . Bob Hanson is back to work after being down with the flu. He says the flu had him lower than his bowling average. . . . We want to welcome Millie Slane and Harold Koogle to first shift. . . . Glad to see Marg Goff back on the job after a visit with her son who is stationed at Great Lakes. . . . We all want to say hello and send our best wishes to Bernice for a speedy recovery. . . . We have all decided a hayride would be much better as we don't like the cold weather. . . . Ed, why don't you stay home when you are to have company? Especially when these great fishermen come to see you. . . . Al, we would like to know how you are doing at fishing? Are you catching more than one fish? You may still have a chance to see your outfit.

Tool Room

Hey, fellows, did you notice the beautiful hunk of hirsute adornment on Glenn Schmidt's upper lip? For youse illiterates—Webster's Dictionary states, Hirsute: shaggy, hairy (nuff said?) . . . Harold Bowman is breaking in on a new machine and has had plenty of help from his friends. If he was to use all the tendered suggestions he would be standing on his head to run it. He's plenty O.K. on it though despite the help. . . . Ward Kenney is stooging on welding rings now and "boss" Dive Deem says he's doing O.K. too! . . . Lloyd Fluke again takes the lead in the basketball betting with our loser Homer Seng. Those boys play a tough listening game and finish all sweaty and tired. . . . Recently overheard was Carl Hammond saying. "You should strain that dirty oil through a goslin." Could he have meant gauze? After all, the goose feather might make it dirtier than before. . . . The continual battle of wits between Agnes Woods and Harold Cutler is now in its umpteenth round and still going strong. . . . Bob Kerr is continually seen wearing a cap nowadays. A cap covers up that little bald spot just as well as a wig and infinitely cheaper too! . . . Harry Henline went a-fishing the other day and from the lack of information we can gather he must not have had any luck at all. . . . Sherman Miller was so intensely interested in something in the cafeteria the other day that he crushed the crackers and threw the sack and all in his soup. In his preoccupied state of mind it's a wonder he didn't eat it as well. . . . Bill Franze was transferred back to his old machine recently and from the looks of his set-ups has lost his technique. He's doing all right again now, as his memory is slowly coming back. . . . Frances Dunfee's car is slowly falling apart. She dropped her battery out of it the other day and drove about ¾ of a mile before she discovered the car wasn't rattling just right.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

We start this column out with a big BANG by telling about Charleen Aucker falling off her chair the other noon. . . . Every one is sorry to hear about Janie Rauner being ill with scarlet fever. Hope you have a speedy recovery, Janie. . . . Today finds Eileen Bubb on her way to Maine to visit her fiance, Joe Haas. Hope you have a grand time, Eileen. . . . Eva Westrick is anxiously awaiting a package from the Isle of Capri. Wonder what it will contain. . . . We want to say adios to Helen Schutt and welcome to Naomi Sanders. . . . Betty Smith was all smiles when her boy friend arrived in our fair city with a 3-day pass. . . . Helen Weinert is taking up shorthand. It really takes speed to keep up with this fast moving world. . . . Lawrence Hoelje breathed a sigh of relief when the new "On The List" book was finished. . . . Where does Helen Eggeman's food disappear to? That's what happens when you're so soft-hearted. . . . Imagine, Rosie Broxon has been with us two years and it seems only a short time ago we were teaching her the pros and cons of duplicating. . . . Doris McAdams found a cartoon that fits her to a T. It gives a clue to how short people can file with the least difficulty. . . Bye 'til next week.

We'uns

G-E SPEECH CLUB

By O. W. Carsten

Arthur Singleton presided at the G-E Speech Club Tuesday evening in the absence of our new President, Lawrence Smith. The Topic Master was Harry Snyder; the toastmaster was George Stauffer.

Five minute speeches were made by Lamoyne Gale, whose subject was "Bird Dogs," and James Jennings, whose subject was "Predictions for 1945." Both of these talks were very interesting and were well given, which indicates that the experience and training these men have received is beginning to pay off for them.

You too can receive benefit by attending these meetings. We will be expecting you next Tuesday evening at 5:30 P.M., in Bldg. 2-3 Conference Room.

A careless machine operator and his fingers are soon parted.

MAIN OFFICE

Contents

Jerry Schnurr, Bldg. 18-B, was observed with a very red face, when the chair he was trying to sit on threw him. Too bad Jerry, did you hurt yourself? . . . Bldg. 18-4, Production section is going to have a new bride in the very near future. Eileen Lyons is going to be married Feb. 10 if her fiance's furlough isn't cancelled. . . . The girls of Central Cost, Bldg. 18-3, honored Ruth Beeber with a surprise birthday party at her apartment. Those attending were Margaret Wood, Rachel Luellen, Margaret Kivi, Ann Klint and Margaret Buroker. By the way girls, Ruth is in the St. Joseph Hospital in Room No. 301 and she sure would like to have some company. We miss you lots Ruth, so hurry and get well real soon. . . . Central Cost wishes to welcome Berniece Korte formerly from Order and Stores. . . . Did anyone see Melva Wiley, Bldg. 18-3, trying to dodge between a south bound and north bound street car? First she was running north and then south in an attempt to get around the north bound street car and across the street so that she could board the south bound car back to work at noon. After all that she missed the car. Too bad Melva. . . . Amanda Borchelt, Bldg. 18-3, came rushing into the Employment one noon last week with a desperate look on her face. Yes, she couldn't find her badge. All the time her pass was being made out, she was making a frantic search in her purse, because it just had to be there. Just as the pass was being handed to her, wouldn't you know she found it. There it was right on her suit lapel. . . . The Employment Office girls and their friends were perched on the fence, like crows, waiting for the sleigh to arrive at the appointed hour. Sleigh bells, at first faint, became louder and louder, and at last it was there! The gals, all 19 of 'em, climbed aboard, huddled together under the blankets, and they were off! The horses started off to a flying start, and Helen Foust, Taylor Street, soon learned the HARD way that the back seat wasn't always permanent on a sleigh ride. As she struggled to climb back in, her Taylor Street friends Marge Kruse and Lois Lenz, grabbed both her arms and pulled her up cave man style. The singing began and continued until the supply of songs gave out. Each time a mouth opened a little wide, Sarah Rainwaters stuffed a gooey chocolate marshmallow cookie into it. Maxine (Casey) Schoenherr decided to ride one of the horses and proceeded to get thoroughly shaken up. When she came back into the sleigh, she very decidedly smelled like horse. As she ride ended and the girls were disembarking from the craft, which someone erroneously declared was a mudboat, Hilda Walda, Taylor Street, discovered she had lost a certain rubber article in the melee. The party searched through the straw until they found her boot. They streamed into Helen (Pixie) Karnap's house, where hot coffee and heaps of doughnuts were waiting. After warming up and eating, Dottie Lemert, Bldg. 21, passed out huge taffy apples, which the girls ate while trying to sing. Gladys Beverforden, Bldg. 21, sat down to the piano, the group gathered round, and soon "Pistol Packin' Mama" could be heard 'way down in the next block. Helen Enochs, Bldg. 21, inquired as to how Lucille Mechling, Bldg. 18-2, had kept her shoes so white, and soon learned that she was in her white stocking feet, warming her tootsies over the register. Hilda Walda, Irene Ofenloch and Charline Craig, of Bldg. 21, comprised the dishwashing brigade, and soon had the kitchen in apple pie order once again. The rest of the girls who helped put straw all over the Karnap's floor were Doris Miller, Bldg. 18-2, Gertrude Kasimier, Bldg. 18-1, Salona Price, Bldg. 18-4, Marge McCrady, Imo Jean Schwartz and Lois Miller of Bldg. 21. . . . Nurses Maurine Snyder and Mable Wilson, and Norma Jean Carr, Bldg. 21, were among the audience at the Sonja Henie Ice Review in Chicago last week. From some of the pictures Norma Jean showed us of the group behind bars and in hula skirts, they must have had a rip-roarin' good time in the Windy City. Of course, we'll go a bit further and explain that it was trick photography.

Newsies 17-3

Similar experiences were had this past week by Ardis Walters and Alice Lester. Ardis found her jacket sleeves tied up, while Alice's were sewed shut! Better luck next time! . . . Birthday greetings go to Senora Sbultz, Bertha Bebout, Juanita Barrack, and Bonnie Ulmmell. The candy was delicious. . . . Congratulations for a very happy future go to Bonnie Shoner, Gladys Smolek, and Harry Guiff, who were married this past week. . . . Hubert Keracofe is back with us after an illness, and we hope soon to have Mable Pierman return. . . . More snow! Which may be the reason for Roy Fuller's ice fishing story. It seems that he doesn't go fishing through the ice in the usual manner, although he does have his share of frog legs each winter. When it's extremely cold, he chops a hole in the ice, then gets a club to beat the bushes along the river bank, which causes the frogs to jump into the river. They immediately freeze in the ice with their legs sticking out! The next procedure is to cut off the legs with a lawnmower and gather them for supper. . . . Pvt. Lester Babcock made us a surprise visit in Bldg 17-3. We are always glad to see the servicemen and hope many more visit us in the future. Good luck, boys, wherever you are fighting, from the old Bldg. 17-3 gang.

Plastics

Bldg. 12 is finally getting on the beam and expects to have a column in the WORKS NEWS each week. This all came about when Gloria Knight after reading several letters in the WORKS NEWS from service men who were wondering why there wasn't a column, decided to do a little investigating on the subject. This proved to be all that was required to start the ball rolling. Eight dependable reporters were appointed and a meeting was held last Friday afternoon. Final plans are as yet incomplete but with the need for filing our copy to meet an early deadline, we herewith submit our first efforts. . . . First let's have some introductions. Your reporters are Joy Stuckey and Rosalie Todd covering the finishing room, first shift, with Eunice McClymonds assigned to the second trick. Tom Cameron will do the ferreting in the tool room and Dorothy Struver will handle the office news. The three shifts in the molding department will be ably represented by Gloria Knight, Zola Hetrick and Freda Butler, working on the first, second and third sections respectively. Let's not make their job too difficult for them. Remember that every bit of news which you may relate to them is just one more item to serve towards making your paper more complete and satisfactory. We feel safe in stating that your constructive criticisms will be appreciated if they are of such a nature as to develop a more interesting column as time goes on. That is our aim and desire. This week it will be observed that the actual news is limited to that relating to the first floor gang. The rest of you folks throughout the divisions are asked to please be patient and remember that we are getting this copy into the hands of the editor without our usual length of time for preparation. Don't condemn your own reporter for laying down on the job before he has started, but rather wait until next week's issue which we promise will offer a full coverage of all fronts.

First Shift

We wish to welcome three newcomers to our section, Kate Knauer, Bernice Gasper and Wava Joseph. Hope you like it here, girls. . . . Have you noticed Irene Bultemeier's third finger, left hand lately? It sure sparkles. . . . Grace Hall is supposed to be on a diet!!! But every time we see her she's eating pie, cake or cookies. We still think Clarence is going to win that bet, Grace.

Second Shift

Believe it or not: We have a Champion Hog Caller in our midst, namely Mary Grace. . . . Cecil says there are three mice that get in his lunch box every night. Try setting a trap once, Cecil. . . . Welcome back to work Lueda G. and Betty G. . . . The girls wish to thank the boys for the treat. What about that other $2.25? We're waiting. . . . Girls, remember Jim Fleming's birthday is Jan. 28. Bring in the clubs.

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

Has anyone noticed how "pretty" Vance Burnau's hankies smell lately? Reason—he has been using his wife's Christmas cologne. . . . Will some kind hearted people come to the rescue and bring a hand-out for Norma Jackson. She seems to have an appetite that can't be satisfied these days; constantly we hear her say "I'm hungry." . . . 15x71 wishes to welcome Hulda Dressel to the section. We hope you like being with us, Hulda. . . . We notice that Naomi Maller's smile has broadened. The reason for this is that her engagement to Frederick Carr was announced last week. Best of wishes, Naomi. . . . We'd surely like to know what those New Year's resolutions are, Virgil. Have you broken any yet? . . . Everyone in the section wishes Louis Beltz a happy birthday. . . . Bernice Gerber is with us again after days of nursing a well rounded face and a couple of sore jaws. Result—3 wisdom teeth extracted. . . . Alice Siples is breaking all records by getting to work on time, but of course, there are times when buses run late because of ice, etc. . . . The co-workers of Paul Monroe in Group 15x25 were wondering why Paul was letting his hair grow. They thought perhaps he was going to try some new kind of hair-do with curlers, hair ribbons etc. Finally the group got tired of waiting for Paul's decision so they took a collection and gave him the price of a haircut. Now Paul complains of his ears getting cold. We are wondering if it isn't a hint for another collection to buy you ear muffs, Paul? . . . Vernelle Binkley got on a street car the other night to go home. She rode just about to the end of the line before she noticed she was on the wrong car. Better look closer at the numbers, Vernelle. . . . We welcome Virgil Royer into Group 15x51. . . . Three cheers for Pete Espich. He is the only one of Groups 51, 54 and 55 with a perfect attendance record. . . . The basketball team had a game the other night. The score was 42 to 22 in favor of the other team. Better luck next time, fellows. . . . Ruth Walda Griebel was a recent visitor in Bldg. 6-2. By her beaming smile anyone could tell that she was very happy living in Chicago, where her husband is stationed with the Navy. . . . Ethel Geyer wears a coat to work, sells it then borrows a sweater to wear home. We think Ethel should have picked a warmer day to bargain away her coat, but she said she ran so fast home she didn't have a chance to get cold. . . . Luella Ray says "leading a dog's life" would be the life of Riley if the dog that was in the washroom is typical of the breed. He lay in front of the radiator and slept all day. . . . Has Therese Rumbaugh been taking singing lessons lately? She is always trying her voice. Even reaching high C seems easy for Therese, but of course we are wondering what she is trying to sing. . . . Cleta Burns has a good will power to resist food. Ask Betty Hall. . . . We wonder if Edna Holmes has any more chewing gum as Shorty Maxson, Alice Siples and Alma Stout would like to sample it. . . . We wish to welcome orothy Hoffman, Alice Lause, Dorothy Pillers, Florine Coles, Virginia McNiece and Maxine Hilsmeir to our group. We are sorry to lose these girls: Mary Thomas, Mabel Miller, Rose Walgamuth and Jesse Coombs. . . . Ruth Pretorius returned to work after a trip to Georgia to visit her husband. . . . Congratulations to Darlene King on that sparkler she has been flashing around. . . . Cleta Burns is happy again. Auburn won over Garrett. . . . Helen Berghorn wants to compliment Elizabeth Wert on her ability to shovel snow. . . . Violet Green has left us to go on second shift. The girls miss you, Violet.

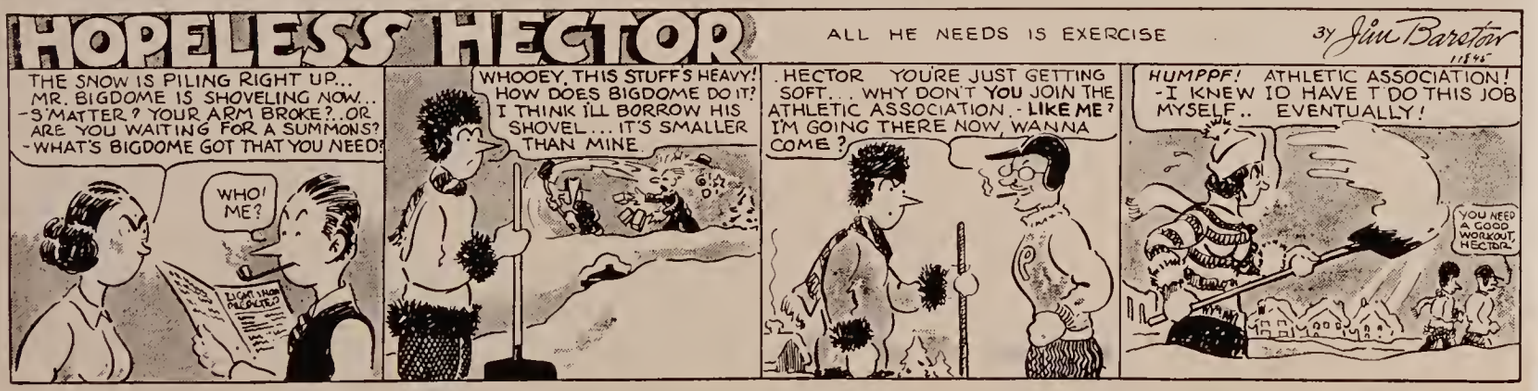
HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

Dave Bartle, who like so many others has had his troubles being stuck in the snow, has trained his horse to pull him over the drifts to the corner, then when he's unhitched, goes home by himself. Dave says everything would be fine now if he could only train the horse to meet him evenings to pull him home. . . . Ask Harold Blauvelt why he didn't sit beside Bill Archer the other noon in the cafeteria! . . . Janet Redding spent last week-end in Chicago where she visited her brother, Sgt. Carl Redding, who is convalescing at Hines Hospital, after spending a year in New Guinea. . . . Best wishes to our new brides, Pauline Laker who married Earl Swary and Helen Devers whose husband, Pvt. Warren Bissel is stationed at Camp Bowie, Texas. . . . Jack Boyce has gone Hollywood on us; he's now wearing dark glasses. . . . James McFadden, husband of Mary Gen McFadden, is visiting here after spending two years in the South Pacific. . . . Al Rondot said he was going ice fishing, but so far we haven't heard any reports of the size of the catch. . . . We haven't mentioned Mark Brindle lately, for he never does anything to get his name in print, but we still like to see it, so here goes "last word Brindle."

Robert Sievers, who was employed in Bldg. 4-1 when he entered service, has been discharged and is now employed in Bldg. 20-2.

Robert Armstrong, who was employed in Bldg. 26-B before entering the service, has been discharged and is employed in Bldg. 12-2.

Dane Rogers, Bldg. 26-1, after being discharged from service, came back to his old job on that floor that he held before joining up.



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TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Tool Room	9	3
Laboratory	8	4
Chargers	8	4
Developmental	8	4
Office	7	5
Grinders	6	6
Production	6	6
Screw Machine	6	6
Turbos	5	7
Receiving	4	8
Firemen	3	9
Air Corps	2	10

200 games—Steffey 213; McGowan 212; Newman 203; Bice 202; Ridenour 201; Purner 200.

Tool Room by winning all three encounters top the league standing at least temporarily. Three teams are tied for second position—only one game behind the leaders. The maple withstood the asault very nicely and consequently no league records were approached.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 4 won 3 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 10 won 3 games from Team No. 6. Team No. 8 won 2 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 11 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 5 won 2 games from Team No. 9.

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 9	6	3
Team No. 5	6	3
Team No. 1	5	4
Team No. 3	5	4
Team No. 11	5	4
Team No. 4	5	4
Team No. 6	4	5
Team No. 2	4	5
Team No. 12	4	5
Team No. 10	4	5
Team No. 7	3	6
Team No. 8	3	6

200 games—Schaab 200; Shinn 204; Good 213; Kraft 224; Landis 232; Hamilton 201, 236.

Remarks—Any one interested in bowling in a men's doubles at the Club on Saturday, 27, or Sunday, 28, contact Art at the Club desk.

Kokomo Bowling News

The January 18 rolling netted clean sweeps for the FHP boys over Inspection, thereby taking second place, and for Planning over Maintenance giving them third position. Receiving collected two from Production and Power Drive took two games from Order Service.

Richards was the "hot shot" of the evening counting 598 and taking second place in Hi-3 game standing, and also rolling a 199 and a 207. Bergman shot a 566 to take over first place in high averages again. Evard rolled a 205 and totaled 553 to get him back in the eight high averages again. Parsons busted loose with the highest game of the evening at 215, and collected 541 total pins. Spahr reached 520 in the 3 games, and Cooper made his debut with a 519. Whatever Wayne Johnson was doing was OK, as he was pounding the maples for 173-191-166 to give him a 530 total that he can be proud of since his average was only 134, and he won't admit he took any lessons since last week. Springer came up with a 202 his first in the select count. Dukes seems to be finding his stride despite a bad tooth, having raised his average 3 pins in two weeks.

The place standings are still a gamble as no team as yet has a corner on any particular position.

During 1943, the equivalent of 221 average sized classrooms of children between the ages 5 and 14 years were killed in accidents, the National Safety Council reports.

G-E Club Wins Another Net Clash

By Bob Kessens

Tuesday night the G-E Men's Club was forced to come from behind to defeat a fast hard driving quintet from Culver, Indiana. The Culver Club started tossing them in right from the beginning of the ball game to lead the Club at first quarter time by 17 to 9. The second quarter saw the Club begin to cut down the lead as Reed sparked the Club with three straight baskets to pull up at half time to within four points, the half ending 29 to 25.

The third quarter opened up with the Club hitting somewhat better, holding Culver on even terms. The fourth quarter saw the Club team begin clicking with Reed and Lowden beginning to hit. Reed led the scoring for G-E with 19 points and Lowden garnered 14 points. Allen, Krieg, Madden and Baade saw plenty of action and helped to contribute many of the points in the last quarter by feeding the ball to Lowden and Reed.

May and Overmyer led the scoring for Culver with 13 and 11 points. This game made the Club 13 wins with two losses.

The summary:

G-E Club (59)	G.	F.	T.	Culver Ind. (47)	G.	F.	T.
Madden	3	1	7	May	6	1	13
Krieg	2	0	4	McKee	6	2	12
Stoner	2	0	4	Osborne	1	0	2
Reed	8	3	19	Mohler	2	2	6
Allen	3	3	9	Snyder	1	0	2
Baade	0	0	0	Overmyer	8	6	12
Lowden	7	2	14				
Totals	25	9	59	Totals	18	11	47

Officials—Shine and Todd.

Owl League Bowling

By R. F. Dressel

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 8	7	2
Team No. 12	6	3
Team No. 6	5	4
Team No. 9	5	4
Team No. 2	5	4
Team No. 10	5	4
Team No. 7	5	4
Team No. 1	4	5
Team No. 4	4	5
Team No. 11	3	6
Team No. 3	3	6
Team No. 5	2	7

Results of Bowling

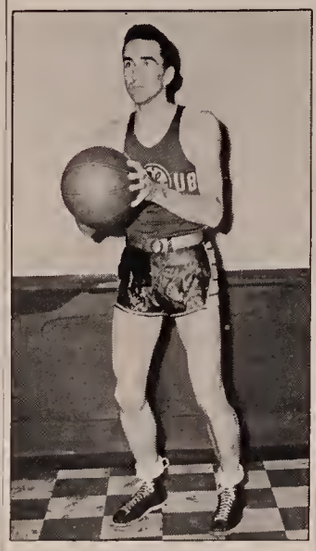
Team No. 7 won 3 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 8 won 3 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 10 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 6. Team No. 1 won 2 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 5.

200 Games—Stiver 203; Rockhill 201; Loader 200; Mosshammer 239.

From the Sidelines

We don't know how a bowler who in a roll-off bowls a 97 can come back this week with an even 200, no names mentioned. Mosshammer had a very good day with a 592 series. Let's not forget to mention the 201 of Rockhill at this time as he was left off of the individual sheet two weeks ago. Team 3 does not seem to be going as yet, they were the winners of the first half. Team 7 is still pushing for that first place this half. Your observer noticed a lot of fouls (not poultry) Saturday; watch this men as they are costly. Team 8 has a special straight ball man now, H. Lindenberg, the first ball of some frame is in the gutter and does it go straight then. A dime is always the fine for such an offense and there are always four men trying to get it. This league is one of the best that the Owl shifts have yet formed. For entertainment before going to work you second shift employees should come to the Club from 12:15 till 2:30. It's worth the time as there are laughs, tears and good bowling to see, and have.

Club Team Member



Dohr Krieg

Dohr Krieg, who has five years' experience on the G-E Club team, is one of the taller members, standing 6 feet, one inch. He has had prior experience on the North Side team, Westminster, and Fort Wayne Moose.

FLY LIGHT BULBS TO ITALY

To beat the black market in Italy the Red Cross recently shipped 2,500 light bulbs by air and 7,500 by boat for use in its servicemen's clubs. Shipments of 100 small pianos for Red Cross hospital recreation rooms have also been made to Italy.

Reports to the National Safety Council indicate that two out of every three bicyclists injured and killed in traffic accidents were violating a traffic law at the time of the accident.

Five Divisions Win Safety Awards

Wire Division Has 100% No-Lost-Time Accident Record

"Meritorious Safety Performance Certificates" were presented by the Works Safety Committee to five divisions for outstanding accomplishment in accident prevention during 1944 as follows—

WIRE DIVISION—for having no lost-time accident.

TOOL DIVISION and FRACTIONAL HORSEPOWER MOTOR DIVISION—for having a combined frequency and severity of less than .40.

GENERAL SERVICE DIVISION and PLASTICS DIVISION—for having improved their combined frequency and severity over 50%.

The Divisional accident standings for the year are as follows—

Division	Freq.	Sev.	Comb.	Rk.
Wire	0.0	0.0	0.0	1
Miscellaneous	1.26	.025	.032	2
Tool	1.16	.173	.201	8
Fr. HP Motor	3.29	.075	.247	4
Transformer	3.44	.127	.437	5
Plastics	9.59	.05	.480	6
Decatur	3.62	.170	.615	7
Series & Spec.	5.08	.142	.721	8
General Service	7.43	.234	1.739	9
Magneto	5.63	.409	2.303	10
Kokomo	9.44	.344	3.247	11
Power Drive	15.24	.237	3.612	12
Motor-Generator	4.56	.962	4.113	13
Taylor Street	5.81	.881	5.119	14
Insulation	10.55	.923	9.737	15
Distribution	26.93	.808	21.759	16
Refrigeration	6.97	3.78	26.35	17

Herschel L. Smith
Safety Director

BULLETIN

The G-E Club Girls' basketball team will meet City Light Saturday, January 27, at the G-E Club gym at 7:45 o'clock. This will be the first half of a doubleheader program.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Noel Walton (4)*	Wawaka, Indiana	2-1	Walt	10:42- 7:00
	Coming in on No. 6, 9 and 33.			
Wilbur Hanover (3)*	605 Leopold, Huntington	19-1	Grogg	3:30-11:48
Lawrence Wappes (2)*	R. 2, Auburn, Ind.	4-4	Bell	3:30-11:48
Merritt Norris (3)*	South Whitley, Indiana	26-5	Paulson	4:00-12:30
Paul Beebe (8)*	Pierceton, Ind.	26-5	Paulson	4:00-12:30
Ralph W. Miller (1)*	Churubusco, Ind.	19-2	Egts	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 33			
Noble Bade (2)*	352 W. High, Huntington	4-1	Hollie	3:06-11:30
Merle B. Fryer (4)*	205 Randolph, Huntington	26-2	Garman	8:00- 5:15
Walter E. Sterling (2)*	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind.	17-2	Hall	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 33, 20 miles out.			

Employees Seeking Rides

Erline Nahrwold	R. 2, Paulding Rd., New Haven, Ind.	26-3	Bond	7:00- 3:00
Aldena Harris	R. 1, LaOtto, Ind.	12-1	Young	3:00-11:00
Catherine Gordon	R. 2, Payne, Ohio	18-1	Waldschmidt	8:00- 5:15
June Allen	Spencerville, Indiana	18-1	Waldschmidt	8:00- 5:15
Betty Herneise	Huntington, Indiana	18-1	Waldschmidt	8:00- 5:15
Laura Moore	North Manchester, Indiana	18-1	Waldschmidt	8:00- 5:15
Betty Carper	Auburn, Indiana	18-1	Waldschmidt	8:00- 5:15
Elizabeth McConnell	Garrett, Indiana	18-1	Waldschmidt	8:00- 5:15

* Number of Riders Desired.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Blanch Coomler	3920 John Street, City		Sible	7:12- 3:12

Employees Seeking Riders

Walter Goe	Columbia City, Indiana		Traub	6:48- 2:48
John Mueller	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind.		Greiner	6:48- 3:18
Ray Huser	1211 Lake Avenue, City		Greiner	6:48- 3:18
Ruth N. Perry	Garrett, Indiana		Sible	7:12- 3:12

ATTENTION!

R-1 Revised Tire Application

Since the revision of the R-1 tire application there has been considerable misunderstanding among tire inspectors as to whether to use the code number for tire failure in the section headed "Central Station Condition Code." Please advise the inspector who inspects your tires that they are to use this code number in that section of the application whether or not your particular county happens to have a central truck tire station.

B. E. NEEDHAM
Gas Rationing Office

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

On Thursday evening, January 18, a very lovely party was held at the home of John Klejnot in honor of his son, PFC Andrew J. Klejnot, who has been enjoying a 30-day furlough after serving 35 months in the South Pacific. Every one enjoyed the party very much, and during the evening the gang presented Andrew with a very generous purse. PFC Klejnot is leaving January 24 for Boston Navy Yards, where he will be reassigned. . . . Congratulations to Wm. Braithwaite, who celebrated his birthday on January 16. . . . "Pappy" Rasor, Bldg. 8-1, had everybody's mouth watering as they passed him with their bag of peanuts from the candy wagon. Why? He was chewing away on a T-bone steak large enough for six people. He held that precious and luscious piece of cow with both hands and just smiled between bites. Oh, that nasty man, "Pappy!" He's mean! . . . Spring must be just around the corner, for Guy Oberlin and Bill Skinner were both sawing logs during the noon hour one day last week. Guy (he must be the tough one) was using a radiator for a pillow, while Bill fell asleep sitting in a swivel chair watching a euchre game. . . . Gerhard "Steve" Harbarth finally found use for the shovel he carries around in his car. He really dug his way out of the snow this time. . . . Fred Zehender, our inspector, was quietly doing his work the other day when he happened to look down at his shoe and there sat a mouse. It's amazing how fast Fred can move at times. . . . Bill Hattendorf never impressed us as being absent-minded, but when he starts wearing a bell on his hat in order to be reminded where he left it—well, now we wonder! . . . Mary Brown's face was just a trifle red the other day when she started to eat her lunch only to discover she had brought the wrong sack from home. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner has started a new fad, girls! For the latest thing in boots Dorothy suggests wearing them filled with sawdust. Now they fit nicer. . . . Russell Flaugh has an inside track to all the basketball games, fellows. He sees every good game in town. Wonder how he does it? . . . Lazern Hopkins has learned a bitter lesson about our milk containers. After taking careful aim, he squeezed quite hard only to have the bottom come out and spill all over himself. Tough luck, "Hop!" . . . There are some girls in our department who will certainly deserve their clocks and irons when they receive them, especially after waiting so long to place their applications. We all wish good ironing to Marge Degitz, Margaret Witte, Mary Ringler, and Marie Gehle. . . . We would like to extend a welcome to these newcomers to our department—Clara Betz, Mildred Minnix, and Carl Powell. . . . George Wirges and Cleon "Red" Noyes invite any one wanting bluegills this summer just to let them know because they are going to throw anything less than ten inches long back into the lake. . . . We welcome Evelyn Keenan back to work. She was off with tonsilitis for several days.

The Red Cross Blood Donor Service now supplies whole blood to the armed forces in addition to providing for the plasma program. Whole blood is flown to the war theaters, where it is used to supplement plasma transfusions.

Anderson "Big 5" Plays G-E Club Saturday

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club team will be out after win number 14 when they meet one of the outstanding colored quintets of the state in the nine o'clock game Saturday night. This team is composed of some of the best colored stars in the southern section of the state.

The "Big 5" will be out for revenge to even up the score as the Club handed them their only defeat to date on their own floor in one of the hardest fought battles ever witnessed in Anderson independent basketball. The score was tied 12 times and with 90 seconds to go it was a new ball game as Reed connected from under to tie the count at 44 all. Krieg and Madden then came through to put the game on ice 51 to 44. This was the first loss suffered by the "Big 5" in 16 games. Anderson will be in there trying to topple the G-E from their winning streak of 12 straight games.

The Club team is looking forward to continue piling up their winning streak and will be in there battling all the way.

The starting line-up for the "Big 5" will be Brown and Cox at forwards, Taylor 6 foot 3 inch center, one of the best colored stars in Indiana, Page and Farley at guards. Brobaux and Steeley, forwards and guard positions, are two reserves that will give the Club plenty to think about. The sportsmanship shown by this team against the Club was some of the best ever encountered and the fans are promised a real evening's entertainment.

At the present time it looks as if the Club will start Krieg and Madden at forwards, Reed, center, with Allen, Baade or Stoner at guards. At time of this writing word has just been received that Bob VanRyn outstanding independent star will again be back wearing the G-E colors starting Saturday night.

These games are open to the G-E Club members, their friends and the public free of charge so come on out, fans, and give the Club a boost which they deserve.

Volleyball Standings

The Small Motor Office No. 1 team won the first half of the Inter-Department Volleyball league by virtue of 17 wins and one loss.

The second half will start on Feb. 6. The first half standings are as follows:

	Won	Lost
Small Motor Office No. 1	17	1
Veterans	14	4
Main Office	13	5
Taylor Street	8	10
Fire Department	6	12
Small Motor Office No. 2	5	13

The winners of the second half will play the first half winners for the league championship.

Ray Soughan

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

January 26, 1945

Team	W.	L.
Lucky Five	5	1
Pin Hitters	4	2
Knock Outs	3	2
Flying Pins	3	2
Whizz Bangs	3	2
Head Pins	1	5

Games over 170—Mildred Mullen 178; Helen Lassen 171; Louise Davis 170.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings

(Includes games of January 18)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	8	0	1000
Small Motor Office	7	1	.875
Firemen	6	2	.750
Small Motor Factory	6	3	.625
West Side	6	3	.625
Taylor Street	4	4	.600
General Service	4	4	.600
Tool Division	3	6	.375
Transformer	3	5	.375
Squares	1	6	.143
Taylor Street Test	1	6	.143
Messengers	0	8	.000

Results of Last Week's Games:

Firemen	39	West Side	19
Taylor St. Test	49	Messengers	38
Winter Street	45	Squares	17
Taylor Street	36	Tool Division	29
Small Motor Of.	34	General Service	27
Small Motor. Fac.	36	Transformer	26

Next Week's Games

Wednesday, January 31:

7:00, Winter Street vs. Taylor Street Test.

8:00, Small Motor Factory vs. Squares.

9:00, General Service vs. West Side.

Firemen 39; West Side 19

In Wednesday night's opener the Firemen turned the heat on West Side and scored an easy win to take over third place in the league from the losers with whom they previously had shared the spot. It marked the sixth consecutive victory for the winners. West Side effectively stopped Milholland, the Firemen's leading scorer, with four points but in the process Hanic and Habig each scored 13 points to sew up the game. Stellar tallied 8 points for the losers.

Firemen (39)	G.	F.	T.	West Side (19)	G.	F.	T.
Hanic	6	1	13	Seibold	0	2	2
Habig	6	1	13	France	2	0	4
Milholland	2	0	4	Olson	0	0	0
Leanzier	1	1	3	Arnold	0	5	5
Zimmerman	0	0	0	Stellar	4	0	8
Lydy	1	0	2	Gutermuth	0	0	0
Bleber	0	0	0	Kayser	0	0	0
Long	2	0	4	Coles	0	0	0
Totals	18	3	39	Totals	6	7	19

Taylor Street Test 49; Messengers 38

In a clash of non-victorious teams Taylor Street Test left their co-occupancy of the league cellar by winning from the Messengers 49 to 38. The Test men got off to an early lead and managed to keep from 8 to 12 points ahead of the Messengers all the way. Conkle with 23 points led his team into the victory column while Rice and Hapner with 12 and 10 points were high scorers for the losers.

Taylor St. Test (49)	G.	F.	T.	Messengers (38)	G.	F.	T.
Walsh	0	0	0	Hapner	6	0	10
Hall	3	2	8	Click	3	0	6
Fox	4	0	8	Hoffman	3	0	6
Robilva	5	0	10	Gnau	2	0	4
Conkle	11	1	23	Rice	6	0	12
				Swank	0	0	0
				Schnur	0	0	0
Totals	23	3	49	Totals	19	0	38

Winter Street 45; Squares 17

Scoring heavily in every quarter, league-leading Winter Street rolled over the Squares 45 to 17. Sciple with 12 points was high scorer of Winter Street's well balanced scoring, while Kissler with 9 points scored over half of the loser's total.

Winter Street (45)	G.	F.	T.	Squares (17)	G.	F.	T.
Magnusson	2	1	5	Edgar	0	0	0
Dent	2	2	6	Hellenthal	1	1	3
Neltzert	3	1	7	McNamara	1	1	3
Sciple	6	0	12	Kissler	4	1	9
Hooley	2	1	5	Nauman	0	0	0
Snyder	1	0	2	Rowe	0	2	2
Kelly	0	0	0	Osburn	0	0	0
Fryer	4	0	8				
Yoder	0	0	0				
Totals	20	6	45	Totals	6	5	17

Taylor Street 36; Tool Division 29

In a game which was close all the way Taylor Street outscored the Tool Division 36 to 29 in Thursday night's opener. Taylor Street's final margin of 7 points was the greatest lead enjoyed by either team at any stage of the game. Richardson and Hanefelt each scored 8 points for the winners while Pequignot was high for the losers with 11.

Taylor Street (36)	G.	F.	T.	Tool Division (29)	G.	F.	T.
Yentes	2	2	6	Truelove	2	0	4
Richardson	4	0	8	Rider	1	2	4
Hanefelt	4	0	8	Lowden	0	0	0
Rnbus	1	2	4	Reed	1	0	2
Crosley	0	0	0	Waldrop	2	1	6
Bohde	3	0	6	Pequignot	5	1	11
Walters	0	0	0	Thomns	0	0	0
Hanna	2	0	4	Widner	1	1	3
				Dunlap	0	0	0
Totals	16	4	36	Totals	12	6	29

Small Motor Office 34; General Service 27

Small Motor Office's champions ran into a tartar in General Service and it took all they had to defeat General Service 34 to 27. After getting away to a first quarter lead of 11 to 4 Small Motor Office faltered and a rally by General Service tied the score at 15 all at half time. In the second half the champions maintained a one to three point lead most of the way and only managed to acquire their final margin by a stall in the last three minutes. Each team scored eleven times from the field so the game was won at the foul line where the winners canned 12 of 21 tries while General Service only converted 5 of 16 attempts. Hoffman, Starkel and Esterline carried the scoring load for the winners with 11, 10 and 9 points respectively.

Small Motor Of. (34)	G.	F.	T.	General Service (27)	G.	F.	T.
Hoffman	3	5	11	Picket	2	0	4
Starkel	3	4	10	Dukes	1	1	3
Schuster	1	0	2	Kepler	6	3	13
Trott	0	0	0	Ray	0	0	0
Esterline	4	1	9	Kauffman	3	1	7
Lauer	0	0	0	Schible	0	0	0
Close	0	2	2	O'Connell	0	0	0
Totals	11	12	34	Totals	11	5	27

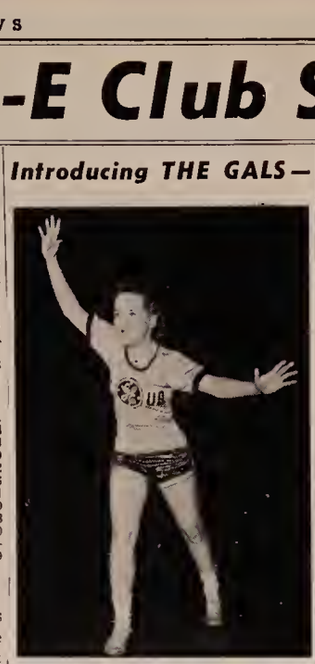
Small Motor Office 36; Transformer 25

In a game in which no less than 32 fouls were called without either team losing a man, Small Motor Factory came from behind to outscore Transformer 36 to 25. The game was close for three quarters with the losers ahead at the end of the first quarter 7 to 5 and the winners at the half 15 to 13 and at the end of the third quarter 22 to 20. In the last quarter the winners finally pulled away to win comfortably 36 to 25. Kasimier and Young for the winners and Ehrman for the losers all scored 9 points.

Small Mot. Fac. (36)	G.	F.	T.	Transformer (25)	G.	F.	T.
Pullev	3	0	6	Fritz	1	3	6
Smead	0	1	1	Eisenbarger	1	1	3
Kasimier	2	5	9	Kaufman	0	0	0
Stetzel	3	0	6	Nickerson	2	0	4
Young	4	1	9	Ehrman	3	3	9
Gitter	2	1	6	Vachon	2	0	4
Totals	14	8	36	Totals	9	7	25

There will be no basketball games next Tuesday night because the gym has been reserved by the Elex Club.

Introducing THE GALS—



Betty Puff

We start off our new series of interviews with the "little one" of our team, Betty Puff, or "Boots" as she is aptly nicknamed. "Boots" is the diminutive guard on the team who outspeeds anyone who tries to guard her. Although most of her opponents are much taller, nevertheless she has a way of eluding them. Her favorite shot is a right handed push shot from the left side om the basket. "Boots" has an uncanny ability of intercepting passes and dribbling the length of the floor for a lay-in shot. In fact she has made many of her points this season in that manner. "Boots" directs play when on the floor and although she hasn't the highest scoring record on the team, she sets up other players to score.

Boots' most notable achievement thus far this season was in the recent game with the Peoria Dieselettes. She hit 3 consecutive long set shots in the first quarter to put her team in a commanding lead they never relinquished. Boots is an all-around athlete. In the summer she plays shortfield with the Indiana State Champ softball team, and in the winter time bowls with a G-E departmental team, besides playing basketball. This is her second year with the Club team and her third year of organized basketball as she played on the East Side team before a Club team was formed. Boots is employed at the Taylor Street plant in the Drafting Section.

William Sivits, a G-E employee recently discharged from the army, is employed in Bldg. 26-1 on the same kind of job he performed in Bldg. 26-2 before entering service.

Leading Scorers

Name	Team	Games	Baskets	Foul Baskets	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Sciple, Winter Street		6	37	2	7	2	76
Magnusson, Winter Street		7	29	16	28	14	74
Kasimier, Small Motor Factory		8	32	10	22	15	74
Milholland, Firemen		8	31	9	24	17	71
Esterline, Small Motor Office		7	30	5	12	7	65
Ehrman, Transformer		8	26	12	45	20	64
Hanic, Firemen		8	28	7	19	5	63
Hanefelt, Taylor Street		7	26	6	26	11	58
Pickett, General Service		8	26	6	9	13	57
Neitzert, Winter Street		6	23	8	16	7	54
Arnold, West Side		7	21	12	27	6	64
Fox, Taylor Street Test		7	20	8	27	12	48
Conkle, Taylor Street Test		7	23	2	9	9	48
Starkel, Small Motor Office		7	20	5	15	8	45
Lauer, Small Motor Office		7	19	6	19	10	44
Rabus, Taylor Street		6	19	6	13	6	44
Kauffman, General Service		8	21	2	13	15	44
Young, Small Motor Factory		8	18	8	19	16	44
Altevogt, Transformer		7	20	3	11	24	43
Dent, Winter Street		8	17	9	14	1	43
Ray, General Service		7	18	6	25	16	42
Rider, Tool Division		8	17	8	23	20	42
Yentes, Taylor Street		7	18	6	15	6	42
Stetzel, Small Motor Factory		8	19	4	17	15	42
Hoffman, Small Motor Office		7	16	10	20	9	42
Reed, Squares		2	17	6	7	7	89
Hapner, Messengers		8	17	5	16	27	39
France, West Side		7	19	1	9	4	89
Close, Small Motor Office		6	13	12	18	6	38
Pequignot, Tool Division		6	16	6	16	8	37

Girls' Team Downs Dieselettes With Rousing 24-16 Win

Defeat Bowser's In League Tilt By 43-12 Count

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls' team was really playing "on the beam" last Saturday night when they handed the Caterpillar "Dieselettes" from Peoria a 24 to 16 setback. This was the second loss of the season for the Peoria girls—their only other defeat being handed them by the White Liners from the American Gear Company in Chicago.

Our gals outplayed them all the way, holding quarter leads of 10-3, 17-1, and 20-9. The Peoria team appeared a little tired after a long trip, but they were no match for the fast-moving game our girls were playing. "Boots" Puff hit three long shots in the opening minutes to set up a working-margin which the girls never relinquished.

"Boots" led the G-E scoring with 11 points, while "Butch" Whiteleather added 6 more tallies. All the girls played a swell game; however, with "Tommy" Williams and Lou Fitch doing great rebound work. Jerry Steller hit two long shots to help win the game; and although they weren't scoring, all the other girls helped out by playing a bang-up game and setting up some of the scoring for their teamates.

Irene Kerwin was Peoria's only consistant scorer, as the other girls were unable to get through the defense set up by the Club girls. She garnered 7 points, three of them being charity tosses. The "Dieselettes" are a fine bunch of girls, and usually are a tougher team to beat on the hardwood. They are truly good sports and a good team—we hope to see more of them around Fort Wayne in the future!

Last Tuesday night the girls met and defeated the Bowser team. This was a City-League clash, our girls having entered the League for the second half. The Bowser team kept in the game during the first quarter; but after that, they were out-of-luck. All our gals helped to win, with the scoring being well-divided. Helen Boedeker came up with 10 points, scored on long set-shots, to lead the G-E attack. "Tommy" Williams chalked up 7, and Puff, Steller, Varner, and Whiteleather all added their share of points. The last few games have shown that our gals are clicking as a team; and all of them are helping score the victories regardless of whether they are the leading scorer.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Peoria	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	0	0	0	Fisher	1	0	2
Williams	0	0	0	Aleksich	0	0	0
Varner	0	0	0	Becker	1	0	2
Whiteleather	2	2	6	Kerwin	2	3	7
McGahan	0	0	0	Welsh	0	0	0
Steller	2	0	4	Boucher	1	0	2
Amstutz	0	0	0	Hoffman	0	0	0
Puff	4	3	11	Kneer	0	1	1
Boedeker	0	1	1	Elliott	1	0	2
Totals	9	6	24	Totals	6	4	16

Officials—Eakin and Prange.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Bowser's	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	1	1	3	Telnely	1	0	2
Williams	3	1	7	Wood	0	1	1
Boedeker	5	0	10	Sroufe	1	1	3
Whiteleather	2	1	6	Gunkel	0	0	0
Amstutz	0	0	0	Deltel	0	1	1
Puff	4	3	11	Fleckenstein	2	1	5
Steller	3	0	6	DeLaet	0	0	0
Varner	3	0	6				
Totals	20	3	49	Totals	4	4	12

Officials—Shine and Todd.

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Red Cross Performs Unusual Services

Red Cross chapters' services to veterans have increased more than 150 per cent throughout the country during the past year, American Red Cross Headquarters announced recently. That the number of requests for Red Cross services will continue to mount is indicated in recent reports received from chapters in 22 states which show local demands for veterans' aid have jumped from 100 to 200 per cent over last year. While fewer veterans in 1943 requested aid with claims than for any other Red Cross service, requests coming to chapters during 1944 shot claims service to third place as one of the most important chapter services.

In addition to its aid to veterans, the Red Cross performs many other services. It has sent more than nineteen thousand messages to the Philippines by relatives of prisoners of war and civilian internees. The Camp and Hospital Council Service of the American Red Cross helps keep ships and camps stocked with books, musical instruments, and games. The American Junior Red Cross contributed gift boxes and children's sweaters to Christmas parties held by U. S. fleet units in the Mediterranean for boys and girls who have suffered the hardships of war. Medical kits valued at $35,000 are being purchased by the American Junior Red Cross through its National Children's Fund for distribution to children's schools and institutions in Norway.

Another service conducted by the organization are the Red Cross Clubs. Orris Ice, formerly employed in the laboratory, has this to say about the clubs: "I can't say enough for the swell work I found the American Red Cross doing overseas. Until I went to one of the clubs, I refused to believe all of the things men had been to them told me. It's a pretty lonely feeling to arrive in a strange port with no place to go, but the Red Cross Clubs in England received me with open arms and did everything to make us comfortable, entertained and fed us. The clubs were just like a bit of

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Pamphlet Will Be Distributed

In the near future distribution will be made of a pamphlet, "How's Your Heart?" The pamphlet is a publication of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

New Death-Dealing Nazi Weapons Must Not Be Underrated, Says G-E Laboratory Engineer

New death-dealing Nazi weapons must be taken seriously and German accomplishments in engineering and research are of the highest order, according to C. W. LaPierre, of the General Engineering Laboratory, who has just returned from a trip to England and part of France.

He was impressed with the dwindling importance in modern warfare of power and bravery alone compared with surprise weapons of new potency. Should another come, Mr. LaPierre predicted, the advantage will be so heavily in favor of the nation with the latest in deadly devices, that a few specially trained personnel operating a weapon of the future might be able to beat a division of opponents who do not have it.

Praises V-Weapons

German V-weapons, Mr. LaPierre said, "are engineering achievements of the highest order," meriting the very serious attention of any enemy of the Reich. Outstanding among their advantages are not only their destructive effect but their cheapness and simplicity of design.

German gun emplacements on the French side of the channel were built with the greatest ingenuity, with the guns camouflaged and concealed so that in some places nearby observers were fooled. Amazing to Mr. LaPierre, who had read much throughout the war of Nazi shortages of critical materials, were the large heaps of brass cases for shells of as high calibre as 15 inches. The guns, he said, were for shelling traffic along the channel, but were also used for firing on the English coast. On each gun emplacement location, a part of the camouflage was a 20-MM anti-aircraft gun plainly exposed.

Saw E-Boat Pens

Mr. LaPierre marveled also at the deserted German E-boat pens in a port on the channel. The boats themselves were larger than our PT boats, but were used for about the same purpose. The pens were protected by concrete covers 15 to 20 feet thick. They bore no evidence of bomb damage. Not only the gun emplacements, but minefields and obstacles to landings by airborne troops were outstanding jobs, he said. Our men had avoided disaster from this source by by-passing them.

"Judging by what I saw," said Mr. LaPierre, "no nation can be prepared for a modern war without the best in research and development."

Taylor Minstrel Show Plans Have Been Completed

Two Shows To Be Held, One On Saturday, February 3, The Second Sunday, February 4

Plans have been completed for the first Minstrel and Talent Revue which is to be presented by Taylor Street employees next Saturday and Sunday, February 3 and February 4, in the G-E Club auditorium. There will be two parts to each show, each part being of approximately one hour's duration, totalling more than two hours of entertainment for each performance. The show on Saturday will begin at 8:30 P.M. and that on Sunday at 2:30. The box office will open at 7:30 P.M. on Saturday and at 1:30 P.M. on Sunday. The programs are open to G-E employees, their friends and families, and the general public. Tickets are 50c for adults and 25c for children. Both prices include tax.

Tickets may be purchased from any member of the Taylor Street AOWP committee, who are the sponsors of the show, any member of the Taylor Street "Victory Troupers," in the G-E Club basement, and at the box office previous to the performances.

Co-chairmen for the affair are Bernie English, who is responsible

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Have You Nominated Your Good Neighbor?

Do you know someone who is continually spreading good cheer among his friends and acquaintances? Someone who you think should be rewarded for his many acts of kindness? Then here's your chance. Send his or her name to the Elex Club as a candidate for the orchid for the good, good neighbor award on the Elex "Breakfast at Sardi's" program, which will be held by second shift members on Tuesday, February 20. Following are the rules for nominating a candidate for the orchid award:

1. The person nominated for the award must be a member of a G-E family. He or she need not be employed at General Electric, but there should be a G-E worker in the immediate family. Candidates may be wife, husband, mother father, sister, brother, daughter, son, grandmother, or grandfather of a G-E employee.

2. All letters must be postmarked February 13.

3. The decision of the judges will be final.

4. All letters should be sent to Frances Krauskopf, c/o WORKS NEWS Office, Bldg. 10-2, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne 2, Indiana.

G-E President Gives Stockholders Report

Charles E. Wilson Emphasizes Production Of War Weapons As No. 1 Mission Of Company

Production of war weapons and equipment at an ever increasing tempo continues to be the No. 1 mission of the General Electric Company, it was emphasized in a report to stockholders by Charles E. Wilson, president.

In making his appeal for greater efforts in war work, Mr. Wilson gave information on the accomplishments in this field by the 170,000 employees in General Electric. Mr. Wilson told how the talents and production forces of the General Electric employees had been concentrated on war work since even before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, both in production and creation of new and more effective weapons.

Some of the war developments and production achievements of General Electric men and women mentioned by Mr. Wilson were:

1. JET PROPULSION: The G-E Turbo Jet engine, which drives propellerless planes at tremendous speed.

2. B-29 CENTRAL GUNNERY SYSTEM: 20,000 General Electric employees now are making these electrical gunnery control systems which protect Superfortresses on

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Elex Announces Calendar Schedule For February

The Elex Club has announced the schedule of activities for the month of February for Club members, both day and night shifts.

For the day girls a dinner party is being planned for Monday, February 12, at the G-E Club. Dinner will be served from 4:45 to 5:45, followed by a semi-classical program to be given by the Junior Civic Symphony conducted by Gaston Bailhe. The program will consist of old favorites from Sigmund Romberg, Victor Herbert, and others. Tickets are 55c and all reservations must be in by Friday, February 9. The program is for Elex members only.

On Monday, February 19, the club is giving a birthday party at the USO for soldiers having birthdays in February. The party will begin at 7:30 P.M. Elex members are invited.

On Tuesday, February 20, the second shift workers are having a "Breakfast at Sardi's" program at the West Creighton Avenue Church at 11 A.M. Tickets are 55c each, and reservations must be in by February 17. Mothers are invited. The program will include all of the features of the famous radio program, such as the wishing ring, the Max Factor make-up kit, orchid to the best neighbor, and Uncle Corny. All girls are expected to wear a funny hat, and prizes will be given for the funniest ones. Cecil Kite, master of ceremonies, will take the part of Tom Brenneman.

On Sunday, February 25, all shifts will attend the play, Kiss and Tell, which will play at the Civic Theater at 3:00 P.M. Admittance will be by Elex membership card. Non-members are invited and are asked to donate 50c for gift boxes for G-E soldiers.

Carver Club Will Hold Valentine Tea

The Carver Club will hold a formal Valentine tea on Sunday, February 4 at the Wheatley Social Center from 4 P.M. to 6 P.M. A short program will be given during the afternoon. The public is invited to attend.

Thelma Ridley is the general chairman, Billie Tate program chairman, and Gladys Jones is in charge of the decorations. The officers of the Club will be in the receiving line and Georgia Dixie and Thelma Ridley will pour.

A silver offering will be taken towards the furnishing of the Carver Room at the Wheatley Social Center.

CASUALTIES

Pvt. Ervin C. Price, Bldg. 4-3, has been missing in action in Luxembourg since December 16.

PFC Bonnel Clawson, Bldg. 6-2, was wounded November 13 in Germany.

Pvt. Darrell Zuber, Bldg. 19-5, was wounded in Luxembourg December 22.

Pvt. Victor Bryie, Taylor Street, was wounded by mortar shrapnel.

Pvt. Wayne L. Shook, Bldg. 27, was wounded slightly in action in France on January 6.

Pvt. Bert H. Leiter, Bldg. 17-2, was wounded in action on January 7.

Pvt. Roy K. Yoquelet, Taylor Street, is reported missing since December 26 in Luxembourg.

Pvt. Paul P. Sheets, Taylor Street, was killed in action in France on December 9. He was previously reported missing in action on December 7.

PFC William A. Skevington, Bldg. 19-4, was killed in action in Belgium on January 8.

Pvt. Robert E. Foster, Bldg. 26-1, was wounded slightly in action in Belgium on January 12.

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Death From A P-61

Somewhere in the European theatre of operations there is a squadron group called the Green Bats, whose P-61 Black Widow planes carry as their insigne a green bat against a yellow moon. They hunt German planes by night. Up to recently it was the boast of these flyers that there had not been a single bombing in their rear area since they took over.

One of the Widows, known as "Borrowed Time," had a battle with an ME-110, according to Morley Cassidy of the Chicago Sun, which illustrates pretty forcibly what this lightning-fast plane with its G-E remote gunfire control can do. Action began when ground control radioed that there was a German intruder over our lines.

The Green Bat crewmen soon located the Nazi ship and, as it turned, they dived at better than 300 miles an hour to keep on its tail. A vague black shape was all they could see at first, and they hesitated to let go till they were sure of their identification in the inky blackness.

Then suddenly they could see it was an ME-110, and the deadly electrically-operated .50 calibre guns that swing like lightning on their target, blazed in a deadly burst of fire. That first burst caught the enemy's right engine, and it exploded. Burst two set off left engine afire, and an instant later it, too, exploded, and debris came flying back in the American's faces. Then "Borrowed Time" followed him down till they saw him crash.

Once again superior gunfire control had helped give skillful flyers that "edge" in combat that means the difference between life and death. And when American aircraft swooped this week on fleeting Nazi transport columns in the western war's worst blitz, it is a safe bet that P-61s got their share of the kill, for they fight by day also.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary

This January 1 marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Group Insurance Plan in G-E. It was introduced on January 1, 1920, and since then has paid out over $24,282,095 in death and disability payments.

In this, as in many other plans of employee benefits the General Electric Company has led the industries of this country. Emphasis has been placed on the employee and what can be done to help him with his problems. Proof of the good that this introduction of employee benefit plans has done is the fact that in the twenty-five years of General Electric Group Insurance, there are 10,694 people who have benefited from these payments made under the Plan.

When the Group Insurance Plan in General Electric was four months old in April, 1920, there were already 42,304 employees insured under the Plan, which at that time included only Company Insurance. In November of 1925, Additional Insurance was added to the Plan and by December, 1925, there were 51,957 members. Since then, membership has increased over 100 per cent. In December, 1944, the total number of employees who were insured under the Group Insurance Plan was 132,806.

This progressive history of the development of Group Life Insurance in General Electric is just another example of that kind of opportunity and equal chance for which our country and our way of living are famous. It is a heritage to be proud of. It is a system to cherish. This spirit of cooperation and of helping the other fellow when he is in trouble has gone a long way toward establishing a way of living which we must do our utmost to make permanent.



"I AM FILING MY INCOME TAX RETURN EARLY—IT'S ONLY 4 O'OLOCK AND I HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT!"

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

DO YOU SERVE VARIETY MEATS

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Do you serve variety meats at least once a week? Do you know that they are excellent sources of vitamins, minerals, and protein? Do you know that by serving them you help stretch the civilian meat supply?

If you answer "yes" to these three questions you are an exceptional homemaker. If your answers are in the negative, you will be interested in learning more about the variety meats which are listed below.

The Variety Meats

Kidneys—Beef, pork, veal, or lamb: Good source of protein and vitamin B'; excellent source of iron, vitamins A and G. Broil small, tender kidneys; use large, less-tender kidneys for stew, braising, meat loaves.

Liver—Beef, veal, lamb, or pork: Excellent source of protein, iron, vitamins B', G and A; fair source of calcium. Broil, fry, or braise; scallop; or grind for meat loaves.

Brains—Beef, lamb, veal, or pork: Good source of protein, iron, vitamin B', niacin; fair source of calcium. Serve scrambled, creamed, or fried.

Heart—Beef, lamb, pork, or veal: Excellent source of protein, iron, vitamin B', niacin; fair source of calcium. Simmer and serve with gravy; stuff with bread stuffing and bake; grind and use for meat loaf.

Tripe—Beef. Excellent source of protein; fair source of vitamin B'. Fresh or pickled. Simmer until tender; slice, dip in batter, and fry; broil; or cream.

Sweetbreads—Beef, veal or lamb: Good source of protein; fair source of vitamin B'. Simmer until tender; fry or cream.

Tongue—Beef, veal, lamb or pork (fresh, pickled, corned, or smoked): Excellent source of protein, iron vitamin B', and niacin; fair source of calcium. Simmer and serve hot or cold.

Beef Liver Creole

Cut in thin slices 1½ lbs. beef liver. Remove skin and veins and wipe with a damp cloth. Roll liver in flour and cook in 2 tbsp. hot shortening until brown. Add 1 cup chopped onions and cook slightly. Add 1½ cups stewed tomatoes. Add 3 tbsps. corn starch dissolved in ½ cup cold water. Cover and cook slowly for 10 min. Add salt and pepper to taste. Cover and cook slowly 10 min. longer. Make mold of mashed potatoes in center of large platter, lay slices of liver on top; pour gravy over meat. Serve with fresh citrus fruit salad and broccoli.

Kidney Pie with Biscuit Topping

Soak in salted cold water ½ hour 2 beef kidneys. Drain. Pour boiling water over kidneys. Slice kidneys in ½-in. slices across kidney. Melt in heavy skillet 2 tbsps, lard. Dredge kidney slices in flour and brown in hot fat with 1 onion, sliced. Add 2 cups cooked tomatoes, 2 cups diced carrots, 2 tsps. salt, 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce. Simmer together for ½ hr. Add 1 cup diced potatoes. Cook for 1½ hours longer. Top with baking powder biscuit dough and bake at 450° for 15 to 20 min. Serve with fresh fruit salad, cooked green vegetable.

Macaroni and Liver

Melt in skillet ¾ tbsp. shortening. Add and brown 1 lb. onions, peeled and sliced, 1 green pepper, diced. Add and brown lightly 1 lb. beef liver cut in small pieces. Add 2 cups uncooked macaroni. Pour over 3 cups tomato juice, 1 cup catsup, ½ tsp. salt, dash of pepper Cover pan tightly. Keep on high heat until steaming freely, then turn to low heat for 30 min. Do not remove cover once switch has been turned to low. Cook until macaroni is done. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Serve with tossed green salad.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Roy Bainbridge (3)*	603 E. Jackson, Col. City	19-2	Egts	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 14 and No. 9 about 22 miles.			
Glenn Seip (5)*	R. 8, Fort Wayne	27	Baumgartner	3:06-11:00
	Coming in on Sandpoint Road 7 miles out.			
Harry Foust (3)*	Payne, Ohio	4-1	Pyle	7:00- 3:06
	Coming in No. 14 through New Haven about 23 miles out.			
Howard Montooth (3)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne, Ind.	8-1	Van Sheets	8:00- 6:00
	Coming in on No. 27 about 12 miles out.			
Louise Perry (6)*	R. 7, Fort Wayne	26-4	Reiman	3:00-11:00
	Coming in on Old Maumee Rd. about 7 miles out.			

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Maxine Houth	R. 6, Fort Wayne	18-1	Waldschmidt	8:00- 5:15
Clarence Stoner	R. 1, Fort Wayne, Lima Rd.	27	Poller	3:06-11:00

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. How can oxygen and carbon dioxide be taken out of the air?

A. Oxygen is obtained from air commercially. When air is greatly compressed, cooled, and expanded, so that its temperature is brought down below −182 degrees C, the oxygen condenses out from it. As for obtaining carbon dioxide from air, it is not very feasible, since only a small percentage of the air is carbon dioxide. There are other sources, such as heating limestone to a high temperature, the flue gases of steam boilers, or certain gas wells which yield pure carbon dioxide, that are far more plentiful in their supply.

Q. When a bomb explodes, is the concussion felt before the sound is heard?

A. Yes, because sound travels faster through the ground than it does through air.

Q. Is it true there is a cure for sugar diabetes?

A. No real cure for diabetes has been found, but it can be successfully treated by careful attention to the diet and the proper use of an organic chemical known as Insulin. Normally, the human body manufactures this material in the pancreas, but in diabetics there is a deficiency of this material and it must be supplied from an external source. A diabetic, receiving Insulin—under the direction of a physician—can live a practically normal life, so long as he or she continues the Insulin treatment.

Q. Why must moisture be present on iron to form rust?

A. Water speeds up the action. Oxidation will take place even in the absence of water if the temperature is raised, however.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

G-E Equipment



V. D. Barcus F. J. Walzer

"I would like to say hello to all my friends here at the G-E Company and let them know that I have seen a lot of G-E equipment both aboard ship and in Africa and Italy," says Frank J. Walzer who is in the Navy. Victor D. Barcus, S 1/c (RT) says, "Just keep the equipment coming, and we will put it to a good use."

Dear Editor:

. . . It is really amazing how the name of General Electric has become known throughout the world. Everywhere one goes, he sees the products of war that will bring peace, and a good per cent comes from the G-E. Our soldiers of production can be very proud of their job in defeating the Axis. But they shouldn't forget for a single second that it isn't over yet.

. . . Please give my best regards to the winding sections of Bldgs. 26-2 and 26-3 and that I would appreciate a line from them.

Yours truly,
Pvt. Daniel Reuille.

In The Tropics

Dear Editor and Bldg. 4-1:

I received your Christmas week WORKS NEWS, and the cover was sure a sight to look at after being over here in the tropics for so long. I just wish I could fall and roll in it; that snow was sure beautiful. I am back in New Guinea and hope it won't be for too long. I wish you would tell all of my friends in Bldg. 4-1 that I received their Christmas card and hope that I may see them all in the near future. Everyone is sure doing his job, and we hope this is the year. The Pacific war sure is rolling along, so keep the goods coming and we will do the rest. I get the WORKS NEWS regularly and sure am glad to see it when it arrives. I want to wish all of you a happy and victorious year.

Sincerely,
Cpl. Edward Brooks.

Dear Editor:

. . . I am now stationed in the Philippines, and it's a swell place. The people are very interesting and quite friendly. They seem quite happy that the Yanks are back.

We do use a lot of G-E equipment, and it's the best there is. We have very little trouble with it and am sure proud of it. I do hope that all the folks keep on the job so that we can have more of it.

In closing I wish to say hello to my friends in Bldgs. 4-5 and 26-3.

Yours truly,
T/5 Robert O. Buesking.

Clarence E. Gladieux, armorer in a B-24 Liberator squadron at a 15th Air Force airfield overseas, has recently been promoted to the grade of sergeant. He has been overseas since February, 1944, and has recently been authorized to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge.

Richard Sowers, SC 3/c, is stationed at Norfolk, Va.

S/Sgt. Ralph William Bower has been transferred to Jacksonville, Florida.

Wounded In France

Dear Co-Workers:

I guess it's about time for me to get on the ball and drop you a line or two. Since you last heard from me I had some misfortune. I was wounded in action in France in December. I was hit in the left leg and it will be some time before I can walk again. I am now in England resting pretty good in a general hospital. Our care is good and also plenty of good food and not C rations either and good American music.

Up to date I have only received one WORKS NEWS and sure was glad to get it. It was good to read what you G-E workers are doing to help end this bloody war and your servicemen's space I think it should be twice its size for all the former G-E workers that are in the services of their country. I read every inch of the news; it's good to read about your buddies on the other side of the world too.

I was in the infantry and the weapon I carried was made by the G-E Company. It sure is good to knock out tanks and pillboxes and most anything you want to. I know everything that you manufacture is the best money can buy. And our boys are putting everything in good use.

I would like to say hello to the gang in Bldg. 26-1 and my old boss, Harry Lehman, and also the gang in Bldg. 8, and my old bowling and golf partner, Leo Elward.

Well, I better sign off for now—would like to hear from anyone who would like to write me. So long; **keep up the good work, and I think this darn war will be over soon so all of us can come back to the good old U. S. A.**

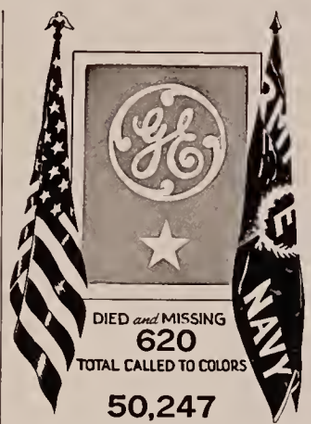
A former worker,
PFC Harold A. Ponsot.

Dear Editor and Fellow Workers:

. . . We sure are glad we have the General Electric Company back home putting out the materials that we need over here and that your production is increasing. We over here think and feel this war will end soon, but we aren't planning on it that way. We are going to let up when it's all over. Tell the gang in section 15x64 in Bldg. 4-5 I am thinking of them and may the new year bring us all victory.

As ever,
Cpl. Earl Anderson.

PFC Ralph C. Mathieu, in England, sends greetings to the gang in Bldg. 2-1, especially to Mr. Patty. He says the climate over in England is rather chilly at present. "I wish you all a Happy New Year."



Had A Nice Christmas

Dear Editor:

. . . I did meet Pete Hunt and we had quite a talk together. I was going to see him again, but I guess I'll have to see him someplace else.

Well, there really isn't much to write about here, but we did have a nice Christmas. But there are a lot of boys who didn't even see this Christmas. I hope we can spend our next Christmas at home.

I would like to say hello to all my friends at the G-E. I have seen quite a lot of G-E equipment in the last few weeks than before. I can say it is doing its part here.

Well, I guess this is all for now, so I'll just say so long until some other time. Till then, good luck to all at the G-E, and I hope you all enjoyed Christmas, and I wish you all a Happy New Year.

PFC Herman Lyons.

Jacob J. Belot, USN, is stationed at Fort Ord, California.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address Elmer F. Baade, WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

From Jungles Of Burma

Dear Friends:

Just a line to let you know I have moved again and to give you my new address, also to thank you again for the WORKS NEWS. It comes regular and is always welcomed, not only by myself but a lot of the other boys who really enjoy reading it.

I'm still in the jungle of Burma, only a little farther up again, and seeing more G-E equipment in use every day. I don't believe the people at home actually realize the amount of G-E equipment and the wonderful work it's doing on every front. You people are really doing your share; keep it up. I'm proud to have worked at the company and to have some of my family still there. My father and sister in Bldg. 4, a brother-in-law in Bldg. 19, a brother at Taylor Street, and before our baby was born my wife worked in Bldg. 26 with three years service.

I'm now right outside of what used to be a nice city, but today there isn't one building standing or one live Jap, and we can give most of the credit to American planes that are loaded with G-E equipment.

Thanks again for keeping the WORKS NEWS coming and remembering us while we are gone. I haven't missed a copy in the year I've been here.

I would like to say a special hello to the boys in Bldg. 10-1 and the rest of my friends all over the plant.

Sincerely,
S/Sgt. Roy E. Walker.

Dear Editor:

. . . I am still stationed down here in New Mexico, the Land of Enchantment, where we seldom have a cloudy day nor see very much of winter weather. Our training program is crowded into the twenty-four hours of each day and due to the steady weather conditions we seldom lose any time. Many fellows upon reporting here for duty are amazed that we are able to continue flying all the time, for at many of their stations back east flying has been cancelled making it hard for them to get in their flying time. Flying time to a man in the Air Forces means just that much more money to jingle in your pocket.

You people back there at G-E are really doing your part in this war effort. Keep up the good work, as I know you will. We are all pulling together to bring this costly war to a quick and lasting end.

I would appreciate any news from the gang I knew while working in Magneto and Tool Supply. . . .

Sincerely,
Cpl. Ivan R. Osterman.

PFC William Kessler is stationed in England.

On A PC Boat

Dear Editor:

Well, I have been transferred and again I find General Electric equipment as always doing their job. And it does a good job as expected. I come in contact with G-E generators, meters, tubes and many other things too numerous to mention.

I am now on a PC which compared to an SC is more comfortable to ride and live on. As you know at sea, water is precious. I now have a luxury that was impossible on an SC. I can now take a shower at sea, which is something that I am not used to as yet. But even when we are low on water, which happens after a long trip, we can take a salt water shower. A salt water shower isn't the best, but it does the job, and you are allowed to use a little fresh water to rinse off with. Aboard an SC we always had to do the best we could until we came to port, so it is quite a luxury to me.

I would like to take this chance to say to the gang in the office at the Taylor Street Plant hello and to keep up the good work. I hear that you have increased the production a good bit. Those superchargers are doing a lot in winning this war.

Well, since it is about time to hit the sack I'll have to close now.

Bernard L. Vagedes, RM 3/c

From South Pacific

Dear Editor:

No doubt this will knock you over getting this letter from me. We have been pretty busy out here and no doubt all of you are just as busy helping to get this thing over as soon as possible. I have been on this island of Oahu for 7 months now and when I leave it I hope it is for the old U. S. A. and the G. E. Company, but we still have a long fight ahead of us yet, and you back there at the G-E are doing a swell job back there of supplying us with the materials that are needed so badly out here and in the Philippines. It is now 0230. I am standing watch tonight and have a little time to get a letter out to you and the wife also. Tell the gang in Bldg. 26-2 and the rest of my friends back there hello. I think this is the first time I have written you since I made my rate of EM 3/c, so it will change my address a little. It is time to make a check-up, so I will say Aloha and keep up the good work.

One of the G-E boys,
Dick Hurst.

Somewhere in Germany.

Dear Editor:

. . . I understand the floor I used to work on is disappearing and probably gone by now. I wish to say hello to the old gang that worked in Bldg. 6-4. I would like to congratulate my old supervisor, Mr. Dennison, for his promotion he received.

The last time I wrote you I was in Holland but now another and the last one we hope. They have beaten this place up pretty bad. Everything is pretty well leveled, but who asked for it.

An old employee,
T/5 DeLoss L. Stabler.

Dear Editor:

. . . I'm particularly interested in the girls' sports since I was active in them when I worked for G-E. It also keeps me in touch with co-workers in the service. The weather down here in Miami is just like summer while you back home are freezing. While I don't see any G-E products where I am working the people I talk to do. I met a former co-worker on a bus the other day. G-E workers are really in the service. . . . Tell all I said hello.

Flora Gaff, S 2/c.

Join Quarter-Century Organization



Pictured above are new members of the Quarter-Century Club, General Electric organization composed of employees with continuous service records of twenty-five years and more. Left to right, top row, are L. W. Franke, Bldg. 19-4; Glenn McDonald, Bldg. 19-4; Neal Hench, Bldg. 4-6; Joe T. Troendly, Bldg. 26-1; and Martin Macke, Bldg. 5. Second row, Calvin Cox, Bldg. 19-4; A. J. Braun, Bldg. 4-3; A. W. Bartling, Bldg. 4-6. Third row, R. G. Gibson, Bldg. 17-1; Carl Hambrock, Bldg. 18-4; Don Voorhees, Bldg. 22; W. W. Porsch, Winter Street and Elmer Haughk, Bldg. 18-3. Fourth row, Guy D. Coon, Bldg. 6-4; Claude Fryback, Bldg. 26-1; Bert Herman, Bldg. 6-B; Lewis W. Clark, Bldg. 19-5; and Vera Fetro, Bldg. 19-5. Bottom row, Irene Stier, Bldg. 2-3; S. J. Sroufe, Bldg. 4-1; Fred B. Altekruse,

G-E President

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unescorted bombing missions over the Japanese homeland.

3. ROCKET LAUNCHERS: General Electric made the first Bazookas, or rocket launchers, for use by the Army as antitank weapons. Other rocket launchers, including folding ones for paratroopers and those used on AAF fighting planes, now also are made by General Electric.

4. X-RAYS: Portable X-ray units made by the G-E X-Ray Corporation are used by medical units throughout combat areas. Also, X-rays as high-powered as 1,000,000 volts are used to speed work in shipyards and war plants. They detect flaws in thick metal. A 2,000,000-volt machine is in operation.

5. DESTROYER ESCORTS: Speedy production of propulsion equipment for escort craft was mandatory to defeat the German submarine menace. General Electric produced the necessary number of turbine-electric systems ahead of schedule.

6. POWER FOR NAVY: More than 50 per cent of the Navy's warships are propelled by G-E built turbines.

7. TURBOSUPERCHARGERS: Turbosuperchargers make it possible for airplane engines to function efficiently at high altitude. Without them, a General Electric invention and development, high altitude aerial operations such as the AAF daylight bombing missions against German targets would have been impossible.

8. INSTRUMENTS: 280 different models of aircraft instruments are manufactured by General Electric.

9. MOTORS AND GENERATORS: G-E motors and generators by the tens of thousands serve the armed forces throughout the world. One of the motors is but 1⅝ inches in diameter. Another is 18,000 horsepower, and there is almost everything the mind can imagine in between. Generators on a single B-29 make enough electricity to supply 10 modern all-electric homes. A vast amount of electric G-E equipment also is in operation on U. S. submarines.

10. COMMUNICATIONS: G-E radio and receiving apparatus is in service on fighting fronts everywhere, in the air, on land, and on the sea.

Besides these a vast number of other products are made for the armed forces by General Electric, including an entire field of plastic products, hundreds of types of lamps, searchlights, gun control equipment, and electronic devices. In fact, one of the outstanding operations of G-E engineers in war work has been in the field of radar, but nothing in detail can be told about that now.

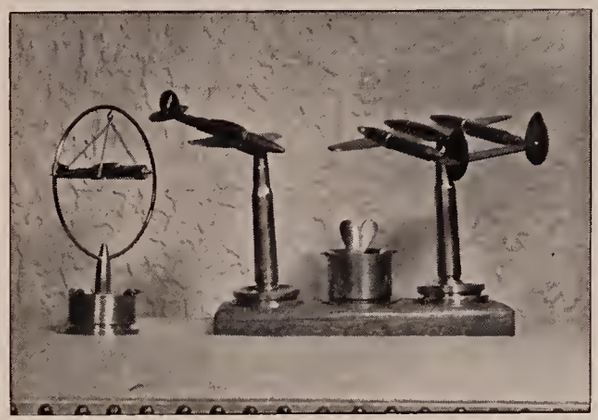
Minstrel Show

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for the singing, Jack Morrissey, who will take the part of the interlocutor, and Don W. Long, co-ordinator and master of ceremonies. Ticket sales are being handled by Merle Smith.

What you forget for a moment you may remember for a lifetime.

G-E Soldier Makes Souvenirs



The airplanes in the accompanying picture were made by Sgt. Robert Bultemeier, a former employee of Bldg. 4-4, now stationed in New Guinea. He is the son of Ernst Bultemeier of Bldg. 4-1. The plane on the right is a model of a Lockheed P-38. In the center is a Curtiss P-40, and on the left is a Republic P-47. The two planes on the right are atop .50 calibre shells and revolve. The ash trays and bases are made of 40 mm. shells and the bodies of the planes of .30 calibre shells.

Suggestors Are Awarded Six Hundred Dollars

Carl F. Spuller, Winter Street Plant, Leads List With $30.00

A $30.00 award to Carl F. Spuller of the Winter Street Plant led the list of suggestion awards this week, according to which 82 idea winners shared in the $605.00 distributed. Mr. Spuller suggested combining operations on yokes.

Three awards of $25.00 each were issued. They went to Esther S. Shannon, Bldg. 8-2, who suggested changes to tube holders on insulating machines; R. E. Morgan, Taylor Street, removing cracks from bucket wheels by grinding them; and Donald M. Scherer, Bldg. 18-5, installing deposit boxes at dark room door.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 19-5

Bobby O. Black.

Bldg. 4-2

Harold R. Mason, Richard W. Fisher, Weldon H. Hart, Virgil Bobay, Roy Blessing, Howard Barrick.

Taylor Street

Kenneth Crosbie, Orville J. Anderson, Clarence Hanefeld, William M. Jones, Luther Childers, Wallace E. Castle, Bernard C. Christie, John L. Hunicutt, Edith L. Juillerat.

Bldg. 26-4

Wayne R. Colvin, Frank N. Laier, Norman Alven Hughes, Dorothy M. Richard.

Bldg. 4-1

Clarence F. Cleveland, Walter Maurice Jordan.

Bldg. 4-6

Worden E. Lassen.

Bldg. 26-3

Mary M. Wiedman.

Bldg. 8

Robert C. McCollister, Harold Vaughn Barrick, Willis K. Deetz, Clifford Lynn Grim, Albert Streb, Manford F. Robbins, William F. Stearns, Melvin J. Bill, Harold V. Hall, Joe Hill, Wilbur W. Roth, Murray DeArmond, Harold V. Hall, Nolan D. Riley.

Bldg. 10

Harold L. Kniffen, Frank P. Martin.

Bldg. 6-2

Alva R. Smiley, Helen H. Berghorn, Harold P. McNeely, Louise Claiborne, Charles Strebig, Charlotte M. Moser, Lloyd Miller, Robert L. Klingel, Richard Conrad, Jr.

Bldg. 12

L. L. Hopkins, Russell L. LeBeau, Howard S. Montooth.

Bldg. 26-2

Hubert E. Sherlock, Nora A. Spencer.

Bldg. 4-5

Forrest R. Allman.

Kokomo

Albert Peelle, William E. Milligan, Lewis G. Luttrell, Raymond H. Artis.

Winter Street

Carl Grant Brokaw, Russell Ade, Leroy E. Miller.

Decatur

Pauline N. August, Clarence F. Drake, Joseph K. Garner, Ivan Kaehr.

Bldg. 19-4

Louis Stalf, Vernon Wyatt, Morris A. Peters, Arthur M. McNamara, John T. Clark.

Bldg. 26-B

Frederick T. McKenzie, Harry C. Ribel.

Red Cross

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home, transplanted to a foreign country. And the men flocked to the clubs like ducks to water. The London Club is a deluxe spot. We had wonderful sleeping rooms and the food there was the best I had had since I left home. The club has spacious lounges, an excellent library and there is always something going on to keep the men entertained and in good spirits. Believe me, the fellows really appreciate what the Red Cross is doing."

The Red Cross War Fund campaign will open here early in March. Employees of the Fort Wayne Works are asked to contribute generously during the drive. It will be recalled that no solicitations for the Red Cross were made during the Community-War Chest drive last October. Announcement was made at that time that a separate campaign to raise funds for the Red Cross would be held in the spring of 1945.

Television Relay Celebrates Fifth Anniversary

The television relay celebrated its fifth birthday recently with a program broadcast from Schenectady's Station WRGB and the NBC transmitter WNBT in New York. The relay, as is well known, is the apparatus which picks up television signals at a distance from the transmitting station and rebroadcasts them to an additional area in which receiving sets are located, for the range of television, unlike that of radio, is pretty much limited to the distance from the transmitter to the horizon.

The anniversary program was possible because of the General Electric relay station in the Helderberg Mountains not far from Schenectady, and it marked one of the few times when a program has been "switched" from one station to another for the second transmitter to go forward with a different part. Easy in radio, this move is difficult in television, with its synchronized sound and pictures.

Technique Managed Well

The technique was managed so well, however, on its carefully-calculated timing system, that the "switch" was made from Schenectady just as a voice over a picture title announced, "William H. Hedges, vice president in charge of station relations," and the picture and words of Mr. Hedges, broadcast from New York, worked in smoothly on the Schenectady broadcast.

The principal New York speaker was Niles Trammell, NBC president, who talked briefly on television's hopes for the future, pointing out that soon after the war's end there would be an entire network system with relays like this one and complimenting General Electric on the excellence of the relay equipment.

The program was continued from Schenectady with a short address by R. S. Peare, General Electric vice president in charge of the Advertising and Publicity Department, in which he paid tribute to the engineers whose work on the relay had made network television possible. Mr. Peare also thanked the television audience of the Schenectady region for their constructive criticisms on the various programs offered. "From your comments," he said, "we think we've learned some of the things that make good television programs and some that don't. And that information, along with the developments of television scientists and engineers, will help to make television an important factor in postwar America."

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Why does the sky seem to move at night when a person looks up while walking?

A. **It is a case of relative motion. We have a tendency to walk in a circle when not using something to guide us. Hence, it seems that it is the sky that is moving rather than us.**

Q. Does ocean water have greater density at great depths than it does on the surface?

A. **No. Water at great depths is only slightly compressed. A cubic foot of water at the bottom of the ocean weighs little more than a cubic foot of water at its surface.**

Q. Do diamonds burn?

A. **When raised to high temperatures, they burn in oxygen to form carbon dioxide.**

Q. What provisions are made for expansion and contraction when a bridge is built?

A. **Sometimes a roller is placed at one end of the bridge whcih will allow the bridge to expand. Or allowance can be made for expansion by the use of rocking posts or of steel pins. When steel pins are used, they connect the bridge together and allow it to "bulge" up in the middle when expansion occurs.**



Suggestion Committee Issues Yearly Report

S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Suggestion Committee, has issued the annual report of that committee for the year 1944. During that period of time more than 10,000 suggestions were turned in, 44.9% of which were adopted. A total of $47,792.50 was distributed during the year; the largest single award was $500.00.

Listed below are the statistics according to divisions or sections:

Division or Section	SUGGESTIONS No. of Sugg. Rec'd.	No. of Sugg. Acted Upon	Sugg. Adopted No. of	Per Cent	AWARDS Amount of Awards (In Dollars) Total Awards	Largest Award
Specialty Mtrs.	385	382	204	53.4	$1910.00	$100.00
Decatur Plant No. 2	456	475	183	38.5	2562.50	170.00
Decatur Plant No. 1	190	181	71	39.2	875.00	200.00
Magneto (8 Mo.)	94	150	71	47.3	405.00	15.00
Fr.HP 4-5	122	120	29	24.2	395.00	40.00
Fr.HP Sec. No. 13&14	1587	1685	875	65.3	6897.50	185.00
Fr.HP 4-1	416	414	141	34.1	2075.00	150.00
Fr.HP 4-2	595	628	216	34.4	1512.50	65.00
Fr.HP 4-5	905	905	374	41.3	3112.50	95.00
Fr.HP 5-2	705	713	375	62.7	3257.50	150.00
Fr.HP Sec. No. 19	459	490	255	54.3	3335.00	225.00
Fr.HP Sec No. 20	87	81	53	65.4	690.00	225.00
Motor Dev.	99	95	57	50.0	595.00	145.00
Sp. Transformer	707	593	459	56.2	5295.00	500.00
Power Drive	148	167	55	38.9	552.50	45.00
Motor & Generator	535	533	178	33.4	1797.50	375.00
Kokomo	185	242	82	35.3	670.00	75.00
Wire & Insulation	346	323	137	42.4	1585.00	300.00
Taylor Street	1223	1354	527	38.9	5252.50	350.00
General Tool	94	100	58	58.0	570.00	50.00
General Service	359	337	123	35.5	1137.50	200.00
Distribution	55	70	33	47.1	237.50	25.00
Air Con/Com. Ref.	268	279	109	39.1	1467.50	135.00
Miscellaneous	120	229	38	16.5	625.00	250.00
Total Works	10152	10537	4725	44.9	$47792.50	$500.00

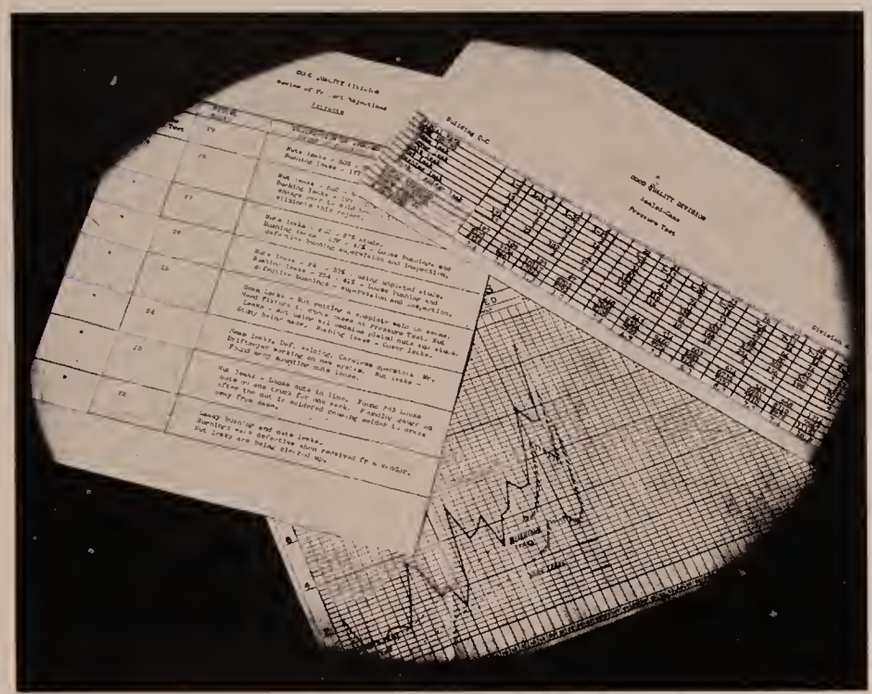
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Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

Eleanor Pequignot has recently left our department due to ill health. We will miss her gay spirit, and are wishing a speedy recovery for her. . . . A mirror is as much a part of man's get-up as it is a woman's. The large mirror in the men's smoking room is quite an attraction. Have you ever noticed Kozy trying to develop a curl in his fast fleeting hair? Or Mellinger and Shields trying to make their freshly shampooed hair stay put? Stauch and Kruse have an advantage, however, cause their bit doesn't take much oil and there isn't enough to bother with hair curlers every night. . . . Bob Dichtel was caught cutting out paper dollies the other day. Seems like the song "Paper Dolly" has some gruesome effects. . . . Cigarettes are getting scarcer than hen's teeth. A lot of the fellows are smoking the pipe. Some are trying to roll their own. Most peculiar pipe is owned by Shields, but he sez the smoke is heavenly; however, if you can't find him inspect the smoking area, fan away the smoke screen and there'll be Shields. . . . We saw Lacey Hearn one morning. He was disgusted and depressed. You see he'd lost two coat buttons when he got caught in a street car jam on his way to work. . . . Paul Redmerski sings at his work like he was enjoying himself. Dick Siedel gives out with a few bars of music(?) now and then too. Boy, if those two ever get together we will all need ear muifs, and not because of the cold either. . . . The gang felt so sorry for poor Harry Klinger because he needed a haircut so they all got together and donated the money out of their hard earned checks just so Harry could get his ears set up. Now the question is—will he or will he not get it cut. . . . We have a new angle on the story of Larry Reed and the chair that wouldn't hold him. Seems that he has been picking up weight lately and some lunches in his section are missing, then the chair breaks. You know there must be a connection somewhere. . . . Why doesn't Virgil want any more of Ben's biscuits? Maybe the drinking fountain is too far away. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Arthur Nord in his recent sorrow. . . . Saturday was Polly Coffield's bad day. First she traded coats with Ruth Thurer and then she forgot her badge. . . . The winding section lost its minor last week. Eula Chaney jumped from the minor stage to the ripe old age of 18 last week. Happy birthday. . . . The girls in Bldg. 17-4 enjoyed a two hour sleigh ride party last Friday night through Foster Park and beautiful residential sections of Southwood Park. Mr. Langohr was very disappointed because he had prepared hot coffee and doughnuts for the party but the horses were so anxious to go the driver could not hold them. The reason the horses had so much pep was because Betty Billman was riding one and Polly Coffield the other. Both girls are good bareback riders. Other events were eating popcorn, potato chips and frozen apples. That coffee sure would have tasted good, Cal. Sorry we missed it. Special guests were Valette Irwin's Aunt Edna and Betty Gushwa's girl friend Audry Stevenson and also Phyliss Gant and Helen Welborn. . . . Some of the better skaters on our second trick are the following: Cora Jane Eminhiser, James Kelley, Jim Young, Gertrude Mailand, Dorothy Holt, now recuperating after an accident. Mark Gotsch and Jim Young are getting old for they must rest at intervals. They aren't quite so fast as their colleagues. . . . How could we get along without letting you in on Wilbur Krebs' private life? His wife says he is a swell housekeeper and a good mopper. . . . A familiar sound nowadays is to hear Virgil Kimes and that same Wilbur Krebs arguing about their automobiles and bragging as to which one is best. We don't own one so we can't converse on the subject. . . . Jesse Ebersol doesn't take his rod and reel for a spin any more. He says "No gas, no car and no walk." We sure miss those ice fishing stories. . . . Bob McCoy has just gone into business in his home town. Some day when you're driving down U.S. 24 west drop in and swap with him. See Bob to learn more about this secret business and his wonderful bargains. . . . Our basketball team is still winning. Keep it up, gang. We understand Ralph Thomas throws a few baskets now and then. . . . We will sign off for now until next week. That's all folks.

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Returns To States

Cpl. John Winston Disser, Taylor Street, who has been a prisoner of war of Germany for 14 months, will arrive in the United States aboard the Gripsholm and upon arrival will be confined to the General Hospital, Staten Island. He entered the Army in February, 1943, and served in the infantry under Gen. Mark Clark. Suffering from a leg injury, Corporal Disser was hospitalized in the prison camp.

Vegetables are peeled by an electrical machine with a food waste of only six pounds per bushel. The loss in hand peeling is 15 pounds.

MAIN OFFICE
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Two girls that can be seen at Bell's skating rink quite regularly are Phyllis Thompson, Bldg. 18-3, and Eileen Wolf, Bldg. 18-5. From all reports, skating is an excellent sport. . . . Seems as tho' one of our "flock" has "flewd the coop" again. Agnes Wefel, Bldg. 18-5, is on her way to Sunny California with her husband. . . . Ask Shirley Seward, Data Bureau, where she got that gweat big hole in her skirt. My, you certainly do grow big moths at your house, don't you? . . . Mable Link, Data Bureau, sure does look nice in that pinkish, roseish, peach—you name it—sweater of hers. It goes wonderful with her satin smooth complexion, and we're not kidding. . . . Olive Smith, Bldg. 18-5, has attached a label to her so-called "shears." Anyone interested please contact her. . . . Something to hear is Forrest Leichty, Bldg. 18-3, imitating a girl singing, "Where Did Robinson Crusoe Go With Friday on Saturday Night." . . . This week our welcome mat is put out for Karl Floering who is a new member of Bldg. 18-3. . . . Luther Meyer is leaving our midst to work in Bldg. 6-4. . . . As the last guests made their appearance at the Employment Office Girls' party, all the boots of the early-comers were neatly lined up by the door of Norma Jean Carr's house. The girls were playing cards, a different game at each table. The little house rocked from side to side in Latin tempo as the conga line progressed from room to room. Then the jitterbugs went into action, which increased the appetites of the dancers until they shouted for joy when the fragrant aroma of toasted cheese sandwiches and coffee floated from the kitchen. The row of boots in the hall disappeared, the bright lights blinked off at each window, and the little house on Columbia nestled down for the night.

A surprise potluck was held on 4-3 Thursday night in honor of Martha Post. A gorgeous set of dishes was presented to her as a wedding gift from the floor and a lunch cloth from the Birthday Club. Also, Esther O'Connell was presented a beautiful pair of ear rings as gift from the Birthday Club. She is leaving the company. Good luck, Martha and Esther.

Ann Coleman, of Bldg. 4-3 mechanical inspection, has been having nightmares lately and no wonder. Her husband has informed her of a package he has sent her from the South Pacific. Nothing other than a Jap head. She has been trying to find someone willing to open and move contents when it arrives. Betty Boldt has agreed to oblige.

Ditties —
FROM DISTRIBUTION

What better way to begin this week, than to welcome two more newcomers. So here's a hearty welcome to Marie Renz and Marjorie Meyers. . . . More things are arriving daily from overseas; this time it's a collection of sea shells belonging to Rosy Broxon. They came from the South Pacific. . . . Wednesday was Dutch's birthday; it came complete with cake and everything. We're late again but happy birthday, Dutch. . . . Joanette Hemminger is still up in the clouds, and who can blame her! . . . Naomi Sanders has left us to be with her husband in Indianapolis. . . . Betty Yoder was sporting a very smart new pin the other day. . . . Ginny Miller's pretty new fushia sweater brought loads of compliments, so Mr. Walda decided to draw some attention with his new bow tie. And he did too. . . . Eileen Bubb insists that her slacks do not look like pajamas. Besides who ever heard of brown corduroy pajamas—right, Eileen! . . . Have you ever had your picture snapped on the street? And did you send in the quarter? Well, it's well worth the effort, says Doris McAdams, especially if it was taken in Chicago. . . . That's all for this time.

We'uns

MOTOR-GENERATOR
Static —

Special notice to tobacco chewers: If you want to stop this habit, see Ora Martin. He has a special, guaranteed method. For refcrences, see Virgil Carmean. He has had the treatment and claims it to be very effective. Ora will give special rates to anyone requiring more than one treatment. . . . Not a little excitement was caused in Bldg. 19-1 test office the other morning when Mae Scheele decided to sit suddenly and firmly on the floor under the coat rack. Mae says she had nothing more than coffee for breakfast, either. . . . In these times of emergency one may be called in to work at any time during the day or night. But a couple members of the paint shop decided recently to overdo the matter. First, Marcella (Pinky) Nies got up, shut off the alarm, got breakfast, called her father, and was eating breakfast when they discovered it to be only 1:30 A. M. Then Fred Seip, the genial boss, not to be outdone by any of his group, and being without an alarm clock, connected his electric stove clock to his radio and coffee maker. He arises to the tune of a breakfast band and finds his coffee ready by the time he gets downstairs. On this particular morning he heard the announcer say, "It is now 7 A. M." Thinking he was already late, he hurried to work, only to find he arrived an hour early, the announcer having given eastern time. So don't anybody try to get ahead of this paint shop gang. When goofier things are done, they will do them. . . . If you might be wondering why Biga John's wagon was seen coming down the street the other day seemingly without a driver, you may now rest assured he was there. Where? Down under, and he still was hanging on the handle. Want to be careful, John; the ice is tricky ole stuff.

More people were killed from burns in their homes than were killed in all railroad accidents in the United States last year, says the National Safety Council.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Alice Weller, of the FHP Motor Sales Division, left us last Saturday to attend International Business College. We are sorry to see you go, Alice, and we wish you the best of luck in your new venture. . . . It must be that the girls of the Development Section like to eat, judging from all the good things that appeared at their recent potluck luncheon. . . . Ray Jones was returning from New York on the Broadway Limited and, being unable to obtain a pullman, he decided to "sit out" the journey, but, by the time he reached Harrisburg it didn't seem like such a good idea. He then got off the train and waited two hours for the Manhattan, hoping to get a berth for the rest of the trip, but no such luck. So Ray was two hours later getting home, not to mention two hours more tired than he had been. . . . Irene Dro is rather slow waking up on Monday mornings. She was on the street car half way to work one morning when she woke up and found she had been riding on last week's pass. You might try getting to bed a little earlier, Irene. . . . Lois Biggs was not to be outdone, for when Beth Draker suddenly went to the hospital for an appendicitis operation, Lois soon followed suit. Both girls are now recuperating, Beth in the Lutheran Hospital and Lois in the St. Joseph Hospital. Here's hoping they are both back to work soon, for we are going to miss these two. . . . We are wondering if Roy Young found words to adequately express his feelings the other day when his brief case caught in the elevator door. Roy managed to get in but the brief case didn't quite make it, and it folded up just like an accordion. . . . Congratulations to John Reuille, who will be married tomorrow morning to Lily Schnieders, at 9:30 o'clock in Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church. . . . We regret very much to say goodbye to Betty Pomeroy, who has been a member of our D. C. Section for some time. Best wishes, Betty, in whatever you do. . . . The Belmont Flagship was the scene of a gala dinner last Friday evening. Those attending were Mary Alice Caley, Almeda Miller, Phyllis Bertsch, Irene Dro, Connie Quinn, May Arnold and Margaret Christle.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

The story told by Herman Uhrick after going ice fishing inspired the following ode:

Here lies Herman's little fish,
Now wouldn't that make a tasty dish.
And if you think this fish smells bad,
You should hear his story—it's really sad.

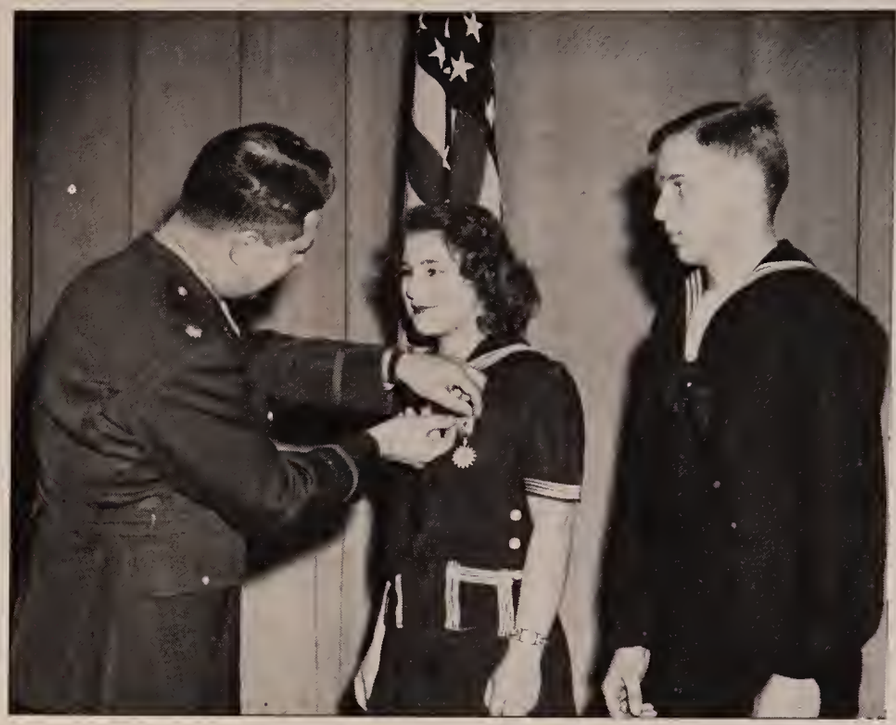
He caught, says he, eighteen or more,
(A week from now it'll be twenty-four),
What he used for bait—he ain't tellin'
Boy—oh boy—is that fish story smellin'.

Dark glasses seem to be a fad around here. Now it's Joe Trentadue. The boys in the office even fitted him out with a tin cup and he was doing right well when the owner of the cup showed up, and he had to return it. . . . Viola Wyss still finds these "white pennies" confusing. The girl on the candy wagon refuses to accept them as dimes. . . . Don Gentis and Joe Vesey spent a lot of time on brain-work and labor to put a lock on the middle drawer of their desk; now if anyone wants in the desk all he has to do is pull the top drawer out, reach in the middle drawer and get what he's after.

RED CROSS CLUBMOBILES

The American Red Cross has 200 clubmobiles in operation. Of these, 39 are cinemobiles, which bring movies and music to our fighting men in the field.

Posthumous Award To Former Employee



Official Photo Army Air Forces Baer Field

In the above photograph are shown Major Lon R. Kavanaugh making an award to Wava L. Miller sister of Flight Officer Clarence F. Miller who was killed in action during a masthead height attack against enemy shipping at Rabaul, New Britain, in November of 1943. Looking on is Flight Officer Miller's brother Glen Miller, Jr.

Flight Officer Clarence F. Miller, a former apprentice machinist in the tool shop at the Fort Wayne General Electric Plant, has been posthumously awarded the Air Medal and one Oak Leaf Cluster. A B-25 Mitchell Medium Bomber pilot, Flight Officer Miller was killed in action during a masthead height attack against enemy shipping at Rabaul, New Britain, in November of 1943.

In the accompanying photograph, Miss Wava L. Miller of LaGrange, Ind., sister of Flight Officer Miller, is pictured receiving the award from Major Lon R. Kavanaugh, Director of Personnel and Administration at Baer Field, Troop Carrier Command air base, at a ceremony held at the Kendallville, Ind., High School Auditorium.

The citation read by Major Moses C. Jones also of Baer Field praised this flight officer "for meritorious achievement while participating in an aerial flight near Salamaua, New Guinea on June 30, 1943. His aircraft was one of 35 on a bombing and strafing mission to provide protection for Allied ground forces, but due to bad weather 31 planes were forced to abandon the mission, and only one flight of four planes, including Flight Officer Miller's, continued on through heavy rain squalls to bomb the target area from dangerously low altitude and encountered heavy anti-aircraft fire while releasing its bomb load of eight 300-pound bombs on the target. Because of this timely bombardment the Allied ground forces were able to proceed as planned and captured enemy positions."

On his ill-fated mission, Flight Officer Miller was co-pilot of a B-25 engaged in a coordinated strike against Rabaul, regarded at the time as the strongest Japanese base in the Southwest Pacific area. Arriving over the target, the anti-aircraft fire encountered was terrific, but a bombing run was pressed home at masthead height against enemy shipping.

Two direct hits were sustained, causing extreme damage and making it necessary to feather one engine. Due to the loss of gas, a crash landing became inevitable. This action cost Flight Officer Miller his life. His courage and devotion to duty contributed to the success of this important mission, in which a total of 50,000 tons of shipping was destroyed, three destroyers sunk and two cruisers and considerable shipping damaged.

The son of Mr. Glen Miller, Sr., of LaGrange, Flight Officer Miller was a graduate of Mongo High School and was employed by the General Electric Co. before his induction into the service in February of 1941.

He received his flight training at Kelly Field, Chanute Field, Luke Field, and received his wings at Ellington Field, Texas. Before going overseas in May of 1943 he was stationed at Greenville, S. C.

Attending the ceremony at Kendallville were Flight Officer Miller's father, Glen Miller, Sr., and a brother, Glen Miller, Jr., apprentice seaman, home on leave from Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Kindling Orders

Orders for kindling are now being taken at the Employees' Store, Bldg. 10-2. Store hours 12-4, Monday through Friday.

H. R. Shepherd

Scientists have created an induction electron accelerator that whirls electrons at almost five times the speed of light. This is a million-volt accelerator. Its use still is being explored, but it is expected to open vast new fields of electronic progress.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Virg Best has been reported to have used his outboard motor as a snow and ice plow. How about it, Virg? Does it really work? . . . Have you noticed Ann Haredy's new red blouse with wings on it? . . . Bill Loader leaves the automatics to go on the hand machines. 71's loss is 72's gain. Good luck, Bill. . . . Ann West and Dortha Swaim have left the second trick to go on days. We sure will miss their cheery dispositions. . . . A warning to Joe Eifrid! The boys went fishing again, so watch out for "dog" instead of pike. . . . Rex Whitcomb would like every one to know that on his truck he will handle only first class meat (no utility beef). . . . Our deepest sympathy goes to Bud Ulrich in the recent loss of his father. . . . You've really missed something if you didn't see Elmer Morning's dancing demonstration. . . . Bob Davison quit smoking and Bill Krauth smokes a cob pipe. Why? No cigarettes. . . . Eve Hiatt left the Brown and Sharp section to fill her old chair in inspection. Ferne Bermes ably replaces her, but after 17 months the gang misses "little Evie."

Now, nearly everyone working in 17-1
Has a brother, or sister, or maybe a son
Out there fighting, all hours of the day.
"God bring them back safely
To us," we all pray.

A research worker made an electrical recording of the rattle of a rattlesnake, finding that it made 75 "decibels" of noise.

Farmers using electric power find that milk can be cooled at 9½ cents per 100 pounds, as against 40½ cents by ice.

Before China's modern telephone system was installed, the service was so slow that it took twenty minutes to complete each call.

Knowledge plus caution equals Safety.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

Our servicemen again rate first place in the news. We had three visitors this week: AMM 3/c John Snyder, stationed at Ottumwa, Iowa, Naval Air Station; Pvt. Skinny Mosshammer, Mt. Rainier Ordnance Depot, Tacoma, Washington; and Tommy Toor, who is stationed at Great Lakes. We're always glad to have our fellows home. . . . Walter Pook is very discouraged since someone borrowed his calendar. Cheer up, Walter! . . . Johnny Moulton wishes for a clock that he can see so he can tell when it is 2:30 instead of 3:30. . . . Cloyd Eloph had his share of trouble last week. His grandfather died and his wife underwent an appendectomy the next day. She is getting along fine, we're glad to report. . . . Marie Hilton is wearing a new diamond on the important finger.

Is Zat So?

The latest in dust caps—factory style—is being modeled by Ernie Riley. . . We were all happy to hear that Walter Scherschel had a streak of good luck. Walt was so excited he couldn't believe it was true. He hasn't let his good furtune keep him from his war job but has been in there "pitching" every day. That's the kind of people we like to see Dame Fortune smile upon. Congratulations, Walt! . . . Did you read the letter from Bob Mobberly published on last week's News from the Services page? We hear that Bob is back in the States and is recuperating at Kennedy General Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee. . . . We were happy to hear from so many of our servicemen this week. Letters were received from Harley Bottorf, Navy; Bob Stinerock, Navy; and Bob August, Army. Two of our Navy men, Joe Kesterson and Jim Crill, were welcome visitors. . . . Kenny Dwyer had a little difficulty with his alarm clock but managed to get to work about an hour late. Kenny says he wanted to see how it feels to come to work in daylight. How was it, Kenny? . . . Congratulations are in order for Paul Meyers, who this week completed thirty-two years' service with General Electric and is still going strong. Paul is set-up man on the Brown and Sharpes on second trick. . . . One of our oldest co-workers adds another year to his record on February 6 when he will be seventy-eight years old. You probably haven't guessed, but it is none other than our very active Clinton Stove. Best wishes for many more happy birthdays, Mr. Stove. Other birthday celebrants are Ilo Bell, Frank Austin, Jules Cochoit, Jeannie Fowler, Evelyn Kies, Miles brunner, Maxine Maxon, Robert Fenton, Robert Mathias, Harce Harmon, and Evaline Pattee. . . . Roy Donelson is on the sick list. We miss his ready smile and wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Ann West is a new addition to the first shifters. Ann has worked nights for so long that she says she feels as though she is walking in her sleep.

The page-boy passed through the lounge of the exclusive hotel.

"Young man," remonstrated the manager, sternly, "you should know that it is against the rules of this hotel for an employe to whistle while on duty."

"I'm not whistling, sir," replied the boy. "I'm paging somebody's dog."

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

The Gecode Club February party "For Dad's Sake" will be held at the K. P. Hall on Wednesday, February 21, at 6:00 o'clock. Members are asked to take note of the change in place and date. . . . Koonsie Hoffman thought she would take advantage of the ice at Baer Field and fall for a good looking officer, and she did fall, and two officers were coming to her aid when Betty Bower and Nondus Snyder picked her up. What a disappointment! Anyway the G-E girls gave the Wacs a good trouncing by defeating them 35 to 5. . . . Donna and Betty Medaugh and Mina Lampy were overnight guests of Nondus Snyder and Opal McCoy recently. They attended the Bluffton-Berne basketball game and then came home and snuggled three in a bed so that they could keep warm. . . . Newcomers to Dept. 5-56 are: Wilma Minx, Mary Whitaker, Zula Holloway and Ella Dellinger. Welcome, girls. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Brecht on the arrival of a son, born Monday, January 22. Mrs. Brecht was formerly Margaret Hancher and worked in Plant No. 1. John is a Plant No. 2 employee. . . . Clarence August fell on the ice recently and is suffering from a broken ankle. . . . Dept. 5-51 have on their sick list Romayne Eady and Viola Geiger. . . . The midnight maple splitters league were on the beam when the Thunderbolts clashed with the Commandos and took two out of three games from the same. Speaking of hot stuff, each one of Jake's understudies was fearly sizzling, including himself—Slim and Jake both bowling over 200. The Blue Streaks defeated Stult's Fireballs two out of three in a hard-fought contest which for a while nearly resembled a track meet. . . . . Al Norris is back with us again after being absent several weeks on account of sickness. . . . Cal Amick is also back with us after having an operation. . . . Speaking of bowling, why don't the young ladies who bowl on Monday night announce the results? . . . Virginia Dellinger sure wished that she had her skis last week when she had to walk home through the snow after getting drifted. . . . Our Nokomos of Maintenance, Dick Schafer, has been appointed one of Stult's stooges. Congrats. . . . Happy birthday and best wishes to Anne Murtaugh, whose birthday occurred January 30. . . . Gene Melchi is proudly displaying an official United States Marine Corps picture of his son, Cpl. Eugene Melchi, Jr., at his station aboard his ship. Cpl. Melchi is a machine gunner and was in twelve engagements in a ninety-day period up to Nov. 20, 1944. . . . Pvt. Eugene Loshe, son of John Loshe, is stationed at Camp Wolters,Texas, where he is taking training the infantry. . . . Pvt. Jack Garner of Camp Hood, Texas, was a visitor at our plant recently. . . . "Butch" Scheimann of the U. S. Navy has returned to Great Lakes after a ten-day leave which he spent in Decatur. . . . We have received word that John A. Baumann is now at the Naval Training Station in Newport, Rhode Island. . . . PFC Harold E. August recently was awarded a division citation for exceptionally meritorious conduct. He is serving with the Fifth Army front in Italy. . . . PFC Donald Hoffman writes from England: "Some time ago I received a very nice Christmas package from your club and in this manner I wish to express my sincere thanks. It makes a guy feel swell to know that his friends at home are thinking of him. Your club is doing a great job of building up morale. I receive the WORKS NEWS regularly and look forward to each issue to see what is going on at the G-E. Although the snow didn't arrive in time for a white Christmas, we have plenty of it now. I would like to say hello to all the old gang and wish I could drop in and see them all. In closing, I wish to thank you again for the Christmas package and hope that '45 will bring us Victory. . . . We also heard from S/Sgt. Bob Keller last week: "As the news travels quite fast nowadays, you no doubt know that I'm now stationed in the Philippines and am making out fairly well under conditions. After being in the wilds of New Guinea for so long, it was darn hard for me to get accustomed to the rules and regulations of civilized life and people, but after being here for a few days, I feel as though I'm fairly well educated, yes, again. From what I've seen of the Philippines thus far, I can't complain, although I will say that the States are still tops. The people here are very friendly and obliging. It's indeed a pleasure to see how happy they are today, after knowing what they have gone through while under Jap occupation. Since being here I've gone through a lot of this and that and in due time I hope to be in a position so that I can tell you all of my many experiences in person. Am receiving your WORKS NEWS regularly and enjoy it a lot. Although I havn't been an employee of the General Electric for a number of years, my admiration for it will never die. I know exactly what their products are doing. Give all my best regards, and happiness to you all in this the New Year."

Today and every working day of the year, 17 more American working men have unnecessarily lost the sight of one or both eyes as the result of occupational hazards, according to the National Safety Council.

The first clock run by household electricity and regulated by controlled current impulses from a powerhouse was invented in 1916.

It's Our Fault



IF THEY ARE GUILTY OF UNSAFE ACTS—WE TELL THEM WHAT TO DO AND HOW TO DO IT. Judging from our dispensary records we are not very considerate of them. A study of 44,000 injuries occurring during the first 9 months of 1944 revealed that 26,000, or over 50%, occurred to the fingers.

FINGER AMPUTATIONS resulted from some of these injuries and the UNSAFE ACT was the greatest cause. Guards are important "to make it easier to avoid hand injuries," but they are not a substitute for carefulness. Two finger amputations occurred in 1944 where the machine operator "reached under the guard."

Jack Leedy, Secretary of the Safety Committee in the Motor-Generator Division, in above picture is emphasizing what we can do about it. The number of lost-time accidents in this division was reduced from 40 (frequency 10.63) in 1943 to 14 (frequency 4.56) in 1944. 7 OF THE 14 WERE FINGER INJURIES.

The 1945 Safety Committee in the Motor-Generator Division is as follows: C. L. Johnson, General Chairman; C. W. Hale, Chairman and Secretary 2nd and 3rd shifts; N. O. Leedy, General Secretary; Geo. Golden, Emile Fagg, Geo. Prince, Geo. Buelow, Clyde Enslen, Lloyd Grider, Wm. Weimer, Myron Cole, Albert Johnson, Monte Kelsey, Carlton Peters, Osmer Eix, Ruth Baumgartner, John Kokosa, Gerald Kummer, Richard Hathaway, Robert Voltz, Fred Sebring, Clyde Dafforn, John Hoppe, Herman Kuhn, Harold Pranger, Leo Christle, Chas. Tharp, Ronald McCurdy, Benjamin Minton, Robert Heinzelmann, Walter McCormick, Herman Sexton, Howard Fansler, Art Stute, Ray Jacobs, Lloyd Johnson, Paul Stiver, Randall Carlson, Gerald Plummer, Christ Doehrman, Chas. M. Frank, Stanley Shirey, Wm. McGregor, Rolland Braun, Don Murphy, and Francis McBride.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

26-5 TOOL BITS

John Hensler is running a bargain counter at the Tool Crib for himself. Last week he bought a shiny blue (3-year-old) tie from Dick Meier right off the old neck for thirty cents. Dick says his wife was planning on putting it in the fire anyway. . . . Why has Chick Abbott shelved his fancy Christmas briar pipe and fired up his old corncob again? . . . B. B. Byanskie reports snowdrifts twice as high as the car on his fishing trip last Sunday. Even with these hazards Bernie came back with his limit in bluegills. . . . We wish to extend our sympathies to Al DeVaux on account of the piano, with the broken soundboard, which he purchased recently; but we would like to suggest that he use the cabinet for a dog house for his dog and her new puppies. He also might, by some ingenious method, use the strings for an automatic oiler and back scratcher for his pigs. . . . Is John Vaupel "Slicker" or "Sucker"? The other day he came in with a package of his favorite pipe tobacco and, although it is so hard to get, he re-sold it to an unsuspecting smoker or "Sucker" who found this notation in plain print on the package: "Complimentary package—not to be sold." Now who is the "Slicker" and who is the "Sucker"? Johnnie says he hadn't seen the notation, or had he? . . . The boys all wish Gus Wiedelman a happy trip through the new state he started Monday, namely, matrimony. . . . After bowling last Thursday, Ross Vaughn was about ready to sing, "All or nothing at all." Didn't that have something to do with the foul line, Ross? . . . Lowell Welker proudly announced that mother and son (Danny) were doing very nicely. You see, as of January 21, the Welkers have a "brand new heir." Our congratulations. . . . Arnold Korte is back to work again feeling fine. . . . Our little sunbeam Groggins has a very flashy pair of pants that Chet Reynolds talked him into getting.

Turret Tattles

"Tiny" Wright has taken unto himself a bride. The lucky young lady, Kathleen Hartley, by name, is the "Hello Girl" at the local telephone exchange in "Tiny's" home town Uniondale, Wells County, Indiana, U.S.A. Congrats, Tiny, to you and the new bride. . . . The ice fishermen of Bldg. 27-G have a couple of devotees who will go to any length to indulge in their favorite sport. The latest fishin' expedition we've heard of takes three of these frigid Izaak Waltons to a northern lake for a day, burns out the car's motor on the way home and the three fishermen divide the THREE fish evenly. Some fun, eh kid? . . . Has anyone seen a tool holder that belongs to Benny Patton? Benny has spent several busy evenings trying to find the right tool holder but so far without success. . . . We'd never noticed that "Dorny" and Williams of the center aisle looked so much alike 'til a newcomer asked if they were brothers. Tsch! Tsch! . . . Jack Kennedy, finding a legitimate halo hard to acquire, has manufactured his own. Lil' clumsy, but it shows up. . . . Sam Baumgartner has always been our idea of a "man's man." But after noting the manner in which he wields a broom when sweepin' out the office on occasion, we are inclined to believe there has been some "home work" during his education. . . . If at any time you become confused at the multiplicity of handles on the machines, ask ye reporter down for a short confab, mention the right combination of argumentive gossip, and presto! Less handles to work with. We always punctuate each sentence with a new handle. And a Glorious Fourth of July to all of you!

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Another week—another scoop—at least, that's what we call it. Jane Brinkman, lucky girl, is the proud wearer of a beautiful wrist watch. . . . The Carl Webers have blessed evented again with another girl, Carolyn Sue. Congratulations to the proud parents. . . . Betty Kirke celebrated her last day at the office, last Wednesday, with a birthday. The girls—June Crum, Audrey Lyman, Betty Bahr, Donna Jean Cowan—entertained her with a party. Jack Schutz made a fine chauffeur, "Home, James." Betty is planning to be with her husband the next few months, when he gets his new assignment. Good luck, kids. . . . Nels Richey is highly charged—undoubtedly since his new position—he has had to ground his chair. . . . "Mammy Yokum," as impersonated by Barbara Brower is in character with a pipe and all. . . . Tom Harmes has been assigned to another production line—Luminous Tube Transformers. . . . Joe Hammitt will be working with Johnny Neiman soon and Jack Shaw, a former service man of the Navy, is taking Joe's place. Welcome to the crowd, Jack. . . . Ruth Bittler has been among the absent for sometime now, due to an illness. Here's hoping you'll be up and at 'em soon, Ruth. . . . L. M. Garman has resorted to a pipe. Well, at least he's trying; if the old adage, where there's a will there's a way, holds true, Lynn may be a pipe smoker yet. Good things do come to those who wait. . . . Joan Bobay is all aglow and you can guess the reason—that's right, her fiance is back in the states and the wedding bells will soon be ringing. . . . Even brothers get home, as has Lois Danehy's brother James. . . . Bill Shuler—that's the man with a rather sick look. Why? He is rolling his own cigarettes these days and the results are a sad sight. . . . We want to wish Roger Martin much good luck on his new position in the Electrical Engineering Office in Los Angeles. . . . A fine way to start the week, Dusty Rhodes, forgetting your badge, keys, stop watch. . . . Eileen Schulien's engagement to Norman Burns, of the Winter Street plant, was officially announced Saturday evening. Lovely picture in the paper, Eileen, but then why shouldn't it be! . . . If you are looking for Carl Stout he may be found in the Sample room in Bldg. 26-2, as of this last Monday morning. Not too far away for us to keep tab on him. . . . Hank Lantz received a letter from "Lucky" Myers this past week. Lucky is stationed in Camp Bowie, Texas. Understand there's lots of mud deep in the heart of Texas and something evidently happened to that wonderful Texas weather. . . . 1-2-3-Testing and there was Chuck Graham reading and emoting so beautifully, with no audience to appreciate it. . . . Poor Dottie Leininger had a session with the dentist last week—funny what nightmares one can have when under the influence of gas. . . . Harold Pritchard is now our wandering boy; wandered all over New York last week when he attended the IRE meeting in the big city. . . . Well, that about covers the news from where I stand.

Taylor Street Minstrel Tomorrow And Sunday





When the Taylor Street Victory Troupers put on their minstrel show tomorrow and Sunday, the two acts pictured above will be part of the program. The trio of heralds consists of Maxine Woodcox, Ruth Penrod, and Connie Filus. The "girls" with the glamorous hair dos—Dick Mosier, Max Crosley, and Max Miller—will present a comedy act.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Fire Department

Fire Department's newly elected officers are president, Russell L. Poorman; vice president, Gerald Roehling; secretary and treasurer, Walter Sommers; board of directors, James Weikert, Ed. Lantz, J. McGowen. . . . With his "pennies from heaven" Lloyd Somers, our second trick fire inspector, bought a $1,000 bond. . . . That little fire bug must have stung Smokey the other day, because he complained about his leg hurting him—at least there was no other explanation for his complaint. Too bad, Smokey.

Impeller

Bob Kinnaman is proudly displaying some Hawaiian money which his nephew, Alfred Hetzel, who is home on leave from Navy duty, gave him. It is the first time Alfred has been on land for the past seventeen months. Bob also says he recommended the G-E equipment which they had on their ship very highly. . . . We were all very sorry to hear of George Pribbernow's injury and hope he will be back with us again soon. . . . Marguerite Erdly says it is queer how a little sunshine will affect some people. Rollin Anselman has been buzzing around like a bee ever since the sun came out. Can't be spring fever already, can it? . . . Faye Woodworth has the bowling fever. She joined the "Lucky Five" team. The girls are very glad to have you, Faye. . . . We received a letter from Blackie Guenin this week. He's a sailor now in Uncle Sam's navy and is training at Great Lakes. He wants all of us to write—s—o why don't we drop him a line? . . . What's this we hear about Katie Caudill getting her fortune told. We hope it comes true. . . Anita Forrest has been ill for several days. We miss you, Anita, and hope that you are back with us soon. . . . We hear Ray Grotrian has a new farm—sounds all right Ray. . . . It seems rather odd—could it be that Bernie Gausepohl and Bob Bennett wanted their names in the WORKS NEWS too. The day after Danny McGrath had his name in the WORKS NEWS for his new hair cut both Bernie and Bob came in with new ones too. Could be? . . . Birthday greetings are in order for Edith Miller and Ardella McConnell on second trick—a little late girls, but still we wish you many more. . . . Ralph Roland is on the sick list. Hope to see you soon, Ralph. . . . Wendell Poffenberger, one of our former co-workers, was a visitor recently. He is in the Navy and stationed in Texas.

Tool Room

Adrian Libbing must be president of the "Early Risers" club. He arrived at 5:45 the other A.M. just one hour and 3 minutes early. . . . The Leonard Gearhart car pool got lost and stuck on a "shortcut" just a mile and a half from their home in Huntington. Lloyd Fluke claims he wasn't driving so it wasn't he that got lost. Seems funny a person out pushing the car out of snow drifts is not awake enough to know when he is lost. The other boys, Hayden Rice and Bill Van Holten, also must have been sleeping rather soundly. . . . Stanley Warner was surprised to see his car had disappeared from the original position the other day. Seems he parked, unintentionally of course, in the wrong area. . . The grinders are a bit sorry about letting Frank Lebrecht's team take their name. The Lebrecht bowlers are really dragging that name into the depths. They spotted a number of pins recently to the poorly (then) rated Tool Room five and then proceeded to take a sound trouncing from them. . . . We hear Al Wappes is a new proud papa. Better ask him for details though, as our day gang doesn't seem to know much about it.

Receiving And Shipping

Shipping and Receiving at Taylor Street is very glad to again make its appearance in this issue. . . . Herb Wilding is responsible for this column. He needs no introduction to any of the G-E sections. We know that he will put as much effort into this as he does into all of his numerous duties. We of Shipping and Receiving are glad to cooperate with Herb in this new venture. . . . Now that we have our state taxes paid we will again contribute our share of news. Many changes have taken place since we have had news in the paper. . . . Wayne Shirk of the dock crew has been transferred to Broadway. He likes the change and we all wish him well. Don Bowman of the Receiving Inspection has left to take up his job as a salesman for a Columbus, Ohio, firm. Ted Essex of the Aluminum Parts was transferred to fill his place. We all like Ted, and he likes his work. Joyce Inks of the Receiving Inspection has also been transferred to Broadway. We miss Joyce but know she will be well liked at her new job. Adaline Muzzalio and Ruth Penrod have also been added to the Receiving Inspection department. We are glad to have them in our midst and hope they like their work. Two new men have been added to the Oil House crew, Hobart Friend and Cletus Kyle. They both are good men and much needed in that department. Mrs. J. Lord of the Receiving Inspection department is now helping the girls in the bucket department of the Rotor Section. . . . There has been a safety guard rail installed back of the stamping rack which is a very good precaution and a suggestion entered by Jim Stoiche. . . . At last one of our employees has got his name in the suggestion list with Brownie, that is Jim Stoiche; send in your suggestion—let's more of us get on the list. . . . Frank Fast and wife have received word that their oldest son Kenneth will receive a medical discharge from the navy. He is now in Chelsea, Massachusetts, in the Naval hospital. He is troubled with sinus ailments, caused by tropical weather and salt water. Frank's two other sons are still in service, one in France, the other somewhere in the Pacific.

Quiz Questions

How many times during a winter does Cliff Wolfe's chimney blow down? . . . If you wish to watch a real bowler go to the G-E Club when Stoiche is in action. . . . We had a fair visitor last week, Marjorie Wemeyer of the WAVES. . . . Our loss in the Oil House of Melvin (Dub) Williamson is the Small Motor Department, Broadway's, gain. Good luck, "Dub," and watch out for those wild women. . . . Wanted, a non-collapsible bench for the smoking area. . . . The Shipping Office welcomes Audrey Smith to her new position. Screw Machine's loss is Shipping Office's gain. . . . Any one having any rugs to be cleaned see Van Horn. We understand he is an expert at removing ink. . . . Verna Powers of Shipping and Receiving is really "Backing Up" her two sons, who are serving in the armed forces. She recently received a magazine containing a very interesting article about her son Max, who is serving in the Pacific area. Both sons are G-E boys. MORE POWER TO THE POWERS FAMILY.

Aluminum Parts

Some people have the grandest time thinking back about the things they have done and like to do—some like to recall hunting and fishing trips, parties, dances, etc., while others like to review with gusto the nicer things of life, such as eating! Gertrude Rosebrock is one of the latter type—while eating her lunch one night last week she figured up the amount of pie she has eaten at the cafeteria, and accounted for better than one hundred whole pies. That's a lot of pies thrown in your face, Gertrude! . . . Ethel Morr has been off sick for the past ten days. Hope to see you back soon. . . . Therese Olrey is transferring to first trick. Sorry to have you leave us second trickers, but we'll be seeing you . . . . Violet Jackson has returned to work after a week's absence of illness. . . . Rosezella Schlichter is spending three days this week at her home in Charleston, Ind. Don't ever get us worried like that again, by saying that you were elaving for good, Rosezella . . . Martha aWrren is on the sick list this week too. We hope to see you back soon, Martha. . . . We had a special guest this week, at least we think she was special—one of our old friends was back to see us, none other than Mildred Tracey. We only wish you could come back for good, Mildred. . . . Our congratulations go to Roy Lord and wife, formerly Melba Cooper, who were married recently. Lots of luck, and we're glad you liked your gift. . . . Viola Garringer and Viola Knox recently had a birthday dinner for Margaret Evers who was just sweet twenty-one. The affair was held at Viola Garringer's home. . . . It seems Bill Zierolf has been having trouble in securing enough to eat. We hear Wilda Fast is on a diet, so perhaps she could help you out a little, Bill. . . . Have you ever noticed how Mina Spear's face changes position? One day it's so long and maybe the next, she'll have a smile that stretches from ear to ear. Deos a letter from your sailor husband really mean that much, Mina?

Nozzle Box

Shirley Hollins was absent on Friday. His little daughter had to have an operation. We are glad she is getting along O.K. . . . Alta Rudolph's son Herbert was out here visiting on Thursday. He enjoyed his visit very much, especially having lunch with the girls. . . . Ann Lemmil returned to work after being home sick a couple of days. . . . Hilda Engleman and husband left for California on Wedensday night. . . . Dolly Kizer has her brother, Pvt. Bud Smith, home on furlough from camp. He was in the plant Friday to see the gang. . . . Bob Stiegler, son of Aurelia Stiegler, has returned to New York after having a nice furlough. . . . Another boy home on furlough is Dorothy McGowen's nephew, who is home on an eight-day furlough. . . . Pvt. Richard Goke is with the infantry and is now stationed at Camp Barkley, Texas, where he wil lreturn soon. . . . Congratulations went to Lynn Willard, who had a birthday January 25, 1945. . . . We welcome Betty Smith from the Impeller Section. Betty is welding now. . . . Ruth Ort has returned to work after being ill. . . . Donald Baker has returned to work after being absent for quite some time; welcome back, Don. . . . Nadine Heller received a nice letter from Ruth Kestler Friday. Ruth isn't feeling at all well, and would like to hear from some of the girls. . . . Fern Dean was out on a shopping spree the other day. I hear she will look like a million dollar baby in her new outfits. . . . Anyone seeing Clarence Shafer on a street car—please keep him awake. We under-

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stand he goes to sleep but has to walk home from the end of the car line. . . . Luster Yager has left the Company. Anyone getting a driver's license will make the application through Yager. He is working for the state now.

Screw Machine

Cleo (Izaak Walton) Crowe is losing his grip. On two separate occasions he has gone fishing and guess what? No fish. Maybe the biggest fish is on the top side looking down, Cleo. . . . Our old friend, Luella Day, who was transferred to Winter Street, was very lucky last week. We all are glad to hear of it and hope she can do it again. . . . Anyone who can qualify as a garage mechanic, please get in touch with Bill Charleston.He seems to have a rumble somewhere in his car. Could be a flat tire, Bill. Suppose so? . . . Mary is worried. She just figured up and there are only 330 days until Christmas and she hasn't started shopping yet. . . . The snow is working hardships on Leanna. She hasn't been able to get home all week. Cheer up, Leanna; spring is on the way. . . . Zelma Woods has joined the Forgotten Badge Club. . . . Clara Ringenberg escaped a serious accident when the car in which she was riding went over an embankment, caused by a defective steering gear. She hitchhiked the rest of the way to work and nearly froze. . . . Naomi Byrd and Dorma Hoopengardner are leaving us to join the gang in Bldg. 19-2. Sorry to lose you, girls, and best of luck. . . . Lois Frauhiger treated the gang with a large bag of cracklings Wednesday. Thanks, Lois, we all enjoyed them. We all munched in sweet content as that was one piece of meat we got without points. . . . Jerry Steller and Fuzz Amstutz played basketball at Indianapolis with the G-E Club girls. . . . Marie Coomler was so interested in a conversation on the street car that she passed her home, by a block and had to run back. . . . Word has been received that Ilene Bruot's husband is a prisoner of war in Germany. Ilene formerly worked in the stamping area. . . . Annette Hastings is the proud possessor of several interesting articles from Germany sent to her by her son, Donald, who is with the First Army in Germany. . . . Just wonder who bowled a 94 game last week? What was the trouble? . . . As to Harold Koogle's bowling class, well, Koogle, they turned out better than you thought. . . . Marg Goff received word that her son is now stationed at Norfolk, Va. . . . We want to welcome Mildred Knott to our gang. . . . Mildred Slane is on the sick list. . . . We want to wish all of those bowling in the city tournament lots of luck.

Punch Press

Anna Smith has left us to become a housewife again. Just think, gals and guys, she gets to sleep in the mornings. . . . We added another member to the cut finger club. It's Fredona Graves. . . . Sara Underwood is going to be the reporter for the bench workers. It was nice working with you and thanks for your cooperation in giving me your news items. . . . Harley Springer has a big smile this morning. He has an attendance of one hundred per cent. This is a record. . . . Alma Welches wishes to thank everyone for the generous contribution given her after the serious fire which burned her home recently at Markle. . . . Beatrice Schemehorn was home sick for a week with the flu. Glad to see you back with us again, Beatrice. . . . Herman Bollhauve was home sick for three days and is back with us again. . . . Irene Johnson received a letter from her son who is in India, and he says the weather is cold out there. . . . John Uhl, formerly of this department, is improving. We are hoping to see you soon, John. . . . Russell Gerardot and family moved into their new home last week. Hope you will like our city, Russell. . . . Irene Johnson's mother is convalescing at St. Joseph Hospital. . . . Garnet Borne tells us she has a birthday on February 11. We will be expecting a treat that day. You won't mind telling us how old you are, will you, Garnet? . . . Fern Wallace, formerly of this section, is doing nicely in school and is planning on entering college next spring. Good for you, Fern, we knew you could do it.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

Receives Citation

15th AAF in Italy.—Cpl. William Schwise, 32, of 651 Prospect Avenue, Fort Wayne, Indiana, aircraft engineer in a B-24 Liberator squadron, is authorized to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge as a member of a heavy bombardment group cited by the War Department for "outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy."



Commanded by Colonel William B. Keese, of San Antonio, Texas, the group received the gold-rimmed blue ribbon for the bombing of underground oil storage installations at Vienna. On August 22 the group was assigned the task of destroying this target. The ground crews were credited with having every possible B-24 at the peak of mechanical perfection to insure the success of the mission.

In spite of extremely adverse weather conditions, which separated the group from its badly needed fighter escort, they proceeded directly to the target. Fifty enemy fighters attacked the formation, using rocket guns, cannon and machine guns. One Liberator was shot down, but the group destroyed or damaged thirteen enemy planes, and fought off the rest.

At the target intense anti-aircraft fire was encountered, which destroyed two more bombers. Despite the heavy fire, and the large numbers of enemy fighters, the group concentrated its bombs on the target and destroyed vital installations and supplies.

In the words of the citation, "the destruction inflicted on the enemy by the 484th Bombardment Group immobilized countless enemy aircraft and halted divisional motor columns destined for the support of ground troops on all fronts."

Corporal Schwise entered the army in December, 1942, and received his training at Amarillo, Texas, and the Ford Factory school, at Willow Run, Michigan. Prior to entering the army he was employed by the General Electric Company (Winter Street Works) at Fort Wayne, Indiana. His wife, Mrs. Mary Jane Schwise, lives at the above address, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Christ Schwise, live at 1902 Alliger Street, Fort Wayne.

"Camp Bradford, Norfolk, Va.,
New Year's Eve.

"Dear Editor:

"I received your letter this afternoon and was very glad to hear from you. I would like to take time out at the present and thank everyone who makes it possible for me to receive the WORKS NEWS. I enjoy this paper very much.

"I have been in Camp Bradford for a long time it seems; to be exact, since August 11. During my stay so far I have been in Temporary Ships Company, went through school, and went through training with a crew. At the present time I am in Induction. This makes the third time that I have been in Induction. Of all the different phases, Temporary Ships Company is the one I liked the best. I had more time for myself and I didn't have any guard duty, inspections, or calisthenics to put up with.

"When I first arrived at Camp Bradford they billeted me in a tent. The tents keep heat out in the winter time and leave bugs and heat in, in the summer time. The tents are being torn down and replaced with so-called barracks at the present time.

"I have noticed several G-E parts while I was in school. The instructor said that the G-E parts have lasted the longest.

"I will close for now and tell Walt Shady that I said 'Hello.'

"A former employee,
"Howard H. Schmidt, S 2/c."

Tool Room and Maintenance

Mike Daley didn't get anything to eat at the Legion's social supper. . . . The boys at the noon euchre games in the Forge Room want to know how many persons it takes to play one euchre hand. At present they have one player and about four kibitzers for each hand.

Production

Frances Miller received a piece of rye bread all wrapped up specially for her. She told us she was going to use it for "bait." Now we're wondering how she came out. . . . Bill Stockwell brings his lunch, but he eats out also. The lunch is for the 10:00 and 2:00 snacks. . . . What's wrong? We haven't heard that jolly laugh of Evelyn Ladd's for quite some time. . . . For a massage or a headache treatment, see "Dr." Wilmer Bock. Guaranteed relief, and no charge.

Order and Stores

It seems that Mac has a hidden ambition. At least he goes around cleaning other people's shoes in his spare time. . . . Helen May was at Franke Park ice skating one night last week. We wonder if she used one or two pairs of skates, because she was trying a few stunts she learned when she saw Sonja Henie in person.

Loretta Soldner turned professional last week. Her solo was, "Don't Fence Me In," and we think she's good enough to substitute for one of the Andrews Sisters.

Planning

Who's always first with the WORKS NEWS? Joe Gruber, of course. Maybe he's watching for his name to appear in this column and we wouldn't want to disappoint him. . . . That green suit of Danny (O'Toole) Paff's really catches the eye. Every day is St. Patrick's Day in our office. . . . A big attraction to all was an exhibition of typing, staged by the one and only Russell Ade. He does a good job, too, if you give him enough time.

Power Drive, 1-1

We havn't had any news for some time, so we'll mention now that Marie Kessens has returned to work with her finger nearly healed up. It makes things nice for Delores and her now, but Delores was off recently because of the death of her grandmother. . . . Mary Stinger was rather proud of that picture sent by Jack from Paris. Everyone else liked it, too. . . . Because of our absence in the news columns recently we missed Ray Johnson's note of thanks to the girls on the assembly line for their kindness upon the death of a sister. . . . With the cigarette shortage like it is, Jim Fike was really in a fix recently when he forgot his pipe too. . . . Word has been received from "Willie" McCombs stating that she likes the WAVES and is kept busy from 5:30 in the morning until bedtime. A few lines from anyone might help her morale. . . . The number one tune in Jack Richard's hit parade for the past three weeks has been "There Goes That Song Again." Oh, me! . . . Irene Baade was seen at the Hoosier Hop Saturday evening. Did you whoop it up, Irene? And by the way, the gals really went for that new plaid shirt of Herschel's. That's easy on the eyes, Herschel. . . . Any bit of news contributed to this reporter will be greatly appreciated.—Jeanette Hetrick.

Power Drive, 1-2

Jim Harlan was going around in Sinatra style the other day. Where did he get the bow tie? It was a fancy bright rag from the rag can. . . . Joan Hively had top honors in bowling. She was high with a 152 score. . . . A very embarrassing experience happened to Betty Kohlenbeck in one of the department store elevators recently. Her suitcase came open and the contents were scattered all over the floor. "Was her fez red!" . . . Helen Schwartz was promoted to scorekeeper for the basketball team. . . . The majority of the basketball team went out and bought corncob pipes after the game last week. . . . The Grinding Section and Turret Lathe Section boast of their two prize fishermen, Harry Golden and Kenneth Yoder. The boys seemed to have been almost frozen after going to sleep. Between the two their evening catch was limited to five fish. Was this a fishing party or a slumber party, boys? . . . Does Dick Dennis still try to tear the bowling alley apart when he fails to make an easy spare?

SPORTS DEPARTMENT

Bowling

Team 6 was dropped from the undefeated list last Tuesday when they lost two games to Team 10. This puts them in a three way tie for first place with Teams 4 and 5, the first half co-champions. To date all three teams have won 7 and lost 2.

No 600 series for the night as Paul Schoenherr led the parade with 581, including 229 and 214. Other 200 scores were Zollinger 228, Timme 211, Dannecker 210, and O'Neill 205. High team score for the three games was Team 4 with 2556.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team finally lost their first game of the season, being nosed out in a thriller by Murray's Independents of Lancaster at the latter's gym, 38 to 37. The boys were very cold on their shooting as they did not seem to like the backboards on the strange gym. A return game will be played at the G-E Club in the near future and it should really be a honey. The boys had won 14 straight before losing this one.

Wednesday night they won the weekly league game, defeating General Service 46 to 25. They were still pretty cold on their shooting in the early stages but in the last quarter Stucky and Seiple got hot and really poured the ball through the net. That leaves them the only undefeated team in the inter-department league and practically a cinch for the first half title.

On Friday night they defeated Barney's Electric at the G-E Club, 61 to 44. It was a wild game from the start but was fairly close until the last quarter when the boys put on that last quarter spurt.

Manager Bob McMonigal expressed a desire for more fans to turn out for these games. Winter Street has their best team in years and have twice defeated the Knights of Columbus, a team that beat the G-E Club. The boys do run up some pretty large scores, even against tough opponents, hitting the 60 mark a few times. Two other games are played on league night, giving you an opportunity to look the field over. These games are played Wednesday and Thursday nights at the G-E Club.

Girls' Basketball

We did it again. Small Motor took us this time. The basket and ball just wouldn't connect. We don't mind saying we think the Small Motors are in good running condition.

Machine Shop

A grand crowd turned out at the 901 Club last Friday night. It was Winter Street night and everyone had a swell time. L. Houser and the Mrs. went home at 2 A. M. and started to tiptoe into the house, so as not to awaken the kiddies, and there they were playing the piano. . . . Wes Johnson and T. Pond had a streak of good luck down at the club. For further information ask the boys, but don't believe anything Pond tells you. . . . What is it that gives G. Haggenjos so much vim and vigor? Have you ever seen the guy when he wasn't smiling? By the way, his wife is just as grand a sport as George. . . . Have you heard Buddy Schelton and his trio swing it out since they've started playing down at the 901 club? He sure takes those blues away. . . . Bill Stahl can do a rhumba that would shame Carmen Miranda. Watch out, Bill, you'll have a stiff neck again. . . . For entertainment, have B. Major sing "Oh What a Beautiful Morning." Oh, when he hits those high notes, it drowns out the noise of the whole machine shop. . . . We have two new men with us from Taylor Street, Louis Middleton and Loyal Reddin. Welcome, fellows.

Dust Proof Room

On Thursday of last week Luella Day was extremely lucky. She was a very happy person and she had a very good reason to be. . . . We wish to welcome Betty Sickafoose to the Dust Proof Room. We hope she likes her work. . . . Evelyn Houser was off work while her husband was home on furlough. . . . The group wishes the speedy recovery of Loretta Ellinger, Edith Beiberish and Lucille Johnson. We are glad Janette Schuckel is back.

Engineering

Coy Brown, former member of the infamous Brown, Yeranko, Steck corner, visited the Engineering Office last Thursday. Coy is now working at the Bloomfield Works. . . . We are beginning to wonder who will be the next member of our absentminded professor's club. Last week two others in this office joined with the following events. Al Ralston called home to ask his wife to pick him up after work. She had to call back to inform him that he had driven to work that morning. Eileen Salmon found a B-29 more important than a phone call. She left

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someone waiting on the other end of the line while she went to see the plane flying over head and then, forgetting the call, went to lunch. The B-29, incidentally, was flown by Dean Rinehart's brother-in-law, and all had been forewarned. While it was circling around, Helen Yeranko scurried from window to window for the best view and never did see the plane.

Power Drive Office

Because of the cigarette shortage the pipe situation is getting serious. Bob Schulte had to make a trip to Yonkers, New York, in order to buy a pipe like one George Hoopengarner picked up in Cleveland in order to duplicate the super-barrage George is able to create.... On January 27 Gail Hammitt middle-aisled with Tracy Bentley Barron. Power Drive Office wishes them every happiness.

Receiving and Transportation

John Byrer started out of the office one evening to go home and Monica asked him if he had his boots. (He doesn't want to forget them.) Was he surprised to see that he had started out the door with one boot on. . . . Our high school boy, Bob Toerne, came in the office and told John Bryer he thought too much tax was taken out of his checks. John said, "The Government will get their money," so Bob replied, "Guess I'll just have to get married." . . . The fellows in High Bay wish to thank Monica Gnau for typing their income tax reports.

Factory Office

"Well blow me down!" This was the expression that was said by Mildred Atherton Clark upon her arrival from lunch last Wednesday noon. Her desk was all decorated with pink and white crepe paper. The employees presented her with a very nice wedding gift. Millie said her knees sure were weak, even more so than when she took her vows. Good luck to you and Glen.

Pump and Compressor

Margaret Stillwell is willing to give her telephone to anyone. It seems that Margaret thinks it always rings at the wrong time. . . . Joe Deck certainly has a lazy "Wink." Joe winks with his left eye and it takes a while for it to come open. . . . Frank Wynkoop only has to pay twenty-five cents for a hair cut. Then the barber has to hunt for the hair. . . . We want to extend our sympathy to Mrs. Howard Fletcher and family on the death of their husband and father. Mr. Fletcher was foreman on Oil Pump and Compressor.

Cost

We have heard a lot of stories about hats but here is the best yet. Areta Huffman claims she lost hers right off her head. Anyone finding a cute little beanie, please give it to her. Now just how do you suppose anything like that would happen?

Spare Parts

A potluck lunch was enjoyed recently by the spare parts gang in honor of Phyllis Montz, who left us to keep house. Those present were Velma Stayer, LaVon Graft, Eda Sweeney, Lola Funk, Mary Leiter, Margaret Gabriel, Ruth Meyer, Frances Walker, Phyllis Montz and Ruth Jones. A gift was presented to Phyllis, wishing her much success. The lunch was delicious, wasn't it, Bi'l? . . . We wish to welcome you Margaret Gabriel, from the office and Marian J. Whitmer, from the inspection room to spare parts section. Hope you like your new jobs. . . . Eda Sweeny's mother fell at her home last week. We are very sorry, Eda, and hope nothing serious occurs and a speedy recovery for your mother.

Shipping

Ann Hudson had Alice Minser as her house guest last week-end in her home town, Red Key. Alice seemed to have a good time, because she's looking forward to her next visit.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift Molding

Hello—third trick coming in: Wilda Dunbar, one of the first girls on third trick, has a leave of absence due to illness. Speedy recovery, Willie. . . . Charles Martin received a pat on the back from the big boss for his good work on the rotors. Charlie ran over four hundred rotors with very few rejects. . . . It isn't safe to leave half a cigarette on the tray in the smoking area. Will Osmun came back for his, and someone had beaten him to it. It seems there's a cigarette shortage. . . . Walt is singing "Has Anybody Seen My Dog?" Walt was going to have his own private wiener bake. He took his package of wieners to the office and went back to the work bench to arrange a sunlamp when he went back after the dogs he found—half a wiener! We don't know who got them, but two to one they weren't roasted. Rumors have it they were good. . . . Our instructor tells this on herself: New operator (after being told umpteen times what a light part was) "Now, what causes this?" Dorothy, in exasperation, "Holy Toledo, plastic termites." New operator, "Oh, do you have those here, too?" . . . So long, see you next week.

1st Shift, Bldg. 12-1 Molding

Mary Ward received a beautiful orchid last week from a "secret admirer." If and when you find out who sent it, Mary, remember the gang would like to know, too. . . . We wonder why Virginia Holsworth goes up town every night looking for cigarettes? She must think they're going to be rationed soon. . . . We love to snap George Selby's suspenders, but we wonder where he got them? They must be pre-war. . . . The girls have all offered to chip in and buy George Court some red flnanels. Boy!!! That man is cold-blooded. . . . Vivian Fisher, Florence Mattes, and Gloria Knight went to a fortune teller several weeks ago. Come on, kids, tell us what the future brings. . . . Leota Hollis has taken a leave of absence. Sure miss you, Leota. Hurry back. . . . Valentine Day will soon be here. Just be sure if you send any to sign your name. . . . Louie Slack was on our sick list last week, but is now back working harder than ever. . . . Clarence Favorite had some pretty new shoes on the other day. But now he's wearing his old ones again. Guess those blisters sure hurt, don't they, Clearence. . . . Our deepest sympathy goes to Vivian Fisher and Virginia Holsworth, whose husbands have been wounded in action. . . . Sure would like to hear from some of our servicemen who used to work in Plastics. We're waiting, boys!!! . . . Guess we'll run along now. See you all next week.

Finishing Room, Bldg. 12-3
Second Shift

Probably everyone has noticed the increase of girls who are working in Plasties now. We want to say hello to all of the new girls and hope they like their work and stay with us. . . . Congratulations to Louella Ilene Rexroth on her engagement to Cpl. Herbert Richardson. Here's wishing you lots of luck, Louella. . . . We are glad Bertha Goeglein refused her offer to be transferred to the office. We would have missed her. . . . Dorothy Monhollen had to quit working because of a throat irritation. Sorry to see her go.

Finishing Room, Bldg. 12-3
First Shift

Friday, the thirteenth, is considered by most people as their unlucky day. But Carl Saaf seems to think that January twenty-third is his unlucky day, especially when it comes to putting dents in his car. How about it, Carl? . . . Wanted, someone to show Marge Comte how to put on her boots, so she doesn't get them on the wrong feet again! . . . We wish to express our sympathy to Pauline Schneider in the death of her grandfather. . . . The gang of Bldg. 12-3 wished Richard Kelly, navy inspector, a very happy birthday, and we'll take the same kind of candy next year, Kelly. . . . Mary Girardot, Bldg. 12-3, says she never gets her name in the WORKS NEWS, so here it is, Mary. . . . As a result of a skating party, Helen White finds her chair at work very hard. The object is to stand up, Helen! . . . Something to watch is Helen Hill running after her chicken down Masterson Avenue. She finally got it after drawing the attention of all the neighbors and skinning both knees. . . . Question of the week? Does Joy Stucky go to see the Pistons play basketball or does she go for the taffy apples. How about it, Joy? . . . We are sorry to see that vacant seat on first inspection. Come on, Nora Dudgeon, get well and hurry back. . . . We were sorry to hear of the death of Maureen Krauss' mother, Mrs. Charles Yager, and the death of Helen Nord's mother-in-law, Mrs. William Nord. We wish to express our deepest sympathy to both of you.

Tool Room, Bldg. 12-3

Bud Gilbert is of the opinion that limburger cheese on the sandwich is all right, but on his bench light it's not such a good idea. After trading lights with Ralph Foust, he found the joke was on the joker. . . . Notice to you Leo backers. Ralph Foust is open for all bets on the coming sectional basketball tourney. . . . Tom Cameron says the toy train he's building is for his boy. Well, could be. After all the boy is only 6 months old, but the train is also H. O. gage miniature railway stuff.

Office, Bldg. 12-3

Guess who's gone back to his childhood days—relatively speaking—of course, it's none other than Sumner Tinkham, now building model railroad cars. Some fun, eh Tink! . . . Listen, kids, you just haven't lived 'till you've heard Clarence Lallow's rendition of "And Her Tears Flowed Like Wine." It really sends you. . . . Phyllis Guilott, fresh as a daisy, is just back from a week's vacation, lucky girl. . . . No, Wayne Pribble's voice isn't changing, seems he had a case of laryngitis, he had quite a time trying to keep it on an even keel last week. . . . Robert Karasek, one of the "original" Quiz Kids, has just announced that he will conduct private classes for the benefit of everyone. As a side line we wish to inform you that his source of study is his very own book of Mother Goose Riddles. Ha! ...The most excited girl in our midst these days is Lily Schnieders, who's a bride-to-be of February 3. We're all sorry to lose Lily, but wish her all the happiness in the world. For your information the lucky man's name is John Reuille, Bldg. 4-6.

Employees Security Corporation Nominee



Louis D. Hopper

Louis D. Hopper, Bldg. 10-1, has been named nominee for the office of bond representative, it has been announced by the nominating committee. Mr. Hopper served as G-E Employees' Securities Corporation bond director during 1943 and 1944.

G-E SPEECH CLUB

By O. W. Carsten

Several of the Speech Club members certainly qualify well as train callers. Clint McClure doesn't know it but several telephone calls came in after the meeting Tuesday evening, asking for his services at the local railroad stations. Clint, you better check up on this, as a part time job. If any of you like to see and hear this unusual oration, come to one of the Tuesday evening meetings and we will have Clint perform for you.

In addition to Clint's unusual display of ability, we enjoyed four five minute speeches, given by four very capable speakers. The speakers were Messrs. Paul Clendenen, George Stauffer, Earl Mills and Harry Snyder. Mr. Arthur Singleton presided in the absence of our President, Mr. Lawrence Smith. The Toastmaster for the evening was Mr. Wilmer Kruekeberg and the Topicmaster was yours truly.

RED CROSS HOSPITAL WORKERS

There are 1,600 Red Cross hospital workers overseas. They provide medical social service and recreation to the wounded and advise concerning government benefits and Red Cross services available on their return home.

It is sometimes necessary to single out a portion of an audience and address them on a matter of interest to them. The anecdote following is well adapted for this purpose.

An evangelist conducting services, announced that the next evening he would speak on the subject of "Liars". He advised his hearers to read in advance the seventeenth chapter of Mark.

The next night he arose and said, "I am going to preach on 'Liars' tonight and I would like to know how many read the chapter I suggested." A hundred hands were upraised.

"Now," he said, "you are the very persons I want to talk to—there isn't any seventeenth chapter of Mark."

MEDICAL KITS FOR PRISONERS

Red Cross medical kits for prisoners of war contain standard preparations in quantities sufficient for 100 men for one month.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Daphine Toombs started out to work one day last week. She got as far the gate and discovered that it was only 3:20 A. M., so she went back home and met her girl friend coming downstairs on her way to mail a letter—she wanted to be sure that it was picked up in the 8 o'clock collection. We will bet a plugged nickel that both of the gals take the second look at the clock from now on. . . . Last week we were looking for an alarm clock for Kathryn Shady and Dot Ellison, as they were both having trouble getting to work on time. But due to their efforts neither one was late once and were here every day last week. The gang in Bldg. 26-B presented Kathryn with a medal. We think Dot should have one too, even if she did have to rely on a couple of phone calls at 6 o'clock in the morning in order to get here. Nice goin', gals; keep it up. . . . We received a letter from Louis Miller, formerly of Bldg. 26-2, who is now stationed in the Marianna Islands. He says hello to all the gang. We were glad to hear from you, Louie, and the answer to your letter is in the mail. We are glad to hear you're OK. Keep up the good work. . . . By the way, are youse guys and gals here at home doing your share of writing to someone in the service. Why not make it a practice to write an extra letter to someone every week. A letter from someone at home means a lot to those fellows over there. . . . Lawrence Platt's wife filled a twenty-pound sack for his lunch, but he still wasn't satisfied. He ate Mary Shockley's only sandwich by mistake (he says)! . . . We wish lots of luck to Richard Lothamer, who left last week for the army. . . . Betty Haines left last Friday to join her husband, Bud Haines, Bldg. 17-1, in Richmond, Virginia. Best wishes, Betty and Bud. . . . Congratulations to Mary Williams and S/Sgt. F. C. Baker, who were married recently at the First Methodist Church. They spent their honeymoon in Texas visiting his parents. . . . Ruth Osburn says her name is never spelled right, and she wants her friend overseas to read about her in the WORKS NEWS. Maybe if someone knew she was having such a time getting to work, she would be given a new alarm clock. . . . Earl Dillon is right up on his WORKS NEWS reading, for he knows everything that is going on. . . . Everyone sends out their sympathy to Frieda Speaker in the death of her son, Ray Speaker, who was killed in action. . . . We hope Joy Gerig is getting better fast, so she will soon be back with us again, so good luck, Joy. . . . Why has Bill Shuler been so quiet lately. How about Central, Bill? . . . Get out of the way, folks, when you see Homer Werling driving his car down the street. He goes up over the sidewalk or any way to get by. . . . Justine Hurt will have to tie a string around the bottle of cream she brings in. Of course, when it breaks, falling to the floor, you can shine your shoes with it, also the bottom of your coveralls.

FIRST AID FOR CHILDEN

Eighth grade pupils of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, rural schools are learning first aid from county police. The sheriff's office reports a marked decrease in home and school accidents among these pupils. All 53 motorcycle patrol officers of the sheriff's office are Red Cross first aid instructors.



"Once upon a time," said Uncle Angus, looking at Sandy Says, unadulterated COST REDUCTION "you used tae write about pure, sweet, unadulterated COST REDUCTION*, instead o' mixing in wars, inspectors, War Bonds, superchargers, insurance premiums, etc."

"Weel, Uncle Angus, COST REDUCTION* covers a multitude o' things thot help our wars, inspectors, war bonds, superchargers, insurance premiums, etc., and we need COST REDUCTION* in war as well as in peace."

"Yus, but ye used tae write about such gude, sensible things, like oxplaining how we can improve the quality o' the things we make, and decrease the costs at the same time. Noo, there's a thought dear tae a Scotsman's heart, one thot ye should cultivate again."

"Weel, I believe you're right. In fact, I know o' a gude Scotsman who practiced what I've been preaching, long before I started preaching."

This man started working here many years ago, as a boy—a wide awake boy, by the way. He kept his eyes open for COST REDUCTION* at every turn, too. (What's his name—sorry—now for the $60.00 clues).

As he grew older, he never lost this trait, even tho he graduated from one job to another, climbing higher and higher. He not only LOOKED for improvements, he found them, and he was always sae friendly tae everybody thot he never had any trouble putting his ideas over. When he got tae the position where he was no longer a workman, but a supervisor, he never forgot the workman's side o' everything. He knew, thot ye can get COST REDUCTION* without hurting jobs, or cheating anyone out o' work. And THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN TRYING TO TELL YOU.

His reputation for honesty is perfect. (I've always thought—how could anyone be honest to his fellow men and NOT work for COST REDUCTION* whenever he could). Weel, this Scotsman is honest to his Scotch ancestry too, as well as his fellow men.

Oh yes—ye want tae know who he is? Weel, when I tell ye, ye can check his record from boy helper tae general superintendent and see if I'm not telling ye the truth. Yus, I refer tae none other than thot gude Scotsman, Billy McWehrs, our boss.

But don't try tae check up on what I heard about this Scotsman the other day. He was trying tae cut four cylinders out o' his BUICK, and was trying tae borrow Cousin Colin's Model T carburetor.

*C.R.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

An Italian spaghetti supper was held recently at the home of Beulah Butler, South Wayne avenue, assisted by Pat Culbertson and Frieda Liby, in honor of Katie Polka, who was transferred from Final inspection to Winter Street. Those who enjoyed the spaghetti were: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fulghum, Mr. and Mrs. Al Liby, Pat Culbertson, Gladys Lambert, Pauline Fischer, Beulah Butler and the guest, Katie Polka. We miss you, Katie; good luck on your new job. . . . Agnes Miller (Burr Section) has been absent several days on account of sickness. So sorry you're ill, Agnes, hope you'll soon be well and back to work again. . . . Mary Zirkle and Jerry Snell have joined Final Inspection. Max Archbold is now working the first shift on 15A19 Inspection Bench. Welcome, folks, even if we are late—better late than never. . . . The broad smile that Walter Jordan was wearing last week and that good box of candy that was passed was in honor of a new arrival at the Jordans. Congratulations, Walter. . . . Birthday greetings, Ray Fulghum. May you have many more. . . . Truman Holle is leaving Bldg. 4-1 for a 60-day leave to regain his health. We hope you return feeling fine. . . . Sergeant Fred W. Bergman, formerly in Bldg. 4-3, visited his brother, Kenny in Bldg. 4-1 and friends recently. He is stationed in Texas. . . . Second Lieutenant Byron C. Jackson, former inspector in Group 15A16, paid a visit to his old pals. Lt. Jackson has graduated from Advanced Twin Engine Planes at Stuttgart, Arkansas, and takes further training at Harlingen, Texas. . . . Charley Bell, minus several pounds, is back to work again after a three-week layoff due to illness. Glad to see you back, Charlie. . . . Jess Moore has finally found a restaurant where they serve good coffee. Just the right blend and flavor, and he says the pork chops are not bad either. . . . Bill Brown's wife, Bldg. 4-1 tool crib, is in the hospital with an appendicitis operation. We wish her a speedy recovery. . . . For some time now the carboloy grinders in Bldg. 4-1 have been tossing a coin to see which one buys the milk for the group. It has fallen on all except one. This week they finally succeeded in pinning Carl down, not only once but most of this week. How does it feel, Carl? . . . Alumni basketball games are quite the thing—at least, Charlie Kimes said so. Come, come, Charlie, who won?

Bldg. 17 Wins First Half Owl Championship

By R. James

After tying for first half honors, Bldg. 17 romped to a 35-24 win over Taylor Street in the play-off game. The game was much closer than the score indicated. A final burst of field goals in the final quarter by Bldg. 17 settled the contest. Taylor Street got off to a slow start, getting only two field goals in the first quarter to Bldg. 17's 6. The second quarter saw Taylor Street coming back, with 11 points to 7 for Bldg. 17, and then it was a good ball game, until Bldg. 17 let loose in the final stanza to coast to a victory, and the first half championship.

Scoring honors went to Kelly and Hensler for the winners with 10 and 8 points respectively and for the losers, it was Borror with 9 and Gilbert with 8.

In the preliminary game Bldg. 4-4 won over Motor-Generator 28-15. For Bldg. 4-4, it was Crosley and Johnlaugh hitting the hoop from any angle, Crosley getting 11 points and Johnlaugh 7. For the losers it was Snyder with 8 points.

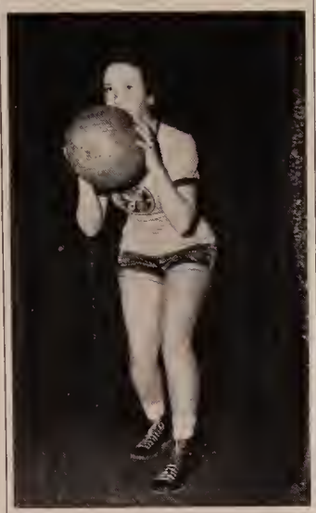
Summary:

Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.	Motor Generator	G.	F.	T.
Crosley	5	1	11	Snyder	4	0	8
Johnlaugh	1	5	7	Rommie	1	0	2
Hosek	1	1	3	Beber	1	1	3
Middaugh	0	0	0	Garskey	0	0	0
Runyon	2	1	5	Dove	0	0	0
Christlie	1	0	2	Hildenbrand	1	0	2
Totals	10	8	28	Totals	7	1	15

Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.	Taylor Street	G.	F.	T.
Hensler	4	0	8	Borror	4	1	9
Thomas	1	2	4	Scott	2	1	5
Williams	3	0	6	Gilbert	3	2	8
Young	1	0	2	Luther	0	2	2
Kelly	3	4	10	Katzenmaier	0	0	0
Benzs	1	1	3	Bowser	0	0	0
Kimes	1	0	2				
Totals	14	7	35	Totals	9	6	24

Officials—Slater and Ball.

Introducing The GALS



Jerry Steller

The second girl to be introduced in this series is Jerry Steller, who sports a number "1" on the back of her uniform. Jerry is the hard-driving type of ball player who is always in there battling hard. She plays the left guard position like a veteran this season, having shifted to that spot from the forward berth which she handled all of last year.

Jerry is one of those rare "critters"—a ball player who doesn't shoot often enough. She is a good shot, but frequently passes up her own chances to hit a lucky one, in order that she can "set-up" a teammate to score. Jerry fits well in the team's playing, being a fast-moving girl with plenty of ball handling ability—she is one of the most consistent performers on the squad this year.

This is Jerry's second season on the hardwood for the G-E Club. She turned in a very fine record for herself last year, tallying nearly a hundred points for her team during the season. She is an all-around athlete, holding down the shortstop position on the State Champion Bob-Inn Softball team during the summer months. Jerry is employed in the Rotor Division of our Taylor Street Plant.

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Why is there a sharp point on lightning rods?

A. **Because there is more corona discharge from pointed rods. Corona is the breakdown at the surface of a rod or electrode. The sharper the rod or electrode, the more intense the electric field and, therefore, the more corona. And the more corona, the more likelihood of the rod or electrode acting as a terminus for the lightning stroke, since it tends to neutralize or relieve the tension of the thunder-cloud.**

Q. Do onions make good poultices?

A. **Yes, onions are often used for poultices. They act as a convenient source of heat and moisture, and are a local stimulant. As a food they supply us with vitamin B2, that vitamin which improves our growth and promotes our general health. From them, also, we obtain protein material, potassium, sulphur, iron, and small amounts of some other essentials for good health.**

WIRE & INSULATION *— Ravelings*
Bldgs. 8 and 12

The office gang in Bldg. 12-B held a dinner in honor of Wm. Glenn, who celebrated his twenty-fifth anniversary with the G-E Co. Remember, Bill, the first 25 years are the hardest, we hope! George Huber spent at least a half hour looking for Bill Glenn's name in the Quarter Century Club Annual. What's the matter, George, isn't his name in there yet? . . . Dorothy Baumgartner is real proud of herself now as she has rated herself quite a forecaster on basketball. She had a few wagers on the South Side vs. Central game, and when Central won, was "Dot" ever proud? . . . Those charming tunes from the rear of the section are Claude Curley's way of serenading his co-workers. Keep it up, Claude, it's good for our morale. . . . Our machinist, "Butch" Kniffen, brought his pipe down and carefully mended it with glue. Now what Butch can't understand is how in the world the glue managed to penetrate inside the pipe. Can anyone help him out? . . . Lawrence Gardt is just full of bright sayings lately. His latest is, "It was so cold when I picked up the paper this morning that even the printing was frozen to the paper." . . . Mary Ringler made a slight error in addressing the envelope for her income taxes this year. But now you know, don't you, Mary? It is Collector of Internal Revenue at Indianapolis, instead of Fort Wayne. We hope we don't have to send you a cake with a saw and file baked inside. . . . Bill Hattendorf has made the society now. He says darn instead of the usual "h---". We guess his wife gave him some last minute instructions before leaving home. . . . Here's wishing a very Happy Birthday to Marie Gehle, and thanks for the treats—they were surely delicious, Marie. . . . Evelyn "Shorty" Arnold is never very far from the floor, but she came in direct contact with it the other day when that tricky little chair of hers slipped away. . . . Day after day the argument goes on between Howard "Smitty" Smith and "Slim" Walters as to who is going to get the scrap wire boxes when there aren't enough to go around. . . . And then there's "Slim" Walters, the expert euchre player, who never made a wrong play in his life to hear him tell it. . . . It's a secret, but Amil Beck is about to join the old timer's club. You know—the club that after you once become a member you can do all the bragging you want to about your shooting. . . . Congratulations to Guy Allred, of the die room, who celebrated his birthday last week. For the occasion a delicious potluck and rabbit dinner was enjoyed by the die room gang. The rabbit was one of those famous ones of Steve Bobay's. . . . Ray Kierspe has at last found a use for the new paper cutter he acquired several weeks ago. Since Ray has been calling the cutter a cheese cutter someone left a large piece of ancient limburger cheese on his desk and asked him to slice it. Ray never got the job completed as he could not get close enough to the cheese to work on it. . . . There are several kinds of euchre players in the Wire Section office. Namely, good, fair, poor, rotten, and those who receive the well known "cat" twice in one day. Glen Greck and Truman Buckles are two of the regular players who are in the last category.

POINSATTE PISTOLS

We all wish to extend our sympathy to Dorothy Hemsoth, whose mother-in-law passed away last week. . . . Mary Shoda has returned from Texas where she was visiting her husband who is in the hospital. The report is that he is doing fine. . . . We are happy to have Bob Beckman back again; he was off work due to illness. It sure helps keep up our morale, Bob, to watch your smiling face around here, so you'd better stay up on your feet. . . . Luella Kappel is leaving us next week to join her marine husband, who is stationed at San Diego, Calif. We will all miss you, Luella. Hope you have a nice trip. . . . Birthday of the week: Congratulations to Barbara Gruelach and happy birthday. . . . Harriett Bohler has been troubled with an itchy nose lately. If anyone has a remedy, please let Harriett in on it. She will appreciate it very much. . . . Bobby Beckman turned blue, red, then white when he received a letter which he thought was a proposal but heaved a sigh of relief when the question turned out to be "Will Superman join the Air Corps, Navy or Marines?" Cute joke, Bobby. . . . Latest member to join the falling off the chair club was Marilyn Tully; she took quite a spill, but she had a good laugh out of it. . . . Calkins, the guard, would like to join the Nurses Aides—providing he can smear iodine to his heart's content. He just loves that iodine. . . . Now since you have your car back, Connie, let's not argue ever again with the oil gauge. If it says empty, get some oil. . . . Here in Poinsatte we have a basso profundo. Oh, yes, we did, Mr. Mann, we heard you distinctly singing "Accentuate the Positive." . . . Why for do you girls in the upstairs office strive so hard to get good English for? What's a few misplaced propositions—Oh! Oh! PREPositions! . . . Three female representatives of the building had a hectic, but cold, time Saturday night on the outskirts of Huntington. Very fortunately one of them lived there. These tires do have a way of giving out at the most inopportune times. Better carry a spare next time, for you might not be so lucky as to run onto a Winter Street employee who is also kind-hearted enough to loan a spare. . . . Sometimes we think Ruth King of the Inspection Section is the most industrious person in the building; her work on the spare parts boxes is really something. . . . We hear Bill Murphy was so entranced by Willie Barnes' new green plaid sport shirt last week that several time he was caught just standing in a trance. . . . Will someone inform Gertrude Hockemeyer that she doesn't need a street car pass to ride to work in Ralph's car. . . . We wish someone would bring a whole chocolate cake to Ed Stauffer and Calkins. Maybe it would stop this incessant bickering over their lunch, and save some twisted noses. Just little boys, grown tall.

BEACH-HEAD CANTEENS

Three hours after the initial landing on Leyte, P. I., American Red Cross men had established beach-head canteens serving coffee and other refreshments.

A 700-mile-an-hour hurricane for aircraft tests is developed by an 18,000-horsepower electric motor, driving a fan 24 feet in diameter.

More than 90 per cent of the world's production of sheet mica is consumed by electrical industries. It provides the most effective insulation.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

At a meeting of the league managers, it was decided to conclude the first half of the season with the games played on Thursday, January 25. For the second half of the season the league is to be divided into two sections of six teams each. Each section will play a complete round of games with the winners of the two sections meeting in a one game play-off for the second half championship. The winner of the second half will play a three game series with the first half winner for the season championship.

Games Wednesday, February 7:

7:00 Tool Division vs. Transformer.

8:00 General Service vs. Taylor Street Test.

9:00 Squares vs. Messengers.

Games Wednesday, February 14:

7:00 Firemen vs. Small Motor Factory.

8:00 Winter Street vs. Taylor Street.

9:00 West Side vs. Small Motor Office.

Final Standings—First Half

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	9	0	1000
Small Motor Office	8	1	.889
Firemen	7	2	.778
West Side	6	3	.667
Small Motor Factory	5	4	.556
Taylor Street	5	4	.556
General Service	4	5	.444
Tool Division	3	6	.333
Transformer	3	6	.333
Squares	1	7	.125
Taylor Street Test	1	7	.125
Messengers	1	8	.111

Results of Last Week's Games

West Side	37	Small Motor Fact.	24
Winter Street	46	General Service	25
Small Motor Of.	47	Squares	24
Firemen	37	Tool Division	23
Taylor Street	38	Taylor Street Test	25

Messengers won from Transformer by forfeit.

West Side 37; Small Motor Factory 24

After a first quarter in which it appeared that the baskets were covered the West Siders got under way to take a 12 to 7 halftime lead. In the second half the winners continued their scoring especially in the third quarter when they outscored their opponents 15 to 2 to romp to an easy victory. Good team work and an alert defense stood the winners in good stead as they played their best game in several weeks. The winner's divided their scoring well with Arnold leading with nine points, closely followed by France and Stellar with eight each. For the losers Stetzel was high with eight points.

West Side (37)	G.	F.	T.	Small Motor Fac. (24)	G.	F.	T.
France	4	0	8	Drayer	2	0	4
Coles	2	1	5	Ritter	0	0	0
Olson	1	1	3	Stetzel	4	0	8
Arnold	4	1	9	Lindenberg	0	3	3
Stellar	4	0	8	Hardlek	1	1	3
Rowe	2	0	4	Smend	0	0	0
				Pulley	0	0	0
				Kasimier	2	0	4
				Young	1	0	2
				Girard	0	0	0
Totals	17	3	37	Totals	10	4	24

Firemen 37; Tool Division 23

Stepping off to a 9 to 0 lead in the first quarter the Firemen turned in their seventh consecutive victory as they went on to defeat the Tool Division 37 to 23. Milholland, the Firemen's towering center, had a big evening with a total of 17 points for a half season total of 88 points to finish second to Seiple of Winter Street in the individual scoring race. Waldrop with 8 points was high scorer for the losers.

Firemen (37)	G.	F.	T.	Tool Division (23)	G.	F.	T.
Hanle	2	3	7	Thomas	2	0	4
Long	1	2	4	Rider	2	1	5
Milholland	6	5	17	Towden	1	0	2
Lydy	1	0	2	Reed	0	0	0
Leazler	2	1	5	Waldrop	3	2	8
Zimmerman	1	0	2	Trump	1	0	2
				Dunlap	1	0	2
				Widner	0	0	0
Totals	13	11	37	Totals	10	3	23

Winter Street concluded the first half of the season undefeated by going on a scoring spree in the second half to win from General Service 46 to 25. The champions found the going extremely tough in the first two quarters having slender leads of 6 to 4 and 14 to 13. In the second half Seiple and his mates found the range to pull away to a decisive win. Seiple tallied 17 points to win first half scoring honors with a total of 93 points. For General Service, Kepler their elongated center kept them in the ball game with 11 points.

Winter Street (46)	G.	F.	T.	General Service (25)	G.	F.	T.
Snyder	0	0	0	Pickett	3	0	6
Fryer	1	0	2	Dukes	0	0	0
Kelly	1	0	2	Ray	1	1	3
Yoder	0	0	0	Kauffman	2	1	5
Dent	1	2	4	Schible	0	0	0
Seiple	6	5	17	Kepler	5	1	11
Magnusson	3	0	6	O'Connell	0	0	0
Neitzert	3	1	7				
Stucky	4	0	8				
Hooley	0	0	0				
Totals	19	8	46	Totals	11	3	25

Getting away to an early lead and maintaining a small margin for the entire first quarter the Squares had visions of pulling an upset in their game with Small Motor Office. However in the second quarter the Officemen hit a total of six times from the field and four times from the charity line to take a comfortable 24 to 12 halftime lead to entirely erase the Squares' carlier 10 to 8 quarter margin. The winners continued to maintain their two to one margin in the second half to win 47 to 24. Lauer, Schuster and Hoffman paced the scoring for the winners with 12, 11, and 10 points; while McNamara tallied 10 points for the Squares.

Small Motor Of. (47)	G.	F.	T.	Squares (24)	G.	F.	T.
Barber	0	1	1	Washburn	1	0	2
Starkel	3	0	5	Rowe	3	0	6
Langenberg	1	1	3	McNamara	4	2	10
Trott	2	0	4	Helienthal	0	0	0
Schuster	4	3	11	Jennings	1	0	2
Hoffman	4	2	10	Aubuchon	1	0	2
Lauer	5	2	12	Seeley	1	0	2
Totals	19	9	47	oTtals	11	2	24

The two Taylor Street teams in the league staged their miniature civil war with the Testmen losing 38 to 25. The winners had leads of 8 to 5 and 14 to 7 at the end of the first quarter and half and appeared to be on their way to an easy victory. However the Testmen staged a quick rally at the beginning of the second half to wipe out the winner's lead and the teams traded scores for the balance of the period with Taylor Street leading 25 to 22. In the final quarter the Testmen tired rapidly as the winners pulled away to win 38 to 25. Chuck Bobilya tallied 11 points for the winners while Fox was high for the losers with 9.

Taylor Strect (38)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St. Test (25)	G.	F.	T.
Yentes	4	0	8	Conkle	2	3	7
Hanna	1	2	4	C.Bobilya	2	0	4
Hanefelt	2	2	6	Fox	4	1	9
Rabus	1	0	2	Hall	0	0	0
Crosley	0	0	0	Thieme	2	1	5
G.Bobilya	5	1	11				
Richardson	3	1	7				
Totals	16	6	38	Totals	10	5	25

Leading Scorers for the First Half

Nnme	Team	Games	Baskets	Foul Baskets	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Selple, Winter Street		7	43	7	13	5	93
Milholland, Firemen		9	37	14	35	18	88
Magnusson, Winter Street		8	32	16	30	18	80
Kaslmier, Small Motor Factory		9	34	10	23	15	78
Hanle, Firemen		9	30	10	24	7	70
Esterline, Small Motor Office		7	30	5	12	7	65
Hnnefelt, Taylor Street		8	28	8	31	11	64
Ehrman, Transformer		8	26	12	45	20	64
Pickett, General Servlce		9	29	5	10	14	63
Arnold, West Side		8	25	13	29	7	63
Neitzert, Winter Street		7	26	9	17	8	61
Fox, Taylor Street Test		8	24	9	30	16	57
Lauer, Small Motor Office		8	24	8	22	10	56
Conkle, Taylor Street Test		8	25	5	12	12	55
Hoffman, Smnll Motor Office		8	20	12	22	9	52
Starkel, Small Motor Office		8	23	5	15	8	51
Yentes, Taylor Street		8	22	5	15	7	50
Stetzel, Small Motor Factory		9	23	4	18	18	50
Kauffmnn, General Servlce		8	23	3	16	18	49
Dent, Winter Street		9	18	11	16	3	47
Rider, Tool Divislon		9	19	9	29	22	47
France, West Side		8	23	1	9	5	47
Rnbus, Taylor Street		7	20	6	13	11	45
Young, Small Motor Factory		9	19	8	19	16	46
Kepler, Genernl Servlce		3	19	7	19	8	45
Ray, General Service		8	19	7	28	16	45
Altevogt, Transformer		7	20	3	11	24	43
Reed, Squnres		2	17	5	7	7	39
Hapner, Messengers		8	17	5	16	27	39
Close, Small Motor Office		6	13	12	18	6	38
Pequignot, Tool Divislon		5	16	5	16	8	37
Waldrop, Tool Divlslon		8	16	4	16	11	36

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 11 won 3 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 1 won 2 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 6. Team No. 3 won 2 games from Team No. 10.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	8	4
Team No. 9	7	5
Team No. 5	7	5
Team No. 1	7	5
Team No. 4	7	5
Team No. 3	7	5
Team No. 2	6	6
Team No. 12	6	6
Team No. 6	5	7
Team No. 10	5	7
Team No. 8	4	8
Team No. 7	3	9

200 Games—Tarney 200, 205; Newell 203; O'Connell 203; Hopkins 205; Minnick 205; Landis 206; Somers 200, 211; Kabisch 217; Stanger 218; McKee 245.

Fellow Bowlers, if any one knows of four bowlers and a captain that would like to bowl contact team number seven of this league as team seven is just about as low as they can get. You know that team seven was one of the teams to roll off the tie for the first half champions.

It seems as there is some misunderstanding between teams as No. 4, No. 9, No. 3 and No. 1 all have the idea that they are going to bowl the winners of the first half for the league championship. Well, keep fighting boys, time will tell.

Tool Room Bowling

January 25, 1945

Tenm	W.	L.	Ave.
Rotors	9	3	723
Lab. No. 1	9	3	706
Lathes	7	5	771
Automatics	7	5	736
Drafting	7	5	713
Welding	6	6	792
Tools	6	5	743
Dies	6	5	729
Jigs	5	7	786
Repairs	5	7	753
Lab. No. 2	5	7	706
Fixtures	0	12	718

High Team one game—Lathes—982.

High Team three games—Welding 2541; Lab. No. 1 2541.

High Individual one game—Piercy 253.

High Individual three games—Mooney 597.

200 Scores—Ehresman 201; E. Lenz 212; Stahlhut 216; Mooney 212; Yahtne 201; Hawk 221; Brimeyer 208.

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

January 24, 1945

Team	W.	L.
Flying IPns	7	2
Knock Outs	6	3
Whizz Bangs	5	4
Pin Hitters	4	5
Lucky Five	4	5
Head Pins	1	8

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzman

When the clatter and bang subsided after the January 25 encounters, we discovered that each team had its respective place in the standing and for once there are no ties. Receiving outshot Order Service for the full count thereby holding on tighter to their first place spot, and making their opponents the undisputed cellar dwellers. Production climbed out of the basement by taking two from Power Drive, and Maintenance bested FHP two games, one by a single pin.

Receiving had highest actual wood for an 849 single game but Production nosed them out at 850 including their handicap and Evard's high game of 221. Other 200's were by Bergman, 207, and Wikel, 204. Five hundred three games were proportionately scarce. Bergman reached 545, Wikel 519, Bischoff made his initial appearance with 517, Reith 515, Richards and Spahr each 511 and Aaron hit 500 right on the snozzola. Other newcomers to the league were Ernie Brown who shot 490 and Buesking who filled in for the Maintenance team but only rolled two games, not enough to establish an average.

Club Forward



Merv Lowden

Merv Lowden, above, is the six-foot forward on the G-E Club men's basketball team. He formerly played on the Woodburn High School and Kuhner Packers teams. This is his second year of play with the G-E Club.

OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

By R. F. Dressel

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 8	10	2
Tenm No. 12	8	4
Team No. 7	8	4
Team No. 2	7	5
Team No. 4	7	5
Team No. 9	7	5
Team No. 6	6	6
Team No. 10	5	7
Team No. 1	4	8
Team No. 3	4	8
Team No. 11	3	9
Team No. 5	3	9

Results of Bowling

Team No. 8 won 3 games from Team No. 1. Tenm No. 7 won 3 games from Tenm No. 10. Team No. 4 won 3 games from Team No. 11. Tenm No. 2 won 2 games from Tenm No. 6. Team No. 12 won 2 gnmes from Team No. 5. Tenm No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 3.

200 Games—Eifrid 201; Smith 203; Roehm 231; Chaney 222; Zelt 220, 225.

600 Series—R. Zelt 220, 170, 225—615; T. Roehm 231, 190, 199—620.

Small Motors And Main Office Tied In Girls' League

By Helen Forker

The Small Motors team handed the Main Office girls their first defeat of the season a week ago when they won a thrilling double-overtime battle by a 23 to 20 count. Main Office appeared destined to win by a comfortable margin when they jumped into a 12-0 lead in the first period, and held a 16 to 9 count at the halfway mark. Small Motors really played to win as they crawled up slowly, getting 14 points in the second half and the overtime periods, while keeping Main Office down to 4 points in the same time.

By virtue of their win over Main Office, the Small Motors team tied up first place in League standings. Both Small Motors and Main Office turned in victories last week, and thus kept the first place deadlocked.

Small Motors registered a victory over Winter Street last week by an 18 and 8 count, and Main Office turned back a hard-fighting West Side team by a 28 to 16 score. These games were both close and hard-fought with all the teams striving hard to gain a victory, and thus improve their League standings. The League standings now put the teams in the following order:

1. Main Office
1. Small Motors—Tie
2. Winter Street
3. West Side

The leading scorers for the League are all in different positions, since the games of the past two weeks. Affolder, Small Motors, moved into first place with Nelson, Main Office, close on her heels. Fuhs, Winter Street, dropped back into third place by virtue of a very bad night against Small Motors. The six leading scorers of the League now are:

1. Affolder, Small Motors
2. Nelson, Main Office
3. Fuhs, Winter Street
4. Smith, Main Office
5. Shively, Small Motors
6. Miller, West Side

The schedule for tonight sends West Side against Small Motors at 7:30 o'clock, and Main Office against Winter Street at 8:30 o'clock. At 6:30 P.M. the G-E Club girls team will play Wayne Candies in a City-wide Girls' League tilt. This really offers a "bargain bill" of ball games, so why not come on out and cheer for your favorites? Admission? There isn't any!

Notes from your observer: There were 5 men absent this week and 2 other notified the secretary that they were going on day shifts next week. If these men can't be replaced by the captains, your secretary has bowlers available for the teams. Please contact him of your needs before the bowling sessions.

Sometimes in the life of a bowler he has a bad week—ask the members of Team 8 who had a total of 375 for three games for Monday's Industrial League. L. Beckman claims he is in a slump; that is the reason for the low scores. Let's pep him up. F. Garland always manages to squeeze out a 190 game sometime during the session. How does he do it? It is with regret that Roy Smith withdraws from the office of president of the league in order to take a day job. Good luck, Roy, and let's hope we will see you back with us soon. Let your observer know if you want more of these observations.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Years And Years Ago



Years and years ago, this G-E Club basketball team of 1922 got together to have their picture taken. Judging from their expressions, they were either trying to scare the photographer or work up courage. Anyway, reading from left to right, back row, they are Clarence Wahl, D. Hamilton, R. Lindemuth, E. Spiker and C. Hueber. Front row, R. Baker, L. Platt, B. Hamilton, G. Bridges and L. Rittenhouse.

G-E Club Men's Team Play Benton Harbor

Girls' Team Loses Second Game This Year By One Point

Lose Close Battle To Curtiss-Wright By 19-18 Count

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls had a very bad day of it last Sunday when the Curtiss - Wright girls of Indianapolis succeeded in squeezing out a last-second win to give our girls their second loss in twelve starts this season. This game was very, very close all the way, with neither team being able to score consistently enough to gain an advantage.

The floor on which the girls played was considerably larger than any on which they had played this year, and this had a very noticeable effect on both teams. Our defense was very good; and this coupled with Curtiss-Wright's inability to hit, held them to a single field goal in the first half. Our girls couldn't find the range of the basket either, but they did outscore their opponents enough to hold an 11 to 6 halftime advantage.

Neither team could hit in the second period either from the field or from the free throw line. G-E still held a 13 to 11 advantage at the end of the third period; and in the final quarter, Betty Fox, hard-driving guard of the Curtiss-Wright squad, found the hoop to score the basket that tied the score. Seconds later she scored again; then "Tommy" Williams made a free throw, and that's the way the game ended. There wasn't enough time for either team to score again.

This game was a close, exciting contest from start to finish; and Fort Wayne basketball fans can be sure of another such tilt when Curtiss-Wright invades the G-E Club gym on February 24 for a return game. Betty Fox was Indianapolis' only consistent scorer, gathering in 11 of their 19 points. The G-E scoring was divided with William's 8 points being high. Whiteleather with 4 tallies was next in line.

The scoring summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Curtiss-Wright	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	1	0	2	Tanmiller	0	1	1
Boedeker	0	0	0	Sheets	0	0	0
Williams	3	2	8	Schulz	0	2	2
Whiteleather	2	0	4	Rieber	0	1	1
Steller	1	0	2	Martin	1	2	4
Puff	1	0	2	Eck	0	0	0
Varner	0	0	0	Fox	5	1	11
Totals	8	2	18	Totals	6	7	19

By Bob Kessens

In the second game at 9 o'clock of another of the double headers offered to the basketball fans, the G-E Club Men's team will face a tough assignment after a week's lay-off when they meet the Twin City Independents of Benton Harbor, Michigan. Although the Club defeated this team at Benton Harbor a few weks ago the Club had one of their hot streaks while the Benton Harbor boys were decidedly off in their shots and missed many lay-up shots while the Club team took every advantage of the breaks. Benton Harbor since that game has defeated every one of their opponents, among their victims being the highly touted Harlem Globe Trotters, South Bend Bendix lost by one point to the Chicago Varsity All Stars. Their team record to date is 18 wins and three losses. This team will be out to knock the Club team from the winning streak they have been enjoying the past six weeks, and also to avenge the defeat handed them on their own floor. The Benton Harbor management will present to the Fort Wayne fans such stars as: Bill Perizo, former Kautsky star, and 6 ft. 2 in. center and high school coach at Benton Harbor (at this writing it looks as if Bill will have the champion high school team of Michigan this year); Wilming, forward, independent star of Benton Harbor; Dunning, forward, former star of Bridgemans High School; Paul Brown, outstanding colored star of St. John's High School of Benton Harbor, at the guard position; Steimle, guard, from Soders H. S. of Soders, Michigan; Schaefer, center, from Benton Harbor H. S.; and Leach, guard or forward from Benton Harbor.

The Club team will be out to enhance its growing victory record and will no doubt start Krieg and Lowden at forwards, Reed at center, Allen and VanRyn at guards. The Club now has a record of 16 victories and two losses.

The games are open to all G-E employees and their friends and there is no charge for these games so come on out fans and let's have a big turnout.

Girls' Team Plays Wayne Candies; Uhlig's At Club

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club Girls' Basketball team will play the Wayne Candies squad at 6:30 o'clock tonight at the G-E gym, and then engage the girls from the Uhlig Machine Shop next Tuesday night at 7:45 o'clock. Both of these tilts will be counted into the standings for the City-wide Girls' League.

The game with Wayne Candies was originally scheduled for January 30, but had to be postponed because the gym was not available on that date. Our girls have defeated Wayne Candies on both of their previous encounters this year, but both games were won the hard way —after a hard-fought battle. The Wayne Candies squad will probably stick to their usual starting line-up of Bandelier and Hibschman at forwards, Janssen, jumping center, and Heck and Girardot at the guard posts.

The G-E girls, who are out to get back in the winning column after a one-point loss to Curtiss-Wright of Indianapolis, will probably start Fitch and Williams at the forward berths, Whiteleather at center, and Steller and Puff at the guard positions. Our girls' season record now stands at 10 victories and 2 losses —one by a one-point margin; and they are going to be striving hard to keep all the rest of their games on the winning side of the ledger.

Next Tuesday nigbt, February 6, the girls engage the Uhlig Machine Shop team at 7:45 o'clock in the first game of the double-header that sends the G-E men against Benton Harbor at 9 o'clock. This is the first year that Uhlig's have organized a basketball team; but their softball teams have been very good, and they shouldn't be underrated on the hardwood court.

Some of the girls on the Uhlig team will be remembered as softball players; among them are Piepenbrink, their left-handed pitcher; Uhlig, the third baseman; and Ely, an outfielder. Uhlig's team entered the City League for the second round, as did the G-E Club team; so little is known here of their all-around playing ability.

These games, as always, are open to all G-E employees and their guests free of charge; so why not come on over and cheer your girls on to victory? They have a fine team this year—one that deserves every bit of support you can give them!

TAYLOR STREET *Bowling League*

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Tool Room	12	3
Laboratory	10	5
Developmental	10	5
Chargers	8	7
Office	8	7
Grinders	8	7
Production	7	8
Screw Machine	7	8
Turbos	7	8
Receiving	5	10
Firemen	5	10
Air Corps	3	12

200 Games—Grove 234, 218; Towns 216; Linn 211; Fellus 210; Martz 208; McGowen 206; Bice 204; Taylor 203; Dasher 202; Werner 201; Nahrwold 200.

No "600" series were in order but Taylor's 597 topped the 17 "500" counts turned in for the evening. Nice going, fellows.

Tool Room, by winning all three games, increased their league lead to the full games. Be careful we're all gunning for you.

Listed below are the up-to-date League records for the second half:

Team High—Single—Turbos 959; Laboratory 917; Production 903.

Team High — Series — Turbos 2622; Grinders 2598; Production 2598.

Individual High—Single—Taylor 235; Grove 234; Schuelke 222.

Individual High—Series—Taylor 629; Meese 594; Grove 588.

Motor-Generator Defeats General Service 45 To 33

On Saturday evening, January 27, Motor-Generator defeated a General Service team by a score of 45 to 33 in a preliminary to the Men's Club team game with Anderson.

Coles was high scorer for the winners with 14 points, while Keppler led the losers with 15 markers.

General Service lost two men on personal fouls and Motor-Generator none.

Line-ups and summaries:

Motor-Generator	G.	F.	T.	General Service	G.	F.	T.
France	4	1	9	Pickett	0	1	1
Coles	5	4	14	Schible	1	0	2
Olson	2	1	5	Keppler	7	1	15
Stellar	4	0	8	Kauffman	3	1	7
Arnold	3	3	9	Ray	4	0	8
				Dukes	0	0	0
Totals	18	9	45	Totals	15	3	33

Small Motor Bowling League

By H. L. Brooks

Last week the Small Motor Bowling League completed the first half bowling schedule with Bldg. 17-4 winning 28 games and losing 17 games to take first place; also they won second place in team high three games and first place in team high one game. The following are the various team standings and individual standing.

Team	W.	L.
Bldg. 17-4	28	17
Bldg. 4-6B	26	19
Bldg. 2-1	25	20
Bldg. 4-3	25	20
Bldg. 17-1	24	21
Bldg. 4-2	24	21
Bldg. 4-1	23	22
Bldg. 4-5	20	25
Bldg. 6-4	19	26
Bldg. 19-4	19	26
Bldg. 4-6A	18	27
Bldg. 6-B	16	29

High Individual 3 Games—E. Aulman 651; E. Reese 640; J. Daly 633; F. Matthews 623; C. Holmes 600; F. Getter 595.

High Individual 1 Game—R. Philo 255; E. Aulman 251; C. Holmes 250; E. Reese 246; R. Parrish 241; R. Seidel 238.

Table Tennis Players Defeat Baer Field

By R. Karasek

The G-E Club Table Tennis team kept their undefeated record intact last Thursday when they defeated the Baer Field team 23 to 4. The Club team, winners of the first half of the city league schedule, had little difficulty as L. Ferverda, H. Campbell, L. Michels, W. Fox, E. Downie, and R. Karasek came through with victories. The well balanced G-E Club meets Forest Park Thursday night February 1 at their Table Tennis Rooms on South Calhoun Street.

Taylor Street Roller Party

By popular request of the folks who attended our first Roller Party held some time ago we are again sponsoring another similar party.

This second Taylor Street Roller Party will be held at Bell's Rink on the Lincoln Highway East, Friday evening, February 9, 1945, starting at 8 o'clock P.M.

We hereby extend an invitation to all you skaters both here at Taylor Street and your friends to come out and enjoy another evening of fun and recreation. Also you skaters at Broadway and Winter Street who wish to join us in this party are cordially invited.

Tickets are now on sale at the Taylor Street Employees' Store and members of the skating committee. Price of tickets 44c tax included. For further particulars call Joe Dickerson, Phone 238, Taylor Street.

Sponsored by Taylor Street Athletic Committee.

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Red Cross Organization Gives Worldwide Aid



Members of a United States Navy hospital band are guests at a party given for them by the American Red Cross at one of its clubs in Australia. PhM 1/c Lindsay Getzen (left), Dade City, Florida, and Chief PhM Nolan Woodford, Salisbury, North Carolina, are shown helping themselves.

Ralph J. Cordiner Is Named To New Executive Post

Is Elected Vice-President And Assistant To The President Of The General Electric Company

Ralph J. Cordiner has been elected vice-president and assistant to the president of the General Electric Company with general administrative duties as designated by the president, it was announced this week by President Charles E. Wilson. Mr. Cordiner has been assistant to the president for the past 18 months, since his resignation as vice-chairman of the War Production Board.

A former member of the G-E appliance and merchandise department, Mr. Cordiner has been continuously connected with the electrical industry, since his undergraduate days at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington, when he was employed part-time as an electrical appliance salesman by the Pacific Power and Light Co. After his graduation in 1922 he was commercial manager of a division of that company, but within a year became connected with the Edison General Electric Appliance Company—Hotpoint—serving successively as northwest manager in Portland and Pacific Coast division manager in San Francisco. In 1932 when the heating device activities of Edison G-E Appliance were transferred from Chicago and consolidated with General Electric's merchandise department at Bridgeport, Mr. Cordiner was moved as manager. Two years later he became assistant manager of appliance sales for G-E and in 1935 manager of the radio division.

Subsequently he became assistant manager of the appliance and mer-

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New Vice-President



Ralph J. Cordiner

Ralph J. Cordiner has been named vice-president and assistant to the president of the General Electric Company, it has been announced.

Seventy-Three Are Awarded $557 For Suggestions

Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Bldg. 4-5, Heads List With $50.00

A $50.00 award to Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Bldg. 4-5, heads this week's suggestion award list, according to which 73 suggestors shared in the $557.00 distributed. Mr. Tibbitts suggested providing a special fixture for removing defective fields from cases.

Two $30.00 awards were issued. The first went to Irene Habecker, Bldg. 4-5, who suggested the use of blocks instead of tape for masking latches on bases for spraying operations. The present award is in addition to $30.00 previously issued. The second $30.00 award went to Edith Kyler, Bldg. 18-3, for her suggestion for changes in R. A. tags to expedite the handling of return apparatus and issuance of credits.

Two employees received awards of $25.00 each. Doyle Lytle of Decatur suggested treating the leads on motors, and Edwin A. Fiedler of Bldg. 26-4 turned in an idea for the use of cuffed insulation on K25's.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 26-2

Homer F. Wearley, Clarence L. Kempf, Golda M. Mentzer.

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Red Cross Issues Appeal For Contributions

Plans are being rounded out for the Red Cross War Fund campaign which will be held early in March throughout the Fort Wayne Works. The campaign will be in charge of J. W. Crise, executive assistant.

All employees will be interested in the following article from American Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D. C.:

"March is Red Cross Month, the period in which the American Red Cross is raising its 1945 War Fund. Every American, including those of that great body of men and women who, by their industry and labor, are helping to bring victory ever nearer, has a vital interest in the success of this campaign.

"The American Red Cross represents every one of us. It is doing the very things we would do for our sons and daughters, husbands and brothers, if we had the opportunity.

"Our sons and our neighbors' sons are in there. They wear the same uniform, they take the same risks, they follow the same flag and they all call upon the same Red Cross organization from which they receive the same quality of service in time of need.

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CASUALTIES

Pvt. Elroy D. Miller, Bldg. 17-1, was wounded for the third time on the Western Front when he was hit by a machine pistol bullet while fighting in the Bitsche sector of Germany.

S/Sgt. Thomas E. Falls, Bldg. 17-4, was wounded in action in November 16, 1944, with the Seventh Army in France.

Pvt. F. Stanley Campbell, Bldg. 12, has been seriously wounded in both legs and left hand while serving with an infantry unit in Belgium on January 14.

Sgt. Ellis M. Nelson, Bldg. 26-1, was wounded in Belgium January 9 while serving with a glider infantry.

Staff Sgt. Richard K. Brown, Bldg. 4-1, was wounded in action January 16 in Germany.

Pvt. John Henry, Taylor Street, was wounded in action in Belgium January 5 and is now in a hospital in Paris.

PFC Robert Fisher, Bldg. 26-1, was slightly wounded in action January 7 in Belgium.

Philip D. Reed Chairman Of The Board Of Directors

Philip D. Reed was elected last week director and Chairman of the Board of both the General Electric Company and the International General Electric Company, at a meeting of the boards of directors of the two organizations. Mr. Reed, who has been in government service since February, 1941, recently resigned as U. S. Minister and Chief of the Mission for Economic Affairs in London, where he had been since July, 1942.

He was originally elected G-E board chairman in January, 1940, but resigned his post in December, 1942, when it became clear that he would continue in government work for an indefinite period. His service with the government included eighteen months in Washington with the Office of Production Management and its successor, the War Production Board. With the latter organization he was chief of the Bureau of Industry Branches which was principally responsible for converting peace time industries to war work.

Mr. Reed succeeds Owen D. Young, as Chairman of G-E, and Gerard Swope, as Chairman of IGE. Both of the latter have resigned their offices and directorships in both companies, which they had assumed when they emerged from retirement on the advent of the war. Mr. Reed, who is 45, became associated with G-E in 1926 as a member of the Lamp Department's legal staff. In 1934 he was appointed counsel for the Department and three years later was elected Assistant to the President.

Board Chairman



Philip D. Reed

Philip D. Reed was named Chairman of the Board of the General Electric Company, it was announced at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors.

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Human Reconversion

Human reconversion is probably the most important problem of the post-war era.

Men trained in the grim skills of warfare must be reoriented to civilian life. Moreover, they must be shown that they are welcome back home and that their sacrifices have been appreciated.

For that reason, the program of the Red Cross is more important than ever in the months ahead. Through the Red Cross, returning veterans can find the help and guidance so essential to their proper adjustment.

Already, the local Red Cross "post-war" plans are in operation. Fighting men returning to their community are using Red Cross assistance in filing claims for government benefits, in obtaining financial aid during the adjudication period, and in getting friendly advice and counsel on personal problems.

Because a war doesn't end with the last shot fired, and because a community's war responsibility isn't finished until its sons have been welcomed back into its civic, social and economic life, people of this community must continue to support their Red Cross through contributions of money and service.

As the 1945 Red Cross War Fund campaign nears, it is vital to "Keep Your Red Cross At His Side."

Preview Of Accidents

There is much to be gratified about in America's safety record during the last 10 years. Unceasing efforts by safety organizations, industry, and particularly those engaged in hazardous tasks every day, have resulted in a gradually diminishing toll.

Yet no one in his right mind is satisfied. The National Safety Council has just said that early estimates for 1945 indicate some 95,000 accidental deaths from all causes and 340,000 injuries involving varying degrees of permanent disability. At the year's end, add these to our battle casualties, and you would have a depressing result.

What makes such calculations disheartening is that, while battle casualties are necessary to preserve our country, the accidents in most cases will have been strictly preventable. And, as the manpower problem grows more pressing, the loss in "punch" on the home front becomes that much more serious.

While there is cause to hope that even better work will be done on safety campaigns in 1945, the record will not improve unless people in general are more careful. In industry, that means those in the shop and office. To use the words of the National Safety News, "The real work of prevention must be done by the men on the job."

They Know What It Takes

We welcome the veterans who are returning to jobs here or who come to us for the first time.

Men and women returning from service have seen at first hand the vital part industry is playing in this war. They know what it means to have the backing of workers on the home front.

It is a privilege to have veterans working in our company. And their coming will give us new fight to produce what is needed for total victory.



"HEY FELLAS! - V-MAILMAN'S HERE!"

SCIENCE FORUM – BY L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Why does coal tar have so many more derivatives than most other substances?

A. **Probably for two reasons: first, because it has so many things in it that the number of possible derivatives is very great; and second, because it has received longer intensive study than other sources of derivatives. Petroleum has proved to be another fertile field, and may in time surpass coal tar in number of derivatives.**

Q. What substance will absorb moisture in a house?

A. **Calcium chloride spread out in thin layers in pans of water should do this. Calcium chloride can be bought at either a chemical supply store or drug store. The containers should occasionally be refilled.**

Q. Is dichloricide better than moth balls?

A. **Yes. Moth balls do not kill moths, but merely repel them; whereas dichloricide kills the larvae if the closet is air-tight enough.**

Q. Why is food rich in iodine considered undesirable for persons who have or have had tuberculosis?

A. **Iodine promotes the absorption of scar tissue, especially new scar tissue. Since tuberculosis heals by scar-tissue formation, it is considered unwise to inhibit that process.**

Q. How can hydrogen and oxygen be made to unite to form water?

A. **Upon the application of a spark or flame to hydrogen in the presence of oxygen, they unite explosively to form water.**

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Robert J. Kiermaier (4)*	5031 Hanna, Fort Wayne	19-1	Hanke	7:00- 3:30
Harry J. Nitz (4)*	R. 3, Fort Wayne	10-1	Helmer	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 33—8 miles out.			
Dewey Heaston (2)*	R. 1, Spencerville, Ind.	20-1	Truman	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 1 or No. 37.			
Albert J. Christman (4)*	R. 4, Fort Wayne	19-3	Larenitis	7:00- 3:30
	About 10 miles out.			
Violet A. Gerbers (3)*	Woodburn, Indiana	26-3	Fowler	7:00- 5:30
Guy O. Allred	Markle, Indiana	8-1	Kierspe	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 3 through Markle or Zanesville.			
Merle Fryer (3)*	205 Randolph, Huntington	26-2	Garman	8:00- 5:15
Arthur Buntain (2)*	R. 1, Larwill, Ind.	4-3	Bredher	7:00- 3:30
	Coming through Columbia City on Road No. 30.			

* Number of Riders Desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Barbara Stonestreet	LaOtto, Indiana	18-B	Getz	8:00- 5:15
Gwen Southern	LaOtto, Indiana	4-6	Horseman	8:00- 5:15
Herniece Frantz	R. 1, Liberty Center, Ind.	17-3	Krider	7:00- 3:30
Herschel Lindemuth	R. 1, Fort Wayne	19-3	McCormick	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 3—10 miles out.			
Wren Herbst	R. 5, Fort Wayne ..... Hollywood		Heiniger	8:00- 5:00
	Coming in on No. 30—13 miles out.			

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foremen	Hours
Cleo Dicks	Auburn, Indiana	Smith	7:12- 3:12
E. A. Kleinknight	Angola, Indiana	Woody	6:48- 2:48
Harley Shaffer	3409 Piqua, City	Traub	6:48- 2:48
Charles Hall	Huntington, Indiana	Kruse	3:00-11:12
Richard Maxton	Huntington, Indiana	Greiner	3:18-11:18
Paul Swonger	Kendallville, Indiana	Sible	3:12-11:12
Guy Will	Markle, Indiana	Sible	3:12-11:12
Howard Scott	North Manchester, Indiana	Sible	3:12-11:12

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

EFFICIENCY IN THE LAUNDRY

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

"Organize an efficient laundry," advises Ruby Littlefield, Manager Home Laundy Section, Consumer Institute. "Even though new appliances are not available, and accessory equipment such as utensils are hard to get, there is much every homemaker can do to organize her laundry for efficiency."

To organize a laundry to save steps, energy and waste motion on wash days, Ruby Littlefield suggests the following simple remedies.

Suitable Table and Chair

The laundry table should be on wheels so it can easily be moved into position for whatever purpose it is needed.

The table tops most suitable for the laundry room are hard wood, white oilcloth-covered, or linoleum-covered.

If a comfortable straight back chair is provided for the laundry room, there are many tasks such as sorting, mending, removing stains and ironing (where an ironer is part of the laundering equipment) which can be done seated.

Folding and Mobile Baskets

One of the latest types of clothes baskets being made is one with the "basket" of heavy unbleached muslin attached to a folding frame. When not in use, it can be stored in a small space.

To make clothes baskets mobile, a small oblong stand, about 18 inches high, mounted on wheels can be made which would save lifting and carrying baskets heavy with wet laundry.

It is an excellent clothes-saver idea to equip all wicker baskets with muslin "liners."

Hotplate or Range

A hotplate or range especially for the laundry is a means of saving many trips to the kitchen on wash day in order to sterilize clothes, make starch, etc. It also provides an auxiliary to the kitchen range when quantity cooking is done for special functions.

Provide Closed Cabinets

Open shelves do not adequately supply storage space for laundering utensils, soaps, bleaches and other laundering materials. Besides detracting from the appearance of a laundry, open shelves are dust collectors.

Laundering Utensils

Extra steps to the kitchen for utensils on wash day can be saved if laundering utensils are provided that are used only for wash day.

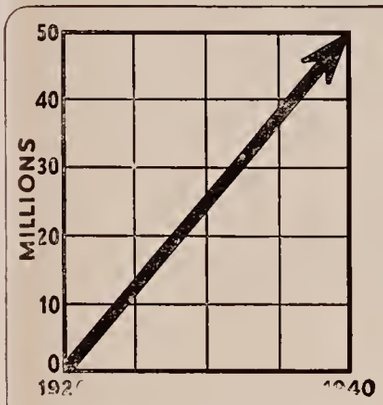
Select pans of enamel or earthenware for use in soaking, sterilizing or bleaching clothes. Wooden spoons are also recommended for the laundry room. Measuring cups of glass with easily-read markings are also best for the laundry; and a quart size glass pitcher for mixing bleaches and the like will also be a convenient accessory utensil.

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its operations.

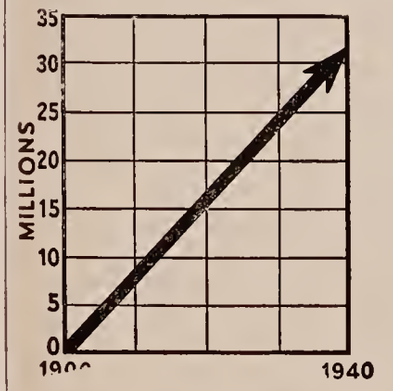
EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

. . . the Secret of America's Success

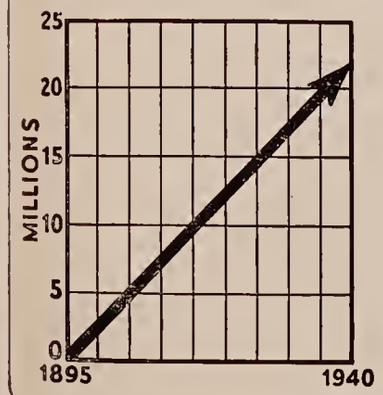
"America has prospered magnificently, beyond any other country in modern times, precisely because the urge to self-improvement has been given plenty of play. We have judged people not by the line from which they started the race, but at the line where they finished it. We have gloried in equality—not the arbitrary equality of drab sameness, but the equality of opportunity. Beyond that, on the contrary, we have recognized the importance of unique and outstanding attainments. As a nation we have never regarded democracy as an artificial process of leveling down, but as a framework within which each of us can express his special individuality—for himself and for his country as a whole."—Eric Johnston, President of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.



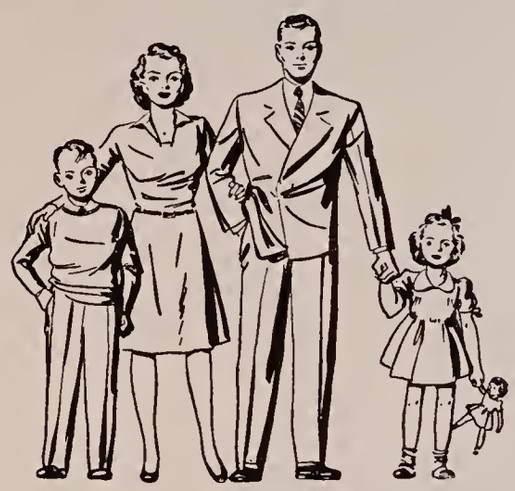
50 Million American Families Own Radios



32 Million American Families Have Automobiles



22 Million American Families Have Telephones



America Has Prospered . . . Beyond Any Other Country

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM means constantly higher living standards for all of us. Special talents and hard work are rewarded well and we all share in all the contributions which are made to our country's progress. Hundreds of products, inventions of the most ingenious minds, have been made available through mass production to millions of people all over America.

BEFORE THE WAR, Americans consumed 65% of the world's silk, 61% of the world's oil, 52% of the world's coffee, 50% of the world's rubber and 34% of the world's electric power. The country had 30% of the world's railroad mileage. The people of this country had the greatest amount of life insurance in the world, an average of $842 per capita compared with $353 in Great Britain, $254 in Sweden, $117 in Germany, $49 in France and $36 in Italy. No other country in the world has been able to match America's progress.

FREE ENTERPRISE means opportunity—opportunity to study and to train for jobs of our own choosing—opportunity to exercise our own particular talents and special abilities—opportunity to go into business for ourselves if we so desire—opportunity to make our own decisions on matters affecting our own welfare. For the great majority of us, free enterprise has meant, besides, the highest wages paid in any country, in normal times constantly lower prices on the products we buy and, therefore, the highest living standard in the world. Free enterprise is one of the basic American freedoms. Americans believe in free enterprise because they believe in themselves.

Suggestions

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Decatur

John D. Cowan, Clarence F. Drake.

Bldg. 27

Lester C. Patton.

Bldg. 4-5

Jo Ann Manes and Leola Hart, Dorothy J. Ray, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., John B. Philley, Forrest A. Allman, George K. Robb, Ross E. Fahl, Milton E. Roller.

Bldg. 26-1

Leslie A. Baumgartner, Ethel E. Shroyer, Norman R. Voelker.

Winter Street

Cecil L. Goodson, Wyonald H. Hoot.

Bldg. 26-4

Paul Greesley, Raymond L. Duff.

Bldg. 4-3

Wilma F. Ahlersmeyer and Mary E. Rhodes, Charles M. Monroe, Anna E. Coleman.

Bldg. 4-1

Clara A. Gallaspie, Oliver W. Meyers.

Bldg. 4-4

G. Robert Crosley, Robert J. Till.

Bldg. 19-1

Ray H. McBride.

Bldg. 4-2

Charles W. Gatton.

Hamilton Bldg.

Paul A. Witte.

Bldg. 17-1

Dorothea May Haver, J. Eifrid, Roger R. Crabill, Kenneth W. Carpenter, Delbert Frank Keefer, Douglas C. Bragg, William Epperson, James J. Carey.

Bldg. 19-3

Otto N. Pflueger, George D. Guenther.

Bldg. 10

Harold L. Kniffen.

Bldg. 6-2

Mary Jane Fry, Ruth E. Pretorius, Verne G. Moore, Friedrich G. Hofacker, Oliver L. Jarrett, Edward C. Ensch.

Bldg. 20

Wilbur H. Morehous.

Bldg. 19-2

Ferdinand Stamm.

Bldg. 26-B

Owen R. Allen, Joseph T. Troendly, Howard G. Sawyer, Charles R. Mercer, Donald Edgar.

Bldg. 19-4

Calvin A. Zuercher, Arthur M. McNamara, Wilbert C. Zoch, Adele Wietfeldt, Harold W. Mosshammer.

Ralph J. Cordiner

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chandise department, and in 1938 was appointed manager, succeeding in that position Mr. Wilson, now president of the company. Mr. Cordiner resigned from G-E in August 1939 to become president of Schick, Inc., of Stamford, Connecticut, but left in December, 1942, when he entered government service as director general of war production scheduling and vice chairman of the War Production Board.

Mr. Cordiner is a director of Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corporation, Carboloy Company, Inc., Edison G-E Appliance Company, Inc., G-E X-Ray Corporation, Locke Insulator Corporation, Monowatt Electric Corporation, Trumbull Electric Manufacturing Company, Warren Telechron Company, G-E Credit Corporation, and G-E Supply Corporation.

Named Foremen



Revella L. Shepherd



Harold H. Franz

Announcement has been made of the appointment of two employees to the position of foreman, both in the Specialty Transformer Division. Harold H. Franz is third shift punch press foreman in Bldg. 26-1, and Revella L. Shepherd is foreman of sheet metal parts fabrication and finishing of the second shift in Bldg. 26-B and Bldg. 26-1.

Mr. Franz has been employed in the Transformer Division for his entire period of service, and has been employed as set-up man and leading operator. Mr. Shepherd was first employed at the Winter Street Plant and has been employed as punch press operator, set-up man, special sheet metal worker, and leading operator. He has completed special courses at Purdue Extension.

Red Cross

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"Red Cross food parcels go to all Americans held as prisoners of war in Europe. Red Cross field directors go to any length to help solve the personal problems of every man and woman in uniform requesting assistance. Red Cross clubs are open to all members of our armed forces. Red Cross hospital workers provide recreation for all the wounded and disabled; they distribute comfort kits and other items to all those wanting them; and they write letters for, furnish books and magazines to, play games with, and cheer up, any and all who may have the ill fortune to be confined in hospital.

"There are still other reasons why every man and woman the country over is vitally interested in the Red Cross War Fund campaign:

"A year ago some 200 American Red Cross clubs and rest homes offered food, lodging and recreation to our armed forces overseas. Today there are more than 700 such establishments. A year ago there were less than 100 clubmobiles in operation. Today there are 200 plying the roads of England, France, Italy, and other countries where our troops are fighting. A year ago the Red Cross had approximately 2,000 trained workers overseas. Today there are more than 6,000.

"There is no prospect whatsoever of a curtailment of Red Cross activity, even though fighting might cease. Red Cross services to our armed forces will continue long after guns are stacked. Our troops abroad will continue to need the Red Cross. Those who have been hospitalized will rely upon the Red Cross more than ever. And veterans returning to civil life will find in the Red Cross counsel and guidance in meeting the many problems of readjustment.

"Those of us at home must see our duty clearly. Our contributions to the 1945 Red Cross War Fund will assure a continuation of all these essential services to our men in uniform. Give now and give generously!"

War Production Board Urges Proper Care Of Electrical Appliances

Proper care of radios, refrigerators, washing machines, stoves and all electrical and mechanical appliances is more important today than ever before, the War Production Board's Office of Civilian Requirements warned today in a message to householders.

The increased need for war production means a delay in resuming production of household appliances and equipment, OCR officials said. This factor, combined with the acute shortage of repair shop facilities, makes it imperative that every effort be made to prolong the life of equipment now in use, they emphasized.

The tremendous demand for repair services, occasioned by the lack of new appliances and equipment, together with the shortage of skilled repairmen, frequently means several weeks or even months of delay in having repairs made. The shortage of replacement parts in some instances, such as tubes for radios, also delays repairs, officials pointed out.

The small motors that operate power-driven appliances or equipment are sturdily-built for years of satisfactory operation, but excessive overloads and lack of proper lubrication will sooner or later cause a breakdown. New motors are scarce, and repair service, highly technical in nature, is generally much slower than usual.

Here are OCR's suggestions for the care of some of the more commonly-used equipment:

Refrigerators

Don't cause the motor and operating mechanism to run almost continuously in warm weather by neglect of a few simple things. Small motors and certain refrigeration parts are very scarce. Refrigerators, with gas under pressure, require highly-skilled repairmen for service work, and there is a shortage of such repairmen.

With the advent of warm weather, do some spring housecleaning if the operating mechanism of your refrigerator is of the open type (easily accessible). Oil the motor as directed on instruction sheet or card. Take a brush and clean the fin-like gadget (the condensor) that looks like an automobile radiator. Heavy dust is a menace. Shut off the electricity before doing this.

Don't let too much frost accumulate on the coils. Defrost before it gets one-quarter inch thick.

Do not use a sharp instrument to remove ice trays.

Don't pack food in tightly, nor use a lot of paper sacks that may tend to prevent proper air circulation.

Don't leave the door open any longer than necessary.

Allow several inches of free air space behind the refrigerator so that the hot air will be dissipated quickly.

Don't put hot water in the trays, nor hot foods in the refrigerator.

Washers

Don't overload the washer or wringer. A little more time will pay in the end.

Seven to twelve minutes is usually long enough for a good washing job.

Oil as per instruction card or sheet.

Examine clothes and remove matchsticks, nails, bobby pins, etc., before putting clothes in the washer.

Start motor before putting in clothes, except when using automatic washers.

The correct water level should be maintained.

Don't run metallic objects through the wringer, unless they are protected.

Release pressure on wringer rolls after using.

Keep oil and grease off rubber parts.

Irons

Don't clean by washing in water. Wipe with damp cloth, and mild cleaning powder.

Don't overheat, as this may damage the heating element, and new elements are scarce.

Be sure to disconnect when through using. It is surprising how many persons forget this. Don't wrap connecting cord around a hot iron.

Be careful not to drop the iron.

Extension and Iron Cords

Keep free from kinks, knots, oil and moisture.

Keep away from radiators or metal pipes.

Have frayed cords repaired promptly. If you have to do this, use rubber tape.

Don't hang over nails, or wrap around a hot appliance.

Don't run under heavy furniture or rugs.

Don't jerk cord from appliance or outlet. Always grasp the plug itself.

Vacuum Cleaners

The high-speed motor needs oil. Follow manufacturer's instructions.

Don't run over pins, nails or metal objects; pick these up before using cleaner.

Empty dust bag frequently. Don't wash it, but brush well occasionally.

Remove hair or threads from the brushes.

Fans

At the beginning of season clean and oil before starting to use. If fan won't start, disconnect and spin the blades by hand to loosen oil. Keep clean. Keep papers, cloths or other objects away from rotating blades.

Radios

Tubes and some replacement parts are very scarce, so turn off radio when no one is listening to it. This assures longer use before breakdown of a tube or part. Excessive volume may cause breakdown of the loud speaker. If an outside aerial is used, a good lightning arrestor should also be used. Handle portable radios with care.

Miscellaneous Appliances

Keep water from heating elements, and don't jab them with any metal object, whether they are connected or disconnected. Watch connecting cords for wear. Follow oiling instructions for motor-operated appliances.

Gyro Is Deadly War Device, States G-E Scientist

A child's toy—the spinning top or gyroscope—is a deadly war instrument that is used in underwater warfare, on shipboard and in aircraft, Dr. Charles F. Green, consulting engineer of General Electric's Aeronautics and Marine Engineering division, declared in a G-E Science Forum address.

Under water the gyro is the means "which directs the deadly torpedo on its path to the battleship, destroyer, or transport," Dr Green said.

"On shipboard, it performs the vital job of indicating the vertical, in spite of the roll and pitch of the vessel," he continued. "Such stable verticals or elements are precision gyro instruments having means for continuously correcting or 'erecting' the gyro to the vertical, to make them accurate enough to serve as a base from which guns may be fired at distant targets.

"Many other refinements must be included to render gunfire accurate on a rolling and pitching base. These gyro instruments serve also to control many items of equipment aboard, so that parts or elements always are vertical or horizontal, as the case may require. Such stabilization makes the firing of guns possible at any position in the roll of the ship, and greatly increased fire power as well as accuracy of fire."

Dr. Green pointed out another use that has greatly aided in increasing the deadliness of gunfire. This characteristic of the gyro makes possible an accurate measure of the lead necessary for firing of guns from one airplane at another. The gunner in following, or tracking, his target through his sights causes a gyro to set up a proper lead angle, either in his sight or the computer, to make accurate and deadly gunfire by shooting ahead of the target. "This is one of the uses of the gyro which has been added during the present conflict," he said.

According to Dr. Greene, gyro compasses, when equipped with automatic steering equipment, become the means by which the fighting vessels of the world navies today are navigated in fair or foul weather. He said that all but the smallest aircraft are equipped today with directional gyros, which are used by the pilots to maintain their determined courses.

New uses for the gyroscope have been found, not only for war, but for the more desirable peacetime uses, he concluded.

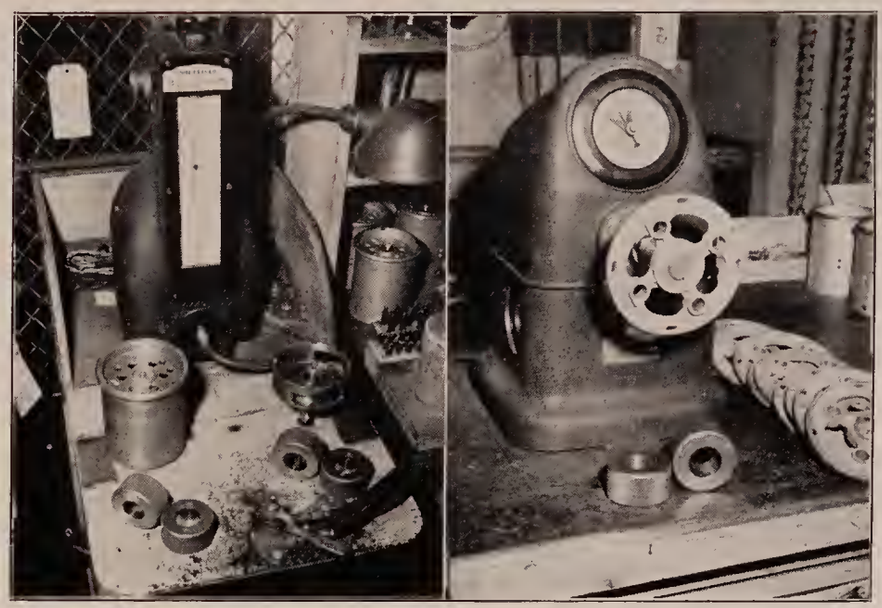
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MAIN OFFICE
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The other night Mary Ramey, Clarence Cook and Adolph Shilling, all from Bldg. 18-3, ate their evening meal in the G E Co. cafeteria. During the course of their conversation, Clarence mentioned that his name had never been in this column. No sooner had he said that, when Mary attempted to remove the milk cap from the container. Well, the edging of the cap all came off leaving the lid. So, she proceeded to use her fork and instead of removing the lid, it, fork and all made a dive straight inside to the bottom, spraying a fountain of milk on all three of them. After that they all went "dripping" back to the office reeking of milk. . . . The story is currently floating around Bldg. 18-4 that one Dave Stone requires three euchre players and three "kibitzer's" to keep the usual noon session intact. In fact, it has gotten to the place that the players even draw straws as no one wants him for a partner, but he seems like such a nice boy too. . . . Yours truly would like to apologize for misspelling Forrest Leighty's, Bldg. 18-3, name in last week's WORKS NEWS. . . . We also want to take this time to congratulate our own Elmer Hauck, Bldg. 18-3, who has the very high honor of being a member of the Quarter Century Club. Congratulations, Elmer! . . . Cupid visited the employment office once again. This time he pierced the hearts of Dottie Lemert and Pvt. Bill Cunningham, home on furlough from Camp Hood, Texas. She is now wearing a beautiful diamond on her third finger, left hand. . . . Thelma Olander from the employment office celebrated her birthday Saturday afternoon. She received a shower of birthday greetings from all the girls. In the afternoon, she passed candy and nuts to the crowd. . . . Believe I hear a wedding march being played for Anna Roth in the near future. For further information, check the little blonde in the printing room of our penthouse, namely, Bldg. 18-5. . . . Stella Trumbower, Bldg. 18-5, is a welcome addition to our requisition section. She made chocolate fudge that has us all drooling for more. . . . While driving his big sleek Pontiac, Don Fagg, Bldg. 18-5, cut a corner so close that he knocked off one of his skirts. (In case you're wondering, girls, the skirt is a part of the car!). Now he's going around with his bare wheel showing. . . . Another question of the hour is "Did Mr. Cooper, Bldg. 18-5, cut a rug at the dance he chaperoned Saturday night?" How about that, Mr. Cooper? . . . We're all glad to hear that Connie Quinn, Bldg. 18-5, is coming back after her long convalescence. She's right on the beam again. . . . We're also very glad to report that Ruth Beeber, Bldg. 18-3, is home from the hospital, and we sincerely hope that it won't be long until she will be completely well again. . . . The Production Dept. girls gave a dinner party for Eileen Lyons, bride of the week, last Thursday at the Yacht Club. Eileen is leaving G-E Wednesday and will be married Saturday morning. Our very best wishes for your happiness, Eileen! . . . Surprise of the week came from Margaret Biggs, Telegraph Section. Margaret was married February 2 to Pvt. Gene Stahl. Don't know the particulars at the moment, but you can be sure she will be in for a round of questioning when she gets back next Monday. . . . Casualty of the week is Mary Jehl, Bldg. 18-4. She fell and broke her right wrist, which will keep her on the "sick list" for about six weeks.

AIR COMPARATOR GAGES



Pictured above are two types of air comparator gages used in the Fort Wayne Works.

The inside diameters of ball bearing housings, having tolerances of four or five ten-thousandths of an inch, are accurately gaged on these comparators.

Bores are graded and marked for size after gaging to permit selective assembly involving clearances of only five ten-thousandths of an inch.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Cleon Oyer has a slightly worn, decrepit bowling team he's anxious to trade or sell for most anything. All offers will be given prompt and due consideration. . . . Looks like ducks are in for a treacherous season next fall as Bob Sheets is converting all his spare time into making duck decoys. . . . Ted Schelper's bowling aggregation are wondering when they can get a return match with Fred Pyle's all stars—the losers to buy liquid refreshments for all. . . . Anyone needing mending, patching or fancy sewing done by an experienced hand see Pauline Fischer. She comes highly recommended. . . . Things are getting back to normal again in the department since Fred Pyle has recovered from the flu and is back with us. . . . Russell Lee recently received a letter from Pvt. Paul Brandt written Jan. 12th, somewhere in Germany. He wrote that he had a nice Christmas or as nice as could be expected. He was in a rest area during the holidays. He also said that he is in good health and the weather is quite bad now, with six inches of snow. He sent greetings to all who know him. Paul is better known as "Dutch" and worked in the anodize room. . . . Florida, the Land of Sunshine, Orange Blossoms and Bathing Beauties was the main topic of conversation the other day in Final Inspection after several persons received cards from Lucille Slater. Lucille is spending a two-week vacation with her husband who is at the replacement center, Miami Beach. She writes that words cannot express the beauty of Florida. . . . Anyone needing the advice of a doctor just buzz "Doc" Hoffman (Howard to most of us). He has the "sure-cure" for many ailments. How about a remedy for removing bunions and corns, "Doc"? . . . Max Archbold says that his sense of smell is so keen that he can smell garlic a mile away. But we think it is even better than that, because one day last week he said he smelled it all the way home. (That's a distance of ten miles.) You should have looked in your cap, Max. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Gladys Lambert. We wondered why she was wearing that smile Jan. 23. Hope you have many more happy birthdays, Gladys. . . . If you really want to look at something to wake you up, you must look at Bob "Curly" Planck in his new red and green plaid shirt. . . . Paul LeCoque must have celebrated his birthday last week by buying himself a new home. May you have much luck and happiness in it, Paul. . . . George York states that his 1937 Ford is still very reliable. Then why did it leave him down in the parking lot on the coldest night of the year? . . . Carl Soest, Tool Room, goes in for impersonations in a big way. Carl can imitate a dog's bark pretty well but his train whistle can be improved upon. . . . The cigarette shortage is getting Ray Dotzer down. Ray has got to the place where he will outbid the other boys for a pack and he still can't get any. Ray watches the butts in the container in the smoking area but he says everyone is smoking them too close. . . . Lloyd Oberholtzer, inspector in 15A, 16 and 13, tells us he is cooking up a good one, but it won't be ready until next week. See you then, Obie.

By electrifying her father's dairy, a Mississippi girl released one man for full-time work and also saved $100 a month in ice and labor.

Is Zat So?

The most talked about subject this week was the newly enforced "brown out." Mel Kestner seemed unconcerned about the whole affair, however, because he parked his car with the lights on the other morning. The watchman had to come and get Mel to turn his lights out. Mel says it was too early in the morning to see anything as small as car lights! . . . Nina Clifton learned that it wasn't advisable to lock her drawer with the keys on the inside. . . . George Mosshammer can be heard most any time singing "My Darling Clementine." It wouldn't do him any good to sing "Don't Fence Me In" when he works in the tool coop would it, George? . . . Ralph Beerman bought a coupe. Of course it's a pre-war model, but Ralph is pretty proud of it anyway. . . . Iola Bobay's face turned nearly as red as her dress when she mistook the second trick operator for Howard Eastman, our first trick operator. . . . In case you have not already heard, Clayton Schultz, Sr., has a good reason for that sleepy look and big smile. His son, Clayton Schultz, Jr., arrived home on furlough early Monday morning from the Belgian front. . . . "Pappy" Mosshammer has joined the ranks of the final inspectors. We hope you like it, Pappy. . . . Maxine Mason returned from a week's vacation at home on the farm with a refreshed look. . . . Jim Johnson completes his twenty-ninth year with the General Electric this week. He doesn't look much older than that, does he? . . . Birthday congratulations to Clinton Stove and Marjorie Ottinger.

Use your brains; a machine has none.

WIRE & INSULATION
— Ravelings
Bldgs. 8 and 12

The Wire Section wishes to congratulate Mary Wehr, who was married to W. Goss on February 6 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. . . . Richard Hambrock, Electrician's Mate, 3rd Class, has arrived home on a 16-day leave after active duty in the South Pacific area. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 4-3. He is the son of Al Hambrock, Bldg. 8-2. . . . Al Nicholson has been off sick for the past three weeks. We all wish for your speedy recovery, Al, and hope you will be back with us soon. . . . Lt. Commdr. Virgil Hire left recently after spending a short leave at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hire. . . . Gladys Prudhomme, Bldg. 8-2, spent last week end in Chicago. . . . Charles Brubaker reports that since he insulated his house he has to shovel coal out of his stoker each morning instead of vice versa. . . . Congratulations to Dillo Patten, who is the proud father of a baby boy. . . . There's a jockey in our Gang. Can you pick him out? Yes, it's Harry Wenger. Maybe he rode a winner in Kentucky. How about it, Harry? . . . Someone decided that Margaret Witte's pin-up picture of Van Johnson would look better with black whiskers. Do you like it that way, Margaret? . . . Melvin Yates came to work the hard way the other day. He started out in his car, used a tractor to get out of a snowdrift, and then had to leave his car and hitch-hike into work. Such patience should be well rewarded, "Mel." . . . The entire department would like to offer congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gardt on the birth of their baby daughter, Mary Elaine. . . . Russell LeBeau and Francis Isenbarger are sure-enough wise men. They are going to revise Webster's dictionary and add a few new words. Here's one: "Mugwump." . . . "Steve" Harbarth has finally told how he gets those great big muscles. He eats a big bowl of "Wheaties" for breakfast. There probably won't be a box on any grocery shelf now. . . . Our sincere sympathy is offered to Mr. and Mrs. George Huber because of the death of Mrs. Huber's father. . . . Marjorie Degitz is back to work after being ill for a week. Welcome back, Marjorie, and take better care of yourself in the future. . . . Donna Wagoner still insists that Jefferson Center has a good basketball team. Even though one fellow had two teeth pulled, and two others were ill, and, leaving only two men to play, it still is a great team. Who did they beat, Donna?

Spot Jottings
Bldg. 19-4

The ground hog and Harry Berry both came out Friday, February 2. The furry old animal had plenty of chance to see his shadow and the twenty-five shadows that Harry saw turned out to be real live ones and hungry too, for they sure made quick work of a swell dinner in honor of Berry's birthday. Euchre, cards, and singing were the favorite pastimes of the evening. A swell time was had by all and many happy returns, Harry. . . . Our test and inspection is sure losing its feminine touch. We have lost our poetess, Glendora Martin, to the Main Office and now Mary Ritchie and Carol Overman are leaving to take positions elsewhere in the G-E. We know you will like your new jobs, but also know we will miss you.

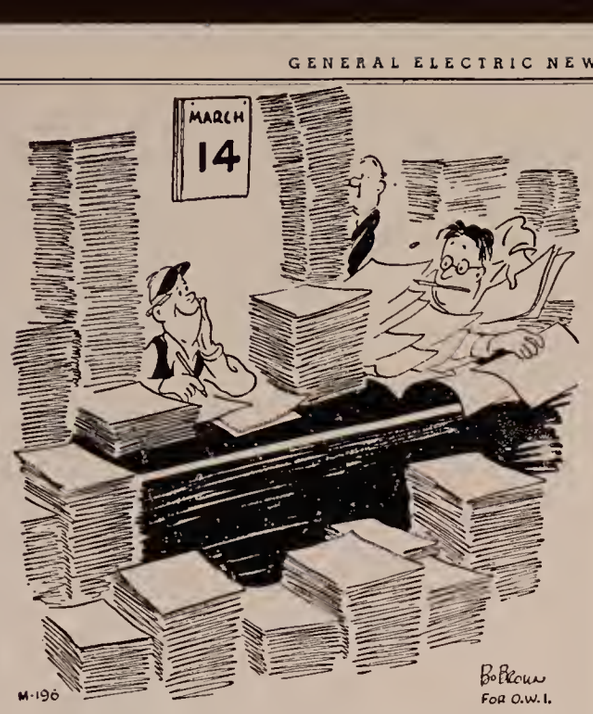
NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

The Decatur G-E Girls Basketball team was defeated by the Wayne Candies 18 to 17 in the preliminary game to the Zollner Piston-Oshkosh game at the Fort Wayne North Side Gym. Decatur lead by three points at one time but were unable to stave off the last half rally staged by the Wayne Candies. This was the most thrilling game played so far this year, and the girls will be out to avenge the one-point defeat when they meet the Wayne Candies at Decatur, February 14. High scorer for Decatur was L. Royer. . . . The basketball girls beat the WAVES of Bunker Hill 25 to 19. In the first few minutes of play, eight points were made by Decatur, but the WAVES came back in the second quarter to put the pressure on and the game ended 25 to 19. The WAVES have improved much since the first of the basketball season and were out to avenge the 30 to 15 defeat handed to them by the G-E at the first of the season. R. Thatcher was high scorer for Decatur. . . . The members of the basketball team together with their manager and trainers entertained the WAVES of Bunker Hill following the game on Wednesday night, Jan. 31. The party was held at the Elks home. Food, refreshments and dancing were greatly enjoyed by the entire group. Highlight of the party was Marcia Martin and Kuebic of the WAVES doing special dance steps. . . . Things worth waiting for: The program to be presented by the G-E Club Choir. (Ed. note—They sang four numbers at a recent lecture—the men dressed in tuxedoes and the girls in beautiful blue and white evening gowns. Director Dave Ebler says, "Give the group a few more weeks." So watch for the announcement. It's worth waiting for). . . . People have been envious of the Rabbitt boys' Packard—but no longer. It is very shy of snow drifts. In fact, so shy that it had to have a little "Willys" push it out of one the other morning. After being pushed out by Jerry Mill's car, the Packard's feelings were so hurt, it refused to stop and pick Betty Smith up. Betty didn't mind; she went back to bed. . . . Congratulations to the George Daniels. Mr. Stork dropped a "bouncing boy" on their roof recently. . . . Wedding bells will chime on the eighteenth for Katie Fryback and Gray Paddock, former employees. Here's lots of luck. . . . Lucky for Art Manley that the cafeteria has plenty of mustard. Art uses it on everything but ice cream. . . . Berniece Engle will be all ready to set up housekeeping if her husband keeps sending her "pretties" from France. . . . Eloise Noll is 100% happy. The postman has been bringing mail regularly from her brother in service. . . . Herman Linnemeier, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bieberich and family attended the Military Tournament which was held recently at Concordia College. Mr. Bieberich's son Donald participated in the tournament. . . . Mrs. Donald Hoblet, formerly Harriet Detter, has returned to her desk in the Plant 2 office. . . . We suggest side boards for Mary Fuhrman's bed so that she can dream without falling out of bed and hitting her head on the night table. . . . We are adding two new members to the sparkler's club. Pauline Ballinger received a diamond from Pvt. Leonard Roughia who has just returned from Alaska. Virginia Brough received her ring from Donald (Pete) Garard, who has been given a medical discharge after serving four years with the U. S. Army. . . . A birthday surprise party was given recently for Lucile Schearer at the home of Ruby Miller. A delicious supper was served by the hostesses, Ruby Miller and Esther Harmon to the following guests: Dorothy Heiman, Dulce Oechsle, Verdella Everett, Mrs. Minnie Schearer, Mrs. Wilma Small, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Miller. The evening was spent in playing games which everyone enjoyed. Prizes went to: Dorothy Heiman, Lucile Schearer and Dulce Oechsle. The honored guest received a beautiful gift from the girls.

Sgt. John E. Anderson and PFC Clarence Michel wrote us V-mails from Italy. Cpl. Bob Frey sent his V-mail from somewhere in France. He and George Womack are in the same outfit and get to see each other once in a while. . . . Donald Drake is in Belgium and he says that although the country there is something like Indiana and Ohio, he would still rather be back in Indiana. He wants to tell everyone hello. . . . A recent letter from Bud Metzer mentions the only good thing about his location is the German beer. He really enjoys hearing from Decatur. You may get his address from the employment office. . . . Here's a note we want to pass on to friends of Cleo R. Painter, F 1/C: "Just a few lines to the 'old gang' of 7-70 and 7-71. I think that is our old department. Have forgotten a lot about it. Have our minds on other things, but every once in a while we have time to think of the old gang. Get the WORKS NEWS pretty regular and keep up with most of you all. But so many new names that I don't know. But I suppose it changes like everything else. We use a lot of G-E equipment here. All kinds. Can't describe much about it, but it is very useful and I suppose every one is thankful to have it. We use it every day all over the island. Beautiful place here. But it sounds like the winter at home makes it feel like spring here. I like the climate very much. Can't write too much and I am not much for writing letters so will wish every one the best of luck and hope to see you all soon. A hearty hello to 7-70 and 7-71 from a C.B."

Thanks to Plant one for their contribution to the Decaturites. All notes sent in to your writer are appreciated. Our boys in service have been more than generous with their letters and are eager to hear a word from home, so come on you readers, don't let our Decatur boys down. Drop those items in the boxes.

Second shift bowlers met Tuesday eve for their usual battle which resulted in Rawley's Blue Streaks overcoming the Commandos for three games, while Stult's Fireballs defeated Jake's Thunderbolts, two out of three. Slim was the champion high man, with a score of 221. According to the master of ceremonies, Pete Fairchild, following are the standings of the teams: Thunderbolts, won 34, lost 20; Blue Streaks, won 30, lost 24; Fireballs, won 26, lost 28; Commandos, won 19, lost 35. . . . Roller skating still seems to draw a fair size crowd from the second shift. Watch for the Valentine skating party. . . . In a recent grand march at Sun Set, Joan Oliver took a grand slam. Sorry, Joan. . . . Something we're sure of: That winsome smile of Doris Paxon's would capture anyone's friendship. . . . Did you ever stop to think what some people do on the second shift on their time off—store keepers, truck drivers, mail clerks, garage mechanics, upholsterers, gas station attendants, farmers, etc.



"I HAD THE MOST WONDERFUL DREAM LAST NIGHT—I DREAMED EVERYBODY HAD FILED THEIR INCOME TAX RETURNS EARLY!"

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

Bill Straub found out the hard way that it was icy last Sunday. He fell down but hurt only his pride. . . . Ray Brown's wife wasn't so fortunate. She carried some eggs so Ray wouldn't break them, but she fell with the result—one dozen scrambled eggs and sore muscles. . . . Marie Bruick was all ready for church but fell on her knees just outside of her home and ruined a new pair of hose. Let's hope spring is just around the corner. . . . Oliva Shively has left us to work in Bldg. 17-3. . . . Laura Storner has gone in the dog business. Anyone interested in dogs see Laura. . . . John Woods is back with the gang; we missed his singing. . . . Marilyn Gunkel (Fenton) knows how to fry chicken. The sample was good. . . . Bernice Frantz has been keeping the gang supplied with cracklings. They seem to enjoy them . . . Someone told this reporter that Eldon Roby is slipping a little in his euchre game. Is this so, Roby?

The first night baseball game was played at Fort Wayne, Ind., in 1883. Seventeen lights of 4,000 candlepower each flooded the field.

Plastics

First Shift, Bldg. 12-1

The safety award was presented to our division for having 50 per cent less accidents in 1944. Keep up the good work molders. . . . We'd sure love to see Inez get her hands on a Jap. Oh, what she wouldn't do! . . . It sure would seem odd not to see "Buck" with a stick of gum in his mouth. Now what we are wondering is where he gets it all. Guess that's a military secret. . . . How did you like the loud shirt Jean was sporting around the other day? . . . So long—see you all next week.

Office, Bldg. 2-3

The most exciting thing to happen in our midst this week was the marriage of Lily Schneiders, which took place February 3. Lily was feted at a party given by her co-office workers, and the same evening at a personal shower at the Hitching Post. A reception was held from 6:00 to 8:00 at the Schnieders' home Saturday evening. Practically every one in the office stopped in for a bite of cake and a bit of gossip. Many former Plastics' workers were also there, and it was good to see them again. We wish Lily and John lots of luck in the final plunge. 'Bye till next week.

Bldg. 12-3, Second Shift

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Marie Rossi, whose youngest brother, PFC Charles Keller, was killed in action on January 14, 1945, in Germany. . . . Here's hoping every one saw the lovely painting Sylvia Deardorff brought to work. It was done by her husband. . . . All the talk is about how well Loretta Fecher can clean bases. Well, just keep trying, girls; practice makes perfect. Just ask Loretta. . . . So that about sums up the news for this week; so girls, look again next week and maybe your name will appear.

Bldg. 12-3, First Shift

We have been receiving compliments from the plastic workers, and it was thought by the reporters that credit should be given to Donne Morrison for his efforts in making this column a success. . . . Jeanette Timmons has a new ring, third finger, left hand kind. Congratulations, Timmy. . . . We are sorry to see Edythe Yoder leave the packing section, but we hope she likes her new job. . . . We sure like Helen Screeton's new diamond, but we are still in the dark about the lucky fellow. . . . Any one wishing to know all details about college, just ask Elsie Hautz. . . . Helen Wyss is on a diet—her sandwiches consist of either red kidney bean salad, cole slaw, or plain bun sandwiches. . . . No, folks, it wasn't a wiener roast we had several days ago. It was just some hot dogs from Coney Island. Norma Lang and Esther James did some fast running but came back with lots of dogs. . . . Ada Walter has left us to stay home. We hated to see you leave. . . . What was Sylvia Nelson thinking about when she forgot the piece of cake for Alice Hahn? . . . If you have been wondering what that noise was, it was only Crystle Waterman drilling Frances Slusher, Elleen Minnick, Helen White and Helen Hill for hog calling. We hear there is a contest at the Hoosier Hop for the best hog callers. Good luck, girls. . . . We thought we had a new man on the floor, but with the second look it was Carl Saaf with safety glasses on. . . . We wish Esther Peck and Crystle Waterman many more happy birthdays. . . . The reason for the big smile on Ellen Gerder's face is that she was going home to see her mother. . . . We hear that Marge Comte is working on the floor again—picking up little red pins she dropped.

Up and Down the Aisles in 12-1, Third Trick

Can anyone tell Rebecca Frederickson where she can get that platter, "My Dream is Getting Better All the Time"? Becky knows one record shop that has it, but every time she gets there it is closed and the clerks at Murphy's shout "No" as she steps inside the door. . . . Now we know why Mary Meyers sticks around Bldg. 12-1 after seven every morning. They have been having trouble getting their car started. Mary stays where it's warm while Mr. Meyers warms up the car. Smart girl. . . . Were you one of the many that wondered how the other guy looked when Alice Parquet came in sporting a jaw that looked like a baby blimp? Don't know a thing about the other fellow, but Alice's jaw was that way because she had two teeth pulled. . . . How many of you know that Mary Capage was that close to becoming a member of the "Gallon Club"? Mary has donated blood seven times, but was turned down January 27 because of a cold. Tough luck, Mary; sure hope you make it next time. . . . We put out the welcome mat and opened the doors of Plastics to Violet Hammon and Joan Nash this week. Hope you like it here, girls. . . . For a solution to that red token problem in your home, see Don Dressen and give the by-word "rabbits." Don not only raises and sells them, but he'll talk about them, too. Take it from one who knows, they taste good too. Or you could see Art Beebe. Art has solved his problem by ice-fishing—or has he? . . . After a five-week absence due to illness, Sharlotte Drake is back in the harness. Glad to see you around, Sharlotte. . . . Did you notice the look of joy in Marj Stephen's eyes last Wednesday night? That check she was waving around was the very first one Mary had ever earned. More power to you, Mary. . . . Keep on smiling, Ruth. We like you that way.

26-5 TOOL BITS

The champion of champion pushers, Gus Mittermaier! He pushes his bicycle to work all summer and his car all winter. Anyone having a substitute for fresh air or a reasonable facsimile thereof and can get the same results, see Gus for I'm sure he would be interested. . . . George Houser is having his fun these days trying to teach his new spaniel puppy to be a gentleman. Stick to it, George; you can buy new rugs again after the war, and he'll be a lot of fun when the hunting seasons roll around again. . . . Harold Grossnickle, who claims to be assistant coach of the North Manchester high school basketball team, says that he is going to give up coaching because when the team wins it takes all night for him to celebrate the victory. . . . Loretta Wyneken of the Lathe Section was seen trying out a new method on how to board a street car: On her hands and knees. . . . We can see by the big smile on Earl Brandon's face that he no longer is on a liquid diet. He has replaced those two teeth that he lost in his last battle with a beef sandwich. . . . Super Suds radio program seems to be quite popular with Geo. Horner and Bud Dunlap. This harmonizing duet has been giving the boys some of their fancy singing. Geo. Horner is going to organize a barber shop quartet with his almost perfect one-note harmony. He developed this unusual talent by piping up on the "peep peeps" on the song "I'm Popeye the Sailor Man." . . . Bob Truelove couldn't understand why everyone was catching fish except him. Upon our investigation we discovered he had neither bait nor hook on the end of his line.

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

LaVon Disler is now wearing a perpetual smile for her fiance is home on a furlough. He is Homer Conrad, a former 4-4 employee. . . . In answer to John Gillef's letter concerning Irma Augsburger. No, John, Irma is no relative of Helen's. Let us hear from you again, John. We would like to hear from any or all of the former "Four Fourems" in service. . . . Myrtle Barfell is all out for the war effort. Even to the man's size job of carrying ashes out of the basement. . . . Can you imagine! "Bill Boehm" lost his voice for a few days, so used the sign language whenever he could get anyone to listen or try to understand him. . . . Virgil Alderson and George Hosek now belong to the "Blood Donors Gallon Club." . . . "Herb" Ort predicts an early spring. That is one thing we are glad to hear you say, Herb. . . . Can you imagine:

Carl Kloepper without his snuff box;
Robert Till talking without using his hands;
Si Alspaugh without a white tee shirt;
Red Rarick moving around fast;
Charlie Knock and Ted Warner without their caps;
Herman Lepper without his chewing tobacco
George Houck with blond hair;
Herb Ort without something on his apron string;
Millie the Miller without a new blouse;
Kenny Crabill without a new project;
Maurie Vonderhaar not on the third trick;
Ralph Hock with four new tires on his Plymouth.

B dg. 4-4 Floor

No, folks, that slight trembling of the earth that you felt Monday was no earthquake. It was caused by Dale Irwin placing his feet on good old Mother Earth again after his first airplane ride. . . . We again have added three more girls to our second trick winding section, namely Wilma Rodocker, Mona Winkleblack and Neva Waikel. . . . We do not know if it is so but it is being rumored that Ray Mosure is going in the dog business in the future.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Laura Bender has been absent for twelve days due to illness. . . . Our sympathy to Elizabeth Hudson in the loss of her brother in Kokomo. . . . Val Walger's wife wants to be sure Val gets to work on time, so she wakes him up at 12:30 a. m. However he felt he must be in the dog-house as he had to get his own breakfast. Come to find out she had awakened him in her sleep. Val ate breakfast and went back to bed. Next time look at the clock first, Val. (What a fellow will go through to get two breakfasts in one night!) . . . Our girls are very patriotic. Helen Miller, Alice Kreiselmeyer, and Dorothy Gutman took one sailor to the wrestling match. (Secret, Helen Miller's nephew.) . . . Beulah Conrad's son, Cpl. Homer Conrad, Army, is at home on furlough. . . . Last week Cleopha Carter's brother, S/Sgt. Leonard Martin was home on furlough. He had just returned from the Southwest Pacific. . . . Glenn McNamara had a series of chills one day this week. By accident he lost his hirsute appendage. We think it was a wager as he had some competition in the person of Philip Mooney. . . . Laverne Amstutz is very proud of his housekeeping. "A place for everything, etc." One day the sewing box stood on the stairs and Laverne tried it on one foot and hastily retreated to the upper regions. When all was calm he came down and tried the basket on the other foot. Oblivion! . . . We welcome Ron. Tobias, foreman, in our midst again. We'll try not to be too hard on you. . . . Edith Paxson received a request for some candles from her son out there somewhere in a foxhole. In an effort to be helpful Lucille Baker suggested a "hurricane" lamp, and the suggestion sounded good so Edith went uptown and very importantly asked to see a "tornado" lamp. . . . Laura Bender is at work again following a short illness. . . . Mabel Staley was off several days due to illness. . . . Christine Eddins has been absent for several days due to illness. . . . A number of the girls attended the book review given by Kathryn Turney Garton. Mrs. Garton reviewed "Green Dolphin Street," and it was enjoyed very much. . . . Homer Huffman and the weather man are not on speaking terms since the driver's oil pump froze up six miles from nowhere and Homer came in to work late as the result. . . . That earth tremor you felt one day last week was June Bowman falling down on Jefferson street. Some time later she fell again but chose St. Joseph's hospital for quick service, in case. . . . Here's the news, folks. Last week Edith Paxson got curvature of the neck looking for our column.

SANDY SAYS

Sandy Says:

Hoot Mon—Much as I'd like tae write about pure, sweet, unadulterated C. R.*, I canna' help but risk the good will o' me relatives, and write about something I saw in the WORKS NEWS.

It was a letter from Admiral Halsey, Commander o' the third fleet. He praised us for the amount o' machinery we've been turning out for the ships o' his fleet. Since 1942, we hai come up from a badly smashed navy, wi' only enough power tae hang on—tae a powerful fighting machine thot canna' be beaten today.

Weel, besides Admiral Halsey, Commander o' the third fleet, there's Engineer Ferguson McQuarrie, Commander o' the second boiler, who I'd like tae quote. Naturally, he's a distant relative o' mine, a gude Scotsman, like all marine engineers.

Cousin Ferguson writes, "The turbines, generators, transformers, and everything your great General Electric Co. builds are gude, substantial gear. But what amazes us is how ye turn out sae many o' them. O' course we Scotsmen ken the answer—cost reduction, wi' a capital C-O-S-T R-E-D-U-C-T-I-O-N. All over the world, which is mostly where I've been, I hai obsairved thot American workmen turn out more per man, even wi' shorter hours. O' course they make lots more money than the others, and thot too is only possible with cost reduction.

"I saw your column the other day. One o' the sailors used tae work at your plant, and he gets your Works News. Ye are strictly right. Without Cost Reduction, ye NEVER could hai built all the things ye have, in time tae do us much good.

"And speaking o' cost reduction, one o' me men—a Scotsman, o' course—bought two tickets on a pool we have tae guess how many knots we'll log in 24 hours. Weel, he won on his first guess. For two days he moped around. Even the $150.00 he'd won, bulging his pocket, didna' seem tae cheer him up.

"'Scotty,' I said, 'What makes ye sae sad?'

"'Foosch,' he groaned, 'Why did I waste thot two bits on thot second ticket.'"

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SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers: What's new, or news, did you say? Well, you've probably discovered many members were absent from the Commercial and Engineering sections this last week. There was an Interdepartmental Fluorescent Meeting at Nela Park, which was attended by Pete "The Boss" Staehle, Cy Stonehill, Chuck Graham, Charlie Kronmiller and West Brooks. Del Roloff was also at Nela Park for a Cold Cathode Meeting. Now we have Del on our sick list, evidently Cleveland didn't set so well. Hope to see you back soon, for we miss you, Del. . . . We have a couple of lucky boys in the Commercial office; Andy O'Dwyer and Chuck Graham have been doing all right in their own way. Then there's "Pritch" who just throws his money around—that is, Pennies. On the other hand, there are ways and then there are ways to get a penny back, if you know what I mean, Andy and Johnny Carr. . . . In the Drafting room we find two more people on the sick list. Joan Worman and Mildred Hiatt. . . . It seems the favorite topics of the day with the fellows, especially Ralph "Val" Valentine and Hank Lantz, are basketball pools and ice fishing. Having any luck, fellows? . . . Vera Reeves is home ill, either from the effects of having grounded her chair or it could be the flu. . . . Eleanor Heffner was looking for a different place to sit—now really, Eleanor, do you think the floor is a better place, especially if you sit down so hard? . . . Ah, another father; Bob Rowe is the fortunate man and proud too, I might add. It's a baby girl, Susan Jo. The baby and mother are reported as doing nicely. Congratulations, Bob. . . . Have you observed that "Korte's Kozy Korner" has an annex, all fixed up with a new coat rack? . . . We wish to welcome Jean Swaim to the Engineering Section. . . . Maybe some one would like to show Nels Richey how to open a milk bottle; the idea is not push the cap in, but to pull it out of the bottle. . . . Tom Harmes took a tumble on the ice last week—hard landings, isn't it? . . . Ah, a couple of social bees in our midst—Katy Dinkel and Virginia Cox rated pictures on the front page of the Society News Saturday night. Nice going, girls. . . . Dorothy Reichel is also on the sick list—goodness, is there a Doctor in the house? . . . We have discovered some interesting facts about our newcomer, Jack Shaw. As we said last week, Jack served with the Navy, but since then we learned that he received the President's Citation as well as the Purple Heart. . . . Has any one seen a car with a hat riding on top? If you do see such, please rescue it for Helen Kesphol. Just last week Helen's hat blew off and landed on the top of a passing car—in spite of frantic efforts to get the driver's attention, he drove right on. . . . Ed Palguta, formerly of the Wage Rate Section, dropped in last week to pay a visit. Ed is working in New York City these days. . . . Bill Shuler's famous last words—"And then." . . . Lois Danehy is sending cigars overseas by the box full these days and she really believes in packaging them well. . . . Well, by the papers I see our predictions have come to pass in regard to Joan Bobay. The wedding bells will ring at 9:30 Tuesday morning for Joan and her fiance, Lt. Norman Loney. Congratulations and our very best wishes for all the happiness in the world. . . . Bob Smith, a dispatcher from third floor, came down to our floor the other day and then took a tumble into a waste basket—who pushed him? . . . Helen Emrick is about to leave us for a while. She is expecting her husband home after many months service with the Army on Aruba Island. . . . That's all there is, there isn't any more. . . . P.S. Please note—Clarence Burke should also be listed among the lucky boys of the Commercial Section. My apologies for not knowing this from the beginning, Mr. Burke.

Prisoner Of War

PFC William J. McKown, Bldg. 26-2, who has been missing in action since November 9, is now reported a prisoner of war. He entered service in October, 1943, and received his training at Camp Blanding, Florida. He went overseas in March, 1944.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Harrict Springer is a year younger; and the "Surprise Party" for her was more than a success. Harriet had planned to eat shredded wheat biscuits and retire early, but the girls had planned a party. Was she surprised when she came home to find Sophia Jesse, Eleanor Phillips, Charlene Aucker, Lorraine Wojcak, Phyllis Gordon, Arlene Schwartz, Rita Adamski, Mel Banet, and Naomi Knapp. There was plenty of room but nevertheless Sophia, Charlene and Eleanor took turns sitting on the floor, or were they swooning!! The hep-cats enjoyed dancing on the basement floor. Harriet was generous with her husband, she let him dance with all the girls. The party was complete when the birthday cake arrived. . . . Betty Smith also celebrated her birthday this week. . . . We bid adieu to Shirley Englehart, who is leaving us to be with her recently returned husband, and also to Edna Lovell and Evelyn Tottlenben, who will no longer be typing in our fair office. . . . Marilynn Smith is back with us once more and we are glad to see ya back, Marilynn. . . . There's melody plus when the Gang gets together for an evening of song. Anyone else who would like to join the choir? . . . Several of the sports fans from our office were seen sitting on the edge of their chairs watching the exciting bouts of the Golden Gloves. . . . The gleaming diamond on Joanette's third finger-left hand goes well with that glint in her eye. Jack Haugk is certainly a lucky sailor. . . . Isn't it wonderful what machines can do nowadays? Everyone is so fascinated with the new labeling device, especially Marie, who gets to run it. . . . Phyllis Gordon created quite a sensation with the German arm-bands and coins which she received from "over there." . . . We have heard of people being affected by the heat, but the cold—my my. Will somebody please tell us if two robins fighting over a night crawler did wake Wilbur Wright up the other morning when it was zero outside. Herman Ebel says he was sprinkling his lawn, but Herb Grueb insists it's only because they live farther south than he does. . . . Norma Leitch gave us her version of a real wild west rodeo the other day. Norma uses what material she has on hand for her acts, and in this case it was a swivel chair. You want to be careful, Norma, those swivel chairs can really throw a person too. . . . They have moved some of the desks in the office around again, so we will have the usual confusion about who sits where—and where is my desk?—for a while Be back again next week.

We'uns

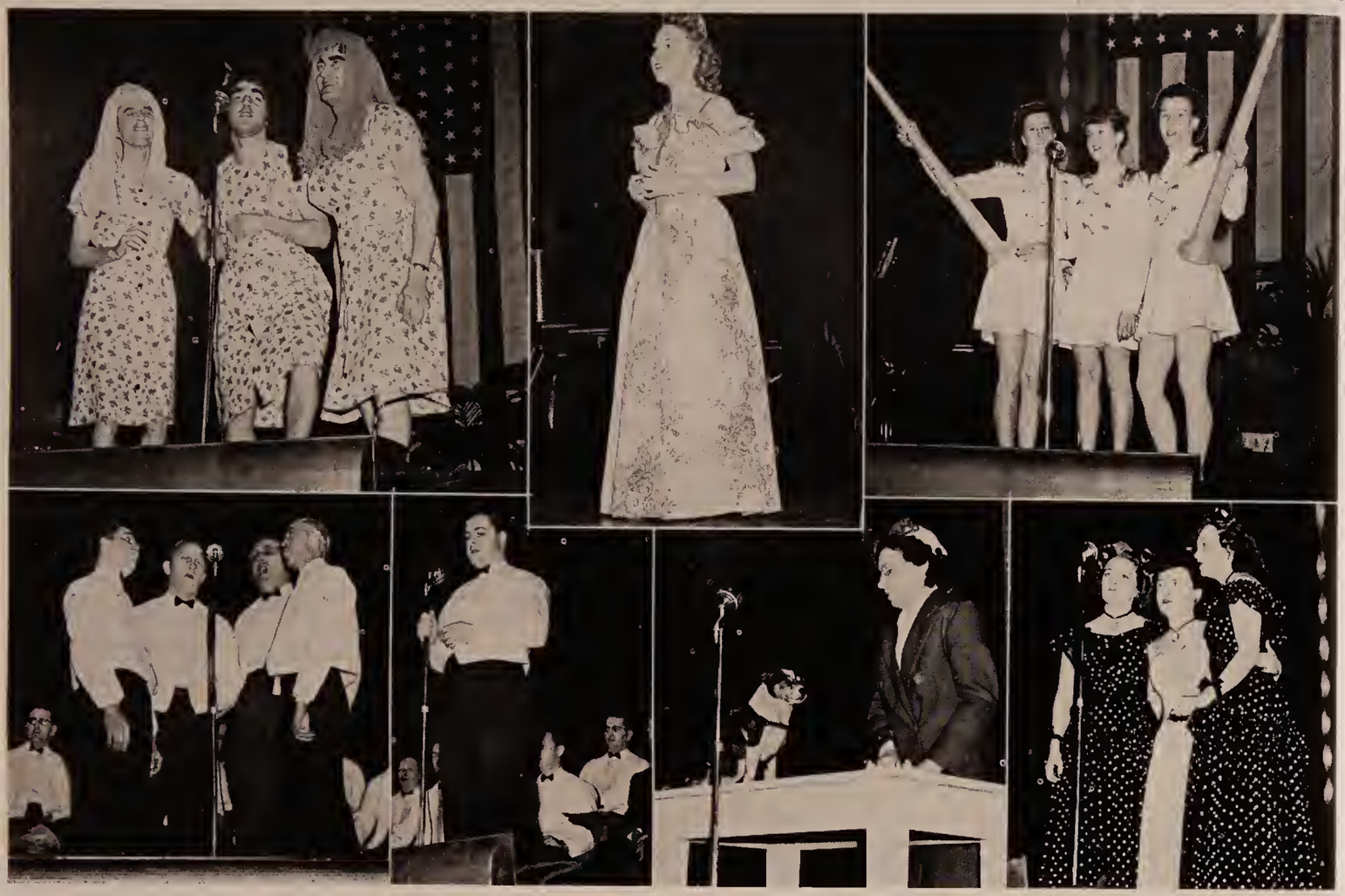
HELPS PRISONERS

The International Red Cross Committee watches over the welfare of war prisoners of all countries that have ratified the convention covering this phase of warfare. The Committee's delegates make periodic visits to prisoner of war camps, inspect housing and food, talk to the prisoners' chosen representatives in privacy, ascertain physical and spiritual needs, and see they are properly cared for.

READING MATERIAL

To meet demand for reading material aboard hospital ships and overseas the American Red Cross has sent 2,832,826 books and magazines since July 1, 1943.

Taylor Street Minstrel Provides Much Entertainment



The Minstrel Show produced last Saturday and Sunday by the Taylor Street Victory Troupers provided much entertainment for those who attended. Pictured above are a few of the many skits featured on the program. Top left, the "Andrews sisters," Dick Mosier, Max Crosley, and Max Miller. Center, Mary Catherine Whittern, soloist. Right the Chargerettes, Maxine Woodcox, Ruth Penrod, and Connie Filus. Second row, the Taylor Street quartet, William Franze, Jack Dobson, Earl Seibold, and Walter Rosselot. Second picture, William Sweet, soloist. Third picture, Christine Burns and her trick dog, Jim. Right, the Superettes, Kay Hennig, Clarabelle Foster, and Marion Hennig.

News from Taylor Street

Screw Machine

Arland (Pewee) Studebaker has been off work sick for the past few days. We all hope it's nothing serious. . . . The surprised look on Linus Schmitt's face isn't anything serious. He just forgot his pocket book again. . . . The Screw Machine bowling team took two games again last week. Did I say took? I meant they received two games, proving tbere is still a Santa Claus. . . . Nine people of Maurice Roe's section, who were transferred to the Broadway plant, had a dinner party Saturday evening in the private dining room with the foreman, Mr. Roe, the set up girl, Phyllis Ferrell, and the set up men, Ardis Crum, Francis Tester, and Virgil McFadded as guests. Those leaving us were: Martha Doctor, Flossie Nobles, Hannah Hurless, Ethel Cramer, Elizabeth Chew, Elma Stackhouse, Viola Baumgartner, Ethel Schwarz, and Albert Cuney. We'll miss you gang, but good luck on your new jobs. . . . Could we have a new member in our Forgotten Badge Club? Forrest Stinson was wearing one made of paper the first of the week. . . . Sorry to part with Annette Hastings, Dema Barrow, Leona Schram, Clara Kelly, and Helen Luther. Our loss is Bldg. 6-2's gain. We'll miss you, girls. Lots of good luck with your new work. . . . Hazel Klinker has left us to take up her duties in their newly purchased home. We'll miss you, Hazel, and hope you have lots of happiness with it. . . . Welcome to our stamping area, Audrey Robinett, Clara Ringenberg, Gertrude Martin, and Gwendolyn Dunn. We hope you like your work. . . . Fuzzy Amstutz received a letter from Bill Growcock this week, stating that he was stationed at Camp Wolters, Texas. Bill formerly worked in the plating room. Lots of good luck, Bill. We all miss you. . . . Helen Switzer spent Friday night with Rita Helmsing. . . . Whatever can be wrong with Grace Shaw? She's hungry all the time. Surely, Grace, it can't be spring fever already. . . . We want to welcome Pat Prouty to first trick. . . . We wonder whose memory is very bad? Can you imagine some one waiting for one of their riders after work, when they didn't come to work? . . . Want to inform Harold Koogle that it sure is nice for some one to wish you a strike in bowling and then you proceed to get a gutter ball. Really, Koogle, we were all for you? ??? . . . Mabel Worley has received word from her husband, who is in the Philippines, and he is all right. She has received numerous articles from him such as Jap stationery, fountain pen, money, etc. . . . Want to wish all the girls good luck in the city tournament. . . . Leroy Beckman believes his present slump in bowling is because his young daughter keeps him awake at night. That's a good alibi, Leroy. Stick to it. . . . After many months with us here at Taylor Street, Reese "Butch" Butcher has transferred to Broadway. We miss you here, Butch, but it goes without saying that we wish you good luck and a good job. . . . Paul Beaver who recently acquired a 1939 Bantam automobile, says it is almost twice as far from his home to work when he drives as when he walks. Paul declares that on Taylor Street in the "Bantam" he travels as far up and down as he does forward. We all agree. . . . Irene Frazier would like to buy a pair of men's bowling shoes. She says she will stuff paper in the toes if they are too big. . . . According to those who have the inside dope on ice fishing, the fishing should improve soon. We hope that information is on the level because the writer has come so near the proverbial "skunking" enough times that it ceases to be amusing. . . . We welcome Opal Bricker and Ned Schaeffer from second trick to first. . . . James Weikart became the proud father of a son born January 20 at St. Joseph Hospital. . . . Mary Steele left us this week. Sorry to see you leave, Mary. Good luck. . . . The Screw Machine bowling team won two games out of three this week. . . . Second shift now has two welders. They are Lois Fowler and Margaret Schaaf. . . . Russell Lageman, who has the outstanding record of not being late or absent for one year, will join the day gang. We will miss you, Russell. . . . Neal Kitzmiller had his hair cut G.I. style, only shorter. . . . Second trick wishes to welcome Vera Sunday and Russell May from the third shift. Hope you like us. . . . Pat Prouty and Lloyd Listenberger have left the second trick to go on first. Good luck to you, Pat and Lloyd. . . . Betty Felger, who underwent a thyroid operation at the Bluffton Clinic, has been dismissed and is now at home. A very speedy recovery, Betty, and hurry back. . . . Fairy Leffel is fortunate—just think her last name can be spelled backwards and no one would ever be the wiser. . . . Virgil "Mac" MacFadden just loves peanuts, especially when they're good and salty. They are an appetizer; right, Mac? . . . Pansy Gaar's husband left January 17, after a 30-day furlough. Pansy had an operation on her hand January 25 at Chicago. We hope she comes back soon. . . . Hazel Trevey is our new Elex Contact girl. Good luck, "Myrna." . . . Ardith Keppler would be much obliged to inform any one on how to back a car out of a garage. Of course, it takes time. . . . Bertha Kryling Wolf was back to see her old pals, Friday. She's looking fine. . . . Betty Harris quit work February 3—Her name is Betty Murray now; she was married January 27. Congratulations to you, Betty! We'll sure miss you.

Nozzle Box

Congratulations went to Judy Stambaugh, who had a birthday January 31. . . . It was sure good to see Tilly Wambsganss back on the job after being away for a couple of weeks. We are glad that her shoulder is coming along O.K. . . . Glen Swartz was tired of seeing Fred Thompson in one particular vest, so he was just good enough to bring Fred another one for a change. Nice work, Glen. . . . Edith Kesterson seems to have a little trouble now and again with their car. Who doesn't this kind of weather? . . . Cecelia Lovett was late one morning this week, but Cecelia had a good excuse; the battery was dead in their car. . . . Wimpy Wheeler was at a wrestling match the other night with a front seat minding his own business when one of the fighters grabbed poor Wimpy by the chest and knocked him back in his seat. For a minute poor Wimpy was seeing stars, etc. . . . Patricia Van Arsdol is home due to illness. . . . Mildred Green is ill at her home. . . . Edna Harkenrider celebrated her birthday February 2. . . . Ruth Ort is home due to illness. . . . Katie Scofield was home for a couple days this week. Katie has a cold and does she love cough drops.

Punch Press

Ralph Bischoff has been transferred to Kokomo, Ind. We wish him luck in his new work and will be looking for his name in the Kokomo news. . . . We extend our sympathy to Mae Wysong, whose brother,

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

(Continued from page 8)

PFC Charles Keller, was killed in action in Germany. . . . Sorry to hear that Ida Maxwell has left us. . . . Roy Chapman's nephew, Denver Fisher, is home on furlough and will return to the Marine base at Paris Island soon. . . . Harold Blumenhorst, who used to work with us and is now in the Navy, has just been released from the hospital at Fort Smith, Florida. The gang wishes you a speedy recovery and good luck, Harold. . . . Sophie Cernia's son who is somewhere in the Pacific will celebrate his twenty-first birthday on Feb. 12. . . . Jack Mitchell transferred from our section to the Aluminum Parts. Hope you like it, Jack. . . . Bob Glenn is off sick. He had a tooth pulled. . . . Angela Kane, we hear that you can't stand up any more. Did you get a hole in your stocking? You better come back to the Punch Press. You never did fall down there. . . . We want to wish our office girl a speedy recovery. We miss you, Beatrice. Hurry back. . . . Every one is wondering why it has been so quiet around here the last few days. Come to find out Irene Johnson and Garnet Borne have laryngitis. Garnet said she felt lots better after Irene gave her a drink from her bottle (cough syrup by all means). June Harlan says my it's bad when both of her pals can't talk and now it has her worried wondering what all the news she is going to hear when they both start talking again. . . . Gretchen Moore celebrated her first wedding anniversary Jan. 31. . . . What's this about Erma Diltz saying she didn't want to put her headgear on one morning saying she didn't want to muss her hair. That's all right, Erma. Wait until this war is over and then get your hair done up. . . . Edna Harkenrider had a birthday Feb. 2. Edna isn't with us any more, but nevertheless we didn't forget her. She now works in Nozzle Box. . . . Has everybody seen Gretchen's new book that she got on her anniversary? Every one should see it by all means. . . . Oh, yes, girls, have you noticed June Harlen's new shoes? . . . Irene Johnson's mother has returned to her home in Arcola after being in St. Joseph Hospital. . . . Any one wishing any chewing gum just ask Velma Doherty.

Impeller

Betty Van Allen, one of our former co-workers, has a new baby boy, six pounds and twelve ounces. She has named him David Edward. "Congratulations, Betty." . . . We are wondering if Bernie Gausepohl knows that potato chips are very fattening? That's all right Bernie. We like them too. . . . Myrtle Schliesser is very happy these days. Her son is home from the Navy on a fifteen-day leave. We are very happy for you, Myrtle. . . . Any one having an extension telephone or a large feather mattress for sale contast Bob Kinnaman. I believe he would be interested. His mad dash to the phone was hard on the kitchen floor, to say nothing of what happened to Bob. We won't mention the "toe." . . . Marguerite Erdly believes in having music while she works so she hums a tune to herself . . . Our modest little boys who are afraid to see their names in the WORKS NEWS—Ben Prickett and Clarence Mallow. . . . Did you know Bob Kinnaman's birthday was Feb. 7? Hope you have many many more, Bob. . . . Birthdays certainly seem in order this week. Joe Hahn celebrated his birthday Jan. 30. Congratulations, Joe. Then we also have one of our second trick foremen who had a birthday Feb. 1. He was given a lovely cake from his section to help celebrate the occasion. It was enjoyed by all in the cafeteria. . . . Believe it or not Ardella McConnell says when she leaves Taylor Street at night and the stars are peeking out, it is always snowing when she arrives home in Avilla. Be careful, Ardella, you'll be snowbound one of these days. . . . Any one wishing to bet on Zollner Pistons see Gladys Lutz. She's waiting for the day when some team will beat them and she will win a bet. . . . Olga Cochran celebrated her twentieth wedding anniversary Feb. 5. . . . We are all going to miss our production man, Paul Hook, who is transferred to Broadway. Best of luck, Paul!

Rotor

Belated but happy birthdays to Brackney twins, Giles Pierre and Genevieve Bennett. . . . Dorothy Blosser and Evelyn MacKeller are going to the west coast. We miss you. Happy landings. . . . Welcome to second trick, Helen Ireland, Owen Ake, Virgil Tresh, Ethel Hawk, Chloe Conners, Glen Kaufman, Jenny Totti, June Bolton, Cynthia Nickolson, Ed Perochbarker, Edna Frantz, Bertha Guest, Paul Swonger, Floyd Moritz, Hilda Hirchy, Jerry Langmeyer, Fay Haberman, Martha Juilleratt, Mabel Nelson. We hope you like us. . . . Tessie White, Lucile Sosse, Sophie Jansen, Norma Hoops are now at home. . . . Helen Hoffman is now on our sick list. Get well and back to work, Helen. . . . Helen Bradley, whose brother was wounded in Germany, says that he is now in a hospital in England. . . . Welcome, George Scott, to second trick: George is a foreman from third trick. . . . Oliver Kumfer is now on breakdown on welted wheel. Harold Dolby is on rough grind lathe. Emmet Kaufman has taken a job on gritblast in nozzle box. Luck on your new jobs.

Aluminum Parts

Emma Bumgardner has returned after spending some time at home with her son who completed his boot training at Great Lakes. He is now stationed at the navy base in Shoemaker, Calif. . . . We don't know whether Virginia Fulk was lucky to have a birthday or not. It does add another year, but she was very thankful for the lovely gift given to her from the gang. . . . We're glad to have Linda Wahrer back with us after a week's illness. . . . Any one wishing to know exactly which fingers you use when bowling, please get in touch with Mina Spear! . . . Jedah Webber announces the arrival of a new grandson. The mother and baby are reported doing nicely, but our main concern is about Grandpa. We have hopes of pulling him through. . . . Any one having a billfold floating around in thin air, crying "Mamma," it belongs to none other than Viola Knox. You couldn't possibly miss knowing who it belongs to because her name is inscribed on papers the billfold contains and also on the outside. . . . Lila Thompson had her hair cut and it delayed her arrival home for three days. We really don't know whether the snow was too deep or the weather too cold. Anyway, Emma Bumgardner was the good Samaritan to house her until she could get home. Next time you get a feather bob, wait until it gets warmer. . . . Ruth Mettler is transferring to the day shift. We are sorry to see you leave the second trick; however we will be seeing you, and we hope the change proves satisfactory. . . . Carrie Hills and Mina Gaff, victims of an auto accident six weeks ago, are still confined to the hospital and will be for another month. We wish them the best there is—a quick and complete recovery. . . . Birthday greetings go to Edith Waite, Albert Tittman and Dave Gold. . . . Rosezella Schlichter is back on the job after her trip home and are we happy!! . . . Homer Miller has a new hobby—any one having an old iron that needs repairing, just bring it to him and he will repair it free of charge!!!!!

Tool Room

Adrian Libbing's wife has presented him with a birthday pipe and you should see it. The bowl is a first cousin to a five gallon bucket. It would be a fine pipe for borrowing tobacco although one would lose friends very quickly that way. If you have any less than a full package of pipe stuffins don't let our Adrian borrow any, for he would have to be satisfied with a short pipeful and you might lose his friendship. Adrian's wife has promised him a stoker attachment for said pipe on his next birthday. . . . Suggested by John Fischer: These boys that refuse to wear safety glasses might some day be wearing opaque lenses to hide the eyes they refused to protect—think it over! . . . Glenn Schmidt double crossed our reporter and shaved off his mustache before the WORKS NEWS hit the streets two weeks ago. It was a good story anyway. . . . Paul Davenport had a major operation several weeks ago and we hear he is doing fine and is home now. Hurry back, Paul.

Packing

Eva Lloyd, one of our outstanding workers, is leaving us this weekend. She will be devoting her time to being a housewife and getting acquainted, again, with her husband and her attractive daughter. We regret to see her leave our group. . . . Bob Schulthess has been specializing in smoked herring. Mac, Eva and Bob have sent the rest of us in search of listerine for them and gas masks for ourselves. What a life we have been living. We hope smoked herring will soon be as hard to get as cigarettes. . . . Al Muller has turned gentleman farmer for the duration. He has moved to his summer estate north of town. Orders for fresh eggs, fruits and vegetables are now being taken. Daily deliveries are guaranteed. We are invited out there for a chicken dinner, but Al says we must bring the chickens. Brunettes for me. What kind do you fellows want to take? . . . Any weird sounds arising from this section need not cause undue alarm. It is just our friend and neighbor, Mr. Groves, practicing his part for the show. We are all planning to see him in action on this. . . . With all this zero weather, ice and snow just to see R. H. Long and his bright necktie this morning is like a breath of spring.

Retires On Pension



John Foster Houck

John Foster Houck, employed in the Specialty FHP Motor Section prior to his leaving for military service in January, 1941, has received a medical discharge from the army and has now retired on pension from General Electric. At the time of being discharged from the army, he held the rank of major; at the date of his retirement from General Electric, his continuous service amounted to 28 years and 6 months. He resides at 1510 Tilden Avenue.

Receiving

Melvin Williamson (known to us as Dub) has been transferred from the oil house to Broadway. We wish him luck at his new work. . . . Herbert Wilding, our foreman, was off sick Monday; glad you are back, Herb. . . . Hobart Friend of the oil house laid off work Tuesday P.M. to visit the dentist. Better keep your teeth, Hobart; the steaks are getting tougher. . . . We are glad to have Mary Ambler back to work again. She was taking care of the flu for a couple weeks. . . . Neil Bracht of the Receiving Inspection Department has his work changed. He now does the delivering of stock from the dock to the inspectors and uncrating.

Shipping

The Shipping Department was very much grieved to hear of the death of Paul Sheets in France. He was a swell co-worker, also a swell guy. . . . Eleanor Ruter celebrated a birthday last week; no one was able to find out just how many she has had. We still wish you many happy returns, Eleanor.

The human eye can detect at best only 10,000 colors. The electronic spectrophotometer—or color analyzer—can detect and record more than 2,000,000 different colors.

Taylor Street Will Hold Party Feb. 19

Big Merchandise Party at the G-E Club Monday, February 19, 1945, starting at 8 P.M.

This is the second annual Party sponsored by the Taylor Street Athletic Committee and it is open to the general public.

Valuable merchandise prizes will be awarded. Every one holding a ticket will be eligible to participate in a special ticket prize drawing. In addition to this special drawing there will be many other attendance prizes given during the course of the evening.

Tickets may be obtained at the G-E Club (Candy stand), from Taylor Street employees' store and from all members of the Committee.

Get your tickets now and meet your friends at the Club for an evening of fun.

Taylor Street Athletic Committee. H. N. Redding, Party Chairman, Ph. 430.

NOTICE

If any employees who were unable to attend the Taylor Street Minstrel show or who would like to see the show again will communicate with Don Long at the Taylor Street Plant, arrangements will be made to repeat the production, provided there is enough interest.

Turret Tattles

Two very capable appointments to the Safety Committee in Bldg. 27. Howard Fansler is the safety sleuth on the first trick, and Paul Stiver has his eagle eye out on the second. Good luck, fellers, watch them there machine guards. . . . Pore ol' Breesy Breese had a turrible time tryin' to find those time slips he lost one evenin' last week. But they turned up in good hands (and we might add pretty hands too, um-m-m), and the time "situation" had a happy ending. All's well as ends well! . . . . The thoughtfulness of the lads on the second trick is matched only by their ability to do sumpin' about whatever they are so thoughtful about. If you follow me. Noting the rather lengthy tresses of one of the members, a collection was taken up and the following self explanatory poem enclosed:

"When you're at work, and your hair is flyin'
The fellows around you know you're atryin'
To earn a dime, the regular way,
To get a haircut, some o' these days.
Our thoughts are with you, our worries the same,
Should you catch your tresses, we'd feel to blame.
You worry us, pal, you look so forlorn,
Please accept this dough, and get 'em shorn."

As a final gesture of complete harmony within our midst, there was a beautiful card with a very sentimental thank you on the clock next evening. Believe me, the second trick gets things done. . . . If at any time you have occasion to use a geometric die head and find you don't know the right combination for its release, call Dick Poehler. If he can't open it he will immediately contact someone that can. . . . Those guys have been at it again. Stiver and Farrel arguing about who can outbowl whom. Stiver claims that even if you out-bowl your opponent, you can't win.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

All the engagement and wedding announcements we have this week give our column the air of a society paper. Alma Hillegas, whose boy friend has returned home after being in service for 27 months, is wearing a new diamond, and also Gene Greeno, who says she is to be married soon. David Jetmore and Anna Laux, both from our department, will be married next weekend. The new brides and their husbands are Betty Huffman and William Nycum, Elaine Walker and Russell Wetzel and Esther Gfell whose husband, Staff Sgt. Charles E. Gosselin, is stationed at Baer Field. . . . We are happy to welcome back to work Ed Sonday who has been off for several weeks on account of illness. . . . Everett Sloffer, seaman first class, formerly in Tool Maintenance, visited with us a while last week. . . . Charles Eugene is the name of that new little boy in Charley Stoddard's home. . . . The boys in Production take their noon hour euchre seriously. Joe Vesey is official scorekeeper, watched closely by Joe Trentadue, Don Gentis and Bob Tielker. . . . Al Heuer has been telling how plainly you can see the fish through the ice, but we want him to show us how they look when he pulls them from under the ice. . . . The commotion heard in the line at the cafeteria the other day was none other than Roy Bracht trying to pay for his lunch with six cents.

There is a safe way; do it that way.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Astonishing



M. Wehmeyer R. L. Borthwick

"It is astonishing to a recruit how much equipment and how many weapons the army has available for their use. I think that is one of our great advantages over the enemy, especially the Japs," says Pvt. Ronald L. Borthwick. Marjorie Wehmeyer, a WAVE, is stationed at Sampson, New York. Both were employed at the Taylor Street Plant before joining the service.

Cpl. Vernon D. Culbertson is stationed in New Guinea.

Cpl. Eugene Conrad, Jr., Bldg. 8-1, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received near Luxembourg, December 15.

Pvt. Wilson H. Seitz, Bldg. 4-3, is one of a group of ground specialists of a B-29 organization on Guam who have received special commendation from the commanding general of the bomber command.

Cpl. Max M. Pippenger sends greetings to all his friends in Bldg. 4-6.

S/Sgt. Vernon E. Caley, Bldg. 26-1, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross after completion of 35 missions as turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber. He also holds the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.



With Anti-Aircraft Outfit

Dear Editor of Bldg. 4-5 (Marty B.) and all G-E Friends:

Wish to inform all of you that I've been receiving the good old WORKS NEWS in good order and pretty well up to date too. Believe me, friends, I'm sure the others and I certainly enjoy each and every one we get.

I am the only one in my outfit that has worked for the General Electric Co. But they all read the NEWS anyway as I pass it along to them. I believe in one of the October issues there was quite an article on the bazooka. Many in my outfit read the article about the production of it. You see, we have several bazookas in our outfit (in fact, have one sitting very close right now) and believe me they're OK too.

As you all know I'm with an anti-aircraft outfit and plenty of G-E equipment goes with that, especially our night eyes, the big searchlights. Boy, can they throw a real beam, too.

Well, so much for that. I've traveled through several countries since I've arrived over here somewhere in England first. It would be beyond me to describe Scotland and England to you. It's the most picturesque country to see. It's quite rolling and has very beautiful homes and everything seems so neat and clean. I certainly enjoyed my short stay. From there to France saw many places of hard-fought battles, many towns completely destroyed. Also have been in Holland and Belgium and about all I can say is somewhere in Germany. So you see I've covered quite a few countries so far. Believe me, I've seen enough and have had enough, ready to get back to good old U.S.A. But as I'm over here might as well forget about that till this mess is over. Would like to tell of some of my experiences, but at present we can't say much of that sort in our letters. Can say I'm in good health and getting plenty to eat. Will say it's plenty rough, but not too bad. So I'll say I know you all are doing your part, and we're doing ours; so keep up your good production.

Wish to say before closing hello to Butch, Bill Garihan and Ray Soughan and all on the Plant Protection. Thanks for your Christmas boxes. Also to everyone in Bldg. 4-5. Hope to be seeing you in the near future.

PFC C. W. Bartaway

Veronica Rulka, S 2/c, has been transferred to Washington, D. C.

Ensign Lester F. Schowe and Ensign George D. Powers have been transferred to Boston, Mass.

San Pedro, California, is the new station of Richard R. Smith, F 1/c.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address Elmer F. Baade, WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Pvt. Immanuel I. Stauffer is stationed in Paris. "Give my best regards to everyone in Bldg. 19-2."

T/Sgt. J. B. Olry says, "Tell the gang in 4-5 that I will see them on my furlough."

Pvt. Richard D. Kite has been transferred to Amarillo, Texas.

T/Sgt. William H. Brager, Jr., USMC, is now stationed at Beaumont, Texas.

Paul Carbaugh, E. M., has arrived in New Guinea.

Capt. William D. Hartman, Bldg. 26-3, has been awarded the Air Medal.

Twins



C. G. and C. V. Stein

Twin members of the Merchant Marine are Clayton and Clifton Stein, Bldg. 26-1. "We are glad to be back here at the G-E and see some of our old friends. We are looking forward to the day when we can stay here for keeps. We are all hoping and praying for that day to be soon, and we hope that it's not in vain."

Cpl. Arnold Benecke, Winter Street, has been promoted to that grade.

PFC Robert C. Colby, Bldg. 19-4, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroism in action with the Seventh Army in France.

Major Paul M. Neumann, Bldgs. 4-3 and 4-2, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action near Metz, France, from November 8 to November 21. Major Neuman's award was based on his superior performance in the supervision of supplies under attack and battlefield salvage.

PFC Robert E. Mobberly, Bldg. 17-1, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received Ocotber 13. He is in a hospital in Italy.

Tech. Sgt. Donald T. Lough, Decatur, has been awarded the Bronze Star for keeping his B-28 Marauder in excellent mechanical shape throughout 86 bombing missions over Europe.

Fine



J. Gentry R. L. Osborn

"Sure was fine to see everyone in the job and those turbos sure are fine for the superforts. Keep up the good work," says Robert L. Osborn, Pampa, Texas. Jerry Gentry is a member of the Navy. Both are former employees of the Taylor Street Plant.

Dependable



V. Rulka R. A. Schott

"Being a naval radioman on an amphibious attack ship for 14 months, I have used G-E equipment quite a lot. Our ship participated in the initial assault and follow-up operations on the coast of southern France. This is where the dependable G-E equipment really came in handy. It sure is swell to see the old gang at Taylor Street," says Robert A. Schott of the Navy. Veronica Rulka is a member of the WAVES stationed at Washington, D. C. Both are former employees of the Taylor Street Plant.

Sgt. W. Robert Byers, Bldg. 19-3, has been awarded the Flying Cross for completion of 35 missions over Europe.

PFC Leonard H. Pequignot, Bldg. 26-2, has received the Purple Heart for wounds received in action.

E. F. Brackmann, MM 3/c, has been transferred to Camp Endicott, R. I.

Arthur N. Wolfe, AOM 3/c, is attending PBM school at Corpus Christi, Texas. He sends greeting to Bldg. 26-5.

S/Sgt. Marion R. Bailey, Bldg. 12-2, has been awarded the Bronze Star "for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations."

"Things That I've Seen"

Somewhere in England

Dear Editor:

I'm using you as a medium to contact all my friends at the works and in the lab.

I'm not going to tell them stories of all the G-E equipment I've seen or what a wonderful job it's doing. They have heard that before.

I want to tell them of things I've seen, of things I've become calloused to. It's not a pretty picture, though I've seen some lovely inspiring scenes here in the old country, but a picture of uncomfortable men, of wounded men, and of men who won't come back.

See, if you can—no, don't just see—try to feel, if you can, long queues of ambulances waiting for hospital trains from the front. Feel the picture of hundreds of stretchers being unloaded in the darkness—no sound except muffled orders and the purring of exhausts. Nothing to be seen except hurrying, huddled figures with prone covered shapes between them. Occasional glimpses of white head bandages flash through the dark.

Feel, if you can, the boys resting here in the country, some with empty sleeves and empty pants legs, some shamefully, self-consciously hiding handless arms in pockets, some with horrible face scars, and some with no visible hurt but with no life in their eyes.

Feel if you can their stories, never whole, of buddies who won't ever be back, of living in cold mud, of going without food, of feeling glad for wounds that mean rest at last.

This is not a cheery letter; it's morbid. It wasn't meant to be cheery—only to make them feel the part of the war that's hard to look upon.

These boys don't complain. What good would it do?

But they won't see this until after the happiness of peace has worn off. Then it'll be too late. Then they'll wish they could help—in some little way.

They should help now—do everything they can, whether it be bonds, stamps, plasma, Red Cross, Salvation Army, or just applying themselves a little harder at work. They should search their consciences and see if they could be here looking into these boys' eyes and hearing their stories—if the boys would tell them.

The fighting man's plea to all at home is—don't become complacent—don't celebrate V-E day and give thanks that that much is done. Wait for the real victory and we'll celebrate with you—and most of all—don't forget your buddy who is fighting for YOU.

Sincerely,

Cpl. Edward C. Leitz

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Dear Editor:

"Received your letter of December 28 and will try to answer to the best of my ability.

"After enlisting in the Navy in September, 1942, I went to Pensacola, Florida, where I received my boot training at Corry Field, which is one of the six outlying auxiliary fields of the U.S.N. Air Training bases. After my boot training I was transferred to the main sta-



tion. Here I served in the Yard Craft Division doing salvaging work and taking care of the small boats for about a year. In August or September of 1943, there were two large ferry boats brought from New York to carry the yard workers and sailors on liberty to and from Pensacola. Approximately five miles by water and nine miles by land. I was among the first to be sent aboard and helped overhaul the engines and put her in commission. I stood throttle watches on this ferry until November 20, 1944, except for three months from May to August, which time I was a patient in the Naval hospital. November 20, 1944, I received my orders to proceed to Receiving Station.

"Starting Monday, January 22, I am to attend a welding school for ten weeks, after which I should be a certified Navy welder. This is to qualify me for repairing broken lines and other repair welding at sea. There will be several men from each division at this school. It is rated very highly and is claimed to be one of the best welding schools the Navy uses. It is an eight-hour a day and six-day a week job. They teach some metallurgy and also silver solder. I only hope I can progress in this line to be an efficient welder.

"Sincerely yours,
"Archie T. Wright, M.M. 1/c."

Production

Eileen Kagey is being more careful when she sits down on chairs to make sure that a roller doesn't come out. . . . Ray Jennings has a secret ambition to sing like Frank Sinatra. Or do you just admire his voice, Ray? . . . No, the exterminators aren't here—it's only the thick smoke of the pipes that are becoming more popular every day. . . . Why doesn't someone let Mickey McClain in on the rules and regulations of the buses in town? Even though he has lived in Fort Wayne for twenty-one years, he has never had the opportunity to ride one of our trolleys. The other day he introduced himself to this particular means of transportation, only to find that he didn't know the amount of the fare. To top this confusion, he forgot to ask for a transfer and had to walk several blocks to his destination. This excitement was due to Mr. Gotschall's car not being up to par. . . . Shorty Redding hasn't grown a moustache for six years, but in order to win a bet, he's trying his best.

Power Drive Office

When Gail Hammit Barron, our bride, arrived for work last Monday morning, she found her desk beautifully decorated with green, white and orchid crepe paper and a lovely gift of Fiesta Ware dishes. She was still in the clouds Friday or how else could she account for her sprined ankle. We wish you lots of happiness and no more sprained ankles, Gail. . . . Howard Becker, Power Drive engineer, is leaving us this week to take up an assignment in the Works' Laboratory. . . . Florence Kasimier is also leaving to work in Bldg. 18-3. . . . Dorothy Mills, Maxine Dixon and Hilda Reising enjoyed ill health several days each this week because of flu and several colds.

Power Drive Assembly Room

The assembly room party Friday night was quite a success. Audrey Schuster has an extra heel at home in case anyone misses one. After finding it and carrying it all the way home, she finds her shoe still has its heel. . . . George Zinn likes pepper in her coffee we understand. . . . Ask Delores Miller if the new sandwich spread is better than mustard. . . . Maxine Weber is the happy gal around the plant. The reason—her sailor brother has just returned from the South Pacific on a thirty-day leave. . . . Pat Perry celebrated her birthday by working extra hard last Tuesday. . . . We can't understand why Dorothy Schmidt kept so quiet about her birthday Wednesday. After all, we all have them.

Tool Room and Maintenance

We recently received a letter from Fred Jack, who worked in the maintenance section for John Schwartz. Well, it is now Sgt. Fred Jack and he is fighting with General MacArthur's troops somewhere in the Philippines. The boys miss your Southern drawl and your high-heeled boots, Fred, and hope you are back as soon as possible to be one of us again. In the meantime, keep on with that fine job you and the other boys are doing in the Southwest Pacific. Your letter will appear in this column of the WORKS NEWS in the near future.

Pump and Compressor

It's good business to advertise when you have something to sell, but not when you have fried chicken for lunch. Lots of people like fried chicken, especially Sam Bireley. . . . Glad to have Joe Deck back with us again. Hope you are feeling much better, Joe.

Factory Office

The $63 question that the AC & CR factory employees presented to Millie Atherton Clark last week was put to good use for they have the honor of starting the "Clark Sterling Silverware." It is Primrose Pattern and complete service for three was bought. We take this opportunity to thank each and every one for the wonderful gift. We will treasure it for ever. Signed, Glen and Millie Clark. . . . Why did Clark Scheid jump so and his face get so red when his chair rolled over the pig tail that had been tacked to the back of his chair? . . . Al Ervin found himself very unpopular one day in the office when he lit his boiler (pipe to you). Better change brands of tobacco, Al. See Vic Cartwright or Everett Thurber for best brands of smoking tobacco.

Order Service

Eddie Heemsoth should wear a hat more often. He simply looks ducky in a red Dutch bonnet. And by the way Eddie has solved his cigarette shortage; he is smoking a pipe now.

Accounting and Payroll

Martha Greider is the new girl in Payroll. She hails from Bldg. 18.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

John Stetler received a letter from Jeff Shafer, a former employee of Power Drive. Jeff is in the Navy and is stationed at Corpus Christie, Texas. He mentioned some very interesting things about the people and customs of Old Mexico. . . . We are glad to see Rudy Langus back on the job after being absent by the necessity of an operation. . . . Live and learn says Walter Schultz. He insists that hereafter he will carry his ration points, as he saw a fine fattened steer Sunday, but had no points with him to buy any of it. . . . After a quarter of a mile of towing and freezing and a few minor check-ups, Don Thompson finds that the ignition must be turned on to start the car. . . . We were sorry to bid farewell to Bob Burns, who was transferred from the Power Drive Tool Room Section. Good luck, Bob. . . . A hearty welcome goes to Edna Churchward, who came from the second trick. . . . A new fangled idea is given us by Elmer Auman. A criss-cross lighting system he uses on his car. By this is meant the way his head lights are turned in, resulting from an accident which occurred at the Anthony Blvd. bridge. P.S.: And the bridge didn't budge an inch. . . . After working until ten o'clock one shivering evening on trying to install a fuel pump and having to go shopping for it, Jack Rehrer was much surprised to discover his gas supply was exhausted, and the fuel pump idea was all in vain. . . . Anyone wishing a few pointers on making good ice cream should consult Clifford Marshall. He was a foreman in one of the city's largest ice cream plants. . . . Barbara Wrens was high with a 149 score in bowling this week.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

PFC Lester Grose, Charlie Roberts' brother-in-law, visited the club Thursday night and all the female members went goo-goo over him. . . . "Blackie," the Navy tester, has gone upstairs to work. I'm sure we'll miss that familiar call for him. . . . The invitation to the Clam Chowder Social and Walking Club for Thursday, February 1, read as follows: "Know ye all men by these presents to-wit: Whereas: the executives of the above institution in solemn and extraordinary session have duly declared that Thursday, February 1, in the year of our Lord 1945, being a just and right day, and Whereas: It being high time for a general meeting of the aforementioned institution; Be it known, therefore, that the club shall gather at the aforesaid date at the hour of four and thirty P.M., at the place known hereafter as 'Ye Old Covered Waggone.' All ye coy oysters and hardshell clams shall be there under penalty of severe chastisement. Unnoted and unsealed. E. Gault, Big Clam; C. Roberts, Small Pearl; K. Miskel, Hard Shell." Invitations will be sent for each meeting. . . . We're sorry to see Velma Adams and Dolores Schelper leave us. We wish them the very best of luck on their new jobs. . . . Does anyone have an extra alarm clock they might loan to Hilda P.? . . . Wonder why so many felt like working Friday? Might ask Irene Baade. . . . Herman B., the painter, has been off work because of illness and again Charlie Roberts has been seen in his booth. . . . We have forgotten to mention before this that Luella Schuster is back downstairs working for Roger. . . . Jack Richard said after his wife read in the paper last week about his singing, she wanted him to sing for her all night, but he wouldn't. Oh well, we can stand more than some people. How about learning "My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time"?

Planning

We'll let you in on a little secret. Leroy Maxheimer is learning to play the guitar. Maybe he'll play it for us sometime if we ask him. . . . I guess everyone has a favorite song and Kenny's is "I'll Be Loving You Allways."

POINSATTE PISTOLS

This week we are happy to welcome Dolores Schelper and Beverly Mustard who were transferred here from Winter Street. Hope you will like us all, Dolores and Beverly. . . . Marie Bowman, of Inspection, walked down the aisle last week and took the step into matrimony. She is now Mrs. Oscar Olwhine. Congratulations, Marie, and the best of luck. Oh, yes, thanks for the treat, too. . . . Birthday congratulations were in order for Dottie Hemsoth last week. She received a package from her husband in France, containing some of the gorgeous perfume again, and several interesting sourvenirs. Hope you have many more happy birthdays, Dottie. . . . Anyone who enjoys high class singing such as "Lo Hear the Gentle Lark," should wander through Receiving Office occasionally and hear the warbling going on in there. . . . "Our Two Victory Bells," Mildred and Eleanor, are doing alright at the USO. More power to you, gals.

SPORTS NEWS

By Everett Kelley

Bowling

Team 5 and team 6 are tied for first place at the present as they both won 2 games while dropping one last week. They have each won 9 and lost 3. Team 6 rolled 2,614 which puts them in first place for three game high for the second half.

High individual counts for the evening were Cunningham with 563 including a 220 and Misegades with 559. The 200 scores were Timme 228, Roeger 212, Lynch 204 and Kolmerten 203.

The only team of the evening to win 3 games was team 7 who copped 3 games from team 11.

Men's Basketball

Since Winter Street was leading the inter-department league with 9 victories and no defeats and had only the 2 weakest teams in the league left to play, the first half was officially declared over and the second half begun. A new schedule was made out and we drew West Side as our first opponent. The boys had been a little cool on their shooting lately but tonight they were pretty hot. Before West Side could find the range the score was 21-0, Winter Street. From there, they just coasted in to a 57-31 win. "Stretch" Magnusson led the scoring parade with 20 points. The boys don't play again until February 14 when they engage Taylor Street. Taylor Street had a good record the first half and may prove pretty tough.

Bill Seiple won the league first half individual scoring crown with 93 points and Stretch Magnusson was third with 80 which explains some of the high scores Winter Street has been throwing at these other teams.

The boys finally got their new jerseys, being bright red with white numbers. Judging from the way the boys started to work on West Side the first time they had them on, they must like them okay.

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

One of the most thrilling surprises in a long time came to Bldg. 17-4 on Friday, February 2, when we learned of the marriage of Emma Reiling and Charles Haberkorn on Thursday evening. Both Emma and Hobby have been a part of Bldg. 17-4 for a long time, and we can think of no people more deserving of every happiness than these two. To our newlyweds, congratulations, much happiness and all the luck in the world. . . . Larry Reed is reducing these days, so he says, but he bought a cake, an orange, candy and peanuts all in one trip around the candy wagon. What does he mean, reducing? . . . Now over in Carroll's Corner we would like to extend our heartiest congrats to Mr. and Mrs. Don Mann who recently celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary. Don said he gave her an artificial bouquet—the same one he's given her on previous occasions. Isn't love blind? . . . We miss our Charlie Crankshaw, who has been absent for several weeks due to illness. . . . Don't ever ask Dorthea Bixler to order your lunch for you. The other day the girls went down to the drug store for lunch, and Dorthea placed the orders. They waited and waited but never received a thing to eat. Finally they decided to cancel the order and return to work hungry, but the waitress couldn't find any trace of the order. They discovered Dorthea put the order on the cashier's table by mistake. Did they speak to you the rest of the day, Dorthea? . . . For the past few weeks we have been noticing Virginia Webster carrying a cook book under her arm. We are all waiting on an invitation for a big dinner. Make it good, Virginia, and we'll all be over. . . . We want to welcome Earl Stauffer to our second shift. Hope you enjoy your work, Earl. . . . Friends, you don't know what you are missing till you hear our singing quartet. Yep, it's none other than Cecil, Bunny and Wilbur. On Saturday nights we are serenaded with good old church songs. Other nights finds them striking up a rumba, which Les Myers does a little exhibition of what Arthur Murray taught him—in a hurry. In time to come we are expected to pay a slight fee to hear our little talented group. Mr. Willy is dying to sign up with the group as a dancer, but as yet they won't have him. No, Willy; you're too good. . . . Is it true that when a man wears a necktie he can't eat so much? Mark, you'll never get fat. . . . Well the ground hog saw his shadow last Friday, so children, better button up your overcoats, for six more weeks of winter is just around the corner.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Yep—6 weeks more winter. Brrrrrr. . . . Well, well, well every one knows now that James Johnson and Oscar Schelper are entered in the Golden Gloves Tourney. Wonder how they will come out? . . . Marion Williams is a basketball player as well as a press operator. . . . Roger Crabill says misfortune can come to any one, it all depends on your luck. . . . Eva Hiatt says she knows who writes this column. She doesn't; but she thinks she does. . . . Clarence Wickliffe must have found a patent leather shoe stamp. . . . Another prodigy is Max Andres. Some ventriloquist and if you don't think he is, ask Ferne Bermes. "Somewhere there are voices calling." . . . Perry Gordon joined the punch press gang recently. . . . Could it be the noise from Andy Degler's little hammer that causes Dorothy Crist to jump so high.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Apprentice Broadcast

Apprentice Boys,
Greetings Fellows:

The weather in the Fort Wayne vicinity is now beginning to warm up enough to start melting away the snow and ice which has been collected over the streets and fields for a record breaking siege, according to our meteorologist, B. B. Whittier. I really don't know if the temperature will continue on the upgrade or not because February 2 was "Groundhog Day" and of all days the sun had to shine it was that day. Oh well, you know what that means; only six more weeks of winter and also that I'm going to have to buy more coal or else hibernate till Spring. I usually don't like liars but this is once I hope this little fuzzy haired, four legged creature tells a good big one because I'm ready for Spring any time now.

Really I don't know what I'm talking about the weather for because that's usually the topic of conversation when there is nothing else to talk about but this doesn't happen to be the case now because I have a few articles which may be of interest, and one is from our good friend and ex-apprentice PFC Robert Schnelker. Bob has been really giving the world a going over according to his letter.

Bob was inducted into the army March 7, 1944, and since his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla., he has visited Scotland, England, France, Luxembourg, and Germany. He also has seen considerable action to date as he was in a machine gun squad for six weeks, but is now the runner for his company and his duty is carrying messages. Really, Bob, even on this job I would say you were seeing plenty of action if the word runner means what it says.

The present time finds him staying in a hotel in a small town in Luxembourg, and he says sleeping in a bed is certainly different from life in a foxhole. Really I think even I can see a point to that statement too.

Say fellows, Bob said to tell the gang "Hello" so here it is to each one of you.

By the way, Boh, I received your Jan. 1 letter on Feb. 1, just one month to the day from the time you wrote it, so that wasn't too bad. I was certainly glad to hear from you and write again, won't you?

I also saw in the paper that Raymond Wiese, whom most of you know as "Ray," has been commissioned to the rank of Second Lieutenant and has been awarded the silver wings of a pilot at Craig Field, Selma, Ala.

Oh yes, fellows! I gathered from one of the grapes from the grapevine (Harold Richardson is the grape) that Ed Wolf, one of our ex-apprentices, was enticed by the pleadings of matrimony and fell easy prey to its call. Really I don't imagine you could guess what he got out of the deal but I understand he came out with a wife. I can't tell you her name but if Ed Wolf picked her she must be all right with capital letters.

The basketball scores to date are: Jan. 20, N. Side over Michigan City, 49-33, and Central over Lebanon, 49-22. Jan. 26, N. Side clipped Central in another city series engagement 37-35 in an overtime, and I might add that this score is exactly the same as for the first game this year between these two teams in which N. Side was also the victor. S. Side also won from Lebanon Jan. 26 by a 25-22 count. Feb. 2, N. Side outlasted the S. Side Archers in a very hard fought game 38-34, Central slipped by Huntington 47-45 after making a great comeback from a deficit of 15-4 at the end of the first quarter, C. Catholic won from Butler 40-34, and Clear Creek edged past Concordia 41-40 to give Concordia their second loss of the year.

Dale Romey.

P. S. In the last issue of the WORKS NEWS I stated that Lyle Claphan was the father of a new baby girl but now I have to back down because that was a serious mistake. Lyle still does remain a father but of a baby boy instead of a girl.

Show Superiority Of Robot Pilot

Superiority of a robot pilot over a human pilot in holding a plane on its course and in correcting for deviations from straight and level flight was demonstrated recently by aviation engineers of General Electric.

Using a hook-up of an automatic pilot with a Link trainer, they showed that in a long, straight-line flight the automatic pilot will not slip off its set course more than one-half of one degree and that it will correct the plane's position, when it is off-line, more quickly and accurately than a human pilot can do.

The G-E automatic pilot employed in the test is similar to those being used widely on Navy torpedo bombers. Its function is to provide relief for the human pilot by taking over the controls and maintaining a course he sets. In doing so, it relieves him of the physical duty of controlling the flight and will hold the airplane on a steadier course than he can by hand.

A Link trainer was used in the demonstration to simulate the stormy, unstabilized conditions a pilot might meet in a plane. Similar types are used in training fliers. They throw him into spins, dives and other dangerous attitudes, challenging him to bring the ship back to an even keel.

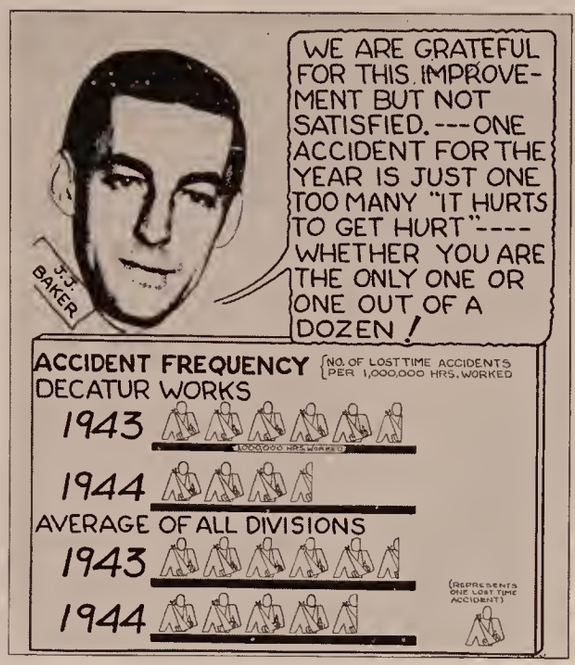
Human Reactions Slower

In the demonstration, G-E engineers showed that an automatic pilot will start correcting action as soon as the plane begins to move off its course. Reactions of a human pilot are much slower, they found, because at least one-tenth of a second is required for the message that he is off-course to reach his brain, then he must have time to adjust his controls by hand.

"Secret of the speedy, accurate performance of the robot pilot is an electrical gyroscope, which acts as the 'brains' of the system," according to engineers. "Any pitch, roll or yaw—that is, lengthwise or crosswise tilt or turn—produces an electric signal in the gyroscope. This, in turn, is amplified and converted into mechanical power which moves elevators, ailerons and rudder to bring the airplane back to its correct attitude and course."

Electrically - driven gyroscopes have been used at sea for many years. General Electric was one of the first to employ them in automatic pilots. In replacing air-driven gyroscopes used in previous systems, they have been found particularly desirable to meet the conditions of modern flying. Compact and relatively small in size, they can be easily sealed in a case to protect moving parts from the grit which drifts for miles above sandy deserts. And, at altitudes where the air is too thin for air gyroscopes to be accurate, electrical gyros continue to operate effectively and accurately, it has been shown.

Still Too Many . . .



ALTHOUGH THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS FOR ALL DIVISIONS WAS 62 LESS IN 1944 THAN IN 1943, (289 in 1943 compared to 227 in 1944).

We say "still too many" because of the pain and inconvenience involved and also because in most cases a little more preventative effort on the part of supervision and/or employee injured would have prevented the accident.

J. J. Baker, Secretary of the Safety Committee, Decatur Works, is shown in above picture. "Julie's" new Safety Committee is as follows: Frank Braun, Chairman, Plant No. 1; J. Beery, C. Beiersdorfer, J. Steele, D. Feasel, C. Knittle, N. Schug, V. Meyers, E. Kiess, L. Brokaw, D. Paxon, M. Wolff, B. McMillen, R. Jackson, W. Fuelling, R. Sauers, R. Shoup, H. Gaunt, B. Marble, William Heim, Chairman Plant No. 2; Clarence Steiner, Ralph Roop, Waneta Stauffer, Clarence Agler, Nancy Tinkham, Harry Irwin, Cecil Melchi, William Denig, Marie Lord, Edward Gase, Lloyd Kreicher, Melvin Baumgartner, William Geisler, Gladys Engle, Henry Braun, Ed May, True Gephart, Robert Osterman, Cathryn McLean, Emery Hawkins, and Alice Ulman.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Battery Of Tests Make Contribution

"Torture with intent to kill"—that describes the extensive battery of tests through which newly-designed products are put at General Electric. These tests twist, stretch, tear, shatter, smash, crush, corrode, burn and freeze their subjects. Yet, by deliberately destroying, they make a vital contribution to science, industry and everyday living.

Purpose of these tortures is to determine the extent of a product's durability. By doing so, they show up any defect in design or construction. And, when these are found, such flaws are ironed out in improved, reconstructed models.

Before destroying their subjects, some of the tests run for years, others are speeded up to crowd a month's torture into an hour. Tests such as the latter are performed under conditions far harsher than those the articles will meet in actual operation. Temperatures are made more extreme, speeds increased and loads made many times heavier. Models of disks used in steam turbines, for example, are usually tested at G-E at speeds twice as great as those they will ordinarily reach in operation. Others are tested at increasing speeds until the disks burst like an egg shell.

G-E engineers have likewise kept a turbine bucket vibrating for 15 years without letting it rest. During that time the bucket has been vibrated more than 100 billion cycles. Only when it grows so tired it falls to pieces will the test be considered complete.

Products are often tested under conditions which occur far outside the reach of the average person. Thus G-E turbosuperchargers, which play a major role in the superiority of America's biggest bombers and deadliest fighters, are tested on the ground under conditions they would not normally encounter below 50,000 feet. These tests duplicate the punishment of the sub-stratosphere in scientifically-built altitude test chambers. Here, hot gases reaching temperatures up to 2000 F. can be introduced into the turbines in quantities as great as 450 pounds per minute, or, in another test chamber, refrigerated air as cold as 100 degrees F. below zero can be supplied to the compressor in quantities of 1200 pounds per minute.

Tests on individual parts of the turbosupercharger are so violent they duplicate in a few minutes the same effects encountered by the unit during its life on the plane. These reproduce conditions of combat maneuvers which the motion of the plane, combined with the high rotating speed of the turbosupercharger, produces great strains from many directions. In the test, the turbosupercharger is brought to full operating speed, then rotated rapidly about an axis at right angles to the shaft. After the test is completed, close check is made of the individual parts to determine their reaction.

Some Go 100,000 r.p.m.

Turbosupercharger wheels meet their doom on special high-speed, vacuum stands. First, the test chamber is emptied of air until there exists what is almost a perfect vacuum. Powerful drive turbines then whirl the wheels until they reach speeds 125 per cent greater than those considered an operating limit. The wheels are started out slowly and progressively speeded up till the breaking point is attained. Five-hundred pound wheels reach speeds up to 30,000 revolutions per minute, 50 pounders those of 55,000 r.p.m. and 10 pounders those of 100,000 r.p.m. Engineers, at the conclusion of each run, carefully measure the diameter of each wheel to determine the speed at which the metal first began to stretch out of its normal shape, as well as the total amount of stretch that occurred before it cracked apart.

To perform these turbosupercharger tests, vast amounts of power are consumed. Operation of the testing equipment requires as much as 400,000 pounds of steam per hour, 4,000 kilowatts of electrical energy, 600 gallons per hour of fuel oil and 400 gallons per hour of high octane gasoline. According to engineers the total energy thus used up would supply all the heating and power requirements of a good sized city.

Prisoner Of War

Sgt. Warren G. Brown, Bldg. 26-2, who has been missing in action in France since September 26, has been reported a prisoner of war in Germany. He entered the ASTP at Iowa City, Iowa, in December, 1943, and later was transferred to the infantry. He trained at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and Camp Phillips, Aberdeen, Maryland. He went overseas in June, 1944.

THE NAVY'S VALIANT "CONVERTED FLEET" of patrol vessels is gradually receiving its honorable discharge. The fleet of converted yachts and fishing boats was hastily mustered in and sent against the enemy submarines early in 1942. It was the first of three waves of anti-submarine vessels, being followed by newly constructed wooden vessels, which in turn were followed by a steel fleet of new ships. Now the availability of the specially built wooden and steel vessels plus the changing aspects of the war make it possible for the U. S. Navy to return to the Maritime Commission, for disposal or eventual return to their owners, many of the converted small craft which were so urgently needed to protect our coastline and convoys when the U. S. plunged into war on December 7, 1941.—Army-Navy release.

TWENTY-FOUR OPEN-SEA LANDINGS, FIFTY-EIGHT OFFICERS AND MEN rescued—this was the record posted by a Navy PBY squadron during the last three months of its recently completed tour of duty on rescue operations. The majority of the personnel rescued were Army airmen shot down or forced down during bombing raids on such targets as Truk, Yap, Kavieng, Rabaul and Bougainville.—Army-Navy release.

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

January 31, 1945

Team	W.	L.
Flying Pins	9	3
Knock Outs	8	4
Pin Hitters	7	5
Whizz Bangs	6	6
Lucky Five	4	8
Head Pins	2	10

Game over 170—Betty Hoffelder 183.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings (A Section)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	1	0	1000
Small Motor Office	1	0	1000
Firemen	1	0	1000
Taylor Street	0	1	.000
West Side	0	1	.000
Small Motor Factory	0	1	.000

Results of Games, Wednesday, January 31

Winter Street	55	West Side	31
Small Motor Of.	40	Small Motor Fact.	27
Firemen	33	Taylor Street	25

Schedule for Wednesday, Feb. 14:

7:00 Small Motor Factory vs. Firemen.

8:00 Taylor Street vs. Winter Street.

9:00 Small Motor Office vs. West Side.

Firemen 33; Taylor Street 25

In the opening game of the second half the Firemen kept their winning streak alive with a 33 to 25 win over Taylor Street. For this game Taylor Street was handicapped by a shortage of players which resulted in their playing the entire second half with four men. The Firemen got away to an 8 to 2 lead in the first quarter which they had increased to 19 to 4 at half time. In the second half the Taylor Street four man team outscored the winners 21 to 14 but the lead was too great to overcome. Milholland tallied 11 points for the winners while Rabus was high for the losers with nine.

Firemen (33)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor Street (25)	C.	F.	T.
Hanic	4	0	8	Crosley	0	0	0
Long	3	1	7	Rabus	4	1	9
Hilholland	5	1	11	Richardson	3	0	6
Lydy	0	0	0	Yentes	2	0	4
Zimmerman	1	0	2	Bohde	3	0	5
Leazier	1	1	3				
Habig	1	0	2				
Totals	15	3	33	Totals	12	1	25

Winter Street 55; West Side 31

Continuing their unbeaten road through their league, the first half champions from Winter Street rolled over West Side 55 to 31. Displaying uncanny accuracy in their shooting during the first half the winners held commanding 19 to 0 and 38 to 10 leads at the end of the quarter and the half. In the second half the West Siders outscored the winners but were too far behind to overcome the large lead. Magnusson hit ten times from the field to score 20 points while Coles tallied 14 points for the losers.

Winter Street (55)	G.	F.	T.	West Side (31)	G.	F.	T.
Dent	3	0	6	Coles	7	0	14
Magnusson	10	0	20	France	4	0	8
Neitzert	4	1	9	Olson	0	0	0
Seiple	5	1	13	Arnold	4	0	8
Hooley	0	1	1	Stellar	0	1	1
Fryer	1	2	4				
Snyder	0	0	0				
Yoder	0	0	0				
Kelly	1	0	2				
Totals	25	5	55	Totals	15	1	31

Leading Scorers (Second Half)

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Magnusson,	Winter Street	1	10	0	0	0	20
Kasimier,	Small Motor Factory	1	7	0	0	3	14
Coles,	West Side	1	7	0	2	5	14
Seiple,	Winter Street	1	6	1	4	1	13
Esterline,	Small Motor Office	1	4	4	5	0	12
Milholland,	Firemen	1	5	1	1	1	11
Lauer,	Small Motor Office	1	4	2	3	0	10

Elex Dinner Party On Next Monday

The Elex Club will hold a dinner party next Monday evening, February 12, at the G-E Club; serving will be from 4:45 to 5:45. The program will be a semi-classical concert by the Junior Civic Symphony, and will consist of old favorites from Sigmund Romberg, Victor Herbert, and others. Tickets are 55c and reservations must be in by today.

Elex To Hold Birthday Party For Soldiers

The Elex Club will give a February birthday party at the USO on Monday evening, February 19, for all soldiers present whose birthdays occur in February. The party will begin at 7:30 P.M. Elex members are invited. All who can do so are asked by the committee in charge to bring cakes which will be awarded as gifts to those soldiers having birthdays.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Officials—Slater and Ball.

Results of Matches

Team No. 7 won 3 games from Team No. 10. Team No. 11 won 3 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 1 won 2 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 6 won 2 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 3 won 2 games from Team No. 12. [illegible] games from Team No. 12.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	11	4
Team No. 3	9	6
Team No. 1	9	6
Team No. 5	9	6
Team No. 9	8	7
Team No. 4	7	8
Team No. 12	7	8
Team No. 2	7	8
Team No. 6	7	8
Team No. 7	5	9
Team No. 10	6	10
Team No. 8	5	10

600 Series—Kraft 212-211-187—610.

200 Games—Thompson 200; Stiver 204; Tarney 210; Kabisch 216; Landis 225; Kraft 212, 211.

Remarks—Take a look at Team No. 7 this week. It must have done a little bit of good to give them a write-up last week. We thought that McKee was back in the groove last week but it must have been he had his eyes closed. Well, about the State tournament, it seems that there are no bowlers in our league with averages worth the consideration of going to State.

Small Motor Office 40; Small Motor Factory 27

Small Motor Office started off the second half on the right foot by defeating Small Motor Factory 40 to 27. Esterline and Lauer with 12 and 10 points carried the scoring honors for the winners, while Kasimier pushed in seven field goals to tally 14 points for the losers.

Small Motor Of. (40)	G.	F.	T.	Small Mot. Fact. (27)	G.	F.	T.
Hoffman	3	1	7	Stetzel	1	0	2
Starkel	3	0	6	Pulley	0	0	0
Schuster	0	0	0	Kasimier	7	0	14
Esterline	4	4	12	Young	1	0	2
Lauer	4	2	10	Lindenberg	1	0	2
Slack	1	0	2	Hardiek	2	0	4
Lanzenberg	0	0	0	Gitter	0	0	0
Barber	1	1	3	Snead	0	0	0
Trott	0	0	0	Drayer	1	1	3
Totals	16	8	40	Totals	13	1	27

Owl Basketball

By R. James

Bldg. 17 got off to a flying start in defense of the first half championship by drubbing a game but tired five from Motor Generator.

Motor Generator made it a good game, trailing by only 5 points at the start of the last quarter; but Bldg. 17 then poured it on to come out on the long end of a 40-22 count.

Hensler starred for Bldg. 17, hitting 8 field goals and one foul attempt for 17 points with Williams getting 8 points.

In the second game, an improved Taylor Street five led by Gilbert with 20 points, edged Bob Crosley's boys from Bldg. 4-4 by the score of 45-38. Johnlause, Runyon, and Crosley did all the scoring for Bldg. 4-4. Crosley with 14 points and Runyon with 13 points took scoring honors.

Summaries:

Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.	Motor Generator	C.	F.	T.
Williams	3	2	8	Beber	3	0	5
Hensler	8	1	17	Garskey	2	1	5
Thomas	1	3	5	Snyder	2	1	5
Young	1	0	2	Ringwalt	1	1	3
Kelly	2	4	8	Hildenbrand	1	1	3
Kimes	0	0	0				
Benz	0	0	0				
Totals	15	10	40	Totals	9	4	22

Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.	Taylor Street	C.	F.	T.
Crosley	5	4	14	Katzenmaler	2	0	4
Johnlause	5	1	11	Borror	3	3	9
Runyon	5	3	13	Gilbert	8	4	20
Middaugh	0	0	0	Luther	3	1	7
Christlied	0	0	0	Bowser	2	1	5
Hosek	0	0	0	Sitloh	0	0	0
Totals	15	8	38	Totals	18	9	45

Kokomo Bowling News

By W. G. Kretzmann

Well, here we are again with another tie in the standings after the February first encounter. Production won two games from FHP to pull up even for sixth place with Maintenance who only managed one game from Power Drive. Order Service finally overcame the jinx the Planning team had on them all season by taking two games. That, however, was not enough to promote them from the bottom of the class. Receiving put a tighter strangle hold on the top spot by taking the Inspectors for a pair of games.

High scoring honors go to Wikel this week who hit a 223 single and totaled 569. Evard scored a 215 and had a 553 total. Spahr rolled a 202 and totalled 537. Stodgell came in for a 209 and 524 for 3 games. Symons did a 195 and collected 512 pins. Bischoff had a 510. Richards came through for 503. Kallmyer started big with a 208 and finished with 502. Hastings barely missed the select circle with his 198, but he is still proud of this, his highest score so far this season. Cook also rolled his highest game so far at 188. Jones started off with a nice string of strikes, but the "fire went out" and he finished with a 187. Newlon had a "tough 200" started, but got mixed up somewhere along the line by getting a double and when he forgot to mark in the tenth his efforts only netted him a 184. Still a good game.

Next week the league will go into the wind-up of the third quarter of the season, after that the final "Home Stretch" round.

FLIGHT KITS FOR WOUNDED

Red Cross flight kits are provided wounded men exacuated from the Middle East to hospitals back home. Kits contain games, magazines, candy, and other items.

Newsies 17-3

Rosie Hecke, who was baking cookies this last week, realized as she took the last pan from the oven that she had forgotten to put in the butter. That's saving red points but tough luck. . . . A black cat wandered into the home of Lillian Sinn when someone left the house door ajar. Gosh, what strange things we can find! . . . If anyone would like any barbering done, please see Betty Laux. Her first customer was Marjorie Rauch. . . . Bonnie Reher was seen dropping that precious sweet stuff, candy, on the floor! . . . Eileen Brown was very tired the other night upon arriving home from work, so she decided to take a nap but overslept. She arrived at the Elex dinner just under the line. . . . This week will be one with a lot of car trouble because of the weather. Thelma Chesterman and her girl friend were caught already. Better luck next time. . . . Martha Wedler, formerly of the 83 line frame, is back with us again but in Group 13x37. We are glad to have you back. . . . Bill Mills will soon replace Earl Hunt as foreman of test in Bldg. 17-3. We hate to see Earl leave us, but know we will see him after he goes to Bldg. 17-4. We welcome Bill to our family and are sure he will enjoy our floor. . . . We were glad to see Eva Fisher's son, Marine PFC Denver Fisher, who visited on our floor. He has been stationed in the South Pacific. . . . One of our former boys, Pvt. Donald Macon, had quite an experience in France when two Germans jumped into his foxhole. His prisoners helped make a total of twenty-eight taken by his outfit. We are proud of our fighting friends wherever they are and would welcome any news about them. Good luck to you, boys, and we hope to see you soon. . . . Our sympathy to Mary Jane Redding on the death of her mother.

Have You Nominated Your Good Neighbor?

Do you know someone who is continually spreading good cheer among his friends and acquaintances? Someone who you think should be rewarded for his many acts of kindness? Then here's your chance. Send his or her name to the Elex Club as a candidate for the orchid for the good, good neighbor award on the Elex "Breakfast at Sardi's" program, which will be held by second shift members on Tuesday, February 20. Following are the rules for nominating a candidate for the orchid award:

1. The person nominated for the award must be a member of a G-E family. He or she need not be employed at General Electric, but there should be a G-E worker in the immediate family. Candidates may be wife, husband, mother father, sister, brother, daughter, son, grandmother, or grandfather of a G-E employee.

2. All letters must be postmarked February 13.

3. The decision of the judges will be final.

4. All letters should be sent to Frances Krauskopf, c/o Works News Office, Bldg. 10-2, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne 2, Indiana.

AID MERCHANT SAILORS

Upon their return to England after D-Day operations off Normandy, the American Red Cross gave emergency aid to merchant seamen representing 33 countries.

Jack Morrissey To Address Dispatchers Club

Jack P. Morrissey, welding engineer in the laboratory of the Taylor Street plant, will speak to the Dispatchers Club at their regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club. Mr. Morrissey will talk on his experiences in Russia during the years 1929 and 1930. Mr. Morrissey was loaned at the request of the Russian government by the Crucible Steel Company of America as one of the many American technicians who helped make Russia's first Five Year Plan such a success.

Mr. Morrissey's experience with the Pennsylvania Railway System, the Baltimore Locomotive Company and the Crucible Steel Company had enabled him to develop new welding techniques for welding repairs for locomotives, and these techniques are what he taught the Russians.

Mr. Morrissey will speak for about thirty minutes and will then answer such questions about Russia as members of the Club may wish to ask.

Meeting will be held at 8:00 P.M. in charge of President Walter Doehrman.

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. How do trees become petrified?

A. **Upon falling, the trees are thought to have drifted down a water course and to have lodged in some eddy, there to become deeply buried by sand and clay. Gradually, silica deposited by underground water replaced the woody tissues of the trees, particle by particle, until their conversion to stone had been effected.**

Q. What is the cause of tarnish on silver?

A. **The most important cause of tarnishing is the presence of minute amounts of sulphur compounds in the air, such as hydrogen sulphide and sulphur dioxide. These cause a film which is called silver sulphide. If silver is protected—that is, kept away from the atmosphere—the rate of tarnish will be reduced.**

Q. Is there any difference between seasons at the equator?

A. **There are no seasons at the equator, in the proper sense of the word. There are differences, although relatively slight ones, in temperature and in rainfall at the equator between one part of the year and another. Day and night are equal at all times of the year, however.**

Q. Why does cream whip when very cold, but not when warm?

A. **Whipped cream is cream with bubbles of air trapped in it. Cream is more viscous when cold than when warm, which means that it flows less easily. It is therefore a better medium for entrapping and holding the air buhbles when it is cold.**

Farmers work for a penny an hour when they use muscles instead of an electric motor to pedal a grindstone, run a corn sheller or pump water.

G-E Teams Out To Avenge Early Setbacks

Girls' Team Adds Two League Tilts To Victory String

Defeat Wayne Candies By 26-21 Count, And Down Uhlig's By A 44-13 Score

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls basketball team got rolling along the victory path again this past week with a couple of well-earned wins over Wayne Candies and Uhlig's—both games being City League tilts.

The Wayne Candies girls gave our team a real battle before they finally dropped out on the short end of a 26-21 score. The game started out rather slow, and the count was knotted up at 13-all at the halfway mark. Our girls finally began to hit in the final period, and also tightened up their defense to keep their opponents out from under the basket.

Janssen, tall center of the Candies squad, paced their scoring with 7 points. "Tommy" Williams led the G-E scoring with 8 markers; and "Boots" Puff and "Butch" Whiteleather each contributed 5 points towards their team's victory.

About midway of the second period the game began to turn into a battle; and it ended up as a very rough and tumble affair, looking more like football than basketball part of the time. A total of 29 personal fouls were called; with 16 being assessed against G-E and 13 against the Wayne Candies team.

The G-E girls proved to be just a little too much for the newly-organized Uhlig team, and they trounced them 44 to 12 last Tuesday in a City League clash. The game started off well, with the G-E holding a first quarter lead of only 6 to 3. They really unleashed an offensive punch in the second period, outscoring Uhlig's 18 to 5 in that period.

The Uhlig girls began to shoot more in the second half, but they were having a terrible time making the ball go through the hoop. They were held scoreless in the third quarter, and G-E held a very commanding 32 to 8 lead. The scoring for Uhlig's was very well divided, with Taylor's 3 points being high.

"Butch" Whiteleather was having a field day as she led the G-E scoring with 14 tallies. All the other gals contributed mightily to our victory; with the other heavy scorers being Varner with 10 points, "Tommy" Williams with 8 markers, and "Boots" Puff had 6 tallies.

The summaries:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Wayne Candies	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	0	2	2	Sanders	0	1	1
Williams	3	2	8	Hibschman	1	3	5
Boedeker	1	0	2	McQueen	0	0	0
Whiteleather	2	1	5	Janssen	3	1	7
Amstutz	0	0	0	Heck	0	1	1
Steller	0	0	0	Grensenbach	0	0	0
Varner	2	0	4	Girardot	0	1	1
Puff	2	1	5	Bandelier	2	2	6
Totals	10	6	26	Totals	6	9	21

Officials—McCoy and Yoder

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Uhlig's	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	2	0	4	Ely	1	0	2
Varner	5	0	10	Mi.Uhlig	0	0	0
Williams	4	0	8	Taylor	1	1	3
Boedeker	0	0	0	Piepenbrink	1	0	2
Whiteleather	7	0	14	Ma.Uhlig	1	0	2
Amstutz	1	0	2	R.Uhlig	0	0	0
Steller	0	0	0	B.Uhlig	0	1	1
Puff	3	0	6	Goeglin	1	0	2
				Keener	0	0	0
				Lash	0	1	1
Totals	22	0	44	Totals	5	3	13

Officials—J. Johnson and Yoder.

Introducing THE GALS



Phyllis Amstutz

Another member of our G-E Club girls' team is Phyllis Amstutz, the one who is more commonly known as "Fuzz." She wears the number "2" on the back of her uniform. This is her first year with the Club team and for that reason she has not seen as much action as some of the other members of the squad. She is always there when needed, however, and is a good replacement when some other member of the team tires or is not clicking too well.

"Fuzz" gained quite a lot of experience last year when she played with the Taylor Street team which won the inter-department league championship. She was high scorer for her team, and also led the league in scoring last season.

"Fuzz" plays the right guard position on the team with a lot of enthusiasm. She hasn't regained the "shooting eye" she had last season; but when she does, her opponents had better be careful. Her favorite shot is to cut under from the right side of the basket and lay up a one-handed push shot.

"Fuzz" is an employee of our Taylor Street plant; and incidentally, she threatens bodily harm to any one who calls her Phyllis—it's "Fuzz" to you folks!

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Tool Room	15	3
Laboratory	12	6
Developmental	12	6
Grinders	10	8
Chargers	9	9
Production	9	9
Screw Machine	9	9
Office	8	10
Turbos	8	10
Receiving	6	12
Firemen	6	12
Air Corps	4	14

200 Games—Ridenour 213, 205; Meese 207, 202; Hammond 214; Brendel 208; Bradley 208; Martz 203; Hanna 202; Huber 200.

Tool Room, having won all of their last 12 starts, now have a three game lead on the Laboratory and Developmental, who are tied on the second place shot. Ridenour led the team to victory with a 572 pin series.

Fourteen individuals bettered "500" but no individual or team league marks were threatened.

Table Tennis Team Defeats Forest Park

By R. Karasek

The G-E Club Table Tennis team hurdled one more barrier in their drive toward the City League championship as they defeated Forest Park 23 to 4 Wednesday, January 31. Although the final score was very one-sidedly in favor of G-E, the match was featured by close scores. Thursday, February 8, the club team meets the YMCA in the crucial game of the season, and a victory for G-E in this game will make them overwhelming favorites for the city title.

The season standings for the team are as follows:

	W.	L.
Upper Bracket		
L. Ferverda	22	2
H. Campbell	18	3
L. Mickels	17	7
Lower Bracket		
E. Downie	14	1
R. Karasek	11	1
W. Fox	19	5
R. Hamilton	14	4

G-E Club Five Beats Benton Harbor, 57-38

The G-E Club won number 16 Tuesday night at the G-E Club gym when they defeated the Twin City Independents of Benton Harbor, Michigan, by a score of 57 to 38.

The first quarter saw the clubs playing almost on even terms with G-E leading 12-6. The second quarter saw the Club hold their margin by garnering 15 points while Benton Harbor scored 13 points, the half ending 27-19 in favor of the G-E.

The second half saw the Benton Harbor quintet put on a great display of passing to cut the Club's lead through some fine basket sniping of P. Brown, former St. John star, who garnered nine points to bring his team within two points, the third quarter ending 30-28 for the G-E. In the fourth quarter the Electricians really went to work and were dropping them in from all angles. Reed, Krieg and VanRyn were the big guns for the Electricians with Reed garnering 16 points, Krieg 15 points and VanRyn 14 points while Brown and Dunning both scored 13 points each for the Independents. The game was fast and hard played with the Independents missing many shots that were in and out of the basket.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Twin City	G.	F.	T.
Krieg	6	3	15	Dunning	5	3	13
Allen	1	1	3	Stelmie	3	0	6
Stoner	1	0	2	Priebe	0	0	0
Reed	7	2	16	Brown	6	1	13
Lowden	2	2	6	Wilming	1	2	4
Madden	0	0	0	Leach	1	0	2
VanRyn	7	0	14				
Friends	0	0	0				
Totals	24	9	57	Totals	16	6	38

Half Score—27-19.
Officials—Collyer and Todd.

The two million-volt sealed-off X-ray tube can radiograph in less than an hour thick metal sections. Formerly, it took a week to make the radiograph with the million-volt tube.

Men Meet K-C; Girls Take On City Light

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club basketball teams, both men and girls, are out to avenge a pair of early season losses next Tuesday night. This double feature will truly be a big night of basketball for all of you G-E fans!

In the first game, slated for 7:45 o'clock, the G-E girls will meet their big city rivals, the City Light team—the only team in or around Fort Wayne that has stopped our girls this season. In the second big game of this super double bill, the G-E men play the Knights of Columbus squad—this being the team that squeezed out a 35 to 34 win over our boys a few weeks ago.

This men's game gets under way at 9:00 o'clock in the Club gym. The K. of C. team has a fast breaking, aggressive ball team that will again give our boys plenty of trouble. These two squads really put on a ball game the last time they met—the score being tied a dozen times before the K. of C. team managed to gain a one-point decision over our boys.

The K. of C. Club has a nine-game winning streak on their record at present; and they are really out to win next week, thus proving they are the better ball team. Their probable starting line-up will be Krauss and Schiffle at the guard posts, Brug at center, and Schneider and the former G-E player, Ralph Miller, Jr., at the forward berths.

Our G-E boys have a season record to date of 16 wins and only two losses, and they are aiming at keeping all the rest of their games on the "win" side of their ledger. Their probable starting five will be Van Ryan and Lowden at forward, Ted Reed jumping center, and Kreig and Allen at the guard posts. Stoner, Madden, Baade, Hassinger and Shinbeckler are also slated to see action in this tilt. The G-E men's manager has announced that they may also have "Stretch" Friends, big 6 foot 4 inch center, with them again. He played with G-E in the recent game against Benton Harbor, and did such a fine job that he may become a regular member of the squad. He had complete control of the backboards that night, and our boys could use his height to good advantage.

The early game between our girls and the City Light team will also be a real ding-dong battle from start to finish. The City Light team is the only local squad that has been able to beat the G-E girls, having handed them a 38-29 setback early in the season. Our girls have improved a great deal since that game and they are determined to avenge this loss.

The City Light girls had a perfect City League record until last Tuesday when Wayne Candies scored an unexpected upset win over them. This was City Light's second loss of the current season, their other defeat being handed them by Curtiss-Wright of Indianapolis.

They will probably stick to their usual starting line-up of Shearer and Meiers at forward, Davies at center, and Arnold and McCarron at the guard positions.

The G-E girls now have a season record of 13 wins and 2 losses; and like our boys, they intend to try very hard to keep all the rest of their games in the win column. They also want to avenge the loss handed them by City Light last December.

The G-E girls starting line-up will probably be Fitch and Williams at forwards, Whiteleather at center, and Puff and Steller at guards. Varner, Boedeker and Amstutz will undoubtedly also see action for G-E.

These games, as always, are open to all G-E employees and their friends free of charge; so why not come over and help fill the clubhouse to the top? Our G-E teams are excellent this year; they deserve your whole-hearted support! We'll be expecting YOU at the Club gym next Tuesday about 7:45 o'clock.

Motor-Generator Defeats Barney's Auto Electric

Friday evening, February 2, Motor-Generator defeated Barney's team in a high scoring affair, by the count of 58 to 45.

Carpino was high scorer for the losers with 22 points, while the winners' scoring was well divided with Arnold garnering 16 points.

Line-ups and summaries:

Motor-Generator	G.	F.	T.	Barney's	G.	F.	T.
France	6	3	15	Gitter	2	0	4
Coles	7	0	14	Carpino	11	0	22
Olson	0	0	0	Mettler	2	0	4
Arnold	8	0	16	Drayer	1	1	3
Steliar	6	1	13	Trott	5	2	12
Totals	27	4	58	Totals	21	3	45

Forward



Ralph Miller, Jr.

Ralph Miller, Jr., who stands six feet tall, is forward on the G-E Club basketball team and one of the club's leading scorers. This is his first year with G-E Club, but he has had experience on the Central Catholic and Knights of Columbus teams.

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Editor Dies



Elmer F. Baade

Elmer F. Baade, editor of the Fort Wayne WORKS NEWS for the past ten years, died early Tuesday morning at the St. Joseph Hospital. Mr. Baade, one of the best loved figures in General Electric, had been in poor health for several years.

Under the guidance of Mr. Baade, the Fort Wayne WORKS NEWS became one of the outstanding publications in the field of house organs and in the General Electric Company.

Funeral services were held yesterday, with burial in Lindenwood Cemetery.

C. E. Wilson Announces Group Insurance Figures

Totals Of Death And Disability Payments For Quarter-Century Listed

During the past 25 years General Electric has paid out $24,282,095—an average of nearly a million dollars a year—in death and disability payments under its group insurance plans, Charles E. Wilson, President of the Company, announced last week. As of January 1 this year, 10,694 beneficiaries had received payments during the quarter-century period.

The number of G-E employees participating in the insurance plans has more than tripled since inauguration of the plans on January 1, 1920. During the first year there were 42,304 employees insured. In December, 1944, the number was 132,806, or approximately 70 per cent of all employees.

Death claims were paid during January to beneficiaries of 77 G-E people and pensioners throughout the General Electric organization under provisions of the G-E Insurance Plans, according to the Company's monthly report, made public this week. The total paid amounted

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Elex To Hold Birthday Party For Soldiers

The Elex Club will give a February birthday party at the USO on Monday evening, February 19, for all soldiers present whose birthdays occur in February. The party will begin at 7:30 P.M. Elex members are invited. All who can do so are asked by the committee in charge to bring cakes which will be awarded as gifts to those soldiers having birthdays.

Election Results Of Foremen's Club Are Announced

Charles Kensill of Winter Street Plant To Head Organization For Coming Year

Charles Kensill of the Winter Street Plant was elected president of the G-E Foremen's Association at the annual election held recently. He succeeds Robert Hunt, Bldg. 26-2. Results were announced at a dinner meeting of the first and third trick foremen Wednesday night at the Chamber of Commerce. The second trick foremen held a luncheon meeting earlier in the day.

Other officers elected are: Ross Strodel, Bldg. 19-4, vice-president; Harry Beitel, Bldg. 2-3, secretary; Paul Koogle, Bldg. 2-3, treasurer; and William Walt, Bldg. 4-B, Otto Rodenbeck, Winter Street, and Bernard Gausepohl, Taylor Street, directors.

Plans for meetings for the coming year will be announced by the new officers in the near future.

Attention Called To Paper Waste In Internal Mail

"Thirty-six tons of paper can be given to the war effort by G-E employees this year," said D. R. White, Office Service Divisions, Schenectady, "if they will abandon the use of envelopes on internal mail." Mr. White continued his thought by pointing out that all internal mail, unless bulky, semi-private, strictly private, or classified for military use, should be sent flat, stripped for action.

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Scholarship Offered

One of the Richard H. Rice Memorial Scholarships at Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, N. J., will be available to a General Electric employee or son of an employee for a four-year course beginning March 1, this year, according to an announcement of the Education Committee of the company yesterday. The scholarship, designed to cover the tuition for the entire course, amounts to $1,600 and will be awarded on a competitive basis. Since their establishment in 1924 the Rice scholarships have been considered an excellent opportunity to obtain a technical education. Further information can be obtained by writing Mr. W. W. Trench, Building 2, General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Re-Employment Of Veterans Discussed

Red Cross War Fund Campaign To Open March 5

Goal Of $50,000 Set For Fort Wayne Works

The local campaign of the Red Cross War Fund Campaign will be held at the Fort Wayne Works, including the Broadway, Taylor Street, Winter Street, Decatur, and Kokomo Plants, during the week beginning March 5. J. W. Crise, executive assistant who will have charge of the campaign, announces that a goal of $50,000.00 has been set as a reasonable amount to be raised by employees at the plants. Divisional quotas will be established and banners will be awarded the divisions or sections meeting 100% of their quotas. The same organization used in former campaigns will solicit contributions, which may be paid by a single deduction from pay or by cash.

Practically every employee understands the important work being performed by the Red Cross, particularly those who have family members or relatives in the service. For that reason the appeal of the American Red Cross for funds has always met with a hearty response on the part of General Electric employees. This year, when such a great number of American young men are in arms carrying the fight for freedom all over the world, the

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President Charles E. Wilson Announces Re-Employment Figures Of Discharged Servicemen

Indicating the extent to which the re-employment of veterans has already been considered and acted upon by the Company, President Charles E. Wilson recently announced that 4,735 veterans of World War 2 are now employed, as against some 50,000 in all who have entered the armed services. Of the veterans group 2986 are men and women who were formerly employed by the Company, while 1,749 had not previously worked for the organization.

"The problem of post-war employment for returned soldiers is being carefully studied and every effort will be made to provide a satisfactory job for every G-E veteran on his return," Mr. Wilson said. "Many thousands of our employes now in the armed services, and some 50,000 have answered the call, had been with us only a short time and therefore were still classified as temporary employes but an effort will be made to give them employment also when they come home.

"Our most experienced employment personnel are assigned to this task and will continue to advise the veterans and place them on jobs where they can use their former or newly-acquired skills to the best advantage," Mr. Wilson continued. "We expect to establish a clearing house for the placement of veterans

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Kokomo Guard Given Medal By President

Bert Sanders, guard at the Kokomo plant of the Fort Wayne Works, has been awarded a medal of honor by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, for the rescue of two small children from the path of a railroad train. The Interstate Commerce Commission announced that the medal was awarded to Mr. Sanders for saving the lives of Shirley Carpenter and her brother Jackie on March 6, 1943.

The announcement of the award stated that Mr. Sanders was going on duty when he heard the approaching train and saw the children in its path. "He started running toward the children and when he reached the crossing he lifted the girl from the track but discovered that the boy's foot was caught between the running rail and the guard rail.

"He succeeded in freeing the boy's foot from its wedged position, grabbed the children in his arms and leaped for safety, clearing the locomotive as it passed by two feet. The speed of the train at that time was between twenty and thirty miles per hour."

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Bert Sanders

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ELMER BAADE

By Walter Sunier

You had to really know Elmer Baade to know him. A casual acquaintance with him was not enough because the Elmer Baade you met yesterday wouldn't be the same Elmer Baade you met today nor the same one you would meet tomorrow. This all tied in with his well developed sense of humor and his terrific love of the ludicrous. He liked to be the kindly, philosophical editor one day and the blustering, terrifying kind the next day. He could put on a show of the rough editor because he had had contact with the days when editors tore the phone off the wall if things went wrong.

To the Works News, Elmer was faithful to a fault. Even when he could not see well enough to read, he kept trying. He was up early and up late in behalf of the Works News. He worried if he thought there might be one wrong word printed.

Occasionally a unique personality comes forth to thread through the crowd and to stand out as one different from the rest. Such was Elmer Baade, who did what he wanted to, said what he wanted to, and would give you the shirt off his back.

He was so full of life—
It surged from deep within.
He seemed to ease the strife
Of those who worked with him.
Yes, his cheery smile has given
Life an added zest—
So may the Angels now in Heaven
Give him forever rest.

—Marie M. Lantz, Feb. 13, 1945

Critical Programs Of Navy

On the Navy's critical list of 1945 production are: Carriers and cruisers, some of which have been delayed as much as seven to nine months by labor shortage; rockets, with demand soaring and many more workers needed; high capacity ammunition and 40 mm. guns for which requirements are likewise steadily increasing; maintenance and repair parts for ships, airplanes, and advance bases, all vitally important to keep our battle fleets in fighting trim; aircraft, especially certain new types and patrol bombers; dry cells, radar, wire and wire rope. Approximately 25,000,000 feet of wire rope needed in the first three months of 1945 will not be available until June or later, unless more workers are obtained for the producing plants.

In many shipyards the manpower shortage is severely critical. At a time when it is absolutely essential that every available naval vessel be in battle readiness the return of battle-damaged ships to the fleet is being delayed because there is a scarcity of workers. In addition, many ships long overdue for overhaul are still operating in the Pacific because adequate repair and maintenance facilities are not available. The Navy estimates that by December, 1945, about 132,000 more workers will be needed for repair work alone, primarily in West Coast shipyards.

—Army-Navy Release.

IT'S OUTPRODUCING THE WORLD!



The surefooted approach of victory over Germany puts a greater emphasis than ever on the proud fact that "America has outproduced the world!" Though this achievement is not in itself winning the war, it is true that without it there would be no defeat of the enemy.

Our industries, transformed almost overnight into a vast arsenal, have given our Armed Forces what they need and have sent the great surplus to England, to Russia and to our other allies. Our enemies told their people that without casting personal liberty overside there could be no production victory. We in America knew better, and now we have proved it.

Let it be remembered that this is an achievement, not only of Free America, but of Free Enterprise, the way of living that gives a man a stake in his country, that rewards him better for his effort than any other system yet known. Out of Free Enterprise are victories made.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

OVEN MEALS HAVE MANY VIRTUES

By the
HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS
of the
General Electric Consumers Institute

For economy of operation, economy of time in preparation and clean-up, and economy of convenience there is nothing like oven meals, recommends Louise Leslie who is conducting a study on oven meal planning at the Consumer Institute Testing Kitchens.

"In planning a meal which involves the use of the oven for one of the dishes," says Miss Leslie, "it is better to plan to do as many things as possible in the oven at the same time."

This does not necessarily mean that the foods for a meal all have to be placed in the oven at the same time—or that the oven is to be operated with the automatic timer—or that foods must bear a similarity (such as casserole dishes) just because they are all baked at once in the oven—or—that all the foods cooked in the oven at once must be used at one meal, for desserts and breads may be baked for future meals when the oven is in use.

Planning Important

Plan oven meals which require about the same baking temperatures. Most oven meals are cooked at 300° F. to 350° F., the temperature usually being determined by the temperature required to cook the meat.

Vegetable Dishes

In selecting vegetables to be cooked in the oven, the green short-cooking vegetables should be avoided. For instance, if green peas or fresh string beans are cooked in the oven they will lose their color and also much of their vitamin C content because it takes longer for foods to reach the boiling point in the oven than on a surface unit.

The tuberous and root vegetables such as beets, carrots, parsnips and potatoes lend themselves well to oven cooking because their colors are more stable.

If a green vegetable is needed (and it usually is) to balance the meal, it can be cooked on the surface or served as a salad.

Oven Meal

Baked Stuffed Pork Chops, Buttered Parsnips, Scalloped Sweet Potatoes and Prunes, Head Lettuce Salad, Gingerbread with Lemon Sauce.

This oven meal was found to be very satisfactory when prepared at the Consumers Institute Testing Kitchens. It was cooked at 350° F. for about 1½ hours; the gingerbread was baked during the last 45 minutes of the cooking period.

Baked Stuffed Pork Chops

Have pork chops cut about 1 inch thick with a pocket for stuffing. For 6 chops: Mix together lightly 3 slices bread broken in small pieces, 2 small onions, diced, ¼ cup melted margarine or bacon drippings, 1 egg beaten, water or milk to moisten, salt, pepper, sage or poultry seasoning to taste.

Fill pockets in the chops with the stuffing, fasten together with tooth picks. Brown chops on both sides in a skillet on top of range. Arrange chops in a shallow roasting pan, rinse out skillet with 1 cup of water and pour over chops.

Scalloped Sweet Potatoes & Prunes

Arrange in alternate layers in casserole, 3 large sweet potatoes cooked and sliced ¼ in. thick, 1 cup cooked pitted prunes, ¼ cup margarine, ¾ cup brown sugar, salt. Pour over casserole 2 cups liquid from cooked prunes.

Buttered Parsnips

Peel and cut in lengthwise strips 2 lbs. parsnips. Place in casserole with tight-fitting cover. Add 1½ cups water, 1 tsp. salt, 2 tblsp. butter or margarine. Cover and place in oven together with sweet potato casserole and pork chops.

Gingerbread

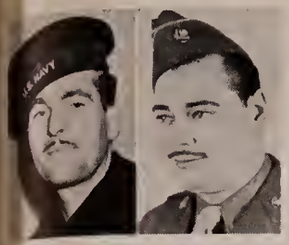
Use your favorite recipe, or a ready-mix preparation.

Do your job the safe way and it will soon become a habit.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Swell



H. L. Dimke C. J. Penkul

"It seemed swell to visit the G-E once more, especially to see my old friends in Bldg. 19-4," says Harold L. Dimke, S 1/c. He is stationed at Pensacola, Florida. T/5 Chester J. Penkul, Bldg. 19-4, has been awarded with all members of the 15th Air Force Service Command in Italy, commanded by Col. Carl E. Rankin, the Meritorious Service Plaque for outstanding service in support of combat operations. Servicing airplane radio equipment and ground communications on a heavy bomber base of the Fifteenth Air Force, the men of the company worked untiringly to maintain a very high standard of operational efficiency. T/5 Penkul entered the Army in September, 1941, and has 28 months' service overseas, including North Africa, Sicily, and Italy. A sister, Jeanette, is also employed here.

Moved To New Guinea

Dear Editor:

. . . I've moved to New Guinea now, the land of heat and rain. I wish I were back to the good old ice and snow. . . . I also wish to send greetings to Bldg. 26-5. I also would like to hear from some of them. I really remember swell times back there. I want to send greetings to John Roemer and John Neukam in Bldg. 26-5. The heat here is quite the thing, 118 and 124 on the days we checked. Our Christmas was pretty good. We got plenty of gifts and are still receiving them. We also had a swell dinner which is rare to us. . . .

S/Sgt. Joseph C. Magdich.

Dear Editor:

. . . I would like to see more in the paper about Bldg. 4-5. I am stationed here (England) for the time being. I am not allowed to tell the place, but I can say it is rather nice here and all the people are very friendly towards soldiers. . . .

Please say hello to all the employees of Bldg. 4-5 for me, and I am hoping to be back to say it myself soon.

Your friend,
Cpl. Max W. Lydy.

Home



J. M. Snyder H. R. Hines

"Fort Wayne, home of G-E and pretty girls," says John M. Snyder, AMM 3/c, who is stationed at Ottumwa, Iowa. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 12-2 and Bldg. 26-2. Harold R. Hines, S 2/c, was formerly employed in Bldg. 18-B. "You keep them coming, and we will keep the enemies running."

Good Work



L. Woods R. L. Pickett

Louis Woods, S 1/c, and T/5 Robert L. Pickett have written the following letters:

Dear Editor:

This is my first letter since entering the service, and realize I have been neglectful. I have been in England six months and found out living wasn't the same as in the States. They could use some of our G-E products very well here.

Tell all my friends in Bldg. 2 and others to keep up the good work. We are grateful for all their sacrifices.

I am sending one of my photos we had snapped Christmas day as a present from the battalion with about fifteen pounds added, since leaving G-E and the States.

Louis Woods, S 1/c

Dear Taylor Street Gang:

I haven't any paper, so I'll have to write this on V-mail and send it in a regular letter. Paper is one of the things that we have a hard time getting. Envelopes are another and when we do get them, everything is so wet here they all stick together.

We have all had our own ideas of France, but mine changed not long after I got off the landing craft here in France. I thought I would see something like some of our small farms, but not at all. There isn't any machinery—they have all two-wheel carts drawn by a horse or a mule. I saw a threshing machine the other day; an old man and woman were carrying it down the road—all wood construction that ran by turning a crank. The farmers have a cow or two and raise apples. How they make a living is a wonder. They have wooden shoes or leather tops and wooden soles. Their clothes are anything that will hang on them.

I get to town often; we go in to take a bath and get P.X. rations. The bath is something. Public bath houses, none of the homes have any plumbing at all, so everyone goes to these houses. I usually have a shower—boy, that makes you feel swell, to feel dirty and all a mess and have a good shower. When you come out you feel swell. I always did like a shower bath.

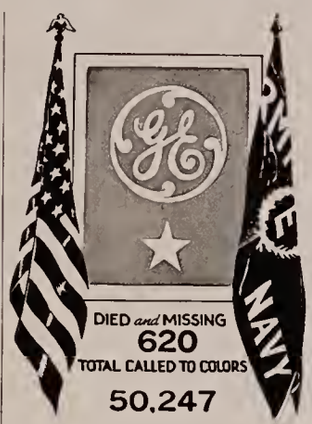
Sorry I have to stop and shave (first time since last Saturday). I never did like to shave, so you see I haven't changed much.

Here is some French money, 5 francs is 10c, 10 francs is 20c. The 5 franc is American invasion money, the 10 franc is old French money. Look at the old French note through the light and see the water color picture.

Joe, did all the gang get transferred out or are their arms broken? I sure wish I could hear from them.

T/5 Robert Pickett

Pvt. Wayne A. Coak and T/5 Standley Thompson are stationed together somewhere in New Guinea.



Dear Employees of Bldg. 17-4:

Much water has flowed under the wings and over the dam since I was pleasantly surprised with the scroll greeting. Was in North Africa when I got it—just one day before Christmas. Soon after the New Year I came up to Merry Auld England.

Upon completion of flight training I joined this patrol bombing squadron in Africa. Got in quite a few missions from there and now I'm getting "squared away" here in U.K. Am gaining a little knowledge and much valuable experience in this theater of war. Flying in this weather is pretty rugged. Am often thankful for the dependable electrical equipment which G-E has supplied for the heavy bomber I fly. Every time I hear a dynamotor tune up I think of the Bldg. 19-4 and Bldg. 17-4 gang that helped develop and build them. Yes, quality is the greatest virtue an aircraft part can have.

Just re-read the scroll and surely get a bang out of hearing from each of you. Thanks so much for the time and thoughtfulness. It does my heart good to know that even though a few years have passed I haven't been forgotten. I'm sure I'll never forget that which I gained in experience and knowledge from the skilled workmen and foremen in Bldg. 17-4, nor those who taught me.

Ensign Robert P. Federspiel

Dear Editor:

. . . I was in Utah scheduled to go overseas when an order came through recalling me to Greenwood, Mississippi, where I had been an instructor of meteorology in the cadet ground school. Now it seems I was needed as an instructor of meteorology and aircraft instruments in the B-24 co-pilot technical school in Harlingen, Texas, so here I am. The field here is primarily interested in training men as flexible gunners and officers as co-pilots.

Have met quite a few former G-E men since entering the service. . . . Kindly give my regards to Mr. Wolf, W. E. Beer, and any of the old gang who may still be there.

Very sincerely,
Cpl. Carl L. Broo.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address Elmer F. Baade, WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Back In U. S. A.

Dear Editor:

Here I am in the good old U.S.A. again and sure am enjoying it. I was in Fort Wayne for a month on furlough recently visiting my wife and relatives there.

At ten-thirty last night I arrived at the Pennsylvania Station in Washington, D. C. which is not far from our post. It is very military and the regulations are very strict here. It is good to be here, even around Belvoir, after being out of the country for two and a half years.

Really, Fort Wayne sure looked swell to me and I sure did hate to leave the city. My wife only worked a few days while I was home. When she worked it did seem a lot like the days before I got into the service when I put my trick in at the Decatur Plant and then sometimes picked up my wife at the gate. However, that was way back before Pearl Harbor. . . .

Monroe B. Fuhrman.

Dear Editor:

. . . Incidently, since I have left the Hawaiian Islands, I have seen a great deal of G-E equipment being used, and I have seen some of the beatings our equipment has taken, but they still manage to work. That shows good workmanship.

In the Marianas is where some of the equipment went through rugged treatment, and now the Philippines battle has proved the worth of our equipment, beyond expectations. So keep up the good work, and we out here will do our best to crush Japan so that they will not fight again. . . .

A former employee,
Cpl. Austin W. Harrison.

Helen Heck, SK 3/c is stationed at Cleveland, Ohio.

Robert L. Emerick, S 2/c, sends greetings to the fellows down in Bldg. 27-1. "I appreciate the fine radios being put out by G-E which we have aboard our ship. A great deal of our equipment aboard is manufactured by the skilled workmen of the G-E."

Cpl. Robert Hill is stationed in the Dutch East Indies.

PFC Wallace Hersh, Taylor Street, who was wounded while fighting in France, December 14, is reported to be recovering.

PFC Harold A. Ponsot, Bldg. 26-1, has been advanced to that rank.

Somewhere In Germany

Dear Editor:

. . . I was wounded once in Holland and spent several weeks in a hospital in France, but now I'm back on active duty. I'm now somewhere in Germany. There are some supplies that we are short. If the people would think of the war a little more seriously, this will end sooner. This is no time to be too tired to work and also no time to go on strikes. Any of our boys over here will trade jobs any time with anybody. Let me know when you get a list and I'll see what I can do.

I don't mean that we won't keep our end up, but we need your support on the home front.

Well, I'll close for now and also want to say hello to the gang I worked with and everybody that knew me.

PFC Louis J. Bardey

Herb Banning, Baker 1/c, is stationed in the Admiralty Islands. "It looks like the General Electric Company is well represented with both G-E equipment and former employees in this area."

Swell



B. F. House C. E. Mosshammer

"Don't have much to say except that it is swell to be home to see the old gang and will be glad when it is all over with. Have seen a lot of G-E equipment at the school where I have been stationed for the past three months," says Pvt. C. E. Mosshammer, who has a service record of 17 years with the Company. He was employed in Bldg. 17-2. Bette F. House, Bldg. 17-3, is stationed at San Diego, California. She is a member of the WAVES.

Suggestion Award Total Is $300 For One-Week Period

Willo C. Sheehan, Taylor Street Plant, Heads List

A total of $300.00 in suggestion awards was distributed to 45 suggestors during a one-week period, according to the latest weekly report issued by S. E. Palmer, Bldg. 10-2, chairman of the suggestion committee. Willo C. Sheehan of the Taylor Street Plant was issued the largest award in the list; he received $35.00 for his suggestion for changes to tools for cooling caps so that the caps in place can be inverted without removing.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 4-2

Helen R. Hine and Mildred May Stonebraker, Margery J. Youse, Virgil J. Bowers, Howard Barrick, Harold R. Mason, Samuel C. Stillpass.

Bldg. 4-4

Raymond J. Tudor.

Bldg. 6-B

Elmer L. Hart.

Bldg. 4-1

Jesse Oras Moore.

Bldg. 4-5

Hary C. Grimm, George K. Morton, Cassandra M. Kehmeyer, Harold F. McKee, John B. Philley, Wilbur E. Tibbitts.

Taylor Street

Franklin I. Bryan, Dorothy L. Young, R. O. Kerr, Robert S. Crull, Dave Gold.

Bldg. 2-2

Dolores M. King, Norma G. Griebel, Caroline E. Hans, Brice Martin.

Bldg. 6-2

Orpha Krider, Charles Strebig, Lula Marie Schwartz, Willie Mae Tate, Ruth E. Pretorius, Fay E. Stockberger, JuaNita V. Likens, Luella A. Guy, Harold Anspach, Forrest R. Allman.

Bldg. 17-3

Jeanette Blough.

Bldg. 17-3

Madaline L. Briggs.

Bldg. 6-4

John H. Grafe.

Group Insurance

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to $198,402.50. Of this, $52,802.50 represented Company Insurance, and $145,600 represented Additional Insurance.

Seven claims were paid to beneficiaries of employees who were in their second year of service, and four to beneficiaries of employees who were in their third year with the Company.

Payments were made to survivors of Schenectady Works employees and pensioners for a total of $22,650; to beneficiaries of Bloomfield policyholders for a total of $5,000; Erie, $14,845; Fort Wayne, $19,940; Pittsfield, $16,700; West Lynn, $2,750; River, $12,470; Appliance & Merchandise Department, $5,635.

Red Cross

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drive presents an appeal difficult to resist when it is remembered that each gift may be the means of saving the lives of some of these young men and enabling them to return to home and family.

Suggestion Award Winners



Pictured above are winners of suggestion awards in recent weeks. Left to right, top row, are Edwin A. Fiedler, Bldg. 26-4, who received $25.00; Edith Kyler, Bldg. 18-3, $30.00; and Donald M. Scherer, Bldg. 18-5, $25.00. Bottom row, left to right, Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Bldg. 4-5, $50.00; R. E. Morgan, Taylor Street, $25.00; and Irene Habecker, Bldg. 4-5, $30.00.

President C. E. Wilson Names Staff Members

To coordinate General Electric's widely diversified interests and afford better service to the company's wartime customers, both military and those industries manufacturing war materials, 10 commercial vice presidents, representative of every sales district of the company in the United States, will relinquish their responsibiltes for apparatus sales and become members of the president's staff, it was announced this week by President Charles E. Wilson. In their new positions these men will report to Vice President E. O. Shreve, in charge of customer relations, with headquarters in New York.

Those affected by the change are: R. M. Alvord, of San Francisco; T. F. Barton, of New York; W. O. Batchelder, of Chicago; L. T. Blaisdell, of Cleveland; W. B. Clayton, of Dallas; E. H. Ginn, of Atlanta; A. L. Jones, of Denver; T. S. Knight, of Boston; A. S. Moody, of Portland, Ore., and C. K. West, of Philadelphia.

"In addition to better coordinating the company's many interests, these men will also assist the various departments and the affiliated companies in all customer relations in their respective territories," Mr. Shreve stated. "I feel sure this new set-up will greatly strengthen our ability to help our many wartime customers."

Simultaneously Chester H. Lang, vice president and apparatus sales manager, announced new district managers of apparatus sales to take over the duties formerly handled by these commercial vice presidents. They are: C. E. H. Palmer, of New Haven, the New England district with headquarters in Boston; W. J. Dorworth, of Philadelphia, the Atlantic district; C. L. Redd, of Birmingham, the Southeastern district with headquarters in Atlanta; C. W. Fick, of Cleveland, the East Central district; R. I. Parker, of Chicago, the Central district; H. A. White, of Dallas, the Southwestern district; F. H. Doremus, of Denver, the Rocky Mountain district; A. G. Jones, of San Francisco, the Pacific district, and J. R. Murphy, of Spokane, the Northwestern district, with headquarters in Portland. T. F. Barton, of New York, will continue for the present to act as the New York district manager in addition to his new duties on the president's staff. These appointments as well as those of the commercial vice presidents, became effective February 8.

Kokomo Guard

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The medal was authorized by an act of Congress in 1905 and is awarded for outstanding feats of bravery connected with the saving of lives on railroads. Mr. Sanders is the fifty-third recipient of the medal since 1905. He previously has received the Carnegie medal for bravery for the rescue of the Carpenter children.

Waste Paper

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"Ten million envelopes were used unnecessarily in internal mailings last year," said Mr. White. "Of course, it's just a small office economy," he said, "but if we put our minds to it it will mean a great deal to the war effort. Ten million envelopes not manufactured, not transported to G-E, not typed, not folded and unfolded, not licked, not added to the weight of mail bags, will save paper and labor—a staggering amount of both for so small a project."

CASUALTIES

Cpl. Philip Ohmart, Bldg. 4-2, was wounded somewhere in Belgium January 12.

Pvt. Ervin C. Price, Bldg. 4-3, was killed in action in Luxembourg December 16. He had been reported missing since that date.

PFC Fred Kunkel, Bldg. 19-5, has been listed as missing in France since January 18.

PFC Louis H. Webster, Bldg. 19-4, is missing in action since January 19 while serving with an infantry unit in Alsace.

PFC Willliam C. Pappert, Bldg. 6-2, was wounded in action January 16, in Belgium.

Pvt. Gail G. Gordon, Bldg. 4-2, has been missing in action in France since January 21.

Pvt. George W. Crickmore, Bldg. 19-5, was wounded in action January 7 in Southern France.

S/Sgt. Richard Meese, Bldg. 9, was wounded in action in Germany on January 28.

Re-Employment Of Veterans

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in new jobs, perhaps in new locations, if both worker and Company will benefit by such changes. The veteran's opportunities will not be limited only to his former department but, where a veteran takes up his old or similar job, any blanket wage increases that have been granted since he entered service will be added to his former rate.

"Refresher courses have been started to help employes who have been away for a period of time to get re-acquainted with the work they formerly did. Those who have taken the course are enthusias about it. If we find need for it, plan to establish special cours to instruct veterans further in n occupations they may have start while in service.

"Jobs for disabled veterans particularly important and we currently classifying thousands operations with this in mind. A result of our studies, we believe will be able to establish operatio suitable to almost any type of d ability.

"Those employes who have a swered the country's call in t emergency are entitled to our most consideration, and we shall our best to see that they receive Mr. Wilson concluded.

Proper Packaging Of Equipment Vital To War Effor

Fort Wayne Works Cited For Novel Methods Of Wrapping

(Pictures on Page 8)

A grim but winning battle is b ing fought by General Electric e gineers, in collaboration with t Armed Forces, to defeat the d struction or damage of electric equipment before it even faces t enemy. From the time when it hea out to sea, snug in a cargo ship, its arrival at the front, the elemen rust, fungus, and even the hand man conspire to assail and ruin The problem is not confined to G- It is shared by most of war i dustry.

Given time to handle it carefull the men of the supply services tre equipment well, but sometimes must be tossed helter-skelter in the hold of a landing ship going a beachhead; sometimes so hea breaking is the rush that packag must be left in shallow water to retrieved later. And the worl carefullest handling in transit, ca not remove rust already caused fingerprints or prevent the growt of fungus on the insulation of motor.

Tough wooden boxes preve much of the physical strain, but t search for weapons to fight su enemies as heat and humidity, th bore from within, has led to the e gineer's slide rule and the resear laboratory. Improved packagi has already resulted in much savi of "life" of equipment in tran and storage, and the G-E men a still hard at it devising and testi better methods.

Some kinds of paper and so types of oils actually corrode me instead of protecting it, and so e gineers have devised non-corrosi paper and lubricants with rust i hibitors. Other new-found frien working on the side of the fightin many by guarding his equipme are laminated metal foil, water-r sisting fiberboard and waterpro glue. Fungus-preventing varnish and lacquers are being develop for new types of preservation a packaging.

Novel methods of wrapping clude a plan used at the Fort Wa Works to combat moisture corros whereby dynamotors are placed bags of laminated metal foil fr which the air is exhausted with hose after a bag of silica gel h been inserted to absorb any mo ture within. Heat-sealed, the pac ages are then enclosed in rugg wooden boxes.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

G-E Develops New "Welding Shop On Wheels" For Front

(Picture on Page 12)

A highly mobile "welding shop on wheels" that can traverse ground which proved impassable to most previous maintenance vehicles has been developed by General Electric, in co-operation with Army engineers, to enable emergency repairs of damaged war equipment to be made right on the field of battle, the Company has just disclosed.

Consisting of a standard Army jeep bearing a specially perfected G-E arc welder, this mobile repair shop, according to Army reports, has proved invaluable in helping to keep frontline equipment in fighting condition.

Great Weight Saving

In weight the G-E welder jeep is equivalent to a ¼-ton truck, whereas the equipment it replaced consisted of a 5-ton truck towing a 1½-ton welding trailer. This weight reduction, plus the jeep's great maneuverability, enables the vehicle to readily negotiate rugged or muddy ground where larger and heavier trucks broke down. When desired for use in air-borne operations, it can also be loaded aboard a transport plane.

Power to operate the welding unit is obtained by means of a V-belt which is connected to the engine of the jeep. As soon as the vehicle is brought to a stop, the unit can be put in use. Proper engine speed is maintained by a governor, quickly disengaged to permit normal operation of the jeep. The welding unit is installed in place of the right front seat of the jeep, allowing the vehicle to carry a crew of three men comfortably.

Before accepting the welder-jeep for service, the Army subjected it to rigid tests on a 500-mile obstacle course—the same course on which combat tanks are tested—and it came through with flying colors. Because of its success here, a similar installation was recently made in a Navy LVT combat vehicle, more commonly known as a "water buffalo." Adaptability of this equipment to difficulties of landing operations makes it of great value in salvaging damaged material and getting it back into the fight with greatest speed.

Red Cross Entertainment To Frontline Troops



For soldiers in the field the American Red Cross provides movies via its clubmobiles. These vehicles also carry a small piano. Above are members of a division who had been fighting continuously for many days when this picture was taken. They are attending an impromptu entertainment by two Red Cross workers. This photo was taken at an overnight billet near the front.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Wonders never cease. Even Bob Hawk runs out of cigarettes occasionally. . . . Fern Bermes got hold of the wrong shirt the other day. The neck was 'steen sizes too large. . . . No, that's not Jess Mills waving at you. He is just telling somebody how young he feels and is. . . . Loretta Hilbish has been transferred to Bldg. 12-2. Good luck, Loretta, and thanks for the lovely chocolate cakes. . . . Bob Daring finally got his howl in last Saturday night. He skunked his euchre opponents. Of course, his partner helped a little, but Bob did the howling. . . . Lennie Hutson came to work the other day with an odor that we terribly hard to designate. We finally figured out that he must have seen a black and white kitty the night before. . . . Marvel Daub gets the nomination for the heartiest laugh of the season with Rex Whitcomb a close runner-up. . . . Virgil Best has a unique idea for having a fish fry! Eh, Virgil? . . . So you want to be a safety man, do you, Jimmie? . . . Look out, Bermes! Gum isn't always gum.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Several days ago a letter was received from Ovid Holmes, now stationed with the Marine Corps, Parris Island, S. C., telling his friends in Bldg. 4-1 how very severe he was finding boot training. But he ended with a cheerful note saying that he has been promised that when he finishes training he will be able to whip five men. Boot training will soon be over for Ovid and we are expecting him in for a visit. So fellows, you had better get in shape to meet him. Ovid will be remembered as commercial salvage inspector. . . . Congratulations to Lloyd Covault, Clarence Rieter, and Don Brubaker, who celebrated their birthdays last week. . . . We are happy to have Lucille Slater back in final inspection again. That Florida sun-tan is the envy of all the girls. . . . Frieda Liby says that now she knows she has a double, and she lives right here in Fort Wayne. The other morning while waiting on the bus a man thought he knew her and jokingly asked her if she wanted to buy a hundred fish worms and crickets with which to go fishing. . . . Alice Dahman is back to work after having been absent a few days on account of a badly sprained knee which occurred while playing basketball. . . . Bob Boone was seen admiring a fellow worker's boots and wondering where he got them. No use, Bob, with those feet of yours you had better stick to wearing toteboxes. . . . The gang in 15Ax16 received a letter from Cpl. Sherrill Ritchey, former bullard operator in said group, now of the U. S. Marines and somewhere overseas. He said he runs across lots of G-E equipment and there is none better.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

For enjoyment some men play golf, some fish, and others are spectacular bowlers, but to Dick Fisher goes the unique distinction of becoming an expert at crocheting, and he has proved it to us by bringing in some samples. Since he has become so proficient at this art, he now wants yours truly to teach him how to tat. . . . Johnny Johnson is not the only one who hurries home to hear the Lone Ranger; now Walt Hazelett has to hurry home because the kid listens to that program too, and Walt sometimes has to interpret some of the more baffling episodes for him. . . . Katherine DeHaven of the Marines paid us a visit while here on furlough. . . . Joe Vesey has left us to take up his new duties in Bldg. 4-5. We'll miss him and especially so at those noon-time euchre sessions. . . . When Marie Thornhill fell from her chair in Bldg. 4-6, the crash was heard via telephone in Bldg. 4-2 almost as quickly as it was right there. . . . Congratulations to Anna Baals who was fortunate last week.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Remember Rachel Mingus who left our office a few months ago to join the WAVES? She was in town this week on leave and dined one noon with Wanetta Roush, Betty Byrd, Harriet Weber, Phyllis Trump, and Bette Crawford. They report Rae makes an outstanding WAVE. . . . Three cheers for Mrs. Noble, who is making our file cabinets handier by a little rearranging. . . . Wednesday night Lorraine Wocjak, Eleanor Phillips, Charlean Auker, and Naomi Knapp had a lot of fun bowling, but did it ever work up an appetite. You should have seen those waffles and sausages disappear over at Naomi's afterwards. . . . Our prize faller-downer for this week—Rita Adamski. Maybe she needs a new retread job on her shoes. . . . How does Mr. Saurbaugh possibly keep his chair under control when it has the awfullest habit of tossing others on the floor? Eh, Helen? . . . Welcome to our midst—Mary Richie, Evelyn Newhand, and Willene Lutz. . . . Why have the girls up here been wearing polka-dotted hose? Is it the latest fad or just the muddy puddles? . . . Was that a Sorority Dance Saturday night or a Bldg. 6-2 Dance? Every time we turned around we saw some one from up here, and all seemed to be having a grand time. . . . Till next week—So Long!!

We'uns

A textile manufacturer has installed an electronic relay in a thread-break detector. It stops the motor of the thread beamer machine when any one of 500 threads break.

Professor: "Didn't you have a brother in this class last year?"

Student: "No sir, it was I. I'm taking it over."

Professor: "Extraordinary resemblance."

Dr. Alexanderson Is Awarded Medal By Royal Institute Of Technology

Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, consulting engineer and radio expert of the General Electric Company, last week received the Cedergren gold medal, presented by the Royal Institute of Technology of Stockholm, at a ceremony in New York. This medal, presented by the society which awards the Nobel prizes and conferred but every five years, is considered one of the world's outstanding prizes to eome from a foreign country. Recently Dr. Alexanderson received the Edison Medal, highest award of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

Harry Stockman, of Cruft Laboratory, Harvard University, in making the presentation address, said that when Dr. Alexanderson, who perfected the high frequency alternator, went on the air with voice transmission on December 24, 1906, it meant the advent of broadcasting. To design the original alternator, one of 100,000 cycles per second, was regarded as impossible at the time, "but," he said, "Dr. Alexanderson seemed unaware of the fact, so he just went ahead and designed it."

The Cedergren medal was instituted by the late Henrik Tore Cedergren, a telephone pioneer in Sweden, in 1909. The first winner was the late Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz of the General Electric Company in 1914. Other winners since then have been: 1919, Karl W. Wagner; 1924, Heaviside; 1929, Prof. H. B. Pleyel, and in 1934, by Arthur L. Dreyfus. The award to Dr. Alexanderson is the first since that date.

The Royal Institute was represented at the ceremony by Consul General Martin Kastengren.

Two business men were riding on the subway, sitting side by side, looking harassed and worried, but saying nothing.

One of them heaved a long, deep sigh.

"You're telling me!" said the other.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Ulysses G. Eversole (3)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne, Ind.	19-3	Larenitis	10:42- 7:00
Louis Hoffman (3)*	R. 8, Fort Wayne, Ind.	4-2	Metker	7:00- 7:00
	Coming in on No. 14 or No. 24.			
Carl H. Johnson (4)*	R. 1, Fort Wayne, Ind.	12-2	Morton	7:00- 8:30
	Lives 10 miles out between No. 3 and No. 1.			
Ed. Rodenbeck (4)*	R. 2, Leo Rd., Fort Wayne	4-5	Sauers	7:00- 8:30
Lula Royer (3)*	R. 11, Fort Wayne, Ind.	6-2	Hartman	3:30-11:30
Alvin Lewis (5)*	R. 5, Huntington, Ind.	27	Berlein	7:00- 8:30
	Coming in on No. 24.			
James Garrett (4)*	R. 2, Pierceton, Ind.	4-2	Buckley	3:06-11:06
	Coming in on No. 14 through South Whitley, Ind.			
Don Zilch (2)*	R. 4, Van Wert, Ohio	27	Misgage	11:00- 6:54
	Coming in on No. 30—East.			

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Morton S. Thomas, Jr.	Albion, Indiana	Winter St.	Arnold	8:00- 5:00
Harriett E. Lincoln	R. 2, Churubusco, Ind.	26-3	Bender	11:00- 7:00
Betty Leamons	Crowell, Indiana	26-2	Slaylock	8:06-11:24
George Miller	454 S. LaFontaine, Hunt'n	17-4	Keller	3:30-11:48
Eliene Miller	454 S. LaFontaine, Hunt'n	26-4	Reymond	3:06-11:06
Ray Williamson	1306 Henry St., Huntington	4-3	Nichole	3:30-11:48

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

J. Alan Mueller	Leo Road, Fort Wayne, Ind.		Woody	7:12- 3:12
Dorls Kayser	326 Burns, Fort Wayne, Ind.		Sible	3:12-11:12

Employees Seeking Rides

Dorcas Klinker*	R. R. No. 3	Deahl	8:12-11:12
John R. Cooper	Zanesville, Indiana	Greiner	6:48- 8:18
Hazel Treevy	Silver Lake, Indiana	Deahl	3:12-11:12

* Near Lake Everett.

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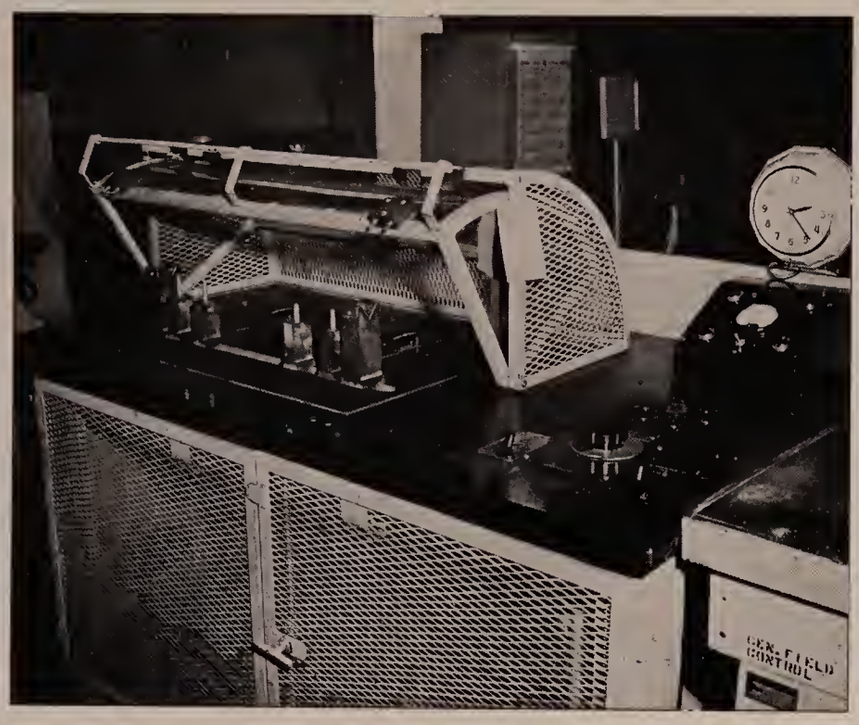
Haven't tried my hand at column writing for so long, I scarcely know just how to go about it. You see Ernie Pyle and I have things in common in that respect—or didn't you know? He also has been resting from column writing these past few months and has returned just lately, only to find that it does take a little while to "get into the groove" again. So please bear with me, while I scan lightly over some of the doings of members of my Section—the Specialty Transformer Commercial—of course. . . . Let me see—just where will I start? Oh yes! Here's a sight you just can't miss—even if you have to go out of your way to see it. Joe Coughlin wearing his "derby" hat—of all things—walking down the street with "Snuffy" Smith, his man "Friday" following about three feet behind. It's really a sight, folks, and if my "gestapo" can ascertain the next time and place of this phenomenon, I'll let you all in on it—so help me! . . . And since we're on the subject of "hats," just reminds me to tell you this: As I get the story, Johnny Carr the other evening at quitting time, went to get his hat and coat, only to find a strange hat in the rack. Well, thinking that some one in the office had acquired a new chapeau, he proceeded to try it on, and make all kinds of fun about it—only to find out later—to his chagrin—that the hat really belonged to one of the customers who was visiting in the office, and who, by the way, had taken in the whole procedure. Imagine John's embarrassment when the truth finally came home to him. Was his face red? and how! I understand further, that Johnny's S.A.I. course stood him well, when he tried to smooth the whole thing out with the customer, but you should hear Clarence Burke's version of the story—with gesticulations—it's a wow! . . . Another scoop—No doubt you've often heard it said "I'm in the dog house"—just figuratively speaking, of course. But "The Boss" P. M. Staehle, has been in the dog house so long and so many times (not on his own account, but for things beyond his control, no doubt), that his "friends" over in the Lamp Department, Cleveland, had one especially built for him, and is it a "diller"—bright red in color, and has his name "PETE" painted in white on the front of it. Confidentially between us girls, I think he's kinda proud of it, and I can't blame him much, for it is cute. I understand he's going to hold "Open House" one of these days, and all of you folks are invited. Drop in any time, and believe your own eyes. . . . Land sakes!! There's been so much tooth-pulling and toothaching, and miscellaneous other dental difficulties this past week with members here in the office, that it seems I, myself, should be carrying my chin in a sling—just from listening to it. Woe is me! . . . And lest I forget, Dottie Leininger has acquired a new whistle—it's one all her own, and she holds the exclusive patent on it. . . . Speaking of food—and who doesn't—I guess Mary Ellen May must have been thinking of entertaining the whole Army and Navy from the amount of chili she prepared the other evening. Give us the "low down" Mary—what visitor has such a huge appetite? And say, Mary, while I think of it, it came to me over the grapevine, that you looked very lovely (as always) the other evening in your white formal and red camelia, at the College Club dance. Wish I could have seen you. . . . "Hutch" (J. E. Hutcheson to you) is quite a practical gadget maker, I understand, and why he hasn't become an Einstein or an Edison before now, is beyond me. Ask him to tell you about some of his handicraft. . . . With the Army and Navy, and it seems the whole world on his neck constantly (and that's quite a load, don't you think?) to do the impossible, it will always be one of the great mysteries to me, how Harold Pritchard can still retain his good disposition and level head. How do you do it, Harold? . . . Andy O'Dwyer just tells me that he celebrated his first anniversary as a member of our office the other day. I hope you enjoyed this past year with us, as much as we have enjoyed having you with us, Andy. . . . "Chuck" Graham was the happy recipient of a lovely Valentine—and it surely was lovely, for it contained the picture of his wife and two boys beautifully set in the center of a heart. Ain't love grand, Chuck? . . . Well, that's all for this time, folks. It's been nice talking to you. See you again sometime, maybe; in the meantime, Cheerio!

Any job is a safe job for a careful worker.

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Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

Annabelle Groman left us Saturday to take up housekeeping on a full time schedule. Lots of luck and our best wishes go with you, but the place won't be the same without you. . . . A surprise shower was given for Emma Haberkorn at her home on Tuesday evening. Emma was really surprised and every one enjoyed the games, singing and dancing to say nothing of the lunch, which really disappeared in a hurry. . . . We all welcomed Paul Trier with open arms Saturday. Certainly glad to have you back with us, Paul, and we are all hoping for your speedy recovery. Paul is now in the Gardiner General Hospital in Chicago. . . . We heard that Fritz Stauffer was slightly confused last Friday. Fritz thought it was Saturday and put his time card in the basket, took his apron home and got the car out to keep a Saturday engagement. Would a talking calendar help or did you just want two Sundays, Fritz? . . . We have one of the greatest hunters of all times on this floor. This sportsman participates in that manly sport of fox hunting. The way he goes about trapping one of these beautiful creatures is really amazing. First of all he needs a pack of dogs and about ten men to follow the dogs and chase the fox his way. Bang, bang, bang, bang; four shots rang out, but no sign of a dead fox. May we introduce Mr. Dick Seidel, master of the sport? . . . Spring is definitely around the corner—at least reasonably so, because Ray Solga finally broke down and exposed his ears to the frigid atmosphere. His sheared locks look wonderful, but we wonder if it is another false alarm or if spring really is on the way. . . . Leona Scheumann never did like history 'cause she always gets mixed up in the dates. The climax to her fitful fate came last week. She read a letter from a friend which was passed around. She said, quote, "Same old guy, same old line, same old story." Should be—the letter was dated 1943. . . . Don't be alarmed if even the gals take to the pipe. Our feminine smokers are at wits' end about the cigarette shortage. It's either roll-your-own or the pipe. Say, fellers, which is the more glamorous—a bumpy result from a package of Bugler or a fireside comfort, the pipe?

First Rookie: "Well, Jack, looks to me like the war is going to end soon."

Second Rookie: "Holy smoke. I hope it doesn't end before I get my furlough."

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturite*

The aristocratic Rawley and [illegible] Blue Streaks managed to inveig[le] two out of three games from [the] highly touted Thunderbolts in sp[ite] of the fact that Jake rolled hi[s] score for the evening with 193. [On] the opposite side of the alleys [the] Commandos again took Stults a[nd] his Fireballs to a three-alarm [fire] scoring three games. Here aga[in] Stults with a score of 192 was [no] match for the consistency of h[is] opponents. Stults has vowed ve[n]geance that he will scorch the Bl[ue] Streaks the coming week. Oh yeah! . . . Bill Brunner has been off with [a] sprained wrist. . . . One guy who w[on]'t not sit back and say, "Let Georg[e] do it," is none other than Al. . . A chili supper was served Sunda[y] February 4, at the home of P[ea]rl Baughn. The afternoon was spent [in] singing and contests. This w[as] given in honor of Mrs. Cliffo[rd] Warren of Savannah, Georgia, a[nd] Mrs. Dwight F. Darr of Decatu[r], both former G-E employees, w[ho] are leaving soon to join their hu[s]bands in Georgia. Those prese[nt] were Mesdames Clifford Warre[n], Dwight Darr, Dale Stalter, Ed Vi[n]glewede, Bill Dixon, Richard Arch[er] and Kay Ryan, Ethelyn Burnett, A[l]berta Stump, Rosemary Mille[r], Florence McCollum and the hostes[s] Miss Baughn. . . . Dept. 7-59 ente[r]tained with a surprise farew[ell] party in honor of their leading op[er]ator, Dollie Sprunger, who is lea[v]ing the services of the Compan[y]. The party was held at the home [of] Wilma Ross. A delicious chicke[n] supper was served, after whic[h] games and music were enjoye[d]. Dollie was presented with a beau[ti]ful gift as a remembrance fro[m] her co-workers. . . . Mary Jane Wi[l]son is recouperating nicely from a[n] appendectomy. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Mary Jane. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mr[s] Marion Brodbeck on the arrival of [a] son. . . . Our sympathy to Nile[s] Butler in the death of his mothe[r]. . . . Dean Gehres of Plant No. 1 ha[s] left the G-E to become a member [of] Uncle Sam's Army. Good luc[k] Dean. . . . Correction: It was e[r]roneously stated that Virgin[ia] Brough received a diamond fro[m] Donald Garard; the name shou[ld] have read Delmar Girod. We'r[e] sorry, Virginia. . . . Norval Nun[n] corporal in the armed forces, visite[d] with us last week and surely is look[ing] good. He is now stationed a[t] Fort Sill, Oklahoma. . . . Bess[ie] Johnson of Plant No. 2 reports t[o] us that she hears regularly fro[m] her five sons in service. Pvt. Da[n] Johnson is in Alaska and likes [it] very much and says he enjoys ski[i]ng on his time off. Harold is wit[h] the U. S. Navy and has returned t[o] the hospital for further medic[al] treatment. Raymond, CMM, of th[e] Navy is stationed in Norfolk, Va. Ralph is also with the Navy and [is] a Cook 1/c. When last heard of h[e] was in the Southwest Pacific. Sgt. Robert is a member of the Ar[my] Forces and is now stationed in Ne[w] Mexico. Robert has been in the ser[v]ice for four years. . . . We receive[d] a greeting from PFC Dale Stalte[r] this week, which had been sent i[n] November. It took a long time ge[t]ting here but nevertheless we we[re] glad to hear from you, Dale. . . Happy birthday to: Ernest Ande[r]son, Clarence Bienz, Carl Booth[e], Jack Eady, Ted Eady, Donald Fort[e]man, Donald Fruchte, Richard Gar[d]ner, Lewis Gibson, Evelyn Harve[y], Frances Kraner, Joseph Krie[g], Junior Lake, Joseph Laughre[y], Harry Massonne, Lowell Noll, Ken[n]eth Parrish and William Snyder.

Keep your mind on your work and Safety on your mind.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

We wonder what Merlin Sweet was reaching for, standing out in the middle of the aisle the other noon with both arms outstretched full length toward the ceiling. Could it have been the moon, Merlin? . . . As a picker-outer of the winning basketball teams, we think that Connie Feist is no better than his North Manchester Flashes. How about it, Connie? . . . We think we have heard about everything when we hear Wimpy Wiebke complain about the price of milk, butter, and eggs going down, when all he has been feeding his stock is wheat straw and sawdust. . . . Last week Charley Druce was removing the plug from a barrel of paint, and as he had forgotten to let the air out of the barrel, it seems as though he received a shower of paint, nice red paint, so says Charlie. "Just stick a feather in my hair and call me an Indian." . . . This painting business in Bldg. 26-B seems to be sorta fashionable. We hear Ed Becker received a bath of paint, too, when he dropped a bucket of it last week. So Ed says, and we quote again, "Is I blue or is I gray?" We don't know; which was it, Ed? . . . Ceal Romary was late for work. Now you can imagine what happened—slippery streets, sliding sideways, Taylor Street elevation. Yep! You guessed it; she stopped suddenlike. Results: one banged-up fender. Kinda lucky at that, weren't you, Ceal? . . . The office of Bldg. 26-3 enjoyed a delicious potluck dinner Saturday in honor of Violet Tescula, who is leaving us. The girls presented Violet with a friendship bracelet. . . . Welcome to Irma Heyn, who is replacing Violet. We hope you like us. . . . Notice to Bldg. 26-3. If you know any "clean dirt" about any of your fellow-workers, write it on a slip of paper and give it to one of the office girls. We would like to have more items for the WORKS NEWS. . . . I want to thank each one of you in Bldg. 26-2 who participated in giving the lovely potluck dinner for me on my last day with you; also, for the lovely gift you gave me. I appreciated it more than any words could ever express. I know I will miss all of you very much, for you were a fine group to work with, so I hope I will get to see each one of you as often as possible. Signed, Pauline Gilbert. . . . When a man stands and buzzes himself, just where is his mind; ask Homer Werling. . . . Vic Boutwell will not venture out on the ice when his dog cannot make it on all four feet. Well, it's nice to have a dog try walking first. . . . Louie Sordelet had better start walking to work this icy weather, as with his car he just can't get around a corner. . . . Rationing does not mean a thing to Rolly Wickliffe. Turkey one night, chicken the next, and then a big steak. Some folks have all the luck. How about your waistline, Rolly? . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Ted Keller and Ben Keller in the death of their brother killed in action overseas.

THE INGENUITY DISPLAYED BY ORDNANCEMEN has frequently played an important role in keeping front-line tanks rolling against the Germans. Recently armored units were faced with a critical tank spark plug shortage. Ordnancemen made some adjustments on 40,000 captured German spark plugs which were then successfully used in our tanks. Not only did this solve a critical supply problem, but also saved the Army an estimated $160,000 including normal manufacturing and delivery costs.—Army-Navy release.

Thousands Of 'Em . . .



EVERY YEAR WHO DO NOT GET HURT SERIOUSLY ENOUGH TO LOSE TIME—IN FACT NEARLY 99% OF US WERE IN THAT FORTUNATE GROUP LAST YEAR. We think and talk a lot about the other 1%—and rightly so—but it's quite encouraging to take a look at the 99% now and then.

Carl Rehling, chairman of the General Service Safety Committee, who has been among the 99% for over 30 years, is GIVING US SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT IN THE ABOVE PICTURE.

Carl's Safety Committee for 1945 is as follows: Helen Welch, Secretary; J. Bradtmiller, Wm. Waggoner, H. Underwood, Wm. Welch, E. Carpenter, H. Stirlen, D. Stanley, Ed Lipp, C. H. Ludwig, F. Brown, Carl Hower, Curney Smith, R. K. Smith, A. E. English, J. Birchmeyer, L. Bienz, Wm. Lewis, E. Mommer, E. Gill, W. Geller, H. Bobay, R. Wilkerson, H. Van Camp, E. Hanauer, Clarence Spencer, C. Geller, and W. Staley.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH, Safety Engineer.

17-3 Newsies

Seems that Dolores Sorg and Katherine Fowley are having plenty of bad luck these days. Dolores fell three times in two days on the ice, while Katherine burned her arm on an iron and cut her finger. Better luck in the future, girls. . . . Any one wishing to sell a work horse, please get in touch with Earl Hunt of Bldg. 17-3. He also suggests that any one wanting to purchase potatoes for next fall, contact him soon, for the orders are coming in fast! . . . Mary Wright is getting ahead of herself these days. On her time slip she wrote 1948. . . . We hope Glenny Smith enjoys her trip to see her brother in Sunny California. . . . Geneva Moody's son called her on Monday to say he'd be home on Wednesday from boot training. She was very much surprised when he walked up behind her at work Tuesday. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Marjorie Ponsot, who has been in the hospital. . . . Knowing her three friends and tablemates were on a diet, Pauline Chapman brought a nice sack of peanuts. In order that she wouldn't be tempted, Gwen Monahan put them under the table and when she looked again, the sack had burst, rolling them on the floor. . . . Among those home on furloughs are Philip Freiburger, Pvt. Virginia Hamilton, and two sailors, Cletus Lothamer and his brother. We wish them the best in the future and to all our other pals we send our best regards. Visit us whenever you can, as we like to hear about the things we can't see. . . . Just a reminder, gang; we have around four more weeks to pay our taxes.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

For a lesson in pinochle playing, drop into Central Cost in Bldg. 18-3 some noon hour. Star players are "Honest Deal" Howard Etzold, Bldg. 18-4; "Where's That Ace" Jesse Fredendall, Bldg. 18-3; "Oh I Missed Some Meld" Adolph Schilling, Bldg. 18-3; and "Poker Face" Tom Walworth, Bldg. 18-3. . . . Leo Danuser, Bldg. 18-4, left his cigar on Mary Kay Hostetter's desk in Bldg. 17-3. So she put it in an envelope and mailed it to him. How 'bout that? Imagine Leo's surprise when he opened that envelope. . . . This week birthday wishes are in order for Ann McCarthy, Bldg. 17-3. She celebrated her birthday Feb. 9. Happy birthday, Ann. . . . The most exciting news of the week is Lucile Zimmerman's, Bldg. 18-4, diamond that she is wearing on her third finger, left hand. The lucky man is T/Sgt. William Leonard, who is home on leave from Iran. . . . Oh, oh, we have another birthday. Dorothy Frosh celebrated her birthday last week, too, and she passed cake. The biggest surprise to her was the singing telegram she received unsigned. . . . This week we would like to welcome Mary Zimmerman, Bldg. 16-3, and bid farewell to Vivian Wilhoit, Bldg. 16-3. . . . Viola Robison was really an excited little girl when her fiance came home on leave by surprise. . . . We would also like to welcome another newcomer to Bldg. 18-3—Emma Mosier.

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Famous saying of Herb Schumm, "Now those were the good old days when I ran the gasoline station." . . . Russell Franks, that lovable man, has a new sparring partner now. . . . Bob Sarrazine is still trying to unharness a horse. . . . Marjorie Thompson is just recovering from black and blue marks received on the bob sled party. . . . Why didn't someone call a doctor for Johnnie Wilson after the bob sled party. . . . Kenny Crabill believes in being versatile. He is now taking flying lessons. We suggest a name for his future plane like: "The Flying Leghorn" or "The Wingless Wyandotte." . . . Katherine Norr was trying to get the most out of her gum and accidentally swallowed it. It stuck in her throat and so she got more than she wanted of it. . . . Hermann Lepper would like to go ice-fishing, but he won't go unless he can get a guarantee of a good catch. . . . Si Alspaugh's ice skating has been neglected since his Willys died of a broken heart after Si put the slug in her transmission. . . . We were sorry to learn of our former set-up man, Morris Gage F2/c, being confined to the hospital at Great Lakes with scarlet fever. We all wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Gladys Strong is recovering at the St. Joseph Hospital from a recent operation. We hope she will soon be able to be back with us. . . . Maxine Drabenstot is trying to prove the old saying of "What you don't have in your head you got in your feet" is right only her slogan is "What you don't have in your head you have to take out of your purse." She came to work one day forgetting to turn the stove off so had to call to Huntington to ask a neighbor to go over and turn it off.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Lowella Teegardin came in on first shift Monday. Welcome Lowella. . . . Edith Paxson thinks she would like to go in for glamour for a change since Lucille Baker put some of her "On Leave" perfume on Edith. . . . Fern Sage received a gift. Not knowing what it was, she decided it must be bath powder and used it for this purpose. Later—Results—itching skin. (It happened to be a bubble bath product.)

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Did you know that M. J. Adams broadcasted from the S. M. C. and Joan Didier from the Berghoff? Both girls have exceptionally pleasing radio voices. . . . Mike O'Grady gives speeches each week at the Toastmaster's Club. You know Mike's a guy of many talents. In addition to this he writes tunes and poetry. . . . What would we girls do without Art? We were so thirsty the other day and he immediately came to our rescue. Yep—he opened his desk and brought forth green tea (golf tee). . . . I worry so about Prexy Foster. Each day he calls the coal company and says, "If you don't send that coal out today, we'll freeze." That, my friends, was two weeks ago. I actually believe he comes to work to thaw out and to think the office radiator was on the blink during that cold spell.

A sailor went to an auction. The auctioneer was offering a parrot. He bid $5. Someone said $10; the sailor bid $15. Again someone bid $25 and the sailor bid $40 and got the parrot. As he walked out, he said to the auctioneer, "That's a big price to pay for a parrot; can he talk?" The auctioneer said: "You ought to know; he's the one who was bidding against you."

Turret Tattles

Our face is very red indeed; we apologize abjectly; we're sorry; in fact, we hate ourselves, all both of us! We neglected to mention that our friend "Doc" Carlson was appointed a safety man along with the people mentioned in last week's column. O.K., "Doc," take your hands from around our neck! . . . The second trick got together on one of their very informal parties at Wilbur Close's house last Wednesday evening. Refreshments were served and the gang very capably entertained by the "Night Birds," a classy combination of second trick musicians. There may be those who disagree with my definition of their efforts, but whether it was good or not, all will agree that it was loud. . . . Two members of the first trick bowling clique have informed me they are open to all challengers. Seems as though they mildly objected to P. Stiver and A. Farrel as designating themselves "champs." Dan Oesch and Ford Burnau have been taking in a lil' glory themselves with the overgrown marbles. C'mon, let's get sumpin' started. We'll do our part. Haven't we? . . . One lad doing his bit toward the furtherance of the aforementioned party agreed to keep the "ribs" warm. He found afterwards that his wife always puts a pan beneath the grill in the oven when heating these luscious morsels. Course it isn't such a job to wash an oven out, anyway. Heh! Heh! . . . We are in receipt of an anonymous 'lil note telling of the musical talents of one "lay out man." Seems as how this mus-i-con spends a portion of his Saturday eve making with the music on a local and very popular radio show. This same 'lil epistle tells of the same person doing a stint with the Symphony at a local theater. We would like to give more space to this illustrious son o' the Motor Generator Division but we are at a loss to identify him "positivel." 'Tweren't you, 'twere it. George?

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

Cupid has been at work again in Bldg. 20-2, and this time it's extra special. Johnnie Jones, test engineer in Bldg. 20-2, presented Margie Plye, also of Bldg. 20-2, with a sparkler last week and really surprised every one by doing so. Here's wishing them the best of luck. . . . Birthday greetings go to Oscar Rodenbeck, who recently celebrated another birthday. It's amazing how young he looks for his age (no offense, Oscar). . . . Edith Ridenhoure has been put on the sick list. Here's hoping she has a speedy recovery. . . . Curly Muehlenbruck says he can bowl, but according to his performance last Sunday, there are many people who doubt it. Better luck next time, Walt. . . . Eileen Lyons, formerly of Bldg. 20-2, and Robert Robertson were united in marriage last Saturday. Here's wishing them a lifetime of happiness. . . . Birthday greetings to Maurine Seibert, who is celebrating her birthday today. . . . Welcome greetings are extended to Doris Shanneyfelt, who recently started working in Bldg. 20-2. . . . The gang in Bldg. 20-2 wishes a speedy recovery and quick return to D. Wayne Edwards. . . . That's all for this week. Don't forget to turn in those news items.

More than 5,200 people were killed during the first three years of the war in skidding accidents, says the National Safety Council.

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

Congratulations to Jerry Sorg on becoming 18 years of age. . . . Due to the stocking shortage, Ruth Pretorius met the problem with great success. One will find Ruth matching her hose but one thing is wrong, the hose are not the same color. A certain person found Ruth twice in one week wearing different colored hose. That's OK, Ruth; perhaps you will start a fad. . . . The following girls enjoyed the Piston game the other night: Cleta Burns, LaDonna Long, Clara Schenner, Joan Parent, Loretta Keahr and Elizabeth Wert. The only thing wrong was Lizzy couldn't see as Cleta got too excited. . . . Don List would like a pair of roller skates so he could get around faster. Seems he just can't make any headway with such short legs. . . . One of our former employes, Bea McCrory, had a baby girl on January 13. Congratulations, Bea . . . We welcome Pauline Blair and Douglas Thomson into Group 15x54. . . . Walt and Dorothy (Brady) Mossman are the proud parents of a baby daughter born on January 19. The little girl has been named Margaret Ann. Congratulations, Walt and Dot. . . . We wish to welcome Leona Schram and Chester Platt to Group 15x444. . . . Mabel Miller and Aleda McWhirter were walking through the gate one evening when Aleda came up missing. Mabel found her showing her badge to the guard. You don't have to show your badge going out, Aleda. . . . Is Helen Welborn getting a little absent-minded? Last week she was overheard saying, "Jean, have you got my gloves?" Then, "Oh, never mind, I've got them on!" . . . Anyone wanting to learn to roll a cigarette just ask Dale Peden. He's an old "master" at the art. It's good for a laugh, even if you don't enjoy the smoke, Dale.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Henry Reehling came to work Tuesday morning with a big smile on his face. He claimed that while waiting for a street car he heard a robin singing. Henry opined that it was the first harbinger of Spring and hoped that the poor bird wasn't in for too much cold weather. . . . We know that everyone will be sorry to say goodbye to Rosemary Suelzer, who is leaving us to do rehabilitation work (Occupational Therapy) for returning wounded soldiers. We all wish you the best of success in this wonderful work, Rosemary, and we feel sure that your friendly smile alone will be a big boost to many a soldier. . . . A group of hungry Bldg. 4-6 girls enjoyed a chili supper and taffy pull Tuesday evening at the Sears Pavilion in Foster Park. Those attending were Gloria Openlander, Jean Kirklin, Alice Fisher, Donnabelle Douglas, Marge Murphy, Elsie Forschner, Maxine Link, Mary Maitlen, Virginia Berning, Barbara Bedor, Doris McNamara, June Swander, Patty Newlin, Phyllis Hines, Joan Wunderlin, Mary Morgan, Eileen Burrell and Betty Stahl. . . . Margaret Christle wishes to protest against the aroma of those ersatz cigarettes being handed out by Joe Donahoo. She claims she can stand it only so long and then has to flee to a window for a breath of fresh air. But, the boys insist, a cigarette's a cigarette these days. In fact, Don Clague recently was seen smoking a cigarette made from the off fallings of an art gum eraser. Don had to admit that it did have a peculiar taste. . . . Here's a tip for you lovely ladies who believe in the subtle magic of perfume. Lucy Bowman confides that when Hubby isn't looking she dabs a bit of his shaving lotion back of her ears. Smells wonderful, too. . . . Sometimes truth is stranger than fiction, it seems. Devona Sherwood and Robert Knepple have both been working in the Aircraft Section, and have had scarcely more than a speaking acquaintance. Then Devona by chance was talking to her aunt, who, she discovered, has a son working in Bldg. 4-6. And, believe it or not, he turned out to be none other than Bob Knepple, Devona's cousin. . . . Almeda Miller celebrated another birthday last week and although we were disappointed that she didn't bake us a cake, she did pass some delicious candy. Congratulations, Almeda. . . . Carl Mishler has mastered the art of rolling a professional cigarette; Al Cupp wouldn't do so bad if he had a couple more fingers. . . . Welcome to Order Service Section 19, Joan Manes. . . . All the fellows are wondering where the sale was last week as Hugh Norris and Al Cupp both were wearing new suits. . . . Leo Persing's family had a letter this week from their son-in-law in a German prison camp; he is fine. . . . Anyone wanting a tip on raising pups ask Nena Foster . . . Thursday Bonnie Erwin had a bucket of water and didn't see the ice and Bonnie hit, throwing water all over her, and it wasn't bath night either. . . . Al Cupp had the garbage and didn't see the ice on the steps and bumped all the way down; Al has been wondering how the garbage got there first, as he was sitting in it. . . . Carl Mishler was all smiles when he came to work on Monday—the reason was a baby girl—Kathryn Louise.

Correct Packaging Important In Shipping War Goods



Proper packaging is playing an important part in getting shipments of war goods to their destinations in good condition. Top, no junk pile, this is a quantity of new war goods on the way to the front, dumped helter-skelter on a wharf in a pouring rain. Not only dampness, but insects and mould then attack contents. Well-packaged material survives. G-E is doing much to improve packaging techniques. Bottom left, novel methods of wrapping include a plan used at the Fort Wayne Works to combat moisture corrosion whereby dynamotors are placed in bags of laminated metal foil from which the air is exhausted with a hose after a bag of silica gel has been inserted to absorb any moisture within. Bottom right, heat application is final step in protecting delicate machines from moisture-vapor corrosion. Then all is packaged in tough wooden box.

Elex Club To See Civic Theater Play

All three shifts of the Elex Club will attend the Civic Theatre presentation of **Smiling Through** on Sunday, February 25, at 3:00 P.M. Admittance will be by Elex membership card. Non-members are invited and are asked to donate 50c for gift boxes for G-E soldiers.

Is Zat So?

Everything looked hazy in the rest room one noon last week. When the air cleared, we saw Maxine Mason and Helene Evanoff frantically brushing their clothes and wiping up the floor. It seems that they spilled a box of face powder all over everything! It sure smelled good, anyway! . . . Frank Quinn completed forty-one years of service with the General Electric Company on Lincoln's birthday. Frank has made many friends during those years, and we hope that he will continue to do so for years to come. . . . We were happy to see that Bob Mobberly had recovered sufficiently from his wounds to come and pay us a visit. . . . Douglas Bragg escorted his sailor son, Guy, around to see the gang recently. . . . Janie Meyers is now a full-fledged member of the "I forgot my badge" club. We noticed that Maxine Mason is wearing a bright and shining new badge. . . . Birthday congratulations go to: Merline Gromeaux, Clarence Doctor, Cornelius Farrell, Gladys Groh, Ernie Lawyer, and Bill Sterling.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Ed. Steward spent a pleasant week-end with two varieties of fish: Ten-inch bluegills and euchre sharks. . . . Gus Mittermaier has the coal shortage solved with his Swedish saw from Wisconsin, but what's he going to do for shade after he cuts down his grove of one tree in his yard? . . . Geo. Horner and Chester Burgette get our best wishes with plenty of success in their new job with Uncle Sam's armed forces. Both will be missed plenty in that noon-hour euchre game. They leave on February 20. . . . Bob Thomas has a good Oldsmobile for sale. Bob has been offered all the way from five cents to one hundred fifty dollars. Anyone wishing to buy, trade or sell, see Bob. . . . High spots of the party in honor of Val Workman's retirement were: Walter Elliott's entertaining friends from out of town. Karl Smith dropping a newly-prepared sandwich on the floor. Earl Lenz and Hank Wittber wearing out the rug (with so many trips getting sandwiches and pop) between their table and supply booth. Herbie Mennewisch and his "Two Little Rascals" plus pertussin bottle graciously furnished the music. . . . Bldg. 26-5 had a surprise visit from Pvt. Dallas Smith last week. The only thing Dallas has against the Army is that he gets too much walking. . . . Don Alcott is the champion eater on our floor. Anyone disputing Don's claim to the title is invited around to Don's bench at lunch time. Don's only request is that you furnish your own food because he is down to his last ration points now. . . . Glenn Ramsey is learning the fine points about basketball these days. Last Saturday night before Concordia-Central game we saw Glenn having a heart-to-heart talk with Murray Mendenhall. . . . Ruth Rekeweg was seen playing a game of solitaire pick-up the other day when she accidentally upset a box of I. D. O. cards. The only thing wrong with that game, declares Ruth, is that you have to be on your knees instead of on your toes. . . . Herb. Mennewisch hasn't been able to buy a bass fiddle so he manufactured one out of his wife's washtub. The only thing that worries us is what will happen to bass fiddle or our pal Herbie when his wife's next wash day comes around. . . . Chick Abbott is having trouble starting his car, but after going into a huddle with the auto mechanics of Bldg. 26-5 he decided it would be better after all if he turned the ignition key on. . . . Bill Trumbower is spending much of his spare time trying to convert his car into an aeroplane since he can't get through those snowbound roads. Most of the people who ever rode with Bill agree that he has been flying too low with that Leaping Lena of a car right along. . . . We wonder whether it was politeness or absentmindedness on the part of Marvel Tuttle when she handed the street car token to the motorman instead of dropping it into the fare box. The motorman said she must have worked hard that day since she couldn't lift her arm that high.

SIGNAL CORPS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS TROOPS on the Western Front in Europe strung 330,000 miles of wire in the first five months after D-day and now are using approximately 2,200 miles of wire daily, using 200,000 tons of communication equipment. In one area facilities are already two and one-half times as effective as those in Nazi use after four years of occupation. — Army-Navy release.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Punch Press

Francis Robbins is a patient at the Methodist Hospital recovering from an operation for appendicitis. Hurry and get well, Francis, because we miss you. . . . Bob Glenn was forced to take a day off to have a molar pulled. Well, that's one tooth that won't cause any more trouble. . . . Arnold Anthony sure looks nice in his new safety glasses. Looks like a Senator now. . . . Wes. Sontag and Bob Bradfield have that washing machine down to the finer points. Even the machine smiles when these boys go to work on her. . . . Hubert Gotta has been building cabinets for (20) twenty years and can't get out of the habit. Every night he is busy in the basement. Well, that's a lot better than sleeping in the chair like we do. . . . "Bluffton Biz" has dog trouble. They are only young once, Biz. . . . Does any one know where Wilford Hall's piggy bank went to? All he has left is the lid. We wonder why he didn't teach it to squeal. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Rapp of Arcola has just received word from their son, C/M William C. Rapp, that he is somewhere below the equator in the Pacific where it is good and hot. He is on a tanker and spends six hours a day working in the engineering room and six hours studying. Most of the equipment he works with is made by the G-E Co. William finished his basic training at San Mateo, Calif., as a cadet in the Merchant Marines in December. He was formerly employed in the Planning Section. . . . We have with us Hazel Boyd from the second shift of Screw Machine Section. Hope you will like it, Hazel. . . Olive Bowman is off work. She has the flu. Hurry back, Olive; we miss you. . . . Wayne Brewer reports that his young son has accomplished a wonderful feat. He can now say "Daddy."

Nozzle Box

Congratulations go to Aurclia Stiegler, who had a birthday on February 10. . . . Don Baker has been transferred to A. B. Grover's section. He is now working on a drill press. Don was working for Don Leiter before. . . . Leo Flanigan has been transferred over to Broadway. Leo is going to work in Bldg. 12. Even though you were an awful tease, we still wish you the best of luck on your new job. . . . This is news—Tillie Wambsganss has a great nephew. Oh boy, and what a boy, the cute little rascal weighs 8¾ pounds. Robert McCollister is the proud dad and I do mean proud. if he did wear a hat it would never fit him because his head is swelled up so much with pride. Well, it's no wonder; this is his first baby. Robert works at the Broadway Plant. Helen Langfeldt on second trick is the proud grandmother. . . . Eugenia Schurg said the only news she knows is that her brother's fox terrier had five cute little pups. . . . We are sorry to hear that Amanda Mill's little son is in the hospital. We all hope his leg will be better soon. . . . Johnny Gongware, Wally Castle, Judy Stambaugh, Freddy Fry and Jud's sister were all out roller skating at Bell's rink the other night. Everyone had a lot of fun. . . . We heard that Don Baker and Wally Castle were playing basketball at the G-E Monday night, and that their side turned out to be champions. Nice work, boys; keep it up. . . . Ann Lemmel was late twice this week. That darn old street car passed her up like an old shoe. . . . Congratulations to Dorothy McGowen and Ann who both have put in their two years of service at Taylor Street. . . . Atley Prough said he is the only one in good health at present. His wife has the flu and his baby is having a time with earache. Too bad, Atley. . . . Fred Thompson said he wishes people would leave those cigars of his alone. How come, Fred? Don't tell us they are the best brand, or are they? . . . Esther Jean Secor had a birthday on February 10. Sweet 19—getting old, Esther! . . . The girls had a little farewell lunch on Saturday and birthday at the same time. Beatrice Elliot is leaving the Nozzle Box inspection to go home and stay with her parents in Richville. Lots of luck to you, Beatrice. We are all going to miss you very much. Don Leiter and Charlie Purner had lunch with the gang and enjoyed a piece of the birthday cake. . . . Dorothy Cartwright forgot her badge Saturday morning. That's unusual for you, Dorothy, isn't it? . . . A great day in Edith Kesterson's life was February 6. Congratulations on your birthday, Edith. You tried to keep it a big dark secret; you did for a while but it didn't last. Don't you know by now that news reporters get around? Edith received a number of swell gifts and cards from the gang. We were a little late but better late than never at all.



"BELIEVE ME, IF I HAD TO PAY ANY TAXES I'D DO IT EARLY!"

Tool Room

Harold Hohman's cabinet yielded an odd assortment of knicknacks while rummaging through it the other day. But one article in particular caught our eye. It was a yo-yo. Now what on earth would Mr. Hohman be doing with a yo-yo? Probably he uses that as a winter sport until he can go out and pitch horseshoes in the spring. What's your story Harold? . . . The Dave Demm and Homer Seng feud grows in intensity as the days go by. They can't seem to agree on anything but are still good friends and nice fellows. . . . We are anxiously waiting the issue of John Lisius' new specially made safety glasses. Betcha he will be twice as handsome. Then we can call him John De-Lisius. . . . Didja see Eddie Etter's baby picture up on Joe Houser's cabinet? Pretty little bald head, wasn't he? That was nice of his folks to send it to us. . . . Chester Gillum has lost his faith in his ability to complete a job. He did a good bit of repair on his clock the other evening, but when he set the time he was just a little careless—one hour careless to be exact—which found him an hour late getting to work. . . . Hey, Kokomo Keynoters, we're sending you a "George Mellinger"—now be darn sure you treat him right, for he's a right guy.

Screw Machine

Helen Cooper weighs 106 lbs.—now, Helen, you wouldn't kid us would you? . . . Bert Garrettson's son, Keith, leaves for the Navy Tuesday, February 13. . . . Icel Stukey likes to spend Sunday afternoons exercising her limbs! When the train she was taking to Pierceton was 2 hours late she decided to go by bus; after receiving a refund from the train ticket seller she walked to the bus station, purchased a ticket only to discover the bus was behind schedule. Of course, she got a refund for the bus ticket and proceeded her walk to the railroad depot again. This time she bought the ticket, boarded the train and here's the pay off. This train didn't stop at Pierceton. She hurried off the train and walked home so she could bawl her eyes out! . . . Welcome to first shift, Dorothy Poehler and Juliana Vebert. We hope you'll enjoy your work along with our gang as well. . . . Thomas Arnold has been ill the past few days. Too bad, Tommy, hope you're feeling better soon. . . . Some of our girls have had important guests, and one spent a day out of town. Aylene Smith has as her guest from West Virginia, a sister and brother-in-law. Leona Scott journeyed to Kalamazoo, Michigan, to visit her sister. . . . We want to congratulate Alma Bangert on her birthday, which was Monday. We hope you had a very happy one, Alma, and many more to come. . . . Bernadine keeps singing "Is I Blue?" It is a pretty song. . . . Koogle has joined the "I forgot my badge" club. . . . We would like to know if Dutch and Skinny went fishing down at the river. Boy, those were some fish they had!! . . . We want to wish Erv. Slatterback's wife a speedy recovery. . . . Ruth Overmeyer and Marjorie Pickard are back to work after being absent several days on account of illness. . . . Clara Baumgartner had a birthday this week. We wish you many more happy birthdays, Clara. . . . Minnie Cashion will have to find a better place to hide her candy bars. They have been mysteriously disappearing. . . . Nettie Foor met her new daughter-in-law for the first time this week. She hails from Georgia and is very nice. We wish them all the luck in the world. Mac K. is with the Air Service Command stationed in Robbins Field, Georgia. . . . If you happen to pass the East End Inspection section and wonder why it's so quiet, Imogene can't talk so the girls are taking up semaphore. . . . Mabel Jones wishes to thank the girls for their expressions of sympathy on the death of her brother at Muncie. . . . Mavis wore a slip of paper on her shoulder one day this week. Welcome to the "badge forgetter Club" Mavis. . . . Sure hope Ralph Dunlap's earache gets better. . . . Ask Four-shot Roe or (Maurice Roe) to you all about his fox hunting trip.

Shipping & Receiving

If you see a man walking around, who examines every finger print, picks up broken matches and seems to be trying to solve a mystery, he will not be an F.B.I., local detective or spy; it will be Jim Brittan of Shipping in the search of news for this column. Jim himself is news. He is alert, a good worker and very fine fellow. He is Van Horn's right hand man. . . . Ruby Timmons, our tall girl from Columbia City, celebrated a birthday last week. Ruby is the girl that is always in a big hurry. We keep all aisles clear for her. . . . Our girls are planning another all night party at the Power's House this week. Verna Powers is the originator and hostess for this event. . . . It goes double for February—Washington and Lincoln. Let's help keep their ideas always before us. Let's go double. Better work, less griping and a better America for our boys and girls to come home to. . . . Comic Valentines are beginning to make their appearance. Have you received yours? . . . Jane Brosher and Mary Curry teamed up to do a heavy piece of work recently. What these two girls lack in size is overcome by their spirit of willingness and cooperation. Good going, girls; we are proud of you. . . . Does your cigarette taste differently lately, provided you have one? . . . Al Kruse tells us that his son arrived safely in California from the Pacific. He will be home in a couple of weeks with his Australian bride. We know Al will be happy to see them. . . . Red Rhodes tried to find out which was harder, a box car door or his thumb; the result was a broken thumb. Tough luck, "Red," hope it gets better soon. . . . The Shipping Department received a letter from Marshall Fisher, who is a cook in the Navy, way out in Oregon. Any one wanting Marshall's address see Mr. Long. . . . Bernice Lord has been transferred from the Bucket section back to her old job in the Receiving Inspection. She is glad to be back, and we are glad she is. . . . You have heard of the four horsemen; well we have the three musketeers, meaning our truck drivers, Johnny, George and Don. We think they are the cream cream of the truck drivers. Whenever we want accommodations they are on the job to help. . . . Adeline Muzzillo of the Receiving Inspection section has been off sick a couple days nursing the flu. . . . Ruth Penrod informs us that her brother, Ernest, who is in camp in Arkansas, is home on a short furlough. . . . We expect to have 2 or 3 cases of indigestion for the dispensary about Friday morning as the Inspection girls are having a big feed at Joyce Inks Thursday evening. . . . Another chimney blown down at Cliff's house. "Dod rot" those chimneys anyhow. . . . Betty Thiele clamis she needs a month's vacation after various strange actions, such as losing hooks on the way to night school. Take it easy, Betty; it will soon be vacation time again.

Impeller

William Shreeves was forced to part with a very dear friend last week. It was the first tooth he ever had extracted. Painful, wasn't it Bill? . . . Viola Cochren, one of the benchers on the cap line, left Thursday morning for the Robert Long Hospital in Indianapolis for an operation. We want to wish her a lot of luck and a speedy recovery. . . . The fellow flashing that Japanese money around wasn't Hirohito but Joe Hahn, one of our first trick balancers. . . . The Impeller Section wishes to congratulate Bernie Gausepohl on being elected one of the directors of the G-E Foremen's Association. . . . Incidentally, according to reports from that last Foremen's meeting, we think that Bernie Gausepohl and Kenny Betts should change to a different kind of a card game. Can't always win, boys! . . . Albert Crill was working so hard that he misplaced his broom. Have you found it yet, Al? Maybe you had better ask the inspectors. . . . Have you heard the latest? We have a new man in our midst. "Just call me Raymond (Deacon) Grotrian." . . . Mildred Amstutz sat down one morning this week with a terrific boom right in the middle of the street. Mildred said she really didn't know ice could be so slick and hard. . . . We were very sorry to hear that Earl Byall's son was reported missing in action over Germany. Earl formerly worked in this section but is now in Maintenance. . . . Hazel Cook was very put out the other day when a prankster removed the casters from her chair but she says we still have one gentleman in our gang as Bob Mossburg very politely replaced them for her. . . . Faye Woodworth still has her faith in humanity. She found one good Samaritan the other morning anyway. . . . Bob Kinnaman is on a diet again. He is eating grapefruit now instead of candy. With Bob it is on again. off again. When he sees something he likes it is just too bad; he can't resist. . . . We wish to welcome our new dispatcher from the Forge Shop, Bob Morgan. He is dividing his time now days between the Forge Shop and the Impeller Section. Hope you like us, Bob. . . . Anyone wanting any information on how to sweep a chimney, ask Ralph Roland. . . . Albert Thomas came into work the other afternoon with one side of his face all swollen up. Every one thought he had been hit by something but he informed us it was just a sore tooth. . . . Martha James received a letter from Mary Robinson who quit work to take up her household duties again. She said she missed the gang and wanted to say "hello" to all of them. . . . We hear that Dale Parrett was home on furlough but was too busy to visit us. Hope to see you the next time, Dale. . . . Three people celebrated their birthdays this week—Joe Cochoit, Eulalia Coon and Bob Kinnaman. Eulalia's and Bob's are the same date. Seems they are the same age too. Does one look younger than the other to you? Eulalia baked a nice chocolate cake and brought it to work, passed it around and boy we wish she'd have a birthday more often for we sure liked the cake. Happy birthday to all of you. . . . Seems there are trees growing on the highways now. Lester Andrist says there are and the purpose is to stop cars, especially his car. . . . Does any one have an extra alarm clock? Mary Gordon could use one.

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THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

News From — TAYLOR STREET

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Rotor

We are starting our column this week with a little note to a soldier stationed in England, namely Bob Reed. Bob receives the NEWS regularly and has always looked for his mother's name in it. Well, Bob, we of the Rotor Department are proud of our four star mother, Stella Reed, and we wish you and your brothers the best; we hope you see her name printed here. . . . We bid farewell to Lydia Luecke, Helen Kaiser and Jo Paindexter from the Shaft line. We are sorry to see you leave us and we wish you all the best. . . . Kathleen Woodruff is visiting in Tennessee. Have a nice time Katie. . . . How long does one have to be a fireman to remember that the fire alarm sounds every Friday morning at 8 o'clock? Oh well, the exercise probably did Carl good anyhow. He certainly started down the aisle fast and furious before he returned red-faced to his work. Was the fire that warm, Carl? . . . Dora Thompson was pleasantly surprised when her son, Phil, came home for a ten day furlough recently. He is stationed at San Francisco. . . . "Don't Fence Me In" is the theme song of the Bucket Inspection since they are surrounded by conveyors and tables. . . . Any one wishing a nice soft pillow for their chair see Freddie Young. When we peeked into his welding booth there was Freddie with a lovely pillow made of rags and stuffed with duck feathers. It looked pretty neat too. . . . We take this means of letting Millie Blievernicht know we think her a real trouper to go on with her dance in the Minstrel show. Millie's partner was called out of town at the last minute, but Millie did a very nice job soloing, anyhow. . . . We wonder if Fred and Corky are trying to do a new light fantasy. They were seen walking along the street when suddenly Corky's feet flew in the air and in the next instant Fred's follows. Then they very nonchalantly get up and proceed down the street. . . . On our sick list this week is Lois Jones, Margaret Langston, Alverta Luegring and Lelah Ayers. . . . Hazel Brown's brother, James, left for the army Jan. 6. He formerly worked in Nozzle Box. . . . Earl Baumgartner is getting us some Jerries. He is fighting in Luxembourg. . . . Mary Hughes is planning a visit with her mother in Lebanon. . . . Happy birthdays this week to Mildred Ferrell and Otto Brandt, both of the Bucket Inspection line. The girls sang to them and Otto, their foreman, received a shirt, tie and the latest novel, "How To Clean Up On Horse Racing." The girls were presented with candy as a treat. . . . Did every one see our "Baby Snooks" Wednesday? A very good imitation, Polly. Braids, ribbon and all. . . . Pearl Noble undergoes an operation this week. Hurry and get well, Pearl. The bucket line misses you. . . . Blackie and Maxine Ressler made a cute couple in their navy blues. We are sorry to have you leave us, Max. Hope you'll be happy in Washington. You were looking swell, Blackie. . . . Helen Johnson's brother Rex is home on furlough. . . . Martha Ciabattari is visiting her husband, Sgt. Don Ciabattari, in New York. . . . Who is the handsome gentleman behind the dark glasses on the shaft line? No kidding, they look pretty sharp. . . . Welcome to first trick: Foremen Scott, Smith, Richardson, Holloway and Seery. Operators: Nellie Todd, Ellen Hirschbiel, Bonnie Keefer, Fern Brindle, Joe Egts, Vera Guthrie, Helen Baker, Emily Griffith, Dorothy Masterson, Edria Wilkinson, Naomi Huddleston, Lucile Hurley, Bob Curry, Vernie Tegeder, Ruth Walburn, Bertha Fuhrman, Florence Haag, Waneta Kinder, Helen McCleary Rife, Marg Felton and Arno Phegley. . . . John Holloway is the proud papa of a new son; he has been named Daniel John. . . . Virginia Graham has celebrated another birthday. . . . Tyle Emler is taking his vacation early; could it be ice fishing? . . . Arnold Phegely, Marcelle Mahensmith and Margaret Newcome have joined the shaft line on second trick. Hope you like it, girls. . . . Edna Frantz has received word that her son was missing in action. . . . Edith Juellerat came from first to second trick in Wheel Assembly. . . . Iren Kiern's mother and Noreen Gribb's father are sick. We wish them speedy recovery. . . . We will miss you, Jeanette Todd and Ellen Herschbiel, who are going on first trick . . . Mary Beaman has a brand new spanking permanent. . . . Mary Chloa Connor says she is too old to have birthdays. We don't believe that.

Aluminum Parts

Betty Taylor bas had a mysterious-looking lump on the side of her face all week. Our first thought was that she had started chewing tobacco; however, it was later learned that she is cutting two wisdom teeth, and are we relieved!—here at a time when there is such a shortage of tobacco! . . . We heard on the radio the other day that the government is releasing a large number of shoes for civilian use, and this started a stampede among the women, as usual. Bessie Penrod rushes downtown with the intention of buying shoes but returned home empty handed—she couldn't find anything to fit both her feet and head! . . . We wish to welcome two newcomers to second trick, Alice Robison and Ethel Schwarz, coming from the Screw Machine section. We hope you like us, girls. . . . Sarah Sowards is off this week visiting with her son who is home on leave from the Navy. That's swell, Sarah, and let us hope that the next leave he has will be a permanent one and let that be very soon. . . . Retha Hawk and Pinkie Barnes have returned to work after a week of illness. Glad to see you both, girls. . . . We had a very nice treat one night last week at Myrtle Fisher's expense. When we say at her expense, we mean to say that Myrtle has trouble sleeping and as a result she got up in the middle of the night and baked us a lovely cake. Wasn't that nice of her to think of us at that hour! . . . Has every one seen the Safety Award Plaque for 1944 which is displayed in Mr. Holloway's office? . . . Birthday greetings go to Claire Forbes, our second trick operator who is always mentioning other people's birthdays, but wouldn't mention his own. Good luck, Claire! . . . There is satisfaction in knowing a job is well done—help lick the Japs by eliminating the scrap!!

G-E Foremen's Association Elects



Charles Kensill, right, will head the Foremen's Association for the coming year. Other new officers are, left to right, Ross Strodel, Bldg. 19-4, vice-president; Paul Koogle, Bldg. 2-3, treasurer; Bernie Gausepohl, Taylor Street, director; and Harry Beitel, Bldg. 2-3, secretary. William Walt and Otto Rodenbeck were not present when the picture was taken.

POINSATTE PISTOLS

Here are a few reports from the Pistols so you won't forget about us over here at Clay and Washington Streets. . . . Last week a shower and dinner party was held at the English Terrace for the new Mrs. Marie Ohlwine of Inspection. Those participating in making Marie's evening an enjoyable one were: Helen Wood, Dottie Hemsoth, Beth Dale, Ruth King, Martha Englert, Glenora Widdifield and Maxine Spitler of Winter Street. . . . Can you imagine Mary Shoda and Harriett Bohler running a foot race? It was a tie too, for they were neck and neck. . . . Birthday congratulations to Martha Englert. She treated every one to some of her birthday cake and then received the traditional spanking. Nice way we have of showing our thanks, don't you think, Martha? . . . The latest news from Marguerite Dixon out in California, formerly of the Inspection Section, is that she will start her homeward journey February 26. The band is practicing night and day to welcome her back. . . . Due to the cigarette shortage our smoking areas look strangely deserted these days. Maybe that is why this column is so hard to write lately; we miss out on the exchange of gossip.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

"Red" Noyes was calmly going on about his work and happened to stoop over and r-i-p. . . . Lawrence Gardt passed out treats, and we asked him just how old his little daughter, Mary Elaine, is now. He very seriously looked at the clock and then answered, "Eight days, seven hours, and two minutes." Aren't you keeping a closer count, Lawrence? What about the seconds? . . . We want to welcome Olga Nickler back to work. She was ill for several days last week. . . . We hear that George Doll sure likes his chicken. You know it must be true when he even eats the neck and likes it. . . . Evelyn Keenan must be reading some mystery novels lately. Her latest one is "The Man on the Corner in a Big Flowing Cape." Which corner, Evelyn? . . . Any one with a weak stomach should try Donna Wagoner's diet. Six bars of candy, sandwiches, peaches, and then a late snack. After this even she didn't feel so well! . . . Kenny Rutledge comes to our floor, carefully deposits his lunch box, and when he looks for it—presto! it's gone! How in the world did it ever land behind the textolite? . . . F. A. Emlich, M.M. 2nd Class, husband of Helen Emlich, Bldg. 8-2, left February 7 for Philadelphia where he will be re-assigned for duty. He has been home on a 30-day furlough after serving for 16 months in the South Pacific area. . . . Congratulations to Robert McCollister, who was visited on February 8 by that well-known bird, and is now the proud father of a baby boy. . . . Glen Greek, Bldg. 8-2, must be trying to quit smoking the hard way from the looks of that "croquet mallet" pipe and the tobacco he smokes. One pipeful leaves you groggy for about an hour. . . . Seaman Donald Lothamer, and Cletus Lothamer, Jr., Gunner's Mate 3rd Class, are both spending furloughs at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Lothamer. Don has just finished his boot training at Great Lakes Naval Station. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 8-2. Cletus, Jr., has served 2½ years in the Navy and will return this week to Newport, R. I. Before entering the service he was employed in Bldg. 17-1. A very lovely party was given Thursday evening, February 8, in honor of the Lothamer boys at the home of their father, Cletus Lothamer, of Bldg. 8-2. . . . Ever since Bill Skinner's name appeared in this column telling of the big fish he has caught, he will do anything now just to keep catching the big ones. Upon a recent ice fishing trip, Bill was minus the proper bait to lure the larger species, so he stuck his leg through the ice and wiggled it. Aren't you trying to overdo this thing just a little, Bill?

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

We miss Zola Hetric who is absent because of illness. Hurry back Zola. . . . Mildred Johnston and Betty Geroff brought in cookies and candy on their birthdays last week. Thank you girls. You should have birthdays more often. . . . Georgia D. is not as sure-footed on the ice as she used to be. Why don't you try skis Georgia?

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

We miss Dorothy Merrillat this week for several days. Ma's older boy was sick in bed. Sure hope he gets well soon. . . . We wish to extend a welcome to Genevieve Eamick into Plastics. Hope you like it here. . . . Did you know that Freada Butler was a member of the Gallon Club? . . . On our birthday calendar this week: February 9—Rebecca Fredrickson. . . . We believe we will have seen everything when we have seen: Don Dressen without his suspenders, Will Osmun minus the chewing gum, Alice Parquet with nothing to say, Vivian Cearbaugh without a story, Teddy Walker without an alibi, Charlie Menefee sitting down, Martha Zoll leaving work and not looking spic and span, Vera Johnson wearing slacks or Mary Stephey and Becky Frederickson in skirts.

Bldg. 12-3, Second Shift

There doesn't seem to be much happening lately to report. . . . Welcome back to work Agnes Forschner. She has been off for nine weeks due to illness. . . . Ida Yaney and Martha Foguson can really put the rotors out every night. . . . The reason Delores Kaiser was off work was because she was snow bound. . . . Girls since our column is so short how about getting together and really cooking up some gossip. How about it?

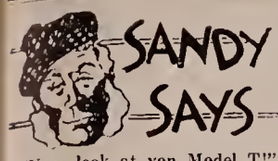
Bldg. 12-3, Office

We want to welcome Irene Bultemeier and Elmer Botterin to the office. Hope you like it here as much as we like having you with us. . . . Want to bet that Ernie Comte has broken the record on catching mice. Guess he has the right technique.

Bldg. 12-3, First Shift

Attention all car owners: if you are running short of gas, Sylvia Nelson has a new gas saver. Just ask Helen White and Ilene Minnik. They're always willing to push. . . . We all wish Florence Rekeweg a happy birthday, especially since she passed that delicious home made fudge. . . . Have you heard the new song hit yet? You haven't. Well, just ask Pauline Schneider to sing "Ah Sweet Misery of Life." It's her version of the song "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life." . . . Was Naomi Eicher's face red when she made a mistake and "woofed" at Mr. Coe.

Time lost in 1943 due to disabling injuries of workers—on and off the job—was equivalent to a shutdown of the nation's entire shipbuilding and aircraft industries for 38 days, the National Safety Council reports.



"Now, look at yon Model T!" I said, disgustedly, "broken windshield—old WORK NEWS stuffed into the hole—ye'd think there was a glass shortage instead o' a paper shortage. How did ye break it, anyway?"

"Battle damage," said Colin. "Got hit with a precious snowball."

"What do ye mean, precious snowball?" I asked.

"Had a lump o' coal in it. Good coal, too. I burned it in me furnace."

"Well, I'll bet thot newspaper becomes a fixture in thot windshield for the next ten years."

"Foosh, no, I've got insurance, and besides, thot's not what I'd call a fixture."

"No? What then?" I asked.

"Weel, I was on an errand yesterday in Bldg. 26, and I saw a very clever oxample o' what I'd call a FIXTURE. They needed to put wrappers very tightly on some coils, so, instead o' using old man 'Strongarm,' while old man 'Brains' went on a vacation, they put him to work, and he turned out the cutest little FIXTURE ye ever saw. It was so simple I nearly laughed at it at first, until I thought o' how simple those lads would o' becn if they HADN'T thought o' it. Weel, it did all the squeezing. All thc operator had to do was slip the coils in and stick the wrapper doon. If ye are interested in plain Yankee Ingenuity, which o' course was born o' gude auld Scotch C.R.*—there was 'IT'."

"Ah, yus," I said, "see what can be done if we only put our brains tae work, tae makc better products cheaper, and faster, with less fatigue. Why don't we do this more often? With thot kind o' 'stuff' on the ball, we ought tae sink Japan's two ocean navy in a hurry."

"What do ye mean, Japan's two ocean navy?"

"Weel, they've got one on the top, and one on the bottom, by noo."

*COST REDUCTION.

Spot Jottings Bldg. 19-4

Word was received from the War Department by Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar Schmidt that their son, Lt. Karl E. Dettling, had made the supreme sacrifice in Belgium on Jan. 23. Karl was employed during the summer of 1942 in Bldg. 26-5. Our most heart-felt sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt and family. Memorial service will be held at St. Paul Lutheran church, Sunday, February 18, following the second service. . . . Dorothy Webster, wife of PFC Louis Webster, received word from the War Department that her husband is missing in action since January 19 in Alsace. Louis was one of the boys on the second shift test in Bldg. 19-4.

FIREPROOFING OF PLYWOOD, used extensively by the Navy for small craft bulkheads and repair, has been accomplished through coopcration between the Navy Bureau of Ships, Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis., and private industry. Tests have shown that a piece of treated plywood 3-16 inches thick can be subjected to temperaturcs of 1200 degrees Fahrenheit for 20 minutes, and although the side exposed to heat chars, the other side does not even discolor. Samples also have been subjected to a continuous spray of water for 30 days without showing an appreciable decrease in fire resistant qualities. Future possibilities for use of flameproof wood are vast.—Army-Navy Release.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Somewhere in the Philippine Islands, January 11, 1945.

"Dear Editor:

"Received your letter a while back and was very glad indeed to hear from someone at General Electric. Since leaving the General Electric I have seen a lot of country and a lot of it I would like to forget. I was first sent to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to be inducted and from there to Camp Robinson, Arkansas, for basic training of eleven weeks, then to Fort Lewis, Washington, where I had about five months' additional training before leaving for overseas.

"I was granted one furlough of nine days before I left Fort Lewis but was unable to get back to General Electric for a visit which I would have enjoyed very much, but that is the Army with so little time to do anything. I came overseas in November, 1943, and went to Oahu in the Hawaiian Islands where I visited Honolulu several times, but it is not like you see it in the movies; however, considering the war and all the soldiers there, it is not so bad. We went to the Marshall Islands when they were being taken, and I might say that is one of the places I would like to forget as they are nothing but a pile of sand, with a few cocoanut trees on them, in the middle of the ocean. From there we had a short rest period and then off we went to Guam, which is considerably better but still no place to brag about.

"We are now in the Philippine Islands and when we will leave here to go somewhere else I don't know and couldn't say if I did know.

"Well, this is about all I can think of to write about for this time. I am sorry that I haven't written sooner but we do keep quite busy. I would like to thank you for keeping the General Electric WORKS NEWS coming through—it really helps out a lot. I would also like to say hello to everyone in the Maintenance Department, especially John Schwartz, and to the men in the Boiler Room. Tell them they had better get on the ball and get a little news in the paper about themselves.

"I must sign off for this time; will try to write again sometime. I hope that soon this war will be coming to an end and we can all get back to work at good old General Electric. Thanks for the letter and the WORKS NEWS. Lots of luck to all.

Yours truly,

"Oakie" (Sgt. Fred Jack.)"

Tool Room and Maintenance

We received a visit last week from Ray Wiese, formerly an apprentice toolmaker working for Bill Kelsey in the tool room. Ray has just received his wings as a pilot and his commission as a Second Lieutenant. He looks very snappy in his new uniform.

Receiving and Transportation

The next time Virgil Genth wants envelopes we'll give him the box and keep a few envelopes, but they take no ration stamp yet. . . . Rolland Bechtol sure looked like he had the mumps the other day. Did the dentist get the best of you, Rollie?

Production

Bill Stockwell really had a feast. He had a double order of everything on the dinner menu, plus a quart of milk. In the afternoon he felt that he was still undernourished, so he bought himself some ice cream. . . . Wilmer "Barber-Shop-Quartet" Maloney answers his telephone with a cheerful "Willie the Great, on 298."

Planning

The new girl in Planning is Gloria Prough, who is taking Mary Connell's place. . . . Glen Macy tried rolling his own cigarettes but finally gave up and is now back to smoking a pipe.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

High count for the evening was John Schwartz's 611 which included a 247 game. This puts John in first place for high single game and in second place for high three games. His team also went into second high single game with 948. R. McKeefer also blew hot for one game when he chalked up a 237 game which puts him in third place for high single game. Other 200 scores were Kolmerten 234 and O'Neill 207. Team 6 continues to lead the league with 11 victories and 4 defeats.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team played no league game this week because of the Golden Gloves Tournament. They play Taylor Street next Wednesday night in their second league game of the second half. Also this week a couple of scheduled exhibition games fell through, so the boys took a good rest.

Golf

What? Yes, you're right, it's golf. Les Didier, our perennial winter golfer, has managed to play a few rounds at Brookwood despite all the snow. And here we thought it was too cold to stick our heads out. Les didn't reveal the scores but he should be given "A" for effort.

Accounting and Payroll

Hortense Stevenson was a very happy girl last week, and rightfully too. Her husband, who is stationed in Hawaii, sent her an orchid direct from the Islands; it was a beautiful flower too. . . . Charlic Horner certainly is a forgetful man these days. The other night he tried to start his car three times before he remembered he should turn on the switch. Then he discovered he forgot his key. Oh me, these forgetful men! . . . We all want to say good luck to Alice Rodemeyer, who is leaving our little fold today. She is going to spend some time in Arizona. A party was held in Alice's honor last week. Those attending were Frances Bouse, Marguerite Fisher, Marie Leemhuis, Hortense Stevenson, Dorothy Scherschel, and Rita Pallone. Good-bye and good luck, Alice, and come back and see us soon.

Oil Pump and Compressor

Juanita Ebert had on so many coats and sweaters the other day that she didn't know when she got to the last one to show the guard her button.

Grinding

February is the month of birthdays of some famous people, including Bill Groves, who enjoyed a mammoth chocolate cake from the gang; and Cliff Baker, who received many useful gifts from his fellow workers. . . . Willford Trullender's dog pulled the wool over his eyes. She had four little pups on his sheepskin coat. . . . Spring must be just around the corner. Timme and Benecke are getting their pitching arms in shape. . . . June Provines has been transferred to the wrapping section.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

Maxine Bobay celebrated her birthday a week ago Saturday, as we mentioned before, but didn't receive her gift from the Birthday Club until Tuesday. Better late than not at all—isn't that right, Max? . . . Eileen Bartle forgot her work shoes last Monday and had to wear Lois'. Are you a good swimmer, Bartle? And by the way, they are both still rooting for those Leo Lions. This reporter sat in with them at the Central Catholic game and I should know. But those Lions didn't need too much fan supporting when they've already won twenty-one straight games. . . . Danny Higgenbotham gave us a surprise when he told about his marriage which occurred November 27. The Mrs. works upstairs. Congrats! . . . Have you noticed that Elmer Gault's been walking with a limp? Hope you get better soon, Elmer. . . . We miss Norbert Jacquay's appearance here after his transfer to refrigeration. . . . Glen Tritlipo was really excited last week when his brother who has been overseas three years arrived home unexepctedly on furlough.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Ruth Neely is a very happy person. She received two V-mail letters from her son Rowland, stating he arrived safely at his destination. . . . We notice "Mac" McMonigal is a very easy person to blush. . . . Earl Galland sure can spill those maples when a prize is involved. He rolled a neat 222 score recently. . . . The familiar sight of Floyd Brown will be missed by the gang in the Tool Section. Floyd has left to join the service. Best of luck, Floyd. . . . A large group in the northwest corner of the department held a birthday celebration in honor of Charlotte Miller. Her inspection bench was well draped with tissue streamers and they all joined in with the familiar "Happy Birthday to You" greeting. . . . G. Collett, set-up man on gear machines from the second trick, has left Power Drive. . . . Our newest member to the first shift is Dan Duffy. . . . Freddie Klaehn announces the arrival of a new baby boy. Congratulations, Freddie. . . . We extend our most sincere sympathy to Pete Spitler, on the death of his father. . . . Two new additions to the Burring Section are Leona Bodle and Dorothy Mulholland. Welcome, girls.

Oil Pump Assembly Room

We're sorry to hear of Loretta Growcock leaving us. We welcome Evelyn Houser back to take over the job. . . . There are two birthdays to be celebrated in the room this week, Bessie Sickafoose and Doris Karbach. How about a birthday cake, Whitey Colvin? We know you can do it. Umm, good!

Machine Shop

We have two new girls in our section, and they hail from second trick. They are Jeanie Wireman and Evelyn Kilgus. . . . Have you noticed Fred Zurckee's new shoes? They're honeys, steel toes, too. He has a nice smile and those teeth are pretty, now that he shows them once in a while. Fred says he's had them all the time.

Power Drive Office

Marion Hardwick was transferred to Bldg. 26-2.

A NAVAL OFFICER LEAVING WASHINGTON BY AIR for duty at Pearl Harbor, tucked a roll of microfilm into each blouse pocket and was off. Three days later the two reels, cach containing tiny reproductions of 500 engineering drawings, were at the advance base. Mechanics consulted the film, then made urgently needed repairs to a ship which had been helpless until then to return to action. Had they been on paper instead of film, those plans would have weighed 128 pounds, obviously too heavy to fit into officers' pockets, and too bulky to go by plane without displacing a passenger or high priority cargo. Compact and portable microfilm is being widely used for this purpose by the Navy. Often they are ready and waiting at the advance base for the Navy is steadily sending microfilm copies of the plans of any ships or planes which might require assistance at that base.—Army-Navy Release.

A traffic sign in a small town reads: "Drive slowly—no hospital." Bigger towns might well have a sign saying, "We have a hospital—but no room for you!"

Tests On Electrolytic Corrosion May Help Aircraft Equipment

Humidity conditions worse than those reported by the India Meteorological Department for Rangoon, India—where the air is often completely saturated with moisture—were duplicated in tests devised in a General Electric laboratory as a means of combating the ravages of clectrolytic corrosion on insulating materials in the tropics. The tests were described by B. H. Thompson and K. N. Mathes of the Company's General Engineering Laboratory during the recent AIEE Winter Technical Meeting at New York.

Declaring that a large proportion of failures caused by moisture in apparatus containing fine wire is due to electrolytic corrosion, the authors explained that the destructive effect occurs when moisture absorption produces leakage currents which electrolytically decompose the conductor and result in open rather than in shorted windings.

No class of materials has yet been found which is completely non-corrosive, according to the authors. Moreover, they said that the corrosive nature of various insulating materials differs widely, and in some cases a single class of materials may possess a wide range of corrosion-inducing characteristics.

The authors indicated that tests such as they made can be of value in the design of aircraft equipment, which may be exposed to high humidity conditions even though not used in the tropics.

"Even in temperate climates," they said, "moisture condensation may occur on apparatus chilled during aircraft flight at high altitudes. This water may even be forced into electrical windings by pressure changes resulting from subsequent changes in altitude. Serious damage may occur if this absorbed water freezes and cracks the insulation."

The three types of tests described by the authors were a visual test, a corrosion current test, and a water extract test. The equipment which they used can be duplicated inexpensively. They tipped back a large refrigerator box so that it would hold water in the bottom and at the same time allow condensed water to run off the ceiling surface without dripping. The box was located in a room held at 25/1 C and sufficient heat was applied at a constant rate to the water to maintain an air temperature of 35 C. The laboratory condition adopted for the tests was 100 per cent relative humidity, plus dew at 35C (95F.).

A NEW AAF RATION THAT GIVES HUNGRY FLIERS a snack while in the air for periods of three hours or more is being issued to air crews. Known as the air crew lunch, it is made up largely of carbohydrates consisting of fudge, assorted candy and gum that will help alleviate fatigue, improve efficiency and relieve the feeling of hunger of tired air crew members returning from their missions. An outstanding feature is the container which was designed so that it can be opened with one hand while wearing heavy flying gloves. Sliding the inner container forward releases the fudge and gum from a hole in the side of the container, and sliding the container in the opposite direction releases the candy.—Army-Navy release.

Be safe today and live to work another day.

Victories Of Pacific Fleet Depend Upon Sustained Production, Says Nimitz

Terming 1945 a critical year in our war against Japan, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz declared in a broadcast from Pacific Fleet Headquarters: "The first and most urgent necessity is for every working man and woman to stick to the job of producing for victory." He added that final victory can be speeded only "if the shipyards and factories which produce the myriad items demanded by modern Naval warfare continue to produce at top speed."

"The Allied Nations are closing in on the enemy from all sides. His cities are being blasted from the air. His sea traffic is being throttled by air, surface, and submarine blockade. What remains of his stolen empire is in peril. Now we may expect our desperate enemy to fight back bitterly, in order to stave off final defeat," Admiral Nimitz said.

"As the Pacific Fleet and the fighting forces of all services in the Pacific Ocean areas prepare to meet the severe tests immediately ahead I have been asked to indicate what the American people can do to help sustain our offensive.

"The first and most urgent necessity is for every working man and woman to stick to the job of producing for victory. In shipyards and Navy Yards along the West Coast and elsewhere serious manpower shortages exist. We depend upon these yards for quick and efficient ship repair. Your Navy now has more than 1,000 combatant ships. Maintenance and repair demands, however, limit the number that can be in action against the enemy at any one time. A ship that is undergoing repairs at a Navy Yard or waiting to get into a yard, is temporarily of no more use than if she were at the bottom of the sea. We must be certain that repair and maintenance facilities be continually kept at full strength for our fighting ships. All the shipyards and factories, wherever located, which produce the myriad items demanded by modern Naval warfare most produce at top speed until final victory. We can be confident of achieving that victory, but it will not come soon. It is certain that it will come more quickly if the war effort at home continues undiminished.

"Second, I urge that you sustain the high morale and fighting spirit of our personnel on the lonely islands and atolls of the Pacific, and aboard ships at sea. If you could observe how eagerly all hands look forward to letters from home, or the cruel disappointment of those left out when mail is distributed, you would realize what a lift to the human spirit may be contained in a half ounce envelope. Out here we regard mail as being of such help to morale that we establish post offices in LST's near the scene of amphibious operations, and try to get mail ashore even while beachhead fighting is still going on.

"Finally, you can help your fighting Fleet and all forces in the Pacific by realizing the scope and complexity of the job we are doing and by remembering what we as a Nation have learned about our ambitious and treacherous enemy. If you will not forget what happened on the morning of December 7, 1941; if you will not forget the Japanese threat to dictate the peace in Washington; if you will not forget the grim battles and the men who gave their lives at Wake Island, at Bataan and Corregidor, in the Solomons, at Tarawa, Saipan, Guam and the rest; if you remember these things, your deeds from day to day will certainly be of a kind which will help win complete victory in good time."—Navy Release.

G-E Welder In Hot Spot . . .



Artist's conception of recently-perfected light mobile repair shop mounted on jeep to make emergency repairs on the battlefield. Whole assembly weighs one-quarter ton and will replace 5-ton truck towing 1½-ton welding trailer. It has passed same tough tests as are given to tanks.

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Do ultraviolet rays affect the entire body even though only part of the body is exposed?

A. Yes. The rays cure and prevent rickets even when the entire body is not exposed to them. Many authorities believe that ultraviolet rays exert other beneficial effects, too, but that is a rather controversial question.

Q. What is the approximate speed of the earth's revolution around the sun?

A. About 18.5 miles per second.

Q. Is sterling silver pure silver?

A. Sterling silver is 92.5 per cent silver and 7.5 per cent copper. There is no pure silver used for tableware. Sterling silver contains more silver than the silver coins, which are 90 silver and 10 copper.

Q. What causes an electric light bulb to make a buzzing sound when burning out?

A. This faint buzzing noise, which sometimes occurs when an incandescent lamp reaches the end of its life and burns out, comes from a tiny arc which expands and contracts with the frequency of the alternation of the current. On direct current it is silent. Whenever this buzzing noise is heard in a lamp it is a high-efficiency gas-filled lamp. The effect does not occur in vacuum lamps.

Breakfast At Sardi's Program On Tuesday

Nominations for the good, good neighbor who is to receive the orchid on the Elex Club's "Breakfast at Sardi's" program have been received and are being judged. The winner will be announced on the day of the party, Tuesday, February 20. The program, which is to be held at the West Creighton Avenue Church, will begin promptly at 11 A.M. Tickets are 55c, and all reservations must be in by tomorrow. Mothers are invited.

The program will include all of the features of the famous radio program, such as the good, good neighbor orchid, the wishing ring, the Max Factor make-up kit, and Uncle Corny. All girls are expected to wear a funny hat, and prizes will he given for the funniest ones. The master of ceremonies will be Cecil Kite, who will take the place of Tom Brenneman.

The Elex Club party will be mentioned on the regular "Breakfast at Sardi's" program on February 20.

Taylor Street Will Hold Party Monday

Get your tickets NOW for the big Taylor Street Merchandise party to be held at the G-E Club next Monday night Feb. 19, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Many valuable prizes will be given away during the course of the evening to those in attendance. A ticket prize will be awarded to the holder of the lucky number.

The general public is invited to attend this party. Tickets are now on sale at G-E Club (Candy stand), Employees' store at Taylor Street and from members of the Committee.

The Box office will open at 7:00 o'clock next Monday evening for those wishing to buy tickets at the door.

Meet your friends at the Club for an evening of fun.

Sponsored by
Taylor Street Athletic Committee.

More Heavy Artillery And Ammunition Vital On All Fighting Fronts

"It is my job and the job of every American here at home to supply our field commanders and their troops with the munitions they require to defeat the enemy in the shortest possible time and with the least possible loss of life," declared Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson in a recent statement.

"Our production requirements are set by our field commanders," he continued; "we work only to serve them. They know what they want, what they need. Our job is to fill their needs.

"General Eisenhower has an imperative need for much more artillery ammunition than we are now producing. Although our production of artillery ammuntion has tripled since the beginning of this year, the needs of our armed forces have gone up even faster. The troops under General Eisenhower's command are firing 35 days supply of heavy artillery ammunition in ten days. The amount of ammunition which has been used in the campaigns of Western Europe, especially in the major offensives, has been staggering. General Eisenhower has cabled that the present need for one month for the troops in Northwestern Europe alone approximate 6,000,000 rounds of artillery and 2,000,000 rounds of mortar ammunition. The First Army alone used more than 300,000 rounds of 105-mm howitzer ammunition in a two-week seige of Aachen.

"Expenditure of ammunition in the course of the European campaign has thus far exceeded 375,000 tons. If General Eisenhower's operations are to receive adequate support, it is necessary to fire four to five thousand pounds of ammunition every minute, 24 hours a day. This means 3,600 tons of ammunition per day.

"At the same time we are confronted with an increased demand for artillery ammunition from every other active theater. General MacArthur's troops in the Philippines are shooting a greater quantity of artillery ammunition this month than they have in all of the past sixteen months combined. General Clark is calling for increased shipments of ammunition to the men of the Fifth Army.

"Our losses in trucks and tanks have been very high in all theaters and our requirements are going up more rapidly than our production. In the European Theater alone we are losing 500 tanks and 900 trucks a month. We are also short of cotton duck for tents, airborne radar equipment, tanks, heavy trucks and other important items.

"Our war production job is still enormous. Since the first of the year the Army alone has been letting new contracts at an average weekly rate of 550 million dollars. That is a rate of over 28 billion dollars. ASF production scheduled for this month is greater than the total for any month since Pearl Harbor. In fact, we must have 10% more production than we got in November, 1943, the peak month thus far.

"I want to make it clear that these problems do not arise because any one is falling down on the job. Despite the enormous demands from the field, we have kept abreast of our requirements on most parts of our supply program. Even on those items that are now in short supply, production has been coming up. But it is not coming up fast enough. Our troops are using up this equipment at such a rate that superhuman effort is necessary to meet their current needs, and these are the items that are most essential if we are to intensify the force of our offensives."

Speaking along these same lines, Lieut. Gen. Brehon Somervell, Commanding General, ASF recently said:

"However long the war lasts in Europe, we dare not relax until the last German squad has surrendered. If we had taken advice offered by some quarters two months ago and shut down production when it looked to some people as if the war would be over in a few weeks, our troops on the German frontier right now would be dangerously short on many items they desperately need. We dare not relax production until we know that Germany is beaten and we'll not know that until the day the enemy drops his arms. And we must remember that even after the defeat of Germany, we have a man-sized job ahead of us in the Pacific."—War Department.

G-E Club Men's Team Defeats K. Of C. Club

By Bob Kessens

The Club team continued their victory march Tuesday night at the Club gym when they defeated the tough K. of C. aggregation 41 to 38 to avenge an earlier defeat of 35 to 34 handed them by the Knights.

The first quarter saw the Club score on the very first play of the game. The Club missed some good shots but were leading at the end of the quarter 12 to 6. The second period saw the Club continue a fast breaking game and outplayed the Knights to take a commanding lead of ten points, leading at the half 24 to 14.

The third period saw the Knights begin to click while the Club was having a hard time connecting with the hoop. The Knights began to whittle down the Club lead on some fine play from around the foul line, the period ending 31 to 25 in favor of the Club. The fourth quarter was a ragged and rough affair, both teams missing many set-up shots and frequently fouling. Miller sparked the Knights when he connected for three long shots to put the Knights within three points, the Club being forced to extend every effort to protect their slim lead. When the final horn blew, it was G-E Club 41, K. of C. 38.

This makes 18 wins out of 20 starts for the Club, and the 14th consecutive victory.

The summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	K. of C.	G.	F.	T.
Baade	1	1	3	Miller	6	2	14
Lowden	2	2	6	Brug	2	0	4
Stover	0	0	0	Schneider	1	1	3
VanRyn	1	0	2	Walker	3	0	6
Reed	5	1	11	Krause	2	7	11
Krieg	2	5	9	Schiffle	0	0	0
Allen	5	0	10				
Hassinger	0	0	0				
Totals	16	9	41	Totals	14	10	38

Half Score—G-E 24-14.
Officials—Shine and McKenzie.

FLYING FORTRESSES, LIBERATOR MARAUDER AND HAVOC bombers of the U. S. Tactical AAF are being lightened for heavier loads and faster flying by substituting "flak curtains" for heavy armor plate—Army-Navy release.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Club Team Wins Thriller From Baer Field

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings (B Section)
Includes Games of February 7, 1945

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Tool Division	1	0	1000
General Service	1	0	1000
Squares	1	0	1000
Transformer	0	1	.000
Taylor Street Test	0	1	.000
Messengers	0	1	.000

Scores of Games, February 7

Tool Division	22	Transformer	17
General Service	28	Taylor Street Test	22
Squares	32	Messengers	18

Tool Division 22; Transformer 17

The Tool Division copped the opening second half game in the B section of the Inter-Division Basketball league by winning a tight defensive game from Transformer 22 to 17. Scoring for both teams was very evenly distributed with Dunlap for the winners and Kemp for the losers high with six points each.

Tool Division (22)	G.	F.	T.	Transformer (17)	G.	F.	T.
Rider	2	0	4	Fritz	1	0	2
Trump	1	0	2	Kemp	3	0	6
Thomas	0	1	1	Altevogt	0	1	1
Waldrop	1	1	3	Rona	2	1	6
Widner	0	1	1	Nickerson	1	1	3
Peniignot	1	0	2	Gruelach	0	0	0
Reed	1	1	3	Eisenbarger	0	0	0
Lowden	0	0	0				
Dunlap	3	0	6				
Totals	9	4	22	Totals	7	3	17

Gencral Service 28; Taylor Street Test 22

General Service opened their drive for second half honors with a 28 to 22 win from Taylor Street Test. Led by their elongated center, Kepler, the orange clad boys were in the lead at all stages of the game. Kepler, using his height and reach to good advantage under the basket, tallied 17 of his team's points to take scoring leadership for the evening. Fox and Bobilya each scored six points for the losers.

General Service (28)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St. Test (22)	G.	F.	T.
Pickett	2	1	6	R.Roberts	2	1	6
Schible	0	0	0	Bobilya	3	0	6
Kepler	7	3	17	Fox	3	0	6
Knuffman	1	0	2	Conkle	2	1	6
Ray	1	2	4	Walsh	0	0	0
O'Connell	0	0	0				
Dukes	0	0	0				
Totals	11	6	28	Totals	10	2	22

Squares 32; Messengers 18

The Squares with memories of the overtime game they played with the Messengers during the first half, got away fast piling up a lead of 15 to 2 at the quarter and 25 to 3 at halftime, holding the Messengers scoreless from the field during this time. The younger Messengers rallied in the third quarter outscoring the winners 13 to 4 to trail at the third quarter horn 29 to 16. Both teams were extremely cold in the last quarter, the Squares scoring three and the Messengers only two points. Rowe and McNamara with twelve and eleven points were high scorers for the winners while Hapner and Rice with seven and six points paced the losers.

Squares (32)	G.	F.	T.	Messengers (18)	G.	F.	T.
Edgar	2	0	4	Click	0	0	0
Rowe	6	0	12	Swank	0	0	0
McNamara	6	1	11	Hoffman	1	0	2
Kissler	2	0	4	Rice	2	2	6
Hellenthal	0	1	1	Hapner	3	1	7
Nauman	0	0	0	Gnau	0	1	1
Alexander	0	0	0	Hanley	1	0	2
				Fortney	0	0	0
Totals	16	2	32	Totals	7	4	18

Schedule for Wednesday, February 21:

7:00 Transformer vs. Taylor Street Test.

8:00 Messengers vs. Tool Division.

9:00 Squares vs. General Service.

Schedule for Thursday, February 22:

7:30 West Side vs. Taylor Street.

8:30 Firemen vs. Small Motor Office.

9:30 Winter Street vs. Small Motor Factory.

Leading Scorers B Section (Second Half)

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Kepler, General Service		1	7	3	9	2	17
Rowe, Squares		1	6	0	2	2	12
McNamara, Squares		1	5	1	2	1	11
Hapner, Messengers		1	3	1	3	2	7
Kemp, Transformer		1	3	0	0	2	6
Dunlap, Tool Divislon		1	3	0	0	1	6
Rice, Messengers		1	2	2	3	3	6
Bobilya, Taylor Street Test		1	3	0	3	2	6
Fox, Taylor Street Test		1	3	0	3	6	6

Introducing THE GALS



Betty Whiteleather

Betty Whiteleather is another member of our girls' team who is better known by her nickname than her own—she is the gal who is always called "Butch". For purposes of identification, "Butch" is the girl who wears a number "3" on her playing jersey.

She lines up at a forward spot for the tip-off, but immediately after the jump, she switches to the center position. "Butch" is a newcomer to the squad this year; but nevertheless she has earned herself a berth on the starting five. She is a southpaw and has a rather unorthodox manner of shooting, but she certainly gets good results as she is one of the highest scorers on the team. She makes most of her points on left-handed lay-up shots, and has what is probably the best shooting percentage of the squad. "Butch" is a fast, aggressive ball player; and with each game she becomes a more valuable member of the team.

"Butch" is already well known to the followers of our girls' softball team as the southpaw hurler of our last season's squad, who also doubled at first and left field. She is employed in our Taylor Street plant.

Tool Room Bowling

Feb. 8, 1945
Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Lathes	13	5
Lab. No. 1	13	5
Rotors	11	7
Automatics	10	8
Tools	10	8
Lab. No. 2	10	8
Jigs	9	9
Dies	9	9
Welding	8	10
Repairs	8	10
Drafting	8	10
Fixtures	0	18

200 scores—Mooney 214; Sauerwein 200; Hawk 257; Voors 202.

Girls' Team Adds Two Victories To Season's Record

Defeat WACS 39-20; Down City Light By 26-24 Count

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls' basketball team rolled up two more victories this past week when they defeated the Baer Field WACS at the Base; and then won from City Light, 26-24, in a City League tilt. This puts G-E in the driver's seat for the second half of the City League with an undefeated season of league play so far this year.

The girls had little trouble defeating the WACS. They were able to score almost anytime they wanted to, and held a 26-6 halftime advantage. "Fuzz" Amstutz and Gladys Varner rolled up 19 points between them during the first half. The game was exceptional for the G-E, inasmuch as not a single foul was called on them during the entire ball game. Baer Field had 9 personals chalked up against them.

Varner's 10 points were high for the G-E, Amstutz was next in line with 9, while Williams tallied 7. "Pigtails" Brancato led the Baer Field scoring with 8 points, while Sanders and Moss with 4 apiece were next in line.

The G-E girls chalked up win number 14 last Tuesday against their bitter city rivals, City Light. The game was close and hard-fought all the way, with G-E holding quarter leads of 9-5, 13-7, and 19-16. G-E held the lead during all the first half; but in the opening seconds of the second half, Shearer tallied twice to get City Light in the game. They forged ahead 16 to 13, but "Fuzz" Amstutz scored for G-E and they were soon ahead again 17-16. The entire game was a nip-and-tuck affair where anyone could win.

"Tommy" Williams led the G-E scoring with 11 points while "Butch" Whiteleather added 6 more. Meiers and Shearer led City Light with 11 and 6 points respectively. They all had a lot of fouls assessed against them, G-E drawing 16 and City Light 14. City Light lost Shearer late in the game on personals while several players finished up with four against them.

The last quarter really kept the spectators on the edge of their seats. G-E never led more than four points in that quarter; and with two minutes to go, they were ahead only one point. City Light was trying desperately to score, and missed several shots, mostly because they were over-excited. "Tommy" Williams scored a charity toss to make it 26-24, and the gals then tried to "freeze" the ball for the remaining seconds.

The summaries:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Baer Field	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	2	1	6	Dippy	1	0	2
Boedeker	1	0	2	Squires	0	0	0
Williams	3	1	7	Moss	2	0	4
Amstutz	4	1	9	Snyder	1	0	2
Whiteleather	0	0	0	Sanders	2	0	4
Steller	2	0	4	Kerekes	0	0	0
Varner	5	0	10	Brancato	4	0	8
Puff	1	0	2				
Totals	18	3	39	Totals	10	0	20

Half score—G-E Club 26; WACS 6.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	City Light	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	1	1	3	Meiers	5	1	11
Boedeker	0	0	0	Shearer	3	0	6
Williams	3	5	11	Davies	0	1	1
Whiteleather	3	0	6	Baumgartner	0	0	0
Puff	0	0	0	McCarron	0	0	0
Amstutz	1	0	2	Meyer	1	0	2
Steller	1	0	2	Arnold	2	0	4
Varner	1	0	2				
Totals	10	6	26	Totals	11	2	24

Half score—G-E Club 13; City Light 7.
Officials—McKenzie and Shine.

Main Office And Small Motors In Girls' Playoffs

By Helen Forker

The Main Office girls and the Small Motors girls finished up in first and second place respectively to earn their right to meet in the Girls' Inter-Division League playoffs. Main Office took over first place by losing only one game during the regular season, and Small Motors fell back to second position last Friday when Main Office defeated them in their last league tilt. Winter Street lost to West Side last week; but still wound up in third place, while West Side dropped to the bottom.

Main Office led Small Motors all the way, finishing ahead 27-20; but they never got out front far enough to let up. They held quarter leads of 6-2, 13-8, and 21-10. Phyl Affolder tried desperately to get her team back in the game during the final quarter, as she tallied 8 points; but this only served to make Main Office settle down and tighten up their defense.

Leona Nelson paced the Main Office attack, pouring in six field goals and a free throw for 13 points. Smith was next in line for the winners with 7 points. Affolder led the Small Motors scoring with 11 points, and Strabede followed up with 5 more.

The first play-off game will be scheduled for seven o'clock in the G-E Clubhouse on Friday, February 16. Another game will be played at eight o'clock with Winter Street meeting an outside team in an exhibition game. The second play-off game between Small Motors and Main Office is slated for February 23 at 8 o'clock. A preliminary game will be arranged for 7 o'clock on that evening. If the third play-off game becomes necessary, it will be arranged for at a later date.

In their last league appearance, West Side defeated Winter Street in a close battle by a score of 16 to 12. The score was tied much of the way; neither team being able to gain an advantage. Phil Coles led West Side's scoring with 11 points, while Dot Fuhs and Kate Hively poured in all of Winter Street's tallies—8 and 4 points respectively.

Add high-speed records: electrons (in tubes) move at a speed of 25,000 to 186,000 miles a second. In other words, electron time must be measured in millionths of a second.

The Men's Club team really had a scare thrown into them Thursday night when they had to battle from behind to defeat a determined Baer Field team that did not give up until the final whistle. The Club team failed to get started with the Fliers having a lead of 5 to 0 before the Club started to hit. They then hit for four straight to lead at the end of the first quarter 8 to 5. The second quarter saw a very much improved Baer Field team battle the Club on even terms, the score changing four different times with the Fliers emerging with a lead of 31 to 28 at the half.

The third quarter was a nip and tuck affair with the Club and Fliers still maintaining the lead 31 to 29. The fourth quarter opened with the Fliers beginning to hit from out and Sporleder of the Fliers hitting four in a row. The Club team was still having trouble finding the basket and did not seem to be able to stop the Fliers' offensive attack. With two minutes of play left the Club team suddenly opened up with all they had and brought the score within three points, the Fliers leading 38 to 35. Reed then connected with a shot from the foul circle, followed by a quick under the basket play by Krieg. With ten seconds left to play there was a wild scramble under the basket with Reed coming up for a lay in shot to clinch the game 41 to 38.

Reed with 13 points and Krieg with 14 points led G-E while Sporleder had a big night leading the Fliers' attack with 20 points.

G-E Club (41)	G.	F.	T.	Baer Field (38)	G.	F.	T.
Baade	1	3	6	Sporleder	9	2	20
Madden	0	0	0	Bartleson	1	2	4
Krieg	6	2	14	Feehan	1	1	3
Reed	6	1	13	Jackson	0	0	0
VanRyn	1	0	2	Smith	1	0	2
Lowden	1	2	4	Kubin	0	0	0
Allen	1	1	3	Jones	4	1	9
Totals	16	8	41	Totals	16	6	38

Half Score—18-21.
Officials—Corbin and Tucker.

G-E Defeats Y.M.C.A.

By R. Karasek

The General Electric Table Tennis team won a well-deserved victory last Thursday, February 8, when they defeated the YMCA by a score of 17 to 10. This was the second time this year that the G-E Club had defeated the YMCA and virtually assured G-E of the City League championship. The Club team played their best game of the year as Ferverda defeated Collias in the feature match of the evening. Wednesday, February 14, G-E played Tokheim at their table tennis rooms on South Calhoun Street.

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Flying Pins	12	3
Knock Outs	9	6
Pin Hitters	9	6
Whizz Bangs	6	9
Lucky Five	6	9
Head Pins	3	12

Games rolled over 170—Esther Walda 177; Mildred Mullen 172.

Esther Fuller rolled 129, 198, and 173 for a 500 series.

Pin Hitters took the lead in High Team three with a total of 2123.

There's as much latent explosive power in a pint of gasoline as in ten pounds of dynamite. Keep such liquids confined in safety containers, warns the National Safety Council.

G-E Teams To Play Two Double-Headers

Club Team Defeats Findlay All Stars

The Club was too fast on the break for the Findlay All Stars Saturday night and rolled up a 51 to 39 victory before about seven hundred fans who turned out for the Findlay Exchange club's benefit basketball program.

The first quarter opened with Trask, sensational All Ohio State forward of 1944 sinking four long shots from the center of the court to take the lead 8 to 0. The Club called time out and when playing time was resumed Stoner connected for two from under the basket, while Baade came through with a long shot from near center. Federici for the All Stars was fouled and scored both free throws. On the next play Stoner scored on a sleeper play. Stoner then scored from under the basket and on the out of bounds Krieg intercepted, passing to Lowden at the free throw circle who scored. The Club again intercepted Lash's pass to Federici and Lowden scored from the side to put the Club in the lead at the end of the first quarter 12 to 10. The second period saw the Findlay team bear down to take the lead on three more baskets and a free throw. The Club again called time out and when time was again called Lowden and Stoner came through, pouring the leather through the hoop to take the lead at halftime 25 to 19.

The Club really gave the crowd a treat to some Indiana basketball when they gave a fine exhibition of passing and basket sniping. Baade again connected for a basket from well out and was fouled by Federici, getting a free throw and making it good. Caughman scored for the All Stars, with Steegman intercepting the out of bounds play to score from underneath. Stoner and Lowden again retaliated with two baskets each. Federici came through with a long shot. Lash scored from underneath. Bob VanRyn scored twice on shots from the side of the court. Trask again began hitting, getting three in a row from well out. VanRyn scored from the foul circle to end the third period with the Club leading 38 to 28. Trask again scored for the All Stars. From then on the scoring was pretty well divided. The Fort Wayne Club was master of all situations of the game from then on. Madden went into the ball game but was injured a couple of plays later. With the Club controlling the ball the last two minutes the game ended 51 to 39 in favor of the Fort Wayne Club. The G-E Club managers and team were congratulated on the fine sportsmanship shown throughout the ball game, having only seven fouls called against them. The Club team was picked from twenty teams that were approached to play this ball game for the Findlay Exchange club's public school education and Red Cross funds.

The summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Findlay	G.	F.	T.
Baade,f	2	1	5	Trask,f	6	1	13
Stoner,f	7	1	15	Federici,f	6	0	12
Krieg,c	0	0	0	Caughman,c	1	6	8
Allen,g	2	0	4	Steegman,g	2	0	4
VanRyn,c	8	2	8	Decker,g	0	0	0
Lowden,c	6	3	13	Carey,g	0	1	1
Madden,g	3	0	6	Simpson,c	0	1	1
Totals	22	7	51	Totals	15	9	39

Halftime score: Fort Wayne 26; Findlay 19.

OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

By R. F. Dressel

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 8	13	5
Team No. 4	11	7
Team No. 2	11	7
Team No. 12	10	8
Team No. 6	10	8
Team No. 7	9	9
Team No. 9	9	9
Team No. 3	9	9
Team No. 10	8	10
Team No. 6	7	11
Team No. 1	6	12
Team No. 11	5	13

Results of Bowling

Team No. 2 won 3 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 6 won 3 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 3 won 3 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 5 won 3 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 8 won 2 games from Team No. 12. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 10.

200 games—P. Stiver 207; G. Meyers 223; H. Mosshammer 256; G. Garland 232.

Notes from your observer—Team No. 6 was setting the pace at Decatur in the Mies tournament with 2964 pins. Good bowling fellows. G. Hughes was bowling for Team 8 this week as he had 9 pins total in the first frame and a total of 10 pins in the second frame. Some of the bowlers would like to have R. Dressel's picture as he approaches the foul line for delivery; it isn't the expression on his face that counts; it's the stuff he puts on the ball. R. Zelt had a bad day, Saturday, and he assures your observer of a better week-end next. Team 3 was hitting this week for a 3 game win. F. Wilson is on the verge of selling his ball. We wonder why? There are spots available for bowlers in this league, contact the secretary.

Owl Basketball

By R. James

The second half in the Owl league, which consists of a double elimination tournament, was fatal to Motor Generator when it lost its second game to high flying Bldg. 4-4.

With the return of Paul Lecoque to the line-up, Bldg. 4-4 ran wild over Motor Generator to turn in a 42-17 win.

For Bldg. 4-4, Lecoque and Johnloz were the big guns with 17 and 16 points respectively. For the losers it was Snyder with 7 points.

In the second game, Bldg. 17 kept right on rolling along with a 33-27 win over Taylor Street. It was a good game undecided until the final gun.

Taylor Street was ahead 15-12 at the half, but Bldg. 17's height and rebound work in the second half gave them the ball game. Scoring honors went to Hensler and Thomas for Bldg. 17 with 11 points apiece. For the losers, Gilbert was high with 13 points.

Standings

	Won	Lost
Bldg. 17	2	0
Bldg. 4-4	1	1
Taylor Street	1	1
Motor Generator	0	2

Summaries:

Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.	Motor Generator	G.	F.	T.
Crosley	1	1	3	Beber	2	0	4
Hosek	1	0	2	Garskey	0	1	1
Lecoque	8	1	17	Snyder	3	1	7
Johnloz	7	2	16	Ringwalt	1	1	3
Middaugh	0	0	0	Hildenbrand	0	2	2
Christlieb	0	0	0				
Runyon	2	0	4				
Totals	19	4	42	Totals	6	6	17

Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.	Taylor Street	G.	F.	T.
Hensler	6	1	11	Katzenmaler	1	1	3
Williams	2	0	4	Berror	3	3	9
Thomas	4	3	11	Gilbert	5	3	13
Renz	0	0	0	Luther	0	1	1
Kelly	1	3	6	Bowser	0	1	1
Young	1	0	2	Sittloh	0	0	0
Kimes	0	0	0				
Totals	13	7	33	Totals	9	9	27

Officials—Slater and Ball.

Club Forward



Mel Madden

Playing the forward position on the G-E Club team is Mel Madden. A former North Side High School and Westminster player, this is his first year of play with the G-E Club.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzman

The third round ended with the February 8 rolling. The Receiving set a new record for high team single games with a 968 score. They also took all three games from Planning, thereby getting a tighter grip on first place. Power Drive had the second highest game of the evening with 878. They bested FHP for two games. Order Service, anxious to get out of the basement, had their sights set for a clean sweep against Inspection, but had to settle for only two since the Inspectors "laid the pumpkin to the kiadling" in the last game to roll themselves into third high singles with an 874. Maintenance and Production set an endurance contest since their match lasted so "far into the night" that all the other teams had left already. Production was probably trying to outlast their opposition but to no effect. Maintenance still took all three games, thereby giving Production the undisputed title of "cellar dweller."

Jack Miller was high total scorer for the evening, pounding the maples for 538 and also an even 200 single. Bergman also had an even 200 game, and collected 533 total pins. Newlon barely missed 200 twice, but still came up with a 532. Brown came through for a 202 single and totalled 514 his first in this league in both brackets. Rapp, Parsons and Evard each hit 510. Von Grant had three good games and clicked for 509, his first total over 500. Kallmyer got over the hump with a 504 and Cooper shot a 201 and a 501 count. Springer was "on the beam," shooting his highest single so far, a 216, the best of the evening and also getting "over the hump" with a 502, also his first. Griffith went home with a broader smile than usual because of a 480 total, his best so far this season. Bartz's 192 and Bennett's 190 helped the Inspectors to their new high game, in fact the whole team had a mess of strikes to start out that said game.

Congratulations to Herman Rapp and Herb Parsons for setting the pace in the City Tournament. They rolled a 1289 in the doubles event last Sunday, Feb. 4. Here's hoping your first place position holds up.

Play Saturday Night; Tuesday At G-E Club

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club men's and girls' basketball teams will stage two more of their double-header games at the Club on Saturday, February 17, and Tuesday, February 20.

In their big Saturday night games, the girls will play Uhlig's at 7:45 o'clock, and the men will play the South Bend K. of P. team at 9 o'clock. On next Tuesday, the girls play their last league tilt against the Harvester, and the men will meet the Huntington Caldwell squad.

The girl's game Saturday is scheduled to get under way at 7:45 o'clock. They will meet their newest City rivals, the gals from Uhlig's. Uhlig's lost a city league game at the Club recently, and are now out for revenge. They are a new team this season in basketball, but they have already gained a reputation for themselves on the softball diamonds.

The probable starting line-up for Uhlig's has not yet been announced, but probably will include Ely, Taylor, Betty Uhlig, Keener, and Margaret Uhlig. The G-E starting line-up will probably be Fitch and Williams at forward, Whiteleather at center; and Puff, Steller or Varner at the guard spots.

Our girls have now won 14 and lost 2, and they are battling hard to keep all the rest of their games on the winning side of the books. They are favored to defeat Uhlig's, but probably won't succeed without a struggle. Uhlig's have been giving a very good account of themselves and can be depended upon to make it a good game.

In the nine o'clock game, our G-E men will meet the South Bend K. of P. team. The K. of P.'s are now in second place in the South Bend League, and have defeated such teams as South Bend Bendix and Benton Harbor. They have a very good team—one that will make our boys work hard for every point they get.

The South Bend squad is composed of Strombeck, Scholl, and Heston, guards; Ringenberg, captain and center; Raburn, center; and Juday, Cajkowski, Kraft, and Goshorn, forwards. They have indicated that they will probably start Strombeck, Scholl, Ringenberg, Cajkowski, and Juday.

Our G-E boys will be shooting to make it fifteen straight Saturday night. They have now won 18 out of 20, and fourteen straight—a record to be proud of! Our G-E starting five will probably be Allen and Krieg at guards; Reed, jumping center, and Lowden and VanRyn at the forwards.

On next Tuesday night February 20, our men play the Caldwell five from Huntington. This game is slated to get under way at 9 o'clock. The Huntington team is composed of boys who played together in the Lancaster county high schools. They are now in their third season of play for Caldwell, and have built up a wonderful record—82 wins and 11 losses in three seasons. Their record for this year, to date, is 15 wins and 6 losses.

Their players' list contains the names of C. Hoover and DeHaven, forwards; Clyde Hoover, center; and Landrom, Lawber, Updike, Jones, and Wehr, guards. Their probable starting line-up will be C. Hoover and DeHaven at forwards, Clyde Hoover at center, and Landrom and Lawber at guards. Our G-E men will probably stick to their usual starters, Allen, Krieg, Reed, Lowden, and VanRyn.

This Huntington squad boasts wins over the Marion Moose, McMillan, and General Tire of Wabash to name a few; and they are all set to topple our boys off of their winning streak that they are now enjoying!

In the first half of Tuesday's double bill, the girls play their last city league game against the lassies from the Harvester. Our girls defeated Harvester early in the season, and they are now determined not to let up enough for us to do it again.

The Harvester's starting line-up was not known at the time of this writing; but it may include Foland, Mason, Augustyniak, Crance, Roth, or Duncan. The G-E girls' line-up is likewise undecided at this writing, but will probably include Fitch, Williams, or Boedeker at forwards, Whiteleather at center, and Puff and Steller at guards.

As always, these games are open to the public free of charge and all G-E employees and their friends are invited to attend. Our G-E teams have been putting on some mighty fine ball games over at the Club, and they have a pair of teams that are very worthy of your best support—so why not come on out and cheer them on a bit? Let them know you're really backing them!

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 1 won 3 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 9 won 3 games from Team No. 6. Team No. 2 won 3 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 3 won 3 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 10 won 2 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 4.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 3	12	6
Team No. 1	12	6
Team No. 11	11	7
Team No. 9	11	7
Team No. 6	10	8
Team No. 2	10	8
Team No. 12	9	9
Team No. 4	8	10
Team No. 6	7	11
Team No. 10	7	11
Team No. 7	6	12
Team No. 8	5	13

600 series—Stiver 193-201-234—628.

200 games—Serovey 200; Diemer 201; Stiver 201-234; Garard 206; Hamilton 209; Landis 209; McKee 211; Roehm 212; O'Connell 213-218; Myers 217; Payne 223.

Remarks—Team No. 2 now has the three game total as well as the single game; the single game high is 923 and the three game high is 2591. The single game high is held by McKee with a 245 total. The three game high is held by Stiver with a 628 total. Team No. 7 and Team No. 4 seem to be running into trouble this half. All I can say is "Hit 'em right boys."

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An Orchid To The Good Neighbor



An orchid for the good neighbor went to Mrs. Walter Delauter of Sidney, Indiana, at the Elex "Breakfast At Hollywood" party held this week. Pictured above is Mrs. Delauter receiving her orchid from Cecil Kite, master of ceremonies. Mrs. Delauter's daughter, Bonnie Goodrich, is employed in Bldg. 4-3.

Vice-President C. H. Lang Tells Of Pacific Tour

Makes Personal Inspection Of War Fronts, Observes Performance Of G-E Equipment

War facts emphasizing how weapons and equipment developed and produced by General Electric Company were contributing forcefully to the crushing blows being delivered against the Japanese by the armed forces of the United States were compiled on his recently completed 25,000-mile tour of the far flung Pacific battle area by C. H. Lang, Vice-President of G-E.

Making a personal inspection along the fighting fringes of this vast theater of operations as chairman of the Company's war projects committee, Mr. Lang was greeted with praise everywhere for G-E products and weapons and demands by Commanders and G. I.'s for "more and more" of them "quickly." That went for just about everything on the long G-E war list from gunnery control devices on B-29's to refrigerators.

"The fighting men are doing their job," Mr. Lang said. "They're smashing the Japs in the air, on the sea and on land—one of the greatest war achievements of history.

"But, and my long trip brought this home to me forcefully, they still have a long and hard way to go on that job. So have we. G-E workers certainly can't afford to lose an hour, not even a minute, in the vital work of supplying these fighting men with the materials they must have to continue and in-

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Seventy-Two Idea Awards In Weekly Report Total $695

Alton Cupp, Bldg. 4-6, Heads List With $50.00

A suggestion for ordering copper wiring for use in the cold header section from the Wire and Insulation Division brought a $50.00 suggestion award to Alton Cupp, Bldg. 4-6. Mr. Cupp's idea was one of 72 for which a total of $695 was awarded in a one-week period, according to S. E. Palmer, chairman of the suggestion committee.

Three awards of $40.00 each were issued. They went to Robert D. Collis, Bldg. 4-1, to Russell E. DeBard, Taylor Street, and to Charles Strong, Bldg. 6-1. Mr. Collis suggested changes in the method of counterboring clamp bolt holes, Mr. DeBard changes in the method of re-machining driving electrical wheels, and Mr. Strong providing small jib hoists on trucks to handle acid carboloys.

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CASUALTIES

Pvt. Warren Hershberger, Bldg. 26-1, has been missing since January 12 in the Southwest Pacific area while serving with an engineering aviation battalion.

PFC Robert K. Hawkins, Bldgs. 4-6 and 6-2, was wounded in Belgium on January 10. He is recovering in an English hospital.

Jet Engine Reduces Upkeep Problems

Simplicity Of Design And Operation Aids Ground Crew Men

Simplicity in design and operation of the powerful G-E turbo jet engine developed and produced by General Electric Company for swift fighter planes of the Army Air Forces has eliminated many maintenance problems and sharply reduced others, it is reported by both AAF ground crew men and G-E engineers.

Staff Sergeant Earl Kohler, a jet crew chief at Wright Field, Air Technical Service Command headquarters in Ohio, says that maintenance of one of the G-E jets now being used by the AAF to propel propellerless Bell P-59A planes requires "less than a fifth" of the time and labor that would be necessary on a conventional airplane motor.

The jet engine was described as being so simple that "I can't understand it" by Sergeant Kohler in Air Force, official AAF journal.

"Air comes in the front and goes through the compressors, mixes with kerosene in the combustion chambers and is ignited," he said. "It blasts out through the flame pipe, and that's all there is to it."

The fact that the G-E jet has only approximately one-tenth as many moving parts as does the ordinary reciprocating motor explains much of the savings in maintenance.

"Most mechanics are surprised to learn that there are only eleven bolts holding the engine in place," Sergeant Kohler said.

"And not very big bolts at that. In that engine there are but two main bearings and one shaft.

"I can pull an engine with an inexperienced crew in thirty-five minutes, and four men can pull both engines and install new ones in a day. Where we used to spend five days doing a certain job on a conventional plane, we can do the same thing for a jet in a day.

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Laboratory Engineers Authors of Article In Metal Progress

W. L. Fleischmann and R. S. Jenkins, both in the Works Laboratory, are the authors of an article titled "Rockwell Hardness of Cylindrical Specimens," which appears in the February issue of METAL PROGRESS. It deals with the changes in Rockwell hardness readings for like specimens of different diameters and develops a nomograph showing the correction factor to be used."

Plans Complete For Red Cross Drive March 5

Plans for the Red Cross War Fund Campaign at the Fort Wayne Works have been completed with the establishment of a goal of $50,000 to be raised at the Broadway, Winter Street, Taylor Street, Decatur, and Kokomo Plants of the Works. The campaign, which is to open March 5, is under the direction of J. W. Crise, executive assistant. Mr. Crise has announced that divisional quotas will be established and banners will be awarded the divisions and sections meeting 100% of their quotas. The same organization used in former campaigns will solicit contributions, which may be paid by a single deduction from pay or by cash. A sample subscription card is printed elsewhere in this week's edition of the WORKS NEWS.

The campaigns held in November, 1942, and November, 1943, in the name of the United War Chest included the War Chest, the Community Chest, and the American Red Cross, one-sixth (1942) and one-fourth (1943) of the amount of funds raised in those campaigns being allotted to the American Red Cross. Quotas for both campaigns were based on 1½ days' (12 hours) pay. The campaign in October, 1944, included the War-Community Chests only, and quotas were based on one day's (8 hours) pay. It

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Magnets Play Important Part In Modern Warfare

The common magnet is still a mystery. For more than 3,000 years people have pondered the question. What is magnetism? But no one has ever given the answer.

Today magnets have countless applications. They have gone to war—in airplanes, in tanks, in motors of all kinds, in secret fighting equipment whose nature cannot be told. Children have been fascinated by them for centuries. Scientists have used them to experiment. Because of recent developments, their future promises to bring us many new products for home and industry. Yet no one can explain their essential nature.

At General Electric, a leading magnet producer and developer of highly important magnetic materials, one magnet made of Alnico in a special assembly has been recorded as lifting 4,450 times its own weight. Engineers have called this the most powerful magnet in the world.

Many Postwar Uses

Because of the rapid progress made in perfecting permanent magnets for wartime applications, G-E experts predicted that in postwar days many new products will be introduced, using them as the core of their mechanism. They foresaw such commercial possibilities as a coffee maker that automatically turns down the heat when the coffee is done, letting it stay warm but not allowing it to become overcooked; an electric flatiron that automatically switches off the juice when the iron is even momentarily out of use; a magnetic wire recorder, an ingenious device that

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Who Cares?

Accidents cost us heavily in lives and war materials. Improved machines can prevent some accidents. Better methods will stop others. But **human failures cause by far the largest number**, and these cannot be wiped out by changes in machines or methods.

The secret of doing a job safely is **caring**. Doing it the way you would work for yourself or your best friend. No fooling around. No risks taken that you may regret. No disregard of safety instructions. No "cutting corners."

The answer for carelessness is a **man who cares.**

Training Speeds Learning

It is often said of a boy that he is a born mechanic. While he may have a natural aptitude for mechanics, it won't take him very far unless it is backed up by the proper training. As it is in the beginning so it goes on. In order to progress to higher responsibilities one must increase and improve one's knowledge and skill.

Today that extra knowledge is doubly important, for, in addition to preparing a man for advancement, it also equips him to play a full part in his company's War Production Drive. Take advantage of the opportunities offered you for extra training now, so that you will be prepared in every possible way for the promotions which are more plentiful today than ever before.

A Toast To China

General Electric had a glimpse the other day of the unconquerable spirit of China. A group of smiling, eager young men from that country visited six G-E works to learn more about America's newest industrial methods. They had been sent for this purpose by an agency of the Chinese government.

When the "modernized" Japs stole China's factories in the coastal region at the start of the war, they got in many instances only empty shells; the machinery had been laboriously moved inland. It was presently set up again and operating, though only sporadically, because of lack of materials. And units had to be scattered on account of bombings. But the young visitors said that one electrical company alone now employs 4,000 persons.

All this in spite of the bitterest warfare Japan knows how to wage, in spite of repeated disappointments over broken supply routes! The guests of G-E arrived in America at the darkest hour for China, when internal disunity was threatening to paralyze completely her power to make war. Yet they appeared confident of the future for industry there.

General Electric has been playing an active part in China's defense for many of its engineers have learned here and then gone home to their serious tasks with G-E "know-how." The Monogram has made many friends in that country, too, and one of the visitors revealed that the letters "GE", translated into Chinese, make two words meaning "wonderful".

A toast to China and to her courageous young men who plan a bright future for their country in the midst of a dark present!

MAKE IT A "TEN-STRIKE"



War-making nowadays is a vastly complicated process. Like a great Superfortress plane, it is a mighty assembly of big and small jobs, all put together into one unit to beat the enemy. And so no germ of an idea for an improvement in the doing of one's job can be disregarded without a hitch in the advance toward victory.

This war is more of a contest between people in industry than you may think. We, of course, are turning out excellent equipment. But so is Germany, according to recent visitors to the Western Front! And American products may not be the best, in every case.

As a matter of fact, the Germans have an excellent incentive for turning in suggestions. The Allied armies are battering down the gates, and the German workers' homes are at stake. That's the kind of competition we have to beat!

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. How are raindrops formed?

A. Little water droplets are formed around minute nuclei, and if they get large enough they fall to earth, under the influence of gravity, as rain. Meteorologists are not sure why rain falls from some clouds and not from others, but they are certain, however, that droplets cannot form by condensation in perfectly clean, pure air. Every fog particle, every cloud droplet, and every raindrop must start with a nucleus of foreign material, the temperature of which is below the dew point. These nuclei are mostly the molecules of certain gaseous impurities, such as sulphur dioxide, the oxides of nitrogen and particles of salt, which are present only in the air near the ocean. Smoke and dust are likewise sometimes effective.

Q. What part of wood is used in making paper?

A. Wood is about two-thirds cellulose, one to two per cent xylan (woodgum) and up to 30 per cent lignin. By boiling wood pulp, or what we commonly call sawdust, with sodium hydroxide, preferably under pressure, the lignin dissolves and the xylan is destroyed. The cellulose, however, remains unchanged and is used for the manufacture of paper. Another method of obtaining cellulose from wood is called the "sulfite process." In this, small pieces of wood are submitted to long boiling with a calcium bisulfite solution. This dissolves the lignin and any other constituents of wood which do not resemble cellulose, but leaves the cellulose unattacked.

Q. Why does a radio station need a master control room?

A. The control room is a sort of central figure in radio broadcasting. Its main function is to maintain the correct volume level for the various broadcasts coming in through and going out of the station. If this volume is not maintained correctly, noise and cross-talk will interfere.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.
Donald Edgar (2)*	R. 3, Auburn, Ind. Coming in on No. 427.	26-B
Ralph T. Meier (2)*	R. 1, Churubusco, Ind.	20-1
Frank Carard (3)*	R. 2, Columbia City, Ind. Coming in on No. 14.	2-1
Clenn D. Seip (5)*	R. 8, Fort Wayne, Ind. Coming in on Sandpoint Road—7 miles out.	27
Orville Koble (2)*	R. 11, Fort Wayne Illinois Road and Sutton Drive.	20-1
Kurt F. Harz (4)*	R. 8, Fort Wayne Kyle Road—6 miles out.	17-1
Eddie D. Krick (4)*	R. 8, Fort Wayne	6-B
Harold Drabenstot (1)*	1003 Jackson, Huntington	4-4
Lawrence Voirol (1)*	R. 2, Monroeville, Ind. Coming through Monroeville.	6-1
Imogene Kreamer (3)*	North Manchester, Ind.	26
Harvey Leonard (3)*	New Haven, Ind. 6 miles east on Edgerton Road.	26-3
Oren Taylor (2)*	710 E. Ft. Wayne St., Warsaw, Ind.	2-1

Foremen	Hours
Long	7:00- 3:00
Luebke	3:30-11:30
Franke	7:00- 3:30
Baumgartner	3:00-11:00
Nickels	7:00- 3:30
Gibson	7:00- 3:30
Steinbarger	8:00- 5:30
Snyder	3:00-11:00
Buell	3:30-11:30
Cramer	11:00- 7:00
Bender	7:00- 3:30
Walt	7:00- 3:30

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Foremen	Hours
Betty Bennett	409 Edgewood Dr., Ft. W.	Thomas	8:00- 5:00
Clara E. Betz	R. 2, Grabill, Ind.	Gebert	7:00- 3:30
Joan Seaman	R. 1, Huntertown, Ind.	Fleischman	8:00 5:00

TAYLOR STREET PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Edith Juillerat	Columbia City, Indiana	Sible	3:12-11:12
Webster McCutcheon	Huntington, Indiana	Traub	2:48-10:48

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Really Helping



J. B. Moody J. Clymer

"I think the Navy's great, but I wish I was still working at the G-E. I think the G-E Company is doing great, and believe me, they're really helping the armed forces," says James B. Moody, Jr., who was employed in Bldg. 18-B before joining the Navy. John Clymer, MM 2/c, was employed in Bldg. 26-4 before joining the Navy. He is stationed at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Friends:

. . . The camp is very good for the conditions involved. The mail wasn't very long getting here after we arrived and I have been very busy catching up with it.

I saw a lot of G-E equipment on board ship and a lot of it passes overhead every day.

The money used here is in pesos and centavos, which is double our money.

I Hope that you will say hello to all the shipping and receiving gang at Taylor Street for me, as it may be some time before I can write to them.

Sincerely,
Pvt. Dale W. Sweet.

Stationed In South



W. A. Colley M. J. Osbun

Milo J. Osbun, S 1/c, (ARM), was employed at the Means Bldg. before joining the Navy. He is stationed at Jacksonville, Fla. 2nd Lt. Wayne A. Colley, Bldg. 4-2, is a member of the Air Corps stationed at Hondo, Texas.

Dear Editor and Gang in Bldg. 26-4:

Can't think of a better way to begin the New Year than to wish all my friends at the G-E a very Happy New Year. My mail has been reaching me irregularly since we have moved to Belgium. Received the November 24 WORKS NEWS last night, and also fourteen letters, so really spent an enjoyable evening reading.

. . . The American forces don't waste much time getting to the front and our outfit has seen plenty of action so far and we are attached to a Division at the present time which has a grand record.

Spent Christmas in the basement of a Belgian home. To be more specific, it was in the wine cellar. Of course, we had to remove many empty bottles off the floor to bed down and fortunately we found a bottle of champagne and two bottles of wine. We earned the treat, for believe we handled five hundred bottles. Also had received some of my Christmas packages the day before the 25th, so can't complain.

Am sure all of you are doing the excellent job you have done in the past and please don't let up for this conflict isn't finished as yet. It is well in hand, but the Jerries are a bit stubborn. We have what it takes to convince them and as long as you keep the supplies rolling all of us will dish them out. Could never put to words the appreciation we hold for your splendid assistance.

Yes, I too used to complain about a seven day week, but never again, for over here every day seems the same and Saturdays and Sundays are no exception. We get to church whenever possible, and it is surprising how often services are held here at the front.

Miss all my pals in Bldg. 26-4 and am counting the days until I hit you up for another job, Orville. Enjoyed every moment of my time spent working for you and hope to have you for my boss when this is over.

Would appreciate a line or two from some of the gang in Bldg. 26-4, and you can mail such spare writing material you might find to send to

Cpl. Dallas F. Gamble

PFC Ronald Van Hoozen, Bldg. 4-4, has returned to the states and is a patient at O'Reilly General Hospital, Ward B-5, Springfield, Missouri.

T/Sgt. Howard G. Reinking is stationed somewhere in Luxembourg.

Pvt. Jacob M. Park is located somewhere in France.

Hello, Everyone:

I guess it is about time I sent my new address and save the postman a lot of trouble and shorten the length of time the WORKS NEWS is in the mail. Having been in California for so long, it is kinda hard to get used to a winter again, although we are not having anything to compare with what you are getting up there. Here one day may be sunny and warm and the next will be cold, damp and miserable. Worst part of the country here is the mud. If you get off the road or sidewalk here you pick up weight very fast, about three to five pounds on each foot.

Our work here is quite different from our former work, having transferred to the field artillery. Our battalion is the first of its kind to be formed in the army and for that reason plus the fact that we ourselves haven't learned too much about it, I can't tell you much about our new work and equipment. The equipment seems much simpler than our former job required. . . .

Well, I guess I can close with a big "Hello" to all the folks I worked with in Bldgs. 26-2, 26-3, and 26-4. Keep up the production and some day soon, I hope, all the boys will be back.

PFC Robert F. Schmeling

T/Sgt. Glenn D. Seabold was recently advanced to that rating somewhere in the Pacific area. He sends regards to his fellow employees in Bldg. 4-6 and the rest of his friends.

PFC George Norwood, in the Hawaiian Islands, is an electrician working on generators, motors, transformers, etc.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Wounded In Action

Hi, Gang:

Just a word to say hello and let you know my new address. After being wounded in action I am coming along just fair, still in bed and can't walk. I am in a nice general hospital here in England.

After four months of no mail or G-E NEWS today I really hit the jackpot; I received 25 letters and 4 WORKS NEWS and was really happy to get them.

In the servicemen's section I saw and read about my friends all over the world. I was really happy to see a letter from good old Cpl. Walter Mertz. I would like to ask him where he is in France that reminds him of home. What I saw it reminded me of the old dump that used to be on Taylor Street. Yes, the WORKS NEWS sort of made me homesick after not reading one for so long, but was very happy to receive them. Keep them coming. I look forward in reading them each week or when I get them.

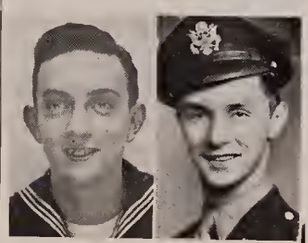
I did not get a chance to use much G-E equipment, but was one of the famous bazooka team. That's really a swell weapon, and I know all the rest of the G-E equipment is all just as good.

I would like to say hello to all my friends in Bldg. 26-1 and also Bldg. 8, in fact all over the place.

. . . Keep the home front going full blast and hope "We are all back home alive in '45."

As ever,
PFC Harold Ponsot

Bang-Up Job



W. C. Fox R. J. Blossom

Lt. Robert J. Blossom was awarded the Air Medal at a recent ceremony held at his Eighth Air Force Fighter Station in England. Lt. Blossom has flown more than 21 combat missions in a P-51 Mustang unit. His group has destroyed more than 255 German planes in aerial combat and over 165 planes on the ground. The citation accompanying the award read: "For extraordinary meritorious achievement while serving as a fighter pilot during an extended period of aerial combat over Germany. The courageous devotion to duty and outstanding flying ability displayed by Lt. Blossom reflects the greatest credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States." William C. Cox was employed at the Taylor Street Plant before joining the service. "The G-E is doing a bang-up job in production. We all want to thank you. G-E equipment is used throughout the Navy. It sure looks good to see the old G-E labels on supplies. Keep up the good work."

Sgt. R. E. Hume, somewhere overseas, says that he is living in houses now, but it is very chilly and quite a bit of snow on the ground.

Corp. Cecil W. Kotterman, USMC, has returned to the United States and is stationed at Parris Island, South Carolina.

Lt. Leroy H. Cook is stationed at Kansas City, Kansas.



In A Fox-Hole

Belgium

Dear Editor:

A few lines to say hello to you and all my friends. Things have sure changed since I last wrote to you. I'm now living in what the doughboy calls a fox-hole and the mud he usually walks through is now snow. I have arctics but after you're outside your fox-hole so long they're not much good.

I do have a pretty nice hole and a swell fox-hole buddy. We have it plenty large with straw on the bottom, white rags on the sides to keep loose dirt from falling down and the top is plenty strong with logs across and dirt on top of the logs. We made a stove out of a five-gallon can and you would be surprised how warm the hole gets with the door closed. We heat coffee, C and K rations on the stove and toast bread, heat water to wash and shave. Things aren't too bad, I guess.

The (censored) fly day and night and they sure make a lot of noise when they're going over. I like to hear the motor run, for I know it's not going to do me any harm when it's flying over. What I don't like is when the motor cuts off; then you have to look out.

The way I try to look at it is that some other G.I. Joe has it a lot tougher than I have, so I can't kick.

I'll close now and try to write later when I have the chance. Be good, and I hope to see you this summer.

As ever,
PFC William Shoda

Lt. Donald N. Redding, Bldg. 17-1, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

Good Work



M. W. Ressler D. Steinbauer

"Glad to be home again. Hope you keep up the good work. We need plenty of G-E products, such as motors, etc.," says Marshall W. Ressler, S. Bkr. 3/c, of the Taylor Street Plant. Don Steinbauer, also of the Taylor Street Plant, is stationed at Chanute Field, Illinois.

C. H. Lang

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they must have to continue and increase the tempo of blows against the enemy."

These convictions were based on what Mr. Lang saw in the combat areas and talks he had with commanding officers and men on Saipan, Tinian, Guam, Leyte, Mindoro, New Guinea, Australia, and other far-flung bases.

Mr. Lang concentrated during his battle front swing on talks with combat officers and enlisted men. He wanted to know what they thought of General Electric produced weapons. How have G-E units and other products worked out under stress of combat. Does enough G-E equipment and weapons get to places where they are needed by the fighting men. Answers of importance along these lines were gotten by Mr. Lang from officers and gunners who have been flying B-29 Superfortresses over the Japanese homeland from Saipan.

"Those B-29 gunners—most of them sergeants—say they are more than confident with the central control gunnery system which G-E developed and produced. They say they are actually proud of it, proud that they are the operators of the most advanced aerial gunnery system in the world. They told me that they had taught the Japs to respect it, too.

"As for the pressurized cabins on the B-29's, for which air is supplied from G-E turbosuperchargers on each of the planes, the officers and men are more than enthusiastic. These cabins and the air that is siphoned to them make it possible for the officers and men to make high altitude fifteen-hour missions without having to use oxygen masks except as a precaution over the target and be encased in heavy clothing. That pressurized cabin pays off by reducing fatigue, and those men who have been blasting Tokyo and other Japanese areas appreciate it."

Mr. Lang pointed out that the turbosuperchargers, which also breathe for the engines on the B-29's, making it possible for them to operate efficiently at substratosphere altitudes were compiling a near perfect record in the entire Pacific theater of operations.

Lieutenant General George C. Kenny, commanding general of the far eastern army air forces, went even farther in reference to the turbosuperchargers. He told Mr. Lang that "we want turbos on every plane we get. They have a job to do, and they do it."

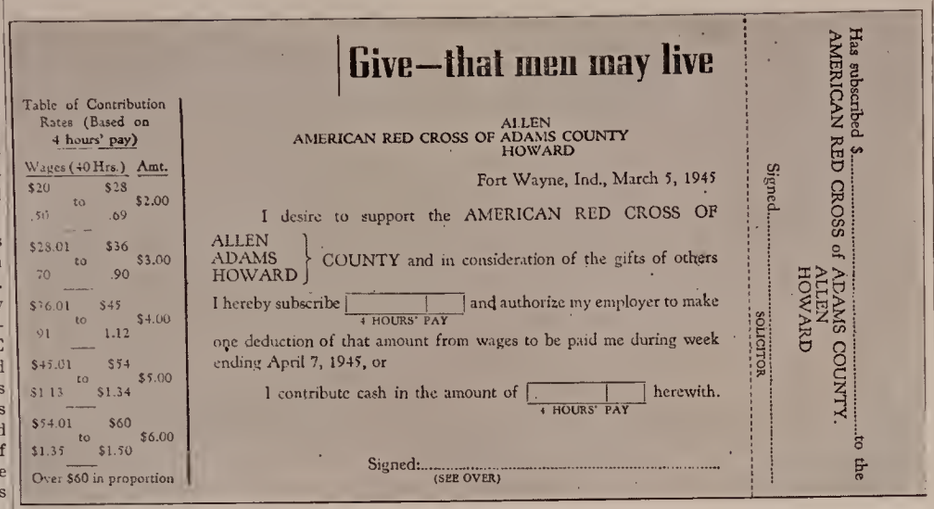
Mr. Lang was in the control tower at the B-29 base on Saipan on the night of January 19 when a large flight of superfortresses returned from a highly successful bombing mission against Japanese aircraft engine works at Akachi on one of the main Japanese home islands.

"Those mammoth eagles came in from this 3,000-mile or more flight of 15 hours with perfect precision," Mr. Lang said. "When the last one touched the long runway, the officer in the control tower relaxed. He smiled and said—"Hundred per cent home." Every one of the planes that went over the target was back and safe. Later a commanding general showed us pictures taken on the raid, showing great damage inflicted on the Jap airplane engine plant at Akachi.

"The following day the Jap broadcaster came on and left us in on the secret that twenty-seven of the B-29's had been shot down or badly damaged on the raid. I had seen the end of that mission. All of them came in. We got a real laugh out of that broadcast."

(The above is the first instalment of an article on Mr. Lang's trip. The second and last will be published in next week's WORKS NEWS.)

Form For Red Cross Contributions



Give—that men may live

Table of Contribution Rates (Based on 4 hours' pay)

Wages (40 Hrs.)	Amt.
$20 to .50 — $28 to .69	$2.00
$28.01 to .70 — $36 to .90	$3.00
$36.01 to .91 — $45 to 1.12	$4.00
$45.01 to $1.13 — $54 to $1.34	$5.00
$54.01 to $1.35 — $60 to $1.50	$6.00
Over $60 in proportion	

ALLEN
AMERICAN RED CROSS OF ADAMS COUNTY
HOWARD

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 5, 1945

I desire to support the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF ALLEN / ADAMS / HOWARD } COUNTY and in consideration of the gifts of others I hereby subscribe [ ] (4 HOURS' PAY) and authorize my employer to make one deduction of that amount from wages to be paid me during week ending April 7, 1945, or

I contribute cash in the amount of [ ] (4 HOURS' PAY) herewith.

Signed:.....
(SEE OVER)

Signed.....
SOLICITOR

Has subscribed $.....to the AMERICAN RED CROSS of ADAMS COUNTY.
ALLEN
HOWARD

Pictured above is a reproduction of the form which solicitors will use for Red Cross contributions during the campaign which is to be held beginning March 5. A study of the card beforehand will help solicitors to make each contact more quickly.

Red Cross

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was announced at that time that a separate campaign to raise funds for the American Red Cross would be conducted in the spring of 1945. The goal which has been set as an amount which should reasonably be raised is approximately four hours' average pay, and is more than was subscribed in either of the above-mentioned campaigns, when needs were not so great as at present.

"To keep your Red Cross at his side," the American Red Cross will launch an appeal to the nation during the month of March for $200,000,000 to carry on its worldwide operations with battle front troops, in hospitals and on the home front. The $50,000 goal at the Fort Wayne Works is part of the national goal.

"American men have been fighting throughout the world for a long time," said Basil O'Connor, chairman of the American Red Cross, in discussing the vital factors involved in the drive. "This year they will need all of the moral support we can give them. The American Red Cross is bringing home to those men wherever they may be stationed. The task in the next twelve months will be greater for the Red Cross than ever before, for not only must we serve the men in the war zones, but we will be required to give increasing assistance to the boys coming back to the United States. We know the American people will respond with overwhelming generosity, knowing that the money they give to the Red Cross will be used to serve the men and women who are serving in uniform for us."

Magnets

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can record 66 minutes of continuous speech on a spool of wire no larger than a doughnut, and many more time-savers and conveniences.

Asserting that permanent magnets have not yet reached their full maturity, research engineers said that much remains to be learned about them, though more progress has been made in their development in the last decade than in the previous 300 years. They attributed this remarkable advancement to the introduction of new alloys which have magnetic properties more powerful as well as more resistant to outside sources of demagnetization.

Permanent magnets are those that will retain their magnetic properties indefinitely. Probably their oldest and most familiar useful form is the compass needle. According to legend, the Chinese Emperor Hoang-Ti used a magnet in this form to guide his chariot in 2600 B. C. From this simple beginning permanent magnets have been developed to such an extent that, during World War II, their use has enabled our fighting men to replace bulky, heavy equipment with portable models of reduced size and weight; has made possible hundreds of devices for airplanes, and has also permitted an increase in the sensitivity of many measuring and electrical communications instruments.

"Ten years ago there were four materials out of which permanent magnets were commonly fashioned," said the engineers. "Today at least 10 alloys, each of which shows astounding properties, are available. Moreover, one of the most important of these is Alnico V, which exhibits 20 times more total energy than chromium steel, a magnet material that formerly had wide usage."

Many electrical devices employ permanent magnets in their circuit. According to G-E authorities, the chief advantage of using them is that they can replace electromagnets, which require an outside source of current. In doing so, permanent magnets thereby eliminate a coil, or windings, frequently saving space. Because they can dispense with outside power, much equipment containing magnets also becomes mobile, being able to be transported to areas it was formerly impossible to reach because of the necessity of being connected with the power source.

Permanent magnets are used most extensively in the fields of communication and measurement, but they have also found a great many additional and varied applications. In the home they are frequently employed in such time-saving devices as electric toasters, coffee percolators, ironing machines and electric refrigerators. Hearing aids and telephones, as well as many latches and locks, make use of them. Probably their biggest single application is in radio receivers, where much of the success of improved quality of sound and tone is the result of improved magnets. In industry, where magnets are used in both control and power equipment, they are found in ignition magnetos, many small motors, meters and instruments and numerous other devices.

Their highly important wartime applications, principles of which will be used in a greatly expanded and improved list of household and industrial equipment during peace, include their installation in electronic equipment, radio head sets, remote indicating equipment and other types of fighting material. One of the most unusual ways they are helping to win the war is as magnetic map-makers, a role in which they quickly and securely fasten charts and documents against a metallic board, locate mobile units on a wall map and help plot the course of Naval convoys and aircraft missions.

(To be continued in an early issue)

Jet Engine

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Where other mechanics would use 25 wrenches for a certain type of job, we generally use five."

The jet engines also save time in another way for the AAF ground crews. The jet engine doesn't have to be warmed up. A minute after the starter button has been pressed, the pilot can take off. The ground crew men also report that once a flight is over the engine is cool enough to be taken out by the time they get the cowling off.

Suggestions

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Forrest Allman, Bldg. 4-5, was awarded $35.00 for his suggestion for providing assembly fixtures. Mr. Allman's award is in addition to $45.00 previously awarded. Delphos J. Emberlin, Bldg. 6-2, and Harold L. Kniffen, Bldg. 10-1, each received a $25.00 award, Mr. Emberlin for his idea for a fixture for removing coils from cases, and M. Kniffen for installing shear pins in a wire take off. Mr. Emberlin's award is in addition to $50.00 previously issued.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Taylor Street

Loyd F. Jacobs, Clarence E. Wolf, Herschel C. Stults, Charlotte B. Clover, A. M. Mulholland, Mearl E. Wilson, Cecil L. Ray, Roy Patterson, Kermit T. McCoy, Neil R. Glock, Elwood O. Bidlack.

Bldg. 7

Charles O. Wisel.

Bldg. 4-1

Leo M. Ebert, Robert C. Winkler

Bldg. 10

Lamar Alwine, Charles E. Scott, Louis D. Hopper, Carl I. Parlee.

Bldg. 26-B

J. H. Plescher, Ora L. Weller.

Bldg. 4-5

Harold F. McKee, Felix J. Neuman, Jerry E. Clark.

Bldg. 8-1

Leon E. Stabler, Deloris S. Mommer, Carl M. Junk, Chester Laughman, William V. Volz, Jr.

Bldg. 26-1

Lee T. Mohr.

Bldg. 12-B

Howard S. Montooth.

Hamilton

Paul A. Witte.

Bldg. 19-2

Robert H. Stute.

Winter Street

Leonida Shive.

Bldg. 6-1

Joseph J. Nickrash.

Bldg. 20

Clarence V. Pion.

Bldg. 8

Albert H. Streb.

Bldg. 6-2

Edith M. Bohde, Martha Keokuk Lawrence Suter, Harold Anspach Vernon C. Dafforn, Robert L. Klingel, Martha J. Clark, Melvin T. Babcock.

Kokomo

Rufus Couch.

Bldg. 26-5

Robert M. Truelove.

Bldg. 19-1

Wilfred J. Clark.

Bldg. 26-2

Lawrence Rickert, Robert Hersha, James G. McCray.

Bldg. 27

Leo L. Allmandinger.

Bldg. 17-4

Deloris C. Giltz, Lawrence J. Mellinger.

Bldg. 17-1

Delbert F. Keefer, James J. Carey, Bernard P. Kramer, John F. Quinn, Walter Bauermeister, William R. Epperson.

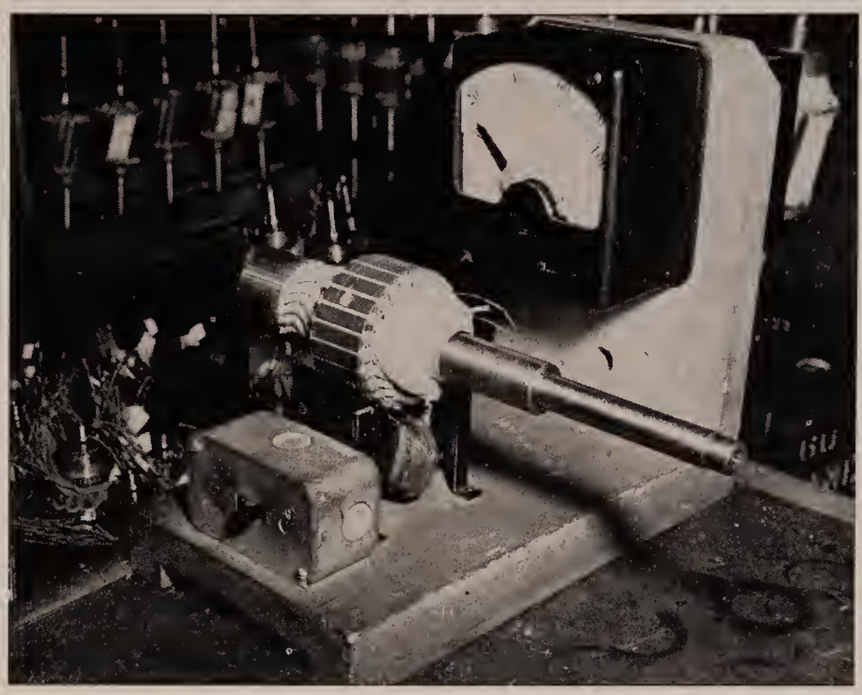
Elex Extends Thanks For Birthday Cakes

The Elex Club wishes to thank all those who so generously contributed cakes for the Elex birthday party at the U. S. O. The Club reports that the cakes were greatly enjoyed by those who received them and contributed much to the success of the party.

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST
FORT WAYNE

No. 136 February 23, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

ROTOR TESTS



The Rotor "Growler" is from appearance a simple piece of testing equipment. This "growler test", as it is known, will indicate if there are any of the following defects present:

Shorted windings.
Mixed leads.
Wrong commutator setting.

This test, augmented by a dielectric test for grounds, assures that each tested rotor will perform properly after assembly into a complete motor or generator.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Sumner Tinkham is the proud papa of a seven-pound baby girl. What's its name? Patricia Allyson. Pretty, don't you think? Tink came in pronto with cigars and candy. Congratulations, Tink. . . . Phyllis Guillot was seen en route to a party wearing a pink jersey skirt, red sweater, gold sandals, green bobby socks, and a black veiled hat. Very startling creation, we must say. We'll tell though it was a hard times party.

Bldg. 12-1, Second Shift

There is some talk about buying a nice set of building blocks for Bayless Swift to encourage him in his latest hobby. . . . No, Irma Poisel's name is not Cookie. She just brings in a lot of cookies, also candy, peanuts, popcorn, pretzels, potato chips, cheese crackers, and weiners. . . . Cecil Young doesn't want his name in the WORKS NEWS, and since Cecil Young is so shy, we'll see that Cecil Young's name doesn't get into the WORKS NEWS.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Girls! Don't be surprised if Marie Rossi fails to report to work next week, you know her husband has arrived home from overseas. . . . Everyone sure misses Ida Yaney, who is ill. . . . Vonnie Sponhauser's conscience was bothering her the other day. She thought maybe she had the mumps. So it just happened that Louise Swenson has a pickle in her lunch, so she told Vonnie to taste it. So obliging, Vonnie tasted it and felt no effects. But anyway the next day Vonnie had the mumps. . . . Mary Ream, Eunice McClymonds, and Bettie Cobb decided to go on a diet. First of all they weren't going to buy a thing from the candy lady. But that didn't work because she had Clark bars and none of the girls could pass them up. But what would one candy bar hurt? At lunch Mary had to go to the cafeteria with a frend, so of course Mary had to be polite and order something. But what? Only creamed chicken, dressing, milk, and chocolate cake for dessert. In the meantime Bettie and Eunice were not eating lunch; they went for a walk, but passed a restaurant and went in. They got two hot dogs, coke, and a taffy apple. Besides popcorn. Someone mentioned the diet, and they laughed and said, "Oh! That starts next week." Better luck then, girls. . . . We're sorry to hear that Rosie Anderson's father was in an automobile accident. Rosie is back to work, so we hope it wasn't serious.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

Pardon the shortness of news this week. The "Four Musketeers" are busy planning a farewell party for Walter Freehill. We are indeed sorry to say goodbye to Walt, who is leaving to work on first trick (doctor's orders). Charles Martin, our rotor expert, it taking over for Walt. . . . Vivian Cearbaugh was absent several days this week to visit with her husband, Bill, who was home on leave. . . . We miss Opal Hawkins and Sharlotte Drake these nights. They were both transferred to 12-3. . . . Have you heard "My Most Embarrassing Moment" by Walter F.? Walt's wife doesn't get home from work until six P. M. so she calls Walt earlier and has him to start supper. Friday night they had macaroni and cheese. All Walt had to do was add milk and set it in the oven to finish baking. Hoping to beat her to the punch, Walt did this and settled back waiting for the phone to ring. At 20 to six, the phone rang, and Walt's greeting: "I got it in the oven and got milk on it." Imagine, it wasn't his wife . . . Clarence Lothamer's little girl calls him her "Plastic Daddy."

First Shift, Bldg. 12-3

Gloria Sprunger (Racht) really surprised the gang of Bldg. 12-3 Monday morning when she came to work wearing the mate that goes with the diamond. Congratulations and lots of luck, Dick and Gloria. . . . A former worker, Bonnie Parker, who joined the WAVES, is home on leave from Washington, D. C., and dropped in for a visit Friday afternoon. . . . We open the door with a welcome to our newest girl, Loretta Archbold. . . . We were all happy to hear that Muriel Knapp has heard from her son who was wounded in Germany but is now convalescing in a hospital in England. . . . Kate Parrish is very glad to think she behaves herself so she doesn't get her name in the WORKS NEWS. Hi, Kate! . . . If anyone needs any help with their paper hanging, just ask Bertha Poole. Clothes closets are her specialty. . . . If Helen White would keep her nose off her lamp, she wouldn't burn the end of it.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

This is the day when congratulations go forth to "Al" Hambrock, for today, February 23, "Al" celebrates his first quarter of a century with the G-E Co. Take it easy, "Al", the next 25 years will be only half as hard. . . . Congratulations to Chester F. Laughman, who was married during the past week. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Fred Ramseier, whose mother passed away recently. . . . A chicken potluck dinner was enjoyed by the die room gang last Saturday. The event was Ursal Springer's birthday. Happy birthday, Ursal! . . . Congratulations to Kay Kigar, who celebrated her birthday February 16. . . . Bill Skinner, of the Wire & Insulation Engineering Section received a gift of the very latest in ice fishing equipment from his co-workers in Bldg. 8 this week. The Wire & Insulation column will probably be filled with stories of big catches made by Bill in the next few weeks, as he now has the type of equipment needed to land the big ones. Anyone interested in ice fishing equipment should see Bill's as he has been displayng his in the Bldg. 8-2 office for several days. . . . Glen Greek will probably leave the noon hour euchre session a little earlier in the future as Glen is having trouble getting to the time clock in time for his one o'clock registration. . . . Has anyone here seen an "A" gas book? Ray Aker would surely appreciate any assistance from you amateur detectives. . . . Muriel Wiedeman is in quite a quandary after receiving a telephone call today, especially when someone orders one hundred 6 x 12 Geberts. Everyone is mystified, including poor Muriel! . . . Enola Crabill was off several days due to illness, but is back among us again. . . . The gang would like to say "hello" to Jim Ward and Charles Fisher, both now overseas, who received our paper and wrote some swell letters in return. Good luck, fellows, and keep writing. We have two newcomers to our department — Leo Flanagan and John Babb. Welcome, fellows! . . . Bill Hattendorf is surely proud of Central, and to prove it, have you seen the nice sweater with three stripes from his school days? . . . Clyde Eulitt would surely be at a loss without his "peach blossom" chewing. I wonder, does it taste like peaches? . . . Forrest Elliott is sure Spring is near at hand, as he spied a salesman with suntan cream at the gate—or so he says. This is a believe it or not.

Is Zat So?

We all got a good laugh from the comic Valentines received by our coworkers. Irene McCormick remembered the gang with a strictly original Valentine that was probably more truth than poetry. . . . "Beany" Rodgers is really missed by the other two cross-word puzzle fans. Beany has been off work because of an injury to his hand. Mike Kramer and Herschel Foreman are having a little difficulty completing the puzzles without the able assistance of Mr. Rodgers. . . . Wonder if Curley Sprague is wearing that thumb guard to make it easier to hitch a ride home? . . . We have a promising star in our midst. Must be Roxie Miller because we saw her footprint in the newly cemented floor in final inspection. Roxie declares it was an accident, but we think she found it hard to resist temptation. . . . Did you realize it was so cold last week? It must have been, because "Frenchy" Brosche wore three wool sweaters and a leather jacket. Weren't taking any chances, were you, Ed? . . . Ginnie Haviland, our little WAVE, paid us a visit Saturday. She sure looked keen in that uniform. . . . He did it again! Frank Quinn was the recipient of another sizeable suggestion award. Congratulations, Frank! . . . Douglas Bragg says that was the baby that visited him last week. It was Otis Bragg of the Air Corps and it sure was nice to see him. . . . We sure missed Johnny Shanahan when he was off sick with the flu. Glad that you are better and back with us, Johnny! . . . Birthday congratulations to Helen Ryan, Loyal Hilsmier, Alfred Johnston, Richard Andrews, Lewis Hesse, Joseph Kuehner, Harold George, August McKibben.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

The second shift machine winders, stackers and insulators gave a farewell party in honor of Louis Hoffman, who has left them and is now working on the first shift. Other guests included True Sheets, Al Heuer and Charles Stoddard. . . . Can you imagine the look of chagrin on Bertha Janiga's face when she arrived at the G-E Club only to find that she had left her purse on her work bench. . . . Genevieve Boester and Zelma Vanner were honor guests at a birthday supper last Thursday. Those attending were Hedy Harrisson, Zelma O'Shaugnessy, Eunice Harding, Mabel Murray, Marguerite Stahl, Catherine Salmon, Hulda Anderson and Ethel Johnson. . . . When Max Baron tells a story he becomes so engrossed in it himself he doesn't always realize how enthusiastic his gestures become. . . . Della Stemmler celebrated her birthday with a dinner at the Indiana Room, Feb. 15. The guests were Ruth Henry, Idella Taylor, Ruth McCoy, Annabelle Mills, Jean Herrman and Marjorie Koeble. . . . Orin Clark is now a member of the ever growing club of those who drive their cars, park them, forget they have driven and start home on the street car. . . . They say events happen in cycles; maybe that's why Forest Bunner's fall from his chair followed closely Marie Thornhill's drop in Bldg. 4-5.

Decatur G-E Club Choir Will Present Recital On March 11



The Decatur G-E Club will present the G-E Club Chorus in a recital at the Decatur Catholic High School on Sunday, March 11, at 3:30 P.M. The chorus includes a twenty-voice men's glee club, a thirty-six-voice girls' ensemble, two trios, three soloists, an octette, and a two-piano team. It is under the direction of David Embler.

Bldg. 4-3

Howdy, Folks:

Surprised to see a column? So are we. Noticed letters from "our boys" in the NEWS and some wondered why Bldg. 4-3 didn't have a column. You asked for it, fellows, so here 'tis. . . . LaVern Goeglein left us Feb. 10. She worked on the high frequency machine on Second for a long time, then a while back, started getting up with the chickens. Good luck on the new job in Bldg. 17-3, LaVern. We miss you. . . . Betty Rhodes also left the gang. She's over in Bldg. 6-2 and reports she and the new job are getting along fine. Glad to hear it, Betty. . . . A couple of Uncle Sam's sailors were recently home on leave. Dick Hambrock, former milling machine operator in Shaft Section, was aboard a destroyer and wears three battle stars. Best of luck in the future, Dick. Don Nahrwold is the other sailor. Before donning the Navy Blues Don was an inspector of flanges. His mother, Ina Archbold, is a tester on First Trick. We were glad to see both you fellows and hope it won't be too long before you're back "in the family." . . . Ethel Gardner came in sporting a new green smock. Guess she got tired of the kidding she was getting and decided to "end it all" and get another one—minus holes. . . . Any one wishing to get in Ernie Gray's good graces only has to serenade him with singing commercials. He especially likes that Super Suds one. . . . Some one ought to introduce Bonnie Goodrich to Marcile Eibling. Gosh! After working together this long you'd think Marcy would know who Bonnie is. . . . Things-We-Like Dept.—Ernie Tatman's ever-present toothpick and Al Hanley's bright, bright shoe laces. . . . Things-We - Don't - Like - Dept. — Ralph Springer's unpronounceable words (they leave us spellbound). We think he makes them up as he goes along but don't ask us how. . . . Some one mentioned 'tother day that Ann Coleman better give up her inspection job and put in eight hours writing suggestions. She's really been hitting the jackpot here of late. Congrats! Ann. The rest of us ought to follow your example. Well-I-I? . . . Did all of you see the picture of "our WAVE" Vivian Wetzel, in the daily paper? We think it was very good. Viv's a Hospital Apprentice, First Class and is stationed in Maryland. . . . The switch girls sure did like the pies "Whitey" McKenzie brought in. They were delish! and he bakes them himself. . . . Bernard Leininger, assembler, heard the farm calling and answered the call. Sorry to see you leave, Bernie. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Paul Clifton in the tragic loss of his mother. We all wish for your speedy recovery from your burns, Paul. . . . Well, Folks, guess that's about all the news for this week. So long.

—Country Cousins

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Mr. Grubbs is still absent from work because of a broken arm from falling on the ice. . . . Joe Eifrid doesn't want his name mentioned in connection with this column. Every one blames Joe, but don't worry; there are a lot of innocents getting it too. . . . Ann Handy's new hair-do makes her "lovely to look at." . . . We'll bet your wife was the direct cause of the new pipe, Russ, wasn't she? . . . Did you think cigarettes were more plentiful in Washington, Lennie, than in Fort Wayne? . . . Bill Sterling celebrated a birthday, Saturday, February 17. . . . Joy Palus is another of those euchre players. . . . Virgil Best is just waiting for the flood waters so he can use his outboard motor for what it was originally made. . . . Ann Handy's husband left Baer Field Hospital Saturday and will be home a few days before going back to camp.

A large aircraft corporation recently received the following letter from a would-be inventor: "I have just finished a wonderful brake to be put on airplanes. This brake can stop a plane doing 400 miles an hour in less than 10 feet. Now I am working on an invention to stop the pilot from going through the windshield."

New Flame Resistant Plastic Announced By General Electric

The development for the Navy of a plastic, combining the qualities of fire- plus shock-resistance and easy molding properties has been announced by General Electric.

Intensive research begun in the company's plastic laboratory at the request of the Navy Department, which organized an industry committee to study the problem of developing such a plastic material, has produced a product that can withstand fire and its resultant toxic effects during battle action, as well as the concussions and vibrations of battlewagon broadsides.

Modern war, fought at great distances from supply ports and with widespread use of new, powerful and incendiary explosives, revealed the need for changes in ship design. The stresses and strains of battle action set the standard for the Navy specifications of the material which G-E engineers and chemists sought. The specification called for a plastic that was relatively fire-resistant and non-toxic, and had good electrical properties, high impact strength and easy moldability.

The laboratory men, working with Dr. Howard W. Haggard of Yale University, learned that it was impossible to use any appreciable amount of organic filler in a laminated plastic or molding compound to fit these specifications, regardless of what kind of resins were used, without obtaining a material that gave off toxic gases fatal to human beings, depending on several factors including the size of the room and length of burning.

The chemists then turned to the use of inorganic filler-type of materials, such as asbestos and glass. At the end of the long research road they selected asbestos as the type of inorganic filler they wanted because it embodied all of the specifications—relative high flame-resistance, low toxicity, easy moldability and shock resistance.

The researchers then bound the asbestos fibers together with certain phenolic resins to make a series of plastics with various shock resistances.

Glass, the other inorganic material, is used in another plastic development for the Navy. This type of plastic is used as panel board on ships. It is made by bonding layers of glass cloth together with melamine resin in high-pressure presses.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Sam Sroufe wants someone to give him an up-to-date self-pronouncing dictionary. Sam doesn't have much trouble with ordinary words, but the four dollar variety sometimes throws him. . . . Al Doan thinks one seat is more comfortable than three. Al, Kenny Bergman and Lloyd Oberholtzer had three tickets for the Golden Gloves fights but Kenny and Obie got waylaid somewhere and to get his money's worth Al had to sit on all three seats. . . . Anyone wanting to take singing lessons may consult Russell Lee in the anodize room. His speciality is "Don't Fence Me In." . . . Birthday greetings and best wishes go to Lois Grime, who had a birthday Feb. 7 and Doris Walker, who had a birthday Feb. 17. . . . Gladys Lambert entertained a group of girls Wednesday evening, Feb. 14, at her home. Refreshments were served to the following: Pat Culbertson, Beulah Butler, Pauline Fischer, Katie Polka, Karen Ann Deim and the hostess Gladys Lambert. . . . . Ray Dotzer says the cigarette shortage doesn't bother him anymore. He can buy himself a package of Bull Durham go home and make any brand he wishes. . . . A potluck was held at Elizabeth William's house Thursday night attended by Annabell Reinhard, Daisy Sherck, Marge Reish, Rosella Fisher, Alice Dahman, and a guest Gert Kasimier. After a delicious dinner Tripoli was played with Daisy emerging as winner and Alice as best booby prize winner.

Decatur G-E Club Chorus To Present Recital March 11

Program Will Be Given At Decatur Catholic High School

The Decatur G-E Club Chorus will present a recital at the Decatur Catholic High School on Sunday, March 11, at 3:30 P. M. The chorus is under the direction of David Embler.

Organized in 1942, the chorus has grown until at the present time it numbers 55 voices. The chorus includes a twenty-voice men's glee club, a thirty-six voice girls' ensemble, two trios, three soloists, an octette and a two-piano team.

There will be only one performance, and all seats will be reserved. Tickets may be obtained free of charge in the Club Room by any Club member on Thursday, March 1, Friday March 2 and Saturday, March 3. Hours of distribution are from 10:42 A. M. to 12:20 P. M. and from 3:00 P. M. to 4:00 P. M. Third shift employees may obtain tickets from their foreman. Reservations will be filled in the order in which they are received. Because of the nature of the program, it has been found necessary to limit the attendance to adults only, that is, to people of high school age and over.

Mr. Embler, director of the chorus, is an employee of the Decatur Plant. He has a B. A. degree from Ithaca Conservatory of Music and a B. M. degree from the Westminster Choir School at Princeton, New Jersey. He was a member of the world-famous Westminster Choir for four years and toured the United States and Europe with them. He later worked for International Business Machine Company of Endicott, N. Y., and directed their famous 100-voice choir for three years. He organized a Swiss Male Choir and a Berne Community Chorus, entered them in the Chicagoland Musicland Festival and won national recognition before 175,000 people by winning first place in all of the three major events.

Choir Director



David Embler

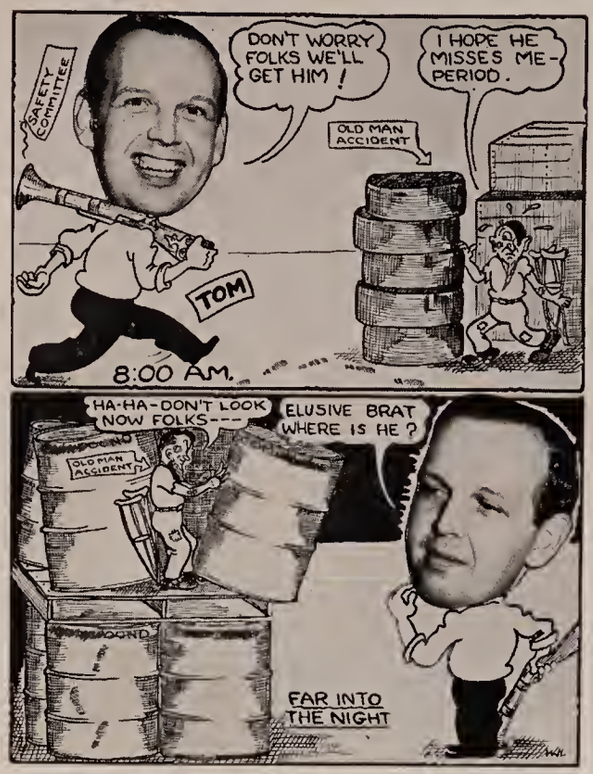
David Embler, pictured above, is the director of the Decatur G-E Club Chorus which will present a recital on Sunday, March 11.

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

Wayne Candies defeated the G-E Girls Wednesday night by a score of 31 to 24 in a rough game, with thirty-five fouls being called. Thatcher led the local team with eight points and Sanders led the Wayne Candies, also with eight points. . . . Delores Bentz is a proud aunt to the new baby boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Conrad. . . . Clyde Gould was proudly passing out cigars on the arrival of a baby girl. . . . T/5 Jim Fosnaugh, brother of Betty Fosnaugh, was home on furlough. Jim has been wounded and had been in the hospital in England before being sent home. . . . Irene Heimann was passing out hundred dollar bills recently, only they were Jap bills which had been sent her. . . . The hour to bowl in Molly Mies's tournament was drawing near. Rolly Ladd was beginning to worry because Oran Schultz was not present. He called Oran's home. Yes, Schultz had left in a hurry and ought to be there any minute. They waited and waited and waited. Finally, Schultz arrived. His wife furnished the excuse—in his rush to depart, he picked up the milk bucket instead of his bowling bag, put it in his car and started for Decatur. . . . Tuesday night the bowling quartet from the swing shift really was on the skids as the Commandos battered Jake's Thunderbolts into submission by taking three straight games. The Thunderbolts were without their ace bowler, which caused the loss. Stults and his crew could not seem to click, even though the Geneva Whirlwind (Al) was in fine fettle, and as a result lost three to Rawley and his tribe. Looks like someone is going to have to habitat the bowler's doghouse. . . . It seems like a certain gentleman on the second shift will have to bring a spare pair of trousers, as he had to go home in the middle of the afternoon and change. . . . Bill Beard received some good news. His son is coming home from the armed services. . . . Our sincerest sympathy goes to Sylvia Zimmerman and Flora Zimmerman in the death of Sylvia's mother and the mother-in-law of Flora. . . . Olga Schueler tells us that her brother, Pvt. Victor Schueler, is stationed overseas somewhere in Italy. The last letter she got was written by candlelight. . . . Irene Ewell spent Friday in Muncie visiting with her father at Ball Memorial Hospital, where he is a patient. . . . Melba Maxwell and Crella Nussbaum of Plant No. 2 have left the services of the Company to live in Fort Wayne. . . . Buford Dull, foreman Plant No. 2, reports that his son, Sgt. Robert Dull, is convalescing in an Army Hospital in England. He was wounded in Belgium shortly after Christmas. . . . We have a report from Marie Smith about her son, Sgt. Raymond Smith. He is in the hospital as Charleston, S. C., at present with an injured leg. He was on a hospital ship and has crossed the Atlantic seven times. He has been in service four years. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lantz who are the parents of a baby boy born Feb. 11. He has been named Rodney Keith. . . . Romayne Eady has left the services of the Company because of ill health. . . . Elmira Kraner has passed her physical for the WAC. She will be called within ten days to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. She will train to be a surgical technician. Her sister Frances is a surgical tech. and is stationed at Camp Carson, Colo. with the WAC. . . . Edith Augsburger is leaving the service of the Company to keep house for her mother. . . . Pvt. Bob Teeple has arrived safely overseas and is stationed with the infantry somewhere in Germany. Cpl. Raymond Teeple, his brother, is also overseas, somewhere in France. Ray saw the grave of his brother, S/Sgt. Dick Teeple, who was killed in action in France, August 9, 1944. . . . Ambrose Gase announces the arrival of seven babies at his house—Yes sir, the cutest full-blooded cocker spaniels you have ever seen. . . . Joe Wolpert of Plant No. 2 has five brothers in service. They are Sgt. Edward Wolpert, who is now in Belgium with the Medical Corps; T/5 Paul Wolpert, who is taking infantry training in Italy; M/Sgt. Robert Wolpert, who has returned to the same spot in Africa after being home on furlough some time ago; 1st Lt. Lewis Wolpert, who is in France; PFC Joe Wolpert, the youngest of the five boys, who is with the Marines in San Diego. Sgt. Edward and T/5 Paul were former employees of our plant. . . . Pvt. Jerome Keller has arrived safely in France. . . . Sgt. Richard Noll says thanks for the Christmas gift. It arrived on January 22, and was very much appreciated.

For you people who enjoy good entertainment, the G-E Club Choir Recital on March 11 is a must. The program will consist of popular and semi-classical music, and all of you should be able to spend a most pleasant hour. The tickets are free of charge and can be obtained in the Club Room on March 1, March 2, and March 3. Hours of distribution are from 10:42 A. M. to 12:20 P. M. and from 3:00 P. M. to 4:00 P. M.

"Tom Doesn't Miss A Trick"



WITH HIS SAFETY COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES—NEITHER DOES 'OLD MAN ACCIDENT' WITH TOM'S SAFETY ACTIVITIES." Last year our lost-time accidents occurred as follows: First Trick—166; Second trick—83; Third trick—40. This proves that Tom has the right idea.

Tom Safford is Secretary of the Safety Committee in the Transformer Division and makes it his business to conduct safety committee meetings at night as well as in the day time.

Tom's 1945 Safety Committee is as follows: Ralph Hutchins, Glen Kaylor, Curtis Rubright, Leona Friend, Tom Runyon, Ed Beberstine, Devona Clayton, Don Huffman, Margaret Phillips, Glen Robinett, Tom Freeman, Leland Gambrell, Geo. Schaffer, Ed Dauscher, Lawrence Hart, Ivan Hinsley, Don Wagner, Bernadine Temple, Al Carns, Wayne Winters, Valie Haley, Christine Haas, Bertha Gruber, Kenneth Evans, Roland Davis, Levi Carpenter, Mildred Leazier, Evelyn Bill, Nora Spencer, Lorna Houser, Forrest Fiddler, Henry Kruse, Estella Martin, Bill Etzler, Harriet Manes, Velma Pulver, Ethel Hullinger, Ladonna Springer, Helen Studdler, Francis Oberholtzer, Velma Jude, Louise Bushong, Fred Bender, Geraldine Crabel, Marie McManemon, Blanch Bolteron, Marie Valentine, May Troyer, Thelma Reynolds, Virginia McFarrian, Jean Harris, Ruth Troyer, Evelyn Poeppel, Bonnie Taylor, Pearl Eldridge, Rosemary Hartwig, Augusta Menzie, Roberta Taylor, Phyllis Walker, Hillis Fitch, Roy Cayot, Vivian Allmandinger, Evelyn Hess, Opal Evans, Bob Knoll, Chas. Timmerman, Roy Duff, Lillian White, Jim Goldsberry, Mabel Studdler, Ruth Arnold, and Lucille Reinking.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

By Perry A. Shober

Jim Craw came to work one morning last week with his chest so far out ahead of him that he had to turn sideways to open the door. We learned later that he was the daddy of a new 9¼ pound boy. After cigars and candy were distributed, he announced that for the balance of the winter he would be relieved of his furnace-firing and snow-shoveling jobs. Some boy! . . . Charles Siders, whose height measures the same lying down or standing up, finds time between chores at the Regional Warehouse to take apart Einstein's theories on relativity. . . . It seems Hollywood's good fortune to always get the cream of the crop in new employees. Our latest addition is Hester Root, a very comely Mrs., and Betty Meyers, who has a pair of eyes that sparkle like the candles on a birthday cake. They are both working in the filing section. . . . Ann Ripberger is absent from her duties because of an injury she received in a fall a couple of weeks ago. . . . Dewey Simmers returned to work last Monday after a week's battle with the flu. . . . This column wishes to congratulate Cindy Fitch of the G-E girls' basketball team, on her promised trip to Peoria as a reward for trimming that outfit in their game here. . . . Gerry Garrison is sojourning in Florida for a couple of weeks. We hope that it isn't as sultry down there as it is in Allen County, Gerry. . . . There have been so many birthdays here at Hollywood the last few weeks that nobody brings lunch with them anymore. Saves on the points, too.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Did everyone notice Shorty's brilliant tie? Will it really glow in the dark? That's the question. Shorty insists it does. . . . We're a little late but happy birthday to Alice Hoffman. . . . Well we can all settle back for a while, the "Golden Gloves" are all over—but wait—what's this bowling on Thursday night. Oh me what next? . . . Louise Cox is all smiles since she got her new type for her typewriter. . . . No one got to sneak up and run the duplicator last Saturday because every time it was started it made the most horrible noise. Quick the repair man! . . . No more news for this time.

We'uns

17-3 Newsies

Imagine Gertie Wheat's surprise when she dropped a carton of matches to have them go up in smoke in the store where she had purchased them. . . . If anyone hears Marian Pappert singing "You Great Big Beautiful Doll" don't be surprised, as she was seen carrying one around the other day on the street. . . . Helen Oswald received some lovely gifts from her husband in Italy. Good for you, Helen. . . . Mary Wright sure helps the dry cleaners. The other day she was tripping the light fantastic down the street when it came up to meet her. It was sure wet, dirty and a mess, so better luck next time, Mary. . . . We are wondering what excited Betty Gearey so much the other night at Elex that caused her to throw the dishes in the garbage can. . . . The nights must be getting shorter for Ida Sinn, because the other day she fell asleep standing up talking to her sister Lillian. . . . Leone Hesley seems to be quite a cauliflower eater. Maybe that is what gives her so much energy. . . . We are sorry that Gwen Manahan couldn't sleep because she'd spilled those peanuts. You can always get more, Gwen, so don't let it worry you. . . . Any one wishing to go over to Bldg. 6-2, please see Alice Lester for directions. Don't be alarmed if you end up by the Fairfield watchman house. . . . Birthday greetings to Waundean Hile and best of luck. . . . A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carder. Congratulations to the proud parents. . . . We are sorry to see so many girls being transferred, but we wish them the best in their new jobs. . . . To our fighting pals all over the world we send our greetings and best wishes. We will strive in the future to write more often and would enjoy hearing from you. We'd like to know how you like our column and how to improve it if you don't. Good luck to all!

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Flash! Nola Morris left us Saturday to take up housekeeping as a full time job and maybe farming and some extra duties too. We wish her lots of luck. . . . Polly Coffield is the floor's news seamstress. She'll whip up most anything for you in her spare tme. . . . Vivian Baumgardner is "in the Navy" now. Best of luck, Vivian. . . . The solution to a very deep mystery was revealed Thursday. Gertie Aumann had a birthday. . . . Charlie Schild had a birthday February 13, and he thought he would keep it a secret, but the truth will out, and so his secret was gone. We couldn't pin him down to a definite age, seems he is as shy as a woman about that, but any way he did collect quite a few cigars and that should make up for his embarrassment. . . . We are wondering if Virgil Lockwood ever used a hammer before. How is the thumb by now, Virgil? . . . Larry Reed shot the moon in euchre but couldn't win a game. Maybe Lady Luck isn't a friend of his. . . . Otis Uran liked Fritz Stauffer's idea of quitting on Friday and calling it Saturday so well that he did this week what Fritz did last. Ideas like that are catching, so we hear. . . . Dick Reuter came back to work after nearly a week's illness. Hope you are here to stay this time, Dick. . . . The following couples enjoyed the Indianapolis-Pittsburgh Hockey game at Indianapolis last Sunday night: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kelker, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hennigh, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimmel, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Finch.

Grand Coulee Dam has the largest electric generators in the world. Each weighs 2,000,000 pounds and can produce 150,000 horsepower.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

POINSATTE PISTOLS

Connie has advanced in her education of car maintenance. First Connie learns that without oil the motor will burn. Now we hear that she's learned even that if you push a car half way across town it still won't start without gas. . . . Mrs. Einstein Turner has definite ideas about the north and south pole. Oh no, she's not studying travelogues. She's trying to convince us that when she went to Manning High School they taught her to demagnetize screws simply by laying them opposite the magnet. By the way, where is this Manning? . . . Every one was so pleased with their gorgeous Valentines. . . . And just who hung a "restricted area" sign on the bolt-room door? The amazing thing was that some people honestly believed it was and wanted their badge changed. . . . Our impish little guard decided to have a fire sale at noon on Friday so he put a "For sale" sign on Stauffer and Moore's cars. Fine thing—never had an offer all afternoon and all Calkins asked for them was $1.98 and $2.98. I suppose the public thought it was a practical joke, but we who know Calkins understand his serious nature. . . . Stauffer has let the spring weather get him. He janitorized all the windows and then got so stiff and sore from all the exertions he positively limped. . . . Evelyn Fulks has decided to alter her breakfast diet; she has eaten forty-eight pecan rolls. Don't get excited though, that was in the length of time she had been here. . . . Received several cards from Luella Kappel, who is spending some time with her marine husband, stationed at San Diego, Cal. Says it is really beautiful out there but she misses the gang and hopes to get back this way soon.

G-E South Pacific Christmas



(U. S. Navy Uhoto)

Mazda bulbs give joy to distant Seabees as their pipefitters rig up from spare parts world's most novel tree. Here one of Santa's pals screws on one more valve.

Four Fourums

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

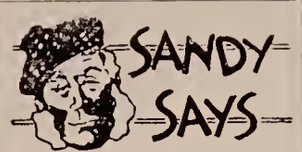
A group of girls including LaVon Disler, Betty Gaff, Maxine Drabenstot, Lottie McFarland, Mattie Pitts, Marian Schaaf, and Katherine Norr pleasantly surprised Irma Augsburger Saturday night with a potluck, the occasion being her birthday. She later was presented with a gift from the group. . . . Do you know: That 15 of the girls working in the winding section on second trick live in Fort Wayne. The others are from various towns such as Hoagland, Markle, Albion, Uniondale, Churubusco, Leo (home of the Leo Lions), Garrett, Huntington, Monroe, Decatur, Mentone, Arcola, Portland, Hicksville, Geneva, Grabill and Bluffton.—That Lottie McFarland's Snookie (the cat) knew she was getting low on meat stamps, so one morning there was a scratch at the door and upon opening there was Snookie with a big fat rat.—That Jean Mobberly and Bernard Vice were married January 6.—That Myrtle Barfell's son Tom is home on a furlough.—That Bill Wehrle never wears a shirt and tie together unless the colors blend perfectly.—That we have two new people on the finishing table, namely Leo Symonds and Helen Perry.—That Marion Schaaf has announced her engagement to George Mannisto.—That Glenna Hyatt was wondering who was pulling on her coat one night and upon investigating found it was a coat hanger.

Bldg. 4-4 South End

Someone suggested that we put up a Christmas tree for Bill Huhn, as he is in a holiday mood singing "Jingle Bells" with much gusto. . . . Kathryn Erwin should read her horoscope more thoroughly, so she won't get her days mixed up. . . . Dorothy Guttman. Helen Miller, and Lowella Teegardin all started the week by falling down, thanks to the weatherman. . . . We welcome Sophia Bodigan on the first shift. . . . From her son, somewhere out there, Kathryn Erwin received a piece of statuary, a porcelain plaque, and some flowers on Valentine day. . . . Al McKean was observed in the smoking area with his cigarette perched on a tooth pick. He does not smoke them as long as he can, he smokes them as short as he can. . . . Guess who received a hand made bamboo vase and lei made of 32 live baby orchids? Teresa Brug. . . . Leap year being over the bachelors in the department should not be so nervous. However, Tom Harber and Glen McNamara are having some trouble ruining their prospective mustaches with their razors.

THOUSANDS OF M-3 SUB-MACHINE GUNS designed to fire 9-mm. German ammunition instead of the caliber .45 bullets supplied our troops, are being distributed to the European underground to enable them to make use of supplies of German 9-mm. ammunition they capture.—Army-Navy Release.

A Jap secret agent had been instructed to investigate internal conditions in the United Statest and report particularly on national morale. After a few days he filed his report for transmittal to Tokyo. "Conditions very bad. People all very hungry. When two people meet on street, one always says to other, 'What's cookin'?"



I knew Elmer Baade.

Probably more people knew him than any other one person in the Fort Wayne Works. I don't mean—knew OF him—I mean KNEW him.

His voice—his laugh—certain expressions he used, such as, "It leaves me cold," when asked what he thought of some idea—still ring in my ears—still ring in many ears.

When it came to the WORKS NEWS—when it came to doing everything within one man's power to make it a better paper—when it came to devoting one man's life to the cause, he was the perfect Scotsman.

But, when it came to giving—he was anything but a gude Scotsman. He gave away more "shirts off his back" than anyone else I know. He was always helping some "down and outer" with a hard luck tale.

I know he was interested in C.R.*—from the way he kept printing "Sandy Says," even if some o' my manuscripts must have been slightly odorous, to put it mildly.

I know, too, thot he would be the last one to want us going around with long faces, sadly singing his virtues, and eulogizing on his good deeds. He was a man with not only a sense o' humor, but a highly developed ahility to make jokes.

*COST REDUCTION.

Wife: "Goodness, George, this is not our baby. This is the wrong carriage."

Hubby: "Shut up. This carriage has rubber tires on it."

"You sold me a truck two weeks ago."

"Yes, sir."

"Tell me again all you told me about it then. I'm getting discouraged."

26-5 TOOL BITS

Carey Baker is calling all tonsorial artists for any and all aid they might give him in restoring the slightly bald section in his otherwise crowning glory. . . . Why does Chick Abbott always close his eyes when he sings in a quartet? The noise, we mean music, must be so soothing that he slips off into a trance. . . . The Sauerwein family, Elmer and Jack, seem to be having trouble getting off and on lakes when they go ice fishing. They both got wet feet and some very damp trousers coming off of a small lake last week. . . . Bob Truelove must think that Christmas is far enough off by now. He's started wearing one of his necktie gifts, thinking no one would notice. . . . Bill Jefferies was so elated over his 200-score in bowling last Thursday that he went out on the street in his bowling shoes. . . . Marsh Foelber is such a rabid Piston basketball fan that he hangs around their dressing room at the half. . . . George Hartman is trying to get some railroad equipment gathered together. George said that it was for his twins but secing his pants getting baggy at the knees we wonder who is enjoying it most. . . . The snow melting, the soft wind blowing and the robins returning are usually a sign that spring is just around the corner; but when Gus Mittermaier takes to his bicycle again it's a sure sign that spring has arrived and that is just what he did, starting this week. He's on his two-wheeler again. . . . Don Carrier, we wish you and your bride-to-be all the luck and happiness in the world.

Apprentice Broadcast

February 23, 1945

Dear Fellows,

Today is a beautiful day with the sun beaming down with such brilliancy it seems to almost set a new stage in life in comparison with the snow and drab weather which we have had for the last couple of months, and by the way, fellows, the snow which has kept us practically completely fenced in for so long is all gone except in a few places where it was drifted the deepest. . . . Ned Tarney, whom all of you remember, has arrived in France. Ned received his basic training at Camp Hood, Texas, and was home on a 13-day furlough last December. . . . I received a letter this week from someone in a branch of the service which isn't too well represented in numbers by apprentices but is very well represented by one of its personnel and he is our good friend Jay Davis G. M. 3/c of the U. S. Coast Guard. According to Jay's letter he is aboard an AKA or assault vessel of an amphibious unit. He says the ship is a mighty fine one and has seen action. At the present time Jay is somewhere in the S. Pacific. By the way girls, here is an opportunity for you to get high hat and be proud of yourselves, because Jay says the native belles are nice but not NEARLY so nice as U. S. A. girls. That's quite a compliment, don't you think? . . . I guess it's warm enough in the S. Pacific too, because they all sling their hammocks top side every night, so it must be slightly above freezing. . . . Kenny Ahlersmeyer's cousin, Dick, is aboard the same ship along with thirteen other Hoosiers. Well if there are that many Hoosiers on board your ship, Jay, it looks like you're in good company because they're from the best state in the Union, we think don't we? . . . I also heard this week from our good friend and my fellow worker at Taylor St., Bob Branning F 1/c. Bob is stationed at Mayport, Florida, now. Bob has excellent working conditions. That place ought to remind you of Taylor Street doesn't it, Bob, with all that new machinery. By the way, Bob, about your change of address. I had the change on its way to the WORKS NEWS office within fifteen minutes after I read your letter so I hope you rceceived the February 16 issue on schedule. You might let me know so I'll know if everything is O. K. now. . . . Now for the basketball scores to date: Jan. 29 Leo won over Concordia 52-35, Central defeated Elkhart 36-31, North Side tripped Adams 35-33, Crawfordsville fell victim to South Side 24-20. Feb. 9 North Side defeated Washington 48-41, South Side tripped Wabash 44-40, and Concordia placed herself on an even basis with the other city schools by beating Central 36-33. Feb. 14 Concordia defeated Ossian 60-42. Feb. 16 Central defeated Marion 45-38, Huntington slipped by North Side 47-45, Bluffton won over C. Catholic 49-35, and South Side lost to New Albany 29-27 in a knock 'em down, drag 'em out game in which there were no less than 43 personal fouls whistled against both teams and one technical against South Side. . . . In case you didn't know, the scctional tournament is being played this week end from Feb. 22-24. There is no outstanding team this year as there are six or seven teams which are fairly evenly matched, so the tourney is pretty much of a toss up. However, Leo is the state's dark horse as they have won all of their games this year including the county tourney; 22 games in all. . . . Here's to all of you fellows: I'm very glad to hear from from each one of you, and I know all the other fellows are glad to hear from you and to know where you're at, so don't forgct to keep me informed as to your whereabouts and as to what you are doing. I'll appreciate it very much. I might say again I was very glad to receive your letters, Bob Branning and Jay Davis. Good luck to both of you. If you care to write, please address your correspondence to Dale Romey, G-E Taylor Street Plant, Fort Wayne, Indiana, c/o Tool Room.

Dale Romey

She—"Darling, I saw the sweetest little hat in a store today . . ."

He—"Put it on and let's see what it looks like."

Meet The Enemy!

Workers in a war plant in Tokyo have pledged themselves to work 108½ hours per week in order to boost production by 80%. Their hours will be from 7:30 A.M. to 11 P.M., seven days a week. Those are the birds we've got to out-produce.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"February 4, 1945

"Hello Gang:

"I was asked to write a few lines for the paper but there isn't much to tell.

"I work on diesel engines and, since being home last, have promoted myself another rate. We see a lot of General Electric equipment in use, but the thing I like most is the water cooler that is built right in the Winter Street Plant.

"We have rather warm weather here, as it sometimes gets up into the one-thirties. After being in it almost a year the heat still bothers us a little. Even with all the heat the men get out to play softball and baseball and for a short while we had a pretty good team, until mixed-up working hours broke it up.

"I'll have to close and see the Irving Berlin show that is here.

"Yours truly,
"Leland E. Richardson,
MOMM 1/c."

Miscellaneous

Margaret Motherwell missed her calling; she should have been a sleuth. Millie Steward lost her shoe and Margaret smelled her foot and tracked down the shoe. Nice going, Margaret. What's your fee? . . . Charley Spice now belongs to the forgotten badge club, as he was seen wearing a nice large badge one day last week. . . . Anyone got an old zipper for a purse? Please donate to Ruth Hoover as she has a very hard time getting the one open she has now. She is very good at fixing them too. One day recently she was using large pliers on hers. Did you get it fixed, Ruth? . . . It looked like Geneva, Millie and Matt were having a smelling good time and after tearing up part of the department, they finally found it to be a nice dead rat in the waste paper basket.

Power Drive—Assembly Room

Louise Seibt was very unhappy last week when she found her shoes nailed to a board, one before the other. Pat Perry made it possible for Louise to wear her shoes by having the board sawed in two. . . . We are sorry to report Faye Robertson on the sick list. . . . The Assembly Room was well represented at the Union Hall Saturday night. Could it be Keith Jamison's music that is doing it? . . . Would anyone owning an extra stick of gum please give it to Maxine Weber? We understand she lost a stick of gum Monday.

Power Drive Office

According to the grapevine Messrs. Bender and O'Neill made a deal. One was to grow a mustache while the other would grow a goatee. Now that Mr. Bender has a luxuriant mustache we are waiting with the greatest anxiety for some sign of shrubbery on Mr. O'Neill's visage. The question: Has Mr. Bender an "A" priority on hair grower? . . . Helen Stenger is spending the week-end in Washington, D. C. . . . Alice Fosnough left this week to join her husband who is serving in the Army in Florida.

Production

The only real exercise that Wilmer Bock gets is when he takes his dog for a walk. . . . Happy birthday to Ray Barrick. Lessee, how many does that make you now? . . . Bill Stockwell is in the hospital due to a minor operation. Lots of luck for a speedy recovery.

Jet Engine Maintenance Is Easy



Army Air Forces mechanics are shown here working on a powerful G-E turbo jet engine at Wright Field, headquarters of the Air Technical Service Command. Only eleven bolts hold these simple but powerful engines for propellerless AAF planes in place. The jet crew chief in the foreground reported that far less time and work is needed for maintnance of a jet engine than of a conventional reciprocating motor. This jet engine, which is on a Bell P-59A training plane, is of the type that first was developed in the United States by General Electric Company.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

Dean Rinehart led the league for the night with a count of 573 including a 207 game, while C. Timme was a close second with 569 including 220 and 200. Other 200 scores were Crider 203, Rodenbeck 202, Bireley 202, Benecke 201 and Schoenherr 201.

Team 3, captained by R. Snyder, had a big night with 2,615 pins which puts them in high 3 game series for the second half. They also won 3 games from team 8 and that puts them in a tie for the league leadership with team 6. Both teams have won 13 and lost 5. Team 11, captained by W. Zollinger, was the only other team of the night to win 3 games as they copped 3 games from Team 2.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team played only one game last week, a league encounter with Taylor Street. Taylor Street had reorganized their team and appeared on the floor with a tough aggregation led by a boy named Baker who really knew his way around a basketball court. He and Bill Seiple of Winter Street really put on the fireworks as they guarded each other, and when the smoke had cleared away both of them had wound up with 17 points. However, Seiple had a lot more help from his teammates, especially "Stretch" Magnusson with 16, and the final score was Winter Street 53, Taylor Street 35. Winter Street led all the way, increasing their margin as the game went on.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

Another Friday, any news? Let's see—Pat Smith is now working in Bldg. 4-3 at Broadway, and I'm sure she'll be missed by all. . . . Bea Morningstar found a vacancy in a hospital, so she went for a few weeks—really for an operation. We wish you the best of luck, Bea, and hurry back. . . . No one happens to have a radio hidden some place around, have they? so we can hear how Leo-Huntertown come out in the sectional? . . . Alice Schelper really must have had a good hand in pinochle the other noon. She got so excited she backed up and her chair gave way on her. What a happy landing. . . . Jim Fike had a little tough luck the other day when his "roll-your-own" cigarette got a little out of control and singed his left eyebrow. You want watch that stuff! . . . Leona Franke has been absent for several days due to a sprained ankle, and Martha Shull is filling in at her winding machine. . . . How did you enjoy your visit in Arkansas, Ferne? Ferne was there two weeks with her husband. . . . Our most sincere sympathy is extended to Ray Books on the death of his wife.

Cost

All of us have at one time or another fallen down, but Lucille McGahey prefers variety, so she fell up(stairs). Too bad! . . . Justine Luyben proudly wore an orchid to work last Monday, a gift for her second wedding anniversary from her husband who is overseas. Congratulations, kid. . . . Walter Strasser's youngest pride and joy has such an attachment to his Daddy that he even took his picture to bed with him, and put it under his pillow. No, not an ordinary picture—his G-E badge! Goodness, such places we have to search for our badges during the last minute rush.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Kenny Flesher has gone on second trick. . . . We don't mind Walt Zollinger joining the "90" club at bowling but we object to the way that he just barely made it.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

We were happy to have as our guest Lorraine Burns who is now a Navy S 1/c Spc.S. She enjoyed her visit very much and hopes to return to the Power Drive Division some time again soon. Welcome any time, Lorraine. . . . Gene Van Curen is now with the Test Section being transferred last week. . . . Laverda Heinfeld is more than pleased with her new quart size oil can she obtained Monday. . . . The villain of the day is Ed Imel. The other day he was gnawing on a fried chicken leg making everybody's mouth water. . . . Top honors went to Betty Kohlenbeck for rolling a score of 144 which was high last week. . . . The Straley Brothers, Calvin and Verle have come from the second trick to start the 7:00 a.m. trick. Cal is with the Production Section and Verle is in the Grinding Section. . . . Do you doubt that raw carrots are good for you? Ask Joan, she knows.

Order and Stores

Clark Leips, after standing in a line-up for a Hershey bar for some time and then being almost to the point of making the big investment, was kindly informed that there was a long distance telephone call for him. Cheer up Clark, maybe in a couple of months you may have another opportunity. . . . Otto Dobler tells us that his two-tone suit he had on last Friday was a mistake but we don't believe a word of it.

Refrigerator Assembly

The boys that are off due to illness are Ed Hauke, Glen Courtney, and Emrick Simons. We miss you, fellas. . . . Ed Gerdon is back at Winter Street again. We're glad to have you back, Ed. . . . Jack Herney hasn't caught a mess of fish all winter, and if he does, Jack says he can trade them for a couple packs of cigarettes.

Shipping

Mrs. Koehn received a very special Valentine from the "Children" in her department last week. It was made from a heart-shaped pocket from one of the girls' apron. The four refugees from art school are Virginia and Doris Polley, Donna Lehman and Rita Ernst. . . . The weather really got Ann Hudson down last week. She made a forced landing in a puddle in the middle of Wayne Street, injuring her dignity.

A gentleman slipped on the subway stairs and, colliding with a lady, carried her down the stairs in his fall. At the bottom, the lady, dazed, continued to sit on the gentleman's chest, where she had landed. Finally, he said, politely, "I'm sorry, madam, but this is as far as I go."

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

By Dorothy Karnap

Since the Bldg. 18-3 euchre foursome, namely Howard Etzold, Bldg. 18-4; Adolph Shilling, Bldg. 18-3; Jesse Fredendall, Bldg. 18-3; and Tom Walworth, Bldg. 18-3, made the WORKS NEWS last week, they seem to think it no more than right that the kibitzers at least get honorable mention. In view of the fact that Forrest "I think I'll leave quietly" Leighty, Bldg. 18-3, is first substitute, we think his name should be mentioned first. The other kibitzer are "You played it wrong" E. H. Solnica, "Quiet but very observing" J. C. Van Deusen, "I saw it all the time" Herb Crummitt, "How much does that count?" Clarence Koch, "Oh boy some game" Berniece Korte and "What was that I heard" Ann Klint—all 18-3ers. . . . Ruth Hollman is back among us again; however, she is starting on a new job in the Fractional Dept., Bldg. 4-6. Good luck, Ruth, Fractional's gain is our loss. . . . Betty Wilson has been transferred from the Receiving Dept. to Order & Stores. "Welcome," Betty, hope you like your new job. . . . Marie Downie leaves the portals of G-E Company this week to resume the role of "housewife." . . . If you ever see Shirley Seward, Data Bureau, crawling around on her hands 'n knees—well, really, there's nothing the matter with her. She just lost a wheel, that's all. (Incidentally, said wheel belongs to a wagon on her charm bracelet). . . . We were all sorry to see Mary Rumley, our little southern girl, leave our gang in the Data Brueau. The girls all got together and bought her a friendship bracelet as a parting token. Incidentally, we were all glad to welcome back Edna Eicher, who has just returned from a sick leave. . . . Ray White, Data Bureau, certainly has reason to be a proud parent. His son Ronnie received 26 Valentines from his little friends and we'll bet you 2 to 1 that they were mostly from the feminine sex. All of the girls in Bldg. 18-5 have decided to wait for Ronnie to grow up. . . . The Accounting Section would like to welcome S. Gayle Gaunt into the Main Office gang. . . . Guess that's all the news for now, so see you all next week.

"Breakfast At Hollywood" Program Proves Popular



The "Breakfast At Hollywood" program held for Elex second shift members recently provided the setting for much hilarious entertainment. Top row, left, shows Margaret Schaff of the Taylor Street Plant, who received the wishing ring. The Max Factor make-up kit for the funniest hat went to Miriam Spice, also of the Taylor Street Plant. Right, Cecil Kite, master of ceremonies, thought that Mildred Harber would enjoy something to smoke, and therefore presented her with a cigar. Second row, left, shows Mr. Kite trying on the hats during his quest for a prize winner. Center shows a group shot of those attending. Right is Uncle Corny telling his jokes. Bottom row, left, is Velma Johnston of the Taylor Street Plant, runner-up in the good neighbor contest. Center, picking the prize-winning hat must have been a hard job, judging from this collection. Right, oldest mother present was Mrs. Nettie Krick, who is 75 years of age. One of her three children, Nora Duncan, is employed in Bldg. 19-5.

Seven Divisions Maintain Perfect Safety Records

Twenty lost-time accidents were reported during the montb of January at the Fort Wayne Works. Three mishaps occurred in each of the following divisions: Fractional HP Motor, Transformer, General Service and Anomalous; two each in Distribution and Taylor Street; and one each in Series and Specialty, Tool, Power Drive, and Refrigeration. The frequency to date is 6.50 as compared with 3.44 in January of 1944, and the severity is .104 against .154 in January, 1944.

The standings of the various divisions in the matter of frequency and severity is as follows:

Division	Freq.	Sev.
Decatur	0.0	.09
Insulation	0.0	0.0
Kokomo	0.0	.12
Miscellaneous	0.0	.07
Motor-Generator	0.0	0.0
Plastics	0.0	0.0
Wire	0.0	0.0
Frac. HP Motor	3.95	.024
Taylor Strect	4.57	.18
Series & Sp. Motor	5.74	.14
Refrigeration	6.70	.03
Transformer	8.00	.03
Power Drive	10.26	.35
Tool	16.74	.03
General Service	27.59	.24
Distribution	55.38	.99

Elex Club To See Presentation Of "Smilin' Through"

All Three Shifts To Attend Civic Theatre Production On February 25

All three shifts of the Elex Club will attend a special Civic Theatre presentation of "Smilin' Through" on Sunday, February 25, at 3:00 P. M. Admittance will be by Elex membership card. Non-members are invited and are asked to donate 50¢ for gift boxes for G-E soldiers.

"Smilin' Through" is built around a young Irishman who is in love with a charming Irish girl. Her uncle is bitterly opposed to their marriage because of an injustice committed years before by the young man's father. How the two lovers finally overcome the odds makes a beautiful story that is appealing to people of all ages.

Speech Club Meets

The G-E Speech Club, at its regular meeting on February 13, held an election of officers with the following results: President, Arthur Singleton, Bldg. 2-3; vice-president, H. Snyder, Bldg. 6-4; and secretary, P. Esterline, Bldg. 2-3. The topicmaster of the evening was P. Clendenen, word master was Ted Budecki, and toastmaster was Gene Foster. Speakers of the evening and their topics were: E. Mills, "Outline of the principle of effective speaking;" A. Singleton, "Bldg. 2-3 Gripes;" and O. Carston, "How to Remember."

The Club is open to membership for employees of the G-E Company only. Meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 5:30. Any employee desiring to join for improvement in speech should contact one of the officers or a club member for further information.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Shipping & Receiving

Receiving Dept.

We were honored Monday by a visit from WAC Pvt. Betty Sheller. Come again, Betty; we are always glad to see you and wish you the best.... Sh—Sh—the sleuth is here. Have you lost anything, found anything or do you want a mystery solved? If so call on Jim Britton of the Shipping Department.... Hazel Dilworth of the Bucket Section is helping the girls in the Insp. department for a few days.... The Navy has landed; one day last week Mary Jane Markley received a telephone call from her hubby to meet him at the west gate house, it was a complete surprise as she didn't know he was home. He has been overseas for over a year. She is taking a few days off. We are glad for you, Mary, and wish your husband a happy leave.... Lloyd Pinkerton, Seaman first class, called on the Receiving dept., Wednesday. "Pinky" used to be one of us boys till he joined the Navy. He has been overseas for ten months on a Victory ship. His base has been England. Pinky likes the Navy real well. He says he has heard the buzz bombs on several occasions. Pinky looks good and feels fine. He will leave here soon to ship out to the war area again. We wish him all the good luck there is. He has been receiving the Fort Wayne WORKS NEWS regularly and keeps up with shop news.

Shipping Dept.

The Shipping department hates to lose Dick Wolff to Winter Street. Best of luck on your new job, Dick.... We are glad to welcome Helen Clore to the Shipping cage. We hope you like being with us, Helen.... Had a letter from Wally Burton. He sure is getting a good taste of Army life... Have you noticed what expert cigarette rollers we have in Van Horn, Denver Fisher, Arlie Shelley, Louie Kalika and Jim Brittin. Well, fellows, they say practice makes perfect.... Here are our picks for the Sectional. We can't all be right—hope one of us is—? Van Horn, North Side; Al Kruse, South Side; Ab Franke, Central Catholic; Vic Robbe, Central Catholic; Al Braun, Central Catholic; Cecil Bay, Concordia; Jim Brittin, Central.... P.S. We understand Roanoke has quite a team; for further information ask Alice Zent.... We miss our neighbors, spare parts. We hated to see them leave us. Mac is now singing "Don't fence me in."... Charles Fisher, a newcomer to our section, is teaming up with Harold Hirshy on the conveyor.... The lady that you see at the east end of the Burma Road is our Vesta Whitney. Vesta says that she has the highest job in the factory. She really gets up in the world.... Bob Schultess is in the market for a "fog shovel;" he says he needs it these foggy mornings.... Let's keep very much in mind the idcals of Washington this month. We are not the only ones that found the going very, very rugged. Washington, at Valley Forge, long ago taught us that lesson. The boys on all fronts are still teaching us.

Screw Machine

Bertha Garrettson's son, Keith, haa a 14-day leave from Great Lakes.... Icel Stukey received the swellest box of candy for Valentine's day. Um—it was delicious!... We're all anxious to see the crazy hat which Helen Cooper will wear to the Elex "Breakfast at Sardi's."... It appears that Maurice Roe has one thing in common with Abraham Lincoln. He celebrated his ?th birthday on Monday the twelfth.... Ardis Crum would be glad if some one would please tell him how to spell "shears." He'll use "scissors" if some one can spell that.... Mary Jane McClish, who has been off work ill for some time, bade us good-bye Monday evening.... Velma Richards has left us on sick leave. A speedy recovery, Velma.... Ralph Dunlap entertained a group of the second trick boys at his home last Friday night.... Vivien Dixon has just finished a course in dancing at the Arthur Murray studio.... If anyone has a table model radio for sale, please contact Dorcas Klinker.... Florence Pertler's brother, Cpl. John McBride, whom she hadn't see for ten years, is spending a short furlough with her. He has been with the Army in Alaska two years, and before then made his home in California.... Otto Fackler seems to have forgotten that we work on Saturday. He put his time card in the box Friday and spent all noon hour Saturday looking for it.... Louanna Caudill, who formerly worked on the blanchards, received word that her fiance has been killed in action. You have our sympathy, Louanna.... James Weikart celebrated his third wedding anniversary on Valentine's Day. Congratulations, Jim.... We want to congratulate Helen Switzer, who was married Saturday to Lowell Businger. Best of everything, Helen. Her mother works in our department and her father works in the Aluminum department. She was given a lovely lamp by her friends.... Because of illness, we are sorry to part with Joan Carper from off the big buffers. Joan has been with us over two years. A group of her fellow workers presented her with a beautiful spread on leaving. We'll miss you, Joan. Hope your health improves and lots of success in whatever you do.... We have two new members to our "Forgotten Badge" club. Fred Sanders and Margarct Evans forgot theirs this week.... Some of our girls seemed rather confused last week. Twylo Elzey got in the wrong car to come to work one day. Her driver was in the car behind. Zelma Woods fell out of the car on the ice Monday morning. Watch it, girls; we want you at work.... Harold Koogle has finally given up bowling. We heard that he sold his bowling ball. How about that, Koogle?... Pat Prouty has invited the gang over for sandwiches some evening. Every one be sure and bring a knife because Pat doesn't have any silverware.... We are glad to have Barney Brackney back with us again after serving with the Armed forces.... We want to wish Mr. and Mrs. Hicks lots of luck and many more happy days and congratulations for their Golden Wedding anniversary.... Wanted: Skinny would like for some one to bring more food, because he thinks he is losing some weight.... Maxine Ray has a new way of laundering identification badges. We understand it is a secret process known only to her. For further details see Maxinc.... A party was held last week at Clea Crowe's house. It was his fourth wedding anniversary. Among many presents there was a large lamp. It was explained to Cleo that the purpose of the lamp was so that his wife could see what a poor bargain she made when she married Cleo. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Linus Schmitt, Cleo Crowe and wife, Clyde and Mrs. Cox, Jerry and Mrs. Roehling, Kenneth and Mrs. Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Venderly.

Red Cross Aids War Prisoners



—Red Cross Photo.

American prisoners of war in German camps sometimes use primitive methods to cook food from Red Cross food parcels. Above, two unidentified American prisoners at Stalag III B do outdoor cooking. German-held American prisoners get one Red Cross food parcel weekly, in addition to prison fare, which is the same as that served German troops guarding the camp.

The Red Cross War Fund campaign will open at the Fort Wayne Works on Monday, March 5. The drive will give employees an opportunity to participate in the Red Cross's many humanitarian services.

Punch Press

May Wysong would like to thank all her friends for the kindness she received in the death of her brother, PFC Charles Keller.... Eddie Smart has been transferred to Lynn, Mass. The best wishes and good luck from the many friends he has made in Fort Wayne go with Eddie in his new work. We also wish Ted Mullen luck. Ted has taken over Eddie's work.... Happy birthday, Fredona Graves. We hear you got several lovely gifts from the gang.... Cliff, our trucker, was examined for the Army.... Roy Chapman was off sick a couple of days, but is back on the job again.... Ruah Ladig heard from her son who is in the Navy.... Say, August Bussman, we hear that you are having cow trouble. Confucius say, "Build higher fence, cow stay home."... Garnet Borne wishes to thank every one for the lovely time they showed her on her birthday. Thanks, Garnet, for the home made candy.... Edna Sellers was home sick for a few days. Glad to see you back, Edna.... Wilma Crawford sure is proud to think she is Grandma. She tells us she can hardly wait until she gets home at night to see the baby.... Ima Hanson is going to spend this week-end in Kokomo with her daughter. Have a good time, Ima.

Tool Room

Dale Romey is back to stay with us for a while after his recent examination for the service. Don't feel badly about it, Dale; you are doing your share right here.... Max Fielitz's new bow tie has caused a mild sensation in our Tool Room and small wonder. It's a real work of art. We believe it even rivals Jake Arnold's purple one with white polka dots.... We want to apologize to Dave Deem for the misspelling of his name in our WORKS NEWS.... Homer Seng miscalculated in his basement digging and now the cistern and basement are all one. Everything was in its place until the water pressure in the cistern eased through basement wall—was he surprised.... In our proud parent division we have Elmer Tieman and wife Clara, who welcomed a baby girl to their family on February 7. The girl weighed in at 7½ lbs. and is named Sandra Kay. We are amazed at Elmer's sudden chest development and his ability to keep his balance—he sure is looking top-heavy—congratulations, Elmer.

Aluminum Parts

We welcome another new member to our section on second shift, Flossie Nobles, transferred from the Screw Machine section.... Birthday greetings are extended to Rosezella (Gene) Schlichter, on Feb. 27.... We have two people in our section whose birthdays fall on Feb. 29—Dora Quackenbush and Gertrude Rosebrock. It must be terrible to go through life having only one birthday each four years, so we are going to wish them a happy birthday regardless.... Dorothy Hart celebrates her twenty-fourth wedding anniversary this week. Hope you have many more, Dorothy.

Rotor

The Shaft line welcomes Nellie Todd, Vera Guthrie and Ellen Hirschbiel to first trick. The girls were formerly on second and third tricks.... Arno Phegley is replacing Kathleen Woodworth while Katy is home on sick leave.... Mary Cains of bucket line received from her son in Egypt a beautiful hand bag, spun silver broach, Egyptian coins and handkerchiefs.... Margaret Langston received word that her son arrived in Germany.... Pearl Noble was operated on Feb. 16 and is doing nicely. Hurry back, Pearl, we miss you.... Dorothy Warfield is leaving the bucket section to go to Broadway.... Lena Hicks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Hicks of Fort Wayne, are celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary Sunday. They were married at Olive Hill, Kentucky. Happy anniversary.

Impeller

The match game champions of the Routh Turn and Mill Section, Hugh Tigges and Hal Stewart, are getting into shape for their next bowling match to be held in the near future. Good luck, fellows!... Lester Andrist took a trip back to the old home town of Defiance, Ohio. Everything is still the same as when he left.... Ardella Wyatt is now our new bowling instructor—Faye Woodworth being the new student.... Everyone received a nice Valentine in our section. No one knows where they came from though. Whoever gave them, we wish to thank you. Could Joe Cochoit know anything about them?... We wish to congratulate Charles and Lucille Rose. They are the proud parents of twins, a boy and a girl. Charles works in the Screw Machine Section and Lucille formerly worked in the

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The Alnico Weapon Retriever



Bridgeport police captain demonstrates powerful magnet assembly which can be used to find gun on river or harbor bottom, so as to complete chain of evidence against criminal. It is strong enough to draw metal object to it from three-inch distance. Will lift 500 pounds though itself weighing less than 25. G-E Alnico alloy promises to have many new uses after the war.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

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Impeller Heat Treat. . . . Thelma Barnes is going to need glasses if she keeps on ringing the wrong clock card. Once was bad enough but twice is terrible! . . . Mildred Amstutz is still going down—. Says she believes she would rather land in the snow and ice than the puddle she picked the last time. . . . Lola Rowe certainly appreciated Hazel Cook's arm to hang onto a few days ago or she would have been sitting in a nice big puddle right in tbe middle of the street too. Hazel says it was more good luck—wonder they both didn't go down. . . . Faye Woodworth doesn't enjoy picnic lunches very much. She just can't get used to hard bread. They do say it is good for you, Faye. . . . Mildred Amstutz just loves chicken sandwiches. She only eats four "Dagwood size" for lunch. Don't complain if you begin to lose your girlish figure, Mildred. . . . Lola Rowe says she likes handouts for lunch better than carrying her own. She believes she has a better variety. It was lots of fun, wasn't it, girls? . . . Stella Deventer, one of our inspectors, is leaving us for the Rotor Section. Good luck, Stella. . . . We wish to congratulate Dora Fryback, who very recently took a trip to the altar and changed her name to Gebhart. The very best of happiness to you both. . . . Did you notice our visitor last Saturday afternoon? It was none other than Doris Swihart, who helped us out in the office for a short time last summer. . . . We are all very happy to hear that Frances Melching received a letter from her hubby. Hope it isn't so long the next time, Frances. . . . We had a faint sign of spring the other day when Hilda Horstmeyer came into work with an orange and blue flower in her hair. We'll all admit it looked very nice too. . . . If you see anyone knitting or crocheting in the locker room before time to go to work, it's none other than our own industrious gal, Hazel Hartman. . . . Wilbur (Andy) Anders had a little tough luck last week. He had to have one of his teeth pulled but he seemed to do all right without it as he went to the Fireman's Banquet the other night and was able to eat a half of a chicken with all of the trimmings. He was still hungry all evening—some appetite, Andy. . . . Everyone is very happy to see Ralph Roland back on the job.

Nozzle Box

Our deepest sympathy goes to Elmer F. Baade's family. He will be missed by all who knew him. . . . Nadine Heller went home to Montpelier, Ohio, for a few days to be with her mother who had an operation. Here's hoping your mother will be up and well again soon. . . . Florence G. Lea wants to know if Robert McCollister's little son is ready for work at the Broadway Plant yet. . . . Dolly Kizer received a letter from Jeanette Kohlmeyer. Jeanette wants to thank the girls for their cards and will be glad to hear from the rest of them. I guess she is a little lonely being so far away from home. . . . Hilda Engleman said that her dad is getting much better. . . . We wish to welcome Grace Smith in the Air Inspection. Grace was on second trick before. . . . Some of us would like to know where Ab Grover got his new but fancy pipe. . . . Pat VanArsdol, Zelda Sonner, and Ruth Ort returned to work after being home due to illness. . . . Alberta Fate has gone to Little Falls, Kans., for a visit. . . . It has either been very windy or else spring is here. Katie Scoffield's driver lost the top off his car going home the other night. . . . Flora Goff, who formerly worked under George Ellison, was in to visit this week. Flora is in the WAVES. . . . Alta Randolph has returned to work after being absent for a few days. . . . Alvera Banet of the Air Inspection was transferred to the Broadway Plant; lots of luck on your new job, Alvera.

Final Assembly

Alma Raymer received a letter from her son, Dick, who is overseas. This is the first she has heard from him since December 20. . . . Celeste Schock's brother, Paul, who served eighteen months overseas with the Navy, spent a thirty-day furlough at home and has reported to a naval base in California. . . . Arlene Blosser's brother, Herschel, who was wounded in action, has returned home for a twenty-one day furlough after spending eleven months in the European Theatre of War. He will also report to California. . . . The resignation of Arlene who left February 17 to go to California, came to us a surprise. She was showered with many beautiful hankies. . . . Jean Thorn and Yvonne Fetter were transferred to first trick. . . . Flossie Coolman, Della Beck, and Alma Raymer were on the sick list. . . . Eileen Wolfe belongs to the "Forgotten Badge Club." . . . Harry Chism, our ex-foreman who was transferred to Kokomo plant, surprised us the other day by paying us a visit. Hurry back, Harry, for you are always welcome. . . . Marguiete Walt's daughter, Kathleen, opened her own beauty shoppe in Avilla. Watch Marguiete for the latest hair styles.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Our old friend, Major Wilbur Boltz, formerly of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Drafting Section, paid us a short visit last week while spending his furlough in Fort Wayne. Apparently Wilbur thrives on Army life, for he certainly looks well. . . . The D. C. Motor Section has lost another faithful co-worker, for Virginia Berning left us last week to take up her new duties at the Winter Street plant. Good luck on your new assignment, Virginia. . . . Our congratulations to Catherine O'Connor on the anniversary of her birthday last week, and also we wish to extend our sympathy to Katie, as her grandmother passed away within the same week. . . . Squire Skove, the Country Gentleman of the File Room, received a very insulting valentine, which hinted that he couldn't raise beans. So Chuck brought in a bag of beans at noon to prove that he really can.

Prisoner Of War

PFC Paul H. Banet, Bldg. 17-4 and Employees' Store, formerly reported missing in action, is a prisoner of war of Germany, according to word received here. He has been on foreign duty since October, 1944.

It was a country store in Arkansas. A one-gallus customer drifted in. "Gimme a nickel's worth of asafoetida."

The clerk poured some asafoetida in a bag and pushed it across the counter.

"Charge it," drawled the customer.

"What's your name?" asked the clerk.

"Honeyfunckel."

"Take it," said the clerk. "I wouldn't write asafoetida and Honeyfunckel for five cents."

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers:

We all enjoyed your write-up last week, Ann. Any time that you feel inclined to write "Dots and Dashes," please consider this an invitation to do so again and again. . . . There is another "hat story" to be told on Johnny Carr. It seems he owns a hat which is a little large for him. Well, Johnny had a fine prospect as a buyer in a friend, Andy Maul. A terrific build-up was given on the virtues of a the hat for Andy—it did a lot for him, in color and style, all that ole SAI technique was used. Then there came an evening when Clarence Burke was with John and Andy. The deal appeared to be about closed—that is, before Burke added the final touch. Thinking that he understood his wink, Johnny asked Clarence what he would offer for the hat, and the reply of "Where would you wear such a hat?" queered the deal. And such a good hat at such a bargain. . . . Did you know that dogs smile? Well, neither did I. However, according to statements of Joe Uttal and Joe Coughlin there are smiling dogs. Really the boys will be all right, folks, just don't disturb them too much. . . . We missed our pretty Dottie Leininger this last week while she was visiting her family in Gary. Glad you had a nice time, Dottie, but the least you could have done was think of us in all our loneliness. . . . Cy, when do we start the braiding of the locks? Remember, I promised to furnish the little pink and blue ribbons to tie your braids. . . . The funniest notes come my way—example as follows: quote—"On this day, Feb. 6, 1945, Mildred Hiatt had her last birthday. She was so enthusiastic about the event that she treated the entire department with a box of chocolates. Although she established a precedent for each member of the department to furnish chocolates on their birthday, she also informed every one that this birthday was her final one." End quote. . . . In case you walk into the Drafting Room, just pause on the threshold until you get your bearings—you're in the right room, they have just rearranged things—you know, like spring house cleaning when the little woman moves every piece of furniture. . . . Flight Officer Arthur Hammer, who formerly worked in Carl Tagtmeyer's section, is at Baer Field recuperating from an operation. Hammer is a Glider pilot these days. . . . A birthday luncheon was held at the Varsity Club last week for Lucille Mumma and Marjorie Hart. Mary Allen, Eleanor Heffner, Georgiana Smith, Rosana Weston, and Beverly Spiegel were the hostesses. Belated congratulations, Lucille and Marjorie. . . . We wish to welcome two newcomers to the Service Bureau, Emily Kelly and Margaret Hoffman. . . . The Engineers meeting took place on Monday night at the Squares Club. Chuck Kronmiller enlightened the boys on "Fluorescent Lighting." . . . Did any one happen to see Homer Meeker this last week all "puffed up"—with hives, he claims. . . . It has been many weeks since Eleanor Siebert left us. She has been ill all that time, Eleanor, we have missed you and hope to see you soon, fully recovered and in our midst again. . . . Leonard Harsch is in the hospital having undergone an operation. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Leonard. . . . We also wish to welcome three people to the Cost Section. They are Reathel Bright, Marion Hardwick and Ed Grote. . . . Herbert Borchelt left us this past week. His associates presented him with a fine gift as a token of esteem on his departure. Good luck, Herb. . . . Well, folks, it's time to cover the ole typewriter for another week—so till then, so long.

Checkers Stay "Put" On This Board



With Alnico magnets set into the checkers and the board made of a thin piece of steel, a checker board on which the checkers stay "put" was made by a General Electric engineer more or less as a hobby. So that checkers might be topped for kings, a small metal disc was inserted in the top. The board, of regulation size, was painted into squares just as any other board and this had little or no effect on the magnetic stick of the checkers.

Such a board has many advantages. It can be used on shipboard or moving trains, where a sudden lurch might upset the game. It also lends itself to hospital use, in that it can be mounted vertically for patients lying flat in bed.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings A Section
(Includes games of February 14)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	2	0	1000
Small Motor Office	2	0	1000
Firemen	2	0	1000
Small Motor Factory	0	2	.000
West Side	0	2	.000
Taylor Street	0	2	.000

Results of February 14 games:

Firemen	24	Small Mot. Fact.	15
Winter Street	53	Taylor Street	35
Small Motor Of.	48	West Side	20

Firemen 24; Small Motor Factory 15

The Firemen racked up their ninth consecutive league victory by defeating Small Motor Factory 24 to 15 in last week's opener. The game was hard fought throughout with the winners holding a small lead at each quarter post. The Factory men had a bad night at the foul line, making only three of sixteen chances at the charity stripe. Milholland with nine points was high scorer for the Firemen while Kasimier tallied six for the losers.

Firemen (24)	G.	F.	T.	Small Mot. Fact. (15)	G.	F.	T.
Hanic	2	2	6	Pulley	0	0	0
Long	2	0	4	Drayer	1	1	3
Milholland	3	3	9	Stetzel	2	0	4
Lydy	0	1	1	Young	0	0	0
Zimmerman	1	2	4	Lindenberg	0	2	2
				Kasimier	3	0	6
				Smead	0	0	0
				Hardiek	0	0	0
Totals	8	8	24	Totals	6	3	15

Winter Street 53; Taylor Street 35

Continuing on their unbeaten way, Winter Street overpowered Taylor Street 53 to 35 to remain tied for the lead in the second half. Taylor Street had the best night at the free throw line of any team this season canning 13 points in 17 tries. Baker for Taylor Street was scoring leader of the game with 17 points followed closely by Stretch Magnusson with 16.

Winter Street (53)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor Street (35)	G.	F.	T.
Magnusson	7	2	16	Walters	1	3	5
Dent	3	0	6	Baker	5	7	17
Neitzert	3	4	10	Macy	0	0	0
Hooley	1	0	2	Yentes	3	1	7
Seiple	4	4	12	Castle	0	1	1
Stucky	2	1	5	Scott	1	1	3
Snyder	1	0	2	Hanna	1	0	2
Fryer	0	0	0				
Yoder	0	0	0				
Totals	21	11	53	Totals	11	13	35

Small Motor Office 48; West Side 20

After being held 6 to 5 at the quarter and to a ten point margin of 26 to 16 at the three quarter point, the Small Motor Office team exploded a torrid final quarter of 22 points to score a decisive 48 to 20 victory over West Side. Lauer scoring 12 points in the last quarter tallied 15 for the game to take scoring honors. France with 8 points was high for West Side.

Small Motor Of. (48)	G.	F.	T.	West Side (20)	G.	F.	T.
Langenberg	4	0	8	France	4	0	8
Close	5	0	10	Coles	2	1	5
Slack	2	0	4	Oleon	0	0	0
Trott	1	0	2	Stellar	0	0	0
Barber	0	0	0	Arnold	1	1	3
Esterline	3	1	7	Rowe	1	0	2
Starkel	0	0	0	Seibold	1	0	2
Lauer	6	3	15	Gutermuth	0	0	0
Schuster	1	0	2				
Totals	22	4	48	Totals	9	2	20

Next Week's Schedule

Games, Wednesday, February 28:

7:00 Transformer vs. Squares.

8:00 Tool Division vs. Taylor Street Test.

9:00 Messengers vs. General Service.

Games, Thursday, March 1:

7:30 Winter Street vs. Firemen.

8:30 Taylor Street vs. Small Motor Office.

9:30 West Side vs. Small Motor Factory.

G-E Club Team Defeats Twin City Independents

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club added the third defeat of the Twin City Independents to their growing list of victories Sunday night when they defeated the Benton Harbor team in a fast hard fought game 45 to 38. Playing without the services of Krieg, Van Ryn, who could not make the trip, and Mel Madden, forward flash of the Club who is still on the injured list, the Club was forced to battle from behind to defeat the Benton Harbor team. The first half the Club had trouble with their defense and also finding the basket. The first quarter found the Club on the short end of the tally with a 13 to 8 count against them. The second quarter saw them cut down the lead to within three points, the half ending in favor of the Independents. The second half the Club began hitting and the fine work of Allen and Reed on the rebounds, helped with the timely sniping of Miller and Stoner saw the Club take the lead at the end of the third quarter 37 to 31. The fourth period the Club began hitting from all angles and with the fine defensive work of the entire team in keeping the Independents bottled up and holding them to three field goals in this quarter gave them a well earned victory. Lowden led the Club team with 14 points while Steimle was high for the Independents with 15 points. This victory gave the Club a record of 20 games won against two losses and making it land the eighteenth straight victory.

The summary:

G-E Club (45)	G.	F.	T.	Twin City (38)	G.	F.	T.
Lowden	6	2	14	Brown	3	1	7
Miller	3	2	8	Leach	0	0	0
Baade	0	0	0	Steimle	7	1	15
Shinbeckler	1	0	2	Perigo	4	0	8
Reed	4	0	8	Wilming	2	0	4
Allen	2	0	4	Schaefer	2	0	4
Stoner	4	1	9	Smith	0	0	0
Totals	20	5	45	Totals	18	2	38

OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

By R. F. Dressel

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 8	14	7
Team No. 2	14	7
Team No. 4	13	8
Team No. 12	13	8
Team No. 9	12	9
Team No. 6	12	9
Team No. 7	11	10
Team No. 3	10	11
Team No. 10	10	11
Team No. 5	8	13
Team No. 1	6	15
Team No. 11	5	16

Results of Bowling

Team No. 12 won 3 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 2 won 3 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 10 won 2 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 6 won 2 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 7 won 2 games from Team No. 8.

200 games—W. Loader 200; D. Chaney 242; G. Sarrazin 223; M. Simmerman 211; T. Cowan 222; G. Todd 221; P. Stiver 203.

Note: All team captains be in the lounge room at 11:30 Saturday for a business meeting.

Any second or third shift bowler wanting to bowl in this league be at the meeting of the captains as there are openings at this time.

Ten Leading Scorers—A Section

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Magnusson,	Winter Street	2	17	2	4	4	36
Lauer,	Small Motor Office	2	10	5	8	2	25
Seiple,	Winter Street	2	10	5	9	1	25
Kasimier,	Small Motor Factory	2	10	0	1	3	20
Milholland,	Firemen	2	8	4	7	5	20
Esterline,	Small Motor Office	2	7	5	6	1	19
Neitzert,	Winter Street	2	7	5	9	3	19
Coles,	West Side	2	9	1	4	5	19
Baker,	Taylor Street	1	5	7	9	1	17
France,	West Side	2	8	0	0	3	16



Through the Red Cross the American people serve the men of their Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. This 1945 War Fund poster reproduction symbolizes Red Cross service with the Army.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzmann

That there is a secret ambition of the boys to carve a notch for themselves in the "Hall of Fame" before the season closes was definitely evident when fourteen bowlers, over one-third of them, unmercifully scattered the neatly set up pins for 500 totals. Richards lighted the way by "bombing" out a nifty 596, just 2 pins short of his previous high total and 4 pins short of his and everyone else's ambition. He also had a 212 solo. Wikel also came close to this desire falling only 9 pins short by collecting a 591, that included two nifty games at 202 and 222. Bischoff came up with 545, Spahr rolled steadily for 540 as did Stodgell for 539. Rapp counted 536 with his 218 single and Dick accumulated a 528 count. Turley found the head pin for 522 and his best game of 202. Buesking southpawed a 514, while Kretzmann, bowling opposite him, was next with 513. Evard shot a 507 total despite his crop of splits and drink frames in the last game, equalling Kallmyer's total, which included a 201 single. Withers arrived at 505, connecting for a 204 game and Bergman just made the grade at 502. Griffith had his big game at 212 for the only other 200 count. Hartzell had his best night with a 188 single and a 472 total, while Armey reached 178 for his best single so far.

In the team performance column Production and Order Service were at it again. Production disliked the lonesomeness of the undisputed cellar position so they grabbed two from Order Service and now both teams are on the bottom. Power Drive had "one of those nights." They lost two games with their good scores of 821 and 847 and won one game with a 787 count. Their opponents, Inspection, rolled themselves into the third spot in Hi-Three game totals at 2507. Planning outshot FHP for two games. Their last, a 907, puts them in third place hi-single games. Receiving drew closer to a clinch on first place by annexing two more games at the expense of Maintenance.

There are only six more nights in this season to get in that "grudge" game, 600 total or what have you, that you want to get done yet. So get your elbows greased for the "home stretch."

G-E Developes Electronic Measuring Device, Photoelectric Tachometer

General Electric has developed an electronic device that measures the speed of a rotating wheel by merely looking at it, the Company announced last week. It is called the photoelectric tachometer, and it operates with 25 times more accuracy than the ordinary automobile speedometer. Unlike other types of tachometer, it measures rotation of a part without direct connection to the spinning shaft.

It is capable of measuring speeds as high as 200,000 revolutions per minute and so slow that the human eye can hardly distinguish motion. Primary use is in the laboratory and in production testing, but it is also finding application in measuring the speed of model airplane motors in wind tunnels. Broader fields in the automotive and aircraft industries are predicted.

A ZINC DUST PAINT FOR DRINKING WATER TANKS has been developed by the Navy and authorized for all ships of the Fleet. This material is valuable in preventing corrosion because of its high adherence to the metal. In addition, it has the advantage of not imparting any foreign taste or odor to the water.—Army-Navy Release.

G-E Club Defeats Caldwell Team From Huntington

By Bob Kessens

Last Tuesday night the G-E Club proved they can come from behind to defeat a clever, hard-fighting band of basketeers, the Huntington Caldwells, in a fast, bitterly fought game by a score of 43 to 37. It was by far the best game of the season, and the crowd of fans that turned out to witness the contest enjoyed a very fine exhibition of basketball.

In the first quarter the Club team began hitting, garnering 16 points while holding the Caldwells to 6 points. The second period the Club team weakened while the Caldwells blew hot and poured the leather through the hoop to tie the count at 22 all at the half to start a new ball game.

When play was resumed both teams battled back and forth, neither team being able to lead by more than one or two points. Caldwell scored a basket and a free throw with 15 seconds left in the third period to take the lead 32 to 29. The fourth quarter saw the Club team's defense tighten, holding the Caldwells to 5 points. The Club team played some fine basketball in this period to collect a total of 11 points, the game ending 43 to 37.

Reed, high point man for the Club, again came through with 16 points on some beautiful shots to lead the team in scoring. All the Club players turned in a fine floor game. Clyde Hoover, center for Caldwell, had a big night, collecting 22 points on 11 field goals.

The Club team record to date is 22 games played, 20 games won, 2 games lost and 18 straight victories.

The summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Huntington Caldwell	G.	F.	T.
VanRyn	3	4	10	Carl Hoover	4	1	9
Reed	7	2	16	B. Jones	0	0	0
Krieg	4	3	11	F. Wehr	0	0	0
Shinbeckler	1	0	2	Clyde Hoover	11	0	22
Allen	0	1	1	Lawver	0	0	0
Lowden	0	3	3	Updike	0	0	0
Baade	0	0	0	Landrum	3	0	6
Totals	15	13	43	Totals	18	1	37

Half Score—22-22.
Officials—Eakin and Prange.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 1 won 3 games from Team No. 6. Team No. 11 won 3 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 12 won 3 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 4 won 3 games from Team No. 10. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 7 won 2 games from Team No. 3.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 1	15	6
Team No. 11	14	7
Team No. 3	13	8
Team No. 9	12	9
Team No. 2	12	9
Team No. 12	12	9
Team No. 4	11	10
Team No. 5	10	11
Team Not. 7	8	13
Team No. 6	7	14
Team No. 10	7	14
Team No. 8	5	16

200 games—Mann 202; Kraft 204; Thompson 205; Kabisch 210; Rietdorf 210; Voltz 211; Johnston 216; Meints 216; Neuman 222.

It looks like Teams No. 1, 11, 12, and 4 are on the beam as they all took 3 games from their opponents. No. 7 is back in there also, with Neuman, Johnston, and Kabisch rolling a 200 game apiece. Let's keep rolling 'em that way.

City V-Gardener: How do you tell the young plants from weeds?

Country Cousin: There's only one sure way. Pull 'em all out. If they come up again, they're weeds.

G-E Teams Play Saturday, Tuesday Nights

Girls Win Second Round Title In City Wide League

Defeat Uhlig's 46-31 And Take Harvester In League Game, 33-23

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls added two more victories to their already fine season record this past week when they defeated Uhlig's by a 46-31 count, and then downed the Harvester girls in a City League game by a score of 33-23.

In the early part of the game with Uhlig's, it was apparent that the girls had already won that one in their own minds before game time. The end of the first quarter saw them on the short end of a 12-4 count, and they came to life very rapidly. They decided to get in the ball game; and by halftime they had forged ahead, 23-18. They continued to stay out in front, leading at 32-27 at the three-quarter mark; and finishing on top 46-31.

"Butch" Whiteleather led the G-E scoring with 14 points. She was really the "sparkplug" during the first half, getting 6 field goals on 8 attempts. Varner and Williams also contributed heavily to the G-E scoring with 13 and 11 points respectively. "Lefty" Piepenbrink paced the losers with 11 tallies with Taylor's 6 points being next in line.

This game was close and fast, but was cleanly played with only 15 fouls being called in the entire clash.

Last Tuesday night, the G-E girls took undisputed possession of the City League for the second half when they defeated the Harvester girls 33-23. This victory gave them five straight wins and no losses in the League. The girls were ahead all the way in this tilt, holding quarter leads of 5-0, 19-7, and 28-18.

The scoring for our girls was well divided in this tilt. Whiteleather led with 7 points, Varner had 6, and Williams had 5. Mason and Crance carried nearly all of Harvester's scoring burden, tallying 10 and 8 points respectively. This game also marked the return to action, after a long "sick leave," of Betty Eisenacher, veteran forward of last season's squad.

This tilt was fast and rather ragged at times, with several fouls being whistled against both squads. Harvester drew 7 personals while G-E was called for 12. Neither team could hit from the free throw line, with Harvester making only 3 of 13 attempts; and G-E scoring on only 2 of 9 attempts.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Uhlig's	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	0	0	0	Lash	2	1	5
Boedeker	3	0	6	Ely	2	0	4
Williams	5	1	11	Piepenbrink	5	1	11
Whiteleather	7	0	14	Taylor	2	2	6
Amstutz	1	0	2	Mi. Uhlig	0	0	0
Varner	6	1	13	Ma. Uhlig	1	0	2
Steller	0	0	0	Goegline	0	1	1
Puff	0	0	0	Keener	0	0	0
				B. Uhlig	1	0	2
				R. Uhlig	0	0	0
Totals	22	2	46	Totals	13	5	31

Half score—23-18. G-E Club.
Officials—Richards and Corbin.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Harvester	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	2	0	4	Myer	0	0	0
Boedeker	2	0	4	Mason	5	0	10
Williams	2	1	5	Augustyniak	0	1	1
Whiteleather	3	1	7	Crance	3	2	8
Varner	3	0	6	Speheger	1	0	2
Steller	0	0	0	Foland	1	0	2
Puff	2	1	5				
Amstutz	0	0	0				
Eisenacher	1	0	2				
Totals	15	3	33	Totals	10	3	23

Half score—19-7. G-E Club.

Owl Basketball

By R. James

Bldg. 17 and Bldg. 4-4 in Finals of Round Robin Tournament

Bldg. 4-4 entered the finals in the second half, round robin basketball tournament, with a close 27-23 win over Taylor Street. It was a do or die basketball game for both teams, with the loser being eliminated from further play. The game was a little rough with a total of 23 fouls being called, 15 or these against Bldg. 4-4. Crosley of Bldg. 4-4 fouled out in the final quarter.

Taylor Street could not find the range in the first half, and only 3 minutes remained in the second quarter, before they got their first field goal. This proved to be the downfall for them as Bldg. 4-4 jumped into a half time lead of 16-8, and then played good basketball to come out with a win.

Scoring honors went to Crosley of the winners, with 8, and to Borror for the losers with 10.

In a prelim game Bldg. 17 won over Motor-Generator 33-25. Kelly paced the winners with 13 points, and Snyder was high for the losers, with 13 points also.

Summaries:

Taylor Street	G.	F.	T.	Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.
Katzenmaier	0	1	1	Crosley	4	0	8
Luther	1	0	2	Johnloz	2	3	7
Borror	5	0	10	Runyon	2	1	5
Bowser	0	1	1	Christlies	3	1	7
Gilbert	2	5	9	Hosek	0	0	0
				Middaugh	0	0	0
Totals	8	7	23	Totals	11	5	27

Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.	Motor Generator	G.	F.	T.
Hensler	1	0	2	Beber	3	1	7
Williams	5	0	10	Garskey	0	0	0
Thomas	3	0	6	Snyder	6	1	13
Beng	1	0	2	Ringwalt	2	1	5
Kelly	6	1	13	Hildenbrand	0	0	0
Young	0	0	0				
Kimes	0	0	0				
Totals	16	1	33	Totals	11	3	25

Officials—Slater and Bail.

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team	W.	L.
Tool Room	16	8
Developmental	16	8
Laboratory	16	8
Production	13	11
Chargers	13	11
Turbos	13	11
Grinders	12	12
Screw Machine	12	12
Office	11	13
Receiving	10	14
Firemen	8	16
Air Corps	4	20

200 games—Taylor 213; Steffey 208; McNutt 202; Purner 201; Stoicke 200; Boedecker 200.

After last week's "firing" three teams emerged tied for the first place in the team standings. Close behind are three more teams all knotted and the race for second half honors seem to be wide open.

Steffey, office pinster, topped the individual performance wth a 585 series followed by McNutt's 569. Taylor's 213 was high individual game for the evening. Keep 'em flying!

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

February 14, 1945

Team	W.	L.
Flying Pins	13	5
Knock Outs	11	7
Pin Hitters	11	7
Whizz Bangs	11	7
Lucky Five	11	7
Head Pins	5	13

Games over 170—Evelyn Nueman 175; Mary Ulery 172; Mildred Mullen 174; Pat Clause 182.

500 series—Esther Walda 195, 169, 166—530; Martha Wendel 177, 179, 146—502.

Club Center



Dick Baade

Dick Baade, above, is one of the centers of the G-E Club Basketball; Dick stands six feet, three inches. His prior experience includes playing on the South Side High School, Centlivre Brewing, and Brown Cleaners teams. This is Dick's first year with the G-E Club.

G-E Club Team Defeats K. of P.

By Bob Kessens

The Club team handed the South Bend K. of P. Basketball team a 71 to 45 shellacking at the Club gym Saturday night. With Reed, Lowden and Krieg pouring the leather through the hoop from all angles the 24 to 8 lead gained by the Club team in the first quarter took the heart out of the South Bend aggregation. The second quarter saw the South Benders try desperately to even the score but the Club team had too much on the ball and held a commanding lead of 36 to 19 at the half. The second half Shinbeckler, who has not seen much action this year, went into the ball game and immediately went on a scoring spree to toss five straight baskets from around the foul circle for 10 points. From then on the lodge team was never in the ball game, trailing at the end of the third quarter 56 to 27. Allen and Stoner and Baade played a great floor game, constantly feeding the ball to the pivot position, from where Reed tossed in a total of 10 baskets to lead the team in scoring. Lowden garnered 14 points, Krieg 13 points and Shinbeckler 11 points. This victory gave the Club team their seventeenth straight win. Strombeck and Davis led the scoring attack for the lodge men with 12 points each.

The summary:

G-E Club (71)	G.	F.	T.	South Bend K. P. (45)	G.	F.	T.
Krieg	6	1	13	Scholl	1	0	2
Lowden	6	2	14	Heston	0	0	0
Reed	10	0	20	Strombeck	5	2	12
Baade	1	1	3	Baker	5	2	12
Shinbeckler	5	1	11	Ringenberg	3	0	6
Allen	2	1	5	Kraft	0	0	0
Stoner	0	1	1	Oznikowski	1	2	4
				Davis	3	3	9
				Goshorn	0	0	0
Totals	32	7	71	Totals	19	7	45

Half Score—36-19. G-E Club.
Officials—Richards and Corbin.

More Double Header Games At G-E Club

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club Basketball teams, both girls and men, will play Saturday, February 24 and Tuesday, February 27 at the G-E Club gym. They are staging more of their popular double-header ball games that have entertained G-E fans all this season.

On Saturday night the girls seek revenge from Curtis-Wright of Indianapolis for a one-point defeat suffered a few weeks ago. This game will get under way at 8 o'clock; and at 9 o'clock the G-E men will tackle the team from Fostoria Screw Company, Fostoria, Ohio.

The Curtis-Wright girls are always a real threat, capable of giving anyone a terrific game. Our G-E girls will really have to be playing heads-up ball in order to avenge the loss they suffered earlier at the hands of these Indianapolis lassies.

Curtis-Wright has a six-foot center in the person of Lois Shultz; and a high-scoring forward, Betty Fox, who is also their ace softball pitcher. Other members of their starting five are Topmiller at forward; Martin, who plays either center or guard; and Eck, half-pint guard. Sheets and Rieber will probably see plenty of action for Indianapolis too.

Our G-E girls' line-up will probably be Puff and Varner at the guards, Whiteleather at center, and Fitch and Williams at the forward posts. Jerry Steller has been out of action for a couple of games with a leg injury, but will probably be back in top form for Saturday night. Amstutz, Boedeker, and Eisenacher will be adding a lot to what the gals all hope will be their "revenge" victory. The gals will be after win number 17 of the season.

In the 9 o'clock tilt Saturday, our men will tangle with Fostoria, a highly-rated squad from Ohio. The Fostoria line-up was not known at the time of this writing. Our G-E line-up will probably be Allen and Krieg at guards, Baade or Reed at center, and Lowden and VanRyn at forwards. Our boys are now riding the crest of an 18 game winning streak, and will be bending every effort to make it 19 games.

In the games slated for Tuesday night's bill, the girls will tangle with Cage's Grocers from Kokomo at 8 o'clock; and the men will meet the Kokomo G-E an hour later. The Kokomo girls line-up is not yet known, but the team is composed of the softball players from Marion, who won the state championship a year ago. They are all good all-around athletes, and have plenty of speed and size.

The Kokomo G-E men's team will tackle our boys at nine o'clock, and show promise of giving them a real battle. Their starting line-up includes Stepler, 6 foot 5 inch center formerly with Dow Chemical; Fouts, 6 foot 3 inch guard; and Evans, formerly guard on the Kokomo High School team and independent squads. Their forwards will be Kurtz and Gross, local independent stars. Gross is also their leading scorer, having a per game average of 13 points for the season. They also have Davis and Wells, a pair of local stars.

Our boys will be striving to further enhance their already fine season record; and as usual, will count heavily upon the services of Allen, Krieg, Reed, Lowden, and VanRyn—their starting five. Stoner, Baade, Stanski and Shinbeckler will also be counted on, and Madden may be able to get back in action by that time.

These games, as always, are open to the public free of charge. We would like to see our G-E gym packed right up to the top; so why not come on over? These games are really going to be top-notch!

Main Office Team Wins First Game In Girls' Playoffs

By Helen Forker

The Main Office girls started off well on their way to the girls' league title last Friday night when they defeated the Small Motors gals by a 33-20 score. They grabbed an early lead and never gave it up, leading at the quarters by scores of 9-2, 18-7, and 17-13.

The Main Office gals were shooting often and using their height to good advantage on rebounds as they forged ahead in the early stages of the game. Leona Nelson was driving in to score consistently for the winners, and Steinbarger was under the basket to count heavily on rebound shots. They led their team's scoring with 18 and 11 points respectively.

Small Motors put up a terrific battle all the way, but they just couldn't seem to hit consistently. They missed several "lay-up" attempts and were kept moving by the tight defense of Main Office. Phyl Affolder and Strabede shared the scoring honors for Small Motors with 8 markers apiece.

The game was closely contested and the girls fouled often in their efforts to halt their opponents. Main Office had 13 personals tooted against them, losing Milhouse on fouls late in the final period. Small Motors ran up a total of 16 fouls called against them. Neither team hit too well from the charity stripe, with Main Office making 5 of their 14 attempts while Small Motors made 4 of 17 tries.

In the other game, Bowser's girls finally downed Winter Street by a 25-20 score. This was a close exciting game, with first one and then the other team grabbing a small lead. Fuhs had 13 points for Winter Street, and Sroufe had 10 tallies for the winners. Bowsers led 12 and 9 at the halfway mark.

Main Office	G.	F.	T.	Small Motors	G.	F.	T.
Nelson	7	4	18	Affolder	3	2	8
Steinbarger	5	1	11	Boyle	0	0	0
Milhouse	0	0	0	Shively	0	0	0
Smith	2	0	4	Stoops	0	0	0
Gutermuth	0	0	0	Stanski	0	0	0
Shafenacher	0	0	0	Reinhard	0	0	0
Barkley	0	0	0	Kramer	2	0	4
Goeglin	0	0	0	Kanamann	0	0	0
Durham	0	0	0	Strabede	3	2	8
Totals	14	5	33	Totals	8	4	20

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TO THE EMPLOYEES OF THE GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY:

The results of the Company's operations for 1944 and 1943 are compared below:

	1944	1943	% Change
Orders Received	$1,610,000,000	$1,361,000,000	+18
Net Sales Billed	$1,353,000,000	$1,288,000,000	+5
Income Before Deductions Shown Below:			
From Sales	$ 178,346,000	$ 170,127,000	+5
From Other Sources—Net	17,123,000	11,447,000	+50
Total	195,469,000	181,574,000	+8
Less Amounts Provided For:			
Federal Taxes On Income—Net	$ 137,500,000	$ 131,328,000	+5
Post-War Adjustments and Contingencies	7,123,000	5,323,000	+34
Total	$ 144,623,000	$ 136,651,000	+6
Net Income Available for Dividends	$ 50,846,000	$ 44,923,000	+13
Per Share of Common Stock	$ 1.76	$ 1.56	
Dividends Declared	$ 40,335,000	$ 40,335,000	
Per Share of Common Stock	$ 1.40	$ 1.40	

The average number of employees during 1944 was 167,212, compared with 171,133 during 1943, a decrease of 2.3 per cent. Total earnings of employees amounted to $463,564,000 compared with $471,650,000, a decrease of 1.7 per cent.

Average annual earnings per employee however, amounted to $2,772 in 1944 compared with $2,756 in 1943 and were the highest in the history of the company.

Earnings under the General Profit Sharing Plan for the year 1944 amount to $3,428,314 compared with $2,707,995 for 1943, an increase of 27 per cent. The earnings under the Plan for 1944 together with $35,649 of undistributed earnings for the preceding year make a total of $3,463,963 which will be distributed early next month to some 140,000 eligible employees. Corresponding payments for the year 1943 totaled $2,784,167 to 130,993 employees.

The amount to be distributed in April will be equivalent to the following percentages of regular earnings of participating employees for the year 1944: 1.35 per cent for employees with five or more years of service; .90 per cent for employees with three or more but less than five years' service; and .45 per cent for those with one or more but less than three years' service.

The annual report for 1944 will be issued in the latter part of this month and will be available to any employee upon request.

C. E. Wilson

PRESIDENT

Club Variety Show Planned March 17, 18

Annual Spring Review To Be Presented In Five Performances

Another of the popular G-E Club variety shows, the annual Spring Review, has been scheduled for March 17 and 18, it is announced by Paul O. Vogt, chairman of the G-E Club entertainment committee. Although the complete program has not been arranged, the show promises to be one of the most outstanding presented by the club.

Three acts have been engaged to date and more will be added in the near future. Scheduled to appear on the program are Paul and Pettit, tumblers; the Dorothy Byton dancers; and Herman Homar, "the wizard of the west," a magician's act.

Five shows have been scheduled, two on March 17 at 7 and 9 P. M., and three on March 18 at 1, 3, and 5 P. M. Each show will be of more than an hour's duration.

In order to prevent over-crowding, a limited number of tickets will be issued for each performance. It is requested, therefore, that applications for tickets be made as early as possible. Tickets are available at the Club stand

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CASUALTIES

Cpl. John Winston Disser, Taylor Street, died February 24 as the result of injuries suffered in a fall aboard the Gripsholm, which was returning him to the United States after 14 months as a German prisoner of war.

Pvt. Roy K. Yoquelet, who has been missing in action, has been reported killed in action in Luxembourg on December 26.

PFC Donald C. Stine, Bldg. 19-5, was seriously wounded February 5 in action in Germany.

S/Sgt. Richard K. Brown, Bldg. 4-1, was wounded January 16 in action in Germany.

Sgt. John A. C. Lca, Bldg. 26-2, was wounded in France on February 7.

Sgt. LeRoy Lee, Taylor Street, was wounded in enemy action in Belgium in January.

Cpl. Joseph B. Longardner, Bldg. 17-1, was wounded in action in Luxembourg.

Laboratory Personnel Changes



E. G. Downie



C. M. Summers

Effective yesterday, March 1, C. M. Summers was appointed Assistant Engineer of the Works Laboratory and E. G. Downie was appointed Section Engineer of the Electrical Section of the Laboratory.

Mr. Summers held the position of section engineer of the Electrical Section of the Laboratory and has had charge of the electrical work since entering the Laboratory in 1931. He was graduated from the University of Colorado in 1927 with a B.S. in E.E. and started his test course in the Fort Wayne Works in August, 1927. In 1928 he was transferred to the Transformer Engineering epartment and in 1931 to the Works Laboratory. He received his E.E. degree from the University of Colorado in 1933. He has been very active in the Engineers' Club, the Squares, and A.I.E.E. He was secretary of the Engineers' Club for one year and is now chairman of the program committee; he is also chairman of the membership committee of the

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All Company Suggestion Awards $232,735 In 1944

Production suggestions from employees, many of which accelerated the war program, netted General Electric workers $232,735 in awards during 1944, according to Company tabulations which were made public this week. The total payment was for 19,488 ideas adopted by the suggestion committee, slightly fewer than the all-time high of a year ago but 22 per cent more than those adopted in 1942.

Some of the suggestions incorporated into the Company's production program aided the war effort by showing how to save critical materials or how to reduce the time required to complete a job. Others eliminated safety hazards, while still others simplified work operations.

Highest single award made to an employee during the year was $2,000. This went to Orvar N. Ericson of the Bridgeport Works, toolmaker for 22 years, for an idea which speeded final production of

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Red Cross War Fund Drive Will Open On Monday

"Keep Your Red Cross At His Side" To Be Slogan Of Campaign

Active solicitation for raising the $50,000 American Red Cross War Fund goal at the Fort Wayne Works will start next Monday, Each employee of the Fort Wayne Works will be contacted by a solicitor who will give him an opportunity to participate in the drive. Quotas which have been set for divisions and sections are based on approximately

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A Share In Kindness

Nothing in life is more difficult for peace-loving people to bear than war with all its grim horror, its unending trail of sorrow, its disruption of homes and its utter waste of life and property. Yet the people of this nation are in the fourth year of the world's most horrible war.

Each day more blue stars in service flags turn to gold as this son, that brother or that father falls on a distant and unknown battlefield. Each day hundreds, or thousands, of men are carried back to hospitals with grievous wounds. Each is a member of some American family. Thousands, yes millions, of American men in uniform are tired beyond belief of battle, and homesick for home and family. Yet they know they must keep on.

There is no one of us but would give everything to lighten the burden of sorrowing families who have lost their men, or calm the fears of those whose men have been wounded. We would give all we could to ease the pain of the injured, or still the homesickness in those who must fight on.

Monday, as the American Red Cross War Fund drive opens at the Fort Wayne Works, we can do our share in lightening the burden of sorrow, in calming the fears, and in easing the pain of the wounded.

The American Red Cross was created just for that purpose and through its channels of mercy we can do most for those who need our help.

The Red Cross is at the front keeping alive the atmosphere of home for the men who are fighting; the Red Cross is in the hospitals cheering the wounded and sending messages home to anxious and fearful relatives; the Red Cross is sending blood plasma and surgical dressings to save the lives of American youth; the Red Cross is here at home to aid and assist families in distress.

This is Your Red Cross and through it you can do your share in human kindness and blunt somewhat the horror that is War.

—Red Cross Release

They're Coming Back

Men of the Armed Forces are coming back to General Electric by the hundreds now, their duty to their country performed, their eyes lifted up to the future in the America they have helped to save. It is good to have them back.

This is a war without glamor, so the welcome is not noisy. But it is warm and sincere, like that which a man gets from his neighbors as he resumes his place among them on returning from a long journey. In fact, for the boys, it has been a long journey—always into a new and strange life—sometimes into the Valley of the Shadow.

The welcome must be kept good. Many will need from the men who did not go a bit of help in picking up the interrupted threads of their lives. Particularly is this true of the boys who went through the hell of combat. Yet the aid must be tactfully given, else it better not be offered.

In many instances these returning boys will have decided opinions opposite to those of some civilians. These views will be well worth listening to, for they will be from men who have seen much more of the reality of war than have most of us. Some may be pretty outspoken about a few phases of civilian life, such as the occasional whines about rationing and travel restrictions. There are a few civilians who need to be told these things.

Above all, those with wounds must be the objects neither of curiosity nor pity; they ask only to be treated as they were before the war. And unless we make every veteran feel that he "belongs"—that home is the better for his presence—we are not very good Americans.



Service to men of the Navy is just as important a function of the American Red Cross as aid and assistance to those men and women in other branches of the armed forces. This 1945 War Fund poster symbolizes service to the men who fight on the seas.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

FOR MEATLESS MEALS USE EGGS

By the
HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS
of the
General Electric Consumers Institute

Eggs, the food with a dual personality, too often are given the stellar role only at the breakfast table. Why not plan to use eggs for the featured dish at luncheon or dinner too?

There are plain egg omelets, special omelets, souffles, and many egg specialties around which very attractive and appetizing menus can be planned; and to prove this point, Adelaide Fellows, Consumers Institute staff member, has prepared two examples of menus featuring eggs which are not only attractive and appetizing but well balanced, nutritionally, as well.

Eggs, because of their protein content, are an excellent alternate for meat on meatless days. In fact, they are classified with meats in the Basic Seven groups of foods.

For best results in cooking eggs, always use a low temperature (325° F. for oven baking; switch turned to LOW for surface cooking). A too-high heat may be responsible for undesirable curdling of eggs during cooking.

Menu

Puffy Egg Omelet* Baked Potatoes
Bran Muffins
Grapefruit, Orange, and Avocado Salad
Carrot Pudding* with Foamy Sauce
Tea Coffee Milk

*Puffy Egg Omelet

Serves 6 Skillet Time 8 to 12 min.

Melt 2 tsp. shortening. Cover, turn to low and heat pan for 5 min. Beat 4 egg yolks, 3 tbsp. milk, ½ tsp. baking powder, ¾ tsp. salt. Mix well. Beat until stiff 4 egg whites. Fold carefully into egg mixture. Pour in skillet, cover, and cook 5 minutes on low heat. Remove cover and cook 6 to 8 minutes. Cut through center, fold over and serve on hot plate. Garnish with jelly, fruit or watercress.

Variation—Spanish omelet: After the omelet is on the plate, pour over a sauce made of tomatoes, green peppers, salt, butter, and pepper. Garnish with parsley.

*Carrot Pudding

Serves 6 Pudding Pan
Thrift Cooker Time 1 hour

Cream gradually 4 tbsp. shortening, ½ cup brown sugar. Add and beat 1 egg. Add 1 cup grated raw carrots, ½ tsp. grated lemon rind, 1 tsp. grated orange rind, 1 tbsp. lemon juice. Stir until blended. Add 1¾ cups sifted cake flour, ½ tsp. soda, 1 tsp. baking powder, ½ tsp. cinnamon, ½ tsp. salt, ½ tsp. cloves, ½ cup seedless raisins. Steam. Serve with foamy sauce.

Menu

*Eggs a la Goldenrod
Steamed Buttered Asparagus
Waldorf Salad
Cream Puffs (custard filling)
Tea Coffee Milk

*Eggs a la Goldenrod

Serves 6 Saucepan
Time 15 to 20 min.

Separate yolks from whites of 6 hard-cooked eggs. Chop whites very fine and add to 2 cups thin white sauce, salt and pepper, paprika. Arrange on platter 6 slices toast. Pour over white sauce mixture. Press through sieve egg yolks. Scatter over top, cut into triangles, 2 slices of toast per serving. Arrange on platter and garnish with parsley.

*Cream Puffs

6 cream puffs Temp. 400°
Time 50 to 60 minutes

To 1 cup boiling water, add ½ cup butter or lard. Heat turned on high until shortening melts. Add 1 cup bread flour. Stir vigorously until ball forms in center of pan. Cool slightly. Add, one at a time, 3 eggs, beating after each addition. Mixture should be very stiff. Shape on buttered cookie sheet, dropping from spoon or using pastry bag tube. Bake. Cool and fill.

General Electric Perfects Electrical Hay Drying Device

Cows won't have to worry abo their vitamins when farmers u a recently perfected hay drier th enables them to produce a bett quality crop of feed as well a saves them time in curing the hay.

Announcement of this new ele trical drying device was made r cently by General Electric, deve oper of the unique control for th unit. Use of the G-E control pe mits either automatic or manu operation of the drier, makes simpler and also more flexible.

The complete hay drying syste consists of a motor-driven blowe with proper control and a numbe of air ducts which are laid on th floor of the hay loft or barn. Whe it is in use, the hay is piled on to of the ducts, and the air, drive through the ducts by the blowe escapes through vents. Such a sy tem practically eliminates spo taneous combustion, a constan threat to hay which is stored i a building. It also abolishes one o the farmer's most troublesom sources of loss—damaged or com pletely destroyed crops left to cu in the fields.

According to farm experts, abou 30 per cent of the best part of a ha crop is lost when the leaves fa off and the sun bakes out the nu trient in the natural drying pr cess. This loss is eliminated b the hay drier, which absorbs th moisture in the freshly cut cro by means of the air blown fro automatic fans.

G-E's electric control is use primarily at night to start an stop the blower so that the hay ca be kept cool when the humidit is too high. A further advantage o the control is that it and the moto can be easily detached from th hay drying unit and used for othe jobs around the farm.

By using this system of hay dry ing, a farmer who cuts his hay i the morning can put it in the barn that afternoon, whereas perviously at least two days had to elaps before he could do so. Those wh have used a similar device for tes purposes found that it preserve the best qualities of the feed a that very little supplemental pro tein has to be added, and they re ported that they received from $ to $10 more a ton for the electrical ly cured feed. So important is th unit considered by the War Pro duction Board that it was assigne a special priority to permit it manufacture.

The wavelengths of radiant ener gy are so short that a special unit the Angstrom, has been established to measure them. An Angstrom i one-two hundred and fifty millionth part of an inch.

Three hundred and seventy-three million dollars went up in smoke last year! This is the estimated cost of fire accidents the National Board of Fire Underwriters reports.

KEEP YOUR RED CROSS AT HIS SIDE—DRIVE OPENS MARCH 5

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Swell



M. K. Foor D. F. Smith

"It's swell to see everyone doing such a grand job. And to my friends still at the old job—keep it the same! I am looking forward to the day when we can all be together on the job again," says Cpl. Mac K. Foor, Bldg. 19-2. A member of the Signal Corps, he is stationed at Robins Field, Georgia. Pvt. Dallas F. Smith, Bldg. 26-5, is a member of the infantry stationed at Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Dear Gang and Editor:

(To the gang in Bldgs. 19-4 and 26-4) This is my first letter to the WORKS NEWS in two years, but I feel this note of thanks is overdue. I am now in the Pacific on a destroyer and have been pretty busy of late. The WORKS NEWS has been coming to me regularly and it is a warm, comforting feeling to receive some at nearly every mail call. I hope and pray that some day I can have the privilege of working for a company that does not forget and to work to help build a future America. Keep up the excellent work you are doing; we are looking to you for the things to help us finish this mess. I have yet to see a piece of General Electric equipment fail us. And when I see that our equipment is made by you I point with pride to say I once worked there. Well I will see you as soon as my persent job is over. Keep it up and so will we. So long.

Elmer R. Gallmeier

Cpl. Kenneth Arnett is stationed in Belgium.

Lt. Edward L. Wallace is stationed in France.

T/5 Ernest D. Murphy is stationed somewhere in Germany.

Sgt. M. L. Fortney says, "We've seen some of England, and it's just what I had heard of—old and interesting. I bet it's really beautiful in the spring. People really know there's a war going on here."

Dear Editor:

Just a short letter of thanks and appreciation for the fine job you folks are doing back home. I am strictly a G-E man, working with General Service Division, Bldg. 20-1 . . . I have been stationed on a destroyer escort since 1943, operating "somewhere in the Pacific."

It makes me pretty proud to see the way the G-E equipment stands up under daily pounding. We need rugged gear out here, and G-E can make it.

. . . All I am waiting for now is the time when I can come home and again take my regular job.

Sincerely,
William R. Sexton FC 1/c

(Ed. Note: We regret that the picture was too small for reproduction).

Dear Editor:

I thought I would drop you a few lines to thank the ones that sent me the Christmas box. I was very glad to receive it, and everything that was in it is useful. It isn't every day that we get those things here. I also know that all the fellows who receive boxes from the G-E employees are very happy about receiving them. There really wasn't much of a Christmas here, but it was better than none. There are a lot of the boys that never got to see this Christmas. Let us all hope that we can end this war soon. I have seen quite a bit of this already, and I hope it doesn't last too long.

I would like to say hello to my friends at the G-E. I hope to see George Womack soon, for I am not very far from him now. I am feeling fine except for a cold, but as everybody knows we can't let such little things keep us from our job. We have a job here that we can't let it go by itself and there are many people who have a job now that they cannot quit. But some of them stay home or go on a trip. If we did one of those two things, where would we be today? I know everyone should know the answer to that. Well, I guess I had better close for now, so I hope to be back with you all sometime soon.

Well, this is not goodbye, for it is just so long till some other time. So good luck to you all.

PFC Herman Lyons

Cpl. Fred Hugenell, Bldg. 26-5, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service during the invasion of Southern France.

Hi ya, Editor, Fellow Apprentices, and Bldg. 26-5.

I've been moving around a lot these past six months and failed to send my address. I'm in a Marine Air Transport Squadron. . . . There sure is a lot of G-E equipment used on these planes.

We have nice warm weather here with plenty of sunshine. I haven't seen any of the fellows from the G-E Company for about four months.

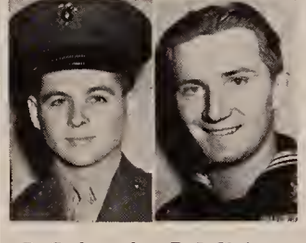
The WORKS NEWS has been doing a fine job of keeping me posted on the whereabouts of fellow apprentices.

Sincerely yours,
Pvt. Norman P. Jackmeyer

PFC Vilas Bender is stationed at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

T/Sgt. William Schmieman, Bldg. 17-3, has been awarded the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, European Theater Ribbon with two battle stars, the Presidential Unit Citation, and the Croix de Guerre from the French government.

It's Tops



R. Carkenard R. J. Obringer

"Sure is swell to get back and see the old gang again. We used a lot of G-E equipment, and I wouldn't trade it for the world. It's tops," says Robert Carkenard, Bldg. 18-B, who is a member of the Marine Corps. He is stationed at San Diego, California. Ralph J. Obringer, MM 1/c, was employed in Bldg. 26-B before joining the Coast Guard.

Robert P. Stebing, M 1/c, has been transferred to San Bruno, California. "I have seen a large amount of G-E equipment. Our amphibious ships carry a number of pieces of equipment along with the tanks and guns which also have G-E parts and motors. I have heard no complaints on any of it."

Dear Editor:

It's time to write again, to ask you change my mailing address for the third time in Texas. . . . I am still thrilled with the privilege of having a small part of training the lads who fly the planes, teaching them "blind flying" by instruments in a link trainer. Some of my students have even been Fort Wayne boys—remember G-E's own Jack Kearney? He's wearing his Navy wings of gold now and took his final radio check hop under this Fort Wayne WAVE.

It seems hard to realize that there are icy streets and snow at home, as we lie out in the grass behind our WAVE quarters, sunning in bathing suits this fifteenth day of February. By the way, even though it's late in coming, my heartfelt thanks for those wonderful snow pictures you published a while back. I have seen no snow for twenty-three months!

Believe me, it is with ever increasing interest that I can scan the pages of our G-E NEWS. Every article about G-E improvement on air-craft and weapons is eagerly read. And of course I was intensely interested in reading about the gyroscopic mechanism which could pull a Link trainer out of a spin faster than human could. How I would have appreciated one in the months I was learning to control one of the critters.

It's good to read that Bldg. 4-5 column written in letter form to some former co-worker now overseas. Believe me, we really pounce upon those items of interest, when we are so far away from it all. For a moment my mind started to wander back and I was thinking of the column I used to write from Bldg. 4-5.

Whew—I really did write a column here, and all I had intended doing was to write my change of address. Best regards to all of you swell people in Bldg. 4, and to "Liz" Karolyi—don't I rate any of those grand letters any more?

Sincerely.
Jeanne G. Fox, SP (T) 2/c

Lt. Robert B. Oswalt, Bldg. 19-1, who is missing in action, has been awarded the Air Medal.

S/Sgt. William C. Karbach, Bldg. 17-1, has been awarded the Air Medal.

First Lt. Robert W. Wiehe, Bldg. 26-1, has been awarded the Air Medal.

PFC Dale W. Stalter, Bldg. 4-2, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received December 12 in Germany.

Cpl. Albert H. Kammeyer, Bldg. 19-2, is gunner with a tank group recently awarded a unit citation for action in the invasion of France.

Cpl. George Lambroff, Bldg. 12-2, has been awarded the Bronze Star "for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States."

PFC Fred D. Kunkel, Bldg. 19-5, who is missing in action, has been awarded the combat infantryman badge.

Arnold G. Engle, F 1/c, has been transferred to Pensacola, Florida.



Dear Editor:

Just got back from the lines for a rest, so I have a chance to do a little writing and give you my new address.

It's been a long while since I was in Bldg. 26-2. I guess most of the gang have left. There may be a few that remember me, Rollie Wickliffe, Henry Webb, and Ted Feller. I sure hope to be back at the G-E some day. . . .

Best wishes.
PFC John A. Lea

PFC Richard Wyss and S/Sgt. Eugene Wyss, brothers, were very much surprised recently when they met in Luxembourg. Eugene sends greetings to Bldgs. 17-2 and 19-4.

Sgt. Harold B. Bickel, Jr., says, "I, like thousands of others, am aware of the part that G-E equipment is playing in this war—the reputation and qualities speak for themselves. The factory safety record and suggestion awards are a feature that are never overlooked. You're *all* doing an excellent job. Hope to be back as a part of you soon. Very kindest regards and best wishes to everyone."

Pvt. Lawrence H. Schuster says hello to the gang in Bldg. 4-3, and says that he has been terribly busy. He is attached to a division which landed in Normandy D-12 and saw action almost immediately at St. Lo. He has seen action in France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. The division to which he is attached has a total of more than 1,550 individual decorations.

PFC Bob Markey, Bldg. 19-2, is now somewhere in Luxembourg. He sends greetings to the old gang on that floor.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

KEEP YOUR RED CROSS AT HIS SIDE—DRIVE OPENS MARCH 5

C. H. Lang Impressed By Magnitude Of War Job

(Last week the Works News *began the story of the recent 25,000-mile trip of Vice President C. H. Lang to the far-flung Pacific battle area, where he found service personnel enthusiastic about G-E equipment and anxious to get a larger supply as rapidly as possible. At Saipan he watched a large flight of B-29's return from bombing Japan and later heard a Jap broadcaster say 27 of them had been shot down or badly damaged. But all had come back).*

A short flight from Saipan to Tinian took Mr. Lang and members of his party to one of the biggest airfields in the world. On that advanced base he saw the tremendous quadruple landing strips, which accommodate the Superfortresses on take-offs and landings.

"That magnificent airfield in the far Pacific was just one of many examples of the great work our construction forces are doing, which I saw at first hand. Too many good things can't be said for the Seabees and the Army and AAF engineers," said Mr. Lang.

"The Japanese know about the job those men are doing. They told me on Leyte that a Jap captain, after being captured, grumbled that the Japs had started the war too soon. The Jap said they should have waited until they had forty bulldozers. By that it was obvious he meant that the Japs should have waited until they had the equipment and the men who are paving the way to Tokyo."

While on Saipan, Tinian and Guam, Mr. Lang had long talks with Major General Curtis E. Lemay, commander of the 21st Bombardment Group of the 20th Air Force, and Brigadier General Emmett "Rosie" O'Donnell, who has commanded some of the outstanding B-29 missions.

Mr. Lang made an extensive inspection trip about Leyte, where he saw much G-E equipment in use. At some bases, he said, lights were everywhere. All sorts of electrical equipment was functioning on power supplied by portable power plants. At every field and evacuation hospital he visited he saw small G-E X-ray units in operation. In the mess halls were G-E refrigerators, and he emphasized that such things as those refrigerators were intensely appreciated by the men in those hot jungle or swampy areas.

It was at Leyte that Mr. Lang had dinner at General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters. Mr. Lang explained with a smile that the General was away on business at that time, however. He was on his way to Manila from Lingayen. Another one of Mr. Lang's experiences on Leyte was landing and take-off from the now famous Tacloban air strip, which is bounded by water on three sides and swamp on the other.

Mr. Lang landed on Mindoro the day United States forces made the Bataan landing. He was but a matter of minutes flying time from Manila then.

The southern loop route was followed by Mr. Lang on the way back. Frequently, as he already had done in the Philippine area, he flew over islands occupied by strong forces of Japanese soldiers. These Japanese troops, some with heavy stocks of munitions, were cut off and isolated by the execution of General MacArthur's program of island hopping advance.

The C-54 in which Mr. Lang was flying with other members of the group stopped at bases on the way back to New Guinea, Australia, New Caledonia, the Fijis and then back to Honolulu.

At numerous points along the thousands of miles of war areas, Mr. Lang talked with G-E field representatives who are working in close co-operation with AAF, Army and Navy technicians and mechanics. Officers frequently told Mr. Lang that the advice and assistance given by these G-E field men was important in keeping the vitally needed equipment and apparatus functioning smoothly at all times.

One sight that particularly pleased Mr. Lang on his long flight over the Pacific was a huge floating drydock being assembled. It was large enough to take care of the largest naval vessel afloat. For this one G-E had furnished electric generating equipment sufficient to supply a city of 10,000 persons, together with numerous motors and controls.

Naval commanders at Pearl Harbor, where Mr. Lang and members of his group attended a dinner given by Admiral of the Fleet Nimitz, told him without qualification that the G-E propulsion units were doing superb work by providing power for all sorts of Naval vessels.

Another phase of G-E operations which Mr. Lang noticed particuarly along his entire Pacific inspection was in the field of communications. The Army, Air Forces and Navy are in a large measure linked with G-E equipment in radio apparatus and other G-E electronic devices are used both in defensive and offensive operations.

Reaching Washington thirty-two days after he had left there Mr. Lang said he was weighted down with the realization of the tremendous job that must be accomplished in supplying the men of the armed forces with "what they need, all they need, and where and when they need it." He explained that a look at the vastness of the Pacific theater of operations brought the magnitude of that vital problem into focus.

"Lives of fighting men will be saved and the complete defeat of the Japanese will be speeded by the 100 per cent solution of this supply problem," Mr. Lang said. "We at G-E have a direct part in that job."

The trip was made by Mr. Lang with Major General Oliver P. Echols, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Material & Services; Colonel S. R. Brentnall, Materiel & Services; and representatives of Boeing, Republic, Pratt & Whitney, Wright Aeronautical, Douglas, Goodrich, and Ford organizations, all of which are producing power units, equipment or planes for the Army Air Forces.

Variety Show

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and may be obtained by presentation of G-E Club membership cards or badges. Tickets are free of charge to G-E Club members and members of their immediate families.

The program, a variety show, will include features of interest for both adults and children.

Mistress: "You know, I suspect my husband has a love affair with his stenographer."

Maid: "I don't believe it. You're only saying it to make me jealous."

Spanning Vast Pacific Distances



Emphasizing magnificent job of supply being done in war against Japan, Vice President C. H. Lang has just returned from 25,000-mile trip by plane to many strategic points. Westbound, he took northern route and returned by southern loop. Here are approximate mileages covered in his 32-day swing.

	Miles		Miles
Washington to San Francisco	3,031	Leyte to Morotai	868
San Francisco to Pearl Harbor	2,091	Morotai to Brisbane	3,254
Pearl Harbor to Kwajalein	2,500	Brisbane to Fiji Isles	1,850
Kwajalein to Saipan	1,627	Fiji Isles to Phoenix Islands	1,302
Saipan to Leyte	1,500	Phoenix Islands to Pearl Harbor	1,844
Leyte to Mindoro and return	650	Pearl Harbor to Washington	5,122

Suggestions

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a new remote fire control system used by the B-29 Superfortress. It is the largest ever issued to any company worker and is believed to be the greatest single suggestion award ever given by any manufacturing plant in the country. Other top ideas brought $715, $610 and $500, with the average award per adopted suggestion being $11.94 as compared with an $11.61 average in 1943.

Total awards made to employees in individual works were as follows: Schenectady, $49,250; Fort Wayne, $47,793; Lynn River Works, $35,980; Bridgeport, $32,590; Pittsfield, $19,165; Erie, $18,022; West Lynn, $16,626; Philadelphia, $4,880; Bloomfield, $4,605; and remaining divisions, $3,814.

The employee suggestion program on which these awards are based was inaugurated by General Electric in 1906. Since then the Company has paid out more than $1,500,000 to employees who suggest better ways of doing the job.

The highest award at the Fort Wayne Works was made to Levi C. Carpenter, a Transformer Division tester in Bldg. 26-2, for a suggestion which brought about a reduction in the amount of mu-metal, copper and other materials used in amplidyne transformers. This award amounted to $500.00 and was in addition to a previous tentative award of $200.00 made at the time the suggestion was adopted. The total award made to Mr. Carpenter for his suggestion thus amounted to $700.00.

According to the weekly suggestion report, fifty-one suggestors at the Fort Wayne Works received idea awards totalling $815.00 in the one-week period. Leading the list were Frank Quinn and D. E. Cobb, both of Bldg. 17-1. Both suggestions pertained to removing slotting operations for fractional horsepower motor inserts, and both awards were in addition to $75.00 previously issued.

Three other large awards were issued. They went to Carolyn North of the Decatur Plant, who received $40.00 for her suggestion for improvements in the methods of assembling brush yokes; Etta M. Anspaugh of the Decatur Plant, who received $25.00 for an idea for providing special tools to remove paint from rabbets on turret motor flanges; and Marcus Wayne Marquardt, Bldg. 20-1, for his suggestion for improvements in the method of cleaning air conditioning coils in Bldg. 17-3.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 9

M. McClintock.

Bldg. 17-1

Forrest A. Gill.

Bldg. 6-2

Julius Falls, Ruth E. Pretorius, Ralph Reinking, Beatrice Jane Henry, Celeste L. Coppolino, Arthur C. Skevington, Dorothy M. Connors.

Decatur

Tom C. Emshwiller, Edward Teeple, Cedric Fisher, John D. Cowan, Mina L. Lampy, Cecil Harvey, William H. Huston, Ruth J. Kiess.

Bldg. 4-5

Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Robert H. Bell, Ruth C. Krotke, Milton E. Roller, Harold F. McKee, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., Carl E. Zimmerman, Harry C. Sheefel.

Bldg. 19-4

Dewey D. Parkison, Louis Stalf, Delphos A. Winter, Marguerite A. Kumfer, Edward A. Fiedler, Raymond C. Soest, Norman W. Wolf.

Bldg. 4-1

Kurt O. Trapp, Carl R. Riedel, Basil J. Pearson.

Bldg. 20

Paul E. Laderman, Roscoe C. Hamilton, E. J. Stroud.

Bldg. 26-4

Erwin Benzinger, E. A. Fiedler.

Bldg. 19-5

David E. Dunfee.

Bldg. 10

I. Harold Smith.

Elex Club Makes Plans For Annual Easter Meeting

The singing of the Purduettes, a group of twelve coeds of Purdue University, will feature the annual Easter meeting of the Elex Club, which will take place on Monday, March 19. Two meetings are being planned, one for night workers and a second for day workers.

The program for night workers will be presented following a dinner at the Y. W. C. A. Serving of the dinner will begin promptly at 12:00 noon. Tickets are 55¢ and all reservations must be in by Friday, March 16.

The day workers meeting will be held in the G-E Club, and serving of dinner will begin at 4:45 and continue until 5:45 P. M. The program will begin at 6:00. Tickets are 55¢ and reservations must be in by Friday, March 16.

Laboratory

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Squares. He was chairman of the local section A.I.E.E. for one year and secretary for three years.

Mr. Downie was graduated from Kansas State University in 1920 with a B.S. in E.E. and started on test at Schenectady in June, 1920. In 1930 he was transferred to the Motor and Generator Engineering Department, Fort Wayne Works and in 1932 to the development section of the Refrigeration Department. In 1934 he went to the Works Laboratory and in 1944 became assistant section engineer of the electrical section.

He is active in A.I.E.E. At present he is vice-president of the local section and at one time he was secretary.

Red Cross

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four hours' pay for each individual according to J. W. Crise, executive assistant, who is in charge of the campaign. Banners will be awarded to those divisions and sections meeting their quota.

The purpose of the national drive is well illustrated by its slogan, "Keep Your Red Cross at His Side." The magnitude of the work of the Red Cross during the coming year has caused it to appeal to the nation for $180,000,000 to continue its world-wide operation with battle front troops, in hospitals and on the home front. The local goal of $50,000 is part of the national goal.

In officially opening the campaign Chairman Basil O'Connor of the Red Cross pointed out that the need for Red Cross services in the coming year is greater than ever before.

"American men have been fighting throughout the world for a long time," he said. "This year they will need all of the moral support we can give them. The American Red Cross is bringing home to those men wherever they may be stationed. The task in the next twelve months will be greater for the Red Cross than ever before, for not only must we serve the men in the war zones, but we will be required to give increasing assistance to the boys coming back to the United States. We know the American people will respond with overwhelming generosity, knowing that the money they give to the Red Cross will be used to serve the men and women who are serving in uniform for us."

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Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Last month Bob Karasek told his wife he could lose 8 pounds. Despite coaxing and pushing sweets in front of him by the office, he came through with flying colors. It goes to show you it can be done with plenty of will power, eh, Bob? . . . Ed Fogel is now referred to as "the poor little rich man" of the office. The office, feeling sorry for him, had a box made up in which to put contributions. Every one's been dropping their pennies in, and now he boasts of quite a collection. . . . Phyllis Guillot had "her pitcher took" the other day and brought in proofs to show the gang. Upon glancing at them, every one whistled—pretty good proof, we'd say!

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Where did the pedal go off our drinking fountain? You sure see a lot of people stepping on nothing now. . . . Were two girls embarrassed when one of our boys caught them making signs with their hands. It seems they were trying to get the attention of Josephine Wall. Better luck next time. . . . Can you imagine—Irma P. without something to eat; Dick S. without a wisecrack; Cecil Y. not crossing his fingers when he starts talking "big talk;" Mildred J. without a blush; Marie P. not being shy.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Thanks, everybody, for contributing so graciously for a gift for Vonnie Sponhauser and Ida Yaney. We hope they are well and back to work real soon. . . . Gladys Macon is the substitute floor lady while Vonnie is ill. We all agree she is doing a swell job. . . . The latest and most popular number around Bldg. 12-3 these days seems to be "My dreams are getting better all the time." Every one is trying to get the record, but without any success. Louella Rexroth knows all the words to it, so just ask her. . . . If any one ever gets to feeling blue, just go up and start talking to Bettie Babcock. She will soon cheer you up. . . . It is really outstanding the way some of the mothers are putting out production and helping to bring their sons back. We have several in our department now, and we all agree with Carl Sleppy in saying, "Staying on the job is vital to the war effort." So again we say, "Thanks, mothers, for doing your share." . . . That's all the chatter for this week, so will be seeing you all again next week.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Was Lucille Shelper's face red when she missed out at lunch time; she stayed in. Betty Baxter left her sandwich lie on the counter and Sylvia Nelson forgot her cake. Estella Morrolff came to her rescue by bringing her dinner. They passed the box to pay for Lucille's lunch, but Estella gave the pennies to Lucille for future use. . . . Is it Christmas? No, just Betty Baxter, Estella Morrolff, Mildred Oyer, and Leola Leitch having birthdays. Hope you have many more, girls.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

We wish to welcome three new girls to third trick, Margaret Rehl, Mary Avery, and Marie Hull. Hope you like us, girls. . . . Our sympathies to Herman Blessing on the death of his father. . . . What do you know, George Washington's birthday, and no one baked him a cake! We were all hungry for cake, too. . . . Last Saturday night a farewell party was held for Walter Freehill at the home of Dorothy Merrilat. We had potluck supper, music, and card games. Those participating in making the evening enjoyable for Walt and themselves were John Sowers, Mr. and Mrs. Don Dressen, Mr. and Mrs. Art Beebe, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lothamer, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Frehill, Celia Stabler, Martha Zoll, Vivian Cearbaugh, Will Osmun, Ruth Nelson, Marj Kimball, Wilda Dunbar, Alice Parquet, Freada Butler, Dorothy Merrilat, Danny Adams, Becky Frederickson, Johnny Suciu, Helen Burczak, Steve Archaski, and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Dixie. . . . More news next week. How about a little help from the rest of you? . . . We have had several cases of strained eyes looking for news from first trick. Where is it?

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST

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GOOD ENOUGH?



You don't measure precision parts with a yard stick—

And you don't say, "Oh, that's good enough!"

But do you check the drawing carefully, then make the part according to that drawing?

QUALITY PRODUCTS are build from QUALITY PARTS.

Bldg. 4-3

Howdy, Folks!

Another week has rolled around and time for us buzzin' cousins to buzz around and see what's been going on in Bldg. 4-3. . . . Came in to work one day and saw that "something new had been added." Above our honor roll is a beautiful wreath and beside it are the pictures of our boys who gave their all in this great conflict to preserve our way of life. They are Bob Koontz, who was killed in November, 1942, in the Southwest Pacific and Ervin Price who lost his life in Luxembourg on December 16, 1944. This wreath is indeed a grim reminder to all of us and will certainly make us remember that these boys and many thousands more did not "lay off," even though it cost them the greatest sacrifice that could be asked of any man. . . . We have some new additions to the Bldg. 4-3 family. Nina Growcock came from Bldg. 17-2 and now works in Group 13x56. Irma Baugh, Group 13x54, worked at Winter St. and more recently in Bldg. 19. Both are on Second Shift. Anita Stoddard is the girl who took over the high frequency test on days. We welcome you to the Bldg. 4-3 gang. . . . Things-We-Like Dept.—Jerry Smith's "good morning" no matter what time of day or night it is. Jerry's idea behind this is that in the morning people are usually full of the three V's—vim, vigor, vitality—so he tries to make them think it's morning all the time. It doesn't always work. We also like Betty Boldt's "famous last words," "I have spoken." . . . Things-We-Don't-Like Dept.—The weather! Disgusting, isn't it? . . . Ralph Springer is working First Trick, so now the guys and gals on days can try to decipher the pronunciation and meaning of those mile-long words of his. . . . Saw a letter by the clock from Bob Drennan. He's a corporal and has a c/o Postmaster, New York address. Bob says he's O. K. and received the Christmas package. Sure were glad to hear from you, Bob, and like you, we hope you can be back here soon. . . . Mrs. Paul Post, better known to us as Martha Holopeter, left us Saturday last. She's going to take up full-time household duties, but we think this summer will find her astride a tractor helping her Dad while her brothers are away. Sorry to see you leave us, Martha, and we'll miss you. . . . Well, folksies, guess this about winds up this week's column. Perhaps by next week we'll have a box around somewhere for any stray items you run across and we don't.

So long,
Country Cousins

Said the cowboy: "My partner and I are taking a trip through the desert next week. He's taking a gallon of whiskey, for rattlesnake bites."

"And what are you taking?"

"Two rattlesnakes."

SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon—I was born a Scotsman, I hai lived a Scotsman, and I'll die a Scotsman (if I die).

Now it's time for ye tae say, "Foosch, mon, hai ye no ambition?"

Weel Scotsman or no, I'm going tae give—(oops, thot word, "give," how it makes me shudder)—let's change it to INVEST—Scotsmen always make gude investments—weel, I'm going tae INVEST the sum o' 4 HOURS PAY, next Monday, or whenever they get around tae me—in the RED CROSS.

Let's see—I work about 2500 hours per year, counting overtime and all. I oxpect taxes get 300 hours o' thot. I put another 250 tae 300 hours into war bonds.

Now they are asking for 4 HOURS PAY. Thot's a small amount tae invest in such a gude canse, even for a Scotsman. 4 HOURS—about one-six hundred and twenty-fifth o' me total year's income. The average person spends lots more than thot for amusements, or tobacco. The gasoline ye buy with your A-14 coupons alone cost more than 4 HOURS PAY tae a lot o' us.

Now, suppose thot 4 HOURS PAY goes into service thot saves one soldier's life. Not tae mention thot we OWE him lots more than we can oxpress in dollars or hours o' work. He's risking his life for us. He's spending thousands o' hours in misery, suffering and pain. If we can help make his lot a little easier, and bring him back safe, to his loved ones, so they can spend thousands and thousands o' hours o' peace together, afterwards,—isn't 4 HOURS a paltry sum tae INVEST for all this?

Just one mediocre C.R.* idea—just one small to medium suggestion award—is worth more than 4 HOURS PAY.

Ah yus, it's entirely too small. It's far and away too small. I'm going tae put in a lot more than 4 hours pay. I'm going to make mine 4¼ hours pay.

*COST REDUCTION.

Is Zat So?

We all felt sorry for Art Brockmeyer when he was injured trying to catch a burglar the other evening. Art came to work with a bad limp, but when duty called he was able to beat the other volunteer firemen to the door! . . . The gals were enjoying a little song-fest at lunch period in the wash room when they were startled by a huge snowball. Evidently someone didn't enjoy their harmony! . . . Walter Scherschel is sure having a streak of good luck. Congratulations, Walter, and we hope your luck continues to be good. . . . Our red-head, Bessie Billbrough, left us to return to her home in Maryland. . . . Mail was received from two of our Navy men this week. Glad to hear from Don Painter and Herb Jehl. . . . Birthday greetings to Gerald Pierce, Robert Weaver, Iola Bobay, Walter Koehlinger, Norbert Getz, Elizabeth Love, Orval Harrold, John Epperson, and Smallen Greene.

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NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

The Gecode Club held their February party at the K. P. Home. The party was in honor of the fathers, husbands and sweethearts of the members. Dinner was served at appropriately decorated tables in keeping with Washington's birthday. Community singing was enjoyed after which the group were entertained by the Magley Quartet, and a clever Double or Nothing contest was held. Prizes were awarded to Daniel Weidler for the oldest father present and to Herb Foos for the youngest father and to Philbert Gase with the greatest number of children. Attendance prizes were won by Bill Dellinger and Mary Jane Gage. The committee in charge were: Ada Owens, chairman, Viola Melchi, Violet Breiner, Amanda Bumgerdner, Esther and Ola Kistler, Harriet Striker, Eloise Noll, Norma Lord, Ruth Christen, Peggy Hartough, Rose Gase and Betty Melchi. . . . A dinner-theatre party was held on Thursday, February 22 for the second shift Gecode Club girls. The dinner was served at the home of Eleanor Braun. The tables were appropriately decorated in keeping with Washington's birthday. The attendance prize was won by Catherine Lose. After the dinner each girl was presented with a ticket for the movie at the Adams Theatre. The committee in charge were: Ethel Schlickman, chairman, Peggy Fields, Pat Baughn, Delores Harshman and Virginia Heller. . . . Martha Rawley makes her work a pleasure by using her artistic ability with a pencil and keeps the repair girls interested on their job. . . . Chewing gum is a must with Betty August, regardless of the kind. . . . Vi Smith and Marcia Martin had the surprise of their lives last Sunday when they learned that Betty Bower was not only tops at playing basketball, but also is a swell hostess. Vi and Marcia were not only treated to a luscious meal but also were entertained with some outstanding music by the whole family at Betty's house. Yes, Betty plays piano, sax, and drums. Father, Mother, Brother and Sister all play too. It's a one-family band. You should hear them. . . . According to latest reports Lafe Swygart, punch press section, is on the mend after a recent serious operation and his best friends say he is "raring" to come back to work. . . . Margaret Fruchte proudly had on display a picture of her brother in the Navy, Don Fruchte, who was formerly employed here. . . . The new O. P. A. regulations suspend the second shift skating parties indefinitely. . . . This week's orchid goes to Iva Teeple for her courtesy and smile to every one. . . . Introducing the feminine Skirt and Slack Bowling League which contacts on Monday eve is an honor for the writer and a boon to the WORKS NEWS Decaturites. You would be surprised at the scores these young ladies chalk up. Take the other evening for instance, Norma Bower rolled 199, which is a terrific score for girls. Of course, if Jo Voglewede and her sister, Alberta had not stumbled and fallen around the alleys so much, perhaps they would have high-scored too. This gang of kindling splitters is comprised of Jean Augsburger, Rosemary Miller, Virginia Heller, Pat Baughn, Margaret Fruchte, Alberta Stump, Josephine Voglewede, Ethelyn Burnett, Dorothy Stalter, Viola Archer, Norma Bower, Kathleen Ryan and Ethel Schlickman. Keep your eye on this column for future news of this classic. . . . Bollinger's Bullard Boys sing only one song, "Don't Fence Me In." . . . Virginia Heller, the whirlwind roller skater, wondered how people got their name printed in the WORKS NEWS. Here it is, Virginia. . . . On Tuesday night the swing shift bowlers again dueled for high honors and after the dust cleared way, Jake's Thunderbolts had taken the coveted title, having defeated Stults' Fireballs two out of three. This was mostly due to the presence of Wonder Boy Schafer, who batted out 211. On the other alleys the Commandos took Rawley and his Blue Streaks two out of three. This was a lucky break for the Commandos in spite of the fact that Ballard and his folding strikes make you shiver. Rawley was completely off the beam and could not seem to get the beat. Small for Commandos has really been coming to the front lately and doing right well for himself—doing approximately 185. . . . Betty Amstutz has left the services of the Company to live at Orville, Ohio; Juanita Weiner has left to make her home at Sturgis, Michigan; Ellowyne Neuenschwander is also leaving. . . . Betty Smitely has taken Edith Augsburger's place as dispatcher's clerk in Plant No. 2. . . . Visitors in the Plant last week included Freddie Bierly, U. S. Navy, and Bob Beard, U. S. Navy. Bob has just returned from overseas, somewhere in the South Pacific. . . . Harriet Pollock has informed us that her son, Pvt. Francis Pollock, is with the infantry at Camp Wolters, Texas. . . . Pvt. Dick Kelly, U. S. M. C., has been transferred from Paris Island, where he took his basic training, to Lejuene, N. C. He reports he likes the Marines real well. . . . PFC Clarence Michel wrote us from Italy. It's been 20 months he's been over there.

Works Engineer



H. D. Kelsey

It has been deemed advisable to change several titles at the various Works to establish an Apparatus Department consistency. In accordance with this decision, Works Manager, M. E. Lord, announced on February 28 that, effective March 1, 1945, the title, Assistant to Manager—Engineering, is abolished; and H. D. Kelsey, who has held this title is appointed Works Engineer, with authority and responsibility in all matters relating to the general administration of the Design Engineering Divisions and Works Laboratory, together with such other functions as the Works Manager may delegate to him.

Mr. Kelsey entered the employ of the General Electric Company in June, 1920. He was born at Syracuse, N. Y., in 1898 and is a 1920 graduate of Syracuse University with an E.E. degree.

Following completion of his General Electric test course, his first assignment was as design engineer in the turbine engineering department at Schenectady. In 1929 he was appointed engineer of the engineering section of the centrifugal compressor department of the Lynn-River Works. In 1932 he was also made engineer of the mechanical drive section, turbine department of the G-E Lynn-River Works. He continued in this dual capacity until 1934, when he was made engineer of the engineering section of the air conditioning department at the Schenectady, New York, and Bloomfield, New Jersey, plants.

In 1939 he was appointed engineer of both air conditioning and commercial refrigeration departments.

In 1941 he was appoined engineer of the engineering department of the new Taylor Street Plant at Fort Wayne.

In June, 1943, he was appointed Assistant to Manager—Engineering and continued in this capacity until the present time.

POINSATTE PISTOLS

Wedding bells rang again for Poinsatte. This time Bill Clouse middle-aisled it with Dee Bowman, who used to work here too. Here's happiness to the both of you. . . . Connie is still learning about her car. She found this week that a car must be parked on solid ground for a quick take-off. Otherwise, it may take an hour to get cinders, sawdust, and people to help get it started. Then early Monday morning she comes in with a story that later develops she didn't have enough gas, and all the time we thought she'd learned that from last week that cars don't run without gas. . . . Now that North Side has decided the sectional championship Martha Englert, Beverly Mustard, and Eleanor Grym can quit their infernal convincing that Avilla or Kendallville were taking the tourney. Better luck next year. . . . Our sincerest regret to Millie Banbury who can never catch her street cars. They pass her up and she stands in the rain. By the time she gets to work her cheerful disposition is shot. Maybe a bicycle would suffice, Millie. . . . We're glad to hear Charlie's wife is doing nicely after her operation. It was quiet and peaceful the days Charlie was gone, but we kinda missed him, at that. . . . Three have left our Poinsatte tribes to work in other sections. We lost "Hod" Becker, Bernice Emery, and Willie Barnes. Luck to you.

WIRE & INSULATION — *Ravelings*

Bldgs. 8 and 12

We are glad to have Mildred Behler from upstairs here to help us. . . . We didn't think it possible with transportation the way it is, that any one would be able to sleep. But it can be done, just ask Mary Brown and Grace Bedsworth. Both were caught napping on the street car. . . . The old adage, "A man's best friend is his dog," should be reversed in the case of Leo Flanagan, who remained up all night when his dog was sick. Muriel Wiedeman sympathizes with you, Leo. It seems that she has the same trouble with "Jiggs." . . . Sure, Hans Muller likes his crackers! So well, in fact, that he brings them back from the cafeteria and eats all afternoon. . . . Olga Nickler has found a new way to get a headache. Just raise up and strike your head against an alarm box. Isn't there an easier way, Olga? . . . The main attraction last Friday morning was "Al" Hambrock's desk, which was beautifully decorated with a big gorgeous cake and a gift presented to him by a group of his co-workers in honor of his 25th anniversary with the G-E. . . . Charles Durnell has been off ill for the past couple of weeks. The gang in Bldg. 8 hopes for your speedy recovery, Charles. . . . We are very happy to hear that "Al" Nicholson is improved and will be back to work soon. . . . The wire gang wants to wish Grover Hanenkratt a very prosperous career on his farm to which he is returning in the near future. . . . We all wish the best of luck to Art Rasor, who is leaving for the armed forces March 6. . . . The latest addition to the die room is "Elmer," our white mouse.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTIO

Have you tried the new ste cigarettes? Hank casually me tioned putting cig stubs togeth and Joanette immediately went in action and manufactured one. Ma we add that it turned out to be flop? . . . Some people spend the noon hours sleeping, some playi cards, but top honors for the uniqu way of spending the noon hour g to Betty Crawford and Harri Weber. They have gone into th shoe repair business and our spi report their first job was su cessful. Good old stapler! . . Janie Rauner is back with us agai after her recent illness of scarl fever. . . . Jackie Snyder and Dott Ziegler, two former employee dropped in on us this week proudly display their WAVE un forms. My, they looked sharp. . . Did you hear Herbie greet Jack with "Where were you last wee Jackie?" Do you suppose we shou tell him she's been gone for sever months? . . . Don't you find th oddest things in typewriters, tho Just ask Joanette. . . . We con gratulate you on the new nephew Betty Yoder. . . . Some of thes hefty bowlers had a few aches an pains afterwards, but imagine ho the pin boys must have taken beating. (Yes-Yes). . . . Happ birthday to you, Florence Smith and many, many more to come (a least one a year). . . . Goodbye for now.

We'uns.

The Last Word — FROM BUILDING 4-1

The Gang in Bldg. 4-1 presente Agnes Miller with a lovely farewe gift, last week. Agnes is leaving th Burr Section on account of ill health Sorry to see you leave, Agnes. Goo luck and may you soon be in th best of health. . . . The Innercircl Club held their regular meetin Thursday evening, Feb. 22, with Lu cille Slater and "Bee" Teeters serv ing as hostesses. A short business session was held at which time it was decided to adopt a child from the Pixley Home. While the child will remain at the Home the Club plans to provide clothing, gifts and entertainment for it. Hearts were played and prizes were awarded t first, Mary MacFadden, second, Mil lie Cook, third, Lottie Hess. Re freshments were served to the fol lowing: Ruth Hess, Vera Drewett Vickie Fuhrman, Millie Cook, Lottie Hess, Mary Stewart, Mary Mac Fadden, Audrey Schuller, Edna Mowery, Norma Frieburger, and the hostesses, Lucille Slater and "Bee" Teeters. . . . Eddie Proegler is leav ing to work in Bldg. 6-2. Lots of luck Eddie. . . . Well, boys and gals the big bowling match game is over Pyle's All-Stars lost 3 games to Schelper's Wonders. It seems Fre had a little trouble keping the ball on the alley. C. Oyer says there is a nice bunch of boys. . . . Ewald Stinsmuehlen has ventured on a new pastime. He went ice fishing with some of the boys. To make it more interesting for him they placed some small ones on his hook while he was busy with something else. He says ice fishing is hard on the meat points.

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This week our happy birthday wishes go to our own little Aileen Betts, Bldg. 18-3. Imagine Aileen's surprise when she came back to her desk and found a cupcake with a lighted candle on it. Besides that, she received an unsigned singing telegram. How 'bout that? . . . Harriet Keyes, Bldg. 18-3, is on the sick list, and guess what she has? Believe it or not, she has the mumps. . . . We all wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Ray White, Bldg. 18-5, on the death of his father. . . . Sorry to see Agnes Wefel leave the Data Bureau, but we all hope she has a pleasant trip. . . . Why is it that Fred Prange and Gene Williams, both from the Accounting section, seem to escape having their names mentioned in this column? Understand that Fred almost fell in the waste basket in Bldg. 18-4, and we certainly think that should be mentioned in this column.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again—On every side I have been told nothing ever happens and I am prone to believe that life can't be that dull. Just to prove my point, I have the following instances to relate. . . . Another engineer-to-be was born Sunday afternoon, Michael Gburski, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gburski. It is reported that the father, mother, and son are all doing fine. Congratulations and best wishes. . . . Kenny Stucky is home ill with the flu. It seems a shame I had to wait until Kenny is ill to mention his name here. Anyway we miss you and hope you can return to work soon. . . . Joan Mundy has some fancy red-shell-rimmed glasses. Joan, maybe you should get a patent for your method of coloring the rims. . . . One of the heart-broken group, as results of Saturday's basketball games, is Rita Luebke. She has joined the Concordia mourners. . . . Betty Bahr transferred to Al Coxon's group this week. . . . We want to welcome Lillian Bryan to Carl Weber's section. Lillian will be helping Ruth Gebhardt. We promise, Cy Stonehill and I, not to heckle you too much. . . . In case you haven't met Andrew Lowry, he is the gentleman sitting next to Velma Meads and is working in the Material Orders Section. . . . Flash!!—Harry Gargett is a proud grandfather The first grandchild, a boy, was born in Seattle, Washington, to Lt. and Mrs. Robert Gargett, on Monday, February 26. Congratulations! . . . Frank Obringer is on the sick list. Hope to see you around again soon, Frank. . . . Evelyn Siebert has an apology due her. In last week's NEWS, I christened her with the new name Eleanor. She is still going by her original name of Evelyn. We still hope she recovers soon. . . . Have you noticed "Dutch" Wellman's new glasses? Very becoming, we might add. . . . We think Mary Jane Fletter's new hair-do is very fetching. . . . Bill Crouse is expecting his brother, Major Crouse, home soon. After three years' service in the South Pacific, no amount of anticipation is too great for this occasion. . . . March winds haven't come yet—but Morrie Cox is having windy day troubles early. Last week his hat blew right in front of a street car. . . . The Commercial Section—every last one of us, including the families—is being entertained at Mr. and Mrs. Andrew O'Dwyer's home Saturday evening, March 3. Sounds like fun to me. . . . Now are you convinced things do happen?

Red Cross Provides Aid For Combat Soldiers



—Red Cross Photo

When combat soldiers lose the few personal possessions they generally carry, the Red Cross whenever possible comes through with replacements. Here are several men of an Armored Division in Italy getting a new issue from an American Red Cross field director.

Skylines from 4-5

Employees of Dept. 15x61 and BC stock room gave a lovely dinner party in honor of Harry Bruner who has worked at the G-E Co. 27 years and is taking his pension effective Feb. 28, 1945. After the invocation by Wilbur Tibbets, the dinner consisting of roast turkey and all the trimmings was served by the girls of the Dept. H. G. Siebold gave a talk in appreciation of Mr. Bruner's long years of service and on behalf of the G-E Co., the employees and himself, he wished Mr. Bruner "Best Wishes" and "Long Life" to enjoy some of the finer things, which he plans on doing. Fred Campbell also gave a short talk as did Herb Wiegman who acted as toastmaster for the occasion. C. J. LeGras, Mr. Bruner's foreman, recalled that eight of the fellow workers had been together the greater part of 23 years. At this time Frona Wiche then presented Mr. Bruner with a purse. In replying Mr. Bruner reminisced of his services with the company and his associates. A standing invitation was given for all his friends to drop in and see him at his home at 1236 Huestis Avenue when convenient.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

What's this we hear about Noah Koons pushing his bowling ball over to the club in a baby carriage? . . . After the basketball games last week-end, we noticed among the sad-sacks Hank Lantz, Elmer Zelt, Bill Nickerson, Ceal Romary, Jean Funk, L. Schuste, Emil Schurenberg, Connie Feist, and Howard Ropa. Better luck next year, folks. . . . What is this very special super pipe mixture Olin Lehman, Bldg. 26-4, has been smoking? Seems as if it has sort of cedar or redwood aroma. . . . We have a letter from Sgt. Murval "Jim" Hall. Says he is fine and O.K. in the South Pacific and has been busy unloading supplies working up to his neck in water. . . . Spring should be here any day now, as we overheard Vic Boutwell bragging on the Chicago Cubs to win more games than they lose. That we gotta see, Victor. . . . Joy Gehrig was wanting to know by what score Bippus defeated Auburn last week. Aw! Come now, Joy, it was Metz they played. . . . Christine Miller is so ticklish that she drops everything she has in her hands. . . . Garnet Dunfee better be careful where she sits down or someone should be more careful where they hang their hat, because it's awful embarrassing to have someone hunting his hat and then find out you are sitting on it. . . . Ruth Osborn received some beautiful red roses for Valentine's Day, the lucky girl. . . . We received a nice letter from Jack Leeth and he is now stationed in Laredo, Texas, as an instructor. We wish you good luck, Jack. . . . Chuck Gruber thinks he's on the right side now backing the North Side Redskins. We hope, Chuck. But what an appetite that man has—a large sack of lunch for his dinner and about 6 sacks of popcorn at a ball game. How can he keep his figure? . . . Lorna John will probably look at the calendar before she goes to the bank at noon again. After waiting almost half an hour, she remembered that it was Lincoln's birthday. . . . Lawrence Platt breaks into print again. After inviting some of the fellows to ride home with him, he took them into the parking lot, only to remember that he had left his car elsewhere that morning. . . . Louise Weibel is the new girl in the Bldg. 26-3 office. We hope you like us, Louise.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

The X-ray has been absent a couple of weeks because of lack of news. . . . No news is good news in some cases, but not when you're trying to be a reporter for a paper. So we're back again with a few items. . . . Paul Bender is certainly glad to be eating steak again after two weeks of milk and soup, thanks to his dentist. . . . Anyone wishing a "handout" see Iva Krouse and Marie Hilton. Limburger and radishes are on the menu. . . . Laura Starner is our glamor girl. She had her hair styled the other day. . . . Mike Hunter came up to bid us good-bye. He is leaving for Winter Street. Good luck to you, Mike! . . . Myrtle McKinzie visits us during her lunch hour every so often. She has been transferred to Bldg. 6. . . . Eldon Roby and Ed Stute are still running behind in their euchre playing. What's the matter, boys?

Examiner—"State the number of tons of coal shipped out of the United States in any given year."

Ready-witted Student—"1492—none."

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

Street signs are being erected for the convenience of Dottie Tilbury. Dottie seems to have trouble finding her way around in 15x63. . . . Thelma Werling better make sure she is awake before she leaves the house in the mornings. She was well on her way to work one day, when she discovered she still had her bedroom slippers on. Of course, Thelma had to go back and change them. . . . The other evening Jau Nita Likens went up town to buy a new dress to wear to the Elex party at the U. S. O. Jau Nita must have spent more than she figured on, as she had to walk home from town. . . . We wish to welcome Marcile Mast and Manila Bond into group 15x63. We are glad to have you girls and hope you enjoy working with us. . . . Ralph Reinking was very surprised when he opened his lunch and found a banana peeling and fifteen cents. Who ate the banana, Ralph? . . . Is there any one in Bldg. 6-2 who has a dependable clock to loan to Anna Robinson? She was a bit confused when she found the time to be 3:10 instead of 2:10 (this was her excuse for being late.)

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By Perry A. Shober

A spectacle that is really something to spectate is the daily euchre game which takes place every noon at the Hollywood Building. The quartet which usually makes up the game consists of Moser, Yarman, Woodward, and Borne, and about eighteen or twenty kibitzers, who see that there is not a dull moment. At this writing, they are planning the appointment of Jay Ramey as referee, whose job it will be to arm himself with a baseball bat and a bushel basket of over ripe muskmelons and announce who is at bat and who is on deck. . . . Helen Friddle has returned to work after spending some time at the laborious task of moving. We wonder what triple A priority she had to get to get a place to move to. . . . We have a very select group here at Hollywood who, at least once a week, enjoy tea and crumpets with "Scotty" Buchanan as the genial host. Some day I am going to crash the gate and then, possibly, I can tell you some more about it. . . . Gladys Sorenson, who has been spending much time recently at the dentist, says there is no such thing as painless dentistry. . . . Gillie Plummer's home-made cigarettes look like something the cat dragged in, but he says in these war times you can't be too critical. . . . During the next couple of weeks there is going to be a dearth of birthdays at Hollywood. According to record, Mary O'Connor furnishes the next excitement March 19. . . . Sonja Henie may be tops as an artistic ice skater, but Betty Meyers described a figure on the ice in front of the Regional Warehouse last week that Sonja never did nor saw. . . . Now that New Haven has been eliminated from the basketball tournament, Bonnie Swihart and Marjorie Meyers can settle back into the normal stride of life.

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Here And There

BUILDING 17-4

Flash! flash! flash! Charlie Crankshaw is back after weeks and weeks of illness. You're really a welcome sight in the test rooms, Charlie, and may your health continue to get better and last for always. . . . Did you ever hear about the G-E Traveler's Club? There are a couple of ardent members in the test room. Al Ray and Les Stauch are always pipe dreaming of Florida while Kozy is lazily enjoying the land of sunshine and flowers—California. Bill Slaughter narrates his future journeys to Arizona. . . . The gang bid fair adieu to Don Mann, February 17. Seems like the call of book learning gets a guy. Good luck at Purdue University, Don. . . . Dafforn lost all interest in euchre, at least he doesn't play any more. Bad luck? . . . Didn't know we had a George Washington on the floor but "Hobby" had a birthday this week and was presented an enormous card by the gang with a penny for each year. How many? . . . Paul Menze's birthday rolled around Saturday and he was presented with a card from the gang. Paul didn't want pennies; he said he would rather have cigarettes, so inside the card his age was printed with cigarettes. Surprised him too. . . . Pearl Hite saw Larry Reed and Virgil were getting thin (?) so he brought them some rabbit. Sure is nice to have someone to look after them. We wouldn't know them if they got too thin. . . . Seems the men in the Punch Press are wondering who puts all these stories about them in the paper. We wouldn't know who turns them in. We just write them. Still curious? . . . A farewell party was given in honor of our friend Mark Gotch. Everyone had a swell time. Just a few of the happenings were: Jim Young locking his car keys in the car; Willy getting out on the dance floor for the first time; Les Meyers and wife displaying their Arthur Murray technique. Our barber Shop quartet were present straining their vocal chords. They were none other than Kelly, Willy, Knepp, Stair, and an assistant by the name of Ebersol. Chiming in on the chorus were McCoy, Meyers, Campbell, Gus & Joe Atkins. Refreshments were served by Charley Hunt and Jack Willauer. Later a present was presented by our little group. Happy sailing, Mark, and don't forget the gang.

THE AIRBORNE TANK M-22, NICKNAMED THE "LOCUST," which made its first appearance on the battlefields in Normandy, is being held in readiness to by-pass Germany's West Wall or whatever the Germans may elect to make a last-ditch fight. This speedy 8-ton tank packs a hard wallop and is armed with a 37-mm. gun, a machine gun, 3 sub-machine guns, a dozen grenades, and 3,000 rounds of cannon and small arms ammunition. It can be carried far behind the strongest enemy fortress by gliders or once the turret is removed may be easily fastened under the wings of giant cargo planes. Landed in places which would ordinarily be inaccessible to tanks, the M-22 "Locust" can be expected to aid materially in disorganizing the enemy's rear zones.—Army-Navy Release.

Winners Of Large Suggestion Awards



Pictured above are winners of large suggestion awards in recent weeks. Left to right, top row, are Delphos Emberlin, Bldg. 6-2, who received $25.00; Alton Cupp, Bldg. 4-6, $50.00; and Willo Sheehan, Taylor Street, $35.00. Center is Charles Strong, Bldg. 6-1, who was awarded $40.00. Left to right, bottom row, are Harold Kniffen, Bldg. 10-1, $25.00; Forest Allman, $35.00; and Russell DeBard, Taylor Street, $40.00.

17-3 Newsies

If anyone should see Ida Sinn down by the St. Marys river, please don't be alarmed as she is not going to jump in. Seems she has too many snails in her fish bowl at home, so she wants to put the extra ones in the river. . . . Weddings on our floor were Charlotte Bowman and William Martain and Jeanne Hay and Dick Gladieux. Congratulations to the happy couples. . . . Park Schemehorn was seen parading up and down the aisle the other day with a pink rose in his hand. As we watched him, what do you think? There he sat at his desk eating it. Thought roses were to be looked at, not eaten. Oh, well, it was on a cake, so was all right. . . . We are wondering if Ina Smith caught Marian Pappert the other night? Seems Ina was running after Marian down the street. Anyway, that was the situation in Katherine Weigle's dream. Katherine didn't worry about Ina catching Marian, but was afraid Ina's heart might stop. . . . Mary Wright has become the Roy Rogers of Bldg. 17-3 because she is always singing "Don't Fence Me In." . . . Our deepest sympathy to Ardis Walters on the death of her mother. . . . Word has been received by Mary Frances Huff that her brother, who was wounded on December 15, has been returned to the States. He is expected to be stationed close. . . . Betty Laux became the bride of Carl Geels on the twenty-fourth. He has been overseas for twenty-six months. Those attending the reception were Bonnie Rehrer, Marjorie Rouch, and Bernice Freiburger. . . . Can you imagine anyone waiting on a bus for six hours? That's what happened on Saturday night when Dorothy Smith and Evelyn Reed were determined to go home. It must have been a short week-end, girls. . . . Greetings to our boys in service. We hope to see you all soon.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Rufus Niblick explains South Side Archers' failure in the last few minutes of play was due to a shortage of arrows. . . . Christ. Kaiser won't answer the 'phone when a friend calls up to confidentially express his regrets over South Side's ten-second relinquishment of the game to North Side. . . . Glenn Ramsey's display of the Central Tiger button (chest size) didn't help much, apparently as he now displays South Side's colors on his chair, much to his embarrassment. . . . (Rip Van Winkle) Glenn Kline wants an alarm clock—any old kind—or parts of a dozen of 'em so he can assemble a working specimen to eliminate ol' Rip's habit influencing him in his daily time to get to work. . . . Burt Telley believes in making his own exits from the street cars judging from the window pane he broke charging out of the rear door of his favorite special the other night. . . . Bud Dunlap, E. Ueber and "Buck" Buckmaster checked out recently to join the Armed Forces, March 6. We wish them luck. . . . J. Widner was sure quiet while working, Saturday, but Jerry had a reason. You see he comes from Leo and was one of their real supporters all season. Well, they didn't make it this year, but we hope they do next year. . . . Loretta Wyneken says, "I hope the best team wins the tournament. Just so it's Concordia."

Senior (at a basketball game)—"See that big substitute down there playing forward? I think he's going to be our best man next year."

Co-ed—"Oh, Darling, this is so sudden!"

Pop: "My goodness, you ask a lot of questions! I'd like to know what would have happened if I'd asked as many questions when I was a boy."

Son: "Maybe you'd have been able to answer some of mine."

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Our Ginny (the WAVE of Bldg. 17-1) was back to see us the other day. A potluck dinner Thursday noon at Violet High's was in her honor. . . . Marge Ditsch's husband was home over the week-end. . . . We have a new lady inspector from Taylor Street on the 11 to 7 shift. Hope you like us! The name? Esther L. Bennett. . . . Dave Risser has gone into the second-hand clothing business. His special this week is a size 42 either top coat or jacket, depending entirely on the height of the buyer. . . . Tarzan had nothing on our Whitcomb when it came to giving the call of the wild. He had his training at Orland calling hogs. Very fantastic. . . . Say, the group is still waiting for their cigars that Bill Crone offered to get for them. What's the matter, Bill? . . . There's many a slip twixt the cup and the lip, and this explains Max Ander's hair line above his lip, or does it? . . . Again we wish to say that we in Bldg. 17-1 on second shift are very proud of our WAVE, Ginnie Haviland. She sure looked natty in her trim blue suit. She was greeted enthusiastically with waves for a WAVE. Good luck, Ginny, and God bless you. . . . Confidentially, folks, we think that Paul Meyers' new blue shirt rates a mention in this column, don't you? . . . Our rest room is really a very good laundry part of the time. . . . Lost, one good overcoat. For details, see Joe Eifrid. . . . Eve Hiat says it makes her so mad when she wears hose to work and in less than ten minutes they're dirty. . . . It takes the matron to show the second trick girls how to wear work clothes. . . . For originality Marge Dietsch takes the prize. She has a new hobby of burying things.

Drunk (on phone): "Is this Spruce tree tree tree tree?"

Voice: "No, this is Walnut fir fir fir fir."

Drunk: "Scuse me. Wrong number."

Turret Tattles

The over-puffed chest on Ernie Kalenback these past couple of weeks is due to the press dispatches relating the prowess of his son-in-law, Sgt. Max Merril. They sure make some hair-raising reading. Mrs. Merril is employed in Bldg 4-5. . . . Herb Boltz has received the citation for the Oak Leaf Cluster with which his son, Sgt. Allen Boltz was recently decorated in the European Theater of war, for his cool-headed, calm courage in the face of "rough" opposition. Words can't say much in mere description of the deeds these lads perform. They're American, and they make us terribly proud of being an American. . . . "Pete" Peters has asked us to say "thanks" to the lads and lassies for their thoughtfulness over his misfortune when his home burned to the ground recently. . . . The Third Trick had quite a time t'other evening trying to understand the things they were "seeing." When one of the lads, who because of the nature of his job, wears work clothes, showed up in the middle of the lunch period, all "spruced up," and five minutes later was seen in the work clothes again, only to be noted with his "other clothes" on a short time later, some of the lads had good reason to doubt their senses. It all became clear when it was discovered that the lad in question has a twin brother who works in a neighboring department. Confusin' but amusin', huh? . . . Frankie Harp dropped in to see us in his Navy blues, lately. Come again whenever you can. . . . Vern Williams of the P&J's is in receipt of a letter from our ol' inspector "Max" Maxson, asking why we don't print a li'l news about the automatics. How ya doin' feller, glad to hear from ya. . . . Talkin' of Max reminds us of his buddy, Bob Novick. Long time no hear from ya, Bob. Where ya, what ya doin'? Drop a line if'n you'all can. . . . The very capable lookin' gent in the dispatcher's seat on the second trick turns out to be Gene Stolte. Howdy, friend, we're glad to see ya. Nothin' like new faces to pep us up, hey, gang?

Tickets Available For Concert By Decatur Chorus

Tickets for the program to be presented by the Decatur G-E Club Chorus on Sunday, March 11, are available now at the Club Room of the Decatur Plant. They may be obtained free of charge by any Club member today, March 2, and tomorrow, March 3. Hours of distribution are from 10:42 A.M. to 12:20 P.M. and from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Third shift employees may obtain tickets from their foremen. Reservations will be filled in the order in which they are received. Because of the nature of the program, it has been found necessary to limit the attendance to adults only, that is, to people of high school age and over.

The chorus, organized in 1942, numbers 55 voices. It is under the direction of David Embler, an employee of the Decatur Plant. Mr. Embler has had wide experience in choral work.

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

Shipping

Al Muller, our gentleman farmer, has added to his collection of pure bred live stock. The latest addition is a pup. Carrie is now busy telling Al all the fine points of raising a pup. She has told Al how to keep the pup from waking him at night. Al told the pup but the pup did not believe him. Al still loses sleep. . . . The sixty-four dollar question is "Do R. H. Long's neckties govern the weather or does the weather govern his ties." . . . We were all sorry to hear of the accident to Ruby Timmon's car the other morning. We are glad that no one was hurt and that the car was covered by insurance. . . . Ray Foltz, our truck driver, received some real pictures from his son in the Pacific area. His son, being a musician, was taken from his outfit and went on tour with the Lily Pons show entertaining the boys. . . . February seems to be the month of birthdays of all great Americans. Add to the list Brocks, Powers, Harold and Bob. Happy birthday to you all. . . . Earl Cochran celebrated his birthday last month. He never said a word about it being his birthday, but we knew it as he was seen showing his new socks. Luck to you, Earl. . . . Did you see Red Rhodes all dressed up the other day? Well, it was his birthday and he and his wife were stepping out that evening. . . . We talked to Phyllis Poling the other day and she says she misses the shipping gang a lot. Pyhllis is now a full time housekeeper. . . . Didn't Alice Zent look cute the other day with her new permanent? Watch yourself, Alice, we understand there is a shortage of Movie Queens.

Receiving

Lizzie Markley is back at work after being home with the flu. We are glad you are back. . . . Cliff wonders why Red is always kidding him. Maybe it's because you are good natured and can take it. . . . We believe spring is almost here as Gus has bought his new spring suit already. . . . We had a high wind Wednesday night but up to date there are no reports in of any chimneys down. . . . Max Hower of the Receiving Section advises he is now with the flame throwers of a Marine Division and is having a hot time. Good luck, Max, and we all hope to see you back home soon. . . . And talking about birthdays, our correspondent Frank Fast just passed his twenty-first birthday on February 23. . . . Hobart Friend of the Oil House is smiling again, he has lost his wisdom tooth.

Impeller

Hazel Cook is very proud of a picture she received a few days ago of her son, T/Sgt. Richard Cook, and his bride. We think she has every right to be too, as they are a very lovely couple. . . . Cecil Leslie must have her daily dozen so she exercises during lunch period. Cecil, you are really energetic. . . . Have you heard why Alma Grable's cake fell? Seems as though her daughter was outside snowballing the house and so-o- her cake fell! Better luck next time, Alma. Maybe it is through snowing for this season, we hope. . . . What were Bud Gerardot and Albert Crill so happy about the other day that they were dancing together? . . . We all want to wish Lloyd Lytle a happy birthday. Have many, many more, Lloyd. . . . We are glad to see Kenny Betts back to work after being off sick all week. . . . Frances Riggs got within three miles of the plant when their car slid off the road and down an embankment. Her driver said he has decided to go right back to the sunny south where they have no ice and snow. . . . Dora Fryback is leaving us to take up her duties as a housewife. We are going to miss you, "Dutch," but wish you the best of luck. . . . Mary Gordon is flashing a big diamond. Congratulations, Mary. . . . Cecil Stultz has grown a mustache, and it's very becoming, Cecil. . . . Ardella Wyatt and Katie Caudill really enjoy going to the movies. Three in one evening—don't you ever get tired sitting, girls? . . . Eulalia Coon is the first to buy her new spring hat. It's very pretty, Eulalia, and we do all like it so well we would love to have one just like it. . . . The gang received a picture from Blackie Guenin in his Navy uniform. It's very nice, Blackie, and thanks very much. . . . Ask Joella Decker where to go to buy good candy. The other afternoon she came into work bringing a pound of delicious chocolate covered peanuts. Needless to say the weight increased in the Impeller Section.

Tool Inspection

For weeks and weeks now tool inspection has not been represented in the Taylor Street news columns. Why? We lost our reporter in the person of Carol Whittern who went away to school last fall and since then no one scemed to care to assume the duties of a reporter until this week. Now Eleanor Richie Miller has consented to see that all items turned in to her will be sent in for publication. . . . This week we might offer congratulations to Mary Bell Haberstock and Alma Bowlby, who were quite lucky the other evening. . . . We extend our sympathy to Ann Kocher, whose brother passed away this past week.

Assembly

Second trick extends a hearty welcome to our newcomers "Mousie" Burk and Blanche Imler and hope you like us. . . . Present at Elex Club's "Breakfast at Sardi's" were Edna Dieringer, Celeste Schoch, Rosemarie Swaim, Ethel Morr, Betty Smith, Fay Morris and Faye Gaskill. . . . Seaman First Class Fred Irwin, son of Jane, returned to Seattle, Washington, after spending a twenty-one day furlough. . . . Joe Smith is always telling us about the good fried trukey he gets. . . . Any one wishing to have a poem written about your favorite subject—namely yourself, see Dessie Thrasher. She will gladly write it in exchange for a snapshot for her friendship book. . . . Alma Raymer's son is home for a fourteen-day furlough. Jack has been stationed at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. . . . We are glad to have Margaret McClutcheon and Evelyn Kruger back with us. . . . We are sending Frances Leffel and Clifford McLane best wishes for a speedy recovery. . . . We wonder how Buss Groves and Johnny Burgess are doing "Down East."

Rotor

Belated, but happy birthdays, to Theresa Hiatt and Mary Beaman. . . . The Noll family has a patriotic spirit. Thelma works in the Rotor Section, she has two brothers and two brothers-in-law in the Armed Forces. The two sisters work at the General Electric. . . . Louise Jones, Helen Hoffman, Jerry Ott are on our sick list. Hurry and get well. . . . Lowell Burnsworth and Junior Stambaugh have returned to work. . . . Wilma Tash has been transferred to the first trick; hope you like it. . . . The second shift extends our deepest sympathy to Clifford Knepper in the loss of his mother. . . . Seems to be birthday week on the shaft line. Those celebrating their birthdays last week were Leona Nims, Dona Wiles, and Maxine Woodcox. May you celebrate many more of them, girls. . . . Correction—Helen Kaiser has not left the shaft line as previously reported, but was only transferred to another job. Glad it was a mistake, Helen. . . . Geraldine Fry, wheel assembly, has left us to join the WACS—good luck, Jerry. . . . We are sorry to hear that Cleota Stallbaum's sister has been seriously injured in a recent auto accident. Hope she recovers real soon. . . . Stell Reed has been off this week due to the return of her son, Jim, a Marine, who is home on furlough. . . . Leona Nims was pleasantly surprised on her birthday, Feb. 23, when the girls of the shaft line gathered at her home for a party. Those present were Dorothy Gerardot, Stella Reed, Lydia Luecke, Betty Shutta, Rita Laux, Arno Pheagley and Lola Lehrman. Leona received many nice presents and an enjoyable evening was had by all. . . . We also wish Marceline Griffin a happy birthday. . . . Carl Thieme was vacationing last week. Ice fishing, Carl? . . . Marjorie Sirok brought a delicious angel food cake in to celebrate Geo. Washington's birthday. Let's see—what could we celebrate this week? . . . Ward Meese has joined us to test wheels. Ward came from Punch Press. Hope you like us, Ward. . . . Mary Hughes is leaving us to accept a position with her uncle in Garrett; good luck, Mary. . . . Sorry to learn that Marcelle Mahnesmith's husband has been wounded. . . . Pearl Noble wishes to thank every one for the lovely housecoat presented to her during her illness.

Tool Room

Harold Cutler has been off work with a strep throat and we miss his madcap antics. . . . I guess we may as well set up a regular column for proud papas. Paul Staley is the new should we say "victim" this week. The happy event was a six pound baby boy (their third child) born at the Adams County Hospital February 21. Wife, Mildred and son, Robert are both coming along fine and we wish to congratulate the papa and mama for their new arrival. We also wish to congratulate the baby for picking such nice parents. . . . Well, "Grinding Section" you can now get the real low down on your fellow workers. Helen Tritch of your own section is now plugging the WORKS NEWS as your reporter. Please cooperate with her and let her know all the printable matter you can. Good luck, Helen. . . . Paul Yentes has left us for the service and we will all miss him—nice guy, that guy—good luck, Mr. . . . No, it isn't spring cleaning—just Bob Schuelke getting ready to go to the Service. Bob graduated from the apprentice school and has been a friend of long standing to our Tool Room. Hurry back, Bob! . . . We have heard of women taking exercises for a beautiful figure but never to the extreme that they fall on their nose. How about it, Edith Spencer? . . . Grinding section, if you had been on your toes you would have found out that Archie Gwaltney celebrated a birthday Wednesday. Did any one bring a paddle? . . . We were glad to see Pvt. Lee Crosley back for a little visit. . . . News from Bob Kasserman, F 2/c comes from the South Pacific. He reports the scenery is beautiful, but too far away from home to be enjoyed. . . . Bard Zwayer is also leaving us for the service. We hope to have the details later.

Nozzle Box

Alma Deller's son Johnny is somewhere on the water according to a letter received. . . . Betty Taylor and her husband, Sgt. Taylor, are leaving Wednesday for a two weeks' furlough in West Virginia. That is where both of their parents live. . . . Florence C. Lea received a telegram that her youngest son, Sgt. John A. C. Lea, had been wounded in action and is now in a hospital in France. . . . We are glad to hear that Nadine Heller's mother is coming along swell after her operation.

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There Are Smiles



— AND SMILES — BUT THE SMILES THAT ARE PRODUCED BY A "PAT ON THE BACK" FOR A JOB "WELL DONE" HAVE A WARMTH ALL THEIR OWN. Such is the case in the above picture when Fred Schafenacker, assistant to superintendent at Taylor Street, presents the 1944 Safety Plaque to two foremen of the winning sections.

In the above picture, left to right, are (top) Bruce Winebrenner, Eugene Bobilya, Hilbert Nahrwold, Fred Schafenacker; (bottom) Walter Holloway, Wilda Fast, Ella Farmer, Fred Schafenacker, and Melinda Wahrer.

The 1945 Safety Committee at the Taylor Street Plant is as follows:

H. C. Smith, C. Wothke, M. Shull, K. Rousseff, T. Wambsganss, G. Borror, D. Shroyer, J. Hunnicutt.

W. Holloway, H. Rupel, V. Garringer, K. Lea, E. Farver, W. Venderly, M. Warren, M. Ehler, A. Stanton.

R. H. Long, H. Wilding, T. Essig, J. Britton, W. Elick.

H. J. Nahrwold, M. Swaidner, E. W. Bobilya.

J. Morrissey, R. Skiles, R. Thompson.

J. Deahl, E. Romer, W. Hall, W. Hexon, H. Theile, N. Newman, C. Sooy, C. Baumgartner, S. Gruber, D. Golden, M. Jones, H. Thomas, C. Richardson, W. Dell, E. Diehl, R. Weaver, M. Hutson, W. McKinzie, R. Nussbam, B. Zephyr, M. Randolph.

M. Langdon, A. Dodane, R. Walker, D. Bauman, P. Rugman.

C. Sible, A. Smith, G. Varner, C. Knepper, L. Hamilton, R. McLaughlin, V. Cronkhite, E. Schwarz, M. Vincent, N. Grubb, M. Martone, G. Will, R. Whitesell, C. Clover.

B. Gausepohl, H. Tigges, R. Anselman, D. McGrath, R. Stoller, A. Thomas, W. Anders.

W. Greiner, E. Listenberger, G. Glassett, C. Lackey, F. Carmoney, H. Henline, E. Bodecker, A. Ormsby, A. Gwaltney, F. Dunfee, J. Mueller, H. Kibiger, O. Anderson, L. Klemme, K. Frick.

R. Woody, D. Kattness, W. Gregg, C. Thieme, I. Phillips, A. Blosser, B. Stahl.

P. Traub, J. Repine, O. Hans, H. Schaffer, P. Phillips, K. Thomas, C. Beck, L. Childers, N. McClurg, H. Kasler, D. Smith, H. Jensen, O. Otten, E. Hart, C. Johnson, J. Weber, W. Pairott, B. Harmon, F. Stoll, E. Scott.

M. Tam, F. Walling, H. Gerke, A. Brown.

M. Morkoetter, V. Springer, L. Somers, B. Christie.

Lt. Barney, P. Weick, W. Lohrig, H. Moore.

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

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. . . Our deepest sympathy goes to Beverly Baker, whose father died February 23. . . . We wish to welcome Dorothy Landgraff, and Glenn Durben to our section. Hope you like our gang. . . . Erlinda Werling is off work with a broken ankle. We hope you will be back with us real soon, 'Linda. . . . It sure must have been foggy the other night. Bill Baker almost hit a cow and two dogs going home. Now there was a chance for you to get some meat points, Bill.

Screw Machine

Mabel Worley has received word from her husband that he is sending her some Japanese articles. She now has quite a collection, which will be interesting to see. . . . From all reports the Easter parade at North Manchester will be something to see —for details ask Bernice Lambert. . . . Mr. Matson, assistant general foreman of the Screw Machine, has a foot infection. Speedy recovery. . . . Best wishes to Mrs. Robert Hilbish, better known on second shift as Ethel Brown. The marriage took place two weeks ago at Goshen, Indiana. Mr. Hilbish works in the Tool Room on second shift. We all wish you lots of happiness, Ethel. . . . Floyd Gorland had a birthday last week. We saw one of his gifts—a beautiful colored photograph of his wife and son. . . . Margaret Schaaf won the wishing ring at the Breakfast at Sardi's program last Tuesday. The program was given by the Elex Club. . . . Esther Fuller really believes in handicap bowling tournaments. She only calls nine innings while the rest bowl the regular ten. We didn't know you were that good, Esther. . . . Pat Prouty has joined the Pin Setters team on our Wednesday night league. Luck to you, Pat. . . . Lucille Haught is on sick leave. We hope you get better real soon, Lucille. . . . Pearlene Campbell goes on second shift for a while. We will miss you and hope you like your new job. . . . Mary Muzzillo is pretty happy these days. Her kid brother is coming home on furlough. One brother received an honorable discharge from service in France a couple weeks ago. There are five boys in the Muzzillo family in the service. . . . The wonderful odor you are noticing around our department is Alta Kennard's new perfume from Paris. . . . Dave Slater thought is very funny when his driver, Ann Weaver, overslept last Monday and didn't get to work on time, but the tide turned Tuesday when Ann drove after Dave and found the house dark and Dave leaning out the upstairs window telling her to go on because he had overslept. . . . We all miss Helen Cooper, who left us Monday, Feb. 19. She has accepted a job in the Punch Press Dept. Good luck on your new job, Helen. . . . Every one in the Bench and Plating Department received a thank you card from Mr. and Mrs. Elton Shoopman, for the wedding gift presented to them by the department. . . . By the way, Pat, how was the tourney? . . . We are wondering what could have been wrong with Dale Feick on Tuesday morning on Taylor Street. He was seen beside his car, brushing fire from his overcoat. Do you suppose Dale had a cigarette? . . . Four of our girls were absent from work last week: Ethel Koontz was ill, Audrey Robinette's daughter, Phyllis, graduated from International Business College on Friday, Clara Ringenbert went to St. Louis to visit her eldest son, and Arlis Warner spent a few days at home to be with her brother, Pvt. Elden Warner on furlough from Camp Croft, S. C. Pvt. Elden returned to Fort Meade, Md. . . . Esther Wiggins received word that her son, Sgt. Thomas Wiggins of the Marine Corps, was married February 13 at Fort Worth, Texas. We want to send our best wishes to them. . . . Juliana Vebert's twin brother, Private Julian Vebert, is home on furlough after spending a year in Panama. Private Julian was formerly employed at Broadway.

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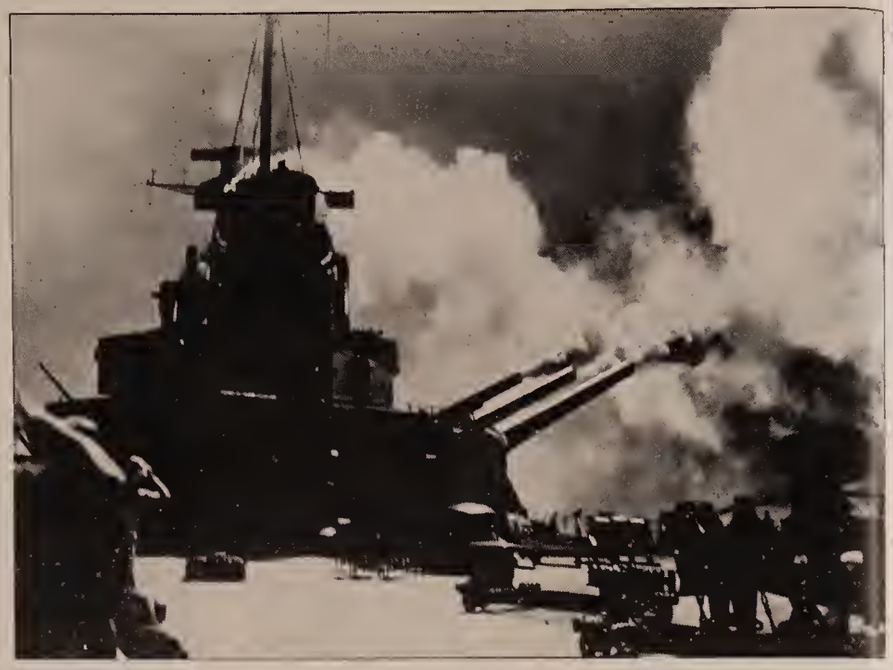
Jean Davies has returned to work after spending a few days in her home town of Bearstown, Ill. . . . Margaret Clapesattle is working again. She has been off sick for two months. Glad to have you back, Margaret. . . . Welcome to the Punch Press section, Helen Cooper. . . . Remember those slippery sidewalks of a few days ago? Well, Edna Gibson was coming home from the store with a couple sacks of cookies. Seems like Edna lost her balance and took an awful fall (and she's got black and blue marks to prove it too) but the funny thing is—it didn't hurt the cookies. . . . Chloa Weitzman has been having dog trouble too. Her dog has a habit of meeting street cars. Seems like he came home the other day and scratched on the door as usual. Hearing this, Chloa went to let him in. Such a sight, he was so dirty she hardly recognized the pooch. That dog got a bath in a hurry. We hear that Chloa is starting a dog bathing business on the side. . . . It has been rumored that Harley Springer is giving a "bazooka" concert come early spring. . . . George Ayers tells us that Spring is just around the corner. He has a touch of spring fever. . . . Ima Hanson is leaving for New York with her daughter and son-in-law. Have a good time, Ima. . . . Hazel Boyd is going home to Huntington for the week-end.

Henry Lepper, who retired from the Company in 1929, celebrated his 83rd birthday on February 28. At the time of his retirement he had a service record of 35 years.

Gob: "Will you marry me?"
Girl: "You'll have to see my mother first."
Gob: "I've seen your mother and I still want to marry you."



Jap Aircraft Couldn't Sink Her . . . .



(Official U. S. Navy Photograph)

Admiral Cochrane praises G-E geared turbines driving Battleship North Carolina, which has survived more than score of enemy air attacks in three years of battle experience. This 1941 picture shows view forward from stern as she fires her 16-inch guns.

Six times claimed by the Japs to have been sunk and victor in more than a score of battles with enemy planes, the battleship North Carolina, propelled with G-E geared turbines, is still "triumphantly afloat," according to a telegram just sent to the men and women of General Electric by Admiral E. L. Cochrane, Chief of the Bureau of Ships.

The North Carolina, in three years of combat service, has sailed more than 250,000 nautical miles, or more than 10 times the distance around the world according to Admiral Cochrane. The telegram follows:

"IN THREE YEARS OF COMBAT SERVICE THE USS NORTH CAROLINA POWERED BY GENERAL ELECTRIC REDUCTION GEARS AND TURBINES HAS SAILED MORE THAN 250,000 NAUTICAL MILES OR MORE THAN 10 TIMES THE DISTANCE AROUND THE WORLD. THIS BATTLESHIP HAS BEEN A PART OF THE BOMBARDMENT FORCE IN FIVE PACIFIC CAMPAIGNS. SHE HAS SUCCESSFULLY BEATEN OFF MORE THAN A SCORE OF ENEMY AIR ATTACKS, SHOOTING DOWN 17 JAP PLANES. DESPITE JAPANESE CLAIMS OF SINKING HER ON SIX DIFFERENT OCCASIONS, THE NORTH CAROLINA IS STILL TRIUMPHANTLY AFLOAT AND EAGER FOR FURTHER ACTION. THE IMPRESSIVE COMBAT RECORD OF THIS SHIP WOULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT THE RELIABLE PERFORMANCE CONTRIBUTED BY HER GENERAL ELECTRIC PROPULSION MACHINERY."

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Avery Spayde has lost his hammer again and asks any one knowing of its whereabouts to see him. . . . A fish story has again been told by none other than the renowned angler, Paul Hendricks. It being rather cold and the snow rather deep he drove, shoved and shoveled his way to his favorite fishing hole. Arriving there, he unloaded his tackle, and proceeded onto the lake, where he cut two holes, dropped in his lines and patiently waited for a nibble. After an hour wait, without a bite, (the mosquitoes were not out yet), he got tired and sat down on the box he always takes along and fell asleep. He says he dreamed of the land of sunshine, beautiful lakes and big fish which he was catching. Soon he awoke and looking about found twenty-five of the biggest bluegills he'd ever seen lying beside his box. "Must've caught them in my sleep," says Paul.

"Mary," said her mother reprovingly, "every time you are naughty, I get another gray hair."

"Gee, Mom, you must have been a terror when you were young—just look at Grandma."

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Walter Esterlin (2)*	R. 4, Columbia City Coming in on Road No. 33.	17-2	Hall	7:00- 3:30
William R. Adams (4)*	R. 7, Columbia City Coming in on Road No. 30 or Leesburg Road.	26-1	Peterson	7:00- 3:06
Franklin Sumney (3)*	R. 1, Columbia City Coming in on No. 30—26 miles out.	26-4	Davis	7:00- 3:06
Emil Seidel (3)*	R. 1, Fort Wayne Coming in on No. 3.	20-1	Dressel	3:30- 11:48
Orma C. Parkison (1)*	R. 10, Fort Wayne	12-2	Morton	7:00- 3:30
Eugene J. Stolte (4)*	R. 5, Fort Wayne Lives on California Road west of No. 30 and No. 33.			3:06-11:36
George Bear (3)*	R. 3, Fort Wayne	4-1	Oyer	7:00- 3:30
Henry S. Johnson (4)*	R. 4, Fort Wayne Coming in on Huntington Road and No. 1—12 miles out.	26-4	Hartman	7:00- 3:30
Alexander Peake (3)*	Hoagland, Ind. Coming in on No. 27—10 miles out.	6-1	Dent	8:00- 5:06
Steve Slouf (4)*	R. 1, New Haven Coming in on No. 24 and No. 30—11 miles out.	27-1	Berlein	3:30-11:00
Lloyd McNamara (3)*	R. 2, Roanoke	26-2	Tegtmeyer	8:00- 5:15
Gerald Alleshouser (3)*	R. 2, Waterloo, Ind. Coming in on No. 327 and No. 27 through Carrett, Ind.	4-4	Skevington	7:00- 3:06

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Agnes Stansberry	Kendallville, Indiana	Schuman	3:00-11:00

NOTICE!!

Please be advised that in the future there will be a few additional days delay between the receipt of your application for renewed gasoline rations and the delivery of the ration to you. The reason for this delay is that all gasoline coupons will be issued and mailed to us direct from the central issuing office at South Bend, Indiana. We will appreciate your filing your applications one week to ten days before you will actually need the new ration.

B. E. Needham
Gas Rationing Office

TAYLOR STREET PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foremen	Hours
Harry Case*	R. 3, Auburn, Indiana	Traub	2:48-10:48
Estella Chaney	1923 John Street, City	Traub	2:48-10:48
William Connett	Near Kingland	Hartson	11:12- 7:12
Cleo Dicks	Auburn, Indiana	H. C. Smith	7:12- 3:12
Carl Feiertag**	LaGrange, Indiana	Office	8:00- 4:30
Jerrold Gilbert	R. 1, Markle, Indiana	H. C. Smith	3:12-11:12
Edward Grady	4322 Gay Street, City	Gugler	8:00- 4:30

* Route No. 27.

** Has room for three passengers on Wednesday and Saturday evenings. Going through Kendallville, Wolcottville, Rome City and LaCrange.

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★ ★ ★ Elex Holds Birthday Party At U.S.O. ★ ★ ★













A party for all soldiers with birthdays in February was held by the Elex Club recently at the U.S.O. Top left shows Irene Meyers, club advisor, with part of the soldiers who celebrated anniversaries. Honor guests were Cpl. Benjamin Goldman, S/Sgt. Albert J. Olson, PFC Hershel Thiel, Cpl. Thomas Vining, S/Sgt. Jack Burkett, Cpl. B. Leslie, Cpl. Eldon L. Cage, PFC Martin Farmer, Cpl. Joe Stromboli, and Pvt. Richard F. Steffen. Right is Cpl. Ben McNamee, who won the grand prize of the evening, a long-distance call home. Second row, left, the conga line and right, the birthday table. Bottom left, "Andrews sisters" entertained the gathering. Bottom right, the Henning sisters during their program.

Sleuthing In 4-6

If any one saw Walter Whonsetler and his son, Jim, on a No. 8 car heading West the other morning, they weren't going to Lindenwood cemetery. They just got on the wrong car and about the time they started over the Main Street bridge, they had begun to think it strange that no G-E people were on the car. That's what you get for sleeping on the street car, boys. . . . Congratulations to the two proud papas. Al BeVier, Fractional HP Motor Sales, is the father of a 5 lb., 12 ounce son, Michael Charles, born Feb. 19, at the St. Joseph Hospital, and Ernie Hicks is all smiles over the arrival of Joyce Ann, 4 lbs., born Feb. 23. Ernie says he is sold on girls. . . . Marian Menze was passing the cake last Saturday in honor of her birthday. Congratulations, Marian. . . . Mary Evelyn Maitlen still isn't quite sure who sent her the dish cloth and the ad for a dishwasher. She is going around asking everyone, "Do you know anything about an ad for a dishwasher?" Then she looks you right in the eye and if you smile you're a suspect. . . . Paul Lange and Toby Tyler are getting quite adept at the art of cigarette rolling, even though Paul does spill enough tobacco each time to roll two cigarettes. Clyde Barnes isn't so handy. He rolled a nice cigarette, but when he got through, there wasn't any tobacco in it. . . . Wonder what Devona Sherwood was thinking about the other morning. She was getting ready to show her badge to the operator when she stepped on the elevator.

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WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

Night Rumblings

Has Herman Kroemer had jet propulsion added to the list of attachments on his car so that he can get home in fifteen minutes? . . . When asked for any news, "Pop" says, "I don't know any and if I did, I wouldn't tell you." Maybe that is why the column is so scarce. . . . So long to Evelyn Kilgus who is now on first trick. Maybe now that she is working during daylight hours, she can see the sign on the bus and be sure to go to Huntington. . . . We also miss Edith Brown, who has returned to her housekeeping duties. . . . Did every one notice the beam on the face of Martha Yost? The reason? — Valentine roses from Alaska. . . . Betty Pressler was missed by all of us during her illness. We're glad to see you back, Betty. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Harvey Wagoner on the death of his father. . . . Did you know that the Himes' have a dog that can talk? When Ching was sick, Maggie told Freddie to call Ching and see if he felt any better. The only way we can figure it out is that the dog not only talks but also answers the telephone. . . . We also wish to welcome Nolar Lewis and Kenneth Flesher to second trick in the tool room. . . . Paul Dove is really exhibiting a long face now that his old buddies, Leo Romine and Norman Burns, have retired to first trick. . . . Don't let the yaller paint in the tool room blind you. Stop and re-open your eyes slowly. Then you will notice the difference it does make. Thanks to the painters! Also take note that the windows to the office and dust proof room have been washed. . . . Now, sit down and listen to the tale of the wonderful bowlers of the tool room. Tom Rockhill comes through with scores of 136 and 148. The third game he would not reveal. The Anthony Cafe finally broke down and won two games per week for two weeks in a row. This is from about sixty-six games. "Captain" Castle wishes to announce that the team is now willing to make matches with any girls' teams that will admit from the start that they are no good. The other bowlers are "Few Pin" Rockhill, "Fireman" Tucker, "Genius" Schwartzwalder, and "Anchor" Junghans. By way of the grapevine, I have learned that Mr. Junghans got the nickname because he drags his feet and holds the whole team back. Have faith, boys! You may be the champs some day. . . . Our sympathy and wishes for a quick recovery to Ruth Schwartz who was burned last week. . . . Have you donated any blood to the Red Cross? Really, it is needed by our boys in uniform. If you are physically fit, why don't you register now and start this month to become a member of the "Gallon Club?" After my first donation in my brother's name, I received a letter from him saying, "I really appreciated your donation to the Red Cross in my name. Whoever receives that donation may be able to thank you for saving his life. If every one at home would do as you have, there would be a few less lives lost. It may not seem so much to you when you donate blood, but over here, I have seen enough to make me realize how important it all is." It may not seem like much to you when you donate blood, but it does make you feel a little red, white, and blue inside. Why not register now?

Employees "Hit The Bell" On Suggestions



Two large suggestion awards of $200.00 each went to two employees of Bldg. 17-1 recently. Pictured above are the two suggestors "who hit the bell," D. E. Cobb, left, and Frank Quinn, right. Both awards were in addition to $75.00 previously issued.

"England
"February 10, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"Here are just a few words to let you know that I'm receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly and I'm pretty well kept up with what's going on at the plant.

"I'm really glad to hear of all the good work the plant is doing in material and also bonds. Just about everywhere I go there's mostly G-E material.



"I want to say 'Hello' to the Refrigerator Assembly gang at the Winter Street Plant and also to the rest of the plant that I know there, also Vic Cartwright and Leo Houser.

"Have to be going now so I'll close by saying good luck to all and keep them rolling.

"Johnny (John J. Denis, S 1/c)"

Power Drive Office

We are sorry to lose Rita Mahlan who is being transferred to Broadway.

Production

Can't you just picture Laverne Murphy playing "52-Pickup" with a lot of receivings that had been filed in order? . . . Bess Brown has returned to work after several weeks' illness. We're glad to have you back, Bess.

Planning

Joe Gruber can't seem to learn how to use that new invention, the telephone. He talks into the receiver and wonders why the mouth piece doesn't answer. . . . Lois Buelow's up-swept hair-do, like Humpty-Dumpty, had a great fall, but the ending wasn't quite so tragic, as those curls on her shoulders really add to her glamour.

Order and Stores

We have with us a true Hoosier basketball fan in Dick Ashton. He surely knows how to pick the winners. McMyler and Eddie Heemsoth should know. Anyway, Dick still maintains that the best team won in last week's Sectional Basketball Tourney. . . . Helen May spent a pleasant week-end in South Bend at her sister's home.

Shipping

Donna Lehman, our duplicator, had the misfortune of hurting her right arm last week. Hurry back, Donna, we miss you. . . . Mary Prezbindowski really has a system when it comes to getting wet feet. Just try wearing a paper sack on each foot while your shoes are drying. It really works, doesn't it, Mary? . . . Norma Sanger is the new girl in our section.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Dick Conrad's new zoot suit has all the other boys envious. . . . Howard Bennigan and Dan Barkley had Leo picked to win the state, but they missed it just a little bit. . . . Avilla's loss to Kendallville was a personal loss to Al Anderson. . . . We wish to express our sympathy to Billy Sommers on the death of his father.

Bowling

High score for the evening was Rodenbeck's 565 series including a 214 count. Other 200 scores were Kolmerten 224, McKeefer 212, and Miller 203.

Team 4 went into a tie for first place as they won three games from Team 10. There is now a three way tie among teams 3, 4 and 6 for first place. They have each won and lost. Team 2 and team 8 were the other teams to win 3 games apiece.

Ed Rosenberger of the Production Division received the following card from S/Sgt. Glenn Bordner, prisoner of war in Germany, and formerly of the Production Section:

"Germany Stalag Luft 3
November 11, 1944

"Dear Ed and all the Office Gang:

"Just a few lines to let you know that I'm O.K., and a German P. O. W. Living conditions are fair and we get along. Would have liked to have seen history repeat itself, but



am still praying for a quick end. Hope every one is O.K. Sure will be glad to see them all again. Hope the Mrs. and the rest of the family are O.K. Give my best to Lammiman and all. Will see you soon, I hope! Take care.—Glenn."

Men's Basketball

Small Motors Factory, our league opponent for the night, showed up with only 4 players, so they forfeited to us. As all 10 of our players were there, we had a practice game.

The boys also had an exhibition game with the Rangers at the G-E Club and it really turned into a battle. The Rangers have a fast, scrappy outfit that has plenty of drive. They jumped into the lead soon after the start and held it all during the first half. In the third period the Winter Street boys got hot and jumped into the lead. They maintained a 5 to 6 point lead until the last few minutes when a brief scoring spree by the Rangers tied it at 42 all. With about one minute to go they tossed in two more quick ones and the final score was Rangers 46, Winter Street 42. Ness led the Rangers in scoring with 15 points and Magnusson had the same number for Winter Street.

That is the second loss of the season for the Winter Street team, both of them being exhibition games. They are still undefeated in league competition but have two tough games coming up against the Firemen and Small Motor Office.

A return game has not yet been scheduled with the Rangers but we are trying to get one and this should really be a honey. Manager Bob McMonigal again invites all the fans to these games.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

The deep snow up North didn't keep Marie Kessens away, as she was back Monday morning from Malone, New York, where she was a member of Annabelle Parquette's bridal party. . . . Bob Yoder of the assembly line gang has checked out and will go to the Army Air Forces Monday. We all wish him the very best of luck. . . . "Smitty," a tester, has been transferred to days on the Navy test. . . . Margaret Snowberger spent a couple of days with her husband who is ill. . . . Harry Connor was on the sick list last week and several birthday congratulations might be given to Harvey Smeltzer, Jim Fike, Alice Brockmeyer, and Roy Turnipseed.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Reluctantly, we bid farewell to Frank Lauer of the Turret Lathe Section. Frank has been transferred to Taylor Street Experimental Department. Lots of luck and success, Frank. . . . While paging through the family album, Roy Rippe ran on to a photo of himself taken when he was in the field artillery of World War I, so he brought it to the plant and showed it to the gang. . . . Jerry Fischbach is puzzled about the way a tile is made. Whether the center is moulded or drilled out. Well anyway, the hole is there isn't it, Jerry? . . . A score of 155 made by Barbara Renz was high in the Girls' Wednesday night bowling session. . . . LaVerda and Joan claim the Sectional Basketball Tournament made them very sick, on the outcome of their favorite teams.

Machine Shop

Helen Beaty is back on the job, after being off with a sprained ankle. . . . Talk about ambition, Eileen and Jean have it. They decided to wash Eileen's car about 7:30 Sunday night. They did succeed in getting the first layer of mud off, but it rained the next morning and finished the job OK. . . . Have you seen Whitey Michelfelder's new cigarette holder? Now if he could just get a cigarette to put in it.

Grinding

Cliff Baker and Elmer Abbott are trying to find a way around the cigarette shortage, they tried one on Joe Snyder, made of Mail Pouch, and was Poe's face "red." Some "gag," eh Joe?

Engineering

Early to bed, early to rise, makes a man, etc. It seems that Dean Rinehart's son took the hint last week and re-set the alarm to get "pop" up an hour early.

Dustproof Room

We hear Harold Evans fell very hard last week and not for his wife. He fell down his brother-in-law's stairs and his shins are very badly bruised.

G-E Club Defeats Caldwell Team From Huntington

By Bob Kessens

G-E Club made it 18 straight victories when they defeated the Huntington Caldwells Tuesday night by a score of 43 to 37. The Club team grabbed the lead in the early part of the first quarter to lead by a score of 16 to 6. The second quarter saw the Huntington aggregation stage a terrific comeback to knot the count at 22 all at the half. The third quarter the Caldwells grabbed the lead through some fine basket sniping by Clyde Hoover, tall rangy center for Huntington to lead at the end 32 to 29. Both teams battled on even terms in the fourth quarter, the lead seesawing back and forth until with about four minutes to go the Club garnered 12 points to four points for Caldwell to win the game 43 to 37. Reed with 16 points led the Club team while Clyde Hoover with 22 points was high for the Caldwells.

Club Team Makes it 19 Straight

Saturday night the Club team ran rough shod over the Fostoria Screw Co. team who could not offer the Club team any opposition at any time in the ball game. The Club ran up a score of 27 to 3 at the end of the first period. In the second period the Club kept pouring the leather through the hoop to hold a lead of 41 to 13. The second half the Fostoria team was held to seven points while the Club team added another 14 points to lead at the end of the third quarter 55 to 20. The fourth quarter saw the Club go down under the basket and score at will to win the game by a top heavy score of 73 to 37. VanRyn with 15 points, Lowden with 14, Reed 12, and Stoner with 12 were the big guns for the Club while Conine with 9 points was high for Fostoria.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Huntington Caldwell	G.	F.	T.
VanRyn	3	4	10	Carl Hoover	4	1	9
Reed	7	2	16	Jones	0	0	0
Krieg	4	3	11	Wehr	0	0	0
Shinbeckler	1	0	2	ClydeHoover	11	0	22
Allen	0	1	1	Lawver	0	0	0
Lowden	0	3	3	Updike	0	0	0
Stanski	0	0	0	Landrum	3	0	6
Totals	15	13	43	Totals	18	1	37

Half Score—22-22.
Officials—Eakin and Prange.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Fostoria Screw Co.	G.	F.	T.
Krieg	4	1	9	Radar	1	1	3
Lowden	5	4	14	Murphy	0	0	0
Hassinger	1	1	3	Feltman	1	0	2
Reed	6	0	12	Straub	1	0	2
VanRyn	7	1	15	Caskie	3	0	6
Allen	4	0	8	Conine	4	1	9
Stoner	5	2	12	Kreps	3	1	7
				Nesbitt	1	0	2
				Williamson	3	0	6
Totals	32	9	76	Totals	17	3	37

Half Score—55-20.
Officials—O'Connell and Johnson.

MORE 105-HOWITZERS ARE BEING USED IN THIS WAR than all other field artillery weapons combined and are now on the "critical" priority list along with trench mortars and ammunition and the 90-mm gun. This weapon is the backbone of our field artillery. It is used in our Infantry Divisions and also as a tank weapon and as self-propelled artillery. It is the principal weapon for laying down barrage fire in immediate support of Infantry. The shell has sufficient wallop to knock out small fortifications and is used extensively for this purpose. Ammunition rates for the 105 are high and scheduled to go much higher—in fact they must be almost quadrupled before the end of 1945. Production rates on spare howitzer tubes, recoil mechanisms and other wearable components must be increased proportionately. Army-Navy release.

This Is Alnico Coffee Maker



This coffee maker automatically shut self off when coffee is made. At base an Alnico magnet keeps heating circuit closed till water goes into upper receptacle. Then steam pressure from boiling water aids spring to overcome force of magnet, circuit breaks and coffee goes to lower part of coffee maker. Alnico alloy keeps magnetism despite much hard usage.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzmann

Another crop of good scores were rolled in the February 22 matches. Stodgell led the way by scorching the alleys for first place high three game total of 626, having also the high single game of the evening at 239 along with another 210 game. Bergman took second honors at 587 for his three game total and a 234 single. Adams battered the pins for 575 total count and 212 single game, his best performance of the season, while Buesking connected for 572 and a 205 single. Evard had 542, and Hollingsworth 533. Richards blasted away for 528 and a 211 single with Turley also counting a 528. Reith came through for 510, Newlon for 508, Kallmyer for 507 and Wikel for 501 with one game at 210. Kretzman left one pin for 599, Samuels hit a 200 game right on the freckle.

Receiving went farther out in front in the team standing taking a clean sweep from Power Drive. Order Service got out of the tie for the basement spot by taking FHP for a pair of games, while Production won only the title of undisputed cellar dwellers in dropping all three games to Planning. Their opponents thereby moved into second place. In the other match Inspection outscored Maintenance for two games with the help of Stodgell who filled in for them for the evening and ironically shot his best scores against his former team.

With only five more nights or fifteen more games to go, there should be plenty of enviable scores just itching to be rolled. The season closes March 29.

Geary Menze, Bldg. 4-4, is the father of a baby girl, Catherine Lynn, born in New York on February 24.

Owl Basketball

By R. James

BLD. 4-4 NIPS BLDG. 17—26-21

Bldg. 17 suffered its first loss of the season to Bldg. 4-4 in a very good ball game, 26-21.

The first quarter saw the lead change hands not less than five times, with Bldg. 4-4 holding a slim one point margin of 10-9 at the end of this period. At the half only three points separated the two teams, with Bldg. 4-4 staying on top again 17-14.

The boys from Bldg. 4-4 built up their biggest lead of the game in the third quarter and led at the end of this period 25-18. The fourth quarter was a game of keep away as the score will indicate, with Bldg. 17 getting only 3 points and Bldg. 4-4 picking up one free throw.

Scoring honors went to Lecoque for the winners, with 14 points, and for the losers it was Williams with 8.

Summary:

Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.	Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.
Hensler	2	1	5	Johnlog	3	0	6
Williams	3	2	8	Crosley	0	0	0
Thomas	1	0	2	Lecoque	6	2	14
Kelly	2	2	6	Runyon	1	2	4
Klmes	0	0	0	Christlieb	1	0	2
				Middaugh	0	0	0
				Hosek	0	0	0
Totals	8	5	21	Totals	11	4	26

Officials—Slater and Ball.

Tool Room Bowling

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Lathes	18	6
Automatics	16	8
Lab. No. 1	16	8
Welding	14	10
Dies	13	11
Tools	12	12
Lab. No. 2	12	12
Jigs	11	13
Repairs	11	13
Rotors	11	13
Drafting	11	13
Fixtures	0	24

200 scores—Mesing 214; Karns 213; Golliver 209; Stahlhut 210.

Change Is Listed In G-E Income Accumulation Plan

The plan for accumulation of interest on G-E Employees' Bonds and general profit sharing payments which went into effect on June 2, 1941, provided that War Savings Bonds, Series E, will be issued for accumulated credits on June 1 and December 1.

At the request of many employees, it was decided in 1944 to amend the plan so as to issue bonds on April 1, when General Profit Sharing payments are credited, and to deliver such bonds in April, with a statement of the income accumulation accounts. Bonds will also be issued on June 1 and December 1 as before.

Those wishing to have the interest on their G-E Employees Bonds and their general profit sharing payments, or either of them, accumulated for the purchase of War Savings Bonds, are advised to ask their foremen or division heads or their payroll divisions for a copy of the income accumulation plan with income order attached, form TD-171-A.

The income accumulation plan is a convenient way to buy more War Savings Bonds.

Foremen's Club To Install Officers On March Seventh

Charles Kensill, Winter Street Plant, Will Take Office For Coming Year

The General Electric Foreman's Association will hold its annual installation of officers at the next meeting of the organization on Wednesday, March 7. A dinner will be held at 6:30 P. M. on that day at the Chamber of Commerce, following which the installation will take place. The entertainment committee has arranged for the presentation of a minstrel show during the evening.

Charles Kensill of Winter Street will be installed as president. Other new officers are: Ross Strodel, Bldg. 19-4, vice-president; Harry Beitel, Bldg. 2-3, secretary; Paul Koogle, Bldg. 2-3, treasurer; and William Walt, Bldg. 4-B, Otto Rodenbecck, Winter Street, and Bernard Gausepohl, Taylor Street, directors.

Invitations to the dinner have been mailed; they are to be returned to Robert Hunt in Bldg. 26-2, by Saturday, March 3. Any member who did not receive a notice should contact Mr. Hunt on phone 729 by that date.

G-E Table Tennis Team Wins Championship

By R. Karasek

The General Electric Table Tennis team won the City League championship for the second consecutive year by defeating Worthman 21-6. The G-E Club has chalked up a record of being undefeated in two years and scoring 20 consecutive victories. Worthmans were led by Stan Weitz, the city table tennis champion, hut the well-balanced G-E Club had little trouble in scoring a one-sided victory.

Carver Club Will Hold USO Party March 4

The Carver Club will entertain at the USO on Lafayette and Douglas on March 4 from 8 until 10 o'clock, according to an announcement by the committee in charge of the affair. Sgt. Marks and his orchestra will furnish music for dancing. Refreshments will be served.

Members of committees who are arranging the party are as follows: Social committee, Eliza Fowler, Bldg. 19-5, Alice Green, Bldg. 4-2, Juanita White, Taylor Street, and Inez Green, Bldg. 19-3; Program committee, Nona White, Bldg. 4-2, Gladys Jones, Bldg, 26-2, Thelma Ridley, Taylor Street.

All members of the Club are invited to attend the party.

Goes To Schenectady

G. E. Plaisted of the Motor and Generator Engineering Division will be transferred to the Industrial Engineering Division, Schenectady, on March5, according to an announcement made by V. J. Tuttle, engineer of the Motor and Generator Division. Mr. Plaisted is section engineer of the Navy and Marine Section and is responsible for the design of both AC and DC navy and marine machines. Because of



G. E. Plaisted

the magnitude of Navy and Marine work, his section has become one of the largest in the division. He is also contact engineer for all the engineering divisions of the Fort Wayne Works for contacts with the U.S. Navy and Maritime Commission.

Mr. Plaisted was graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a B.S. in E.E. in 1920. He started on test in Schenectady in 1920 and, from January, 1921, to May, 1921, was assistant head of Motor and Generator Test, and from May, 1921, to May, 1922, was head of the same test. From that time to 1925 he was a design engineer in the D-C Motor Engineering Department at Schenectady. He came to Fort Wayne when the D-C Motor Engineering Department's activities were transferred to Fort Wayne and was later made a group leader on D-C single-unit machines. When the A-C Apparatus Engineering Department and the D-C Apparatus Engineering Department were combined in 1937 to form the Motor and Generator Engineering Department, single-unit machines of the A-C group were added to his responsibilities.

The Navy and Marine work will be distributed to the other sections in the division.

KEEP YOUR RED CROSS AT HIS SIDE DRIVE OPENS MARCH 5

Fort Wayne And Kokomo G-E Clubs In Net Meets

By Bob Kessens

In a fast, hard driving and bitterly fought ball game for three quarters the Fort Wayne Club team handed the Kokomo Club a 59 to 37 trimming at the Club gym Tuesday to gain revenge for the defeat handed them by Kokomo Sunday afternoon at the latter's gym by a score of 36 to 27 to snap the local team's 19 game winning streak.

The first quarter opened with Fort Wayne scoring the first basket. Kokomo quickly retaliated with two free thows and from then on it was a nip and tuck battle between two fine ball clubs. The first quarter ended tied up at thirteen all.

The second quarter began to wax rough with the Fort Wayne Club coming along to hold an advantage of two points when Kokomo again scored to tie the count at 22 all at the end of the half. The local club held Kokomo to one field goal in this quarter.

The third quarter saw the locals open up with a barrage of baskets that soon had them out in front but Kokomo quickly retaliated and tied the count again at 27 to 27. The locals made good on their free throws to take the lead at the end of the third quarter 35 to 28. Holding Kokomo to one field goal and one free throw in the final quarter the locals really stepped out with some fine team work; Kokomo could not penetrate the tight defense that the locals threw up against them and their defense cracked while the locals poured the leather through the hoop to garner 20 points from the field and 9 points from the charity lane to win going away by a top heavy score of 59 to 37. All G-E Club players saw action and contributed to the scoring. Krieg and Reed led the locals in scoring with 11 points each while Fouts and Gross counted 10 each for Kokomo.

Marlot Marqette, former G-E Club captain who is home on furlough from the Marshall Islands in the South Pacific, saw action during part of the game.

Last Sunday in a fast hard-fought game the Kokomo G-E Club snapped the 19 game winning streak of the Fort Wayne Club at Kokomo 36 to 27. The Fort Wayne Club, faced with superior height had trouble controlling the ball, as Kokomo placed a team on the floor that averaged better than 6 feet 2 inches. The Fort Wayne Club could not find the basket and shot after shot rolled off the rim. The first quarter saw both teams battle it out on equal terms the quarter ending with Kokomo leading 8 to 7. The second half both teams were battling hard to gain the initiative with Kokomo again taking the lead by a score of 18 to 13 at the half. The beginning of the third period the Fort Wayne team tried desperately to overtake the Kokomo team and pulled up within three points only to have Gross, the scoring ace for Kokomo, start on a scoring spree to put the Kokomo team in the lead at the end of the third period with a 10 point lead, 29 to 19. The fourth quarter saw the Club team begin to hit better to outscore the Kokomo team 10 points to 5 but could not overcome the lead that Kokomo held at the end of the third quarter and lost their first game in 20 games played by a score of 36 to 27. Krieg with 11 points was high for the Fort Wayne Club, while Gross, former Kokomo High School star, garnered 16 points.

The summaries:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Kokomo	G.	F.	T.
Reed	4	3	11	Fouts	4	2	10
Shinbeckler	2	0	4	Davis	0	0	0
Lowden	2	1	5	Kurtz	3	3	9
Marquette	0	0	0	Hatzo	0	1	1
Krieg	3	1	7	Steppler	1	1	3
Baade	1	0	2	Gross	3	4	10
VanRyn	3	1	7	Farrington	0	1	1
Stover	1	2	4	Evans	1	0	2
Allen	4	0	8	Wells	0	1	1
Miller	5	1	11				
Totals	25	9	59	Totals	12	13	37

Half score—22-22.
Officials—Richards and Jenkins.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Kokomo	G.	F.	T.
Krieg	5	1	11	Fouts	3	0	5
Lowden	1	1	3	Kurtz	3	0	6
Reed	3	2	8	Steppler	2	3	7
Stoner	0	0	0	Gross	6	4	16
Miller	1	0	2	Evans	0	1	1
				Wells	0	0	0
Allen	1	1	3				
Totals	10	5	27	Totals	14	8	36

Half Score—13-18, Kokomo.

Club Guard



Bob Shinbeckler

One of the guard positions on the G-E Club basketball team is handled by Bob Shinbeckler, veteran of the Columbia City Merchants team. This is his second year with the Club.

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Developmental	18	9
Laboratory	18	9
Tool Room	17	10
Chargers	15	11
Production	14	13
Turbos	14	13
Screw Machine	14	13
Grinders	13	14
Office	11	16
Receiving	11	16
Firemen	10	17
Air Corps	6	21

200 scores—Crabill 210, 200; Merica 230; Weihe 205; Clark 201; Nahrwold 201.

Developmental and Laboratory teams remained deadlocked for first place as they both won two games. However, Tool Room, losing two encounters dropped to undisputed third place ranking. Merica, Tool Room pinster, scored 230 pins to move into third place for individual high single game. No other records were threatened but competition is plenty keen as team standings are mighty close and only six more weeks of league play remain.

Introducing THE GALS



Gladys Varner

Gladys Varner is the next member of our G-E Club girls' team to be introduced to our readers. She wears a number "5" on the back of her uniform. Three years ago Gladys played with the Taylor St. team in the Inter-division League. She then "graduated" to the Club team when it was organized again, and has been a member the past two years. Last year she contributed heavily in the scoring column, as she was second highest scorer on the team, making nearly 120 points during the year. The first part of this season, Gladys wasn't hitting any too well, but she has hit her stride lately and is pouring the ball through the hoop. She now has a good scoring average on the team, and is the third highest scorer. Gladys scores many of her points on one-handed push shots from the right side of the basket, leaping high in the air as she shoots. She is not very tall, but she makes up for this with her speed and hustle.

Gladys is also well known to G-E Club softball fans, having been a member of the Club girls' team for the past 3 seasons. She is the catcher, and can also play in the outfield when necessary.

Gladys is employed at the Taylor Street plant.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

RESULTS OF MATCHES

Team No. 5 won 3 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 8 won 3 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 11 won 3 games from Team No. 12. Team No 2 won 2 games from Team No 1. Team No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 3 won 2 games from Team No. 4.

STANDINGS

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	17	7
Team No. 1	15	8
Team No. 3	15	9
Team No. 2	14	10
Team No. 9	14	10
Team No. 12	12	12
Team No. 4	12	12
Team No. 5	10	14
Team No. 5	10	14
Team No. 7	8	15
Team No. 10	8	15
Team No. 8	8	15

600 series—Roehm 232, 212, 214—658.

200 games—M. Tarney 203; C. Tarney 210; Stanger 211; Kraft 216; Diemer 235.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings (A Section)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	3	0	1000
Small Motor Office	3	0	1000
Firemen	2	1	.557
Taylor Street	1	2	.333
West Side	0	3	.000
Small Motor Factory	0	3	.000

Last Week's Results

Taylor Street	53	West Side	29
Small Motor Of.	37	Firemen	28

Winter Street won from Small Motor Factory by forfeit.

Standings (B Section)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Squares	2	0	1000
General Service	1	1	.500
Tool Division	1	1	.500
Messengers	1	1	.500
Taylor Street Test	1	1	.500
Transformer	0	2	.000

Last Week's Results

Taylor St. Test (25)		Transformer (23)	
Messengers	28	Tool Division	25
Squares	24	General Service	17

Messengers 28; Tool Division 26

Tallying eleven points in a big second quarter while holding their opponents scoreless, the Messengers built up a big lead which turned out to be just enough to withstand a last quarter rally by the Tool Division which fell two points short of a tie, the Messengers winning 28 to 26 in an exciting game.

Gnau, short Messenger guard, rang the bell for six baskets most of them from far out to score twelve points for the winners. Waldrop with eight points was top man for the losers.

Messengers (28)	G.	F.	T.	Tool Division (25)	G.	F.	T.
Hapner	1	0	2	Trump	3	1	7
Click	0	1	1	Rider	3	0	5
Hoffman	3	2	8	Waldrop	3	2	8
Rice	1	1	3	Dunlap	0	0	0
Gnau	5	0	12	Thomas	1	0	2
Swank	1	0	2	Truelove	0	0	0
				Widner	1	1	3
				Reed	0	0	0
Totals	12	4	28	Totals	11	4	25

Squares 24; General Service 17

Holding the losers to two points in the second half, the Squares pulled away from a 15-all tie to win a low scoring tight defensive battle from General Service 24 to 17 and take over undisputed possession of the top spot in the standings. Feature of the game was the superb job of guarding turned in by Kissler and Jennings in holding Kepler, elongated General Service center, to three points. On offense Rowe featured for the winners with ten points, eight of which were tallied in the first quarter. For the losers Ray was top scorer with six points.

Squares (24)	G.	F.	T.	General Service (17)	G.	F.	T.
Edgar	0	0	0	Pickett	2	0	4
Rowe	5	0	10	Dukes	0	0	0
McNamara	2	0	4	Kepler	1	1	3
Kissler	1	0	2	Kauffman	0	0	0
Jennings	2	0	4	Schible	1	0	2
Temoshok	0	1	1	Ray	3	0	5
Aubuchon	1	1	3	O'Connell	1	0	2
Hellenthal	0	0	0				
Alexander	0	0	0				
Totals	11	2	24	Totals	8	1	17

Taylor Street 53; West Side 29

After holding a slender 20 to 16 lead at the half, Taylor Street went on a 21-point scoring spree in the third quarter to take a commanding lead over West Side and coast on to victory 53 to 29.

Baker, scoring ten points in the busy third quarter, racked up ten field goals and one free throw to lead the winners with 21 points. Arnold scoring in every quarter and playing a hard driving game at all times was high for the losers with 14 points.

Taylor Street (53)	G.	F.	T.	West Side (29)	G.	F.	T.
Hanna	4	1	9	Seibold	1	0	2
Baker	10	1	21	Colea	2	0	4
Gerber	4	1	9	Olson	2	1	5
Scott	0	0	0	Arnold	6	2	14
Grossnickle	7	0	14	Stellar	2	0	4
				Rowe	0	0	0
				Gutermuth	0	0	0
Totals	25	3	53	Totals	13	3	29

Taylor Street Test 26; Transformer 23

Rallying sharply in the last quarter to score ten points while holding Transformer to a single free throw, Taylor Street Test won their first game of the second half, defeating Transformer 26 to 23. Fox tallied ten points for the winners, while Altevogt was high for the losers with eight.

Taylor St. Test (26)	G.	F.	T.	Transformer (23)	G.	F.	T.
R.Roberts	2	0	4	Ehrman	3	1	7
K.Roberts	0	0	0	Nickerson	0	0	0
Fox	4	2	10	Baade	1	2	4
Hall	1	0	2	Fritz	2	0	4
Bobilya	2	0	4	Altevogt	4	0	8
Conkle	3	0	6				
Totals	12	2	25	Totals	10	3	23

Small Motor Office 37; Firemen 28

The Firemen's winning streak of nine games came to an abrupt end as Small Motor Office after an all even first quarter, took a five point lead at half time and gradually added to their margin during the third and fourth quarters to remain undefeated for the second half. Hanic and Milholland between them scored all except six of their team's points—Hanic having twelve and Milholland ten points. Lauer with nine points was high scorer of Small Motor Office's well balanced scoring in which seven of the nine players participated.

Small Motor Of. (37)	G.	F.	T.	Firemen (28)	G.	F.	T.
Hoffman	2	3	7	Hanic	6	0	12
Lauer	3	3	9	Habig	0	0	0
Slack	2	1	5	Milholland	5	0	10
Schuster	0	0	0	Lydy	0	0	0
Close	2	1	5	Leazier	1	0	2
Starkel	2	1	5	Zimmerman	1	0	2
Esterline	2	0	4	Long	1	0	2
Trott	0	0	0				
Barber	1	0	2				
Totals	14	9	37	Totals	14	0	28

Next Week's Games

Wednesday, March 7, B Section:

7:00 Transformer vs. Messengers

8:00 Squares vs. Taylor Street Test.

9:00 Tool Division vs. General Service.

Thursday, March 8, A Section:

7:30 West Side vs. Firemen.

8:30 Winter Street vs. Small Motor Office.

9:30 Taylor Street vs. Small Motor Factory.

Leading Scorers—A Section

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Baker, Taylor Street		2	15	8	11	2	38
Magnusson, Winter Street		2	17	2	4	4	36
Lauer, Small Motor Office		3	13	8	13	2	34
Milholland, Firemen		3	13	4	10	8	30
Hanic, Firemen		3	12	2	3	7	26
Selple, Winter Street		2	10	5	9	1	25
Arnold, West Side		3	11	3	7	2	25
Esterline, Small Motor Office		3	9	5	7	4	23
Coles, West Side		3	11	1	4	5	23
Kasimier, Small Motor Factory		2	10	0	1	3	20
Neitzert, Winter Street		2	7	5	9	3	19

Leading Scorers—B Section

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Rowe, Squares		2	11	0	2	4	22
Kepler, General Service		2	8	4	13	2	20
Fox, Taylor Street Test		2	7	2	5	6	16
McNamara, Squares		2	7	1	4	2	15
Gnau, Messengers		2	5	1	4	1	13
Waldrop, Tool Division		2	4	3	5	5	11
Conkle, Taylor Street Test		2	5	1	4	3	11
Ray, General Service		2	4	2	4	2	10
Hoffman, Messengers		2	4	2	4	3	10
Rider, Tool Division		2	5	0	2	5	10
Bobilya, Taylor Street Test		2	5	0	3	2	10

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Basketball schedule for Tuesday, March 6:

7:45—Main Office Girls' Team vs. IHC Girls' Team.

9:00—G-E Club Men's Team vs. Marion Professional Moose Panthers.

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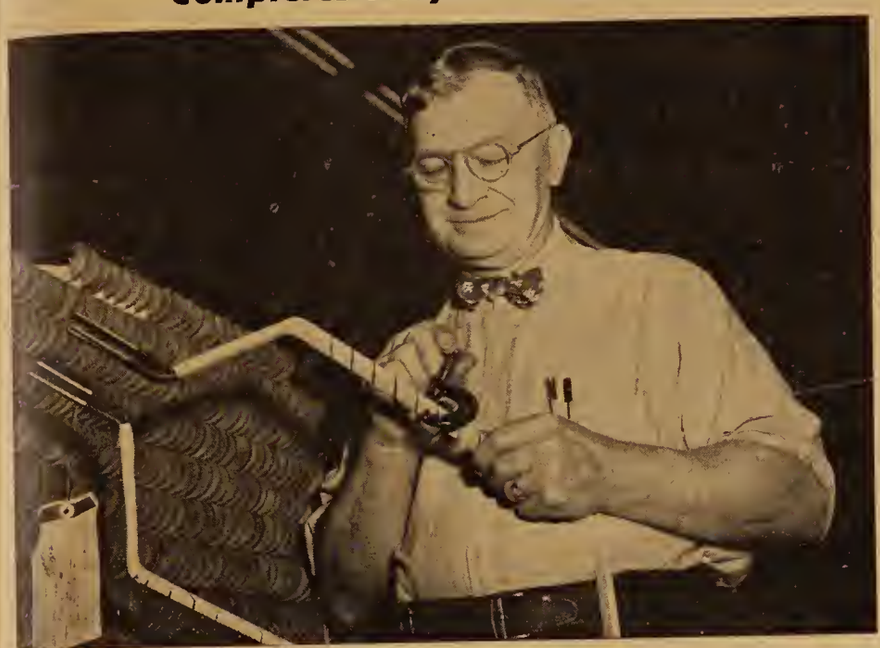
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Completes Fifty Years' Service



James H. Rehrer, Bldg. 19-2, will complete fifty years of service with the General Electric Company when he finishes work on March 14. Mr. Rehrer was first employed on March 15, 1895, as a coil winder. He has spent his entire period of service in coil winding.

James H. Rehrer Ends Fifty Years Of Service

Veteran Employee Observes Golden Anniversary March 15

James H. Rehrer, Bldg. 19-2, will complete fifty years of service with the General Electric Company when he "punches the clock" at the end of the second shift on March 14. Mr. Rehrer was first employed on March 15, 1895, in Bldg. 2-2, then the transformer department, as a coil winder. He has spent his entire period of service in coil winding, having transferred to winding field coils and finally armatures. His service in the Motor-Generator Division dates from 1913.

On Wednesday, March 14, Mr. Rehrer will be given recognition for his fifty years of service when he will be presented with a diamond Quarter-Century Club pin and a fifty-year certificate. The presentation will be made by C. H. Matson, assistant manager. R. M. Hartigan, superintendent of the Motor-Generator Division, will also participate in the program.

Mr. Rehrer is the son of Collin S. Rehrer, who was an employee of the Company from 1885 until his retirement in 1926. The elder Mr. Rehrer was a foreman of coil winding.

Tickets Available At Club Stand For Spring Review

Five Performances Scheduled For March 17 And 18

Tickets for the annual Spring Review of the G-E Club are now available at the Club stand. In order to prevent overcrowding, a limited number of tickets has been issued for each performance, and those planning to attend are requested to make application as early as possible. Tickets will be issued upon presentation of Club membership cards or G-E badges; they are free of charge to Club members and members of their immediate families.

Five shows have been planned, two for March 17 at 7 and 9 P.M. and three on March 18 at 1, 3, and 5 P.M. Each show will be of more than an hour's duration, according to Paul Vogt, chairman of the G-E Club entertainment committee. Up to the present time three acts, Paul and Pettit, the Dorothy Byton dancers, and Herman Homar, "the wizard of the west," have been

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Kindling Orders

Orders for kindling are now being accepted at the Employees' Store, Bldg. 10-2. Charges are $1.50 per load within the city limits. Store hours are 12 to 4 Monday through Friday.

H. R. Shepherd

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Checks in payment of General Profit Sharing Compensation for the year 1944 will be distributed on Friday, March 30.

M. E. LORD
Works Manager

Scouts Demonstrate First Aid At G-E Club

More Than Two Hundred Fifty To Compete—Works Physician To Be Chief Judge

More than two hundred fifty Boy Scouts of America, representing the Anthony Wayne Area Council, will gather at the G-E Club Gymnasium next Friday, March 16, for the finals of Scout first-aid contests. Dr. H. W. Garton, works physician, will be chief judge of the contest.

The contest will start at 7:30 P. M. Nine counties of northern Indiana will be represented and there will be 54 teams, or approximately 250 team members. Scouts will come from Angola, Kendallville, Auburn, Bluffton, Decatur, Portland, Berne, Huntington, Garrett, and Fort Wayne. Judges will be qualified first-aid men, most of them being first-aid instructors. In all, 126 patients, 40 judges, 12 recorders, and 20 officials will be present.

Chief recorder for the event will be W. W. Winner, Bldg. 19-5. Ed Yahne is in charge of floor arrangements.

For the past four years, the Anthony Wayne Council has won the Chicago Red Cross highest awards for first-aid work. Contestants at Chicago come from the states of Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Michigan. This year the regional awards will be presented here for all 90% teams. This award was formerly given at Chicago.

All employees and their friends interested in witnessing the performance of the Scouts are invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.

Volunteer Firemen Install Officers

The General Electric Volunteer Fire Department held its annual spring banquet and installation of officers last Tuesday, March 6, with approximately 130 firemen in attendance. The outgoing president, Wallace Geller, presided at the installation. F. G. Duryee, plant protection supervisor, was the speaker of the evening.

New officers are Dee Hamilton, president; George Casper, vice-president; Charles Wilt, secretary; and Harry Zimmerman, treasurer. Mr Hamilton announced appointment of the following committees for the coming year; Sick committee, E. Hanauer, J. Rodman, H. Smith, and G. Long. Publicity, V. Bradbury, H. Smith, F. Eakin, and C. Miller. Athletic, C. Rose, I. Fox, A. Leazier, E. Stauffer, V. Whearly, and S. Hann. Entertainment, A. Brockmeyer, C. Gill, C. Niblick, E. Rinard, F. Crickmore, R. Zelt, J. Meintz, E. Hart, F. Gitter. G. Bootman, R. Deerventer, and L. Reffelt.

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J. W. Crise, chairman of the Red Cross Drive, pointed out that by Wednesday evening of this week 28 sections out of 54 had met or exceeded their quotas. "On Wednesday evening," said Mr. Crise, "it was indicated that 77% of the goal of the total works had been subscribed. The returns up to date are not up to expectations, and it is hoped that many divisions that have not yet met their quotas will put forth every effort to do so by the time the campaign closes."

CASUALTIES

PFC Robert Foster was slightly wounded in action in Belgium on January 12.

Satff Sgt. Richard Meese was wounded in action in Germany on January 28.

Lt. Arthur Roger Lindsey, Taylor Street, was killed in action while serving with the Navy aboard an aircraft carrier in the Pacific area.

Sgt. Edward J. Metzger, Decatur, was killed in action in Germany on February 21.

PFC Clarence Dirk, Bldg. 26-4, was wounded in action on the western front in Europe on January 20.

Retire On Pension



Lemuel Carpenter



Clifton E. Shoemaker

Lemuel Carpenter of FHP Motor Section 13, and Clifton E. Shoemaker of the Winter Street Plant have retired on pension. Mr. Carpenter at the time of his retirement had a total of 24 years and one month of service. Mr. Shoemaker had a continuous service record of 27 years and ten months with the Company.

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A Scene To Be Felt

Nothing that has been said in behalf of the Red Cross campaign sounds to us more eloquent than a letter written a short time ago to the editor of the Fort Wayne Works News by Corporal Edward C. Leitz from a base in England. He said he had something to tell his friends in G-E.

"I want to tell them," he said, "of things I've seen. . . . It's not a pretty picture . . . but a picture of uncomfortable men, of wounded men, and of men who won't come back. See, if you can—no, don't just see—try to feel if you can, long queues of ambulances waiting for hospital trains from the front. Feel the picture of hundreds of stretchers being unloaded in the darkness—no sound except muffled orders and the purring of exhausts.

"Nothing to be seen except hurrying huddled figures with prone covered shapes between them. Occasional glimpses of white head bandages flash through the dark.

"Feel, if you can, the boys resting here in the country, some with empty sleeves and empty pants legs, some shamefully, self-consciously hiding handless arms in pockets, some with horrible face scars, and some with no visible hurt but with no life in their eyes. . . .

"This is not a cheery letter; it's morbid. It wasn't meant to be cheery—only to make those at home feel the part of the war that's hard to look upon. . . .

"They should help now—do everything they can, whether it be bonds, stamps, plasma, Red Cross, Salvation Army, or just applying themselves a little harder at work. They should search their consciences and see if they could be here looking into these boys' eyes and hearing their stories—if the boys would tell them."

The war may seem at times a trifle remote to some of us. It is anything but remote to Corporal Leitz. The Red Cross should have our support as loyally as though Cologne and Iwo Jima were next door.

Not A Minute To Lose

Through the eyes of Vice President Lang, the men and women of General Electric have seen in recent issues of the News the vast panorama of the Pacific and the enormous effort made there to hasten the end of the war against Japan. He was particularly impressed by the supply transport job being done.

It is not only the distance from our West Coast to the Philippines— and that is two and one-half times the distance from our East Coast to Europe—but the countless other tasks involved, that swell the achievement to epic size. There was the huge fleet to build, both war and merchant, the island stepping-stones to conquer, the new bases to carve out, the stream of shipments to maintain and guard.

The supply job is even broader than that; it has its origin in the manufacture of the equipment, and the solution of that part of the problem is right up our alley. Mr. Lang found the fighting men full of praise for G-E products . . . "and demands for 'more and more' of them 'quickly' ".

"The fighting men are doing their job", he says. "They're smashing the Japs in the air, on the sea and on land—one of the greatest achievements in history. But . . . they still have a long and hard way to go on that job. So have we. G-E workers certainly can't afford to lose an hour, even a minute, in the vital work of supplying these fighting men with the materials they must have to continue and increase the tempo of blows against the enemy".

As Mr. Lang spoke, the Marines were losing no time in wiping out bitterly-resisting Japs on Iwo Jima. But they were losing lives—plenty of them. As the war mounts in fury, it is plainer than ever that our part of the supply job must never for an instant falter.

DELIVERING THE GOODS!



As the war reaches a crashing crescendo of blows on the plains of Prussia, on the shore of the Rhine and in the Japanese homeland, the might of America's production program is being demonstrated as never before. For the enemy it is now "too little and too late."

General Electric, with its battle-tested products in every fight, has been making a proud record. Peacetime leaders in the production of things to raise American living standards, General Electric men and women are now concerned only that the stream of weapons to shorten the war may not slacken for a moment.

When the time comes, G-E products of peace will take their accustomed place of leadership, but meanwhile our watchword is "Victory comes first!"

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

MENUS FEATURING FISH

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Get acquainted with fish!

That's the first suggestion the General Electric Consumers Institute makes if you want to do all you can to keep up good food standards during these days of food shortages.

Fish really rates more than once-a-week serving; in fact, the variety of fish is so great and the ways of serving them so plentiful that one could serve it once a day for weeks on end and never serve the same fish twice prepared in the same way. Such a procedure, however, is really not recommended, but the Consumers Institute does give two especially good menus featuring fish which you might like to incorporate into this week's meal planning.

In buying fish, concern yourself with getting fresh fish rather than the special variety called for in a recipe, for substitutions can easily be made in most fish recipes. Unless you can distinguish bass from trout and can recognize the qualities that constitute "freshness," it is better to rely for choice upon the recommendations of a reputable dealer.

Fish, like eggs, should be cooked at low temperatures. Beware of over-cooking, too, for the tender texture and delicate flavor of fish are best preserved by short cooking periods.

Menu

Baked Fish with Stuffing*
Fried Apples
Pea and Cheese Salad
Baking Powder Biscuits
Jelly Roll*
Tea Coffee Milk

*Baked Fish With Stuffing

Serves 6 Shallow Pan Temp. 375°
Time 20 min. per lb.

Lay in pan of cold water 3 to 4 lb. baking fish and thoroughly wash cavity. Wipe dry. Rub cavity with bud of garlic. Stuff fish with blended 2 cups soft bread crumbs, 1 cup minced celery, 2 tbsp. minced onion, 1 tbsp. minced parsley, 4 tbsp. soft shortening, ½ cup hot milk. Tie fish allowing room for expansion. Sewing tears the fibers. Lay fish on strips of bacon, or oil soaked cheese cloth. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, juice of ½ lemon. Bake in preheated oven 15 min. to the pound, up to 4 pounds. For fish weighing more than 4 pounds, allow 5 min. baking period for each additional pound. Ten minutes before removing from oven, sprinkle over fish, juice of ½ lemon. Garnish with parsley, lemon quarters, paprika.

*Jelly Roll

Time 15 min. Temp. 425°

3 eggs, ¾ cup corn syrup, ¼ cup water, 1 cup cake flour, 2 tsp. baking powder, ½ tsp. salt, 1 tsp. vanilla, 1 glass jelly. Beat eggs until very light. Add syrup slowly continuing to beat. Add water. Sift flour, baking powder and salt. Add dry ingredients, a little at a time. Add vanilla. Line a sheet cake pan with wrapping paper; grease paper thoroughly.

When baked, turn out on waxed paper which has been sprinkled with confectioners sugar. Spread with jelly; roll.

Menu

Shrimp Luncheon Dish*
Cole Slaw Corn Bread
Hot Gingerbread with Lemon Sauce*
Tea Coffee Milk

*Shrimp Luncheon Dish

Melt 3 tbsp. shortening. Add and saute until tender, 1 onion, minced, 1 green pepper, chopped, 1 clove garlic, chopped. Add 2½ cups shrimp; 1½ cups mushrooms, 1 tsp. salt, 1 cup washed rice, ¼ cup pimento, diced, 1 tbsp. olives, chopped 2 cups water, ½ tsp. paprika. Place cover on skillet. Turn switch to high until steaming freely, then off for 45 minutes.

*Hot Gingerbread

Time 45 min. Temp. 350°

½ cup shortening, ½ cup sugar, 1 egg, 2½ cups cake flour, 1 cup light molasses, 1½ tsp. soda, 1 tsp. cinnamon, 1 tsp. ginger, ½ tsp. cloves, ½ tsp. salt, 1 cup hot water.

Cream sugar and shortening; add egg and mix thoroughly. Sift flour, soda and spices together. Add hot water to molasses, and add alternately with dry ingredients. Bake in 9 inch square pan.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Taylor Street Soldiers



L. B. Crosley L. T. Pinkerton

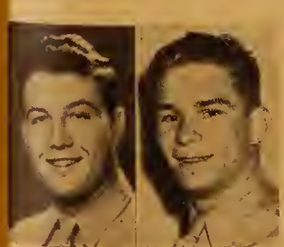
Lloyd Tom Pinkerton and Pvt. Lee B. Crosley were both employed at the Taylor Street Plant before joining the service. Lloyd is in the Navy and Lee is a member of the field artillery stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

Cpl. Henry A. Ditton was recently advanced to that rank. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 19-5. "I am stationed at Seattle, Washington, with a searchlight battalion. Our battery is using G-E equipment."

PFC Carl Henline, somewhere overseas, says, "It is really surprising how you see the good old G-E sign, no matter where you travel in this old world. Best regards to all the Taylor Street gang and may this year be one of happiness and contentment for every one."

F. E. Woodward, BM 1/c, has transferred to Alameda, California.

In Tourney Overseas



T. Barfell D. D. Hower

Pvt. Donald D. Hower, Bldg. 20-2, played on his battalion's "Hoosier-Buckeye" team in a tournament held in Paris. By winning second place his team will be entered in the final Ninth Air Defense Command Tourney held in Paris. Cpl. Tom Barfell, Bldg. 4-1, is stationed with the medics at Camp Swift, Texas. His mother, Myrtle Barfell, is employed in Bldg. 4-4.



Hiya, Bldg. 4-5 Gang:

I hope there are some of the gang still there. Maybe I should have started, "Hello, Ladies." Anyway, I finally got around to writing this letter. At last after two years since I left Bldg. 4-5, of which 22 months were spent aboard ship and overseas, I am now in the good old U.S.A. I am in school now continuing with an electrical career. In radio school we use a lot of G-E motors as a source of power; of course those motors are serving the fighting fronts in an outstanding way the world over. So from those who use and need that equipment, I'll say thanks to you who build them. In closing I'll just say, be with you soon.

John R. Capin, SM 2/c

Herbert Werstler was recently promoted to coxswain petty officer 3/c in the South Pacific. He would like to hear from his fellow workers.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Dear Editor:

It's been quite some time since I last wrote, but we have been moving around so fast I just neglected to write. In our outfit we move at least twice a week. . . . We are settled down now in one spot, so can enjoy the scenery. We have a nice shady spot on the beach among the palm trees, enjoy swimming every day. Our rations are the biggest problem, cigarettes are very scarce and mail gets here about once a week. We are still waiting for our Christmas packages. . . .

I am like every one else, sure would like for this war to get over with so we can get back to the jobs we left in civilian life. Most all organized Jap resistance is eliminated on this island, so I suppose we will be moving on for parts unknown—just another step closer to Tokyo.

Our gun section had the honor of shooting down one honorable Jap plane last week; that makes ten for the battalion and one landing barge.

The natives here seem to be very nice; they bring us all kinds of fruit, probably some you don't get in the States. We also have acquired two monkeys and had two parrots, but they wouldn't talk so we got rid of them.

That's about all I can write for now, as it's time for the evening alert.

As ever,
Cpl. Lester Dunfee

Joseph Painter, U. S. Coast Guard, is stationed at St. Joseph, Michigan.

Women At War



B. M. Sheeler F. Gaff

"While I do not work around G-E equipment, I see people who do and they speak highly of it. I have met several former employees in my time in the service, and it seems like the G-E has more than given its quota of people to the service," says Flora Gaff of the Taylor Street Laboratory. She is a member of the Coast Guard. Bethalene M. Sheeler, also of the Taylor Street Plant, is a member of the Air Corps.

Life On A South Sea Island

Dear Editor:

By way of a little introduction, you may remember me as the messenger who held down the Hall Desk in Bldg. 18-1 for about a year, during, I think, about '36 or '37, and who occasionally forgot to pick up your mail. . . .

Up until the time I came overseas, I must admit that I was only mildly concerned with comments about others already here, in regards to the equipment contributed by General Electric; however, after seeing myself the tons and countless items that are used, I point with pride and say, "See that name? Well, I worked with them for a while," and when I see any particular piece that I know about as having helped produce in the past, well, I just can't help mentioning it to others. General Electric has done as wonderful a job in winning this war as the personnel that uses your products.

Personally I haven't had a whole lot of direct contact with electrical appliances and so forth, as I have been in the Finance Section of a service group, since my induction, but there is time to look around and examine the B-29 (which is King out here), and it's a wonderful plane. Our office is located in an old Jap building that was formerly used as an officers' barracks. All the buildings (that are still standing) are unusual in their construction, as there are no nails or metal of any kind throughout, pegs being used, and a unique type of splicing. The most surprising element is the fact that solid mahogany has been used for even the roughest kind of buildings.

The island is pleasant, and we enjoy a constant temperature of around 80 degrees during the day, with delightfully cool nights, so cool in fact, now that we are in the dry season, two blankets are welcome at night. My area is located on a high bluff, overlooking the Pacific, and quite close to an excellent beach, where swimming is ever popular. The natives are more than friendly, and go out of their way to please the G.I. They are an intelligent race, and many have been educated in the States; however at this time I want to say NOT to believe any of the popular notions that have emanated from Hollywood, regarding the beauty of the female sex on a South Sea Island, as they are definitely unattractive, and everyone was disallusioned by this, and all dreams shattered, upon seeing the native women for the first time!

We have had our "house in order" for some time now, and are doing the job we were sent here for, that of serving the 29's. I will always remember, long after everything else about this army is forgotten, the speed and ingenuity of the engineers in making this place liveable and constructing such a fine advanced base. The odds under which they worked were tremendous. Our group has a fine area, and at the present are housed in tents with wooden floors, and soon will be screened in. We have a large permanent type mess hall, and also a fine servicemen's club where plenty of reading matter is available, ping-pong tables and all the latest recordings. We have long had a fine theater (open air), and dare say get most of the later shows long before you underprivileged civilians! We have already had one celebrity here in person, one Betty Hutton and her Revue, and every week we have a live show of one sort or another sent out by Army Special Services from Hawaii. Our chapel will soon be finished, which will also be of a permanent nature, and it will be the finest on the island, seating 250 men, plus a large choir which has been singing in our former tent chapel. The utilities section has several cabinetmakers who have built a beautiful altar, lecturn, and case for the portable organ. Oil paintings will adorn the walls, by artists of accomplishment. Capt. Stewart, our chaplin, has worked very hard for all this, and deserves a lot of credit.

I want to also say at this time that the American Red Cross is doing a wonderful job out here, and the work our field director has done, from the start after being "dumped" in a cane field for our home, will always be remembered. Several canteens are springing up for the service groups, and the combat crews have been served coffee and doughnuts upon their return from missions from the first, by a mobile unit the Red Cross has.

I consider our group very lucky indeed, in having an assignment of this nature, and friendships have been made that will last always.

We're all anxiously awaiting that wonderful trip home, though, and we all know that home, as we know it, will always be, because of people like you folks at General Electric. I would be more than glad to hear from any that care to write, and I promise to answer any and all letters that come out this way. I am sorry that due to strict censorship, which is important, that I cannot elaborate any more on my activities here at present, but will try and keep the tales from being too tall upon my return, which I hope is not too far in the future.

With all best wishes I remain,
Sincerely, Cpl. Wayne L. Decker

Dear Editor:

Also and especially to the gang at Bldg. 12-2. Received your Christmas edition of the WORKS NEWS, and I don't mind telling you that the snow pictures made me more homesick than ever. However, I really appreciated it and would like to receive the NEWS regularly, if it is possible. I am sending Mr. Morton of the Specialist School a pen and I hope he takes the hint. No, it's really a small gift for all of the things he's done for me during the time I worked there. It was, without a doubt, the best place I've ever worked. I won't say too much about your equipment because every one knows that it is used world-wide and I've seen plenty of it here on board.

Would appreciate very much a few lines from some of the old gang at the school and I'll be sure and answer. There's some one there, I can't remember their names, who might be interested in knowing that I don't wear loud socks any more, just any kind I can get.

I don't want to take up too much of your time, so I'll say so long and I hope to be back soon.

Truly yours,
"Mr." Bill
William J. Newbauer

Cpl. George England is now stationed in France. "But I still haven't seen anything to compare with the good old States. Keep up the good work. I'm sure we all appreciate what you have done so far. Tell Doc Brighton and all the old gang I worked with at Winter Street hello and if you get time drop me a line or two."

Suggestors Share $665 In Awards In One-Week Period

J. E. Hutcheson, Bldg. 26-2, And Charles Garard, Bldg. 4-2, Head List

Ideas subitted by J. E. Hutcheson, Bldg. 26-2, and Charles Joseph Garard, Bldg. 4-2, headed the one-week suggestion list this week, during which period of time 87 suggestors shared in the $665.00 distributed. Mr. Hutcheson suggested the standardization of transformers outlining drawings so as to use the same nomenclature of dimensions on transformers. Mr. Garard's idea pertained to improvements in the method of attaching bearing blocks to steady rest arms used on commutator undercutters. Mr. Hutcheson's award was for $50.00 and Mr. Garard's for $65.00.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 26-B

Glenn R. Kaylor, Charles Druce, Donald Edgar, Irwin A. Bacon.

Bldg. 26-4

Paul Gressley, Raymond L. Duff, Robert E. Hower, Philip M. Enterline, Naomi D. Cary, Neva L. Lutz, Norma M. Keel, Kathryn E. Briggs, Vera M. Everett, Revella L. Shepherd, Carlisle D. Hanson, Nicholas J. Jett.

Bldg. 6-2

Philip H. Scott, Mary Hake, Kenneth L. Guisinger, Robert L. Klingel, Irene H. Pulfer, Harold Anspach, Vernon C. Dafforn, Robert C. Johnson, Eileen G. Goeglein, Alfred F. Oelfke.

Taylor Street

Donald Ross Swank, June Shopp, Frederick L. Young, Oscar Fleming, Linus A. Schmitt, Carl R. Foster.

Bldg. 4-2

Charles H. Gordon, Harold R. Mason, Cecil E. Tarney, Audrea Dahlin, Lloyd Ernst, Mary Ellen McFadden, Rosina M. Goldsmith, Mildred E. Close, Otto Reichwage, Dewy Snyder, Elmer Darwachter, LaVeda Bowman, Laurence T. Johnson, Robert A. Waltenburg.

Bldg. 26-3

Kenneth P. Fisher, Harry I. Mitchell.

Bldg. 4-1

Jesse Oras Moore, Frank C. Snyder, Donald E. Krick, Oliver W. Meyers.

Bldg. 26-2

Arthur F. Pequignot, David F. Mannix, John H. Robinson, Donald E. McAfee, Harry D. Brattain, Garnet M. Dunfee, Grover F. Rhodes.

Bldg. 26-1

Dorothy J. Sherman, D. D. Miller, Gerald D. Crum, Robert C. Mennewisch, James Lillich.

Bldg. 19-1

Marion F. Bacon, Virgil Carmean, Fred B. Lahrman, Adelma Shaw.

Bldg. 19-2

Robert H. Stute, Maurice J. Libbing, Hilda R. Sellers, Roy C. Lawrence, Paul F. Bryan.

Bldg. 10

Arthur W. Lantz.

Bldg. 4-5

Lewis W. Strong, Wilbur E. Tibbittes, George K. Robb.

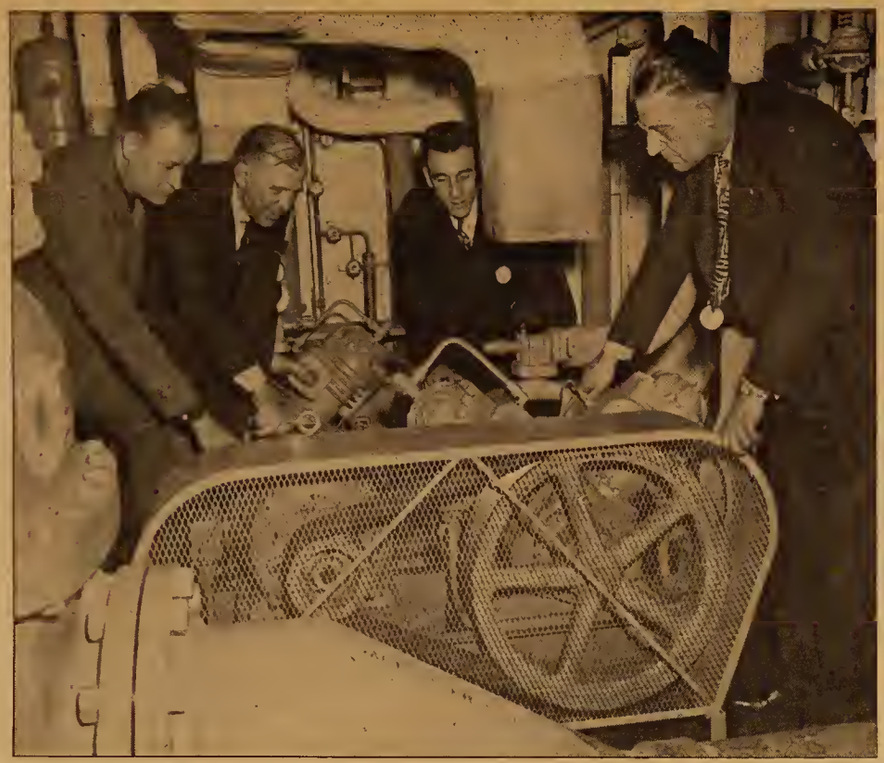
Bldg. 27

Frank A. Fordham.

Bldg. 26-5

Eugene Denig and Edwin C. Tennison, Gustave H. Kruse.

AC & CR Representatives Inspect AKA



Among representatives of 19 plants cooperating in the Navy's attack cargo and transport ship program were four AC & CR Divisions men who recently took the opportunity of seeing G-E products in actual use aboard one of these crack new vessels. Pictured above, they are, left to right, Harless Birt, shop steward of the Winter Street Plant; A. W. Wennerstrom, manufacturing manager of the AC & CR Divisions; William White, shop steward of the Bloomfield Works; and A. R. Kabisch, production superintendent of the AC & CR Division at the Winter Street Plant.

The representatives were shipmates for two days with the officers and crew of an AKA. The visitors witnessed the operation and maneuvers under simulated combat conditions of one of the latest types of assault cargo carriers, the performance of which has heretofore been kept closely guarded. The group declared themselves very much impressed both with the ship herself and the manner in which she went through her paces in preparation for coming offensives. The trip was sponsored jointly by the Industrial Incentive Division of the Navy, the Maritime Commission, and the Commander, Amphibious Training, Atlantic Fleet.

Of particular interest to the guests was the vessel's huge all General Electric modern refrigeration system, all of which is furnished by the AC & CR Division, Winter Street.

Alnico Magnet G-E Development Best To Date

Theories Of Ultimate Source Of Magnetism Are Discussed

This is the second installment of an article begun in a recent WORKS NEWS telling the story of the Alnico magnet, G-E product so powerful that it has been known ao lift 4,450 times its own weight.

Though no one can explain what magnetic attraction is, scientists can trace it back to its ultimate source. Of the many theories about it, the first reasonable explanation assumed that the molecules are themselves small magnets and that ordinarily they are arranged in closed magnetic circuits within the material. When the material is subjected to a magnetizing force, the molecules are forced to arrange themselves in such a way that the N-poles point in one direction and the S-poles in the opposite direction. Under such an arrangement, each molecule adds its magnetic force to that of its neighbor, and at the end, where the poles are exposed, the magnetic influence extends into surrounding space.

Today the spinning electron is accepted as the ultimate source of magnetism. It is thought that in a non-magnetic material the number and arrangement of these spinning electrons are such that they cancel each other, but that when the arrangement of electrons tend to help each other, ferromagnetism results.

Added the engineers, "Trying to explain magnetic attraction is like trying to answer the question, 'What is electricity?' We know what causes each, we can control them to a great extent, we put them to use. Yet when it comes right down to the problem of their basic nature, we have to shrug our shoulders and say, 'No one knows.' "

Basis of Magnetism

The basic facts of magnetic force, according to magnet experts, are these: that if a piece of iron is wound with wire and a current is sent through this wire, the iron becomes magnetized. Pass another wire through the magnetic field so produced and a voltage is induced in that wire. When a bar of iron is magnetized, a field of force is set up in the space around it. This force is strongest at the two ends, which are called poles. Particles of iron placed in this field line themselves up in definite patterns, or lines, which appear to start at one end of the bar and curve around to the other end in all directions. From this came the conception of "lines of force".

Result of many years of magnet research was the astonishing fact that magnetic properties exist in all matter, in varying degrees. The most strongly magnetic are iron, nickel and cobalt. In the early days of the electrical industry, pure iron was considered to be the best material for magnetic circuits. Then engineers found many applications where it is desirable to have a material which, once it is magnetized, retains its magnetism. A hardened carbon steel was first used for this purpose. Then it was found that chromium and tungsten steels were better. Next a hardened cobalt steel was employed, and comparatively recently an entirely different alloy called Alnico was introduced by General Electric.

Alnico Best to Date

About Alnico, engineers say that it possesses more advantageous magnetic characteristics than any other material previously used. It has remarkable strength; is much less subject to demagnetization from stray fields, vibration or temperature than the earlier materials. Its high energy value, combined with this resistance, makes it particularly suitable for substitution in electromagnetic devices at a considerable savings in cost, and permits greater simplicity of construction. So hard and brittle that it is not machinable, Alnico is cast, or sintered, to the desired shape and is ground for precise dimensions. Materials used in its composition are aluminum, nickel, cobalt and iron.

Concerning the mystery of magnets, G-E engineers declared: "A thorough understanding of magnetism calls for the cooperative work of physicists, chemists, metallurgists and mathematicians, and a more complete correlation of the workers in these branches of science can only result in a continued economical benefit to every user of electrical energy. People may well wonder about the toy magnet which amuses them. Men through many centuries have also wondered and experimented. And because of their curiosity, labor is today lighter, health more secure and art more attainable."

Apprentice Alumni Association Will Install Officers

Annual Spring Banquet To Be Held March 13 At Chamber Of Commerce

The Apprentice Alumni Association will hold its annual installation of officers at the spring banquet and business meeting, which will be held on March 13 at the Chamber of Commerce, Wayne and Ewing Streets. At that time Robert Spitler of the Taylor Street Plant will be installed as president of the organization to succeed Arthur Singleton, Bldg. 2-3. Other new officers who will take office are John Lare, Bldg. 20-2, vice president; Charles Lauer, Bldg. 17-1, recording secretary; Russell Mueller, Bldg. 4-1, secretary; Carl Beyerlein, Bldg. 2-3, treasurer; and Kenneth Altekruse, Bldg. 6-2, Lloyd Dolan, Bldg. 4-1, Paul Merkey, Bldg. 2-3, and Robert Pequignot, Bldg. 26-5, directors.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M., after which a short business meeting will follow. Tickets are $1.60 and may be obtained from contact men.

Following the installation and business meeting, the remainder of the evening will be in charge of the entertainment committee.

Small Betty was all eyes at the fashionable church wedding.

"Did the lady change her mind?" she whispered to her mother.

"Why, no. What makes you think so?"

"'Cause she went up the aisle with one man and came back with another."

Approximately one-third of our lost-time accidents were due to falls of persons or material.

Spring Review

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scheduled. Mr. Vogt states that other outstanding acts are being arranged, and the complete program will be announced in next week's WORKS NEWS.

The program will include features of interest for both adults and children.

DECATUR BULLETIN

If you have obtained tickets for the G-E Club choir concert on Sunday, March 11, and will be unable to use them, please return them to the Employment Office. Anyone desiring tickets may obtain those available any time Saturday, Mar. 10, at the Employment Office.

J. J. Baker.

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST
FORT WAYNE

No. 138 March 9, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

SANDY SAYS

Ye canna' get away from the Scotch (especially if they think ye'll be gude for a treat). But thot's not what I meant. No matter where ye turn, there's something to remind ye o' them. I could name a long list, including the steam engine, Scotch plaids, C.R.*, St. Patrick, who really was a Scotsman, Presbyterians, Sandy Says, etc.,—but I want to name one thing thot's extra-super-Scotch, thot I think of whenever I think o' the war in the Pacific—and thot's—ISLAND HOPPING.

When our Forces started from Australia to win back the long, weary miles o' islands strung out from there to Japan, they didn't start out on Island No. 1, and then take them, one at a time, in order o' their appearance. Thot would hai been too costly. The Japs would figure out just what was coming, and could o' held out for years and years.

But—ISLAND HOPPING—thot cut doon the "years and years" to just "years." ISLAND HOPPING—skip a few islands and take one by surprise—then cut off Jap supplies to the ones between you and Australia. Thot's how it was done.

What a clever way to do more for less. Thot's C.R.* in war—if there's such a thing as saving in a war. Weel, like most other C.R.* we've heard about, ISLAND HOPPING was not just the C.R.* way tae win back the Pacific—it was the ONLY POSSIBLE WAY to do it. We couldn't—positively couldn't—have freed Manila by NOW without it. We couldn't hai built enough supplies, or found enough men to do it the regular way—the hard way. (Not thot it was easy the way we did it).

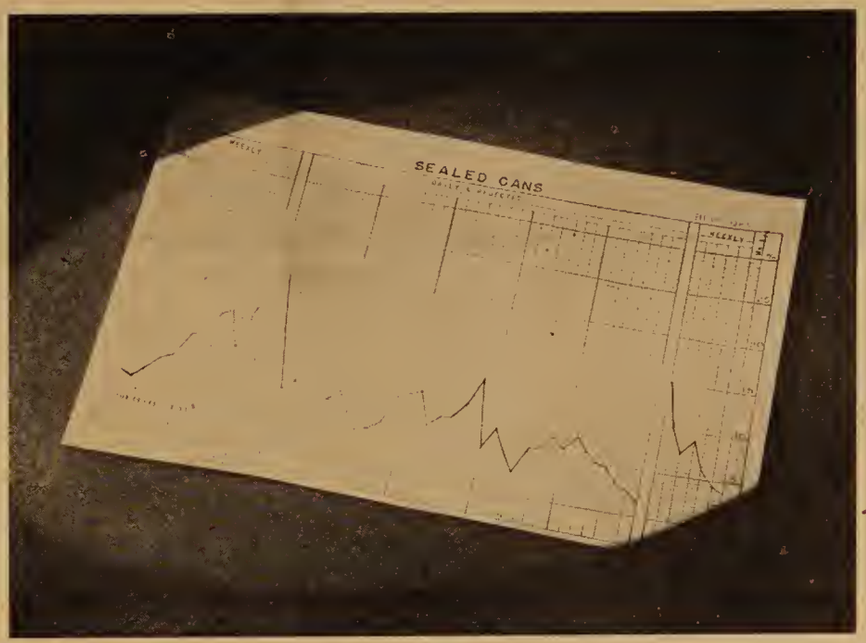
And thot's one gude illustration o' what I've been telling you—some things just CAN'T BE DONE WITHOUT C.R.*

And let's not let up on C.R.* just because our Forces are knocking on Tokyo's door. It will NOT be over before ye can say Jack Aberdeen Dunfermline Inverness Kirkintilloch McGillicuddy McRobinson.

And, need I remind ye, thot ISLAND HOPPING, the Scotch, C.R.* way o' winning back the Pacific, may appear more Scotch to ye than ever, if ye think over some o' the big names out there on our side.

*COST REDUCTION.

"FOLLOW UP"



A SPECIAL CHART is used to measure the progress in reducing PROSPECT REJECTIONS.

This chart was made for Product Resection Data for which a "CASE STUDY" has been prepared.

At the left is the percentage of rejects for the last ten weeks of the "CASE STUDY" chart.

In the center is the daily percentage of rejects since the "CASE STUDY" was issued.

At the right is the weekly percentage of rejects since the "CASE STUDY" has been made.

Engineers - Planners - Foremen - Superintendents

LET'S KEEP UP THE PROGRESS
REDUCE PRODUCT REJECTIONS

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello everyone—The boys in the Commercial Section have certainly been up to tricks this week. . . . We have a trader in our midst—Cy Stonehill. Cy traded cars with Jack Schutz, or had you heard? Some trade! The problem now is to figure out who gypped who. Jack is going to invest in a Service Station to have a gas supply and Cy, well, he'll probably have a nice investment in an All-Service Garage to keep his car going—I did say car! . . . "Chuck" Graham is just waiting until warm weather to move into Del Roloff's tent. Del is planning all sorts of conveniences for Chuck's family. It won't be long now! . . . The prize goes to "The Boss" Pete Staehle for forgetfulness. As the story goes, Mrs. Staehle and "The Boss" went to hear the "Don Cossack Chorus," but some one forgot the tickets—these things do require tickets, you know. Pretty lucky having a Jaycee, Andy O'Dwyer, handy. Andy makes a specialty of fixing things, it has been said. Anyway "The Boss" did get to see the performance without having to make a trip home for the tickets. . . . The party at Mr. and Mrs. O'Dwyer's home Saturday evening for the Commercial gang was a huge success. Sorry Clarence Burke and Mrs. Burke, Johnny Carr, and Mrs. Graham couldn't be present. Otherwise the attendance was 100%. The film, we had the privilege of seeing, was very interesting. We even discovered we're a photogenic group—yipe, we got our picture took. Not to mention all the refreshments and finally a chili supper that was superb. What more could be asked! Thanks again to our hostess and host. . . . Congratulations are in order to a former associate, Art King, who is now in the New York office. Art has a new baby, a girl. That daughter certainly should get lots of attention and care with three brothers to look after her welfare. Lucky girl. . . . It is good to see Evelyn Siebert back after such a long absence. Hope you are feeling fine, Evelyn. . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to Dorothy Reichel, whose mother-in-law passed away last week. . . . The Cost Section also had a party Saturday night. Theirs was held at Bill Shuler's home. Approximately twenty-seven people were there and to quote Larry Rickert—"a good time was had by all, even by those who crashed the gates." The entertainment consisted of dancing and playing cards, not forgetting the trio, Kenny Disler, Eileen Schulien, and Ruth Hosler, who sang "Meet Me in St. Louis." A vote of thanks was voiced to Mrs. Shuler and "She is Tops"—end quote. . . . So long now—be seeing you next week.

"Oh Mummy," said wee Annie, "Look at that funny man across the street."

"What's he doing?"

"He's sitting on the sidewalk talking to a banana skin."

Ed: "It's sure a bother about vacations."

Willie: "It doesn't bother me. My boss tells me when to go and my wife tells me where."

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

Early this week Ed Sonday attempted to enter the field of high finance but immediately withdrew with no profit. One noon he had to make a trip to the city and was furnished a street car pass for the occasion by Ed Klomp. On the return trip Sonday forgot he had the pass and deposited seven cents in the fare box. When he awoke to the fact that he was loser, he decided to try to talk Klomp out of the seven cents and surprisingly enough Klomp accepted the obligation, but after ten minutes of haggling proved to Sonday that he was indebted to Klomp for the ride downtown and it was an even break for both parties. Sonday says the only statement he has for the press is that in the future he intends to stick to the armature business. . . . The other morning when a dog stepped on her foot, politely Helen Hardy said "Pardon me" and went on her way. . . . Members of the Upper Ten Club were entertained at dinner and cards at the home of Grace Bird. Those attending were Mabel Didrick, Mary Ellen McFadden, Ellen Roberts and Ida Walling. . . . A group of girls were dinner guests recently at the home of Mildred English. After dinner they discovered that the Bill Oakleys' were upstairs neighbors, so they all trooped up there where they were royally entertained by Bill and Cappy. The guests were Verda Gardner, Mildred Stonebraker, Margaret Hart, Genevieve Figel, Helen Hine, Betty Feasby and Carol Jones. . . . Joe Trentadue has always wanted to own a book, and so the other day, being intrigued by the cover of a large tome he bought it for himself. After spending several evenings diligently reading it and still not having reached the plot, he turned back to the cover to see just what he had purchased and much to his surprise found that he was sole owner of dictionary. He says he's still gonna read the thing through, and has promised not to look on the last page to see how it ends. . . . Irene Geiger has a novel place to carry her billfold — up her sleeve — what a struggle she had trying to get her coat on when noon came. . . . Fritz Reinking, like most other smokers, is a victim of the cigarette shortage but is now learning to roll his own; they aren't round and firm and not even fully packed—they're flat and thin and sometimes when lighted go up with just one huge puff. . . . We extend our sympathy to Emil Sommers and Robert Neeb in their recent bereavements. . . . Marjorie Koeble celebrated her birthday March 1 at dinner in the Berghoff Gardens with the following girls, Della Stemmler, Idella Taylor, Bonnie Timme, Annabella Mills, Ruth Henry, Jean Herrman and Ruth McCoy.

The accident frequency in 1925 was 18.13 but now it is 4.82.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

We've missed you, Lottie, this last week. . . . Si High says it's been so long since her name was mentioned in this column that she has almost forgotten that she is still working here. How's this for service, Si? . . . How many saw the beautiful diamond ear rings Louis Hese bought for the wife last week? . . . A familiar scene in Bldg. 17-1 is Betty Bradtmiller freely passing her lipstick around to all the girls. . . . We certainly missed Walt Bauermeister and his familiar, "Yep, they'll do it every time" during his week's illness. . . . Marvels, marvels, marvels. No, not double talk. Just ask Marvel Daub what brand of cigarettes she likes. . . . We sometimes wonder if sparks ever get into Eugene Weaver's mustache. . . . So long, folks.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

"Little Things



MAY CAUSE BIG ACCIDENTS," says Henry Carnall, secretary of the Safety Committee, Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, Sections 13 and 14. Therefore, he keeps an eye on all dispensary visits due to injuries of any kind. THE SAFETY HAZARD WHICH CAUSES THE LITTLE ACCIDENTS CAN THEREBY BE REMOVED BEFORE THE BIG ACCIDENT OCCURS.

Safety Committees were very active last year in checking minor injuries. Our Dispensary reports that MANY SUCH ACCIDENTS OCCURRED DURING THE PAST YEAR, 227 OF WHICH WERE SERIOUS ENOUGH TO CAUSE LOSS OF TIME.

Henry's Safety Committee for 1945 is as follows: Harold Baehler, Clarence Seslar, John Dewald, Berneil French, John Allendorph, Frank Phillips, Solomon Andorfer, Hilda Scott, Delmar Longbrake, Paul Beauchamp, Norman Biddle, Delos Martin, Glenna Hyatt, Robert Crosley, Robert Till, Garland Hewitt, Archie Boran, Geo. Eshelman, Eldin Roby, Betty Blackburn, Harvey Springer, Dorothy Christman, Geo. McWilliams, Donald Krinn, Chas. Sherland, Arthur Thomas, Bernadette Lantz, Bill Breeden, Ruth Fuller, John Weaver, Louis Pflueger, Alberta Wilson, Virgil Guiff, Mildred Raymond, Al. Timme, L. Ternet, G. England, A. Renz, Clyde Grant, Robert Pence, Bill Moellering, Herman Hake, Howard Funk, Dolan Furney, Ed Fischer, Clarence Kopp, Alma Dodane, Allan Kitson, Frank Cox, Marie Ellert, and Virgil Davison.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Turret Tattles

K. D. Mallot is a happy pappy these past few days. "The Boy" is home on a short furlough from Bomber Gunner school. He will soon leave again for training on our "Big Boomers" for a crack at the Japrats. . . . "Youngie" Young had quite a time with his filthy lucre tother day; seems a body "dasn't" lay a lone dollar down without having trouble getting it back. But thar she lay, smack dab on the floor, right where he "drapped" it. . . . There is a small magazine called the G-E News Digest, devoted to the activities of the great G-E Family. Noting a copy on a desk the other evening we were startled while idly turning the pages, to note that one of our number in twenty-seven, had made the "grade." There on the page before us lay a drawing of an automobile crashed into a lamp post. We can't imagine how the editor found out about Lawrence Snyder's recent meeting with a lamp post; but there it was! . . . Just last week we made inquiry as to the whereabouts of ol' Bob Novick. Before the article was in print, didn't a letter from the ol' boy 'imself show up—from "somewhere in Germany!' He said that everything was "pretty quiet" where he is. He is with the Engineers of the Ninth Army. You may have read where they were "quietly" tearing up the whole Rhine River and moving it around. He always was the quiet sort of a guy. We were very happy to hear from you, Bob, and we are glad you like to read the NEWS, and it is a great source of satisfaction to know that this li'l column helps bring a bit of ol' Fort Wayne to you way over there. Our sincerest hope is for you to be back in Bldg. 27 very soon and writing IR's with both hands. Be good AND KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN! . . . Joan King of the office had some very interesting souvenirs from her brother in Germany. She has a Nazi battle flag, several insignia from enemy uniforms and some "Nasty" money. We'll take ours in good old American nickels and dimes. . . . The flower in the hair of Nancy Latchem one day last week was for being able to answer the "sixty-four dollar" question while dining down town one noon.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Second Trick

Viola Best, a newcomer to our floor, has a smile for everyone. . . . Ethel Morrison deserves to be mentioned. She's a grand worker. . . . Anna Hoot is oh, so happy! Her husband is coming home on furlough. No wonder she's happy, eh? . . . Welcome back to work, Ida Yaney and Vonnie Sponhauer. . . . Say that's really a keen plaid shirt Wanda Kumfer wears to work.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Carl Saaf thought Christmas rolled around pretty fast when he came in and saw his desk piled up with gifts. He then stopped and realized he was one year older. We thought his line of gifts was a very good selection; for instance, two cream puffs, all day suckers, cigars, cigarettes, paper weight and ruler. Oh, yes! We also enjoyed the candy Mrs. Saaf made with Carl's help. . . . Ruth Shoup believes in the slogan, "The early bird catches the worm." Why? The other morning Ruth got up and was ready for work before she realized it was 2:30 in the morning. . . . Are you having a birthday soon? If so, see Wanetta Shulte about details of her surprise party. We think she is over the shock enough to tell you—how about it, Wanetta . . . If you have noticed that grin on "Mo" Hollinger's and Bill Scott's faces last Monday, they happened to be on the winning side of the sectional tournament. Yes, and "Mo" also came through in the regional.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

It seems Eugene Diehm has gone in for light opera. . . . Glad to see Cecil Young and Jim Fleming back again after illness. . . . We sure have been having plenty of candy lately. Why? Everyone's birthday. . . . Hurry back to work, Lueda Garrison. . . . Can you imagine Georgia D. without a "why?"

Bldg. 12-3 Office

We want to thank Gloria Sprunger for the candy she passed around to the office gang. We extend our best wishes. . . . We want to caution Bob Karasek about being careful what he hands the conductor when buying a pass Monday morning. He claims that it is so rare for him to have a ten dollar bill in his wallet that he just forgot that they are worth more than the ones. Pretty expensive tipping, Bob—nine dollars.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

Why can't we all be as bright and cheery as Johnnie Sowers? . . . We have been missing Dorothy Merrilat's sunny face. Our sympathies on the death of her brother-in-law. . . . Alverta Gieger doesn't like to work in the same battery with Vera J. and Vivian C. They require too much fresh air and that's against Alverta's constitution. That cold air does something—oh, she freezes. . . . Mary Meyers and Becky Fredrickson are searching. What for? Mary lost her billfold and pack of cigarettes, and Becky lost her key case. . . . That's all now. See you again next week.

A soldier's letter from Italy read: "I am enjoying beautiful Florence very much."

His girl friend replied: "If that's the way it is, you can stay in Italy. I am having a good time with Elmer."

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Spring must be here 'cause Elmer Haugk, Bldg. 18-3, could be seen last week without his hat. Anyone finding an extra hat in Ray Lindemuth's office, Bldg. 4-6, it belongs to Elmer. . . . The Main Office basketball team are the champions of the Inter-Division League. We're mighty proud of the following girls who won this honor: Leona Nelson, Lucille Mechling, Jane Schafenacker, Virginia Goeglein, Doris Smith, Doris Milhouse, Jean Barkley, Virginia Gutermuth, Ann Steinbarger, and Helen Durham; and coached by Gordon Turner, and Ted Nelson. . . . Celeste Miskel, Bldg. 18-4, is in line for birthday congratulations this week. . . . Joe Oddou, Bldg. 18-3, is a new member of the "forgotten badge club" . . . Ka-rash! Bob Ellis', Bldg. 18-3, chair just fell over, but guess Bob jumped up just in time to escape falling too—lucky fellow. . . . Here is more proof that spring must certainly be on its way. Shirley Seward and Olive Smith came skipping into the Data Bureau the other noon holding hands. Yes, they were actually skipping but on them it looks good.

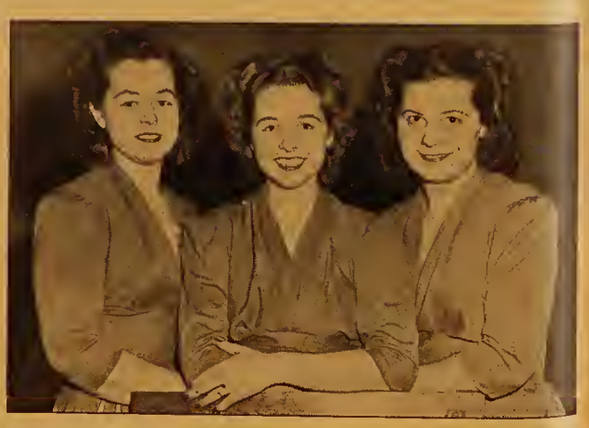
The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Marie Stoppenhagen, Gladys Lambert, and Rosella Fisher have returned to work after being absent on account of sickness. . . . Beulah Butler has returned to work after spending a few days with her husband Petty Officer 1st Class Maurice Butler, who recently graduated from Navy Pier, Chicago. . . . We will be glad when basketball tournaments are over because the excitement of them does make people forgetful. Last week Jerry Snell walked through the snow to the diner to buy her lunch because she couldn't remember what she did with her lunch she had brought from home. She thought her husband had taken it but when she came back she discovered it on a table where she had put it in the morning while taking off her coat. . . . Kenny Bergman says it's handy to have a two year old son around the house, so if you do something you shouldn't you can always explain to the better half that sonny did it. Kenny says most of the time it works. . . . Jess Moore went home from work ill last Monday and will be off several weeks. Sorry, Jess, hurry up and get well. . . . Friends of Ollie Meyers in Bldg. 4-1 didn't know him this week. Ollie arrived at work Monday morning all decked out in new duds. Kind of rushing the Easter season, aren't you, Ollie?

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Bea Libey has deserted the stock room in favor of housekeeping. We wish her lots of luck and happiness in her home, but we shall surely miss her smiles and cheery greetings. . . . Larry Reed was overheard telling one of the girls on the floor how he had been fixing his furnace coil and mistook his thumb for the coil. Bet he didn't need any more coal on the fire—his language probably heated the house. . . . We want to say hello to Edna Bruist, our new blue print clerk. Hope you like us and decide to stay a while. . . . Sir Knepp gave a piano concert to several startled guests Saturday. The question is, where did he master the lull of a swing king on the jive board? . . . Lohm would like to introduce the lettuce eating, carrot crunching gal of Hi-altitude test. Seems like Lohm marvels at the unlimited supply of bunny food Giltz eats in a day. . . . Now that spring is definitely just around the corner you can expect some fantastic fishing reports from Clem Miller. Clem is not only a good fisherman but a great zoologist. . . . Paul Menze does not like these windy March mornings. Coming to work the other morning his hat blew off and of all the places Paul had to go to retrieve his hat cannot be mentioned, but a few things that were noticed are that he had to crawl under a box car and when under the car he lost his lunch. After he got his lunch together, his hands were dirty and so was his lunch and so was his hat. He did get his hands and hat clean but how about your lunch Paul? . . . Dick Seidel sure will be glad when his wife comes home again from the hospital. He said he sure doesn't like to get his own breakfast and pack his lunch and do all the other chores a wife does around the house. . . . Nola Morris paid us a visit last Friday. It sure seemed natural to have you back again for a few minutes; the girls sure miss you.

On Decatur Program



The Stauffer trio, Betty, June and Wanetta, will be presented as part of the concert by the Decatur General Electric Club Chorus next Sunday, March 11, at the Decatur Catholic High School auditorium.

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Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Herb Ort says there isn't anything like Hoosier basketball for curing a stubborn headache. . . . We finally found out why Ted Warner and Charles Knock wear their caps at work. They say it's to keep the hair out of their eyes while doing precision grinding. Well, boys, we can't question an explanation of that calibre. . . . Herman Lepper finally went ice fishing with $2.20 worth of bait and again had no luck. He now vows to save his bait money and spend it at the fish market. . . . "Frosty" Alspaugh scrapped his work-weary car and bought himself another. . . . Earl Greenlee sure likes English walnuts and pecans. . . What do you know? Two days of sunshine and Orville Robertson is talking about planting muskmelons. . . . We are debating on when Paul Menefee will have to get another hair cut for at present the longest hair is 3/8 inch. He claims it has a guarantee to not need cutting again until July 16. . . Dorothy Golden's patience was at wit's end when after shopping all morning for the record "Don't Fence Me In" then after getting it home and playing it once had the misfortune of breaking it. . . . Bill and Mae Shumacker have moved to the country, much to the pleasure and satisfaction of their newly acquired pet, namely the dog, an Irish setter. . . . Louise Roberts is mad at all the bunny family. She found them eating off her favorite pussywillow just as fast as the ice melted away around the stem of the plant.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Sol Andorfer's lady passengers have their misfortunes too. Mildred Christman, Bldg. 26-1, stepped out of the car onto some ice and fell kerplunk. No casualty. . . . Esther Harkenrider, Bldg. 26, must be on a new diet. Anyhow, she arrived at work with a sack full of cookies, but had left her lunch on the kitchen table. . . . Speaking of misfortunes, Clarence Schroeder has a new pup, the pup being helpful in digging up Clarence's crocus bulbs. . . . Kathryn Gallmeier had a birthday one day this last week. She received a number of greetings and a hand decorated individual cake. . . . The packers of Bldg. 6-3 are happy to learn they have a real-for-sure bargain hunter in their midst. It is none other than their leading operator, Dallas Corson. The other day Dallas went shopping. In passing a shoe store he saw a number of shoes dirt cheap and, to his amazement, point-free. He made a mad rush for them, ending up by joyfully walking out with 6 pairs tightly tucked under his arm. All day at work he was walking around with his chest extended and a satisfied smile on his face, until he saw the late edition in the news where the O.P.A. were releasing shoes for ten days. That is all right, Dallas, nothing like avoiding the rush.

Will Sing On Elex Easter Program



The Purduettes, pictured above, will present a program at the annual Easter meeting of the Elex Club on March 19. They are under the direction of Albert P. Stewart, director of music at Purdue University.

Foreman



C. E. Stout

Announcement has been made of the appointment of C. E. Stout as foreman in charge of development samples in the Specialty Transformer Division. Mr. Stout was graduated from the Apprentice School as a machinist-toolmaker. Prior to his present appointment he was employed as a methods and equipment planner in Bldg. 26-2 and in the wage rate section in Bldg. 26-2.

Elex Easter Meeting On Monday, March 19

The Easter meeting of the Elex Club for both first and second shift members will feature the Purduettes, a group of twelve coeds from Purdue University. The Purduettes were organized for the purpose of providing entertainment during this war time. Each of the twelve girls is a soloist and their ensemble work is outstanding. Accompanist for the group is Dorothy Martin, and they are under the direction of Albert P. Stewart, director of music for Purdue University.

Two meetings have been planned, that for night workers at the YWCA at 12:00 noon and that for day workers at the G-E Club where serving will begin at 4:45. Tickets for both programs are 55¢ and reservations must be in by Friday, March 16.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

We wish to warn all strangers entering the office in Bldg. 8-2 that we are not baking vanilla cookies, but the appetizing aroma there is just Porky lighting up another pipeful of "rum and maple." . . . It seems that a great change came over Lois Hageman just over one week-end. Lois, our little South Side rooter, sure lost some of that Saturday's zip and zang when she had to come to work on Monday morning and admit defeat. . . . Ray Kierspe will have to hunt a new source of supply for his cigars in the future, as the cigar smokers in Bldg. 8-2 office are taking a regular inventory of their stock and have questioned Ray when they've had a short count. . . . We have a man in Bldg. 8-2 office who doesn't know his own strength. It is no other than H. E. Hire. He can actually break the whole top of a mountain off, single handed, without the least bit of effort. Of course, it isn't often that you find pictures so fragile. . . . We want to wish both Harry DeWitt and Earl Richey a pleasant visit with their sons, who are both spending a short leave at home. . . . The gang from the Wire and Insulation Division wants to wish the best of luck to all our boys in the service. Hurry back, boys; we sure miss you. . . . After using the same teeth for 50 years, Glen Greek has decided that they are not as practical as the store models and is changing to the very latest in the removable type. Looks like a soup diet for Glen for the next few weeks. . . . Congratulations to Vaughn Sheets and Helen Phillips, who celebrated their birthdays on March 3. . . . Any one having a second-hand alarm clock get in touch with Bill Rohe. He seems to be having trouble remembering to take his pills on time. . . . Ida Erbe came strolling into work at noon the other day, and after being kidded about her new banking hours, we discovered she had to wait on the bus as her car had broken down. . . . Muriel Wiedeman has discovered a new use for her hot coffee. Instead of drinking it, she saves it to pour on the lock of her car door, as the lock freezes nearly every day. Let's hope for warmer weather so Muriel can drink her coffee. . . . Ray Snyder is an avid follower of basketball so had his team picked in the Sectionals, then came defeat, and when Ray came to work the next day his desk was decorated with a huge black bow and a miniature casket. Better luck next year, Ray! . . . Ray Fisher has been taking vitamin pills and after taking the last box decided they were doing him some good. Then he carefully examined the box and discovered they were different ones altogether from the kind he used before. . . . We'd all like to offer Alma Beck congratulations on becoming a grandmother, and for the first time too.

Is Zat So?

The girls in the office enjoyed a luncheon at the English Terrace in honor of Hazel Hoffner, who is leaving to go to California for her health. Those present were Mabel Lieberenz, Lillie Pion, Agnes Cordes, Helen Ryan, Elfriede Hanke, Betty Gunning, Marilyn Kiebel, Pat Becker, and Ginnie Fisher. . . . For advice on the safest way to fall on the ice, see Norbert Meyer. Norbert is speaking from experience, too! . . . We bade farewell to Carl Weimer, who left us to work in another section. Best of luck, Carl. . . . Margaret McNally is spending the week wtih her husband, who is in the service. Our best wishes are with him for a safe and speedy return. . . . Mary Jane Meyer was all excited about a letter she received. . . . Bess Justus had a rather comical experience last week when she reported to the doctor's office for treatment for a sprained arm. The doctor tapped her side and asked if that hurt. Bess submitted to the examination meekly until she decided that something was wrong. Then she discovered that there was a misunderstanding and that she was being examined for appendicitis. Things were soon rectified and Bess' arm is now as good as new! . . . We wouldn't be much surprised if we lost Don Cobb to some movie producer since his picture appeared in last week's WORKS NEWS. . . . Harry Kessler picked the lucky team in the basketball tournament last week. . . . Mail was received from Joe Adamski, who is with the Army in Italy . . . Joe Kramer must have gotten in the way of some one's scissors. He was seen wearing a slightly abbreviated tie. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Dick Evans and Mabel Lieberenz. Birthday celebrants this week are Gerald Humbarger and Harold Orr.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Jack Jennings, the mad scientist, threatens to rock the foundations of the world with his theory that the various continents are just pieces of a huge jig-saw puzzle. Only one thing worries him. He's afraid those B-29 bombings have jarred Japan loose, and she is floating this way. For more information on this profound subject, see Jack. . . . Evelyn Thomas is really in a dither. Her fiance called from California and told her he is on his way home from the battle front and will be in Fort Wayne shortly.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Henry L. Witte (3)*	R. 1, Avilla, Ind.	4-3	Nickole	3:30-11:45
Walter Richardson (3)*	Hawthorne Dr., Decatur Rd.	19-4	Caston	8:00- 5:00
Harvey Leonard (3)*	R. 2, New Haven, Ind.	26-3	Bender	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 14—6 miles east.			
Ralph K. Smith (4)*	R. 1, Fort Wayne	20-1	Fulk	10:42- 7:00
	Coming in on No. 3—5 miles out.			
Roy C. Lawrence (4)*	R. 1, Big Long Lake	19-2	Prince	7:00- 3:30
	Hudson, Indiana—coming in No. 3 through Kendallville, Avilla, Huntertown.			
Eldon V. Follis (4)*	R. 4, Huntington	4-B	Walt	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 3, through Markle.			
Marion L. Garstka (2)*	New Haven, Ind.	17-1	Kronmiller	11:00- 7:00
	Coming in No. 24 and No. 30—8 miles out.			
Russell Scherrer (4)*	Ossian, Indiana	4-4	Skevington	3:30-11:48
Daniel M. Oesch (5)*	R. 1, Yoder, Indiana	27	Bowman	7:00- 3:06
	Coming in on No. 3, 13 miles out.			

* Numher of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Alice Haney	R. 4, Albion, Ind.	19-2	Prince	3:30-11:48
Mrs. Chas. Rodgers	606 E. Wayne, City	26-3	Braden	7:00- 3:00
Mildred Day	919 Henry, Huntington	26-5	Thelme	7:00- 4:00
Jane Ripley	R. 1, Huntington, Ind.	6-4	Tobias	7:00- 3:30
J. Garrett	Pierceton, Ind.	4-2	Buckley	3:06-11:06

Join Quarter-Century Organization



Pictured above are new members of the G-E Quarter-Century Club, organization composed of G-E employees who have continuous service records of twenty-five years and more. Left to right, top row, are Harry C. Beaty, Bldg. 6-1; Ed. J. McKerring, Bldg. 4-2; Russel Genth, Bldg. 27; George W. Elson, Bldg. 6-1; and H. G. Crummit, Bldg. 18-3. Second row, August Herbst, Winter Street; Ed Kammeier, Bldg. 17-1; William Sommers, Winter Street; Cecil Leakey, Bldg. 19-4; and Ora E. Goff, Bldg. 4-3. Third row W. H. Grush, Taylor Street; R. W. Ditton, Bldg. 4-6; William Henninger, Bldg. 4-5 Albert Kurtz, Bldg. 27; and Hilda Walda, Taylor Street. Bottom row, Willa Confer Bldg. 18-5; Samuel Mastromaser, Bldg. 9; Otto W. Nahrwald, Bldg. 4-3; Walter Fritz Bldg. 4-3; and C. J. Gensheimer, Taylor Street.

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

Screw Machine

Birthday greetings and best wishes go to Doris Ballard, who had a birthday March 2. We wish you many more. . . . Florence Pertler left our gang this week on account of illness. We all hated to see you go and hope your health improves. Good luck in whatever you do. . . . Anyone seeing a five dollar bill floating around, please notify Alta Kennard. . . . Fuzzy Amstutz gave a lovely shower in honor of Marjory Evans, at her home on Wednesday night. Several games were played, after which refreshments were served. Marjory received many lovely gifts. Those attending include: Dorma Hoopingardner, Mary Louise Metzger, Gladys Surface, Mabel Jones, Gertrude Martin, Donna Breitenbach, Ruth Myers, Winnie Coates, Melberta Grace, Jo Gaby, Arlis Wagner, and Geraldine Wetoskey. . . . Won't someone please tell Dale Feick that to really make a car run you must put fuel in it? Thursday morning he started to work and ran out of gas before he left the city limits of Garrett. . . . We want to congratulate Ruth Myers on her birthday. May you have many more. . . . On our sick list this week were Elsie Brecheisen, Clara Ringenberg, and Esther Wiggins. We hope you are feeling better, girls. . . . Our congratulations and sincere good wishes to the new bride and groom co-workers, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Huff. May your future be filled with happiness and and abundance of prosperity. . . . "Mart" Walchle, long an advocate of the idea that being a good bowler was to own your own ball, has finally received his ball. Now after a couple of weeks, Mart refuses to discuss his scores. What's wrong, Mart? It is loaded on the gutter side? . . . After all of Pat's efforts Garrett lost the tourney. Too bad, Pat, better luck the next time . . . It seems February is really the month of great birthdays. Ardis Crum forbidded us to tell his age, but his birthday was the twenty-eighth. . . . Velma Richards has gone to Florida for her health. Good luck, Velma, and good health. . . . Apparently Red Doster is concerned about other people's happiness. Anyway, he goes around shouting "Everybody happy?"

Punch Press

Poor June Harland seems to be slipping as she always has to be told when it's time for her to transfer to No. 4 street car on her way home, or if she is intending to go downtown. . . . Garnet Borne had word from her son, S 1/c Elmo Lew, that he had arrived safely at Pearl Harbor. . . . We have three birthdays this month. They are Olive Bowman, Ima Hanson, and Wesley Sontag. Happy birthday to all and thanks for the candy. . . . We have Mary Tarr with us. Hope you will like it out here, Mary. . . . Welcome to our section, Russell Lageman. Hope you like us. Russell was transferred from Screw Machine. . . . John Crawford, the trucker, is a papa. That calls for treats, but John said no smokes, but maybe candy. Yum, yum. . . . Alma Welches is off this week. Her two sons are home on furlough. Alma, isn't it great when our boys get home for a visit even if it is only for a short time?

Rotor

Lois Jones has joined our sparkler gang. Congratulations, Lois! . . . Edith Miller is visiting in Troy, New York, this week. Have a good time, Edith. . . . Margaret Langsten is ill this week. Hurry back, Margaret! . . . Congratulations go to Lela Ayers, who is the proud grandmother of a new grandson. We also congratulate the mother, Rose, who was formerly employed on X-Ray before quitting to take up household duties. . . . Dora Thompson is taking her vacation this week. . . . Leona Nims is taking her vacation this week. Have a nice time, Leona! . . . Happy birthday to Benny Land whose birthday was Sunday, March 4. . . . Paul (Mac) McLaughlin's sister has been promoted to Major Lucille E. McLaughlin. She is the first local woman promoted to that rank in the Army Nurse Corps. At the present time she is chief nurse of the 192nd General Hospital in England.

Impeller

Lester Andrist celebrated his birthday Feb. 28. It was close to leap year—really too close. We're wondering if he feels any older. They say a person isn't old until he acts old and we think Lester is still young. Happy birthday, Lester. . . . We were all sorry to hear about Eulalia Coon being in an automobile wreck. Sure glad you weren't hurt bad, Eulalia. . . . Seems Bob Kienzle never has his name in the paper. Guess he's kinda quiet and bashful. We all are, Bob, sometimes. . . . M. Gausepohl and Bob Kinnaman wish to thank the workers in Heat Treat and Polishing Section for their cooperation in obeying safety rules and keeping everything in order as it was due to this effort that we were the first Section to receive 100% on our Safety Chart. . . . Lola Rowe and Cecil Leslie were both on the sick list this week. Cecil is back on the job, and we hope to see Lola back soon. . . . Hazel Cook was astonished about the tomatoes she had for lunch the other day when she began to find pieces of gold in them. Then she examined her bridge work. That was a different story. . . . Bob Kinnaman's mother who has been seriously ill for some time, remains about the same at this writing. . . . Minnie Schrader has been transferred to second shift Impeller Section. Good luck to you, Minnie. . . . Joella Decker has started on first shift. We all are going to miss you, Joella, on the second shift. . . . Hilda Horstmeyer is on the sick list—be careful, Hilda, and hurry back. . . . Anyone wanting a report on the weather, ask Gertrude Bartaway. She'll always tell you it's raining believe it or not. . . . Bill Uecker and Clarence Gardt are getting in practice for spring house cleaning at home. . . . Edith Miller's son, Robert, who has been in service for three years, had a seven-day furlough recently. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Alma Grable on the death of her nephew, Sgt. Virgil Grable. . . . We are glad to hear that Viola Cochren is greatly improved and hope she will be with us next week. . . . Marguerite Jacobs is off on a two weeks' vacation. Not much of a vacation for her as she is papering, painting, and cleaning the house into which she is moving.

On G-E Club Program



When the G-E Club presents the annual Spring Review on Saturday and Sunday, March 17 and 18, the Dorothy Byton dancers will be one of the features of the program. They will give five performances.

Aluminum Parts

It's a good thing birthdays come only once a year. The gang had a party Wednesday night for Mary Riggers, and from the looks of things, they must have all enjoyed the party as much as she did. . . . Mary Whittecar came to work last Friday with a smile on her face and her chin high. She had a pleasant surprise. Her husband who is in the Navy, had called her from Norfolk. Why can't he do this more often, huh, Mary? . . . We are advertising for the purchase of an alarm clock so that Kenny Wheaton will be able to report for work on time in the morning. An electric clock is prefcrable, because they never run down. . . . Chuck Bobilya celebrated his birthday last Friday. His age is supposedly a secret. . . . Betty Sponhauer and Carl Huff of the Screw Machine Section were united in marriage last week with Jean Schlichter as bridesmaid and the groom's brother as best man. A group of friends met in the cafeteria at lunch time to welcome them back and presented them with a lovely wedding cake, also a bed spread and some towels. All of us take this opportunity to wish the best in health, wealth, and happiness. . . . We should be doubly grateful to Jean Schlichter who had so much trouble bringing her birthday cake to work to share with us. . . . Dave Gold was given an award for his suggestion of changing the coolant system on a drill press from hand operated to automatic flow. Congratulations, Dave. . . . On several occasions the writer has been asked by Kathryn Brandt what one must do to get their name in the news column. If you recall, Kathryn, sometime ago your name did appear in this column when you were transferred to Broadway. Yes, we know four or five others were listed along with you. Well, anyway folks, Kathryn has been transferred back to our Section and we are glad to have her. Now Kathryn, if you just supply the material to work with, we'll see that your name is in the paper more often. . . . Our regards to Ethel More, Margaret Ehler, and Myrtle Fisher, who are absent on account of illness. We hope to see them back soon. . . . Someone recently acquired the idea of seeing how long a snowball would be in Del Bucher's pocket before he would make the discovery. Well, it wasn't there long and Del still wonders who put it there. Just try and find out, Del.

Receiving

Last Monday George Dehnert, our truck driver, brought his brother John in to see us. John is located at Camp Corefield, Dallas, Texas. He has been in service two years next April. He is home on a twenty-one day furlough visiting his family and relatives. He looks fine and likes army life. Come in again, John! . . . Mary Jane Markley is back at work again. Her husband left Sunday night. He spent a very enjoyable leave at home. We hope he soon comes back again, Mary. . . . Bernice Lord is off work this week as her daughter has the chickenpox. We hope she will soon recover, so Bernice can be back to her job. . . . Wanted: Someone to buy Brownie's auto plate for him; he doesn't like to ride the trolley. . . . There still is a shortage on cigarettes. Red is the only one who is well supplied with the real McCoy.

Shipping

Van Horn, Long, Scotty, Robbe, and Brittin attended the memorial services for Paul Sheets at Bluffton the other Sunday. We want to repeat that the Shipping Section sure lost a grand fellow and friend in Paul. . . . Al Kruse's son, who is now home from the Pacific, was out to visit us the other day. Where did he get the good looks, Al? What a question, look at Al that's enough. . . . Saw Dick Wolff the other night. He is working for his dad in their hardware store at Monroeville. . . . Forrest Mulvane, one of our former employees, was a recent visitor. He is taking naval officer training. He really is a good looking sailor, isn't he girls? . . . Easter bonnets are now in the talking and trying on stage. . . . Verna Powers received word that her son has been wounded in action. We are sorry to hear of this. . . . Jane Brosher is taking a well-earned vacation. . . . The attractive personality girl that you see on the Burma Road during second shift is our own Ruth Faurote. Ruth is doing one real job for G-E. She really has a very personal interest in this war. Her sister, Mildred Faurote, Second Lieutenant, recently returned from New Guinea after thirty-two months of service. Her brother, Joseph Faurote, Gunners Mate 2nd class, has been serving in the Pacific area for two and one half years. Good work, Ruth; you folks are one real American family. . . . Al Muller had quite an audience the other morning. He lost a quarter due to a hole in his pocket. Dick Smith furnished the needle and thread and Al started to work on his mending. The lack of ten thimbles handicapped him but with the help of a planner, an engineer, and expeditor and two production men, the project got under way. He received many comments but no compliments on this work. . . . Compliments to all the correspondents for your splendid co-operation and also fellow employees. If you have any news items see—Cochran, Brittin or Fast.

Assembly

Margaret McCutcheon and husband were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith at their cottage at Lake James. . . . Girls, ask Pat how it feels to slide down a muddy hill without the use of his feet. . . . We are making up for the lack of birthdays in February. The month of March brings birthday congratulations to Anna Davis, Marguerite Walt, Margaret McCutcheon, Joe Smith, Eileen Wolfe, and Bertha Warstler. Don't worry; we will keep the awful truth to ourselves. . . . Seen at the Civic Theatre's production "Smilin' Through" were Celeste Shoch, Fay Morris, Margaret Ulrich and Faye Gaskill. . . . Spring must surely be around the corner. Leona tells us that her garden is spaded and her tomato seeds planted. . . . What do we hear from Delbert Scher—"Did anyone see my gloves?" How about some hand muffs, with a string on them, Delbert? . . . Back on the job again and "fit as fiddle" are Edna Dieringer and Rosemarie Swaim. . . . Hey John! We would like a ride in your new car.

Tool Room

Let's all be on hand to wish Annettia Hill a happy birthday on March 14. . . . We see Al Disler is still reading the Florida paper and making plans for that post-war

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vacation. We believe Al will keep us informed if anything new comes up. . . . News of Paul Davenport is that he is getting along fine and if he continues to feel better, we can look for him back to work in a week or so. We have missed you, Paul. . . . We are about convinced that Kenny McCague would be a poor sailor. According to his statistics all boats would sink as the tide rises. It seems one of the girls ask Kenny the riddle about if a boat has a thirteen foot ladder down the side and the tide rises a foot an hour, how long would it take the boat to sink? Kenny says 13 hours. . . . We think Les Hines is on the beam with his orchestra but he is sure off the beam with his shoes. He had two different shoes on the other day and we don't mean a right and left. . . . We bow our heads in honor to Dious Bowman. His sudden passing has affected us deeply and we wish to express our deep-felt sympathy to his family and his many friends who miss him so greatly. Rain or shine, in good health and bad, he was in there pitching—doing his share to bring back his boy and our boys from "over there." We indeed should do him honor. . . . There are several definite signs of spring in our Tool Room. Ralph Meyers has removed his sweater and Phillip Albright also removed that lip-warmer he called a mustache. Ah, spring is surely here now. . . . Joe Houser had a lu-lu of a dream the other night. Seems he dreamed of sleeping in a barber shop waiting for his turn at the barber chair. Suddenly the barber yelled, "Next!" And he was up in a flash. Thoroughly awakened, he found himself half way across the room (his bedroom) and it was 4:30 A. M. with not a barber in sight. Better get that haircut, Joe, it's making you have nightmares. . . . Adrian Libbing is just a little mixed-up of late. He sent some metal to heat treat the other day marked "Nero" instead of Neor. We imagine the thought of heat and something burning associated his mind with Nero's fiddling while Rome burned. Silly?

Screw Machine

Lois Troyer is 21 now and she had to celebrate her birthday on midnight, February 28, on account of there wasn't a twenty-ninth this year! . . . We want to welcome Milton "Pete" Reed to second trick. We hope you will like us, Pete, and also that the late hours don't draw the sandman! . . . The second trick wishes to welcome Red Randolph, who has been leading set up man on third trick for the last two years. Hope you like us, Red. . . . Cecil Ray has left the second trick to go on the first shift as set up man. Good luck, Cecil.

Rotor

Speedy recovery to Loren Farlow's mother, who is at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Sally Alexander feels fit as a fiddle since her vacation. . . . Mary Steiner is now taking her vacation. Hope you enjoy it. . . . We wish to extend our sympahty to Paul Thomas, whose brother, Charles Thomas, was killed in action over Manila, also Helen Bradley in the death of her aunt. . . . Happy birthday to Fred Spade and Maxine Brummit. . . . Geraldine Fry has left us to join the Medical Corps. More luck to you, Jerry! . . . Sorry to hear that Lee Mahnesmith was wounded in action in Belgium, December 26. His wife, Marcelle Mahnesmith, who works on the shaft, received the Purple Heart. . . . Ethel Mendenhall and Louise Jones are on our sick list. . . . For the latest steps in "Jive" see Austin Riemund. He can really cut a rug. . . . Those who are really happy, Jerry Imbody whose husband, Carl Imbody, is home on furlough; Amanda Keller whose son was home on furlough and has returned to Camp Pampa, Texas; and Mildred Igney's husband, Earl Igney, is also home. . . . Jerry Imbody is enjoying her vacation. . . . Carl Heckman thinks someone ought to fix his pipe. Is it the tobacco or smell? . . . The other evening Parker had a misfortune to leave his shoes off of his feet, new shoes. Seems Parker was pussyfooting around in his stocking feet. That will save shoe stamps, Parker.

Nozzle Box

We want to welcome Vivian Lambert to our Section. Hope you like it here, Vivian. . . . Grace Hunt is back from her vacation. Her daughter and son-in-law from New York visited her for a week. . . . Marjory Gottschalk is back on the job after being ill for a week. . . . Murlien Reinewald carries a memorandum with her every day so she won't forget anything. But still she left her purse in the rest room and the matron had to bring it to her. . . . Betty Owens almost didn't make it to work one day because she locked herself in the clothes closet—but it just happens that Sara Lou Brickley came to see her and heard her yelling and was good-hearted enough to let her out. She really looked funny when she came out. . . . Everyone surely misses Jerry Gilbert, he and Bill Easley traded tricks, glad to have you with us, Bill. . . . We are all very sorry to hear of Judy's home being burned, and wish them all the luck that we can in getting another home. . . . The gang surely was glad to meet Shirley Hollin's son, who was home on leave. . . . Bob Whitehouse is on his way to the west coast. . . . Kathryn Warner is not at work because of illness. . . . Virgil Beck, foreman in the Welding Section, received a letter from Stanley Green, who is in the army. He says that he would like to hear from the gang. He sends special regards to "Baldy", Plummer, Bangert and Hollaway. Stanley was the first to leave our section to enter the armed services. . . . Congratulations go to Harold C. Smith, our general foreman, who had a birthday March 1; we hope you have very many more.

"Waiter," said the fussy diner, "I want some oysters. But they mustn't be too large or too small, too old or too tough, and they mustn't be salty. I want them cold and I want them at once."

"Yes, sir," bowed the waiter, "with or without pearls?"



"THEY SAY THINGS ARE GETTING REALLY TOUGH BACK HOME. A GUY HAS TO SHARE HIS CAR IN ORDER TO GET GASOLINE FOR DRIVING TO WORK."

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

The curtain was rung down on the men's swing shift bowling quartet last Tuesday evening when they got together for a party instead of bowling. The committee in charge of the gathering did right well in securing refreshments. Games were played according to Hoyle. At this time Harry Stults, skipper of the Fireballs, presented a toast as well as a fine gift to the master of finances, Pete Fairchild, for his fine work as promotor and executive. . . . Truman Goldner, bullard pilot, was in the process of moving his household goods last week. . . . Johnny Brown has enlisted in the Navy and will go up for his physical this coming week. Good luck, Brownie! . . . Ballard sure does like his oysters—and in the raw, too. . . . The Skirt & Slack Bowling League from the swing shift have changed their bowling schedule to Wednesday afternoon due to the enforcement of the midnight curfew. Several more young ladies have decided they want to learn how to split maples, including: Virginia Dellinger, Nina Sovine, Eileen Andrews, Nina Schlemmer, Jean Stuber and Joan Oliver. After the dust had cleared away, Jo Voglewede and Bert Stump were still on their feet, which is an incident that should not go unmentioned. Joan Oliver with 134 and Dot Stalter with 137 were the individual high scorers. . . . Doris Shell had a nice surprise the other night. When she got off work, her husband was waiting at the gate for her. . . . Our congratulations to Cpl. and Mrs. Lorenz Thieme, who are the parents of a baby girl born March 3, named Judith Kay. Mrs. Thieme was formerly Eldora Schueler of Plant No. 2. . . . The stork also visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wagner. They have a son and named him Jerry Wayne. Mrs. Wagner was formerly employed in Plant No. 2. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ladd are the parents of a baby boy born Sunday, February 25. He has been named Robert Merrill. Mrs. Ladd was formerly employed in the inspection department of Plant No. 1. Mable Eyanson is aunt to the baby. . . . Speedy recovery to Frank Hower, George Myers, Mary Lynch, Charles Martin, Marguerite Rash, Velma Reber and Elmer Sheffer. . . . Al Schneider has returned to his home from the Lutheran Hospital where he has been under observation for an infection which followed teeth extraction. Hope you're feeling better soon, Al. . . . Rudy Brandyberry is recovering nicely from a fractured ankle which he sustained several weeks ago. . . . A dinner party was held recently for Elmira Kraner by her mother Gladys Kraner of Plant No. 2. Those present were: Ruth Stauffer, Nondus Snyder, Opal McCoy, Judy Meyer, Virginia Heller and a few other friends. Elmira has reported at Fort Olgethorpe, Georgia, where she is training for surgical medical technician. Her sister, Pvt. Frances Kraner, who trained in the same work, is in Colorado. . . . In a letter to Carl Smith, PFC Ralph Spade wishes to tell the old gang hello. He says he enjoys keeping up on the sports back home—especially the Pistons. . . . Ed Borne of Plant No. 2 reports that his son, S 2/C Leo Borne, recently enjoyed a ten-day leave at his home, following his boot training at Great Lakes. He is now taking a fifteen-week course in Signalling School at Sampson, N. Y. Another son, Baker 1/C

40mm And 20mm Guns On LCI's Smashed Jap Counter-Attack At Saipan

The story of how a fighting team of 40mm and 20mm guns aboard a group of LCI's—Landing Craft Infantry—broke up a threatened Japanese flanking counter-attack against American troops on the Saipan beaches is revealed in a War Diary of an LCI Flotilla.

The action occurred about an hour before dawn on a June morning. Two LCI's were ordered to proceed immediately to a position off the reef at Garapan Anchorage to intercept some enemy landing barges. The story, as unfolded in the War Diary, continues:

"A third LCI heard the radio order and, picking up another LCI, proceeded to join the first two. Shortly after the arrival of the four ships at the designated point orders were received to open fire on between 25 and 30 enemy landing barges. The barges, of the 'Gondola' type used by the Japanese and about 40 feet in length, were moving along the shore line from Tanapag Harbor. Their apparent intention was to deliver a flanking counter-attack upon our troops, which were then attacking along the beach toward Garapan Town.

"All ships present immediately opened fire with 20mm and 40mm guns. By a withering fire from the LCI's, 13 or 14 enemy barges laden with troops were sunk and others probably damaged. During the firing, the group of LCI's were joined by three more LCI's which aided in completely covering the enemy with heavy fire. When it became apparent that the enemy counter-attack had been broken up, the Task Group Commander ordered the LCI's to retire from the scene.

Glendon Borne, who enlisted in the Navy in 1939, has been in six major battles and when last heard of was on Saipan. Cpl. Ralph Beer, son-in-law of Mr. Borne, is now stationed with the engineers somewhere in Belgium. His wife, Ruth, is a former employee of Plant No. 1. . . . Ralph Roop reports to us that his son, Sgt. Bill Roop, is on Bougainville, and everything is O. K. with him. . . . Sgt. Joe Hazelwood, an aerial gunner on a B-29 superfortress, has been credited with shooting down a Jap plane in an air flight over Nagoya, Japan. . . . We have received word from T/5 Lawrence E. Beavers and Johnnie Walthall that they received their Christmas boxes. Both boys are in the Philippines. . . . Ens. Richard Chronister, Plant No. 2, is in Los Angeles, California, where he is awaiting orders. . . . MoMM 2/C Jerry Schlickman was a visitor at our plant last week. Jerry has completed his training in Florida and is reporting at California for further assignment. . . . Sgt. Jack Eady visited with his cousin, Sgt. Bill Coffee, in England recently. . . . S/Sgt. Junior Drake writes us from a rest camp, the location of which is a military secret. He appreciated the Christmas box very much and found the articles very useful in more than one way. He gets to see the latest movies and eat ice cream and chicken pretty regularly—but it still doesn't compare to what we get back home.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Somewhere in Italy
"30 January, 1945

"Dear Gang:

"In my previous letter to the WORKS NEWS, better than six months ago, I was awaiting the time that I should depart for overseas duty. Since that time much water has passed under the bridge. We left for the POE where we spent approximately two weeks time, in what one might call "in quarantine," as we were restricted to the Post and had tight censorship on all mail, telegrams, and other forms of communications.

"Finally we embarked and sailed. The stories were many and different as to our destination. We went from Berlin to Tokyo and all points in between, but after a peaceful sea voyage, which we will all remember, we arrived at our ultimate destination Italy.

"Backing up into further details of the boat trip, upon the boarding of the ship we started the trek in and out around and down the passageways soon to become familiar but then like a lonely trail in the woods at night to a lost babe. This only proved to us there was more to a ship than we thought and the



further we went down we were sure of that fact. I naturally, was on the last (bottom) troop compartment with the number of which carried the title of 2 D (dog). While aboard ship we had numerous shows on deck and movies occasionally. We were on the flagship and had the Admiral aboard.

"Leaving the ship now and picking up in 'Sunny Italy' once more. We left the ship, boarded a train and were off to our initiation to overseas service in the form of a 'Repple Depple' (Replacement Depot).

"Our first impressions were very poor, finding ourselves having to sleep on the HARD ground. We hated this even though we had expected nothing better. The only consolation was the presence of the large tents and suffering it out together. We had tents to accommodate ten persons which is at least two too many. Upon eating our first and successive chows we found no consolation on the eating but did find that we weren't exactly getting any thinner or feeling any the worse so guess maybe it was better than we thought. After we had our bodies numbed, bruised and fitted to the difficult terrain which we called a bed, the cots began to make appearances. Being a non-com helped a lot here as we had first choice. Those who were slower getting them began making homemade cots.

"By this time we now had men coming in the Depot who had followed us across and to us were now 'Rookies,' so we proceeded to be the big brave 'Repple Commandos' and passed on all the stories that we had woven to us upon our arrival by men who no doubt had no more experience than we then did.

"While at this station, in order to keep off all daily details (K.P., Guard, etc.), and the training schedule, which was easy but annoying, I volunteered as a carpenter and found myself becoming handy with a saw and hammer. I learned a lot of experience however so don't think that I wasted my time at that.

"While watching buddy after buddy depart on to asignments, I wondered just how long and where my move would come. I didn't have long to wait as I soon received my orders but alas, only to another 'Repple Depple.' While at this first Depot I managed time off to visit Naples, and a few of the surrounding villages which gave me my first and horrible picture of Italy, with its beggars and poorer class of people.

"Our new home found us better equipped, with living conditions a little better. Here we found the native class of people much better and they served the good purpose of Laundry Lady. My stay here soon brought out the job as clerk in the AG section which was a more pleasant way of passing the time away while helping out the war effort. This was my job for the duration of my days as a 'Repple Depple Commando.' I visited Florence, seeing the many sights and a few of the art galleries; Leghorn, and Pisa, with its Leaning Tower on my passes from this place. I also spent several evenings and meals with a native family in one of the villages near the Depot.

"I had a lovely turkey dinner with all the trimmings at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. Also received my fair share of Christmas packages from home and still have some of the many wares I received.

"Upon my departure from this Depot, I found myself going to the thing I had sweated out for so long, a permanent assignment. I am now assigned as a clerk in the AG section and the conditions here compared to the 'Repple Depple' is the same as black and white. I enjoy my work and fellow workers here. We have what I would say a swell group of officers to give the orders and that is a big help, believe me. Some of our conveniences here are lights, radio, phonographs and stoves. These are a few of the improvements over the Depot so you figure out the rest for yourself. We see the latest movies almost every night if you care to go, so we have it somewhat like home.

"Well this brings me up to date on my doings and as for your doings the WORKS NEWS has been on the GI ball there and has come in regularly. I look for it just as much as I do my other mail and enjoy reading what the others in the service are doing, where they are, and what you are all doing back home. It helps to bring back my many memories at General Electric. If any of you feel you have time to write a few lines they will be more than appreciated, I assure you, and will be answered in due time. So until after V-Day when we (all the boys in the service) will be coming back again,

"So long,
"T/5 Harold H. Rahe"

Miscellaneous

Ruth Schwartz is wondering if "dog days" are here. It seems she did a smooth job shedding her old face and taking on a new one. Huh! She thinks she got gypped. . . . Ruth wishes to express her appreciation to each one of the swell gang who helped make the generous gift presented her following her accident. She is anxious to get back to her job and see all her friends.

Night Rumblings

Put a dirty screen close to Betty Pressler and the bet is two to one that she will end up with a black and white checkered nose. . . . Our sympathies to Freddie Himes, suffering from a stiff neck. . . . The new guard on second trick is none other than Harold Clark, formerly of third. . . . 'Twas heard from the compressor testers—"I don't feel so hungry, do you?" Perhaps it was because the four of them did away with two quarts of ice cream and a quart of chocolate malt. Perhaps.

Shipping

"Gladys" (Donna Lehman) is back with us again, freckles and all. We're glad to have her back too. Last Wednesday we had a birthday party for her, with everything from singing "Happy Birthday" to cutting the cake. . . . Alice Minser took over Annie Hudson's job. Annie works for Pete Dannecker in the Accounting Section.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

We're sorry to see Ida Mae Gerdeman leave; she was transferred to Broadway. . . . Carrie Smelser also has left Power Drive. . . . Ed Imel had something concealed under some rags which he treasured very much—Some Old Golds, "the treasure of them all." . . . Bill Wies just returned to work after a few days' illness. . . . Our ex-tool maker now in the Navy, Don Goodwin, paid Power Drive a visit last Saturday. . . . Grace Kaster was confused in dinner pails the other noon. She had her husband's and he had hers. Was it because of its contents or was it a mistake in the early morning rush Grace? . . . No. 3 Straley has joined the other brothers on the first shift.

Engineers To Present Papers



At the next meeting of the Fort Wayne Engineers Club on March 15, a group of engineers, including three Fort Wayne Works employees, will present papers on "My Society's Contribution to the War Effort." Left to right, they are, W. H. Connor, Taylor Street, who will speak on the ASME; J. Yopst, Taylor Street, American Society of Chemists; J. White, city engineer's office, ASCE; and A. Maul, Bldg. 31-2, AIEE.

"Somewhere in France
"January 27, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"I certainly appreciate your interest in me and have been wanting to write for a long time. The G-E WORKS NEWS is sure a welcome item in my mail. No matter where we go it always manages to get to me.

"I haven't much to say inasmuch as the censorship is very strict in



our sector. But I sure can say that the G-E equipment is playing a great part in this war.

"Give my regard to all the fellows in the old recoil section and especially Dale Delagrange.

"Yours truly,
"Sgt. Frank Till."

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

Royal Roeger, secretary of the Winter Street Bowling League hit a high game of 263 and that was good enough to put him in first place for high individual game for the second half. John Schwartz is in second place with 247 while A. Benecke has a 246 for third place. Other 200 scores for the night were Meyer, 234, Kolmerten 213, Zollinger 213, Rodenbeck 204, and Ben Beaty 202.

Team 4 won 2 games from team 3 and thus assumed leadership of the league with a record of 17 wins and 7 losses. Team 12 hit a 941 for their only win of the night and this was good enough for third high single game for the second half.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team played 2 games last week, winning them both. They easily won an exhibition game from Hoover's Grocery and beat the Firemen in a league encounter 40-26. Chet Heitzert had a big night against the Firemen as he controlled the ball off both backboards and tallied 15 points to lead the scoring. Millholland, the Fireman's leading scorer, was held to a single field goal although he dropped in 5 free throws for a total of 7 points.

This week is the all important game with Small Motor Office. This will decide Section A for the second half. It is hoped that Bill Seiple, who missed the encounter with the Firemen with an injured knee from the game with Hoover Grocery, will be ready for action. He was the league individual scoring leader for the first half and will be sorely missed if he is unable to play.

Squares To Hold St. Patrick's Dance

The Squares and test men are planning a St. Patrick's dance, the "Shanty Shindig," which will be held on Saturdayy, March 17, from 8:45 to 11:45. Woody Neff's orchestra will play for dancing at the Club Rooms, 219 East Berry. Tickets are $1.25 per couple for members, $2.00 for guests. The dance is informal.

Power Drive Office

We are losing two more girls this week through transfers. Betty Wagner has moved over to Bldg. 19-2 and Mary Kay Ahearn is going over to Bldg. 4-6. We hope both girls will like their new work. . . . Rita Mahlan is now at Taylor Street. . . .

We are still looking in vain for Mr. O'Neill's goatee. Growing one really shouldn't be too difficult and for advice we recommend Hal Staley, as we saw a picture of him with both goatee and mustache taken when he was only 21 years old. . . . The other afternoon while deeply engrossed in our work, Bob Schulte called our attention to Helen Schwartz hard at work beating out the LaConga in perfect rhythm on her typewriter. We hope Helen has more test papers to type soon.

Production

Newcomer in the A & M Section is "Mike" Hunter. Welcome to Production, Mike, and we hope you like us. . . . Most women have very few birthdays after they reach a certain age, but not Frances Miller. Just turning a year older last January, she tried to tell us that she has another one coming up. Now what's so pretty about a birthday card, Frances?

Dust Proof Room

There must have been something wrong with the weather last week as Audrey Fankhauser and Lucille Lemish suffered from it very much. Audrey arrived carrying two purses and Lucille had two different shades of hose on. Oh, what the weather will do! . . . We, meaning the girls in the Dust Proof Room, wish to welcome Dorothy King to the assembly line and hope she likes it. . . . Virginia Bohnsack left the Dust Proof Room last Saturday. Sorry to lose her and hope she likes her next job. . . . Mildred Norton is back on the job once again.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

No, there really wasn't any fighting going on last Saturday, even though those missing teeth did look real. Jack Richard provided the black gum and was an expert in handling his own cud. . . . Leona Franke has returned to work after 2½ weeks' absence. She fell on the sidewalk coming from church.

Victory Trouper Group To Play For Service Men

Announcement has been made by Don W. Long, manager of the "Victory Troupers," that special groups of the organization are booked to entertain Service Men and their guests Sunday, March 18, at 7:00 P.M. at the U.S.O.

The "Melody Six and Velm", one of the groups, is composed of young women singers. In this group are Velma Lehman, arranger and accompanist, Carol Lyman, Peggy Faux, Naomi Rinehold, Bev Wooding, Phyllis Hubartt, and Phyllis Renkenberger.

Added attractions are Loretta Day, who specializes in voice trumpeteering; the well known Taylor Street Barbershop Quartet, composed of Walter Rosselot, Earl Siebold, Jack Dobson, and Ralph Latham; and the "Mop Trio with Johnny" comedy pantomime group, comprised of Max Crosley, Dick Mosier, Max Miller, and Johnny Murray.

Nearly 75% of all minor injuries occurred to fingers, hands, wrists, and forearm.

Newsies 17-3

Rosemary Allen has just returned from a nice vacation in Arkansas. . . . We sure are glad to find such good qualities in some of our bosses, especially Park Schemehorn and Charley Rice. The other day, after feasting on Rosella Heck's coconut cream pie, they were found doing the dishes. Nice work, boys. . . . Alice Lester, after getting a fish bone caught in her throat, would like to have someone take the bones out so she can enjoy fish better the next time. . . . Can you imagine Irene Wennicki's surprise when she saw her own shoe coming down the belt? . . . Poor Thelma Chesterman tried to do her good deed for the day by bringing her neighbor's coat home from work with her since he has been ill. After she got to his house with it, she found it wasn't his. We'll bet the other fellow was unhappy when he couldn't find his coat. Better luck next time, Thelma. . . . Birthday wishes to Faye Brye, Charlotte Blauvelt, Margaret Folk, and Minnie King. . . . Lucille Lampke believes in leap year again this year. She was seen putting February 29 on her time slip. . . . Looks good to see Margaret Beerman back on our floor. . . . Bessie Yoder, Dorothy Smith, and Gertrude Dammeyer were transferred to Kryder's line.

Kokomo Engineer



L. Z. Gossman

Announcement has been made of the recent assignment of L. Z. Gossman to the position of resident engineer of the Kokomo Plant. Mr. Grossman is a graduate of Purdue University BSEE 1926. Following his graduation, he was on G-E test for approximately eight months, and since that time he has been a member of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division. Prior to his present assignment, Mr. Gossman was employed in Bldg. 4-6 as group leader responsible for series motors.

Volunteer Firemen Elect



At a recent election of the Volunteer Firemen's Association, officers were chosen for the coming year. Pictured above, left to right, they are George Casper, vice president; Harry Zimmerman, treasurer; Charles Wilt, secretary; and Dee Hamilton, president.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

There is sort of an informal banquet held every noon in the conference room back of the clock here at Hollywood. This select circle consists usually of Kathryn Lahrman, Bonnie Swihart, Marjorie Meyers, Jeannie McNeal, Joyce Wilcox, Kathryn Rectanus, Sadie Isaac and Margaret Sissner. Looks like "Who's Who" at Hollywood, which it is. This round table forum discusses appetites, cooking, politics, fashion, war strategy, etc. The lucky individual who can crash this circle really gets the upper crust if there is any left. . . . Harry Borne went out to lunch one day last week, and when he entered his favorite grill he observed only one vacant seat. He hastily rushed forward to secure it and with his hand on the back of the chair he turned to hang his hat on the rack provided for that purpose. When he turned back to sit down he was astounded to see that some sniper had appropriated his seat. Henry now takes an armed squad with him to help maintain the common decencies of table etiquette. . . . Joyce Wilcox's parents have disposed of their farm near Merriam and are locating at Vermontville, Michigan, near Lansing. The state of Michigan has compromised with them, that, if Joyce comes to Vermontville, they will move the state capital to Vermontville. Looks like we lose Joyce. Lots of good luck. . . . Margaret Rectanus was home all last week because of illness. Are we glad to see you back!

Bldg. 4-3

Howdy, Folks:

Not a whole lot of news to begin with this week but maybe we'll get some "inspirations" as we go along. . . . Ann Coleman gave a party in honor of Martha Post who left us the other week. Those attending were Ruth Jacobs, Rose Ulrey, Bonnie Goodrich, Arlene Gaskill, Mary Longnecker, Helen Hageman, LaVern Goeglein and Fontana McMacken. Every one reported that they had a good time. . . . Wilma Ahlersmeyer, switch girl, left us to work in Bldg. 2-2. Sorry to see you leave, Wilma. . . . Lucy Rogers returned from Bldg. 17-2 and took over her old job when Martha Post left. Glad you're back, Lucy. . . . Things-We-Like Dept.—Don Mozena's afterthought to complete any explanation, "things and stuff like that there." That's O.K., Don, we understand, mostly. . . . Virgil Davison, Ann Coleman and Betty Boldt got hungry for wieners. So the other night they had a potluck all by their lonesomes. Guess what they had? Wieners! . . . Arlene Gaskill received a letter from Martha Post. Martha thought the gang would like to know Paul Post has arrived in France and is doing all right. Before entering the Army, Paul worked at the south end of the floor. . . . We want to remind Katie Winter that the longest way round is usually the shortest way home. You will stand and wait for an elevator! . . . Guess that finishes the news for this week. Next week we hope to have more items. There is a box near the center time clock so don't forget about it. Any and all special events, birthdays, and gossip will be appreciated. We'd like to have items from all three shifts in the column and the only possible way to get them is for you folks to hand them in. Don't forget. G'bye now.

—Country Cousins

Girls Chorus

A girls' chorus which has been organized in Bldg. 6 is interested in expanding, and therefore any girl in the plant who would like to join should get in contact with its director, Wilbur Wright, Bldg. 6-3 office, phone 2394. Mr. Wright is in possession of complete details.

Girls' Team Takes City Light Girls In Benefit Game

Win By 39-34 Count Before Capacity Crowd At Kendallville

By Helen Forker

The G-E Girls' basketball team defeated their old rivals, City Light, in a benefit game at Kendallville last Thursday night. This game was the "other half" of a bill which featured the Zollner Pistons in a tilt with Dayton. The game was played in the Kendallville High School gym before an overflow crowd of about 2500.

The girls played a fast, furious, and hard-fought game; and the crowd enjoyed it immensely. Girls playing basketball appeared to be quite a novelty to most of the crowd, and they got a big "kick" out of the game.

The first quarter was a nip-and-tuck affair, ending with G-E out front 10-8. Our girls forged ahead in the second period to gain a 23-15 lead at the half. City Light, as always, continued to be a real threat throughout the second half; but they never got closer than four points behind during the last half of the game.

Our gals scored 18 field goals on 68 attempts, while City Light hit only 13 of their 59 tries. In their efforts to halt all of City Light's scoring threats, our gals fouled often. City Light had 24 free attempts, but succeeded in scoring on only 8 of them. Our percentage wasn't much better, as we hit on only 3 of our 11 attempts.

"Butch" Whiteleather was really the "big gun" in the G-E attack, gathering up 18 points for herself. She scored 8 field goals on 11 attempts, and 2 out of 3 fouls for her biggest evening of the season. "Boots" Puff came in second place in our scoring with 8 markers. Meier led the City Light scoring with 13 points, while Shearer followed with 11 points.

The summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	City Light	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	0	0	0	Meier	5	3	13
Williams	3	1	7	Shearer	4	3	11
Boedeker	0	0	0	Davies	1	1	3
Whiteleather	8	2	18	McCarron	1	0	2
Puff	4	0	8	Meyer	2	1	5
Steller	0	0	0	Andrews	0	0	0
Varner	2	0	4				
Eisenacher	1	0	2				
Totals	18	3	39	Totals	13	8	34

Half Score—G-E Club, 23-15.
Officials—McKenzie and Koons.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 9 won 3 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 1 won 2 games from Team No. 12. Team No. 6 won 2 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 5 won 2 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 10 won 2 games from Team No. 11.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	18	9
Team No. 1	18	9
Team No. 9	17	10
Team No. 3	16	11
Team No. 2	16	11
Team No. 4	13	14
Team No. 12	13	14
Team No. 6	12	15
Team No. 5	12	15
Team No. 10	10	17
Team No. 7	9	18
Team No. 8	8	19

200 games—Stanger 201; Meints 202; O'Connel 203; Rietdorf 203; Good 204; Stiver 209; Kabisch 213; Koorsen 216; Christlieb 221; Roehm 223.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzman

March first came in like a lamb also in bowling circles, as there were less than the usual high scores rolled last Thursday. Or can spring fever already be working on the boys. Then again it may be the calm before the storm that may break loose in any of the four remaining nights left in the season.

For encouragement to those who miss the head pin occasionally or consistently, it has now become a proven fact that it is possible for a bowler to get all those neatly arranged "Indian Clubs" with one try in one frame and leave them all but one standing with the next ball and still get the highest total of the evening.

Receiving had their first place lead cut to seven games, losing two to FHP who now hold third place by themselves. Planning held onto second place taking all three games from Power Drive, dropping them to sixth place. Inspection took fourth place by losing two games to the last place Production team. Maintenance climbed to fifth place by outscoring the seventh position Order Service boys.

Individual honors this week go to Turley for his high total of 527. He also had a 202 single. Spahr had one pin less at 526 but rolled a 203 single. Bischoff connected for 520 and Bergman had a 517. Kallmyer included an even 200 game in his 515. Stodgell collected 514. Parson had the highest single game 21[illegible] counting 509 altogether, and Samuels wound up with a 503. Dressel made his debut in the league with a 502. Evard came close to another 200, stopping at 199. McCollum filled in for two games for Production and raised his average 13 pins.

Last week's column stated that Kretzman rolled 599. A recount was demanded. This score should have read 499. Sorry, but we didn't get a hundred pins handicap for the write-up.

Bowling Tourney At Club Alleys On March 17 And 18

A Men's Doubles Handicap Tournament will be held at the G-E Club Alleys on Saturday, March 17 and Sunday, March 18. Squads will bowl on March 17 at 7:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. and on March 18 at 12:30 P.M., 2:30 P.M., and 4:30 P.M. The entry fee will be $2.00 per man or $4.00 per team; entry fees include bowling. The handicap will be 75% of 400.

All G-E employees bowling in a sanctioned league are eligible to enter. Bowlers may enter the tournament as many times as they wish, only with a different partner for each entry. One prize will be awarded for every five entries, as well as high single game and high three game. League secretaries must verify all averages on entries.

Those planning to participate are urged to get their entries in early. Entries can be made with Art Ackerman or Edd Yahne at the G-E Club. Money must accompany all entries.

Out of all the dispensary accident cases, only 6 resulted in serious injury in 1944.

Club Team Wins Thriller From Moose Panthers

By Bob Kessens

A field goal in the dying seconds of the game by Dick Baade gave the G-E Club a 72-71 triumph over the Marion Moose Panthers Tuesday night at the Club Gym.

The Club team drew first blood when they went under and scored on the first play of the game. From then on the Club team did not seem to be able to hit and along with their defense falling apart it looked as if they were in for a rocky night of it as McCoy and Chambers hit the net consistently on some great shots to take a commanding lead of 21 to 11 at the end of the first quarter. When play was resumed the Club team still had a tough time of it, pulling their defense together, but were not able to cut down the lead held by the Moose. At one time in the second quarter they came within seven points only to have the Panthers strike again with some beautiful shots from out center. The Moose controlled the play throughout the second quarter to lead 44 to 33 at the half.

The start of the third quarter saw the Club team tighten up their defense while putting on a great scoring rally with VanRyn, Miller and Krieg leading the attack with some brilliant teamwork and basket sniping, ably assisted by Madden and Reed who kept feeding the ball. The score in this period was tied up 9 times with the Club team emerging on the long end of the count 60 to 56 at the end of the third period. In this period the Club team garnered 17 points while holding the Panthers to 12 points.

The two teams waged a bitter battle in the final quarter, the score being tied 7 times in this quarter. The Moose team picked up at the start of the fourth quarter and quickly tied it up at 64 to 64. From then on it was a nip and tuck battle with neither one of the teams being able to put the game on ice. Some great floor work by Reed and Madden constantly feeding the ball to VanRyn and Miller and Krieg, who really were beginning to hit, kept the lead see-sawing back and forth with never more than one point separating the teams. Van Ryn, playing a great game for the Club, scored 21 points, Miller 15 and Krieg 14 points. With one minute and 20 seconds to go Madden went out of the ball game with five personals. Dick Baade substituted for Madden and with thirty seconds to go scored a difficult shot from the side to give the Club the ball game 72 to 71.

Chambers, a great center for the Moose Panthers, had a big night, scoring 25 points. This is the same player that scored 18 points against the Pistons. McCoy with 14 points and Doyle with 14 points played a brilliant floor game and thrilled the fans with some fancy basket shooting. This team lived up to all its advance publicity and this was the third game lost by them in 28 starts. The other two defeats were at the hands of two great ball teams, the Dow Chemicals of Midland, Mich., by two points and the World Champion Zollner Pistons by ten points.

In the preliminary game, the Harvester Girls' team had little trouble with the G-E Main Office Girls and ran up a 21 to 7 halftime advantage before coasting to victory. The Main Office girls kept battling, but experience and superior height kept them from doing much scoring, the game ending 43 to 28. Nelson was high for G-E with 15 points, while Augustyniak led Harvester with 17 points.

The summaries:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Marion Moose	G.	F.	T.
Reed	5	1	11	McCoy	7	0	14
Lowden	0	1	1	Thomas	0	0	0
Miller	6	3	15	Mitchell	4	0	8
Krieg	4	6	14	Chambers	8	9	25
Madden	3	2	8	Malloy	3	1	7
Allen	0	0	0	Kilgore	1	1	3
Baade	1	0	2	Doyle	7	0	14
VanRyn	8	5	21				
Totals	27	18	72	Totals	30	11	71

Half Score—Marion, 44-33.
Officials—Collyer and Johnson.

G-E M. O.	G.	F.	T.	Int. Harv.	G.	F.	T.
Nelson	7	1	15	Mason	3	1	7
Barkley	0	0	0	Cook	0	0	0
Sch'nacher	0	0	0	Crance	2	0	4
Melhouse	1	1	3	Augustyniak	8	1	17
Steinbacher	2	0	4	Speheger	1	1	3
Durham	0	0	0	Dunkin	0	0	0
Smith	2	1	5	Foland	3	0	6
Gutermuth	0	1	1	Roth	3	0	6
Goegline	0	0	0				
Totals	12	4	28	Totals	20	3	43

Half Score—Harvester, 21-7.
Officials—Johnson and Collyer.

Award Winner



Marcus Marquardt

Marcus Marquardt, Bldg. 20-1, was recently awarded $25.00 for his suggestion for improvements in the method of cleaning air conditioning coils in Bldg. 17-3.

Prisoner Of War

Cpl. Ralph C. Peterson, Bldg. 18-4, who was formerly reported missing in action, has been officially reported as a prisoner of war in Germany. He had been missing in Belgium since December 17.

Club Center



Ted Reed

Ted Reed, above, is the 6 foot center of the G-E Club basketball team. This is his second year with the Club prior to which he was an independent star.

Girl's Squad Wins From Indianapolis And Kokomo

By Helen Forker

The G-E Girls' Basketball team added two more victories to their already impressive record when they downed Indianapolis Curtiss-Wright by a 26-25 score; and defeated Cage's Grocers from Kokomo by a 48-23 count.

In turning in a win over Indianapolis, our gals really had to get out and go. These Curtiss-Wright lassies are mighty hard to beat! Our G-E girls were going strong as they grabbed a first quarter lead of 9-4, and kept on rolling to hold a halftime advantage of 16-12. "Tommy" Williams was the "spark-plug" of this attack as she rolled in 11 points.

Fox and Martin kept Curtiss-Wright in the game during the third period which ended with G-E still holding a two-point advantage. The final period, as well as the rest of the game, saw Indianapolis getting the breaks; and they finally tied the score. They got one point ahead on Schulz's free throw; but they were soon trailing again as the G-E gals refused to get excited. They scored a field goal, and then Williams and Whiteleather scored charity tosses that won the game. "Tommy" made the free throw that broke the tie-score with 38 seconds to play, and the gals grabbed possession of the ball to stall the remaining seconds.

"Tommy" led the G-E attack with a total of 15 points, and Betty Fox paced Indianapolis with 11 points. The game was fast and furious and kept the fans on "edge" all the way. Curtiss-Wright's ability to make their free throws kept them in the game, as they scored on 9 of 18 attempts, while G-E was outscoring them from the field.

On Sunday afternoon our G-E gals met and conquered the Cage's Grocers from Kokomo. They were playing one of the best games they have had all season, and they really looked like world-beaters as they rolled up a 48-23 count on the Kokomo lassies.

Every one of the girls was playing a terrific game, both offensively and defensively. They were passing well, rebounding, and "clicking" like a real power house ball team. At the pace they were setting in this game, it would have really taken a top-notch team to lick them. Kokomo has a good squad, one of the top teams in the state, but they just never knew what hit them.

"Tommy" Williams again paced the G-E attack, collecting 17 points, while Jerry Steller and Gladys Varner contributed heavily, getting 10 points apiece. Swope and Broyles were Kokomo's only consistent scorers, getting 10 and 6 points respectively.

G-E grabbed a 10-4 first quarter lead, and stretched it to 23-8 at the end of the half. The Kokomo gals were unable to figure out how they could break through the G-E defense, and they couldn't "keep track" of "Tommy," Jerry, or Gladys—all of them being able to score almost at will.

The game was fast and well-played, but the Kokomo gals just couldn't get the range of that basket. Our gals, meanwhile, were really banging away, getting 22 field goals on 66 attempts—a really good percentage!

The G-E gals pushed their season record up to 19 victories in 21 starts last Tuesday night when they downed the girls from Cage's Grocery in Kokomo by a 33-21 count. The Kokomo gals really made a game out of this tilt on the local court after losing a one-sided battle on their own floor on Sunday.

Our girls just weren't hitting in the early stages of the game, and trailed at 5-4 at the end of the first period. By halftime they had managed to gain a one-point advantage, 12-11; and they still held a slim margin of victory, 17-15, at the three-quarter mark.

The final period saw our girls getting busy to push points through the hoop at a fast clip, as they scored 16 points in the last eight minutes. Kokomo was unable to handle this scoring spree and could get only 6 points against a tightened-up G-E defense.

All the Kokomo scoring was handled by Broyles, Swope, and Hawkins, who scored 9, 8, and 4 points respectively. The G-E scoring was well-divided with "Boots" Puff leading off on 8 points. Close on her heels were "Tommy" Williams with 7 points, and Lou Fitch and "Butch" Whiteleather with 6 each.

This game was really close, fast, and furious as the Kokomo gals tried desperately to upset our girls.

The summaries:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Kokomo	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	3	0	6	Broyles	4	1	9
Boedeker	0	0	0	Gowder	0	0	0
Williams	3	1	7	Swope	3	2	8
Whiteleather	2	2	6	Allen	0	0	0
Amstutz	0	0	0	Hawkins	0	4	4
Varner	1	2	4	Rody	0	0	0
Eisenacher	1	0	2	Brown	0	0	0
Steller	0	0	0	Moore	0	0	0
Puff	4	0	8	Englert	0	0	0
				Pickering	0	0	0
Totals	14	5	33	Totals	7	7	21

Half Score—G-E Club, 12-11.
Officials—Richards and Jenkins.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Curtiss-Wright	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	0	0	0	Topmiller	1	1	3
Boedeker	1	1	3	Simerley	0	0	0
Williams	6	3	15	Fox	4	3	11
Whiteleather	1	1	3	Martin	2	3	7
Amstutz	0	0	0	Rieber	0	1	1
Puff	0	0	0	Schulz	1	1	3
Steller	1	0	2	Sheats	0	0	0
Varner	1	1	3				
Totals	10	6	26	Totals	8	9	25

Half Score—G-E Club, 16-12.
Officials—Johnson and O'Connell.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Kokomo	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	2	0	4	Broyles	2	2	6
Williams	7	3	17	Swope	4	2	10
Whiteleather	2	1	5	Hawkins	1	1	3
Amstutz	0	0	0	Rody	0	0	0
Varner	5	0	10	Brown	1	0	2
Steller	5	0	10	Moore	1	0	2
Puff	1	0	2	Allen	0	0	0
Eisenacher	0	0	0	Pickerling	0	0	0
Totals	22	4	48	Totals	9	5	23

Half Score—G-E Club, 23-8.

Owl Basketball

By R. James

BLDG. 4-4 WINS SECOND HALF CHAMPIONSHIP

Playing without their manager, Bob Crosby, who was in Chicago winning a few battles on his own hook, in the Golden Gloves Tournament, his Bldg. 4-4 basketball team won as thrilling a game as you would ever want to see, by the close score of 33-31, to cop second half honors, and necessitate a play-off with Bldg. 17, who won the first half championship.

At the end of the first quarter, Bldg. 4-4 held a four point lead of 7-3, but Bldg. 17 came back to have them down 11-10 at the half. Then things began to happen as both teams went at it tooth and nail, and when the third quarter ended it was 23 all.

In the last quarter, first one team would take the lead and then the other, and then with the score tied at 31 all with 15 seconds to go, Christlieb fired a long one that was in and out and finally fell through to give Bldg. 4-4 the ball game and the Second Half Championship.

Scoring honors went to Runyon of the winners with 10 points and to Kelly and Thomas of the losers with 10 points also.

Introducing The Gals



"Tommy" Williams

"Tommy" Williams is the next player on our girls' team to be introduced to the fans. She is the possessor of a number "6" on the back of her uniform. She shoots a lot, but is probably the hardest driving player on the team, and in this way she earns her scoring chances. She was the high scorer in the City-Wide Girls' League last year when she played with the Club team, and she also led her team in this department. She is also the leading scorer in the team this year, having tallied 183 points in 22 games. "Tommy" rebounds a lot to get many of her points. She is a veteran of this game, having played with the Taylor Street inter-division team when they were league champs two years ago.

"Tommy" is an employee of the Taylor Street Plant, where she is a member of the Taylor Street Athletic committee.

G-E Club Teams Play Final Games Tuesday

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walt Histed

Standings (A Section)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	4	0	1000
Small Motor Office	4	0	1000
Firemen	2	2	.500
Taylor Street	1	3	.250
West Side	1	3	.250
Small Motor Factory	0	4	.000

Last Week's Results

Winter Street	40	Firemen	26
Small Motor Of.	51	Taylor Street	42 (Overtime)

West Side won from Small Motor Factory by forfeit.

Standings (B Section)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Squares	3	0	1000
General Service	2	1	.667
Tool Division	2	1	.667
Messengers	1	2	.333
Taylor Street Test	1	2	.333
Transformer	0	3	.000

Last Week's Results

General Service	29	Messengers	23

Squares won from Transformer by forfeit. Tool Division won from Taylor Street Test by forfeit.

Winter Street 40; Firemen 26

Paced by Chet Neitzert's fifteen points, undefeated Winter Street kept pace with Small Motor Office for the Second half leadership in the A section by defeating the Firemen 40 to 26. Milholland, scoring leader of the Firemen, was completely stopped during the first half by Stretch Magnussen in a superb exhibition of defensive play.

The winners were ahead at all stages of the game but never enough to permit a let down in their efforts —best evidence of which is the fact that they used only six men. Neitzert's 15 points were high for the game, though he was closely pressed by his team mate, Stucky with 12. Milholland, held to one field goal, tallied six times from the penalty line to score 8 points in the second half to nose out Zimmerman who had 7 tallies, as scoring leader for the losers.

Winter Street (40)	G.	F.	T.	Firemen (26)	G.	F.	T.
Neitzert	7	1	15	Hanic	3	0	6
Stucky	5	2	12	Zimmerman	3	1	7
Magnusson	2	3	7	Milholland	1	6	8
Hooley	0	1	1	Long	1	0	2
Dent	0	0	0	Leazier	0	0	0
Fryer	1	3	5	Habig	1	1	3
Totals	15	10	40	Totals	9	8	26

Small Motor Office 51; Taylor Street 42

In a torrid game, Small Motor Office maintained their tie with Winter Street by outlasting Taylor Street to win an overtime game 51 to 42.

The winners started off as though to make the game a rout, running up a lead of 17 to 11 in the first quarter. Taylor Street collected itself and while holding the Office men to a single field goal by Artie Hoffman in the second quarter, they pushed in two goals from the field and five from the charity line to take a 20 to 19 lead at the half. The third quarter was almost a repetition of the second quarter except that Hoffman made two field goals while Taylor Street was scoring 13 points to lead at the three quarter mark 33 to 23.

Small Motor Office pulled its forces together and rallying beautifully outscored Taylor Street 19 to 9 in the last quarter to tie the game at 42 each.

In the overtime period, Starkel who had been held to a solitary goal in the first quarter broke through for three quick goals, which coupled with a fielder by Esterline and a free throw brought the winner's score to 51 while Taylor Street was unable to score in the overtime period.

Small Mot. Of. (51)	G.	F.	T.	Taylor Street (42)	G.	F.	T.
Esterline	3	4	10	Baker	3	5	11
Starkel	4	0	8	Hanna	3	0	6
Slack	2	0	4	Grossnickle	6	1	13
Close	3	3	9	Walters	2	1	5
Lauer	4	0	8	Scott	0	0	0
Schuster	3	0	6	Hirsh	0	0	0
Hoffman	3	0	6	Overdeer	1	1	3
Barber	0	0	0	Carpenter	2	0	4
Trott	0	0	0	Moore	0	0	0
Totals	22	7	51	Totals	17	8	42

Main Office Captures Inter-Division Title



The Main Office girls' team, pictured above, recently won the championship in the Inter-Division Girls' Basketball League. Team members are, first row, left to right, Jean Barkeley, Helen Durham, Virginia Gutermuth, LuCille Mechling, and Leona Nelson. Back row, Doris Smith, Ann Steinbarger, Jane Schafenacker, Virginia Goeglein, Doris Milhouse, and Gordon Turner, coach.

General Service 29; Messengers 23

The scrappy Messengers managed to hold the General Service team well in check with the exception of their elongated center Kepler, who scored eight times from the field and once from the foul line for 17 points, to lead his team to a win 29 to 23.

Hapner with seven points was high scorer for the losers.

The game was closely contested with the halftime score being 13 all. In the second half the winners managed to pull away enough to win and stay in the race for second half honors.

General Service (29)	G.	F.	T.	Messengers (23)	G.	F.	T.
Pickett	1	1	3	Click	1	0	2
Schible	1	1	3	Hapner	3	1	7
Kepler	8	1	17	Hoffman	1	1	3
Kauffman	1	0	2	Rice	2	1	5
Ray	2	0	4	Gnau	2	1	5
O'Connell	0	0	0	Swank	0	1	1
				Hanley	0	0	0
Totals	13	3	29	Totals	9	5	23

Schedule Change

The games originally scheduled to be played on Wednesday, March 14th, will be played tonight.

7:30 Messengers vs. Taylor Street Test.

8:30 Squares vs. Tool Division.

If there are no first place ties, the winners of the A and B sections will meet in a single game play-off for the second half championship on Wednesday, March 14th.

The league play-offs will be between Winter Street, first half winner and the winner of the second half. The first game will be played on Thursday, March 15th, the second game on Wednesday, March 21st, and a third game, if necessary, on Thursday, March 22nd.

Should two teams tie for first place in the B section, a single game play-off will be staged on Monday, Mrach 12th.

Main Office Team Wins Girls' League Championship

Win Second Straight Game From Small Motors, 25-18

By Helen Forker

By virtue of their second straight win over Small Motors, 25-18, the Main Office team has taken over the Girls' Inter-Division League Basketball championship formerly held by Taylor Street for two straight seasons. Main Office took over undisputed rights after finishing on top of the heap during the regular season; and then taking the play-offs with two straight wins, 33-20 and 25-18.

The final game was very close all the way, with Main Office gaining a 7-4 advantage at the end of the first period. Both teams scored an equal number of points in the second quarter; and the half ended with Small Motors still trailing by three points, 12-9.

Neither team scored from the field during the third period, but Main Office gained the upper hand on their ability to make free throws. They scored on 7 charity tosses while Small Motors scored only one. Small Motors tried desperately to score in the final period, but they gained only two points on their foes and the final count was 25-18 for Main Office.

Leona Nelson again led the Main Office scoring with 11 points; while Affolder, Shively, and Strabede shared honors for Small Motors with 5 tallies apiece. The officials were calling them close in order to keep out the "rough stuff," with the result being a total of 28 personal fouls called—17 against Main Office and 11 against Small Motors.

Congratulations to the new Champs!

The summary:

Small Motors	G.	F.	T.	Main Office	G.	F.	T.
Affolder	2	1	5	Nelson	5	1	11
Boyle	0	0	0	Barkley	0	0	0
Shively	2	1	5	Steinbarger	0	1	1
Kramer	0	0	0	Mechling	0	0	0
Stanski	0	0	0	Schafenacher	2	1	5
Koenamann	0	0	0	Milhouse	0	2	2
Stoops	0	0	0	Smith	1	3	5
Reinhard	1	0	2	Goegline	0	0	0
Strabede	2	1	5	Gutermuth	0	1	1
Crooks	0	1	1	Durham	0	0	0
Totals	7	4	18	Totals	8	9	25

Half Score—Main Office, 12-9.
Officials—Richards and A. Smith.

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Developmental	20	10
Laboratory	19	11
Tool Room	18	12
Chargers	18	12
Production	16	14
Grinders	16	14
Turbos	15	15
Screw Machine	15	15
Receiving	13	17
Firemen	12	18
Office	11	19
Air Corps	7	23

600 series—McNutt 216, 212, 178 —606.

200 games—Wolff 228; Towns 222; Ridenour 218; Moore 214; Martz 213; Linn 211; Purner 211; Clem 206; Bice 206; Luenberger 205; and Taylor 205.

Developmental by winning two games set themselves at the head of the league standings, one game ahead of the Laboratory team which was jolted twice by the Production quintet.

Production scored a 2635 pin series to set a new team high series record. McNutt smashed out a "606" pin series to lead the individual scoring for the evening. Seventeen individuals bettered "500" counts. Only five more weeks of the league season remain so the the team race is definitely wide open.

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club men's basketb team will wind up their curre season at the G-E Club gym Tuesday, March 13 when they pla Westinghouse of Lima. They w also play Saturday, March 10, the foe for that night being the Schu 5 & 10 team of Plymouth, Indian

This game Saturday is schedul to get under way at 9 o'cloc with a preliminary game to b carded for 7:45 o'clock. This Pl mouth team has an excellent reco of 26 wins in 30 games this se son, having defeated such tea as the South Bend Moose, the L Porte Coalers, the North Liber Iudependents, Bourbon, and We kerton. They are leading th league, having defeated every tea in the league.

Their team is made up of t following players: Richard Heise Lowell Holloway, Arnold Duns Ivan Beehler, Richard Ball, Ha old Truman, Wayne Brocksmit Charles Talbot, Walter Smith, Jo Meyers, LeRoy Welborn, and H Morris. Their starting five h been indicated as Heiser, Hollow Beehler, Ball, and Dunsee.

In their final home appearan of the season next Tuesday, Mar 13, the men meet the Lima, Oh Westinghouse team at 9 o'clo There will also be a prelimina at 7:45 o'clock on Tuesday.

This Lima squad has a go record of 11 wins and 7 losses f the season. They have downed su squads as the Zanesville A. C Canton, Springfield Tool and N Knoxville, Indiana. They have record now of eight straight wi

Their players are Clair Stum Ladd Bolinger, Paul Tuttle, J Moore, Fred George, who was Du ton U's leading scorer in 1940, a Les Brown and Ralph Lantz, a Ohio guards from South Li High.

The probable starting line-up f Westinghouse will be Stump, B inger, George, Brown and Lant

Our G-E boys now have a seas record of 22 wins in 25 gam They have defeated nearly ever thing they have met including t local K. of C. team, the Eag Baer Field, South Bend K. of C etc. They are really good!

For both of these tilts our G starting line-up will probably Lowden, Miller, Reed, Krieg a Van Ryn. These boys have be doing a lot of good work for th club, aided by Baade, Stoner, Mc den, Shinbeckler and Hassinger

As always these games are op to all G-E employees and th friends. Come on over and ho our teams finish up their season a "bang-up" fashion! The tea who will play the preliminar will be announced a little later, watch your daily newspaper.

Don't forget, we'll see you Sat day and Tuesday at the G-E C gym!

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.
Pin Hitters	15
Flying Pins	15
Knock Outs	14
Whizz Bangs	11
Lucky Five	10
Head Pins	7

Games rolled over 170—Est Walda 183; Pat Clauss 172.

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To Head Apprentice Alumni Association



Robert Spitler, left above, of the Taylor Street Plant, was installed as president of the Apprentice Alumni Association last Tuesday evening at a banquet held at the Chamber of Commerce. He succeeds Arthur Singleton, Bldg. 2-3, right above.

Group Life Insurance Plan Is Liberalized

President Charles E. Wilson Announces Changes Effective May 1

It was announced this week by President Charles E. Wilson that changes will be in effect May 1 liberalizing the General Electric Group Life Insurance Plan so that certain wage and salary groups will be permitted to increase the amount of Additional Insurance available to them. Other changes will grant additional benefits to pensioners and others.

One of the principal modifications will permit employees hired since January 1, 1935, to increase their amounts of additional insurance. This will be done in accordance with a new schedule which, like the one now in effect, will be based on these employees' normal 40-hour week earnings. At present, employees hired since that date are limited in amounts to $2,000.

New Schedule Announced

The new schedule, regarded as more liberal than that previously in effect for pre-1935 employees, will also be available to those hired before January 1, 1935, and is as follows:

Class	Annual Earnings	Amount of Additional Insurance
A	Less than $1200	$ 500
B	$1200 and less than $1800	1,000
C	$1800 and less than $3000	2,000
D	$3000 and less than $4000	3,500
E	$4000 and less than $5000	5,000
F	$5000 and less than $6000	7,500
G	$6000 and over	10,000

Employees who decline to take the increased amounts of insurance for which they are eligible may, of course, keep the insurance they now have, but in order to obtain increased amounts after the initial

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Figures Given For Red Cross Drive

Per Capita Contribution Greater Than For Any Previous Campaign

With the close of the Red Cross Drive at the Fort Wayne Works last Saturday, 93% of the $50,000 goal, or a total of $46,500, had been subscribed. The per capita contribution for the drive was $2.70, which figure is higher than the average in any previous campaign.

The importance of the per capita figure can be realized by comparison with the averages of previous drives. In the 1942-1943 campaign, which was held in November, 1942, the Red Cross was included in the Community-War Chest goal, and one-sixth of the total was set aside for the Red Cross. In that campaign the per capita contribution to the Red Cross was $1.79. In the 1943-1944 drive, held in November, 1943, one-fourth of the Community-War Chest drive funds were set aside for the Red Cross; the per capita contribution for the Red Cross was $1.91. This year the Red Cross Drive

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Red Cross Blood Service Dates Listed

The Fort Wayne Red Cross Blood Donor Service will be conducted at the Elks Temple the week of March 26 through March 31, and the April session of the center will be held during the final week of that month, with a quota of 1,000 pints of blood set for each week.

G-E Club Spring Review Tomorrow And Sunday

Limited Number Of Tickets Available At Club Stand

Arrangements have been completed for the annual G-E Club Spring Review, which is to be held at the G-E Club Building tomorrow and Sunday. Paul Vogt, chairman of the Club entertainment committee, has announced that in addition to Paul and Pettit, the Dorothy Byton dancers, and Herman Homar, a comedy act of unusual style will be presented by Sid Blake and the Milkmaids. Music for the entire production will be furnished by Wallie Davidson and his six-piece orchestra from Chicago. Besides these feature acts, other comedy bits have been billed, and Mr. Vogt states that the program will appeal to both adults and children.

A limited number of tickets are still available for each of the five performances. They may be obtained at the G-E Club stand upon presentation of Club membership cards or G-E badges. Tickets are free of charge to Club members and members of their immediate families.

Five shows will be presented, two on March 17 at 7:00 and 9:00 P. M., and three on March 18 at 1:00, 3:00, and 5:00 P. M. Each show will be of more than an hour's duration.

World War Vets Election Will Be Held April 14

The annual election of the World War Veterans Association will be held at the annual meeting and banquet of the organization on Saturday, April 14, at American Legion Post No. 47, 226 West Wayne Street. A dinner will be served beginning at 5:30, after which the election of officers will take place.

George Ellison, Taylor Street, and Emmanuel Stock, Bldg. 6, have been nominated for the presidency. Other nominees are as follows: Vice-president, Royal Roeger, Winter Street, and Keith Mitchell, Taylor Street; secretary and treasurer, Glen Burt, Bldg. 10, and Victor Boutwell, Bldg. 26-2; sergeant-at-arms, Lester A. Didier, Bldg. 19-5, and Verl Ohmart, Taylor Street.

Tickets may be obtained from contact men on each floor.

Squares Dance Tomorrow

The St. Patrick's dance, "Shanty Shindig," sponsored by the Squares and test men, will be held tomorrow, March 17, at the Club Rooms. Dancing will be from 8:45 to 11:45. Tickets are $1.25 per couple for members and $2.00 for guests. The dance is informal.

CASUALTIES

Cpl. Edward H. Koester, Taylor Street, died in Italy, February 25 as a result of burns suffered when a gasoline stove exploded.

PFC Donald C. Gladieux, Bldg. 4-3, suffered shrapnel wounds in the legs while serving as a paratrooper at Manila.

PFC Maurice Byall, Bldg. 26-4, was killed in action in Germany on February 23.

Flight Officer William E. Turner, Bldg. 12-2, was reported missing in action on February 21 over Austria.

Pvt. Herbert J. Nichter, Bldg. 26-5, was wounded February 25 in Germany.

Edward Eugene Christle, F 1/c, Bldg. 18-B, was killed by a mine explosion on Tinian Island.

PFC Claude Kennel, Bldg. 19-5, was killed in action on February 14 on Luzon, while serving with a paratroop unit.

T/Sgt. August Edward Welling, Bldg. 8-2, was killed in action in Germany on February 23.

PFC Clois J. Shady, Bldg. 6-4, was killed February 1 in enemy action on Luzon.

G-E Copper Man Tests Electric Flying Suits

General Electric's life size Copper man has now taken up his duties as a test machine for electrically warmed flying suits and other similar equipment at the Bridgeport Works. There he is spending a lot of time in the cold room in sub-zero temperatures.

This is the second Copper Man General Electric has made for testing electrically warmed clothing. He has a brother at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, that General Electric made for Dr. Guillemin at the Wright Field Aero-Medical Laboratory. When in June, 1940, the Army called in General Electric to make electrically warmed clothing for bomber crews as a result of its experience in making the automatic blanket there was no expert to be found on clothing that would be comfortable at +40 to +60 degrees F. and also warm and comfortable at —40 to —60 degrees F.

Used Volunteer Subjects

Only by "cut and try" methods and by testing, which involved volunteer subjects sitting long hours in a cold room at as low as —60 degrees F., were the garments that have made high altitude bombing possible developed. In the development of electrically warmed clothing and blankets for fliers and their implements, cold chamber testing is so vital that it was thought highly desirable to develop a mechanical device that would simulate the hu-

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Workers Give To Red Cross

The enthusiastic response to the Red Cross appeal for funds has by far been the most eloquent tribute the organization has ever known, according to officials of the War Fund campaign. The boosts given to the drive by the industrial plants have been overwhelming, and in many cases provided the starting gun which put the drive off to a record performance.

Noteworthy in the Red Cross drive has been the excellent cooperation of the vast group of workers in the Industrial Division, who gave not only their money but their time as well. Red Cross officials cite their splendid work as typical of the spirit which lies behind the tremendous structure of Red Cross.

While Red Cross leaders extend their deep and sincere appreciation to every contributor to the Red Cross cause, the fundamental expressions of gratitude to those who gave come from millions of our fighting men who have Red Cross by their side at all times; the wounded who receive life-saving blood plasma collected by Red Cross; the vast hordes of suffering and destitute civilians of war-torn countries who are being fed, clothed and cared for by Red Cross; the families of service men who go to Red Cross for advice and help with their problems; the prisoners of war who find Red Cross breaching prison walls to aid them; victims of floods and other disasters here at home where Red Cross is always on duty to alleviate human suffering.

The Travel Dilemma

Deeply concerned over the amount of unnecessary travel on the country's already-jammed railroads, Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson has just addressed to war industry an appeal to cancel all conventions, trade shows and other group meetings of more than 50 persons, unless determined to be essential to the prosecution of the war, the reduction of all such meetings of 50 or less, and elimination of all other forms of non-essential travel.

He points out that, although during last year alone military movements have transported more persons than were moved for this purpose during all the years of U. S. participation in World War I, there were fewer passenger cars with which to do it. In addition, great numbers on furlough and returning wounded have to be accommodated.

He says he is confident of industry's support and adds, "None of us can afford to gamble on the ability of the carriers to stand up under the burden: . . . while we indulge in the luxury of wasteful traffic of any kind." Secretary Patterson will receive a loyal response from G. E. Much can be done to reduce travel, such as the handling by one on a trip of matters of interest to other members of his section. And meanwhile vacation rail trips should end.

FOCUS ON G-E EQUIPMENT



By now it must seem clear to even the most hopeful Japanese civilians that their garrison on Iwo Jima is about to suffer the fate of the host of other Jap-held islands that have been lost to the strong American invaders. When the blow falls, it will be charged with doom for the enemy homeland, because the island, only 750 miles from Japan, will mount U. S. air bases for further attacks.

Meanwhile, the giant B-29 bomber, with its deadly G-E curtain of fire for any attacking plane, continues to ravage Jap war industry from its bases far away. G-E equipped ships thrust toward new conquests, guard those already made, carry supplies to U. S. bases and stand watch over the ocean lanes. On land, sea, and in the air, this is an electrical war, and General Electric men and women are playing a proud part in it.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

VARIETY WITH VEGETABLES

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

The thought has probably crossed our collective minds that strict vegetarians certainly do miss out on the enjoyment of much good eating. But—the vegetarian, without doubt, certainly gets to enjoy many eating pleasures of which the most of us are only vaguely aware.

For example, look at the menus and recipes below which have been prepared by Adelaide Fellows of the Consumers Institute. They represent true enjoyment of fine vegetable flavors, not to mention the fact that no red coupons are needed to serve any one of these meals.

The blending of flavors is not the only thing to be considered in preparing a vegetable meal. The way you cook your vegetables can account for much of the success of such a meal.

To preserve color, flavor, tender texture and nutrient content of vegetables, here is a capsule-size version of the vegetable cookery rules: cook in small quantity of water; do not place vegetables in cooking water until water has come to a full rolling boil; cook in vessel with a tight-fitting lid; cook only until tender; serve immediately.

Menu

Vegetable Souffle*
Stuffed Baked Potatoes
Mixed Fruit Salad
Hot Rolls Jelly and Jam
Lemon Pie*
Tea Coffee Milk

*Vegetable Souffle

Casserole Serves 6 Temp. 375°
Time 45 min. to 1 hour

Combine 2 cups cooked chopped vegetables (corn, carrots, beans, greens or cabbage) with 1 cup thick white sauce. Add 3 egg yolks, 4 tbsp. butter, salt and pepper, ⅛ tsp. nutmeg. Beat until stiff 3 egg whites. Fold into vegetable mixture. Turn into buttered casserole and sprinkle with buttered crumbs. Bake and serve immediately.

*Lemon Pie

1 baked pie shell, 1⅔ cups sugar, 6 tbsp. corn starch, ¼ tsp. salt, grated rind of 1½ lemons, 3 eggs, separated, ⅜ cup lemon juice, 2¼ cups boiling water, 1½ tbsp. butter or margarine.

Combine the dry ingredients. Add egg yolks and boiling water gradually. Beat until smooth. Cook until thick, stirring constantly to prevent lumping. Add the butter and lemon juice. Pour into the baked pie shell. Cover with a meringue.

Menu

Carrot Ring with Peas*
Baked Potatoes Harvard Beets
Head Lettuce Salad with
Blue Cheese Dressing
Hi-Hat Pudding*
Tea Coffee Milk

*Carrot Ring

2 cups mashed carrots, ¾ cup milk, 2 tbsp. shortening, 1 cup bread crumbs, 4 tbsp. flour, 1 tsp. salt, 1 can peas or 1 pkg. frozen peas, 2 lumps sugar, 1 clove garlic, 4 eggs separated.

Cook carrots. Put through a sieve. Make white sauce. Add beaten yolks. Add carrots, crumbs and beaten egg whites. Pour into a greased ring mold. Place in a pan containing a little water. Bake at 375° until set—about 45 min. to 1 hour. Rub sugar with garlic and add to peas. Heat and serve in center of ring.

*Hi-Hat Pudding

Beat until stiff, 4 egg whites. Add ½ cup sugar, pinch salt, ½ tsp. lemon extract. Pit and cut in small sections 14 prunes (cooked), and add to egg whites. Put in double boiler and cook 45 min. to 1 hour. Turn out on deep platter. When cool pour custard sauce around Hi-Hat and serve.

Custard Sauce

Scald 2 cups milk. Add 3 or 4 egg yolks beaten with ¼ cup sugar, ¼ tsp. salt. Cook until soft and add custard, grated nutmeg or vanilla.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Bronze Star



J. Vebert G. Spencer

T/4 Glenn Spencer, Bldg. 6-2, was recently awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action on July 2, 1944, near Mazzolla, Italy. "When two soldiers were seriously wounded during an attack," the citation read, "T/4 Spencer and three other soldiers left the comparative safety of the battalion aid station and went forward to assist them. Aware of the great danger, the four soldiers went 500 yards past the farthest line of advance to where the wounded soldiers lay. The area over which they travelled was under direct enemy observation and being subjected to intense enemy mortar, artillery and nebelwerfer fire. Although enemy shells burst within 25 yards of the four soldiers, they reached the wounded men and administered first aid. T/4 Spencer's courageous and determined efforts in the face of intense enemy fire enabled the wounded soldiers to be safely evacuated and receive prompt medical attention." Pvt. Julian Vebert, Bldg. 17-2, was recently home on furlough after returning from duty out of the country. He is the twin brother of Juliana Vebert of the Taylor Street Plant.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Dear Friends:

I thought I would write you and let you know I am feeling fine and getting the WORKS NEWS. This is the first time I wrote you since I've been overseas (which is 29 months in England and France) . . . I like the submitted notes from the various sections, especially those from the Decatur plant. It's getting so I don't know many of them mentioned in your paper, but all you have to do is put Decatur at the top of the column and I will read it.

Every once in a while I run across the name of the G-E on different things and some things I didn't know G-E made. I expect I would have seen it many times if I had looked. I feel proud when I see that name and let my pals know I worked there before the war.

In closing I want to say hello to my friends in Decatur and at the same time I want you to change my address.

PFC Anthony Murphy.

Dear Editor:

. . . I haven't heard from any of the gang lately and I've been wondering what the trouble is. I know everybody feels the same as I do about getting this over with and getting back to the plant again. It'll be a big day for all of us, and I'm really looking forward to getting back with the gang again. Keep up the good work you are now doing, and we'll all be home once more happy and united.

Yours,
PFC Paul E. Angel

Brothers Visit Plant



Richard Kite Robert Kite

The Kite brothers, Richard and Robert were recent visitors at the plant. Both were employed in Bldg. 19-1. "We are glad to be able to visit our friends of the G-E and especially happy to do it together, as this is the first we brothers have seen each other for four years."

Stationed In England



As a squadron engineering officer at this B-17 Flying Fortress base, First Lieutenant George E. Wralstad, Taylor Street, is responsible for keeping all the heavy bombers under his command in A-1 condition.

Above, Lt. Wralstad is seen checking the maintenance records of all the planes assigned to his squadron with his line chief, Master Sergeant Durward D. Stegall, (right) of Corsicana, Texas. Lt. Wralstad has received high commendation for his efficient work from his squadron commander, Major Jean B. Miller, Portland, Oregon, and also the commanding officer of the 398th heavy bombardment group, Lt. Col. Lewis P. Ensign, El Paso, Texas.

Lt. Wralstad received his commission at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, and later attended engineering schools at Wright Aeronautical Company, Patterson, New Jersey; Buckley Field, Denver, Colorado; and School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph, Texas.

Dear Editor:

. . . The French people as a whole are pretty friendly, but you can't trust everyone as there are a few German soldiers hiding out as French civilians. As for France, it is quite a mess and will take a number of years to rebuild. I imagine that this is a beautiful country during the summer, but right now during the spring thaws it is a mass of mud, and it makes traveling rough for everybody concerned.

We're all hoping that the next couple of months will bring an end to the fighting in Europe, or better yet, in the Pacific also, because the sooner it's all over the sooner we can return to our homes and jobs. Best wishes to all my friends in Bldg. 4-5. Keep up your good work.

Sincerely,
PFC Ralph Pappert

Somewhere In Belgium

Dear Editor and G-E Friends:

After 22 months in the Army and receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly, I believe it is about time to inform you that I really appreciate receiving the WORKS NEWS. I have had five APO numbers in the last three months, and my mail is a little slow catching up with me, but the WORKS NEWS always comes through.

I have worked and I am still working with a lot of G-E equipment, of what kind I cannot say, but it cannot be beat for performance, durability, and efficiency. This is where all those qualities count. They have to work, and they have never failed yet.

I enjoy reading the letters from fellow workers and buddies from different parts of the far-flung battlefields of the world that are printed in the WORKS NEWS. Every week I read about some fellow worker that I either worked with or knew from school. When I arrived in England, the first place that I lived in, what should I find on the floor but a WORKS NEWS and from Fort Wayne at that. It was several weeks old, but I could brag about it. There are quite a few G-E workers from Erie and Schnectady in my outfit, and we are always bragging about our home plants.

Having worked at the G-E as long as I have been in the Army, tell the gang in Bldgs. 19-5 and 4-2 that I said hello. "Us" boys are going through some trying times without complaining, so don't mind a few things being rationed in the States. You're still living in heaven compared with us. We are all proud of you. Keep up the good work and we will all celebrate victory soon, we hope.

Sincerely yours,
Cpl. William R. Donahue.

Dear Editor:

I want to take this opportunity to say hello to my friends in Bldgs. 19-2 and 19-3. I am now stationed in France. I haven't been here very long, but long enough to realize how nice it was back in the States. In peace time this country must have been very colorful. Now it is pretty well torn up in spots.

I want to thank you for sending me the WORKS NEWS regularly. I always look first for the Motor-Generator Static and sometimes I get disappointed by finding out there is no column about the division.

The boys over here are doing their best to end this war soon. From all indications G-E is doing their best also.

The American Red Cross is really doing a fine job over here keeping the servicemen as happy and contented as they can. We get to see free movies and they have places where we can go and write letters and take showers. A shower is a real treat after having to bathe out of a steel helmet for a while. I only wish that I would have given more to them while I was a civilian.

Well, I had better sign off, and I hope some day soon to see everybody again.

Yours truly,
Cpl. Arthur R. Keller

Herbert C. Meyer, Bldg. 12-2, was recently promoted to the rank of Tech. 5.



Dear Editor:

. . . I hope the people are doing the job they have to do. I've seen a lot of the G-E equipment, and it is doing a good job. There really isn't much to write about here now, for I just can't think of words to say.

I want to say hello to my friends, and I hope they are all OK. I am feeling fine and getting along pretty good. I can't say when we will come home. But some of us are not going to be that lucky. For myself, I am thinking we will be going to the South Pacific when we finish things up here. I'll close for now so I wish all my friends the best of luck in the days to come.

Sincerely yours,
PFC Herman Lyons.

Cpl. Joseph B. Longardner, Bldg. 17-1, was recently advanced to that rating while serving with a cavalry reconnaissance troop in Luxembourg. He has been awarded the Purple Heart and the Silver Star.

Dear Editor:

This is to express regret to hear of the death of the late Elmer F. Baade. The service men and women appreciated your efforts to produce the best newspaper any company ever had and the special efforts to get the NEWS to each and every one of those in service.

A wish for continued success.

Yours very truly,
PFC William H. Diamond

Pvt. James D. Benjamin, Winter Street, is now in France. "Tell all my friends hello for me at the Winter Street Plant, and also Johnny Rockhill—he was foreman at the time I was working there in the Recoil Section.

A Lot Of Help



M. Buskirk A. A. Arlic

"My experience in Bldg. 17-1 has helped me a lot and I'm still doing the same type work in the Navy," Max Buskirk, MM 2/c, who is in the Navy. Alfred A. Arlic was employed in Bldg. 26-2 before joining the Army.

Twenty-Nine Ideas Net $385 In Awards To Suggestors

Twenty-nine suggestions brought a total of $385 to their originators in the one-week period covered by the latest suggestion report issued by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Suggestion Committee. The largest award in the list went to Leo Slusher, Winter Street Plant, who received $200 for his idea for the addition of a test hole in fabricated train and elevation boxes and testing the boxes for leaks so as to eliminate the difficulty in finding and repairing leaks in the finish machined boxes in the Power Drive Division.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Decatur

True J. Gephart, Walter D. Tester, Norbert Schneider.

Bldg. 6-2

Kenneth L. Guisinger, Ruth E. Pretorius, Robert C. Johnson, Jesse H. Keith, Charlotte M. Moser, Helen E. Forst, Raymond Scherer, George H. Hahn, Beatrice Henry, Richard Conrad, Jr., Vernon C. Dafforn.

Taylor Street

Irvin L. Schlotterback, Dave Gold, Frederick L. Young, Lottie L. Parks, Jean L. Saint, Lilly L. Spillers, Walter A. Wood, Carl Beck, William Ernest Chelf, Glenn A. Borror.

Bldg. 4-1

Herbert C. Brockmyer, Harry Foust, Paul A. Lecoque.

Kokomo

C. E. Collard.

G-E Research Engineer Analyzes Wave Characteristics

Why is a sunset never green? According to Norma F. Barnes, General Electric research engineer and color specialist, it might be green, or even blue, if it weren't for certain wave characteristics of light.

Barnes, speaking before the Schenectady section, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, at Union College recently, said that the appearance of a sunset, as well as the blue of the heavens, is due to the different wave lengths of light and the effect on them of dust, dirt, water droplets, smoke and other small particles in the air.

Sunlight, he said, is composed of all colors, the primary ones being red, green and blue. Furthermore, light travels in waves, longest of which belong to that light giving the color red, shortest to that giving blue. Green falls some place between the other two. In traveling through the earth's atmosphere, light must pass through a thick veil of foreign bodies, and here the short-waved light, that which gives blue, bounces off the particles in the air.

Carried to an observer, this short-waved light gives a blue appearance to the sky. Farther eastward along the curvature of the earth, however, the remaining red waves and what is left of the green, some of which may be dissipated on the way, combine to give an orange, or yellow, color to the setting sun. If the earth could be flooded with a deep red light, then, Barnes said, an orange or yellow sunset would look green in comparison.

Retire On Pension



Harry E. Bruner



Harry W. Knatz

Harry E. Bruner, FHP Motor Section 15, and Harry W. Knatz, Motor-Generator Division, have retired on pension. Mr. Bruner at the time of his retirement had a continuous service record of more than 26 years, and Mr. Knatz's service amounted to more than 34 years.

Group Insurance

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offer, must pass a physical examination. The premiums to be payable will be based on the rate schedule established in 1936.

Further Liberalization

A further liberalization of the Plan is embodied in the announcement that when the changes become effective employees hired both before and after 1935 will have the face amount of their Additional Insurance and premium payments cut only to one-half upon reaching age 65. This is the present practice for pre-1935 employees, but those hired since January 1 of that year now have their insurance cut to $500 at age 65, even though the face of their policies may be as much say, as $2,000. Under the new rules an employee whose normal 40-hour week earnings are $2,000 and having Additional Insurance in that amount, will be cut to $1,000 at age 65.

At the present time employees carrying additional insurance are covered by Company insurance to a maximum of $1,500, with premiums paid by the Company. Upon retirement, this is decreased 2½% per month for a period of 40 months. A change has been made to cover beneficiaries of pensioners who die within this 40-month period.

Beneficiaries Affected

Under the present provisions the beneficiary of a deceased pensioner must be a wife or husband or dependent child in order to collect the existing amount of the Company insurance, while the beneficiary of an active employee may be anyone actually dependent on the employee for support. For example, under the present situation, a dependent niece cannot collect insurance benefits if her uncle is a G-E pensioner, though she may if he dies before retirement. Under the changes, she will keep her status as a beneficiary after he retires, if the retirement has taken place after the effective date of the changes in the Plan.

The rules affecting Company Insurance will be broadened in a further respect. At present, the Company Insurance of an employee disabled by illness for a long period is cancelled at the end of one year. Under the new rules such an employee will be able to retain his Company Insurance for the entire period that he retains his Additional Insurance, pays the premium on it and continues to be disabled by the same illness.

Copper Man

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man body. So General Electric made a full size "copper man." The device duplicates almost exactly the human temperature system and, according to David O. Spooner, Jr., Manager of the Engineering Department of the Pioneer Products Division Plant, provides the perfect scientific answer to the problem of testing electrically warmed flying suits, gloves, shoes and blankets at low temperatures without inflicting suffering and danger on human beings.

General Electric's Copper Man is 5 feet 10½ inches tall and has a copper "skin" 1/16 of an inch thick. He loses his handsome copper luster, however, when put into actual operation. He is overcoated with a black ebony finish used to increase the radiation of heat. A complicated system of electric wires is connected with separate areas of the copper head, torso, hands and feet.

The temperature of different parts of the human body varies considerably. The marvel of the Copper Man is that he has been so wired and circuited that he practically reproduces the varied heat of different parts and members of the body. His body has been divided into 15 areas, the amount of energy to each area being subject to individual control. His temperature can be made to vary from sub-normal to above normal.

Has Two Main Tricks

The General Electric Copper Man represents many refinements over similar devices previously used for low-pressure, high-altitude testing. He has two main tricks. First, by maintaining a desired temperature equivalent to the human body, the results can be determined for any kind of garments worn by him under any atmospheric conditions by measuring the energy input together with the surrounding temperature. Thus it is possible to tell what clothing is adequate under given atmospheric conditions. Second, the controls can be set so that the energy is equivalent to the normal metabolism less exhaled heat. In this case, the Copper Man represents man at rest and then it can be determined how much clothing to put on to keep him warm.

Thus General Electric's Copper Man can be used with good results in testing electrically warmed flying suits. The man has been modeled by a sculptor from dismensions furnished by the Army Air Forces. The modeling was first in clay, then in wax and the copper shell has been formed over the wax model by an expert electro-former. Another model is being made by a new process of metal plating.

Carver Club Will Observe Anniversary

The Carver Club will celebrate its second anniversary with a forum meeting at the Turner Chapel A.M.E. Church, corner Wayne and Francis Streets, on March 25. The meeting will start at 3 P.M. The program for the occasion has not been arranged as yet, but complete details will be announced in next week's WORKS NEWS.

Carver members and their friends are invited to attend.

Red Cross

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was conducted separately from the Community-War Chest campaign, and the per capita contribution of $2.70 is a considerable increase over contributions of former years. The campaign has resulted in raising more money for the American Red Cross than was raised in any previous campaign.

J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the drive, expressed himself as pleased with the results. "Teamwork displayed during the Drive speaks well for all who had any part in achieving the campaign results. I wish to express my personal thanks to the employees who so enthusiastically supported the drive, to the solicitors, and to any others who in any way contributed to this fine result. It was a good job."

French Journalists View War Work At Schenectady Plant

Seven French journalists, the first representatives of the newly liberated French press to visit the United States, were shown some of the war work being carried on at the General Electric Co. plant at Schenectady recently in a coast-to-coast tour in which numerous war plants and other centers have been inspected.

They said they were greatly impressed with the war production capacity of the United States. At the same time, the consensus was that although production had obviously soared during the war years, the average American had not felt the full impact of the war, and could not feel it so long as he was thousands of miles from the scene of the fighting.

Robert Wischner of the "Lyon-Libre" at Lyons, said, "In spite of rationing, you have food. It may be hard for you to realize that while France has been liberated, many persons are starving and millions are underfed."

Transportation in France was so disrupted by the war, the visitors said, that while farmers in some sections have food to throw away, the people of Paris and other cities are picking up scraps of food wherever they can.

Besides Mr. Wischner, the visitors included Joseph Antonorski of "La Provenceal," Marseilles; Mme. D'Ardene DeTizac, an energetic woman in her 60's representing "Ce Soir" and "L. Humanite" of Paris; Mme. Etinnette Benichon of the "Voir du Midi" at Toulouse, Pierre Denoyer of the "France-Soir" at Paris, Louis Lombard of "Les Allobroges" at Grenoble, and Jean Paul Sartre of "Figaro" and "Combat," Paris. They were accompanied by five OWI representatives.

Hosts at luncheon were 27 scientists and officials of General Electric and I.G.E., among them Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, Dr. W. D. Coolidge, Dr. Saul Dushman, Dr. Irving Langmuir, R. C. Muir, W. W. Trench, W. J. Becker, A. Mulford and W. V. B. VanDyck.

Gets Nazi Souvenirs



PFC Carl W. Bartaway, Bldg. 4-5, who is fighting the Nazis in an anti-aircraft unit in Germany, recently sent his wife Gertrude, an employee of the Taylor Street Plant, several Nazi souvenirs. Mrs. Bartaway is shown above with the two Nazi battle flags she received from her husband together with several of the six German medals. The medals are from both World War I and World War II. PFC Bartaway went overseas in September, 1944.



Did ye ever wish thot ye could go along with one o' the motors or transformers or superchargers ye built, and see what it does? How it works? What it sees? Right now, if such a thing were possible, you'ld be flying over Tokyo!

Us over Tokyo! What a subject for a story. Weel, you and I can't actually be there, over thot enchanting, mysterious, oriental city—not tae mention smoking, burning, bomb-wrecked city.

But, doesn't it give ye a mild thrill just tae think thot the very parts you make are on the Big B-29's thot make thot trip. Some o' your own toil and sweat—yes, even some o' your fingerprints, may be flying over Tokyo right now, as ye read this. Part o' you is there!

Weel, it's good for the soul tae sit back and think about such things, but it won't help the War, if we just dream o' things we've already done.

Accomplishment brings rewards, but it also brings obligations—to keep on accomplishing as long as it is necessary tae do so.

Thot's why we must not let doon on C.R.*—in fact, we must not let doon on our job in any way. We must keep on with improvements in our designs, in our methods o' building them, and in our skill, just as tho this war were going tae last forever.

If we do thot—it WON'T!

Thot reminds me o' Cousin Colin's wife, Bonny. Colin objected tae her going tae the beauty parlor every month and spending his hard earned (and well-preserved) money, to get her hair "done."

"Well, Colin," she said, "I can't help it. Those continued stories in their magazines just seem to last forever."

*COST REDUCTION.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Any one wishing a super car washing job, just see John Ormiston. He does two complete washing jobs a day (on the same car). . . . We wish to welcome Flora Crawford to our section. Flora formerly worked nights. She also had a birthday last week. . . . We wonder if Gerald Kraft will ever become a model husband and learn to bake cakes. Gerald had a birthday last week and served cream puffs to the night crew. . . . Helen Engle returned recently from a two weeks' vacation in Florida. Boy, was she pink! . . . Ginger Barger spent two weeks in Iowa visiting her parents. . . . We, the white armature section, want to extend our deepest sympathy to Phyllis Brumbaugh, whose father died last week. Phyllis has left us for a few weeks, and we will all be glad to have her with us again soon. . . . Our sympathy also goes to Rosie Hickey, whose sister died last week. Rosie left last Saturday, and we were sorry to lose her.

First Neighbor: "Is she an experienced cook?"

Second Neighbor: "I'm afraid not. The day I dropped in she was trying to open an egg with a can opener."

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST
FORT WAYNE

No. 139 March 16, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

VISUAL INSPECTION IS IMPORTANT



Several surveys of rejected parts have indicated that a large percentage of rejections are found by visual inspection.

The above picture shows five rejected parts selected at random. Three were rejected during visual inspection, and two were rejected during dimensional inspection.

One defect overlooked during the visual inspection of a part, complete assembly or finished product can render useless the most precise and complicated dimensional inspection.

GOOD VISUAL INSPECTION IS ESSENTIAL

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Wonder whose fire sale Wanetta Schulte, Effie Yinger and Lucile Schelper attended. They came in the other day with the same kind of blouse on. . . . Home talent for our next family picnic: Helen Screcton and Helen Hill in a duet tap dance number. . . . Rosie Sorg is busy crocheting chair sets. . . . We welcome Barbara Luttman and Lois Hamilton to our section. We hope you like it here. . . . We hope Doris and Iris Summers had a fine time at the basketball games at Muncie. . . . Glad to see Elsie Hautz back after several day's sickness. . . . Ellen Gergers is home sick. Hurry back, Ellen; we miss you. . . . We hope Nora Dudgeon will be back with us soon. She has been off sick. . . . We are glad to see Carolyn Reynolds back. She was off sick last week.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

A bit of news, a couple requests and sound advice—take it or leave it. . . . Leazeneth Dillinger wants a good loud alarm clock. One night this week they were still in bed at twenty after nine and they leave home at nine-fifteen. A lot of us would like to know how you made it on time that night, Leazeneth. We oversleep too. . . . Congratulations are in order to Margaret Lautzenheiser and Freada Butler. They both have new nieces born last week. . . . Alverta Gieger says Ruth can bake good pie; but how do we know? Ruth brought in four slices of one she baked and ate two of them herself. How about some for the rest of us now, Ruth? . . . If you didn't know, would you believe Martha Zoll was old enough to have a son in the Marines? . . . Art Beebe is our new compound man. We wish you good luck. . . . We had an extra quota of illness this week. On the sick list: Modinia Wicks, Dorothy Merrilat, Georgia Dixie, Helen Burczak. . . . Celia and Herman took up the Red Cross pledges this week, and we of third trick can be proud that we have topped our share of the quota.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Emma Walters and Thelma Carrison have different jobs now. Hope you like them, girls. . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to Gladys Macom on the death of her brother Orville. . . . Cora Smith had simply "a terrible time" after she broke her glasses and had to wait a week before they were fixed. . . . Marie Rossi came back looking fine. Her husband was home on furlough. . . . Lena Popple is a wonderful conversationalist, but you wouldn't know it to see her work. She never says a word.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Ask Clarence Coe what his favorite brand of cigars is and we bet he'll say any kind but long black Italian ones. Wayne Pribble, knowing Mr. Coe's liking for them, presented him with one of them as a joke. . . . Don't we all wish we had the lively personality Soap Summers has almost any time you see him. Wonder what his formula is. . . . Did you notice Louise Stephenson's pert new hat the other day? It was knitted by Louise herself, and is very pretty. . . . The office is now possessor of a bottle of nylon. If we only knew how to make hose out of it. Girls, let's get together and see what we can do. . . . Prettiest pair of shoes worn this week were those of Rosie Schnieder's. Red pumps, and so pretty. Oh, for a ration stamp.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

We all agree that Myrtle Wooten can make good cookies. . . . Famous sayings, Georgia Dotson, "Did you know that?" Delores Holtrey, "Any color suits me as long as it's red." . . . Have you noticed Mary Grace's pretty brown eyes? Rowena Crumm's black hair and fair complexion? Mac bringing back a whole sack of sandwiches at lunch time? Cecil Young's love for onions on sandwiches? Eugene Diehm's curly locks? Kathleen Lakey's witty wisecracks? Marie Peters trying to leave sweets alone? . . . Sorry you're ill again, Mary Dunbar. Hurry up and get well.

A major general of the fighting Marine Corps just returned to the United States from the Bougainville and Guam campaigns, states that he is convinced that we must expect to be faced with "savage, inhuman resistance" in every advance we make in the Pacific. "The Japs," he says, "will have to be shot, blasted or burned out of their defenses." It will take huge forces of men and vast amounts of equinment to eliminate the 4,000,000 Japs barring our road to Tokyo. That is why assault shipping is now the Navy's top priority program. Victory will ride on the attack transports and cargo carriers we produce today.

MAIN OFFICE
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There are several mighty happy girls in the Main Office these days. There is Dorothy Schmidt, Bldg. 18-2, and Iris Leiter, Bldg. 18-1, whose husbands have just returned from overseas and then there is Laura Moore, Bldg. 18-1, whose friend just come back. All three of these boys have served in the European Theater of operations, and we want to give them our best wishes and wish them a speedy recovery. . . . Two girls caught red-handed taking several copies of the WORKS NEWS home—Helen Durham and Ginny Gutermuth, both from Bldg. 18-1. Well it's not every week that you have your pictures in the NEWS, is it? . . . Virginia Till, Bldg, 18-1, celebrated her birthday by bringing homemade cupcakes. They were delicious. Oh yes, Ginny made them herself. . . . Gladys Forst, Bldg. 18-1, had a wonderful vacation this year already—her son, Glenn Jr., was home on a furlough. . . . Jean Barkley and Isabel Bartholomew, Payroll Section, wore corsages on their birthdays. Happy birthday! . . . Esther Spuller, Bldg. 18-1, was in such a hurry to get out of the office the other noon that in grabbing her coat she also took the hanger. She didn't notice it until she dropped in at the time clock. Now she decided a hook is good enough for her coat. . . . Have you ever heard about mailing letters in a time clock? Well, it doesn't work as an embarrased person in Bldg. 18-1 found out the other day. . . . What's this about Phyllis Thompson, Bldg, 18-3, spilling a whole dish of pins on the floor just so that she could count them. . . . We're sorry to report that Helen Karnap, Employment Office, is in the Lutheran hospital, but we hope not for long. Here's wishing her a speedy recovery!!! . . . Chicago really has a lot of attractions for the Accounting Section people. Mary Lou Schakfer, Mary Wysong, and Aileen Betts were just recently there. . . . Congratulations and best wishes are in order for Lucille Mechling, Bldg. 18-2, who received a beautiful pearl engagement ring from Charles Lahr,now serving with the Army Air Force and who recently returned from overseas. They say the big day will be soon. Good luck to both of you! . . . A new member of the "forgotten badge club" is Joan Miller, Bldg. 18-2. That club can really gather the members. . . . Marilyn Fox, Blueprint Dept., is sporting a lovely diamond and a smile as bright as the stone. We're all anxious to know the wedding date. . . . Stella Trumbower, Bldg. 18-5, had a birthday and received some lovely gifts. Congratulations, Stella. . . . Dolores Gerke, Bldg. 18-5, certainly had a surprised look on her face the other day when her chair flew from under her. . . . We wish E. J. Graham, Bldg. 18-3, a speedy recovery.

Bishop: "But how on earth did you manage to keep the cannibals from eating you?"

Returned Missionary: "It was easy. You see, I have a cork leg. As soon as I landed I pulled up my trousers, cut off a slice and gave it to the chief. He decided I wasn't worth cooking."

Apprentice Broadcast

Mar. 16, 1945

Dear Fellows:

I sort of slipped up again on your article for last week's issue of the WORKS NEWS, but here I am again, so you'll forgive me won't you? I knew you would. . . . I recently received a letter from Dale Amstutz who is in France. He states that France is a quaint but interesting place despite the fact that it is badly torn up due to the war, and as for wishing that this spring would bring victory, all of us are with you 100% Dale. Nothing would suit me better. I was very glad to hear from you and write again, won't you? . . . Sec. Lt. Robert Blossom recently was one of 900 fighter pilots convoying 1000 Eighth Air Force Flying Fortresses on a devastating raid over a large German City. . . . Bernard Walden, F 2/c, whom most of you know as "Barney," was recently graduated from basic engineering school at Great Lakes, Ill. . . . James Hume, who is now serving aboard a destroyer somewhere in the South Pacific, recently received his rating and assignment and is now a fireman, first class. Jim completed his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill. . . . Carl Koester received the silver wings as an officer in the Army Air Forces, March 11 at Columbus Army Air Field, Miss. He was commissioned a second lieutenant. Carl received his flight training at Arcadia, Fla., and Bainbridge, Ga. He entered pilots school in June, 1943. . . . Cpl. George Lambroff was recently awarded the Bronze Star for "meritorious service" in the European Theater. The citation with the award stated that it involved military operations against the enemy during the period of November 9, 1944, to November 20, 1944, when Cpl. Lambroff participated in installations and maintenance of vital wire communications under heavy enemy fire. His cool and courageous performance of duty was an important contribution to the combat success of his Infantry Division. Cpl. Lambroff trained at Camp Rucker, Ala., and Ft. Riley, Kan., and has been overseas since June, 1944. George also holds the Good Conduct Medal. . . . Lyle Claphan was home for a 10-day furlough recently and he's looking mighty good. Really though I don't think the army is changing Lyle at all because he's just as carefree as he was before he left for the service. . . . We have received word of a couple of our apprentice buddies which I regret to pass on to you, and it is of Pvt. Herbert Nichter, better known to most of you as "Herb," and of Flight Officer William Turner. . . . Herb Nichter was wounded Feb. 25 in Germany and is in a hospital in Paris. He served with the infantry. Herb entered the Army last Aug. 14 and after training at Fort McClellan, Alabama, was sent overseas from Fort Meade, Maryland, in January of 1945. . . . Bill Turner was reported missing while on his eleventh mission on Feb. 21 over Austria. A bombardier-navigator on a B-24 Liberator Bomber, Flight Officer Turner was awarded the European Theater of Operations Ribbon with a battle star on his third mission. He also holds the Air Medal. Bill received his training at Mississippi State College, Starkville, Miss., preflight training at Ellington Field, Texas, gunnery training at Larado, Texas, and was made a flight officer and awarded his bombardier-navigator wings at Childress, Texas, Aug. 12, 1944. . . . We have recently lost several more of the apprentice graduates to the service; in fact there aren't very many left anymore, those who left are as follows: Marcus Gotch, Chester Burgette, Floyd Brown, George Horner, Bard Zwayer, Gale Dunlap, Max Buckmaster, Elmer Ueber, Paul Yentes, and Robert Schuelke. Here's hoping everyone of you like your new assignments and here's hoping the very best for all of you. . . . I told you the last time I wrote that the sectional basketball tourney was just about to be played, and since then the regional and super-regional have taken place. . . . In the sectional in the order of the games played the tourney started off with Central defeating Woodburn 59-25. Following this game New Haven over C. Catholic 40-28, S. Side over Harlan 39-21, Leo tripping Huntertown 32-31, Lafayette Central falling before Elmhurst 31-28, Coesse falling to Hoagland 45-35. In the second round Central romped over New Haven 53-33, South Side came from behind to edge out Leo 30-26, North Side slipped by Elmhurst in a very close game 39-33 and Concordia won decisively over Hoagland. In the semi-finals South Side edged out a two point victory over Central and North Side won an overtime from Concordia 37-35. In the finals North Side came from behind to edge out a two-point victory over South Side 30-28. . . . The following week the Regional tournament started with Syracuse tripping North Side (the Fort Wayne Sectional winner) by the score of 37-33. In the other afternoon game Auburn romped over Cromwell 57-39. In the finals Auburn ripped the Syracuse zone defense apart to win 56-32. . . . In the Super-Regional afternoon games Muncie Central won a thriller from Auburn 39-36, and Huntington took Kokomo in an upset 29-28. In the finals Huntington defeated Muncie Central in another upset 42-37. . . . Next week are the finals at Indianapolis so I'll give you the outcome in the next issue.

Dale Romey

"We Help Him



—O.W.I. Photo.

EVERY TIME WE PREVENT AN ACCIDENT! LET'S NOT FORGET THAT!" says Elmer Fretz, secretary of the Safety Committee in Bldg. 4-2, who is shown in the above picture. We doubt if Elmer needs to apologize since the SAFETY RECORD IN BLDG. 4-2 LAST YEAR WAS 99.6% BETTER THAN THE PLANT AVERAGE.

Elmer's 1945 Safety Committee is as follows: E. Sonday, Chairman, C. Platt, J. Kruse, D. Peppler, I. Hartzell, H. Hartman, V. Free, J. Vesey, J. Johnson, O. Clark, A. Longardner, K. Killian, M. Seffle, W. Beeth, D. Snyder, L. Rosselot, Minnie Lay, and W. Bass.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Elex Easter Meeting Monday

The Easter meeting of the Elex Club for both first and second shift members will be held Monday, the night workers meeting at the YWCA at 12:00 noon and the day workers at the G-E Club, where serving will begin at 4:45. The Purduettes will provide the program.

P. O. Clerk: "Madam, you've put too much postage on this letter."

Lady: "Heavens! I hope it won't go too far."

17-3 Newsies

Connie Hutchinson is wearing a big smile. It seems her husband has been discharged from the Navy. . . . We all wish Elda Johnson a speedy recovery from her minor operation and hope she'll be back with us soon. . . . Beware when you make an appointment with Glenny Smith. The other night she was supposed to meet Phyllis Whan at five o'clock. She finally called Phyllis at seven o'clock and asked her what time it was; her clock only read five. Better watch that, Glenny; you might miss an important engagement sometime! . . . Irene Wennicki and Eileen Brown seem to enjoy sweet things, because they can be seen going into a bakery almost every night after work! . . . Harriet Trego, formerly of Bldg. 17-3, was married this past week. Congratulations. . . . Ida Sinn can't do without pie each day. We are wondering how she keeps her girlish figure. . . . Doris Lunz was seen walking past our door on the stairs and going to Bldg. 17-4. . . . Irvin Lange put sugar in his water and wondered why his coffee didn't taste right. . . . We wish to welcome the new section to Bldg. 17-3. They were formerly in Bldg. 26-4. Hope you like us girls and enjoy our floor. . . . Miriam Brown is leaving us to join her husband who is stationed at Norfolk. We wish her the best of luck. . . . Birthday greetings go to Gwen Manahan, Blanche Mulligan, Lola McCague, Beulah Johnson, Gertie Wheat, Mable Schaaf, Jessie Wilcoxin and Evelyn Reed. . . . To our fighting men all over the world we send our best regards and tell them how proud we are of them.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

We have all heard the expression about someone being as handy as a pocket in a shirt. We think this definitely applies to Sam Sroufe as he has been seen lately sewing and mending. We bet you are a big help around the house, Sam. . . . Congratulations to Margaret Moss whose fourth wedding anniversary was March 8. . . . Henry Cluts requires a hair cut so seldom anymore that he is apt to become peeved if he gets one and nobody notices it. Speaking of haircuts Kenny Bergman tried to save some money by cutting his youngster's hair. When he got done his wife had to take the boy to the barber shop to finish the job. . . . The boys in Group 15x16 thought last Monday was moving day as Sam Sroufe had the bulldozer and was moving stock and machines, but it seems Sam just lost a pack of cigarettes and was trying to find them. . . . Can You Imagine—Clarence Reiter not wearing a cap. Pat Culbertson not eating 3 oranges every day. Max Archibold not eating all of Clarence Reiter's cookies. Frieda Liby not wanting to go to Florida. George Bear not hitting the table with the hammer. Bea Teeters not finding oversize .312 holes. Lloyd Covault not having a good disposition. Lucille Slater not having a pretty flower in her hair. Rosella Fisher not having to answer the phone every 5 minutes. Jerry Snell and Mary Zirkle not liking baked potatoes. Cleon Oyer not telling his correct age. Beulah Butler not liking ice cream. An hour going by and someone not yelling, "COVAULT."

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

Well, now that income tax is over, we can all sit back and relax until spring taxes. That's a cheerful little earful, isn't it? . . . There is a new fad raging in the punch press section. The fellows have been bringing in pictures from the family albums. Joe Hawk and Paul Walker were cute little boys. . . . We're glad to report that Charles Sherland has been removed from St. Joseph Hospital to his home after undergoing an operation. Best wishes for an early recovery are extended from the "gang," Charley. . . . We were sorry to see Marilyn Gunkel leave our floor. She has been transferred to Bldg. 4-3. . . . We've often heard the jokes about absent-minded professors. Those gentlemen have nothing on Art Maske and Paul Bender. Art, when reaching for a sandwich for the morning snack, found that he had picked up the sack with a dozen doughnuts in it. Now he knows how G. I. Joe feels about doughnuts. Paul Bender likes to ride with the crowd on the South Wayne bus so well that he didn't remember that he had driven to work until he walked in the house and had that haven't-I-forgotten-something feeling. . . . We wish to express our sympathy through this column to the sisters of Katherine Dowty upon her death last week. She worked with Mrs. Lydy, our matron, for just two weeks. . . . Joan Hastings says there just isn't any news in the tool room. She can't even get anything on Vic Hall. That's bad.

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

We have heard of absent-minded people, and we have found one in our midst. Norma Jackson got on the street car recently and showed the motorman her G-E badge, but for some reason he wouldn't accept that as her fare. . . . A pot-luck was held recently in honor of Alice Schwartz, who is a bride-to-be. Those present were Hazel Leonard, Frances Johnson, Geneva Curtis, Kay Park, Irene Pulfer, Naomi Maller, Lulu Schwartz, Thelma Saxer, June Wyant, Edith Crone, Wilma New, Marie Pennick, Lucile Hedglin, Ethel O'Leary, Mildred Baily, Mary Sitko, Violet Renkenberger, Anna Robinson, Billie Tate and Mae Jones. The guest of honor was presented with a gift from the girls. . . . We welcome Edwin Proegler into Group 15x54. . . . We wish to congratulate Clara Schenher, who became the bride of Cpl. Howard Dafforn on March 3. A bridal shower was given in honor of Clara; many nice and useful gifts were received. Those present were LaDonna Long, Margaret Knoblauch, Martha Keokuk, Anna Decker, Joan Miller, Denelda Dotterer, Clara Wonderly, Helen Akey, and Margaret Boyd. . . . We are happy to announce that our floor subscribed to the Red Cross very well. In fact it is well over 100 percent now and all applications have not as yet been turned in. We can feel proud that the money we donated may save several lives of those fighting on foreign soils, also those here in the states.

POINSATTE PISTOLS

Back again after a week's absence. Sorry to have neglected you Pistols last week. . . . Barbara Greulach is happy as a lark. Her brother, Tech. Sgt. Arthur Hayes, arrived home Saturday from overseas. Knowing that she hadn't seen him for four years, you can imagine what a happy reunion that must have been. . . . Two birthdays in the building this week. Congratulations to Bill Clouse and Robert Moore. . . Robert Moore was gifted with a wonderful present from the stork on his birthday, a six pound, 12 ounce, bouncing boy. Congratulations, Mr. Moore. . . . We were all happy to see our ex-reporter, Marguerite Dixon, on her return from California. Sorry she couldn't stay with us; she is in Bldg. 6-2 at Broadway. Hope you'll like it there Marguerite. We all miss you. . . . Eleanor Grym was also transferred to Broadway. She is now in the lab. Hope she likes it. Miss her, too. . . . We were also sorry to lose Alyce Swaim and Bernice Emery. They also have been transferred. . . . Dalia Huber of the Navy was quite put out about her car the other day. She said it acted up something awful, consequently, she was late back to work. . . . It's a sure sign of spring, for Ralph Lochner has uncovered his ears and they are now showing, or did he try to get a G. I. haircut? . . . Ralph is also trying to save on those red points, too. Seems as though he had some cream left over in the bottle, and he shook it up until it was almost butter. Keep up the good work, Ralph; you're bound to succeed. . . . Ed Stauffer is still hungry for chocolate cake. He would appreciate it very much if anyone would care to mix up a batch for him. . . . Lucky Beverly Mustard has gone to New York to see her husband. who just got back into port.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

The latest thing in cigarettes is corn silk and cigarette paper. Walt Hall likes 'em. . . . We haven't been able to figure out just when John Epperson's birthday was, but he hasn't been able to sit for a few days. And John, just who started the little game of tag? . . . Dorothy Haver is away from the drill press for a few days. . . . If you want to be sure to be on the winning side in the tournament get Bob Hank's ideas and root for the opposition. . . . We all thought the war was over last Saturday night when playing cards came down like rain in the wash room, but it was only Bob Daring getting peeved at all the nines and tens of the deck. . . . Brother Schelper used to stand back and laugh until he himself was handed a membership card to the well-known skunk-club. . . . Lil Burns gave the gang a treat one night to some of her home made cakes. Thanks, Lil. . . . Notice! Anyone wanting photographic work done, get in touch with Walter Hall. . . . So long, folks, till next week, same time, same station, Bldg. 17-1.

In 1944 there were 227 lost time accidents occurring to 162 males and 65 females.

Supervisory Appointments



F. C. Fisher



P. E. Bohn

The appointment of F. C. Fisher as Supervisor of Production and Stock and P. E. Bohn as Assistant Supervisor of Production is announced by R. M. Hartigan, superintendent of the Motor and Generator Division.

Mr. Fisher started in production work in the Fractional HP Motor Division in 1933. He left in 1937 to attend Northwestern University, graduating in 1939 with a BS degree. On his return to General Electric he was selected for the Company Production Training Course with assignments at Schenectady and Erie Works. Mr. Fisher has held other production assignments including work on inventory control, priorities and subcontracting on the Production Manager's staff. In 1943 he was appointed Assistant Supervisor of Production in the Supercharger Division and in 1944 was transferred to the Motor and Generator Division in the same capacity.

Mr. Bohn started with General Electric in 1916. He has handled all phases of production work, including supervisory assignments as Leader of Production Sections. Mr. Bohn has also had production experience in the Production Manager's Office and Supply Parts Production Section and until this appointment has been leader of Load Scheduling and Terminations for the Motor and Generator Division.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Goldie Beyers has a swell drive with a hammer, and when she hits the punch and it flies away she has a swell time finding it, but discovers it in her apron pocket. . . . Button, button, you lost a button. Ask Jean Funk. She finally found the button in the bottom of her coat lining. Better luck next time, Jean. . . . Ed Leitz just celebrated his birthday. He received lots of cards and gifts from his fellow workmen. We all wish Ed many more birthdays. . . . That was an awful blank expression on the tag Janet Van Auken was wearing the other day when she forgot her badge. . . . Don Eme is back to work again after being on the sick list for the past two weeks. . . . We extend our sympathy to the family of Mary Hickey, Bldg. 26-3, who died at her home Sunday after an illness of over a year. . . . Bill Edmunds was really strutting around the other evening as he announced the birth of Harry William Edmunds, Jr. Congratulation, Pop. . . . The girls of Bldg. 26-3 office had a party last week celebrating the birthdays of Mary Shockley and Wilma Butler. After eating the delicious dinner prepared by Helen Rodgers, they proceeded to make the records of their voices on a recorder. Last report heard of the recorder it was in the repair shop. . . . Shorty Gratz has gone into the race horse business. We understand he bought one of Bing Crosby's old nags. Good luck, Shorty, but who told you Crosby's nags were race horses? . . . We received a letter from Cpl. Bob Bubb with the army overseas this week, and he says he is O. K. and hello to everyone. . . . Goldie Mentzer and Velma Meads have been rather quiet this winter, but we expect most anything from these two from here on out, as spring is near. We overheard Velma say something about wrecking one thing or another last week. So-o-o-o no doubt the natives around Lake Gage will be moving farther north in a few weeks. . . . Vic Boutwell says as far as Rainey is concerned one man can't be that lucky. . . . All we can say as a basketball dopester Ann Rastetter really picks (?) them. . . . The real cake eater on Bldg. 26-2 is none other than Harry Bonewitz. . . . Did you give your full share to the Red Cross last week? . . . We extend our sympathy to Arietta and Raymond Coe in the death of their mother last week. Also to the Paul Taylor family. Paul died very unexpectedly Monday morning, March 12. . . . There must be more than one road coming out of Roanoke. Glen Harris was going to show friends of his a short way from Roanoke to Fort Wayne, but when they realized that they should be at Fort Wayne as far as it seemed that they had driven, Gale stopped and inquired where they were, and believe it or not, they were only 14 miles from Hartford City.

Two men who had traveled were comparing their ideas about foreign cities.

"London," said one, "is certainly the foggiest place in the world."

"Oh, no, it's not," said the other. "I've been in a place much foggier than London."

"Where was that?"

"I don't know, never did find out, it was so foggy."

Spot Jottings Bldg. 19-4

Pleasantview Beachhead Secured. A group of rugged commandos under Captain Bain, Lieutenants Roberts, Logan and Brindle, took an important spot on the St. Joe, Friday, March 9. The scouting patrol, Berry Powell, Carboni, and Cade, succeeded in approaching the objective in a "jeep." The mud was deep and the water wet, but we made it after several attempts. The rest of the party arrived later and found the larder well stocked with ham, baked beans, and other essentials necessary to the well-being of a good commando. These parties couldn't be a success if it weren't for guys like Sam Beer and Alva Foulks, who look after the refreshments. Then we have Schmitty, Soest and Sarasien, who usually get stuck with the dishes. Herb Braun always does the carving. Ryan was there, and Dan Tetlow led some old songs and did O. K. We can't understand why he isn't with Caruso. The party was apparently a success. . . . The Test and Inspection wish to extend their sympathies to Carl Harmon in the death of his mother. . . . Jim Fredrickson is our new test engineer, recently arriving from the east to replace Homer Arey, who now is serving in one of our Eastern plants.

Turret Tattles

Several disappointed customers were turned away from the "no stamp necessary" shoe sale held at Earl Walmer's machine recently. "The gang" was simply raggin' him a little. The count was thirteen and a half pair of very used shoes. Any one legged men reading these lines might contact Walmer. He can get 'em for you wholesale. . . . We are sorry to find that June Kulzer, the tiny mite, of the office is leaving us for the beauties of Rochester, N. Y. You'll be s-o-r-r-y, No kiddin' we'll miss you when you're gone. Don't forget the gang and drop a line now and then. . . . Incidentally we are sorry that we overlooked the flower in the hair of June when she had lunch with her "frenz" recently. We were reminded—and we apologize. We are sorry. . . . The twenty-five year club claimed a couple more twenty-sevenites. Russ Genth and Ed Lebrecht both have been around hyar for lo these many years. Congrats, fellers, and we hope you're here for another twenty-five years. . . . Soon Sam Baumgartner will also join these old timers. Sam, too, has completed his twenty-five year span. S'long time, ain't it, Sam?



Gets Patent



Thomas T. Short

Thomas T. Short, Bldg. 26-2, has been granted his fifth patent covering twelve claims on a voltage stabilizer. A constant voltage with varying load can be maintained from a varying input voltage. Remarkably consistent results are achieved with this device, which can be easily and consistently manufactured with a minimum adjustment, without laboratory tests. The stabilizer is less than half the size and weight of stabilizers formerly produced.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Beth Draker is back to work, minus a few pounds but still looking tops. We suggest that she try some of the desserts that Phyllis Bertsch likes; such as apple pie topped with fudge ripple ice cream, over all. Yum, yum. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Seigel, who are the proud parents of Jack, Jr., born March 3. . . . If anyone saw a very nervous young lady standing on the sidewalk across from the Court House last Friday, it was Marjorie Young, waiting for a man to drive his car away and uncover her hat. The wind had blown it under the car and Marge didn't know whether to get a long pole and fish for it or wait until the owner of the car appeared; but since the parking limit there is only one-half hour, she decided to wait. Bye-and-bye the man appeared, moved the car and Marge retrieved her hat, so she went merrily back to work. . . . John Reuille carries a new pair of shoestrings in his pocket and when the old ones finally give out, he has the new ones ready. . . . What could Harriet Swager have been thinking of? She mailed a letter last week and after she had dropped it in the box she remembered that she hadn't sealed it. . . . Ruth Miller of the FHP Motor Section left us last Friday, March 9, to take up the duties of a housewife. Lots of luck, Ruthie, and we certainly are going to miss you. . . . Walter Whonsetler got hungry one evening, so he went to the kitchen, prepared a nice bowl of crackers and milk and started to eat. However, the flavor was most unpleasant and not what he had expected. Walter's wife explained to him that he was using a spoon which recently had been used to apply earache medicine. Walter ate 3 grapefruit, 6 oranges and a pickle to take the taste out of his mouth. .

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Rotor

Johnny Mongona is taking a four weeks' leave of absence. He went to the hospital Mondsy. Good luck and hurry back, Johnny. . . . The Shaft Line misses Helen Kaiser, who went from first to second trick Monday. . . . Happy birthday to Lou Fitch who celebrated her birthday Monday. . . . Georgianna Seery was transferred to Aluminum Parts Inspection from the Rotor Inspection. . . . Ruth Smith is home this week having a swell time. Mumps is the word. . . . Pearl Mosier and Velma Allison are celebrating birthdays this week. Happy birthday. . . . Ward Meese was transferred back to Punch Press. He is being replaced on the Flame Anneal machine by Dick Strock. . . . It's too bad when people don't look at their shoes when putting them on. George Auer was a very embarrassed man the other night when he discovered he had one brown and one black on at the Red Cross meeting. . . . Marjorie Sirok took a three month sick leave. Good luck and hurry back. Almetta Smith is filling her place on Assembly of Buckets. . . . Jerry Ott has been transferred to the Forge shop. Luck on your new job. . . . We extend our sympathy to Loren Farlow in the death of his mother, and Noreen Grubb in the death of her father, and Thereasa Hiatt in the death of her sister-in-law. . . . Mary Miller is on our sick list. Get well soon, Mary. We miss you. . . . Margaret Newcome is now on her vacation. . . . Marie Hummel's son is now home on a leave; he is in the Navy. . . . Elizabeth Saylor is very proud of her new granddaughter.

Final Assembly

1st Lt. Richard Raymer, son of Alma, has just been promoted to that rank. Along with his promotion "Dick" received the citation for the Bronze star for distinctive heroism and was also awarded the air medal! . . . If you've been wondering why Joe Smith has added several inches of chest expansion, we can tell you. Joe is the proud grandfather of a baby boy born Monday, March 5. Incidentally, the new arrival's name is Robert Joseph. . . . There is a new face on our assembly line. She is Charlotte Summers from Rotor's second trick. . . . Elma Keiser has been missing from our midst. We are all looking for you back, Elma. . . . Saturday diners in Wolf and Dessauer's Tea Room were our own Heiny Garbowski and wife. Heiny has just discovered what Fort Wayne has that Bluffton does not. . . . Did you know that we have a shy little violet among us? Rosemarie never wants to see her name in print. We'll never hear the last of this!

Aluminum Parts

Happy birthday greetings go to Anna Oakerson, March 16, Ethel Schwarz, March 17, Josephine Glasper, March 19, Rosamond Ulrey, March 24, and Minnie Markley, March 31. . . . We also welcome Josephine Glasper back to our section from Broadway. . . . We are all back to normal again now that Mildred Balliet has announced the arrival of a new granddaughter, Janet Lynn, born March 3. Grandma is doing fine—much better than Jedah Webber did when he was grandpa sometime ago. . . . Betty Taylor has the most trouble—a couple weeks ago her face was swollen on account of two wisdom teeth and now she has the stiff neck so bad she cannot turn her head. Betty's husband has been in the Philippines for about a year and a half and sent her a bolo knife and a set of salt and pepper shakers made from Jap shells as souvenirs from the islands. We hope that all Jap shells will soon be turned into something besides what they are now and that your husband will be home soon, Betty. . . . You all know our planner, Buckman by name, don't you? Someone should take it upon himself to see that he gets off the bus at the right corner. Anyone like the job? . . . Congratulations go to Henrietta (Hymie) Vondenkamp, who was married the past week to Sgt. Gene Walburn of the U. S. Army. The best of luck to both of you!

Meet The G-E "Copper Man"...



Developed by G-E to test electrically-heated flying suits, it reproduces differing temperatures of various parts of body while in cold chamber. Then amount of heat required by body from flying suit or other warming device registers in readings on control panel.

Receiving

Stoiche is now riding to work, but won't share a ride with any one; there is only ene seat on his bike. . . Have you done your share? The Red Cross needs your help badly. . . . Frank Weidner had laryngitis last week; the cigars got a rest as Frank's throat was not up to par. . . . Frank Fast celebrated his 32nd wedding anniversary Mar. 9. . . . Last Tuesday Mary Jane Markley of the Receiving Inspection section received a telegram from her husband, who will be stationed in San Francisco, California, for sixty days. Mary got a sixty day leave of absence and with a "California here I come," left at once. We are all glad for Mary and will be looking for her back in sixty days. . . . Robert Whittern is now an auto mechanic with the Motor Transport company in Iran and is stationed at a camp near Teheran, the capital. He was working in the Receiving section before entering the army in July, 1942. He also was at the McKinley street warehouse and Broadway. The weather in Northern Iran now is like our June weather at home. Bob reports that he was up in the mountains the other day learning to ski and that he was on top of the skis part of the time.

Shipping

The Shipping Office misses Eleanor Reiter. She has left us and is now at home in Garrett. We really wish Eleanor good luck in whatever she does. . . . A newcomer to the Shipping Office is Rita Mahlon. She is a transfer from Winter Street. We sincerely hope she likes being with us. . . . We think "Scotty" will have the earliest radishes, lettuce and onions in Allen County. His wife made a garden the other day and just beat the heavy snowfall by just a few hours. . . . Sure glad to have Denver Fisher and Arlie Shelley back to work after a few days off because of illness. . . Any one in search of a chauffeur might see Alice Zent. We found out that Alice is now an expert in driving a car, that is the State Department says she is. . . . While we were going over on our Red Cross Drive, the Red Cross was going over in a big way for one of our group. Verna Powers received word from her son saying that he was very grateful for all that the Red Cross had done for him. Folks, that's from a fellow that is wounded. The Red Cross is helping prevent many small white crosses that mark those graves on every battle front in the world. . . . Speaking of crosses let us keep in mind the one great cross that still stands out as an emblem of faith and hope in this war weary world. During this Easter Season, let us keep this in mind, especially if we are inclined to miss a day or let up even just a little in our work. . . . Everything good is marked by a cross. Some of our crosses may seem very heavy at times, but let's keep up our good work. . . . Charles Fisher is fortunate enough to have two sons at home on leave at the same time from two different branches of service. . . . Vesta Whitney is at the bedside of a sick sister this week. We are sorry for this.

Impeller

Susanna Pickett was absent for several days because of the illness of her mother, who is recovering from an appendectomy at the St. Joseph's Hospital. . . . The next time Gladys Lutz wears a new apron she would like some comment on it. She doesn't care whether it's good or bad—just so it's noticed. . . . Mary Gordon who was flashing a new diamond ring the other week has now accepted the mate to it and has changed her name to Mrs. Albert Hughe. Congratulations, Mary! The gang wishes you the very best of luck. . . . We think Cecil Stultz took the gas shortage too serious the other day when he parked his car about five miles out in the country and came to work on his shoe soles. Don't you know Cecil there is a shortage on shoe leather also? . . . Katie Caudill spent last weekend in Newcastle. . . . What's this we hear about Mary Studebaker falling over a fence in the back yard. Was something after you, Mary? . . . We were all very sorry indeed to hear about Vera Kennel's husband being killed in action. . . . Evelyn Knight our office girl is very happy as her fiance was home on a seven day leave last week from the Navy.

Punch Press

Max Young celebrated his birthday, March 3 with a party at Kendallville. Hope you have many more happy birthdays, Max. We also wish Marge Gillette a happy birthday. Marge celebrated her birthday on March 10. . . . Louis (Pop) Tanner has left us and gone back to his home in Anchol, Ill. Pop is a swell guy and is missed very much. . . . Virginia Haney has gone to Williamsburg, Virginia, to be with her husband, Allen E. Haney of the U. S. Navy. . . . Elmer Matson is a patient at the Methodist Hospital. We wish you a speedy recovery, Matty, and hope you will be back to work soon. . . . We were surprised to hear that Ritta got married last Saturday. She now is Ritta Russell. Wish you lots of happiness. . . . Gretchen Moore was very forgetful Wednesday. She came to work without her badge and at noon she forgot her billfold. You weren't sleepy were you, Gretchen? . . . Ima Hanson received word that her son, Clarence, who is in the Navy, arrived safely in the South Pacific. . . . Garnet Borne was surprised Thursday when she returned home from work. Her son and daughter-in-law, Cpl. and Mrs. Brooks Borne, were home from Fort Knox, Ky. Cpl. Borne is being transferred to Camp Atterbury, Ind. . . . We have a new girl from Screw Machine. Hope you will like us, Elizabeth Keister. . . . Clifford Potts, our trucker, is leaving us for a bigger job. His new boss is Uncle Sam. He starts work the twenty-eighth of March. Good luck, Cliff, we'll sure miss you. . . . Sophla Cernea is also leaving us. Her mother, who is living with her is ill and although we'll miss you an awful lot, Sophia, we know you are needed at home. We also hope your mother gets well and good luck. . . . Alma Welches' son, Kenneth, is home on a ten day sick leave. He was injured while enroute to the flood district. He is with the United States Coast Guard. . . . Yes, Beatrice Douglas is still in the hospital. She is in room 459 at St. Joseph's and welcomes company.

Tool Room

Hey, fellows, why aren't you more co-operative? Some of you seem to never do anything to rate a WORKS NEWS story. Then others for instance Adrian Libbing, are always sticking their neck out. Adrian gave us a good laugh this week. He was working away, industriously as usual, when he noticed his watch wasn't on his wrist. A hasty search through his pockets. By this time Adrian was in a nervous sweat—down the aisle he went searching every nook and crannie but finding nothing that even resembled a watch. Then came the dawn—the light that recalled a certain little incident that explained the watch's absence—he had left it at the jewelers to be repaired. . . . Speaking of the coming dawn our Justine Gates woke later than usual one day last week and rushed around trying to get ready for work before her car pool arrived. Waking another member of the family she was informed that it was Sunday and she ought to come back to bed before she woke the rest of the family. Was she surprised! . . . Sure wish we could get some stories on Howard Poppele and Frank Sukup—if you have anything—please see your reporter... Bob Schuelke has been sworn in the Army and is still at Camp Atterbury waiting further assignment. Our other Tool Room boys, Paul Yentes and Bard Zwayer are in the Navy and stationed at Great Lakes. . . . George Prince has taken his exam for the service and will be leaving us soon. He thinks it will be the Navy. . . . Roy Huser has the idea that travel is very slow these days. When asked how long it would take a mile long train going 60 miles an hour to get through a tunnel a mile long, he said 2 hours. . . . Many happy returns of the day for your birthday March 16, John Septer. . . . News of Wib Braun comes from a school in New York. He is now a Pm 3/c and Chief training Petty Officer. He expects to get home in the near future and is anxious to see the old gang. We miss you too, Wib. . . . George Skinnell says nothing ever happens to him so he doesn't deserve a news story. Let us know if anything happens, George. . . . Edythe Gray, a former grinder in the Tool Room, now of Bryan, Ohio, has announced her marriage of February 21. "Best wishes" are for you, Edie.

Test

Friday was June McGraw Metzger's first day to work after getting married. . . . Fred Rahe's son was home from the Navy. . . . Twigg and Bopp are always shopping for cigarettes. . . . Earl Jones did a nice job for the Red Cross campaign thanks to Earl. . . . Bill Wiest is back with us after a few days of illness. . . . Oh, the Roberts, Rotor twins, hard to tell which is what—Bob or Ken.

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Apprentice Alumni Association Installs Officers



The Apprentice Alumni Association held its annual installation of officers at the Chamber of Commerce last Tuesday evening. The entertainment program for the evening consisted of boxing exhibitions by the G-E Club-Golden Gloves boxers. Shown above, first picture, are light heavyweights. Second picture, Works Engineer H. D. Kelsey addressing the gathering. Third picture, lightweights. Fourth picture, Robert Spitler, Taylor Street, who took office as president for the coming year.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

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Screw Machine

A surprise party was held on Charles Kruse at his home Friday evening, by the automatic and lathe section. Those in attendance were: Viola Baumgartner, Ruth Meeks, Betty Hoagland, Ruth Hall, Lyle Cox, Bob Hanson, Kenneth Drew, Marvin Beck, Bill Charleston, Jerry Roehling, Earl Roemer, Fred Williams, Linus Schmitt, Cleo Crowe, Ned Neuman, Leonard Spring, and of course Mr. and Mrs. Kruse. A number of games were played, after which lunch was served by Mrs. Kruse. We were all happy to find Charlie getting along fine after his accident. . . . Marjorie Parnell, we are all looking forward to seeing you in that purple and pink striped dress. . . . Charles Sooy missed two days this week on account of illness. . . . How are you coming with the skating lessons, Ruby? . . . Vern Hyser lost her billfold. We all hope she finds it. . . . Word has been received of a new son born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reisinger of Tucson, Arizona. Congratulations. . . . Mrs. William (Rita) Kiester is now living in Ohio, as her husband, who is in the Navy, has left Pennsylvania. . . . Marie Coomler and Helen Businger are vacationing this week. We hope it's an enjoyable one, girls. Be sure and let us know about it. . . . Aylene Smith wishes to thank every one that helped make her birthday, Friday, a happy one. Congratulations, Aylene, may you have many more. . . We are wishing a speedy recovery for Frank Thompson's father, who is in the Methodist Hospital. . . . Clara Ringenberg received a message from the War Department stating her youngest son, Everett, has been seriously wounded in Germany, February 7. She received a letter from him saying he has a broken jaw and several bruises. . . . How some people keep their nicknames from us so long is amazing. Jay Michael has one we were surprised to hear. "Herbie" they say. How did you do it, Mike? . . . Marjory Evans has left our section. We will miss you, Marjory. Our best wishes are going with you. . . . Louise Hoban's father died Saturday, March 3. You have our heartfelt sympathy, Louise. . . . Ardis Crum keeps telling us about what a domestic man he is. We hope your wife gets better soon, Art. . . . Pete Reed has a new baby daughter born March 4. Her name is Susan—congratulations to you, papa! . . . Ardith Keppler is worried about her glasses. She can see better with them than without. Wonder why?

Taylor Street AOWPC To Sponsor Dance

The AOWP Committee of the Taylor Street Plant is sponsoring a semi-formal spring dance at the Chamber of Commerce on Saturday, April 14. Less Conner's band will furnish music for dancing from 8:45 P.M. to 11:45 P.M. During the evening there will be an old-fashioned cakewalk. Admission is 75c per person. Tickets will go on sale March 26; they may be purchased from AOWP Committee members.

Tommy had been doing his good deed of the day by swatting a few flies.

"I killed two lady flies and two gentleman flies," he told his mother.

"However did you know the difference?" asked his mother.

"Well, two of them were on the mirror and the other two were on the whiskey bottle on the sideboard," replied Tommy.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Russell LeBeau sure has our sympathy because when he started out with a sore neck and complimented himself after losing it—it just returned the next morning in his shoulders. Take it easy, Russ; there's never a road without a turning. . . . We would like to welcome Arminta Napier and Earl Copsey to our section. We hope you like it here. . . . We have our first assurance that Spring is near at hand, for Fred Zehendner has taken down all the corrugated paper from around the Inspection section. Doesn't the air feel good, Fred? . . . Marjorie Degitz was home with the flu for a week, but has returned to work now. We missed you, Marge! . . . When Mary Brown doesn't receive mail promptly enough to suit her, she just sits down and absentmindedly mails herself a letter. Now Mary, it can't be that bad. . . . George Huber surely likes his gum drops. He waited until Muriel Wiedeman dug into the bottom of a sack for the only black one and before she had a chance to eat it—along came George. Every one likes the black ones! . . . We were very sorry to see Raymond Aker have to leave us for the present time. It is due to a severe illness. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Ray, and do hurry back. . . . Alma Beck has good news about a grandchild one week and then the next week has to have some teeth pulled. . . . Guy Allred is back to work after a week of illness. . . . Ursal Springer has recently acquired quite a collection of pipes. The last one he received is really a "wow!" He says it eliminates hunting around for cigarettes, anyway. . . . We want to welcome Jim Clack to our office in Bldg. 8-2. We hope you'll like us, Jimmie. . . . Any one interested in tall fish stories should be present in the Wire & Insulation office at 7:45 A.M. any Monday morning, when Carl Borchert, Bill Skinner, and Guy Oberlin relate their weekend experiences. The catches of these three boys are usually small, but any one of the three can tell a very interesting story even if they failed to get a bite. . . . Famous sayings in Bldg. 8-2: "There must be a misunderstanding"—Ray Kierspe. "I have a feeling"—Henry Smith. . . . Slim Lothamer has a perfect right to go around with a big chest, for he is a grandfather for the first time in his life. It's a new little granddaughter. . . Congratulations to Evelyn Hewes, who celebrated her birthday March 10. Thanks for the candy, Evelyn. It was delicious. . . . We regret very much to hear that August Welling was killed in action in Germany. August was employed as a trucker in our division at the time of his induction.

Scout Demonstration At Club Tonight

The finals of the Scout first-aid contests will be held in the G-E Club Gymnasium tonight at 7:30 P.M. Dr. H. W. Garton, works physician, will be chief judge. The contest will draw more than 250 Boy Scouts from nine counties of northern Indiana. Chief recorder for the event will be W. W. Winner, Bldg. 19-5. Ed Yahne is in charge of floor arrangements.

All employees and their friends interested in witnessing the performance of the Scouts are invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.

There were 15 finger amputations in 1943 and exactly the same number in 1944.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

According to legend February 2 is Groundhog Day, but according to Mary Henry's calendar March 2 is also some sort of a burrowing day. Leastwise Mary spent the greater part of an hour pawing around in the grass in the neighborhood of her back door on that date, looking for an elusive key to her apartment that suddenly took wing from the tip of her fingers and landed in the grass amid the rain and darkness somewhere in her back yard. She had everything but the National Guard out there looking for it, and about 7 o'clock that evening it was recovered. As though that was not grief enough for one evening, she was locked out of a car across from the Paramount Theater and spent another half hour waiting for the rescue squad from the Police Station to solve that riddle. All of Mary's calendars now have a large red mark over the second day of March, and she ain't just kiddin', either. . . . Mrs. Floy Fulton, a former employee of the Regional Warehouse, was a visitor last week. She is home on a furlough with her husband, who is stationed at Goldsboro, North Carolina. . . . Dorothy Fletter has been transferred to Broadway. The best wishes of the gang go with you, Dorothy. . . . Ann Ripberger is with us again. We hope she is here to stay. . . . In the recent Red Cross Drive the Regional Warehouse exceeded the quota by 3½ per cent. Hurrah for Hollywood! . . . Joyce Wilcox and Jeannie McNeal are observing a very rigid diet here of late. It is having results too as they are both falling away to a ton.

"I invited you to dinner last night. Why didn't you come?"

"I wasn't hungry."

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Navy Asks More Of Heroic "Baby" Carriers

"Big Job Waiting" Says Admiral

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TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF GENERAL ELECTRIC CO

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G-E Equipment On CVE Ships

While Tokyo was recently feeling the might of bombing raids by hundreds of planes, its own fighters were kept so busy that there was a minimum of interference with our landings on Iwo Jima. Most of the raiders came from units of Uncle Sam's great fleet, which now dominates the Pacific.

America has produced a number of the latest type large aircraft carriers since the war began, and some of these undoubtedly were in the fray, but it is considered virtually certain that they were aided mightily by a large group of CVE's, tbe escort or "baby" carriers. These are cargo ships converted into bases for planes by the installation of flight decks and appropriate equipment.

"Babies," But They're Not So Tiny

Though a baby by comparison with the big carrier, tbe CVE is not so tiny. A recent account of a sea battle refers to the hanger deck of one of them as an immense room as long as a city block, almost 70 feet wide and with 30 feet of space between the steel deck and the under side of the flight deck overhead.

These are the craft which were heroes in the Second Battle of the Philippines and for wbich Admiral Cochrane asks General Electric men and women to hurry schedules. Under direction of the U. S. Maritime Commission, General Electric constructs equipment for merchant ships, some of which are later made into CVE's.

Battle-Wagons Head For Luzon



(Official U. S. Navy Photo)

Bristling AA guns are silhouetted against sky as "big fellows" of Kincaid's 7th Fleet ready for Manila conquest. Heroism of "baby" carriers and other small craft had saved MacArthur force short time before.

Escort Carriers "Took It" In Philippines Battle



(Official U. S. Navy Photo)

This photo from deck of sister ship shows Jap salvo hitting near distant CVE with planes in air helping block enemy thrust at MacArthur's force on Leyte. Japs had battleships, cruisers and 16-inch guns, but they turned back. G-E equipped carriers were in fight.

"G-E Ship" Helps Save MacArthur

When Gen. MacArthur clinched his return to the Philippines by liberating Manila, and the surviving Jap defenders of Corregidor perished in a last suicidal blast of its ammunition below-ground, the victory was not only his, but of the U. S. Navy, which had blasted a path for his landings. Yet there had been a time, not many weeks before, when for a few hours a sudden thrust of part of the enemy fleet came near smashing the entire Philippine campaign.

Sudden Leyte Threat

While the great armada ships of Admirals Halsey and Kincaid were paralyzing two Jap fleets, a third Jap suddenly appeared out of the night pointed toward the virtually defenseless invasion craft off Leyte Island. Though hopelessly outclassed, the carriers launched their planes, and the escorting ships laid down smoke screens to protect the carriers. Torpedoes and bombs harried the Jap ships so that their commander turned about and fled while the great Halsey 3rd Fleet was racing to the rescue.

Ever since the surprise landing on Leyte, our naval command had expected the baffled Japanese navy to attack, though it forces were inferior. Only guile could give it a victory, but these were the men who had plotted Pearl Harbor. About a week after the Leyte landing, reconnaissance planes reported two Jap forces heading eastward through the archipelago; one containing five battleships and eight heavy cruisers to the northward coming through the Sibuyan Sea; the other including two battleships and two heavy cruisers coming in to the south from the Sulu Sea. The fleets, though powerful, were probably no more than half of the serviceable battle force of the Jap navy, and the whereabouts of the more powerful remainder was problematical.

Navy Watches Straits

Two exits for these ships into the Marianas Sea to the east were available, San Bernardino Strait and Surigao Strait, and Admiral Halsey's 3rd Fleet set itself to watch them. His carrier-based planes and those of Admiral Kincaid's 7th fleet attacked, with considerable success, and it was expected that the damage to the Jap forces had been sufficient to cause their retreat.

Meanwhile, the more potent half of the enemy navy was heard from, north of Luzon, and there the Halsey force hurried, taking the fastest battleships and largest carriers.

The 7th remained to guard the straits, which are very difficult to navigate and were considered an unlikely approach for the battered enemy.

Halsey cleverly intercepted the northern force by surprise and inflicted heavy damage. He was pursuing the beaten enemy when staggering news was received from the south. Admiral Kincaid received the same news, just as he was on the point of mopping up a Jap force at the end of a narrow channel leading into Leyte Gulf after battering it into flight.

The grave news heard by both admirals was that a Jap fleet thought to have been in retreat had brilliantly navigated the treacherous San Bernardino strait by night and was headed for the crowded invasion shipping in Leyte Gulf. A few minutes of battleship and cruiser fire on that shipping would probably have smashed the Philippine invasion and set the war back a year.

There were at least twenty-five ships in that force, and it included four or five battleships, some with 16-inch guns. The nearest American big ship group was Kincaid's, and it was too far away to help. In the path of the Japs was a U. S. force of six CVEs, three destroyers and four destroyer escorts, including tbe G-E equipped Kadashan Bay. The "baby" carriers were slower than the Japanese. But there was no hesitation.

So They Attack

The small craft laid their smoke screens, the destroyers sailed in with torpedoes, and the carriers' planes went up. The Japs' heavy guns began to tell. An escort carrier was sunk. The Destroyer Escort Roberts was hit and vanished. The destroyers Hoel and Johnston were hit and not seen again.

Now the carriers' torpedo plane attacks were beginning to find their marks. Two Jap heavy cruisers were hit and slowed down, but one Kongo-class battleship kept coming. All but one of the nearest carrier's planes were returning for more torpedoes. This plane swooped and sank its one remaining torpedo in the side of the ship. It stopped firing and turned back on its course.

This was the end of the attempt on the Leyte shipping. The Jap admirals, expecting the Halsey and Kincaid forces at any moment, decided to quit. One of the war's great moments of heroism was over and MacArthur's men were safe.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

The Gecode Club Easter party will be held on Wednesday, March 21. Mildred Wagoner is chairman of the affair. . . . Each team of the women's bowling league is striving to win the coveted first place for the last half of the season. Gladys Engle really did her bit for the V. E.'s with her 221 score and tied her team with the V. J.'s for second place, and they have high hopes of going in to first place at the next session. . . . Our second shift lady pin spillers strutted their stuff Wednesday afternoon on the local alleys. . . . Nothing unusual occurred and everybody walked off under their own power. . . . John Fleming, shipping room, spent his vacation in Kentucky seeing the high waters in that locality. Plenty wet, John says. . . . Harold (Bud) Hakes, Naval Air Corps, stationed at Bunker Hill, visited with us. Bud sure is looking fine and thinks perhaps he is due for a boat ride. Good luck, Bud. . . . Charlie Detmer is now a member of Sol Lord's staff—having come from Plant No. 2. Greetings, Charlie. . . . If you think that Edith Marbaugh isn't ambidextrous, just watch her. . . . Bud Williams of the armed services was in our place last Wednesday visiting with friends. . . . Jo Voglewede received a wedding anniversary present from her hubby, who is now stationed in India. Nice going, Jo. . . . Happy birthday to Florence McCullum, the girl with the auburn tresses. . . . Al Norris and Bob Gephart have severed their connections with us to resume their former occupation, — plow jockeys—farming to you. . . . Another good photograph to gaze at is the one that Jean Stuber has. It is of her sister Christina and her sailor hubby. Christy was a former employee. . . . Our congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Girod, who were married March 7. Mrs. Girod was formerly Virginia Brough of Plant No. 2. . . . Our sympathies go to Gus Krueckeberg, whose son was killed in action in the Philippines. . . . PFC Donald Hoffman stationed somewhere in England writes that he gets the WORKS NEWS and enjoys reading it very much. . . . Sgt. Robert Kenworthy was recently home on furlough. Bob has been stationed in California. . . . M/Sgt. Eddie Noonan is still in Italy and at present is going to school. He has visited with Chalmer Lee and Bill Snyder several times. . . . Sgt. Robert Teeple, who is serving with Gen. Patton's Third Army, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge. . . . Tony Murphy is in France. He says his mail is so slow that he believes it gets over with the tide. . . . Cpl. Art Miller called his wife from Miami, where he is awaiting reassignment. . . . PFC Art Merriman has written us from France where he is working in a General Hospital. He received his Christmas package March 2, and although the WORKS NEWS is old when it reaches him, the news in it is still good to read. He sends his regards to Anne Murtaugh whom he hopes is much better by now.

Hi guys in service:

It's been a long time since you received a letter from us. After we brought you up to date on Decatur, we sort of ran out of stuff, but last Sunday we went to the G-E Club presentation of the Aeolian Choir and thought you might be interested in hearing of the recital.

Don't let that "Aeolian" fool you; it's just an extra fancy name for a lot of G-E people who like to sing.

The program was scheduled to be presented at the Catholic High Auditorium at 3:30, and all seats were reserved. We arrived about 3:10 and people were lined up clear down to the first floor. We had first row balcony seats, so we did not have to wait. We were greeted at the door by Marcile Jones, dressed in a pretty formal. She ushered us to our seats, gave us a program, and glided off to care for other guests.

The printed program had a very neat blue cover and on the first page was a picture of the 53 voices in the chorus. On the inside pages were listed the songs to be sung and pictures of Annabelle Dull, Jerry Lobsiger, Mary Leitz, the Waneta Fruchte, Evelyn Andrews, Janet Goldner Trio, the Waneta, June and Betty Stauffer Trio and the two-piano team of Rebecca Stucky and Evangeline Embler. On the last page is a picture and brief sketch of the career of Conductor Dave Embler, and a short history of the choir.

After we had discovered all this we leaned over the rail and watched the other people, but the usherettes stole the front curtain show. Here are the ones I could see: Flora Marie Spahr, Mary Jane Gage, Evelyn Wolf, Flossie McConnell, Florence Schultz, Peggy Staley, Betty Moran, Henrietta Augsburger, Jean Ulman, Marcile Jones, Eileen Reed, Allien Johnston, Harriet Hoblet, Eileen Morrison, Linda Bultemeier, Joyce Smith, Erna Bultemeier and Etta Anspaugh. Hilda Gaunt was the Chief. Take any one of them, imagine her dressed in her very best and you have a faint idea of the beauty floating around the auditorium.

The program opened with a solo by Jerry Lobsiger, boy soprano, and the mixed choir playing a supporting role. They sang four numbers including, "Way Over Jordan." Joe Weber sang a baritone solo, Mary Leitz a soprano solo and George Cramer added the emphatic "Yow Zirs." It made your blood tingle.

The two-piano team followed. From the applause they received, the crowd really enjoyed them. It surely sounded good and the stage setting was beautiful.

The male choir sang the "tick tock" and "dong bong" of "Grandfather's Clock" just like they were veterans.

The two trios and the girls ensemble made a real performance. Then they sang "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" with Mary Leitz as soloist. It made everyone in the audience say to himself, "Make it soon—make it soon."

The two-piano team came back and played "Rhapsody in Blue." by Gershwin.

Then the mixed choir closed the show with "Come to the Fair" and "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise" with Annabelle Dull as soloist. The last number was "Bells of St. Marys" complete with bells. The stage was completely dark and the bells rang out, then voices could be heard, and the lights gradually were strengthened until the number finished in a blaze of light. As an encore they sang "The Time Is Now."

You should have seen the lighting effects. It was never the same in any of the 23 numbers. Superb staging and lighting, a comfortable chair and music, written by masters and sung by people you and I know, combined to make a swell afternoon. The purpose of the show was to relax us so we could work harder for you. Dave Embler and his choir did an excellent job. Hats off to them and to you guys, hurry home.

Gecode Club

Win Suggestion Awards



Pictured above are two recent winners of large suggestion awards, Leo Slusher of the Winter Street Plant (upper right), and J. E. Hutcheson, Bldg. 26-2 (lower left). Mr. Slusher was awarded $200.00 for his suggestion for the addition of a test hole in fabricated train and elevation boxes and testing boxes for leaks so as to eliminate the difficulty in finding and repairing leaks in the finish machined boxes in the Power Drive Division. Mr. Hutcheson's idea pertained to the standardization of transformer outlining drawings so as to use the same nomenclature of dimensions on transformers.

A man walked into a restaurant in a Nevada zoom town.

A waitress said: "What will you have, sir?"

"I'll take your $3.50 dinner!" he replied expansively.

"On white or rye?" asked the waitress.



Bldg. 4-3

Our little box had some notes in it, and are we glad! Keep up the good work, gang. . . . A new sewing club has been started consisting of Evelyn Schultz, Lillian Poriy, Betty Strohmeier, Mary Jane Young, Phyllis Reber, Mary Longnecker, Marty Boyle, Florence Stanski and also Kay Byers, who is at present in Texas with her husband, 1st Lt. C. Byers. The meeting was held at the home of Betty Strohmeier. Seems like everyone made the same mistake that night and paid Betty's neighbor's a visit. Secret pal names for the year were drawn and later refreshments were enjoyed. . . . Bldg. 4-3 has a couple new detectives in Betty Boldt and Ann Coleman. They think they've found out who the "Country Cousins" are, and are avoiding them. (Note from Ye Olde Writers: If B. B. & A. C. only knew!) . . . Has everyone noticed Helen Hageman's loud shoestrings? Be careful there, Helen, they are pretty loud. Cute though, we like 'em. . . . Rose Ulrey is back on nights again, and we're glad to have you with us again. Herb Telley is also working second again. By the way, Herb, skating across Wawasee as many times as you did would wear anybody out. . . . "Mac" McHenry had a stag party at his cottage at Wawasee last Saturday after work. From all reports everybody had an excellent time. . . . Lewis Ensign is the new addition in Group 13x54. New faces are always welcome and that goes for you too, Lew. . . . Harold Hart, inspection foreman on days, believes in the safety rule: Don't Clutter Up the Aisles. Don't walk so fast, Harold, we'd like to get better acquainted. . . . Katie Oswald went on days Monday. The girls in her group had a potluck in her honor. Sorry to see you leave our gang, Katie, we'll miss you. . . . Things-We-Like Dept.—Hildabelle Warren's always clean shoes. They sure do look nice. Bet you could get lotsa jobs cleaning shoes, Hildabelle. Of course we don't blame you for not wanting that sort of job. We wouldn't either. Cleaning our shoes is bad enough and we really should do it more often. Can't seem to follow your example, Hildabelle. . . . Don't forget about our little box, gang. This is YOUR column so hand in your items. Goodbye now.

Country Cousins

BECAUSE OF THE INABILITY TO SECURE SUFFICIENT production of cotton duck for tarpaulins, the Quartermaster Corps of the Army has adopted a paper and burlap laminated tarpaulin for a substantial part of its total requirements. Paper laminated to burlap with a special asphalt has provided satisfactory protection for the packaging of many Quartermaster Corps supplies shipped to all parts of the world, but this is the first time these materials have been used for continuous exposure under the wide variety of weather conditions encountered in fighting a global war. Tests on the paper and burlap tarpaulin indicate that good durability can be obtained with materials immediately available in large quantities. The cost of the new tarpaulin will be much less than for cotton duck, and the reduction in both weight and bulk combine to conserve shipping space and provide a unit which can be handled by two men with ease.—Army-Navy release.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

The following letter was received by Clarence Kreischer from PFC Milt Bryan, a former employee of the Cost Section.

"Somewhere in the Philippines
"Februray 18, 1945

"Dear Clarence:



"Received your Christmas greeting the other day, so I thought I had better write and tell you a little about the new country. I was sure glad to get out of New Guinea. This country is much more civilized and it won't be nearly as boring, more things to do and see.

"The trip up here was pretty nice, of course we had a few exciting moments. I saw a Jap plane shot down and watched a couple of torpedoes whiz by. Believe me you don't know what to think when you see something like that. We ate two meals a day on the boat, breakfast at 9 a.m. and supper at 4 p.m. One night while on guard on the ship I saw a Jap destroyer sunk, sure made a brilliant flash when it blew up. We landed on D-Day and have moved three times since. I am sleeping in a hammock stretched between two poles driven in the ground since there are no trees to tie to in our area. Our outfit has its own movie and we have had three shows already. Also had one beer ration of six cans. It tasted very good. We carry our rifles everywhere we go, even to chow and the movies. Gets to be sort of a nuisance.

"Now a word about the people, their habits and occupation. They speak very good English and were very happy to see us. Everybody yells victory and holds up two fingers. Another thing the girls are very nice looking. They wave and greet you with a flashing smile, sort of makes you forget there is a war on. Considering what they have been through the people dress fairly well. I have even seen girls wearing slacks and slippers.

"Of course, they usually wear sandals and no hose as it is pretty warm over here. They wear their hair bobbed as a rule and are very neat in their habits.

"The people are very religious and mostly Catholic. The reason for that is because the Spanish first settled here and a lot of their customs and habits are still lingering.

"Most every town around is having a victory parade and dance. Let me tell you something, the girls can jitterbug as well as the kids back home. Fact of the matter is they can dance any kind that you care to. The orchestra plays modern American swing music. I talked to a couple of kids the other day and they could name me several of our movie producers and actors. One fellow said he used to go to a movie three times a day.

"The principal crops here are rice, tobacco, sugar cane, sweet potatoes, peanuts, bananas and some corn. I sure have been getting my fill of bananas and peanuts as the Filipinos are around every day wanting to trade or sell chickens, eggs, bananas, peanuts, peanut candy, which is better than I have tasted in the states, popped rice done up in balls like popcorn and a lot of other things. We can get roast chicken on sticks wrapped in palm leaves and it is very good. We found a new way to boil our eggs and that is to put them in a sock, hang the sock in the clear boiling water that we rinse our mess kits in and in about four minutes they are done. Of course we use a clean sock, ha!

"I took a long jeep ride yesterday and by the time I got back I was so sore I could hardly park it. Some of the roads were pretty rough.

"A lot of the highways here are paved and you see road signs just like in the States. Also along the road business advertisements, such as beauty parlors, watch repair and tailoring. Most of the people here travel by narrow high buggies drawn by ponies. They are usually filled with women and kids. You never saw so many kids in your life.

On that jeep ride I saw several nice churches and schools. Also a lot of Jap tanks and other vehicles knocked out. They caught one Jap convoy with its lights on and destroyed it completely. There was wreckage and Jap bodies all over the place.

"Well Clarence, I think I have taken up enough of your time so will ring off and see you later.

"Your old pal,
"Milt (PFC Milt Bryan)"

"February 14, 1945

"Dear Editor:



"Received your letter some time ago but was too busy to answer you right away. I would like to inform my friends that I joined an ordnance motor vehicle distributing company since coming out of the hospital.

"We handle all ordnance equipment that comes to the (censored). We were on a seven day work plan, since coming to France. I notice plenty of General Electric equipment over here, it makes me feel good to know that G-E is doing its part in this war.

"Since I left the States I have been in Africa, Italy, and France. Since joining this company I now hold the rank of corporal. Will enclose a picture of myself taken in France.

"I wish every one at the plant the best of luck, and tell the gang hello.

"As ever,
"Cpl. Fred Rathert"

Navy Inspection Changes



Lieutenant-Commander R. M. Stocking, SC (S) USNR, (left above), who has been in charge of Navy cost inspection for the Fort Wayne area for the past three years, was recently transferred to Seattle, Washington. His successor at the Fort Wayne office is Lt. Howard K. Morgan, SC (S) USNR, (upper right).

Night Rumblings

When gooseberry pie is close, count on Ben Lake and Doris Clabaugh to be on hand for the first piece. The others who enjoyed this concoction were Martha Yost, Maggie Himes, Betty Pressler and Ben who came back on the end of the line for a second piece. . . . We're all glad to hear that Ruth Schwartz is coming back to work next week after a three weeks' absence. We also welcome Louise Rousseff after a year's absence. . . . Lost: One voice. Return to Martha Yost. . . . Seen around the shop this week: Ben signing up for the Red Cross Drive. . . . "Dad" cleaning the office.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Paul Snyder used to think G. B. meant Good Bowling but after last Tuesday night he has decided it means "Gutter Ball." . . . Enrico Gigli was sure surprised to find a large pigeon in his lunch pail the other day. Being one to take advantage of opportunity, he is building an addition to his house and starting to raise squabs. . . . We were sure surprised to find that Bonnie Newhart's father worked at Winter Street, and on the bench right behind her. . . . Out of all the basketball tournaments, Al Anderson has picked one winner, Auburn, in the regional. He also had them picked for the super-regional and says Huntington had no right to come along and win it. . . . Our sympathy to Red Blomenberg and Kenny Wyatt—both lost their fathers recently.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

C. Miller, who stands third in the individual averages, was high man for the night with 558. This included a 228 for high single game. F. Lauer had an even 200 for the only other 200 game of the night.

Team 3 won 2 games and went into a tie for league leadership with team 4. Both have won 18 and lost 9. Team 7 and team 10 were the only teams to win three games for the night. No changes in individual or team for high scores.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team had only one game last week but it was the all-important game with Small Motor Office that decided Section "A" for the second half. After being held pretty well for three quarters the boys really got hot in the last quarter and pulled away to a 45 to 28 victory. All the Winter Street boys looked good on both offense and defense while Esterline was outstanding for Small Motor Office. Winter Street is still undefeated in the inter-division league and can clinch the second half with one more victory. Since they are also the first half champions, no play-off would be necessary. They also have a practice game this week with Murray's Independents of Lancaster, Indiana.

Planning

"Well for gosh sakes" was the expression Art Macey used after adding a group of numbers and discovering the adding machine had no paper in it. . . . "Who's the most ambitious guy in the office and why am I?" says Russell Ade as he settles back comfortably in his chair. . . . That's not the whistle to go home, it's Gloria laughing at a joke.

Oil Pump and Compressor

What would we do if it wasn't for John Thomas and his "up to the minute dances." . . . Louise Rousseff has joined our inspection section again after having been off for a year. Welcome back, Louise. . . . Has the Navy moved into Winter Street? Nan Bachman seems to think so because she wears a Navy cap during working hours. . . . If you want to see something cute, get Louise Barger to talk while she has a mouthful of taffy candy; oh, how she does jumble her words. . . . Louie Hey, the washer, is off work with a sprained shoulder. Hope you will be back soon, Louie.

Engineering

Notice to all women—Since you have fought for and finally achieved equal suffrage with men, please change your own flat tires. (Copies to Howard Arnold, McMyler, Jim Duff, Ken Cooper and Walter Schmidt).

Power Drive Office

The Engineering Section regrets losing Bob Schulte this week when he returns to Bldg. 4-6. It's been nice knowing you, Bob.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

There's a first time for everything, so they say, and Eileen Bartle certainly picked the time and place. She had her first flat tire last week on a rainy night out in the country all alone. Nice, huh? . . . The most recent one on the sick list has been Maxine Bobay. Her place on the line has been filled by Gladys Gerig. . . . It seems Huntington wasn't such a bad ticket after all, doesn't it, Henry? With the finals tomorrow, wonder what there will be to talk about after basektball is over? . . . Our contribution to the war effort, Willie McCombs, has completed her boot training and has been sent to California.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Congratulations go to Clara Blough on her successful bowling last week. While making six strikes, four of which were consecutive, and one spare, she finished the game with a score of 179. . . . Betty Kahlenbeck passed her physical examination for the WAC and will be leaving soon for training. . . . On our departing list this week are Harold Larimore and Lois Wyckoff. They left Power Drive and will be employed at the Broadway Plant. . . . A hearty welcome to Walter Van Curen upon his return to his job after being absent about ten weeks due to illness.

Dustproof Room

We wish Harriet Trego a very happy and successful married life. She was married Saturday morning. Most of the Dustproof Room gang attended the reception. . . . Mildred Norton was going to cut up a pair of old hose last week and by mistake took a new pair of 51 gauge hose and cut them up. There are still hopes. . . . The Dustproof Room wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to Ruth Kettridge and Ellen Saul.

Machine Shop

Evelyn Kilgus is back with us, after a ten-day vacation. She is minus a tooth and feels much better. . . . Ed Bireley came into work one morning with his house slippers on, and gave as his excuse that he forgot to change. . . . The "flu" bug has bitten several of our workers. R. Berryman had a siege of it for one week, but is back on the job now. E. Wireman also was down for three days. . . . L. Stoppenhagen has moved to a nice big farm this last week. Now we'll see if he makes a good farmer or not.

Refrigerator Assembly

Glen Courtney is still on the sick list. We hope you are well soon, Glen. . . . Gust Herbst finally got his picture in the WORKS NEWS, and he looked as big as the rest of the guys. . . . Richard Arick visited us last Friday at the shop. He has just completed boot training at Great Lakes and will return after a nine-day leave to be assigned to a school. Lots of luck, Dick. . . . Ruben Cline just found out that a car will not stop on ice. After a fishing trip the other Sunday he drove up in the front of his garage, put on the brakes and slid clean through the garage doors.

Order Service

Viola Foraker is the new girl in Order Service. She hails from the state of Washington.

Accounting and Payroll

Dorothy Bitler is leaving us today to take up her duties as a housewife. Happy cooking to you, Dorothy. . . . Carl Vorndran celebrated his (?) birthday last week. He came back to work too early at noon and he walked into the office as the girls were decorating his birthday cake. Anyway the cake tasted good, and Carl had a happy birthday.

Miscellaneous

Tillie Lantz wishes to express her thanks to all the girls in Refrigeration on first floor for their donations and to all the girls in the

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THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE FINAL PUSH

G-E Club Closes Basketball Season With 2 Victories

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club without the services of VanRyn and Krieg had an easy time of it defeating the Plymouth Schultz 5 & 10 team by a score of 50-42.

The first quarter saw the Club team and Plymouth put on a spirited battle, both teams hitting from around center court with G-E Club leading at the end of the first quarter 13-10. The second quarter both teams kept up a rapid fire at the basket, with the Club counting on their first three shots to take a lead of 19-10. Plymouth came back into the ball game with two long shots and two from under. G-E scored on an under the basket play to take the lead at half time 25-18. The Club team were missing many shots from underneath and had a hard time getting their offense clicking in the second quarter.

The third quarter was a fast driving and loosely played game with both teams having a difficult time finding the basket. G-E Club led at the end of the third period 36-25. The fourth quarter the Club went into an 11-point lead and were passing up many shots while Plymouth began hitting from out center court to come within eight points of the Club team. Miller led the G-E scoring attack with nineteen points, with the rest of the scoring on the Club team being equally divided. Welborn was high for the Schultz 5 & 10 team with eight points and Talbot countering with 7 points.

Before a crowd of approximately 500 fans the G-E Club defeated Lima Westinghouse U. E. 50-40 in a fast hard-fought basketball game at the G-E Club gym. The first quarter was a nip and tuck battle with the Lima team leading the Club team 14-12 at the end of the first quarter. The second quarter saw the Club team hold the Lima team to one field goal and two free throws while garnering seven points to lead at half time 19-18.

The second half opened with Lima controlling the ball and scoring twice from out and getting two free throws. The Club team called time out and when play was resumed they began to whittle the lead held by Lima to emerge with a three point lead of 27-24 at the end of the third period. The fourth period saw both teams take plenty of shots only to have them rim the basket. Both teams counted 8 times from the field in the final quarter while the G-E Club's accuracy from the free throw lane, on making seven out of nine shots, gave the Club team a lead they never relinquished. The Lima team put up a great battle and was one of the best teams to appear on the G-E floor this season.

VanRyn led the G-E attack with 13 points while Krieg and Reed scored 12 points each for the Club. Stump was high for the Westinghouse U. E. with 10 points.

The summaries—

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Schultz	G.	F.	T.
Miller	9	1	19	Smith	0	0	0
Baade	3	0	5	Talbot	3	1	7
Lowden	2	1	5	Drockamith	1	0	2
Reed	2	1	5	Truman	3	2	8
Allen	3	0	5	Dunfee	3	0	5
Stover	2	0	4	Welborn	3	2	8
Madden	2	0	4	Holloway	2	1	5
				Heiser	2	2	5
Totals	23	4	50	Totals	17	8	42

Officials—Eakin and Jenkins.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Lima	G.	F.	T.
Baade	1	0	2	Stump	5	0	10
VanRyn	5	1	13	George	4	0	8
Miller	2	2	6	Hannon	0	2	2
Krieg	4	4	12	Bollinger	1	2	4
Lowden	0	0	0	Pond	0	0	0
Reed	5	2	12	Moore	4	1	9
Allen	0	1	1	Watkins	0	0	0
Madden	1	2	4	Rentz	3	1	7
Totals	19	12	50	Totals	17	5	40

Half Score—G-E, 27-24.
Officials—Wagner and Todd.

Appear On Spring Review



A feature of the G-E Club Spring Review tomorrow and Sunday will be Sid Blake and the Milkmaids, pictured above. The group present a comedy act.

WINTER STREET Rumblings

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plant who remembered her with cards during her recent illness. . . . "Walter Winchell" Trullender is the news reporter for the Grinding Section, so turn in your news items to him, or you know "Winchell," he'll find them out. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Laura Redding, in the death of her sister; Edna Koester, whose brother was killed in Europe; and to the family of Clarence Ladig. Clarence was formerly a guard and more recently worked in Inspection. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dale Delagrange are the proud parents of a daughter, Judy Nanette; she was born March 2. Congratulations!

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	21	9
Team No. 1	13	12
Team No. 9	13	12
Team No. 3	18	12
Team No. 2	17	13
Team No. 12	15	15
Team No. 4	14	16
Team No. 5	14	15
Team No. 5	13	17
Team No. 10	12	18
Team No. 7	11	19
Team No. 8	9	21

200 Games—Sweet 202; Kraft 203; Hamilton 203-210; C. Tarney 210; Myers 221; Good 222; Kincade 248.

Safety Shoes would have prevented 23 disabling injuries in 1944.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzmann

March 8 found the boys in better bowling form than in the previous week, as there were eleven 200 games and thirteen series over 500.

The win-hungry Power Drive team, having gone home the last two weeks without annexing any games, turned on the steam with Wikel's 211-170-209 for a high count of 590. Griffith was also on the beam, having the high game of the evening at 220, and a 534 total. Their teammates were in there pitching also to put them back in third place high—3-9 game total with 2535 and to take two games from Order Service. Their opposition lost their best game even though Black rolled a 210, for 538, and Gross' total of 528. Planning held onto second place taking three games from Maintenance. Richards was knocking over the sticks for 209 and a 577, while Turley collected a 539 and Jones came through with a 202 single. For their opponents Dressel rolled an even 200 and a 533 series, Symons clicked for a 212, and a 508 performance. FHP won a pair from Inspection with Spahr setting his sights for a 217 single and a 575 total. Dick connected for a 200 solo and a 517 for the competitors. Receiving also held their first place spot downing Production for all three games. Bergman accumulated 539 pins, Reith coming up with a 211 single and a 530 count, and Newlon getting over the hump at 504.

Heartiest congratulations go to Herb Parsons and Herman Rapp, a couple of bowlers that held up the G-E's end in the City Tournament. After holding first place in the doubles' event with their 1289 score for the first three weeks, they were outscored only in the final stages of the tournament, but still came home with the fourth place bacon.

Owl Basketball

By R. James

BLDG. 4-4 WINS FIRST GAME OF PLAY-OFF 26-21

Led by Paul LeCoque of Bldg. 4-4 with 16 of his team's 26 points, Bldg. 4-4 won the first game of the two out of three series, for the Owl Inter-Division Championship.

Bldg. 17 took a 10-9 first quarter lead, but then hit a cold streak which only netted them 3 points in the second and third quarter, which cost them the ball game, as Bldg. 4-4 built up a 20-13 lead at the three quarter mark, and well they did, as Kelly of Bldg. 17 splattered the nets with 4 quick field goals in the final quarter to almost pull the game out of the fire for Bldg. 17.

Scoring honors went to Kelly of the losers with 11 points and to Lecoque of the winners with 16 points.

Summary:

Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.	Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.
Johnioz	0	1	1	Hensler	1	1	3
Runyon	3	1	7	Kelly	5	1	11
Christlieb	1	0	2	Williams	1	1	3
Middaugh	0	0	0	Kimes	2	0	4
Hosek	0	0	0	Young	0	0	0
Lecoque	7	2	16	Benz	0	0	0
Totals	11	4	25	Totals	9	3	21

Officials—Slater and Bail.

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

We wish you a lot of luck, new friends and success in your new venture at another G-E Works, Bob Dichtel. . . . Lost and found, hunted and wanted column: A soft cushion, by L. Mellinger, to lighten his fall when his chair overturns; seems like Mel gets upset over any little thing as mediocre as a sneeze!—An 8-penny nail by H. Roemke; don't know what in the tarnation he intends to do with it; but Henry sez that "an organization isn't an organization without one."—Wanted: By young man, age 22, in High Section, initials R. D., desires the assistance of a tailor and knitter; seems as if Bob is getting tired of doing his mending. And his rebelling elbows and heels exclaim that they have already attended to many coming out debuts. . . . Due to the rays of "old man sunshine" Don Thomas and Don Kruse wish to announce the ice fishing season "officially closed." Ice fishermen should always ask to borrow ladders. How does it feel to be marooned out in the middle of the lake, Don? These fishermen still haven't had E-nuf ice fishing. . . . Now that spring is here, Betty Vonder Haar wants to go out and play. Anyone else have spring fever? . . . Frieda Decker, S 2/c visited us last week. Now that the girls have inspected her uniform, there should be a boom at the WAVE recruiting office. . . . We welcome Donna Smith to the Bldg. 17-4 office force. . . . Jane Rison has forsaken the Bldg. 17-4 gang, and we sure will miss her. Hope you will be happy and lots of luck in your new undertaking. . . . We have our rations by OPA, but wonder what they would say if they discovered Reed eating more each day. Better be careful, Reed. . . . Mel Azar looked so longingly at the candy the girls had in the stock room that he was finally presented with an all-day sucker. That's one way of getting some Saturday afternoon candy.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
George R. Miller (3)*	Antwerp, Ohio Coming in on No. 24.	27	Misegades	11:06- 6:54
Leo Gaff (3)*	R. 1, Auburn, Ind. Coming in No. 1 through St. Joe, Spencerville, Cedarville.	27	Baumgartner	3:00-11:48
Ralph T. Martz (3)*†	Convoy, Ohio Coming in on No. 30, No. 49, about 35 miles out.	8-2	Sheets	7:00- 3:30
Harold P. Parker (3)*	Edgerton, Ind. Coming in on No. 14, 23 miles out.	4-2	Lavine	3:30-11:54
Harold Waters (4)*	R. 3, Harris Rd., Ft. Wayne Coming in on No. 30, down Sherman St., 2 miles out.	6-2	Batson	7:00- 3:30
Norma M. Bunzel (4)*†	R. 5, Leesburg Rd., Ft. W. Coming in on Leesburg Road, 5 miles out.	26-1	France	11:00- 7:00

Employees Seeking Riders

Ida Erbe	800 W. Maumee, Angola	12-B	Gebert	7:00- 8:30
Simion A. Bugo	Wolcottville, Indiana Lives northwest of South Milford, near Road 3.	17-2	Wyss	3:00-11:00

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Foremen	Hours
Clara Wisel	Churubusco, Indiana	Langdon	5:48- 2:48

Employees Seeking Riders

Arthur Growcock	R. 1, Columbia City, Indiana	Smith	7:12- 3:12
William Baker	Cromwell, Indiana	Smith	3:12-11:12
J. Alan Mulier	Leo Road, Fort Wayne	Woody	7:12- 3:12
Cecil Ray	2901 Poinsette, City	Deahl	7:12- 3:12
Donald Sollows	Monroeville, Indiana	Langdon	2:48-10:48
Robert Sheehan	Monroeville, Indiana	Smith	7:12- 3:12
Arnold Anthony	Markle, Indiana	Deahl	5:48- 2:48

Schedule For Intercity Bus No. 5

BLUFFTON TO FORT WAYNE ON STATE ROAD NO. 1

	1st Shift A.M	2nd Shift P.M.	3rd Shift P.M.
Lv. Bluffton	5:55	1:45	9:55
Lv. Kingsland	5:05	1:55	10:05
Lv. Ossian	5:10	2:00	10:10
Lv. Waynedale	6:25	2:15	10:25
Ar. Broadway G-E	5:40	2:30	10:40
Ar. Wayne Pump		2:34	
Ar. Winter St. G-E		2:35	
Ar. Tokheim		2:38	
Ar. Harvester		2:44	
Ar. Zollner's		2:45	
Ar. Magnavox		2:48	
Ar. Inca		2:50	
Lv. Inca		3:04	
Lv. Magnavox		3:05	
Lv. Zollner's		3:03	
Lv. Harvester		3:10	
Lv. Tokheim		3:15	
Lv. Winter St. G-E		3:13	
Lv. Wayne Pump		3:20	
Lv. Broadway G-E	7:15	3:40	11:15
Ar. Waynedale	7:30	3:55	11:30
Ar. Ossian	7:45	4:10	11:45
Ar. Kingsland	7:50	4:15	11:50
Ar. Bluffton	8:00	4:25	12:00

This bus serves Taylor Street, Essex Wire, and Broadway G-E for all three shifts and goes on across Fort Wayne to War Plants as above indicated for second shift.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walter Histed

Final Standings (A Section)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Winter Street	6	0	1000
Small Motor Office	4	1	.800
West Side	2	3	.400
Firemen	2	3	.400
Taylor Street	2	3	.400
Small Motor Factory	0	6	.000

Last Week's Results

West Side	31	Firemen	26
Winter Street	47	Small Motor Of.	28

Taylor Street won from Small Motor Factory by forfeit.

Final Standings (B Section)

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
General Service	4	1	.800
Squares	4	1	.800
Taylor Street Test	3	2	.600
Messengers	2	3	.400
Tool Division	2	3	.400
Transformer	0	6	.000

Last Week's Results

Taylor Street Test	22	Squares	14
General Service	28	Tool Division	21
Taylor Street Test	29	Messengers	22
Squares	29	Tool Division	14

General Service and Messengers each won from Transformer by forfeit.

Play-off Game—B Section

General Service 26; Squares 25

In a game almost as close as their position in the league standings, General Service scored 13 points in the final quarter to catch and pass the Squares in their play-off game, winning 26 to 25.

The Squares, handicapped by players out of town and injuries, jumped into a 9 to 3 lead in the first quarter on baskets by Rowe, Jennings and Turner and three tosses from the free throw line. General Service playing better in the second quarter shaved one point from the Squares' lead by outscoring their opponents 6 to 5 in the quarter. Ray and Kauffman tallied from the field for General Service while Rowe and Hellenthal split the meshes for the Squares. Each team managed only four points in the third quarter, Rowe and Jennings for the Squares and Schible and Kepler for General Service scoring from the field.

Trailing 18 to 13 as the final quarter opened, General Service started to connect on their shots. In a well divided scoring attack they scored six times from the field and once from the foul line. Ray Pickett tossed in two buckets during the rally while Ray, Kauffman and Kepler tallied once each. The Squares fought desperately during this quarter to protect their lead and to try to regain it again at the finish—Rowe dropping in two beautiful baskets and Turner scoring once. Just before the finish of the game, Rowe trying hard for a game winning toss, collided with two opponents as all three went for a ball near the Squares' goal, suffered a fractured nose and had to leave the game. Only seconds remained and General Service managed to tie up the ball for the balance of the time to protect their slender lead.

General Service meets Winter Street for the second half championship.

General Service (26)	G.	F.	T.	Squares (26)	G.	F.	T.
Pickett	2	2	6	Temosbok	0	1	1
Dukes	0	0	0	Rowe	6	1	11
Ray	2	2	6	Jennings	2	1	6
Kauffman	2	1	6	Turner	2	2	6
Schible	2	0	4	Hellenthal	1	0	2
Kepler	2	1	6	McNamara	0	0	0
Totals	10	6	26	Totals	10	6	25

Winter Street 47; Small Motor Office 28

Winter Street and Small Motor Office, both undefeated during the second half, clashed for the A Section championship, Winter Street repeating their first half victory by outscoring the losers in all except the third quarter.

Winter Street on baskets by Stucky, Seiple and Magnusson plus three gift tosses scored 11 points in the first quarter to take the lead at 11 to 7. In the second quarter the winners limited Small Motor Office to four points scored on goals by Esterline and Starkel while scoring ten points themselves on three goals by Neitzert and two by Seiple.

Sparked by three goals by Esterline, Small Motor Office rallied in the third quarter to cut the winner's lead to 28 to 21. Starkel and Hoffman tallied once each in this quarter while for Winter Street, Hooley scored twice and Stucky once.

Stretch Magnusson re-entered the game at the beginning of the fourth quarter and went on a scoring rampage tossing in five fielders in this quarter to make a total of fourteen points for the game. Seiple dropped three baskets through the hoop during this drive to take scoring honors for the game with fifteen points. For the losers, Perry Esterline tallied two more baskets to bring his point total to 14 for the game.

Winter Street (47)	G.	F.	T.	Small Motor Of. (28)	G.	F.	T.
Neitzert	8	1	7	Esterline	6	2	14
Stucky	2	8	7	Schuster	0	0	0
Magnusson	6	2	14	Lauer	2	0	4
Dent	0	0	0	Trott	1	0	2
Seiple	7	1	15	Starkel	3	0	6
Hooley	2	0	4	Hoffman	1	0	2
Fryer	0	0	0	Barber	0	0	0
Totals	20	7	47	Totals	13	2	28

Box Scores of Other Games Played

Taylor St. Test (22)	G.	F.	T.	Squares (14)	G.	F.	T.
R.Roberts	0	1	1	Temoshok	0	0	0
K.Roberts	3	0	6	Alexander	0	0	0
Fox	3	2	8	McNamara	0	1	1
Bobllya	0	0	0	Jennings	0	0	0
Hall	2	3	7	Kissler	4	0	8
				Rowe	2	1	5
				Edgar	0	0	0
				Hellenthal	0	0	0
Totals	8	6	22	Totals	6	2	12

Score by quarters:

Taylor Street Test	6	7	6	5—22
Squares	1	2	7	4—14

General Service (28)	G.	F.	T.	Tool Division (21)	G.	F.	T.
Pickett	1	1	3	Rider	0	1	1
Dukes	0	0	0	Thomas	1	0	2
Kepler	6	5	17	Waldrop	2	2	6
Kauffman	3	0	6	Trump	3	0	6
Ray	1	0	2	Wldner	2	0	4
O'Connell	0	0	0	Reed	0	0	0
				Swaim	0	1	1
				Truelove	0	1	1
Totals	11	6	28	Totals	8	5	21

Score by quarters:

General Service	9	7	6	7—28
Tool Division	9	2	7	3—21

Leading Scorers Second Half (A Section)

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Magnusson,	Winter Street	4	25	7	16	4	57
Baker,	Taylor Street	3	18	13	22	6	49
Esterline,	Small Motor Office	6	18	11	18	11	47
Lauer,	Small Motor Office	6	19	8	16	8	46
Neitzert,	Winter Street	4	17	7	13	7	41
Seiple,	Winter Street	3	17	6	15	2	40
Milholland,	Firemen	4	14	10	19	11	38
Hanic,	Firemen	4	16	2	3	11	32
Arnold,	West Side	4	14	3	9	7	31
Coles,	West Side	4	13	1	4	7	27
Grossnickel,	Taylor Street	2	13	1	4	6	27

Leading Scorers Second Half (B Section)

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Kepler,	General Service	4	22	10	35	7	64
Rowe,	Squares	5	18	2	13	15	38
McNamara,	Squares	6	13	8	17	11	34
Fox,	Taylor Street Test	4	12	6	19	7	30
Gnau,	Messengers	4	11	2	8	3	22
Waldrop,	Tool Division	4	7	6	9	6	20
Hapner,	Messengers	4	8	2	11	15	18
Kissler,	Squares	5	9	0	2	8	18
Conkle,	Taylor Street Test	3	7	3	11	3	17

Introducing The Gals . . .



Lou Fitch



Helen Boedeker

Lou Fitch is another member of our squad to be introduced to the followers of the G-E Club girls' team. She sports a number "7" on the back of her uniform.

Lou played with the Taylor Street team in the inter-division league for part of last season and then graduated to the Club team when they were plagued with injuries.

She is the tallest player on the squad; and for that reason, she sees a lot of action to help control the backboard. She doesn't shoot many set shots from the floor, but she has a good basket eye at the free throw line, and she possesses one of the best averages on the team in this department.

Lou is well known in G-E Club athletics, as she played leftfield with the G-E girls' softball team last season; and in former years, she played with the Local 901. She is employed at the Taylor Street Plant where she is a member of the athletic committee.

Helen Boedeker is last but certainly not least of the players on the girls' team to be introduced to the fans—she is the one who wears number "9." She probably needs no introduction to the followers of girls' basketball here at G-E because she is the real veteran on the team. She has played with the Club team the last two seasons, and in previous years she played with the Elex team.

Helen is not a leading scorer on the team, but is a valuable member because of her experience. She helps considerably when the going gets rough, and some one is needed to calm things down. She is a good ball handler and helps a lot on rebounds. Helen plays her forward position with a lot of enthusiasm, and she also has the second highest free throw shooting percentage on the team. One of her "biggest evenings" of the season was at Kendallville recently; when at a crucial point of an important game, she scored under the basket on a perfectly executed play.

Helen is employed in the Rotor Section of our Taylor Street Plant.

Taylor St. Test (29)	G.	F.	T.	Messengers (22)	G.	F.	T.
R.Roberts	1	1	3	Click	1	0	2
K.Roberts	2	0	4	Hanley	1	0	2
Fox	2	2	6	Rice	1	0	2
Bobllya	2	2	6	Gnau	3	0	6
Conkle	2	2	6	Hoffman	1	0	2
Thieme	2	0	4	Swank	8	0	6
				Hapner	1	0	2
Totals	11	7	29	Totals	11	0	22

Score by quarters:

Taylor Street Test	0	11	14	4—29
Messengers	6	2	6	8—22

Squares (27)	G.	F.	T.	Tool Division (14)	G.	F.	T.
Rowe	3	0	6	Rider	0	0	0
Edgar	1	0	2	Thomas	0	0	0
Jennings	1	1	8	Waldrop	1	1	3
Kissler	2	0	4	Swaim	0	1	1
Hellenthal	0	0	0	Reed	0	2	2
McNamara	5	2	12	Truelove	1	2	4
				Pequignot	1	2	4
Totals	12	3	27	Totals	3	8	14

Score by quarters:

Squares	6	8	8	5—27
Tool Division	1	7	2	4—14

Owl League Bowling

By R. F. Dressel

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 8	20	10
Team No. 4	20	10
Team No. 12	18	12
Team No. 6	18	12
Team No. 3	17	13
Team No. 2	17	13
Team No. 9	16	14
Team No. 7	14	16
Team No. 10	13	17
Team No. 1	11	19
Team No. 6	10	20
Team No. 11	8	22

Results of Bowling

Team No. 2 won 3 games from Team No. 10 by forfeit. Team No. 8 won 3 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 4 won 3 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 6 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 12. Team No. 6 won 2 games from Team No. 1.

200 Games—Stiver 202; Rupp 202; Simerman 204; Strauch 210; Zelt 204.

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Developmental	22	11
Laboratory	20	13
Chargers	20	13
Production	19	14
Tool Room	18	16
Grinders	17	16
Screw Machine	17	16
Turbos	16	17
Receiving	14	19
Firemen	14	19
Office	12	21
Air Corps	9	24

600 Series—Nahrwold, 204, 189, 222—615; Hanson, 224, 194, 188—606; Taylor, 167, 245, 193—605.

200 Games—McNutt 202, 201; Christie 212; Ridenour 211; Brendel 207; Stoicke 205; and Wheaton 200.

Developmental by winning two games remained at the top of the ladder with a full two game lead over the Laboratory and Chargers, both tied for second position.

High scores were prevalent as three bowlers smashed out 600 counts and over seventeen members scored over 500 series. Nahrwold was high with 615 and moved into second position for Individual High Series. Hanson by toppling 606 tied McNutt's 606 of last week and third place in the Individual High Series column. Taylor "busted" out a 605 series and recorded a 245 single which broke his own former high single game record of 235.

G-E Girls Defeat Decatur Girls In Their Last Game

Finish Great Season With Record Of 21 Wins In 23 Games

By Helen Forker

The Fort Wayne G-E Club girls' team won their last game of the regular season last Thursday night when they downed the Decatur G-E by a 35-23 count. This game was played as one of the two feature games staged on a Red Cross Benefit program at Decatur High School. The other game of this double-header was a final league play-off between Kraft Cheese and McMillan of Decatur.

The Decatur girls had been practicing very hard for this game, and they were determined to upset the Fort Wayne gals. The fact that Fort Wayne hadn't played for a week, and Decatur's ability to hit long shots almost spelled upset; and it wasn't until the final period that Fort Wayne pulled away to gain a commanding lead.

The Decatur gals hit four successive long shots to gain a 9-6 lead at the end of the first quarter. "Butch" Whiteleather hit Fort Wayne's only field goal of the first period, and it was Fort Wayne's accuracy at the foul line that kept them in the game. Fort Wayne still trailed nearly all the way through the second quarter until "Tommy" Williams drove in to score three field goals in quick succession and tie the score at 15-all at the end of the half.

The entire third period was a very nip-and-tuck affair, with first one team scoring and then the other. Royer hit a long shot to put Decatur ahead, 17-15; but Jerry Steller tied it right up again. Neither team could hit consistently; and Decatur scored 5 points as the Fort Wayne gals garnered one more to end the quarter with a slim one-point lead of 21-20.

In the final period, the Fort Wayne gals went out and really played a do-or-die game. They tightened their defense up so tight that Decatur scored only 3 points, one field goal and one free throw in the last eight minutes. Meanwhile, Fort Wayne really rolled along with the kind of a world-beater offense that they have used to win so many games this season, pouring in 14 points during the final quarter.

"Butch" Whiteleather and "Tommy" Williams shared the top scoring honors for the Fort Wayne Club with 12 and 10 points respectively. Royer was Decatur's leading scorer with 8 points for the evening.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Decatur	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	1	2	4	Thatcher	2	0	4
Boedeker	1	0	2	Miller	0	0	0
Williams	4	2	10	Royer	3	2	8
Whiteleather	5	2	12	McCoy	0	0	0
Anastutz	0	0	0	Smith	2	0	4
Puff	0	1	1	McLean	2	1	5
Elsenacher	0	0	0	Hoffman	1	0	2
Varner	1	0	2	Bowers	0	0	0
Steller	2	0	4				
Totals	14	7	36	Totals	10	3	23

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

Team Standings

Team	W.	L.
Flying Pins	18	9
Knock Outs	16	11
Pin Hitters	16	11
Whizz Bangs	11	16
Lucky Five	11	16
Head Pins	9	18

Games rolled over 170—Martha Wendel 181; Esther Walda 178; Helen Lassen 176; Betty Thiele 175.

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WILSON PRAISES FINE RECORD OF EMPLOYEES

G-E E. S. C. Bondholders Are Urged To Turn In Proxies

Bondholders of G-E Employees Securities Corporation, who have now received copies of its annual report, with proxies, were urged this week by officials of the Corporation to sign and deliver them at once. A proxy form is attached to each notice of the annual meeting, which will be held in New York City April 11.

With more holders of bonds absent in the armed services this year than ever before, greater care on the part of those still in civilian life in attending to this simple formality is necessary than in the past. A bondholder's proxy should be delivered to his foreman, division head or to his payroll division. In case he wishes to mail it, he may do so by attaching a one-cent stamp.

Suggestors Are Awarded $1,065 For New Ideas

The largest suggestion award for the year 1945 to date was issued recently to Jordan G. Gunkel, Bldg. 26-4, when he received $250.00 for his idea for testing transformer cases by air pressure and submersion in water. Mr. Gunkel's present award is in addition to $50.00 previously awarded.

The $250 award was one of 112 issued in a one-week period during which time a total of $1065 was distributed for the new ideas.

Four other large awards were issued. The first went to Robert L. Kelsey, Bldg. 4-5, who received $50.00 for his suggestion for changes to clamp bolt finish. The second was awarded to Elva J. Irick,

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Annual Report Shows Highest Average Wage In History Of Company; Taxes Up 8%; Personnel Now 38% Women

War equipment and combat apparatus, featured by such revolutionary products as the G-E jet propulsion aircraft engine and the central gunnery control system for the B-29 Superfortress, were produced by the General Electric Company at such a rate as to establish an all-time record volume in 1944, Charles E. Wilson, President, states in the Company's 53rd annual report, made public this week.

Mr. Wilson emphasized that the Company's principal objective of turning out a record quantity of goods and services for war operations had been achieved for the fourth successive year, despite the fact that the record was achieved with approximately two per cent fewer employees, on the average, than were available to the Company in 1943.

The orders received by the Company during 1944, an overwhelming part of which were for war products, totaled $1,609,600,000. This was 18 per cent greater than in the previous year, when the orders totaled $1,360,600,000.

Net sales billed increased 5 per cent totalling $1,353,000,000 in 1944, in comparison to $1,288,400,000 the previous year.

Taxes Total $176,000,000

The net income of the Company for the year was $50,800,000. Of this sum, $40,300,000 was paid in dividends to the 234,732 stockholders. The surplus at the end of year rose to $171,946,146.

General Electric's estimate of federal income and excess profits taxes for the year amounted to $137,500,000, compared with $131,328,000 a year earlier, an increase of 5 per cent. The aggregate amount of all taxes for 1944 was $176,000,000, an increase of 8 per cent over 1943, and the highest tax bill in the Company's history.

Foreign investments, in companies located in enemy or enemy-occupied countries, and in countries

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Five Divisions Continue Perfect Safety Records

Insulation, Kokomo, Miscellaneous, Plastics And Wire Complete Two Months With No Accidents

Five divisions of the Fort Wayne Works, Insulation, Kokomo, Miscellaneous, Plastics, and Wire, have completed the first two months of 1945 with perfect safety records. In addition to these divisions, the month of February was completed without accident by four others, Tool, Distribution, Power Drive, and Refrigeration. The remaining divisions shared the twenty-two lost time accidents recorded during the month of February among them, the distribution being as follows: General Service and Taylor Street, four each; Motor-Generator, Frac-

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Tax Held From Profit Sharing Pay Explained

In accordance with revenue law requirements, income tax will necessarily be withheld from general Profit-Sharing payments to be made on March 30. The extent of the withholding tax deductions will depend on the amount of the individual's profit share, plus the amount of wages received during the week ending March 11, 1945, and, of course, upon the number of his dependents.

It was announced by President Charles E. Wilson recently that the amount to be distributed as general Profit Sharing would be equivalent to the following percentages of regular earnings of participating employees for the year 1944: 1.35 per cent for employees with five or more years of service, that is, those whose continuous service dates are January 2, 1940, or prior; .90 per cent for employees with three or more but less than five years of service, that is, those whose continuous service dates are in the period from January 3, 1940, to January 2, 1942, inclusive; .45 per cent for those with one or more but less than three

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Carver Anniversary Observance Sunday

Plans have been completed for the Carver Club's second birthday observance, which will be held Sunday at the Turner Chapel Methodist Church, Wayne and Francis Streets, at 3 P. M. Speaker for the occasion will be the Rev. H. L. Jones, pastor of Turner Chapel. Also appearing on the program will be the Rev. John Dixie, Pilgrim Baptist Church; John Ridley, Jr., director of Wheatley Social Center; the Rev. George Lucas, Mount Olive Baptist Church; and Irene Meyers, Personnel Division, General Electric Company. Music will be furnished by the Senior Choir of Turner Chapel, under the direc-

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Half Century With General Electric



Recognition for completion of fifty years of service with General Electric was given James H. Rehrer, Bldg. 19-2, at a meeting held on that floor recently, when he was presented with a diamond Quarter-Century Club pin. Presentation of the emblem was made by C. H. Matson, assistant manager. Mr. Rehrer's service dates from March 15, 1895, and he has spent his entire period of service in coil winding.

CASUALTIES

T/5 Donald W. Reaser, Bldg. 22, was killed in action in Germany March 2.

PFC Ralph J. Spade, Decatur, died in Germany, March 4.

Sgt. Robert M. Teeple, Decatur, was recently wounded in Germany.

Lt. Eugene Royer, Bldg. 4-4, has been reported missing over Western Germany since February 23.

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"The Best Defense . . . ."

We tend to let down on safety when fatigue creeps up on us. Before we sense the danger, it has dulled our keen edge. When we are "softened" by fatigue, accidents strike more easily.

But everyone can spot the danger signals in himself. If each morning you come to work feeling more "dragged out" than the day before, it's time to act. Get more rest. Change pace in your free time. Avoid overeating.

This clears your mind and steadies your hand. It wipes out the hazard of over-fatigue. Then you are free to tackle the day's work and come through "all present and accounted for."

Plug The Leak

We all look forward to better products at lower prices after the war. But to make them, manufacturers must find ways to cut expenses.

Costs come down when every person's ability is fully used, when machines work properly, and when the lid is kept on waste.

Everyone can "plug some leak" in his job that has been draining off valuable time or material or effort. Many small improvements like this add up to big savings. Then the product you make, as well as the ones you buy, can sell for less. Everyone's dollar will go farther.

In this way your job improvement helps put quality goods into the hands of more people.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
George R. Miller (3)*	Antwerp, Ohio Coming in on No. 24.	27	Misegades	11:06- 6:54
Leo Gaff (3)*	R. 1, Auburn, Ind. Coming in No. 1 through St. Joe, Spencerville, Cedarville.	27	Baumgartner	3:00-11:48
Ralph T. Martz (3)*†	Convoy, Ohio Coming in on No. 30, No. 49, about 36 miles out.	8-2	Sheets	7:00- 3:30
Harold P. Parker (3)*	Edgerton, Ind. Coming in on No. 14, 23 miles out.	4-2	Lavine	3:30-11:54
Harold Waters (4)*	R. 3, Harris Rd., Ft. Wayne Coming in on No. 30, down Sherman St., 2 miles out.	6-2	Batson	7:00- 3:30
Norma M. Bunzel (4)*†	R. 6, Leesburg Rd., Ft. W. Coming in on Leesburg Road, 6 miles out.	26-1	France	11:00- 7:00
Evertt M. Anderson (3)*†	311 N. Main, Columbia City	26-5	Spitler	7:00- 4:00
John E. Donaghy (2)*	Box 62, Uniondale, Ind. Coming in on No. 1 and No. 224 through Kingsland, Ossian and Waynedale.	26-4	Hartman	3:00-11:48
Daniel Oesch (6)*†	Yoder, R. 1, coming in on 3	27	Bowman	7:00- 3:06

Employees Seeking Rides

Ida Erbe	800 W. Maumee, Angola	12-B	Gebert	7:00- 3:30
Simion A. Bugo	Wolcottville, Indiana Lives northwest of South Milford, near Road 8.	17-2	Wyss	3:00-11:00

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foremen	Hours
Anna Kocher	Roanoke	Deahl	6:48- 3:12
Florence Wysong	No. 3 between Waynedale and Baer Field	Deahl	Second Trick 2:48-10:48

Schedule For Intercity Bus No. One

BLUFFTON TO FORT WAYNE ON STATE ROAD NO. 1

	1st Shift A.M.	2nd Shift P.M.	3rd Shift P.M.
Lv. Bluffton	6:40	2:15	9:40
Lv. Kingsland	6:50	2:24	9:50
Lv. Ossian	6:00	2:30	10:00
Lv. Waynedale	6:16	2:45	10:15
Ar. Broadway G-E	6:30	3:00	10:30
Ar. Wayne Pump	6:34		10:34
Ar. Winter St. G-E	6:36		10:36
Ar. Tokheim	6:38		10:38
Ar. Harvester	6:44		10:44
Ar. Zollners	6:46		10:46
Ar. Magnavox	6:48		10:48
Ar. Inca	6:50		10:50
Lv. Inca	7:05		11:05
Lv. Magnavox	7:07		11:07
Lv. Zollners	7:09		11:09
Lv. Harvester	7:11		11:11
Lv. Tokheim	7:17		11:17
Lv. Winter St. G-E	7:19		11:19
Lv. Wayne Pump	7:20		11:21
Lv. Broadway G-E	7:22	3:20	11:66
Ar. Waynedale	7:35	3:35	12:10
Ar. Ossian	7:45	3:45	12:26
Ar. Kingsland	7:65	3:65	12:30
Ar. Bluffton	8:05	4:05	12:40

TO WIN..OR..NOT TO WIN



The contrasting histories of the battles against waste in the home and in industry are a cause for sobering thought. In the nation's kitchens, cellars and woodsheds a brilliant campaign has been waged by housewives, Boy and Girl Scouts and other patriotic Americans to save the things we used to waste in the easy-going days of peace, and it has paid fine dividends.

In industry, there have been valiant attempts, successful in many places, but the overall showing certainly can be bettered. The ominous fact about careless workmanship is that it is wasteful of a thing which in America is becoming more and more scarce, and that is manpower. And good workmanship has more and more the quality of patriotism as industry strains harder and harder to do its job with dwindling reserves from which to replace inducted workers.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

POULTRY POINTERS FOR MEAL PLANNERS

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Chicken has certainly become the nation's most used and most often preferred food in the face of many food shortages and with steaks practically out of the running.

Because of this, the poultry raisers of the country deserve special praise from the nation's housewives for they have been able to meet our enormous demands for poultry, a demand greater than ever before with housewives depending upon poultry as the featured food at least once a week.

Poultry itself deserves special consideration, too. Make the most of this fine food by avoiding repetitious servings of chicken in the same old way upon every occasion which calls for a large supply of meat on the menu.

When buying poultry it is practical to buy a larger bird than will be needed for one meal, for poultry is one food that can be used in many tasty and attractive left-over dishes—even a little can be stretched into serving another meal by the addition of other foods and sauces.

Menu

Chicken Tetrazzini*
Buttered Carrots · Popovers*
Tossed Green Salad
Baked Apples and Cream
Tea Coffee Milk

*Chicken Tetrazzini

Young chicken. Salt, ¼ lb. fresh mushrooms, 3 tablespoons shortening, ½ lb. Italian spaghetti.

Cream sauce ingredients: 2 tbsp. shortening, 2 tbsp. flour, 2 cups chicken broth, 1 cup cream off top milk, 2 tbsp. sherry.

Cut chicken in four pieces. Cover with boiling water, add salt and simmer until tender. When done cool in broth; then shred into fine pieces putting skin and bones into broth. Bring broth to boiling point and let simmer for 45 minutes. Then remove cover from saucepan and let boil furiously for 10 or 15 minutes to reduce broth to about 2 cupfuls. Thinly slice fresh mushrooms and saute in shortening over moderate heat until soft and brown. Break ½ pound Italian spaghetti into small pieces and cook in large amount of salted water until tender, 15 to 20 minutes. Make cream sauce using shortening and flour, gradually adding hot strained chicken broth (about 2 cupfuls) stirring until smooth and boiling point is reached; then stir in 1 cup of cream and 2 tablespoons of dry sherry wine. Divide sauce, add shredded chicken to one half and cooked spaghetti and mushrooms to other half. Put spaghetti half into a baking dish making a hole in center for shredded chicken mixture. Cover with grated Parmesan cheese and bake in moderate oven until lightly browned, about 10 minutes.

*Popovers

Popover tins or Pyrex cups
Yield 8 Temperature 425°
Time 45-60 minutes

Beat 3 eggs. Add 1 cup milk, ½ tsp. salt, 2 tsp. melted shortening, 1 cup flour. Beat thoroughly about one minute. Pour into well-buttered popover cups and bake. It is not necessary to preheat the cups.

Menu

Chicken with Rice*
Buttered Steamed Onions
Southern Corn Strips*
Carrot Strips
Floating Island with Currant Jelly
Tea Coffee Milk

*Chicken With Rice

1 fryer, cut up, ½ cup oil, 1½ tsp. salt, ⅛ tsp. powdered ginger, 1 clove garlic, ¾ cup rice, 3 cups canned tomatoes.

Fry chicken in oil until golden brown. Place in bottom of casserole with the oil. Sprinkle over it salt and the rice, the latter washed and drained. Bury the clove of garlic in the bottom. Pour over all the tomatoes and bake covered in 350° F. oven until the rice is tender and fluffy, about 1 hour or slightly longer. Remove clove of garlic before serving.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

In England

Dear Editor and Friends:

. . . . After spending a year in Africa it's quite a change to England. But it's a lot better up here so far.

I like the squadron I'm in and there's plenty of work for us fellows all the time, but we don't mind, because we all know it must be done and it's all for a good reason. We over here are hoping the war will be over just as much as you folks back home. Sure will be nice to see good old Fort Wayne again, and soon I hope.

I want to say hello to all my old friends that are still around and to keep up the good work.

Sincerely yours,
C. K. Ladig AMM 2/c

Dorwin Stanley, F 1/c, has been transferred to Melville, R. I.

Second Lt. Donald F. Holle has arrived overseas to join the Jolly Rogers of the Fifth Air Force.

Ens. Robert E. Kearney has been transferred to Boston, Massachusetts.

Milo J. Osbun, S 1/c, ARM has been transferred to Jacksonville, Florida.

Myron R. Phinney, F 1/c, somewhere on active duty, says, "Censorship prevents me from giving much information as to our location and actions, but we are doing our part and I know that those of you back there are doing yours. Keep up the good work, and we will soon be home to help with the post-war production."

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

From India

Dear Editor:

It really has been a long time since I dropped a line to the WORKS NEWS, and I've really travelled since then. At the present time I am in India. We had an interesting trip on the way over, crossing the equator and thereby becoming shellbacks. I'm receiving my editions of the WORKS NEWS and had a number of copies awaiting my arrival when I arrived. I was very glad to see the two letters from fellows I knew very well, Harold Ponsot and Dick Hurst. Somehow it seems as if the news means more when you are out of the country than while at a training base. A number of the fellows who are with me were interested in the articles on the supercharger, and I've passed them around quite a lot. One of the best things in my opinion are the pictures of different departments and their activities that you have been running. I really enjoyed seeing the ones of members of my former department, those on the Plant Protection groups, Police and Fire Dept. It is easy to forget names, but few of us ever forget faces. I'm sure many fellows in service would agree to that. I'd like to say hello to Otto Roehm and Ross Strodel up in Bldg. 19-5, to Johnny Ormiston and his bunch in Bldg. 19-4. And to all the bunch I worked with in Plant Protection, sure would appreciate hearing from any of the employees I worked with—will try to answer all letters. Also like to say hello to Sweet and Hasty in Bldg. 26-4. Well, guess that is it. Will drop you a line later on when we get down to work. . . . Keep up that good G-E production. I've seen plenty of parts and motors that I know have come from our Fort Wayne Plant, and they are really doing the job and holding up.

Best of luck to all,
Robert J. Neale MM 1/c

Sgt. Bob G. Johnson, Bldg. 20-1, a German prisoner of war, has been awarded the Air Medal.

First Lt. Harrison D. Willoughby, Bldg. 27, has been awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal.

S/Sgt. Bruce Boxberger, Bldg. 26-4, who was killed in action over Germany last June 22, was posthumously awarded the Air Medal.

Second Lt. John E. Davenport, Bldg. 4-4, was recently awarded the Air Medal.

From The Mariana's

Dear Editor:

Incidentally since I have left the Hawaiian Islands, I have seen a great deal of G-E equipment being used. And I have seen some of the beating our equipment has taken, but they still manage to work.

I am somewhere in the Mariana Islands. The island is not very large; it is very hot. I wish I were back to the good old ice and snow.

This is a modern war, you know, and we move pretty fast. So notice the heading of my letter, and you will see the change of my APO number. The WORKS NEWS really comes in handy because everyone in my company enjoys reading them. There isn't anything like the good old news from home.

There is a lot I would like to write about, but I cannot. I can say keep up the good work and we will soon be home.

Well, the candle is burning low, so I will have to close.

From,
PFC George Norwood

Out Of The States

Dear Editor:

I have been out of the States for quite some time now. I am still in the infantry and am somewhere in France. Things are looking pretty good over here now, but the Jerries still have a lot of fight in them yet.

We are using a lot of G-E equipment, and it's the best there is. Keep up the good work and this war might end sooner.

. . . . I would like to say hello to the old gang in the Screw Machine section at the Taylor Street Plant.

I think that most of us guys in the service would rather hear more about the older workers than the new ones.

A former worker,
PFC Omer D. Widner

Flight Officer John P. Leiendecker, Bldg. 12-2, has arrived overseas and has been assigned to duty as a co-pilot in a 15th Air Force B-24 Liberator Group.

Robert L. Schuster, S 1/c, Bldg. 18-5, has been assigned to permanent duty at the U. S. Coast Guard Yard at Curtis Bay, Maryland.

S/Sgt. Albert Giordano has been moved to Italy. He was recently awarded the Air Medal with a cluster.

Fighting In Germany

Dear Friends:

It has been a long time since I have written to you all, so I thought I better drop you a line. . . .

Been reading the letters from service men and was very surprised at a certain letter which I read. The sergeant that wrote this particular letter . . . stated that war is safer than walking across a transfer corner. . . . I had about 8 months of this blasted war and none of it was very easy for me. Going through France, Belgium into Germany and then back into Belgium in a lead tank of a task force isn't a very pleasant job. I guess I was just unlucky to get in a staff sergeant's tank. Poking your nose out into enemy territory, not knowing what lies out in front or on either side, makes a guy feel like he is fighting the war alone. . . .

One experience I had was, driving late at night, visibility was nil, almost colliding with an enemy vehicle. We had the good fortune to be more alert, and fired first, thereby living to fight another day. However, front line war isn't too grim always. On a certain run where resistance was stiff two vehicles were sent out to find a crossroad and became temporarily lost. The vehicles stopped to do some foot reconnaissance and found they were in enemy territory. Needless to say they were in a hurry to get out, starting their motors and racing them. A group of 12 to 15 Jerries came rushing out of the woods to surrender.

On many occasions when we have worked with foot soldiers we have seen them walk calmly out into the worst hell that even a movie could think up and keep going toward their objective amid the rain of every type of fire our foes have, going in places which were sure destruction to us in the heavier vehicles and by use of guts more than anything else reaching their objective and more important still, holding them after we have taken them. . . . Don't take this letter wrong. I and my buddies (when I mention my buddies, they read the G-E WORKS NEWS also) are not complaining and do not think ourselves heroes nor does anyone over here think that. We are employed by the U. S. to do a job and are doing our best to complete it and return home again. We realize (I'm writing for myself and my buddies) that we could do nothing without the support of you who are producing the equipment we are using. Keep up the fine work and I am sure we will get together soon and talk this over and probably agree that we are necessary to each other.

Situations here obviously are different than those in the Pacific Theater.

We have had our fun and most cases (except in Germany) have been treated better by the people, even better than our friends and relatives at home. Amid all the sufferings, so much kindness could remain in a human being who had gone through years of oppression and hatred, could open their hearts and homes even to the extent of sleeping in barns so that we could enjoy a night or two of comfortable sleep in a warm house, sharing their small amounts of food with us, sometimes feeling insulted if we refused to eat their last meager bits of food. These people are heroes of this war, they did not have to fight but did; these people were overpowered but they were never beaten and that is why I am sure we are certain to win in time the victory which seems so distant to us now.

I would appreciate very much if you said hello for me to my friends in Bldg. 22. I really miss their faces.

I have not said everything that I intended. I wandered from one thing to another; my letter may not be a masterpiece, but it does express part of my feelings.

This is all for now, so keep those machines going at high speed and I'll be seeing you all soon.

Yours,
Cpl. F. P. Sitko



From The Pacific

Hi, Friends:

. . . . Since I last wrote you I've moved several times and now have been on a total of 8 islands out here. They were about all alike. All they had on them were jungles or Japs and plenty of both at some places. These Philippine Islands are different from the most of the rest. At least the people here appreciate our coming. Another thing, it sure is nice to be able to talk English to them and have them understand it.

In my 20 months out here I've seen quite a lot of G-E equipment and the fellows that use it always have had a good word for it.

In my travels around I've seen quite a bit of excitement such as air-raids, shellings, etc. There have been times that I've hit the fox hole on the double and there have been a lot of times that I've wished that I was back behind that grinder in Bldg. 6-2. I suppose everybody out here has wished they were back some time or other. I think that if our luck keeps up and we don't get let down on the home front that this ought to be over by the latter part of '46. The Germans are almost whipped but the Japs are still on our list to be taught what they should have known at the time of Pearl Harbor.

I've made an advancement in rate since I last wrote you. It is now CM 3/c instead of S 1/c.

As ever,
Garland K. Keister CM 3/c

Cpl. Garnall D. Parkinson, Bldg. 8-1, is taking an orientation course on flying procedure in the European Theater of Operations, prior to beginning combat duty in the air.

A. M. Bailey, AMM 2/c, sends greetings to his friends in Bldgs. 19-5 and 19-4.

How Hot Is The Tip Of Your Cigarette?

Smokers may not realize it, but the lighted end of a cigarette is so hot its temperature is slightly above the melting point of aluminum or magnesium.

Using a thermocouple, made of extremely thin wires 5/1000ths of an inch in diameter, A. H. Young of the General Electric Research Laboratory at Schenectady has found that the lighted cigarette end is between 1200 and 1325 degrees Fahrenheit. A thermocouple is an electrical device that measures temperature.

Despite the proximity of this terrific heat to the lips, no burns result, because fibrous materials containing air spaces—such as the tobacco in a cigarette—are inherently good insulators. Consequently, the temperature drops off very rapidly from the hot end.

SAFETY STANDINGS

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tional HP Motor, Decatur, and Anomalous, three each; and Series and Specialty Motor and Transformer, one each.

The frequency for 1945 to date stands at 6.87 compared with 4.26 for 1944, and the severity to date this year is .412 as compared with .927 for 1944.

The standings of the divisions in the matter of frequency and severity follows:

Division	Freq.	Sev.
Insulation	0.0	0.0
Kokomo	0.0	.06
Miscellaneous	0.0	.07
Plastics	0.0	0.0
Wire	0.0	0.0
Refrigeration	3.27	.09
Fract. HP Motor	3.96	.034
Power Drive	5.27	.18
Transformer	5.34	.05
Series & Sp. Motor	5.79	.08
Motor-Generator	5.95	.05
Decatur	6.22	.18
Taylor Street	7.09	2.42
Tool	8.36	.02
General Service	26.39	.19
Distribution	28.03	.84

CARVER CLUB

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tion of Elwyn Firse. Billie Mae Tate will act as mistress of ceremonies.

Arrangements for the affair are under the direction of the program committee, which consists of Nona White, Bldg, 4-2; Gladys Jones, Bldg. 26-2; Billie Tate, Bldg. 6-2; and Thelma Ridley, Taylor Street Plant.

The public in invited to attend.

When the small boy was asked why he named his dog Ben Hur he answered: "I wanted to name her after Uncle Ben. Then I found out it was not a he so I called it Ben Her."



Suggestion Award Winners



Recent winners of large suggestion awards are pictured above. Top left is Robert Kelsey, Bldg. 4-5, who was awarded $50.00. Top center, Charles J. Garard, Bldg. 4-2, $65.00. Top right, Jordan Gunkel, Bldg. 26-4, $250. Bottom left, Elva J. Irick, Bldg. 26-4, $50.00. Bottom right, Joseph Horstman, Winter Street, $25.00.

SUGGESTIONS

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Bldg. 26-4, for her idea for salvaging distorted mu-metal transformer punchings by straightening and annealing; she also received $50.00. The third award, $35.00, went to True J. Gebhart, Decatur, for a suggestion providing tool holders for machining balance disks. The fourth went to Joseph Horstman, Winter Street, who received $25.00 for his idea for boring smaller holes in altitude test fitting sleeves to provide greater wall thickness.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 19-4

Edgar P. Ort, Louis Stalf, Eliza E. Prine, Clyde L. Boyce, Raymond A. Pickett.

Bldg. 4-3

Arthur W. Lindenberg, Clarence Watterson, Charles E. Clawson, James C. Hoelle, Alva M. Biggs, Helen M. Hageman, Cecil J. Vivian, Harold L. Gick, James C. Gambrell, Betty Boldt.

Bldg. 17-1

Joseph S. Eifrid, George Mosshammer, Howard Eastman, Joe R. Collins, Jr., Herschel S. Foreman.

Bldg. 17-2

Eugene J. Dahman, Charles H. Francies, Arthur Runge and Luther Ogg.

Bldg. 19-2

Walter R. Duhn, G. K. Buchan.

Bldg. 6-4

Mary M. Dvorak, Lourelei N. DePew, William R. Cleland, Fern I. Sage.

Bldg. 4-5

Jo Ann Manes and Leola Hart, Ross E. Fahl, Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Harry B. Sylvester, Frona I. Witsche, John A. Fitzgerald, Ruth J. Leverton, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., Glenn W. Lewis, Alice M. Norris.

Bldg. 2

Julia H. Martin, Virgil Guiff, Laurene L. Gilkey.

Bldg. 4-4

Joseph H. Sallot and Frank Phillips, Louis J. Hinen, Olen Stafford, Harold A. Baehler, Vivian M. Warnock and Nellie Hean Mobberly, Herman F. Hopper, Raymond Tudor, Howard L. Poorman, Leo Zuber, Lela K. Siebert, Rosalie A. Endorf, Eugene E. LaVine, Wilbur H. Poehler, Raymond W. Mosure.

Bldg. 4-2

Howard Barrick, Aaron M. Soellinger, Weldon Stuckey, Jesse E. Stoller, Ann M. White, Virgil J. Bowers, Ida Marie Trenary, Floyd Loraine.

Bldg. 6-2

Friedrich Hofacker, George H. Hahn, Helen E. Forst, Carman R. Grant, Violet O. Renkenbarger, Charlotte M. Moser, Robert C. Johnson, Betty J. Oberlin, Basil K. Bear, Opal Klunck.

Winter Street

Ora A. Bowers, Waldo F. Barkley.

Bldg. 19-1

Charles E. Scott, Rawley D. Jones.

Bldg. 26-1

Kenneth B. Handschy, Lawrence Hosack, Kenneth Magnuson and James Lillich.

Bldg. 26-B

Emery C. Rogers, Frederick T. McKenzie, Owen Allen.

Bldg. 26-3

Virgil B. Buchanan, Charles E. Donahue.

Bldg. 4-1

James A. Johnson, Henry A. Boehring, Noble L. Bade, Robert C. Winkler.

Bldg. 17-3

John P. Mangan.

Kokomo

Clemmie V. Dillman.

Bldg. 19-5

Howard Carlton Taylor.

Bldg. 19

William H. Kaiser, Oscar Marten.

Bldg. 27

Merlin G. Pattee, Donald P. Hess.

Bldg. 26-4

John Freeze, Jr.

Bldg. 4-B

Denis B. McKenzie.

Bldg. 26-2

James Lillich.

EMPLOYEES RECORD

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previously occupied by enemies in the current war, were carried at no value.

Mr. Wilson paid tribute to the effective co-operation between management and labor. "Such co-operation was evidenced not alone by the greater productive efficiency of your company, but also by the steady flow of raw materials and parts received from its suppliers and subcontractors," he said.

Annual Earnings $2,772

It also was pointed out that the average earnings per employee reached an all-time high of $2,772 for the Company in 1944, in comparison to $2,756 the previous year. The Company employed an average number of 167,212 persons in 1944, compared with 171,133 in 1943. Thirty-eight per cent of the Company's employees at the end of 1944 were women.

A total of 50,288 employees of General Electric and its affiliated companies had entered the armed services. Up to date, 678 of them had been reported as dead or missing.

Basic elements in the year's high volume production are inventions and developments achieved by General Electric engineers and scientists, which are leading in their fields everywhere. One of these, previously mentioned, is the G-E Jet engine, the most powerful aircraft propulsion unit in the world. Another is the B-29 central control gunnery system, which has protected unescorted AAF combat crewmen on raids over the Japanese homeland. G-E radio and electronic devices link all branches of the armed services everywhere. G-E propulsion units are giving power to a large percentage of Naval fighting and transport ships. G-E lamps—hundreds of types of them—are in use at fighting fronts and on Navy vessels throughout the world.

Chemical Department Leases New Plant

In a move made to utilize manpower available in important war work, General Electric has leased a building containing 25,000 square feet of floor space in Scranton, Pa., for the manufacture of plastics products used in the Navy construction program, it was announced today by William H. Milton, Jr., Manager of the G-E Plastics Divisions.

Located at 1 Webster Avenue, the building has been rented from the Scranton Industrial Development Company. It is expected the plant will be in production this summer and will employ approximately 125 people, practically all of whom will be recruited in Scranton. That city was chosen because it is in a class four labor area and can supply nearby General Electric plants with plastics parts.

WITHHOLDING TAX

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years service, that is, those whose continuous service dates are in the period from January 3, 1942, to January 3, 1944, inclusive.

For example, an employee with one dependent who has worked for the Company three years and has received regular earnings of $40 per week during each week of 1944, would receive $18.72 as his gross general Profit-Sharing payment, based on regular earnings of $2,080 for 1944. Assuming he was paid $40 during the week ending March 11, his net balance would be figured as follows:

Wages paid during week ending March 11	$40.00
General Profit Sharing Payment	18.72
Total	$58.72
Amount of tax on $58.72— Employee has two exemptions, his own and one dependent	$ 8.00
Tax withheld from wages	4.20
Amount to be withheld from General Profit Sharing Payment $8.00 minus $4.20 or	$ 3.80

Employees must have continuity of service at the time of payment in order to participate. Employees absent due to lack of work, personal illness or authorized leave of absence with continuity of service at the time of payment will receive Profit Sharing; however, such employees will participate in the appropriate service group based upon service to date last worked.

Prisoners Of War

Cpl. Delbert H. Logan, Bldg. 19-4, and PFC Robert Murray, Bldg. 17-2, both of whom were reported missing in action, are now reported as prisoners of war of Germany. Cpl. Logan was missing in France since October 6, and PFC Murray since January 8.

1944 Annual Report Available

A limited number of copies of the 1944 General Electric Annual Report have been received and are available to employees. To obtain a copy the employee should contact his foreman or supervisor.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST
FORT WAYNE

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17-3 Newsies

Good luck to Cloyd Carder in his new job in Bldg. 17-2. We miss you, Cloyd. . . . Glad to have Elda Johnson back from her recent illness. . . . Bernice Freiburger and Faye Bryrc are among those who are ill. We hope to see them back with us soon. . . . LaVerne Goeglein received a beautiful diamond ring in the past week. Congratulations. . . . Vera Gennaitte is back to work after a three months' leave of absence to be with her husband. . . . You can always trust the fellows to think up a new idea of treating on their birthday. Harvey Springer surprised us all by passing candy kisses on his birthday, but later rewarded us with chocolates. The candy was very good. . . . Another birthday greeting goes to Pat Blanton, whose birthday was on Saturday. . . . Joan Benward became a proud auntie. We wish her the best of luck on the new job! . . . To our service men and women all over the world we send our best regards and hopes for their speedy return. Our thoughts and prayers are with them wherever they are.

Is Zat So?

Due to lack of space this column did not appear in last week's NEWS. Glad to hear that so many of you missed it. That's one way of finding out how many read the News Through the Plants section. . . . Now that the basketball season is over we can relax a little and start thinking of baseball. . . . The inspection section is quite proud of their Red Cross banner and the things that it represents. . . . Joe Kramer played host at a party in honor of Bob Mobberly who is home on furlough from the Army. The former co-workers of Bob who attended were: Orville Haver, Frank Quinn, Bill Roberts, Herschel Foreman, Norbert Getz, Cliff Coombs, Jim Stafford, Mike Kramer, Jim Carey, and Ed Brosche. . . . The G-E Club party was enjoyed by all who attended. Jim Johnson and Henry Papenbrock proved to be good sports by participating in one of the acts. They sure made beautiful babies! . . . The paratrooper with all the medals and service ribbons who visited us last week was John Mishler. Johnny was one of the first boys in our section to join the armed forces. We were happy to see him and quite proud of him too. . . . Betty Silknitter, a former co-worker, is now the proud mother of a baby girl. Betty and Diana are in the Methodist Hospital and would welcome all visitors. . . . An addition to our group is Walt Hardiek, who came from Bldg. 4-B. Welcome to our section, Walt, and we hope you like us. . . . Mary Jane Meyer is on the sick list. We wish her a speedy recovery. . . . Margaret McNally is visiting her husband, who is stationed in Missouri. She remembered us with cards last week. . . . Birthday congratulations to Garland Meyers, Ernie Barr, Mel Kestner, Edwin Bueker, Bill Knuth, Mike Kramer, Roy Martin, Weisell Woodward, Bill Fisher, Maurice Rodgers, Levi Brown and Art Leazier.

Fifteen lost time accidents occurred to grinder operators in 1944.

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Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

We are sorry Margaret Rehl's mother is ill. Hope she gets well soon. . . . Have you noticed the men's coat rack has been moved? It sure looks different back there now. . . . We wish to extend our sympathies to Celia Stabler on the death of her husband. . . . Welcome, Jim Ort. Jim is our new compound man taking over for Art, who is molding again. . . . Signs of spring in Plastics: we see more jackets and fewer winter coats; Becky has taken off her heavy boots; nearly every one has spring fever—we hear it's catching, too; Genevieve Aemick has a haircut; and Danny Adams is buying flower seeds. . . . Freada Butler wishes to report the loss of one sandwich. Finder may keep same. . . . Keep smiling—more next week.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Carl Slippy surprised the gang by coming to work smoking a pipe. Well, don't give up, Carl. This shortage can't last forever. . . . Happy birthday to Rosie Anderson and Gladys Macon. Here's hoping you have many more. . . . Charlotte Drake is really going all out for knitting these days. Right now she's working on a bonnet for her granddaughter. . . . Bettie Babcock practically fell over her chair while rushing for the candy lady the other day. Sorry we laughed, but it did look so comical. . . . Violet Longardner is another gal who can really work, and we're not kidding!

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Louise Stephenson has taken to reading detective stories. She says one she's reading now is so good she can hardly lay the book down a minute. . . . Ever eat raw potatoes? Neither had Bob Karasek or Donne Morrison till Wayne Pribble introduced them to the delicacy. Seems they have a yen for them now. . . . We extend our sympathy to Clarence Lallow, whose brother-in-law passed away. . . . The gal with a sparkler on her third finger, left hand is Betty Beaman. She's all excited and no wonder. . . . Wish Irene Bultemeier would hurry back. We miss her. Flu bug has her. . . . Bob Hannum, formerly with us and now at the Indianapolis office, paid a visit to Fort Wayne last Saturday. We're always glad to see Bob. Honestly, the boy has more pep than any one else you can imagine.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

James Shaw has left us to join the Coast Guard. Wish you the best of luck, Jim. . . . Can you imagine Rhoda Rittenhouse without a "yoo-hoo?"—Lamont Buckmaster going in for opera?—Thelma Kraick not having "pep" spelled with capital letters? . . . Famous sayings: Kathleen Lakey, "Do tell." . . . Have you noticed: Helen Vogelsong laugh? Byron Young's increasing waistline—better watch the eats on second, Byron. . . . Spring is just around the corner and summer is next door. Fall follows next with winter next, and it's only 283 days till Christmas.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We have Nora Dudgeon back with us today. Sure glad to see you back, Nora. . . . No, there wasn't any accident on Fairfield Avenue the other night. It was just a traffic tie-up. Helen White was riding her bicycle and dropped her purse in the middle of the street. No, Helen, you don't find gentlemen in the middle of the street picking up purses. . . . When they were talking about the ball game between Broad Ripple and Bosse, Jean Firks asked what they were talking about, ice cream? . . . Nioma Eicher, we want you to know it's not the Fourth of July yet. . . . Gloria Racht had the surprise of her life when she was dreaming of and writing to her husband the other night, and who walked in but her very own husband, Richard, S 2/c. Dick is now up at Great Lakes Naval Training Station. . . . We all wish Lillian Mallo many more happy birthdays.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Veva Healy received word from the War Department that her son Mike is recovering nicely from wounds received in the European Theatre of War. We're all wishing him a speedy recovery along with you, Veva. . . . We wonder if Evelyn Triplett has got spring fever, because she went to the cafeteria the other day with two different kinds of shoes on. . . . Ruth Tutwiler received a picture of her nephew who is stationed in the Pacific Area. Boy, girls, what a man!! . . . Hazel Stauffer spent two days last week with her mother near Indianapolis. . . . Lee Fish received a letter finally from her husband after many weeks of waiting. Seems good to see you smile again, Lee. . . . Dick Beltz, a former employee, is home on a furlough visiting his wife, Mary Ellen. . . . We do believe spring is here, as Hazel Herron decided the other day that the melted snow would make an ideal swimming pool. Hazel dived in head first and came up with a skinned forehead and nose. Poor Hazel.

SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon! A name doesna' need a Mc in front o' it tae be Scotch—but I always thought it helps. Take the grand auld name o' Welch, for instance. Thot's as Scotch as a bagpipe—but not as windy, I hope. At least, I know three McWelch's—Welch's, I mean—thot are not.

It is a lucky division thot has three Scotsmen, let alone three wi' the same name.

First, there's Engineer Welch. He has helped bring the cost o' washing-machine motors down from a figure thot would buy a whole washing machine just before the war, to the price o' a cheap hat.

Second, there's Production Man Welch. They say he's very Scotch, too. He works his production to a very TIGHT schedule.

Then there's Inspector Welch—not o' Scotland Yard—but o' Bldg. 4 in the east yard. Noo, here's what I want tae tell ye about him, tae show thot being Scotch helps even an Inspector. There was a certain small motor thot was causing a lot o' annoyance at Erie, where it is being used. The trouble was in an oil pipe. Inspector Welch studied the situation on the motor itself, then studied the facts about its life and habits, after it is installed.

Naturally, his Scotch decision not only stopped the trouble, but saved money besides. He merely eliminated the oil pipe. Just think o' this—thousands o' these motors per year—wi' a saving on each motor equal tae ½ package o' cigarettes!

And I mean regular cigarettes, at regular prices, too. Think o' how much thot hot idea will mean in cold cash!

And speaking o' cigarettes reminds me o' Uncle Angus. "Sandy," he said, "I hai solved me cigarette problem."

"Ye haven't quit smoking?" I asked.

"No," he answered, "but ye remember the King size I used tae smoke. Weel, now I get the regular size and cut them in two. So, now, instead o' 20 King size, I have 40 o' what I call the Dictator size."

Spot Jottings
Bldg. 19-4

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Meeks of north of Bluffton announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Evelyn to Carl D. Kolbe, of Atlantic City, N. J., at a party given Sunday afternoon at their home on the Bluffton Road. The best of luck from all of us, and may all your married life be full of blessings. . . . Have your Easter dry cleaning done early by the Berry method. Spot removing a specialty with a sharp razor blade. . . . Olka Johnston, who has been a member of the Bldgs. 19-4 and 26-4 gang, has moved to Bldg. 17. Good luck, "Okie," and may you enjoy your new home.

A telephone operator was having a tooth extracted. She didn't think the dentist had made the tooth numb enough. What did she say?

"Number, please!"

G-E Club Spring Review Entertains Hundreds



Hundreds of G-E employees and members of their families were entertained by the program of the G-E Club Spring Review, annual variety show put on by the club for its members. Representative of the many interesting acts are the scenes shown above.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

The spring weather of the past few days has been just too much for Walter (Little Abner) Braun. After a few hours of the warm breeze, "Walt" had to take off his shoes and stroll about the office barefooted. . . . Ray Kierspe is stumped. Yes, a large stump in his yard has given Ray a lot of worry. After several evenings of chopping and digging, and finally a mighty pull with his car with no results, Ray had to admit the stump had him "stumped." . . . This seems to be the week of birthdays in Bldg. 8-2 office. They are: Loretta Gerardot, March 13, Al Hambrock, March 18, Bill Galloway, March 20, and Ray Kierspe, March 25. Congratulations, everybody. . . . Will someone please bring a big soft cushion to the inspection room in Bldg. 8-1, and place it beside Virgil Summers' chair so the next time he descends from his chair to the floor he may have a soft and happy landing? . . . We want to wish the best of luck to Bill Galloway, of our Production Section, who is leaving the Company this week. We are sorry to see you go, Bill, and we'll miss you.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

There are three Annette Kellerman's in the embryo now taking swimming lessons at the YW. They are Betty Kyvik, Marjorie Pressler, and Virginia Linvill. They are taking their elementary course at the Y pool so that they will not be hampered by amateur fish that are usually found loafing in nearby lakes and rivers. . . . Last Wednesday noon the members of our customary exponents of the culinary art enjoyed a potluck dinner in the conference corner. Each brought something cooked or prepared by themselves and the corner druggist reported to us that he sold four pounds of bicarbonate of soda that afternoon at 5 o'clock. Lest we forget, the survivors were Bonnie Swihart, Marjorie Meyers, Margaret Lissner, Sadie Isaac, Kathryn Lahrman, and Jeannie McNeal.

Notice

The Employees' Store will be closed all day Monday, April 2, for Quarterly Inventory.

H. R. Shepherd
Bldg. 10-2

Dispatchers Meet

At the regular monthly meeting of the Dispatchers Club on March 13, plans were made for an expansion program for the organization, including a membership drive. Walter Doehrman, president, announced that the next regular meeting of the club on April 10 will be "guest night." Following the business session, the group saw motion pictures from Baer Field, showing the part the Air Forces are playing in the present war.

Approximately 50% of all minor injuries occurred to the fingers.

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

The business manager of the Aeolian Choir is a very busy man these evenings. Many requests to give recitals have been received. Anyone desiring a booking for this season (up to June) or next season may contact Phillip Dolby, Plant No. 2. . . . Virginia Brough Girod has left to get her new household in order. The first day at home she was making her husband's favorite—baked beans—in her pretty new wedding-present casserole when the oven moved over (this is her story) and burned her arm. Virginia's husband recently received a medical discharge from Army service after seeing overseas duty for many months. . . . Erna Gallmeyer was given a pleasant birthday surprise when she received a bouquet of red and white carnations. . . . War Wives of Geneva recently presented a play and musical program. Those from here who attended were: Mary Miller, Opal McCoy, Nondus Snyder, Mina Lampy, Betty and Donna Midaugh. Later they went to the home of Gladys Stahley. . . . All the Irish and would-be Irish were observing "the wearing of the green" last St. Patrick's Day. . . . Betty Fosnaugh has left the service of the Company. . . . Pvt. Frances Kraner WAC is home on furlough from Camp Carson, Colo., and after her furlough will report to a camp in Texas. She just missed seeing her sister Elmira who left for training at a camp in Georgia. . . . Dorothy Schnepf was a happy girl last week when she answered the phone and heard her brother Bill's voice saying that he would arrive home the next evening. Bill is in the Army Air Forces and had been overseas since August, 1942. . . . Our second shift dispatcher, Al Windmiller, received word that his son, Lt. Floyd Windmiller, has been wounded on Iwo Jima. He received a piece of shrapnel in his leg. . . . According to Dorothy Hurless her husband is now in France. Glenn was an employee before going into service. . . . Lafe Swygart takes this medium of thanking his many friends for their get-well cards and their thoughtfulness during his time of illness. . . . Our error in omitting last week about Joan Oliver basking in the sunshine over the week-end at Jean Augsburger's home near Redkey. . . . It is getting to be rather a repetition of events with the Skirt and Slack bowling league as Norma Bower again soloed into the jackpot last Wed. for a score of 169. Some of the other young ladies also pack a mean sphere as Jo Voglewede rolled 149 and Bert Stump was up there too. One of the features of the game is the airplane antics Virginia Dellinger goes through to keep from sliding over the foul line. Watch out, Virginia, for a crash landing. . . . Blondie Fruechte would bowl a better score if she could keep her mind on the bowling. In the lightweight division Jean Augsburger rolled 117 and 118 while Ethelyn Burnett snagged a 125. Jean, who partnered with Norma, also shared in the prize money. A little more coaching and this league would be eligible for the Brunswick matches. Rosemary Miller says at least she is consistent as she bowled 122 two consecutive games. . . . The aptitude of her comprehension wasn't sufficient for Dot Stalter the other morning when she endeavored to teach Jean her new style of setting up exercises; in fact they were too much for her. Period. . . . Phyllis Everett is off to Florida to join her husband, recently returned from overseas. . . . Those "Italiano pusketti" dishes that Blondie Fruechte cooks up and that "Manilla I Scream" would put an ordinary chef to shame. . . . Vilas Bollinger really puts up nice sandwiches to bring to work—if he would only bring them along to work. . . . Erna Gallmeyer, who has spent all her life on a farm, just found out how to plant potatoes. . . . It takes a woman to shop all day in Fort Wayne for an Easter outfit and then come home with just a hat. Who was she? . . . Herman Keller is home on a 30-day leave. (Ed. note—Please bear with the writer of this column; I am pinch hitting until your favorite editor returns.) . . . Advice to Jake Keller and all shavers—You are hereby advised to shave only after 10 hours of restful slumber. This article is in the interest of conserving bandages.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of employee Edward Reppert who died suddenly last Sunday, and to Raymen Johnston, whose brother Dick was killed on the Western Front.

Another Gold Star is mounted on our "Men in Service" plaque. This time it's Ralph Spade. Ralph started with the G-E Company in 1929 and left for the army in 1942. Last week's WORKS NEWS reported that PFC Spade had written he enjoyed news of home.

Spade and the rest of our boys are dealing in sudden death. That's an old statement, but it seems too many of us keep forgetting it. We buy War Bonds—sure we do—and then cash them as soon as the government allows us to. We write V-mail letters frequently—sure we do—then we crab and cry over rationing of meat, of shoes, of gas. We can't buy cigarettes—we can't drink or play after midnight—this is tripe to a man in a fox hole that's half full of water below and clear full of bullets above. Don't you think it's time we took a self-inventory of what we personally are actually doing to bring this war to an end (and "wishing it were over" does not count)? If we are found wanting, then let's really get in there and pitch.

The Annual Snake Chasers Convention was held Saturday March 10, at the famous Moser Snaketorium located in Wren, Ohio. This Convention was held in honor of the G-E Girls Basketball Team. On the stroke of twelve a super lunch of chop suey, olives, cookies and coffee was served. Those wishing second helpings had to serve themselves. Dancing by candlelight continued until the 2 o'clock adjournment was forced on most guests. Those attending were: Vi Smith, Lillian Royer, Marcile Jones, Rosalie Thatcher, Opal McCoy, Nondus Snyder, Betty Bower, Alice Sheets, Ethel Miller, Kathryn Hoffman, Jean McLean, Verna Sprunger, Eddyth Reusser, Marcia Martin, Evelyn Wolf, Von Arnold, Bob Drake, Leo Hoffman and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Moser and daughters.

"So What!"



says Paul Snyder, secretary of the Safety Committee at Winter Street, Refrigeration Division—"JUST BECAUSE WE HAD A POOR SAFETY RECORD LAST YEAR IS NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD HAVE A SIMILAR EXPERIENCE THIS YEAR!"

The big difference in the height of the two pyramids in the above picture is evidence that Refrigeration employees are out to prove the truth of this statement. The Works Safety Committee presents Meritorious Safety Performance Certificates to a division improving their safety record 50% over the previous year—you will agree—THE REFRIGERATION DIVISION LOOK LIKE "WINNERS" FOR 1945.

The 1945 Safety Committee for the Refrigeration Division is as follows: Everett Thurber, Chairman; Earnest Eber, Ray Ruegamer, Jeanette Schuckel, Everett Kelley, Zed Wiest, Helen Dammeyer, Gustave Doepke, Melvin Blomenberg, Edward Gerdom, Ed Bireley, Arnold Werling, Earnest Gilbert, Dorris Proxmire, Ethel Birt, Ellen Bond, Arthur Breiner, Thomas Daugherty, Henry Luedeke, Alvy Place, Maurice Allen, Oliver Sawdon, Henry Gebhard, Fred Ahlersmeyer, Walter Smith, Howard Shay, Grover Bisel, Elmer Jones, John Bowers, Robert Lichty.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Hi-Nites In 17-1

It won't be long until Norbert Meyer will break out in vivid golf socks. . . . Notice the new ties Walt Hall's sporting lately? . . . The "Beau Brummel" of Bldg. 17-1 is in the army now. Of course we mean L. Runyan. . . . You know, spring comes but once a year and here it is. . . . Hoy Bastian is wearing a broad smile over the arrival of a wee granddaughter, Nancy Jane, at the M. E. Hospital. . . . What's wrong, Ernie Lawyer? Haven't seen you with a bandage for quite some time. . . . Spring must be here for the bond room peeled off the outer shell this week. . . . Plenty of "green shamrock" was in evidence on St. Patrick's Day March 17. . . . Dave Risser is away from Bldg 17-1 for the past week. . . . Any one wanting to see a permanent wave, just take a look at Buchanan's hair. Aren't we girls envious? . . . In the spring a young man's fancy—you know, so now Dorothy Haver and Don were married. Good luck to both of you. . . . We extend our sympathy to Paul Reppert on the death of his father. . . . Tell you more next week at the same time and same station, Bldg. 17-1.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Eileen Bubb is recuperating nicely at the St. Joseph Hospital from her operation. . . . Hank Kulesza left Saturday for the Veteran's hospital in Indianapolis. . . . Now for our romance department —may we congratulate Ginny Miller on her engagement to S/Sgt Eugene Goeglein, stationed at Bowman Field, Ky. . . . Another big news item this week is the birthday parties for Rosie Broxon and Marene Hendricks. They both received beautiful birthday gifts, and also birthday cakes. . . . Shore'n be gorrie, it was old St. Patrick's Day, and time for the wearin'-o-the-green. Sherm Welch added a touch of sweetness in the form of big (?) round, bright, green suckers. Top honors go to Alice Hoffman for the biggest green hair ribbon—in fact, it was so big she split with Harriet Weber only to find she didn't have enough left for herself. . . . Let's all welcome another newcomer. This time it's Martha Vergon.

—Pat and Mike.

26-5 TOOL BITS

"Patrick" Duhamell, the shorty of the drill presses, ran short of gas on the way to work. Undaunted, Pat threw out his arm, flagged an oncoming bus, and his passengers and all arrived unruffled at work. . . . We see, by the sudden flash, that Robert Grogg has on those loud trousers again. He gets nerve enough to wear them every four or five weeks. . . . Since cold and ice have finally forsaken Bernie Byanski, his wife can look forward to her spring housecleaning. All of those promises that Bernie made in getting to go fishing are going to keep him busy for some time . . . Cletus "Lee" Schnepp, F. 1/c, "genial Schneppy" of Milling Machine Group as some of us remember him the best, was our most recent visitor on short leave from Uncle Sam's Navy and had the honor of being on convoy part of the way for our representatives to the meeting at Yalta.

Application For Scholarships Must Be Filed By May 1

W. W. Trench, chairman of the Education Committee, has just announced that Frank T. Sherman, son of Harry M. Sherman of East Orange, N. J., has been selected for the Richard H. Rice Memorial Scholarship at Stevens Institute of Technology.

The Rice Scholarship is available about every two years to an employee or a son of an employee of the Company. Harry M. Sherman has been employed by General Electric since 1918 and is now in the Distribution Divisions of the Apparatus Department, Bloomfield Works.

Four other G-E scholarship winners are now attending Union College in Schenectady on Steinmetz scholarships. All five hope to work for G-E after graduation. Believing that a great need for educational aid existed, G-E as early as 1924 began to set up scholarships and loan funds. These now include the Rice and Steinmetz scholarships, the G-E Employees' Education Plan and administrative assistance on the Gerard Swope Loan Fund.

The Richard H. Rice Scholarships were established as a memorial to a former Manager of the Lynn Works, while the Steinmetz Memorial Scholarships honor the memory of Charles P. Steinmetz, late great G-E scientist.

Some grants apply to a particular school, others are for any accredited college. Eligible are any sons of employees or young men who have worked for G-E at least a year. Selections are made on the basis of character, personality, leadership, and scholastic standing and during the war are made on a term-to-term basis.

One or more of the Steinmetz Scholarships are available this year, and the Gerard Swope Loan Fund and G-E Employees Education Plan are open for applications. Application blanks may be procured from A. D. Marshall, Secretary of the Education Committee, Room 704, Bldg. 2, Schenectady. Complete applications must be in Mr. Marshall's hands by May 1.

New Members Of Quarter-Century Organization



Fourteen additional employees of the Fort Wayne Works have become eligible for membership in the local chapter of the Quarter-Century Club. They are, left to right, top row, Cecil Rose, Bldg. 19-5; Otto Proehl, Bldg. 17-4; Glenn Thomas, Bldg. 19-5; R. E. Mungovan, Bldg. 31-2; Francis Voirol, Bldg. 19-5; Cliff Witham, Bldg. 6-4; and Vernon Sturm, Winter Street. Bottom row, Alva Place, Winter Street; Harry Kessler Bldg. 17-1; Arthur Bobay, Bldg. 19-4; Fred Vachon, Bldg. 27; Ralph Ditton, Bldg. 4-6; Alfred Coxon, Bldg. 26-2; and Roscoe Platt, Bldg. 26-5. The membership of the organization is composed of G-E employees with twenty-five or more years of service.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello everyone, now to check on the events of the past couple of weeks. . . . Let's take a look at this Commercial Gang. Del Roloff and Joe Coughlin had a little trip last week. The joy they greeted this trip with, might indicate they were glad to get away from it all. . . . Chuck Graham is actually getting offers of tents now. He is really interested in a house, you know—a roof, walls and a floor to make a home for Chuck, the wife and two babies. . . . Of course, Joe Coughlin says he doesn't think—now—he'll ever smoke again. Wonder why he is collecting cigarettes—for his friends, no doubt. . . . We know spring is here when a dignified man like Harold Pritchard says he would like to take his golf clubs for a walk. Some walk! . . . James "Hutch" Hutcheson is our photogenic associate, his picture having graced the WORKS NEWS last week. He is also the bright boy with the ideas that pay off well. . . . Del Roloff, you know, the man who likes gay suits. Well, the other evening when dressing for the office party, he put on a dark blue suit. His daughter Sandra, noticing the sudden change, claimed he looked like a minister. . . . Don't think the engineers don't play a rough and ready game of basketball. Proof—Bob Rowe plus one broken nose. So sorry, Bob. . . . Dick Herrod is clever. He manages to get his car pushed all over town and then imagine his surprise when he discovered he didn't have any gas. . . . Now "Snuffy" Smith is about to move into a new home. Do you suppose his new neighbors know about the fliver he owns and hopes to drive. Someday, that is, for—quote, "it requires a drastic revision of design,"—end quote. . . . Joanne Worman—Alias "Mournful Joe." The reason, she has decided swimming can't be learned in one easy lesson. . . . Rosanna Weston celebrated a birthday this past week with flowers and parties. Belated congratulations, Rosanna. . . . Marjorie Hart is planning to leave us soon to become a homebody. Her husband has been honorably discharged from the army and is due home soon. . . . John Bastian is the father of a girl, Nancy Jane, born Friday, March 16. Best wishes to the Bastian family. . . . I have a guest editor this week who will report the following: Had rugs adorned the Squares Club Rooms last Saturday night, they most certainly would have been sliced to ribbons. The 'Gators and Cats were solidly sent by Woody Neff and orchestra who played for the Old Clothes Dance sponsored by the Squares and Test Men. Clarence Burke and Chuck Graham were co-chairmen again, and they repeated their success of last year. Putting aside their condensers for a cadenza, our engineers were represented by Warner Wintrode, Tom Short, Morrie Robertson, Wes Brooks, and Aaron Krakower. Commercially speaking we found Mary Ellen May, Johnny Carr, Andy O'Dwyer, Joe Coughlin and our co-chairmen, tripping the light fantastic, that is until the curfew. All had had their fill of fun and frolic, and so ended another successful Squares Dance.

J. P. C.

A junk shop near a railroad crossing in Denver carries a sign with this hint to motorists:

Go Ahead: Take a Chance
We'll Buy the Car

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The Victor Hileman's, Bldg. 18-4, have a brand new tax exemption, born on March 15 too. The particulars are: baby girl—to be named Sylvia—weight 9 pounds—mother and daughter doing fine. Vic's chest has expanded three inches ever since the baby was born. Congratulations, Vic. . . . Lucile Zimmerman, Bldg. 18-4, celebrated her birthday last week. Anyone who has any clues to the "mystery" package Lucile received, she will be glad to follow them up. Incidentally, Lucile's birthday is March 15 also. How can you celebrate on that date???? . . . Jeanette Van Buskirk, Bldg. 18-4, rates a "happy birthday" this week also. The weatherman called to apologize for the rain on her birthday, said there was a slight mix-up in the schedule of the clouds. . . . Questions have been asked regarding the new girl who showed up Monday morning. Confidentially, it was Maxine Morrison, Bldg. 18-4, with a new hair-do. A very stunning hair-do, Max! . . . E. E. Miles made history in Bldg. 18-4 with his St. Patrick's Day tie. If you didn't see it, mark the day on your calendar and be sure to see it next year. Sorry, no description would do credit to it. . . . Martha Meeker, Telegraph Dept., really wears comfortable hats, which is rare in a woman these days. In fact her hats are so comfortable she forgets to take them off before starting to work. Tsk, tsk, how forgetful!! . . . Sa—wish!!! Carl Floering, Bldg. 18-3, almost fell off his chair. . . . Flash!!! We're sorry to report that Adolph Shilling recently had an appendicitis operation, but we're mighty happy to report that he is now convalescing at his home. Here's wishing you a speedy recovery, Adolph. . . . We're also glad to report that Helen Karnap, Employment office, recently left the hospital and here's wishing her a speedy recovery too. . . . Dorothy Kinneman, Bldg. 18-3, could be seen wearing a 4 leaf shamrock on St. Patrick's Day. She says it was for good-luck too. . . . Who is Estel Sewell's Bldg. 17-3, new friend? Yes, a dog followed Estel all the way to her desk. . . . Wedding bells rang last Saturday for Dorothy Frosch Gerig, Bldg. 17-3, who was married to Cpl. Glen Gerig. Congratulations and best wishes to both of you. . . . From all reports Letha Knoelke, Bldg. 18-3, really enjoyed last week-end at Indianapolis. . . . Looks like spring is here to stay after looking at Forrest Leighty's bright new tie. Really, Forrest that is a nice looking tie. . . . Eileen Wolf, Bldg. 18-5, also recently celebrated her birthday. Most of her gifts were charms for her bracelet. . . . The cigarette shortage is really tough when Joe Fagan, Bldg. 18-5, resorts to a cigar. From all appearances, he didn't seem to enjoy it. . . . Erma Lagemann, Bldg. 18-5, would be thankful for any suggestions as to how hold her specs together. It's a good thing that she isn't blind without them, 'cause they fall apart more times. . . . Have you ever seen "Gert" Goeglein, Bldg. 18-5, mopping up the section. She's quite the little housekeeper.

Do you think, "An eye accident couldn't happen to me!" 80,000 people in this country—now blind in one or both eyes as a result of industrial accidents—thought the same thing. Guard your vision—wear your safety goggles!

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Yes, we're still alive over here in Bldg. 31, although you haven't heard much out of us. We're going to start this year out right (a little late, though), and keep you informed on all of our happenings. . . . We all miss Senn Ruse, who quit and has gone to work in Huntington. Best of luck to him. . . . Welcome to Bill Shuherk who has taken his place. We hope he likes us. . . . Why is Frieda Winter all smiles? Could it be that her fiance has an honorable discharge from the Army? When's the wedding to be, Fritzie? . . . Everyone here is proud of our new ventilating system which is now being installed. While others swelter this summer we'll all be calm, cool, and collected(?) . . . Everyone has just about recuperated from the big farewell party held February 2[illegible] at the Chamber of Commerce Hall for A. J. Kaufman, our former supervisor. A chicken dinner was enjoyed by all, after which Mr. Kaufman was presented with some lovely gifts. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing and other varied amusements. We also wish Al Kaufman success in his new position at the Bloomfield Works. . . . It was discovered at our party that Ray Woebbeking is a "pianist." Funny how "hidden talents" come out at parties. . . . Speaking of "the wearing of the green," Bert Bolyard and Bill Kaiser certainly did, only it was on March 14. Get your dates mixed. For shame, Bert, and you a true "son of Ireland". . . . We now have one of the original Taylor Street "Andrews Sisters" in our midst—namely Max Miller, from Taylor Street . . .

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Tool Room

We sympathize and also get a laugh from Glenn Schmidt's case of mumps—tsk, tsk, and at his age too—what is it Glenn, second childhood? Hope you're better soon. . . . Lloyd Fluke (the armchair coach) has pushed his alma mater into the finals of our Indiana Basketball. Huntington, rah, rah, Huntington. At this writing we don't know the results but he's really trying. . . . By this time Gerald Johnson will know whether he is one of Uncle Sam's favorite nephews. He went for his service exam yesterday. Wish you well, Mr. . . . We wish to express deepest sympathy to Loren Pollock, whose father died March 10. . . . Elmer Teiman was really hot on the alleys the other night. One game was up to 120 and he ended with a 323 score. Does any one want to take lessons from him? . . . Edith Spencer is back after a couple of weeks in the country. We think the life of a milkmaid agreed with her from the roses in her cheeks. . . . Paul Winkleman, formerly of the heat treat now in the lab, is the proud papa of an 8¾ lb. baby girl. It arrived at the St. Joseph Hospital, March 16 at 7:00 A.M. It seems Paul is doing all right as he was back to work Saturday. P.S. Mrs. Winkleman and baby are fine too.

Nozzle Box

We were sorry to see George Fellers of the Air Inspection leave us. Best of luck to you, George. . . . Fred Thompson came in wearing that pretty green shirt that he packs away for Shamrock Day. . . . Alma Keller's brother-in-law returned home after being overseas for quite some time. He is the brother of Sam Keller of the Rotor Section. He is to enjoy a 21-day furlough and then return to Miami. . . . The girls and fellows of the Nozzlebox Section celebrated March 17 by wearing their green shirts, shamrocks, ribbons, and hats. It was quite a day for them. . . . Cleo Dicks' daughter had an operation a couple of weeks ago. We are glad to hear that she is coming along O.K. . . . Kattas A. Kattas' son, Al Kattas, is home on furlough. Al has been serving overseas. . . . Glen Schwartz had a birthday March 2. . . . Fred Thompson returned to work this week after an illness. . . . Katie Scofield has certainly been enjoying her steaks lately. . . . Virginia Akey had her tonsils out and is getting along fairly well. . . . Mary Bowman and Eloise Leasiure are going to clean house next week. . . . When asked if he had any news for the paper, Bob Baker said, "No, I'm a dummy. I don't know nothing." Of course, he's only kidding. . . . We are sorry to hear Mary Bubb's daughter is in the hospital. She is recovering from a major operation. . . . Tena Dondero celebrated her birthday last week. We wish you many more "Happy Birthdays."

Test

Thanks for the candy bars, newly Mrs. Metzer—congratulations from all the gang. . . . Mary Baker lives basketball. Don't be surprised if she comes to work with her basketball suit on.

Made G-E Jet Engines For Fastest Plane



Production of parts for the G-E Jet, most powerful aircraft engine in the world, is being carried on at top speed in this General Electric works at Lynn, Mass. The view above shows a small section of the River Works plant, where elements for the jet engines and for turbosuperchargers are made for the AAF. The turbos make it possible for AAF planes of conventional type to function effectively at high altitudes. The G-E Jet, which was designed and developed in this plant, powers the Lockheed P-80 fighter, fastest plane in the air today.

Punch Press

Don't you think you are rushing the season a least bit, June? After all it is a little early to start wearing white shoes. . . . George Ayers is on his vacation this week. Hope you are having a good time, George. . . . Oh yes, don't forget to call on Bea Douglas, our blonde office girl. She is still at the St. Joseph Hospital and would love to see all of our faces from the section again. She misses all of us. Cheer up, Bea, you will soon be with us again.

Rotor

The Irish sure had their day last Saturday in the Bucket Section. They were wearing everything from green ribbons to green paper hats. . . . Welcome, Mary Johns, to the bucket assembly group. . . . We're glad to see Mary Stahl back on the job. Mary has been with her husband in Missouri. . . . Farewell to Dorothy Masterson. Dorothy has left us due to ill health. . . . Also Wilma Hefty has decided to become a farmer this year. . . . On this week's sick list are Phyllis Chaney, Helen Fouse, Carl Thieme, Virginia Hirschbiel, Eric Hellwig, Johnny Mongona, and Edith Miller. Hurry back, gang. . . . We welcome Loren Farlow to wheel assembly and Virginia Buesching to the shaft line. . . . Emily Griffith is happy to have her M.P. husband back in the States after being stationed in France. . . . Betty Lotti's brother is also back in the States after being in France for some time. . . . Welcome, Stella Deventer to the Rotor from the Impeller Section. Hope you like the new job. . . . Vacationing this week is Arno Phegley. Hope you had a nice visit home, Arno. . . . Happy birthday to Dick Madden. Dick was presented with a box filled with cigarettes, candy, gum, etc. To say he was surprised at the contents would be putting it mildly. . . . We've noticed Alberta Luegring has gained some weight, but we didn't think she was to the point where she'd break the chairs down. Better start reducing, Alberta.

Screw Machine

Velma Richards, from all the cards she has sent back, is having a lovely time in Florida and is now going to Miami. . . . Bill Diss is back on the job after a trip to New Mexico to visit his son, who is in the Army. Glad to have you back, Bill. . . . Phyllis Ferrell and Cletus Markley are both having their vacations this week. I understand they are both working at home, but we wish them the job of accomplishment, at least, and will be glad to see them back. . . . It is rumored that Pat Woodcock is becoming quite skillful in the making of candy for overseas. . . . Spring is here. Clara Baumgartner came out with a new spring suit on. . . . Elinor Laux is working in the Forge Shop for two weeks. . . . Don't forget the Fireman's Ball on April 7. Get your tickets now. . . . Cleo Crowe thinks he is an auto mechanic. He thinks so, but his back doesn't. . . . Wayne Carpenter leaves for the Armed Service next week. Several parties were held in his honor, and we all hate to see him go. . . . Viola Baumgartner has just brought herself a new town sedan. . . . We notice Loren Scantlin has a new hair trim and simonize job. Wonder if he knows how to play "Holiday for Strings" yet? . . . Betty Felger, who underwent an operation eight weeks ago at the Bluffton Clinic, returned to work last Monday. Glad to have you back again, Betty. . . . Dale Hobson was also on the sick list this week. . . . Ralph Dunlap was home with the flu. . . . Mr. Matson is still in the hospital. He is getting along as well as can be expected. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Matty. . . . We were very sorry to lose Mabel Jones last week. She left us as she is now making her home at the lake. The girls gave her a pleasant surprise—a potluck dinner and a lovely gift before she left us. Mabel, catch lots of fish as we'll all be up to see you. . . . We are glad to see Lucille Haught back with us again. Hope you are feeling swell again, Lucille. . . . Congratulations, Grace Shaw and Fuzzy Amstutz, on your birthdays this week. Many more happy ones. Several friends presented Grace with a handkerchief shower in which she received 23 beautiful hankies. . . . We are sorry to have so many on our sick list this week: Dale Feick, Aylene Smith, Ethel Koontz, and Dorothy Poehler were absent part of this week. We hope you will soon be feeling tops. . . . Esther Wiggens' son, James, is with the Infantry stationed at Camp Atterbury. He entered the service two weeks ago. . . . We want to send our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Forrest Stinson's son, Gary Lee, who is ill with the flu. . . . Twylo Elzey is very generous with her oranges. Every day, she brings one for Rita Helmsing. . . . Icel Stukey will be Icel Snodgrass by the time you read this. Congratulations, Icel! May your future be filled with happiness. . . . Lois Troyer loves to say tongue-twisters. She says they're "tho thilly that they don't make thence." Thence when, Lois?

Assembly

It's back to the farm again for Bertha Warstler. Instead of "Getting Corns For Her Country" she is now growing corn for her country! Bertha was showered with many beautiful hankies. We will all miss you, Bertha. . . . Our loss is first trick's gain. To them we give our own Blanche Imler and Eileen Wolfe. However we are glad to welcome Marceil Price. . . . Ethel Schwartz is one of us now. She comes to us from Aluminum Parts. Welcome to our section, Ethel. . . . The law of averages is "agin" it, but we have four red heads in Assembly. All four of them are undoubtedly wondering who the fourth one is!! . . . Wally Augsburger surprised us with the announcement of the birth of his son. Russell Walter tipped the scales at eight pounds and three ounces. The gang presented Wally with a baseball and a blanket. Wally's going to take him out next Sunday to play baseball —providing the weather permits. . . . Something new has been added! Packing boasts a new nailing machine. The girls show their appreciation by the broad grins they are wearing these days. . . . Incidentally, now that your income taxes have been filed—there should be more smiling faces. They go very well with Easter bonnets, we are told. . . . Pat Gibson, nephew of Belle, was killed in action in the Philippines on February 7. Our deepest sympathies go to you at this time, Belle. . . . The victim of a hit and run driver was Viola Cowan's dog, "Ching." Vi's co-workers are very concerned, and hope that he gets well soon. . . . Word has been received from Arlene Blosser. She is enjoying the sights in Hollywood, California.

Impeller

Mary A. (Gordon) Hughe has received a lovely wedding gift from the Polishers and the gang she works with. Thanks to all of you. Now, Mary, we are all expecting an invitation over soon. . . . Was Lester Andrist ever slightly on the reddish side last Thursday night when he spent 95c of his hard-earned money for a reserved seat at the Piston game and found himself very well located behind the basket. Did you enjoy the game, Lester? . . . Cecil Stultz was off two days last week helping to care for his father, who was injured in a fall. We are sorry to hear that, Cecil. Hope he will be well soon. . . . The Milling Section is very proud of their 100% safety record. Let's keep it up, gang. Maybe it's because our safety man, Hugh Tigges, is on his toes. . . . St. Patrick's Day was not forgotten in the Impeller Section. There seemed to be a little more green around than usual. There was George Pribbernow's bright green tie, pretty green ribbons in the girl's hair and bright green hankies in several pockets. Hm, wonder just who is really Irish among us. . . . Ask Harold Stewart if it was spring fever or was he really in the mood for jitterbugging. He sure was cutting a rug! . . . Mildred Amstutz likes soup so well that she adds cold water to it. She says it is to cool it but we believe she is just trying to get two bowls for the price of one. . . . Frances Melching is going to leave us for two weeks. We are all going to miss you, Frances, and hope that you are back with us real soon. . . . Do we feel good—one of our girls, Gertrude Bartaway had her picture in the WORKS NEWS last week with some souvenirs from Germany that her husband sent her. It was very nice, Gertrude. . . . Onions, radishes, lettuce, etc.—that's all the gardeners of the Impeller Section have talked about this last week of nice spring weather. There's gardener Gausepohl, Gardt, Bennett and probably many others that we haven't heard about yet. How about a spring salad, fellows, one of these days?

Shipping

The Shipping Section welcomes Dick Wolff back to work. We sure missed you while you were away Dick. . . . We want to extend our sympathy to Mr. Uncapher on the death of his father. . . . Every one is feeling bad these days. The symptons are being tired, lazy and a longing to be out of doors. Yes, you guessed it, "spring fever." . . . We received a card from Helen Clore. We sincerely hope she is having a nice trip. . . . Well, the bowling season is about over, and we will miss the usual discussion on Thursday mornings on what happened to Jim Brittin, Dick Wolff and Jim Stoiche when they tried to get all strikes on Wednesday night. . . . We of the Shipping Section are mighty proud of reaching our goal in the Red Cross Drive. Congratulations to Earl Cochran, who did a swell job as our solicitor. . . . BEWARE! All other sections take notice. We of this section are about to be placed under strict quarantine. The situation is critical. This disease has really hit us hard. The causes are numerous but the most common cause is a warm sunny day. The

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James Rehrer Honored By Program On Fiftieth Anniversary



James H. Rehrer, Bldg. 19-2, veteran employee who observed his fiftieth anniversary with General Electric on March 15, was honored at a program held in his honor on March 14. At that time he was presented with a gift from his fellow employees in honor of the occasion, the diamond fifty-year pin of the Quarter-Century Club, and a fifty-year certificate. The Quarter-Century Club members presented Mr. Rehrer with two large basket of flowers.

Left above, W. Brunner, next oldest employee on the floor in point of servi presenting Mr. Rehrer with the baskets of flowers. Center, R. M. Hartigan, superi tendent of the Motor-Generator Division, presents Mr. Rehrer with the gift fro his fellow employees. In the left background is Mr. Brunner; right background a Harry Prange and C. E. Becker, fifty-year men at the Fort Wayne Works. Right, A sistant Manager C. H. Matson presents the 50-year certificate.

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patient when first taking this will walk around with a slight fever and with a far away look in his eyes. He will mutter such things as "This is a wonderful day for fishing"—"Wonder how a game of golf would go," etc. The scientific name for this is "Irgomania" but the most common name is spring fever. OH! HUM! Folks I am too tired to write more. You suppose that I am taking it? . . . Caroline Thieme is a newcomer to our section. She needs no introduction to any of us as she came from spare parts. Welcome, Caroline. . . . Ernie Schaefer says that the tire was flat on the bottom side only. . . . If any of you like to go fishing maybe you could exchange fish stories with Bob Zimmerman. Next to eating mashed potatoes and gravy, Bob likes fishing. . . . Grace Mills is going to be very busy these next few weeks moving into the new home on Road 24. Nice time of year for a housewarming. How about it, Grace? . . . Ernie Schaefer doesn't believe in saving pennies for his piggy bank. Not as long as the peanuts hold out in the peanut machines. He really likes his peanuts.

Receiving

Red Little was home one day last week nursing his wife who had the flu. But a good nurse soon puts her patient on the road to recovery. Mrs. Little was up and around the next day. . . . Sam Heer received a letter from Mary Jane Markley Thursday. She arrived in California okay and is having the time of her life. . . . "Fireman's Ball" are we going? Well I should snort, wouldn't miss that for anything. Make it a date April 6 at G-E Club. . . . Our entire section wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to C. D. Uncapher in the loss of his father. . . . The smile that won't come off is seen when Mr. Sweeny puts up the sign "Cigarettes Today." . . . Easter togs for Gus, blue serge suit, blue tie and all the trimmings. Look out, girls; he's a bachelor. . . . Chelf made a flying visit to his home town last week to visit his mother and brother, who was home on a short furlough. . . . Hobart Friend is taking reducing exercises. He has lost ½ pound in four weeks. Keep it up, pal; you will make the grade yet. . . . The only way we can distinguish between the two Reds on the dock is, Big Red (Little) and sore thumb Red (Rhoades). . . . Bob, where do you get your gum when Cliff is out? Put us wise will you?

Aluminum Parts

J. Melvin Tully has just returned from vacationing at his dude ranch in Arizona. We understand Republic Pictures has offered John a contract to replace Gene Autrey! Yippee! Ride-em-cowboy!!! . . . Millie Imler and Mildred Balliet have returned to work after a few days off visiting with their sons who are home on furlough. . . . Edna McClain and Russell Gorrell are leaving our section and the Company. We wish them the best of luck in whatever they are about to do. . . . Ethel Schwarz has been transferred to Final Assembly. Our best regards go with her. . . . Mina Gaff and Carrie Hills are still confined to the Methodist Hospital. Their condition is reported as good. . . . Susan Jarrett is enjoying her vacation this week. Her plans are not known, but we trust she is having a nice time. . . . Helen Wallace has returned to work after a week of illness. Glad to see you back, Helen.

Most foot injuries occurred to the toes, nearly all of which occurred to the large toe.

Four Fourums

By J. Crockett
Bldg. 4-4 Office

Every one regrets that Mary L. Wolf is off ill and cannot enjoy the rains and winds and sunshine. . . . Hope you enjoyed our round robin letter and hurry back. . . . Maxine Murphy has a lot of new blouses. It was the result of a birthday at which all minds ran in the same channel. . . . Most people think Jap money is useless, but Dorothy Parker finds that the local movie houses will accept it. . . . Can you imagine any one with the handle Mike O'Grady wearing blue on 3/17/1945. Patrick O'Wedler wore his little shamrock and defended the great Irish. He has a green desk too.

Bldg. 4-4

Dale Irwin and his belt had a sudden parting Saturday night. Dale will have to reduce or get a longer belt to take care of his increasing girth. . . . We are sorry Bob Crosley didn't go all the way to the championship in the Golden Gloves Tournament, but we are proud of the good showing you did make, Bob. . . . Herb Ort came to work Saturday night with a disgusted attitude. Upon inquiring what his trouble was, he said he shaved before coming to work but when combing his hair, he discovered he had forgotten to put a blade in his razor. . . . Brown safety shoes must be the style this spring. There must have been five new pair in the second shift Service Section. . . . Glenna Hyatt doesn't mind a bit when the street car stops suddenly as she receives a seat for a short time. (On another passenger's lap). . . . The newst thing in the spring fashion was seen worn by Dale Irwin. One blue and one green sock. Also Bill Coltharp followed suit. . . . We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mary Smith in the death of her mother. . . . Another victim was added to our "I Forgot My Badge Club," and that was Bill Wehrle. We are wondering if spring fever could have had anything to do with it. . . . We think Kenny Crabill is rather rushing the season, but he couldn't resist going bare-footed these nice spring days. The result was he stepped on a nail. . . . Herb Wise will now gain those pounds back that he lost while eating his own cooking as his wife is joining him on second trick. . . . Bob Crosley is still the champion of Bldg. 4-4 as it took a champion of champions to beat him. We are mighty proud of you, Bob, and accept this as each and every one's congratulations.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Our sympathies to Clara Hoeh in the loss of her brother. . . . Louerelei DePew was married to Herbert Prior on Friday, March 9, 1945, at 7:30 P.M. A reception was held at her home on Swinney Avenue. . . . Winders in Group 14x21 on vacation are Laura Bender, Cleopha Carter and Kathryn Gallmeier. . . . Louise Beamer has been ill for several days. . . . June Bowman had the surprise of her life last Saturday. . . . We marvel at the endurance of the human race. Kathryn Erwin took aspirin, cold tablets, vitamin tablets, and a sample of about everything else for a headache; still she felt bad. Small wonder. . . . The Coil Group had a surprise potluck dinner to celebrate the birthday of their fellow worker, Vernota Johnston. Vernota is on vacation this week.



Turret Tattles

Well the section can settle ba and relax a bit. The basketball fina are over. Many are the dewy ey at the showing of our northern teams. S'too bad, gang. The sou part of our state must just play be ter ball. . . . And gang have yo met Chester? When you happen t hear the whistling virtuoso of th P&J section, that's Chester. Che ter Bowen by name. Welcome, fe ler, and whistle away. . . . We'v heerd rumors of softball emanatin from the athletic section of twenty seven lately. S'gettin' that 'ere tim o' year, ain't it? . . . Shades of th past! Cort Eylenberg dropped i one evening lately from away dow Kokomo way. Tickled pink to se you, Cort. Come again and ofte . . . We note the bench before th door of twenty-seven G has bee dusted off. This is a very sure sig of spring. . . . We are very proud of the Red Cross Banner in the sec tion. The quota was met and every one has a right to be proud of th part they played in meeting it. S'good feelin', ain't it? . . . Famous last words of a twenty-seven in spector: "Well, let's see her now—" And Jack Young, "Young'e to his friends, "Have you heard thi one—" and Glen Seip, "No, it works like this—" Heinie Schnurr, "Whe the war's over I'm agona—". . . And who's heard from Bernie Rot recently? We want to acknowledg letters from Len Bressler and Dal E. Brown. Hi, fellers, durn it, w wish you were here too. . . . Aw, it's too nice out to write; we're gonn go for a walk. Bye!

In the 20 years from 1923 to 194 the motor vehicle death rate for school age children (5 to 14 years) has dropped 38 per cent under the impact of organized safety effort in the schools, reports to the National Safety Council prove.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE PEOPLE PLAN FOR VICTO

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Eglin Field, Florida
"February 24, 1945

Dear Friends:

"I received your letter some time ago, and am very sorry for not answering sooner, so I hope I'll be forgiven.

"After induction at Camp Perry, Ohio, in February, 1943, I was sent to Kearns, Utah, for basic training, where I spent a rugged two months. Then after being assigned to the Medical Corps, I was sent to Camp Grant, Illinois, for a two month course in meat and dairy hygiene. Upon completion of this course, I was sent to my present station, Eglin Field, Florida.

"Our work consists of inspecting all meat and dairy products which this field receives.

"I have been very lucky to have been stationed in one place as long as I have. This is a very nice field, although it is very much isolated.

"Naturally, I see all kinds of General Electric equipment every place I go. Our new cold storage plant is fully equipped with General Electric refrigeration. I am always proud to say that I have worked for the General Electric Company. I hope that every one will keep up the splendid work in the future as you have done in the past.

"Of course my greatest desire is to have the war end and become one of you again. And don't think you can't help end it!

"Thanks for all the services you have rendered me and I certainly enjoy reading the WORKS NEWS each week. Goodbye (for now), and good luck to all of you, I remain,

"Sincerely yours,
"Cpl. Nelson B. Yahne."

Production

Ed Rosenberger, previously a winner of the Gold Star for safe driving, has another enthusiast. Wayne Cook, who boasts that he has never hit a telephone pole or a building, is the new owner of a star. . . . Shorty Redding, absent a few weeks with the flu, has returned to work. . . . Overheard: That Charlie Lammiman planned to wear a green ribbon in his hair for St. Patrick's Day. You know the $64 question, Charlie: What hair were you talking about? . . . Heiny Mutschlecner was in a big hurry when he was looking for something in his desk drawer, and BANG! The drawer fell on the floor and Heiny jumped into the air. All's calm and collected now.

A Poem For St. Patrick's Day

On March 17—St. Patrick's Day,
A lot of green was worn, we'd say,
Cara Lou's sweater, and part-green ties
With Murphy's jumper, and Redding's green eyes.
We think our Irish is up to par,
So if you were wonderin', there you are,
Top o' the mornin'—both lassie and lad,
The poms is ended, we know it's bad.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Last week we received a visit from Dick Tholen who formerly worked in the Tool Room. He has been in the Aleutian Islands for the past eight months and now has a thirty-day furlough. Dick has many interesting experiences to relate, probably the most novel of which was that of listening to "Tokyo Rose," the Japanese woman who broadcasts propaganda to enemy soldiers. He says that the soldiers think that she comes from Vincennes, Indiana. Dick had twenty bottles of beer and saw one woman, a nurse, during his eight months on the Islands. At the end of his furlough he will report to Camp Atterbury for re-assignment. . . . Harry Downey was in such a hurry to get to work that he boarded the wrong street car at Calhoun and Lewis. . . . Now that it's over, here are the picks for the winner of the State Basketball tournament: Al Anderson, Avilla; Howard Bennigan, Leo; Dick Haskins, Kendallville; Mike Daley, Zollner Pistons; Bonnie Newhart, "I hoped it would be Hope, but now I have no hope;" Dan Barkley, "Now that it's over, I knew it would be Evansville all the time."

Bowling

John Schwartz was high man for the night when he came through with a 582 count including games of 203 and 200. John is a mighty hard man to beat when he has that hook ball of his working right. There were several other 200 scores for the night. They were Konow 212, C. Miller 209, Hershberger 206, Hosier 205, Dannecker 203, Hildner 203, Dennis 202, Grant 202 and O'Neill 200.

Team 4 rolled into first place high for three games with a 2755 and now lead the league with 21 games won and 9 lost. Team 5 took third place high for single game with 945. Team 4 and Team 10 were the only teams to win three games apiece for the night.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team wound up the season last week with two more victories. One was an exhibition game with Murray's Independents and the other was a league game with General Service. This gives Winter Street a record of 28 victories and 2 defeats for the season.

Murray's had defeated the boys by one point earlier in the season at their gymnasium but tonight after leading 8 to 7 at the end of the first quarter they faded under an avalanche of baskets and Winter Street won 42-24. The only other loss of the season was a 46-42 loss to the Rangers about a month ago. A return game may possibly be played with them yet but it is doubtful. A game was scheduled with the Moose but they have gone to Denver for the National A. A. U. Tournament and that game was cancelled.

The boys clinched the inter-division title by beating General Service 51 to 27. Leading by 31-17 at the half, they just coasted in. Kepler, 6 ft. 7 in. center of General Service, was held pretty well in check. This gives Winter Street a record of 15 victories and no defeats in the inter-division league. Since they won both the first and second half, no play-off was necessary.

Although they had individual high scores, good team work featured the play of Winter Street all season long. The members of this team are as follows: Manager Bob McMonigal, Chet Neitzert, Bill Bryer, Bill Seiple, Kenny Yoder, Stretch Magnusson, Bud Snyder, Verdan Stucky and Bob Dent, all of the Power Drive Division, Charles Hooley of the Cost Section and Everett Kelley of the Tool Room. Their pictures will be in the WORKS NEWS in the near future. Charles Hooley will be married April 14 and at this time we wish to offer him our congratulations. That's all for basketball this year. See you at softball practice.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

In Bill Seiple's "spare time," he proves himself quite a juggler. We've even seen him try it with mallets. This coming Sunday Bill's going to have a new experience, too, when he serves as best man in a bridal party at Kendallville. (Nice town, too—Ed. note). . . . Ray Books received injuries to his legs recently when he was hit by a moving truck. We all wish him a very speedy recovery. . . . Jack Diamond was among the rooters for the Huntington Vikings last Saturday. They had a little tough luck against Riley, which in turn was defeated by Evansville Bosse—so ends basketball. Now Seiple says we can wait for softball to start. . . . Ferne Bobay and Ruth Zimmerman were on the sick list recently. . . . The champion bowler in the Armature Section seems to be Lois Brubaker. She even defeated her brother-in-law by rolling 179. Not bad after tossing armatures around all day, Lois. . . . Happy birthday greetings went to Mary Stinger yesterday. She received a wrist watch.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Charlotte Miller came through with a 153 score to take top honors in bowling last week. . . . A combination of bowling and base stealing was displayed by Gene Van Curen when he slipped and came sliding down the alley on his stomach the other night while bowling. . . . Maxine Fisher was delighted in a certain hair-do she thought would make her resemble actress Loraine Day, but was much disappointed with the outcome. . . . Congratulations and best of luck to Lois Wyckoff and Orville Hetrick who were joined in holy matrimony recently. . . . Ben and Ruth Gifford are enjoying a reunion with their son, who is home on furlough. . . . Gone from Test Section are Chet Neitzert, who is entering the Navy, Max Comerfore, with new duties at Kokomo, and Tom Franklin, transferred to Cleveland, Ohio.

Grinding

Arnold Benecke ran four blocks the other morning in order to clock in on time, but when he reached the clock it was out of order and he couldn't ring it. Tough luck, Arnold, but don't give up; keep trying. . . . Joe Snyder says, "There is something rotten going on around here and I have begun to smell a rat." After some investigating he found the rat had crawled in his machine and died. Don't take it too hard, Joe, the Russians have an "Oder" now, and proud of it.

Refrigerator Assembly

Jack Herney will get a mess of greens for any one who wants them. . . . Gerald Nuttle returned to work after being off due to illness.

Engineering

Marcella McCarthy had her income tax computed by two engineers. Experience served them in good stead—Marcella gets a rebate.

Planning

Who would be a more faithful Irishman than one born on St. Patricks' Day, even when the name is Ray Dumford. Best wishes, Ray. . . . March 14 was certainly "B" Day for members of the Planning Section or their families. Ray Klot's son, Bob, observed his birthday, Kenny Allways celebrates his arrival on this date and Harvey Petty became the father of a girl, Kathleen.

Miscellaneous

Willie Maloley looks quite chipper in his canary yellow "Joe College" shirt.

Accounting and Payroll

Anna Lee Hudson had a little accident last Saturday. She went to sit down on her chair, but alas, it wasn't there. Oh, well, the floor needed cleaning anyway.

The Heart Of Navy Electronics



Elsie Aho, a radio WAVE (yeoman first-class) with one of the famous megatron tubes on display at the giant Navy equipment show at Navy Pier, Chicago, (Nov. 18 through Dec. 3). This tube helped make certain Navy radio equipment the most effective in the world. It is part of a tube collection (from man-size to inch-high) arranged by the Navy's Radio Division and General Electric to show the public the heart of all electronic equipment. The division's exhibit is only part of the mammoth Navy equipment display.

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

We wish to welcome Richard Markle, who hails from Winter St. plant, to our test gang. We hope you like the work and us, Richard. . . . Correction to an article in last week's "NEWS." Bob Dichtel is still with us, and fully intends to be until April 9 or so. . . . Do you want to learn all about cultivation? What to plant and when? For full details see our Farm Bureau made up of Jerry Holdgreve, Si Seymore and Paul Menze. . . . Dick Sidel has a way of making sandwiches all his own. Seems you put lots of lettuce and pickle in the sandwich, then forget the meat. Maybe he was only trying to save points or else he likes rabbit food. . . . We heard by way of the grape vine that Johnny Howard was so hungry that he tore his trouser leg in his rush to get to the candy wagon. Of course he denies this, but you never can tell, he is generally pretty happy when it's eating time. . . . Dafforn had such lousy luck playing euchre last week he decided to get rid of Virgil, who was doing all the winning and went to play with another bunch, but imagine his surprise when he found Virgil at the same table. He says now he never will know whether it's Virgil who takes his luck away or just a run of bad cards. Virgil says it was worth a quarter just to see his face when he sat down.

IMPROVED PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES HAVE REDUCED THE COST of many small arms items. The cost of the caliber .50 aircraft machine gun has been reduced from over $500 in 1940 to less than $200 in 1944. The light ground machine gun cost $375 in 1941. It now costs less than $60. The world-famous Garand rifle used to cost more than $100. It now costs less than $30. Caliber .30 armor-piercing ammunition has been reduced from $85 to less than $55 per thousand rounds. Caliber .50 incendiary ammunition formerly cost over $300 and the latest cost is $125 per thousand rounds.—Army and Navy Release.



Proof of the catch is in the picture, so says Kenny Kreamer of our Cost Section. Come on, Kenny, tell us where you borrowed the line.

Scouts Hold First-Aid Demonstration At Club Gym



More than 250 Boy Scouts of America were present at the Scout first-aid contests at the Club Gym last Friday evening. Dr. H. W. Garton, Works physician, was chief judge; W. W. Winner, Bldg. 19-5, was chief recorder, and Ed Yahne was in charge of floor arrangements. Shown are general views of the crowd as well as Scouts working several problems.

Dr. Zay Jeffries Awarded Clamer Medal Recently

Selection of Dr. Zay Jeffries, Vice President in charge of the Chemical Department, as winner of the Clamer Medal of the Franklin Institute was announced this week by Dr. Henry Butler Allen, secretary and director of the Institute. It will be presented to him during the annual May Day ceremonies at the Institute in Philadelphia, April 18.

The Francis J. Clamer silver medal is awarded at least once in five years for achievement in the field of metallury. Dr. Jeffries will receive it this year "for his meritorious contributions to the science of metals, which he has placed on a new and more intelligible basis."

Dr. Zay Jeffries was born at Willow Lake, South Dakota. He was graduated in 1910 from the South Dakota School of Mines, and successively received degrees of Bachelor of Science. Metallurgical Engineer and honorary Doctor of Engineering. While employed by the Aluminum Castings Company he discovered in 1915 the cause of the cracking of aluminum pistons. He was made director of research of that company in 1916 and became one of the scientific leaders of the aluminum industry.

Becomes G-E Consultant

He was consultant with the National Lamp Works of General Electric Company from 1914 to 1925 and was technical director of the G-E Lamp Department from 1936 to 1945. Dr. Jeffries became president of the General Electric affiliate, the Carboloy Company, in 1932, and at the present time serves as chairman of the board. On January 1, 1945, he became a Vice President of G-E in charge of its new Chemical Department. He is vice-chairman of the War Metallurgy Committee of the National Academy of Sciences.

A publication of Dr. Jeffries, the "Metallography of Tungsten," appearing in 1918, disclosed that tungsten possesses several properties differing from those of the common ductile metals. Dr. William D. Coolidge, winner of the Franklin Medal in 1944, along with others of the General Electric Company, discovered the fact that brittle tungsten could be made malleable by hot working, thereby making possible the development of the drawn tungsten filament lamp, with all its accompanying advantages.

Dr. Jeffries and B. L. Benbow made significant contributions to the successful application of the Coolidge invention. Dr. Jeffries was at that time retained by the National Lamp Works of the General Electric Company, where the Coolidge invention was commercially exploited in the manufacture of incandescent lamps.

In 1944 the Fort Wayne Works had a frequency of 4.82 compared to a frequency of 7.45 for the General Electric apparatus works.

G-E Ships Mobile Unit Substations To Russia

Twenty mobile unit substations, manufactured in record time, have been shipped to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, according to R. C. Muir, General Electric Vice President, and General Manager of its Apparatus Department. Designed and manufactured to restore electric power in devastated areas and towns until local equipment can be placed in service, these units are the first complete, trailer-type substations to be exported for service in war-torn areas. Ten of the units are rated 1000 kva and the remainder are rated 1800 kva.

Each unit is an entirely self-contained electric substation, and includes a disconnecting switch for the incoming high-voltage line, high-voltage power fuses, lightning arresters, a three-phase power transformer, and a metal-clad switchgear equipment for two or three outgoing feeder circuits—all mounted on a heavy-duty, eight-wheeled, highway-type trailer. The trailers may be drawn by suitable trucks or tractors, and are capable of traveling at a speed of 40 miles per hour over paved highways.

Spare Equipment Included

The substations have a high-voltage rating of 35,000 volts, and can be used throughout Russia because this sub-transmission voltage has been standardized. This voltage may be stepped down to either 3150 or 6300 volts. The high-voltage switch and fuse equipments, as well as the metal-clad switchgear equipments, were manufactured as complete sub-assemblies at the Company's Philadelphia Works. The transformers were manufactured and all items assembled on the trailer at the Pittsfield (Mass.) Works. Each substation includes spare bushings, fuses, insulators, etc., estimated to be sufficient for one year's normal operation. These spares, together with connecting clamps, grounding rods, and other operating accessories, are carried in storage compartments which are an integral part of the equipment.

The transformers are of the self-cooled type with supplemental cooling fans. Operating attention has been minimized by the use of transformer thermal relays which automatically start the cooling fans when required, sound an alarm if the transformer loading produces an abnormal temperature rise, and trip the feeder circuit breakers to remove the load and protect the transformer before an excessive temperature is reached.

All of the component parts and sub-assemblies were tested at the point of manufacture, and, in addition, the first complete substation of each rating was given a road test under weather conditions comparable to those experienced in actual service during the Russian winter. Immediately after the road tests, the substations were re-inspected and placed in operation, thereby demonstrating their suitability for the rigorous service to which they will be subjected.

GOOD MORNING *Bowling League*

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 11 won 3 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 2 won 3 games from Team No. 10. Team No. 12 won 3 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 6 won 2 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 5 won 2 games from Team No. 1.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	24	9
Team No. 2	20	13
Team No. 3	19	14
Team No. 1	19	14
Team No. 9	18	15
Team No. 12	18	15
Team No. 4	16	17
Team No. 6	16	17
Team No. 5	15	18
Team No. 10	12	21
Team No. 7	12	21
Team No. 8	9	24

200 Games—Kraft 200; Williams 210; C. Tarney 232.

NOTICE Softball Players

This is the annual call for candidates for the Club softball team. We particularly need good hitters and pitchers, but we invite all ball players to come out to practice and try out for the team.

Our first practice will be in the G-E Club Gym and will probably be held the first week of April. Watch next week's WORKS NEWS for the dates.

Charlie Wilt
Manager

Son: "Pop, what is a buccaneer?"

Pop (engrossed in newspaper): "A buccaneer is an awful price to pay for corn."

Girls' Team Closes Season With 22 Wins

Down City Light Team By A Score Of 38-26 In First Game; Lose Second 34-29

By Helen Forker

The G-E Girls' team grabbed the lead in the play-off series for the City-wide Girls' League by downing City Light, 38 to 26, in the first game last Tuesday night.

Our girls got off to a slow start last Tuesday, and trailed during the entire first half. They were on the short end of an 11-9 count at the end of the first period; and were still behind, 18-17, at the end of the half. Liz Shearer was hitting long one-handed shots for City Light—collecting five of them.

In the second half our girls moved out to keep City Light from shooting; and they did an admirable job. City Light scored only one free throw in the entire third period, and two fielders and three charity tosses in the final frame.

Our gals really started rolling in the second period. "Butch" Whiteleather was breaking free, and her teammates kept feeding her the ball to lay up for a total of 12 points. Every one of our gals played a "bang-up" ball game, driving hard every second. They were passing and blocking well, and they were rebounding hard. "Tommy" Williams and Helen Boedeker had to carry the burden of most of the rebounding on City Light's basket, and they really did a good job.

"Butch" Whiteleather led our scoring with 13 points while "Tommy" Williams and Gladys Varner helped a lot with 9 points apiece. Shearer paced City Light with 13, and Meiers was in second position with 9 points.

As was expected, this game was a hard-fought, rough and tumble battle with many fouls being called. City Light was called for 13 personals, while G-E was assessed 17 fouls. Both Williams and Boedeker fouled out in the final period, in their efforts to outjump City Light's tall gals. G-E scored on 8 of their 16 tries, while City Light was able to make only 8 of their 20 attempts.

Our gals drove in to score 15 fielders out of their 60 tries, and City Light was sniping at the rate of 9 field goals out of 54 attempts. Our girls were trying hard and really playing to win Tuesday.

The summary—

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	City Light	G.	F.	T.
Boedeker	2	1	5	Meier	2	5	9
Fitch	0	0	0	Shearer	6	1	13
Williams	2	5	9	Davies	1	0	2
Amstutz	0	0	0	McCarron	0	0	0
Whiteleather	5	1	13	Andrews	0	0	0
Puff	0	0	0	Meyer	0	2	2
Steller	1	0	2				
Varner	4	1	9				
Totals	15	8	38	Totals	9	8	26

Half Score—City Light, 18-17.
Officials—Todd and Wagner.

The girls' basketball team had their "bad evening" of the season at a very costly time last Monday evening. They just couldn't seem to find the range of the basket and lost out by a 34-29 count to their old rivals, City Light. By virtue of this victory the City Light girls are champions of the Girls' League for this season.

The game was every bit as close and bitterly-contested as it was expected to be. Our G-E gals appeared to be getting a good start as they grabbed a first quarter lead of 9-5. City Light tied it up in the second period, and the lead see-sawed back and forth until G-E finally managed to gain a one-point advantage and lead at the half, 14-13.

City Light had a big third quarter, as Sis Arnold started hitting long shots. She just couldn't miss from anywhere; and tallied 8 points with her team mates adding 6 more while G-E succeeded in scoring only 7 points. In the final period, City Light was able to score only twice from the field; but our gals couldn't seem to do much better either, scoring twice from the floor and four times from the charity stripe.

The entire game was fast and furious, but fouling was about evenly divided with City Light being called for 14 personals and the G-E Club was called for 13. "Tommy" Williams was forced out of the game midway through the final period on personal fouls, and several gals ended up under a four-foul handicap.

Gladys Varner paced the G-E scoring with 10 points while "Tommy" added 7 tallies. Sis Arnold led the City Light attack with 14 points with Shearer's 10 markers being next in line. The G-E gals shooting percentage, which has been very good lately, dropped 'way down in this game when they just couldn't make that ball go through the hoop.

Our gals did a bit better at the free throw line, getting 9 out of 14 tries; while City Light made 8 of their 16 attempts.

The summary:—

C-E Club	G.	F.	T.	City Light	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	2	1	5	Meier	1	5	7
Boedeker	0	0	0	Shearer	4	2	10
Williams	2	3	7	Davies	1	1	3
Whiteleather	1	1	3	Arnold	7	0	14
Amstutz	1	0	2	Meyer	0	0	0
Varner	3	4	10	Andrews	0	0	0
Steller	0	0	0	McCarron	0	0	0
Puff	1	0	2				
Totals	10	9	29	Totals	13	8	34

Free throws missed—Williams 2; Whiteleather 1; Steller 2; Meler 2; Shearer 2; Arnold 1; Meyer 3.
Half Score—C-E Club, 14-13.
Officials—Wagner and McKenzie.

Introducing The Gals' Coaches . . .



Betty Eisenacher



Andy Smith

By Helen Forker

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce to the followers of our girls' basketball team the coach: Erwin A. Smith, better known as Andy; and his able assistant, Betty Eisenacher. This pair has turned out what proved to be the best girls' basketball squad the Club has seen in many a day. Their team's season record of 22 victories in 26 games is proof enough of their ball-playing ability.

Both Andy and Betty realized at the very start of the season that the team was going to be badly handicapped by a lack of height. With this in mind, Andy taught the team a fast breaking offense and a zone defense that has been feared by our opponents all season.

This was Andy's first season as the girls' coach, but he has already proved his knowledge of the game and is looking forward to a better season next year. Betty played on the squad last season, but an injury kept her on the sidelines most of this year. She hopes to be able to play again next year; but if she can't, she will still be a very valuable part of the squad in her role of assistant coach.

Both Andy and Betty started their ball-playing careers here at South Side High School, Andy also gained experience playing on various independent teams, and in college. Betty played here at G-E, and is widely known as Fort Wayne's best gal softball pitcher.

Andy has said that he learned a lot this year, and he expects to improve on our record next season—a big job in view of that already fine record!

Owl Basketball

By R. James

BLDG. 17 WINS SECOND GAME OF PLAY-OFF

Led by big Jim Kelly of Bldg. 17, with 22 of his team's 38 points, Bldg. 17 took the second game of the best two out of the three series, and are now all square with Bldg. 4-4 with one win apiece.

By the time you read this, one of these teams will be named champion of the Inter-Division Owl League.

Bldg. 17 was ahead all the way, leading at the end of the first quarter 9-5 and at the half 18-10. Bldg. 17 kept right on going in the third and fourth quarters to come out on the long end of the 38-22 score.

High scoring honors went to Kelly and Williams for the winners with 22 and 9 points respectively, and for the losers it was Runyon with 9 points.

Summary—

Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.	Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.
Hensler	1	1	3	Crosley	2	0	4
Williams	4	1	9	Runyon	4	1	9
Thomas	1	0	2	Lecoque	2	2	6
Kelly	8	5	22	Johnlos	1	1	3
Kimes	1	0	2	Christlieb	0	0	0
Totals	15	8	38	Totals	9	4	22

Officials—Slater and Bail.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walter Histed

Winter St. 51; General Service 27

Winter Street continued their mastery over other teams in the Inter-division basketball league and completed an undefeated season by winning the second half play-off game with General Service 51 to 27. Having also won the first half title, the East enders are now crowned champions of the league.

Wednesday's game was close for a quarter, after which Winter Street pulled away to a commanding lead which they added to as the game progressed. The winner's scoring was well divided with eight of the ten players who saw service scoring. Stretch Magnusson completed a fine season with 10 points, closely followed by Stucky and Seiple with nine each and Neitzert with eight. Slim Kepler and Joe Ray were leading scorers for the losers with nine and seven points.

Joe Ray got General Service off to a lead when he scored from the field shortly after the game began. Dent fouled Kepler while shooting but Slim missed both free tosses; however when he fouled Ray, Joe cashed his to give his team a 3-0 lead. Dent broke the ice for Winter Street with a fielder and Stucky followed up with another to put his team in the lead for the first time. Chet Neitzert rebounded to increase the lead to 6-3. Ray Pickett scored from far out to cut the lead to a single point. Schible fouled Seiple and then Dent, both converting single chances. Seiple scored from the field to make the score 10-5, then Stucky scored after Ray's foul. Joe Ray hit a basket just before the quarter ended with Winter Street leading 11 to 7.

In the second quarter, the champions turned on the heat to outscore their opponents 20 to 10 to take a 31 to 17 lead at half time. Seiple tallied the first points of the quarter after which Slim Kepler scored from under on a fine play. Chet Neitzert and Stretch Magnusson rebounded to increase the lead to 17 to 9. Kapler and Pickett retaliated with a basket each—Pickett's from way out to bring General Service within four points. Neitzert missed a free throw after which Magnusson scored from the field. Magnusson, Kepler and Neitzert each missed a free throw before Stucky and Kauffman exchanged baskets to make the score 21 to 15. Seiple and Magnusson scored to increase the margin to ten points before Kauffman tallied. Neitzert tossed one in as Kepler fouled Magnusson waiting for the rebound. The basket was ruled good and Stretch missed the free throw. Stucky and Seiple scored to make the half time score: Winter Street 31, General Service 17.

Scoring slowed down in the third quarter as each team scored eight points to permit Winter Street to maintain their fourteen point lead at the conclusion of the quarter 39 to 25. Kepler missed a free throw and Joe Ray tipped the ball in for two points. Fryer failed to convert on Pickett's foul. Magnusson scored on a one hander from the foul line after which Kepler scored on Fryer's foul. Neitzert and Kauffman each scored. Ray missed and Pickett scored on a foul. Snyder scored two baskets for Winter Street while Slim Kepler scored another of his under the basket specials. Snyder missed a free throw as the quarter ended, score Winter Street 39—General Service 25.

General Service, playing with six men tired noticeably in the final quarter, was held to a single goal by Kepler as Winter Street popped in six more goals for twelve points. Neither team hit a foul goal in this quarter—Winter Street missing two and General Service missing five chances.

Yoder, Kelly and Yoder again, scored for the winners before Kepler tallied the loser's final points of the game. Dent scored his first goal since the opening quarter to run the score to 47 to 25. Stucky scored after which Magnusson failed to convert Ray's foul. Stretch closed out a fine season for the winners with the final basket of the game to post the final score at 51 to 27.

The summary—

Winter Street (51)	G.	F.	T.	Ceneral Service (27)	G.	F.	T.
Neltzert	4	0	8	Schible	0	0	0
Stucky	4	1	9	Pickett	2	1	5
Magnusson	5	0	10	Kepler	4	1	9
Seiple	4	1	9	Ray	3	1	7
Dent	2	1	5	Kauffman	3	0	6
Fryer	0	0	0	O'Connell	0	0	0
Snyder	2	0	4				
Yoder	2	0	4				
Kelly	1	0	2				
Hooley	0	0	0				
Totals	24	3	51	Totals	12	3	27

Fouls missed: Neitzert 2, Magnusson 3, Fryer 2, Snyder, Kepler 5, Ray, Kauffman 3.
Score by quarters:

Winter Street	11	20	8	12—51
General Service	7	10	8	2—27

Officials: Johnson and Jenkins.

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzmann

The Ides of March evidently had a particular meaning to the Order Service team besides filing their income tax returns. They not only pinned the ears back on the first place Receiving team, for all three games, but also rolled the third highest single league game at 917 and the fourth highest three game total so far at 2523. While these accomplishments were pleasant indeed, there was still a heavy heart among the members of the team, as one of the members was absent for the first time this season. Von Grant had the misfortune of being involved in an automobile accident the night before, and is lying in the hospital with an injured back. A collection for him was supported 100% by all the bowlers. Thanks, fellas.

In the other matches Production won two from Power Drive, F. H. P. took a pair from Maintenance and Planning annexed a couple from Inspection.

Individual honors go to Harry Spahr for his 211 single and 562 total. Kretzmann finally got over the hump at 201 and amassed a 527 count. Hollingsworth was next high with 525. Adams came thru for a 204 single and a 519 series. Kallmyer hit 200 on the button and collected 515 pins. Stodgell hit for 505, Gross for 501, and Evard for 500 even. Black had the second best single at 209, and Carpenter rolled his best game so far at 191.

Six pair of bowlers from the Kokomo plant accepted the invitation to roll in the Doubles Tournament at Fort Wayne on Sunday, March 18. The entries are: Black and Richards; Bergman and Reith; Hollingsworth and Springer; Stodgell and Phillips; Brown and Bishoff; Buesking and Kretzmann. Of this group Bergman and Reith took fourth place with 1259 and Stodgell and Phillips also placed with a 1211.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Annual Table Tennis Tourney April 4 And 6

Ninth Annual Affair Free To Employees And Members Of Families

The ninth annual table tennis tournament will be held on April 4 and April 6 in the G-E Club. As has been true in the past, there will be no entry fee.

According to the announcement made by Lore Ferverda, table tennis chairman, the tournament will not be played on consecutive nights this year. In previous years playing on consecutive nights has been a strain on the finalists because generally the same players are involved in different classes of events.

Because of the lack of junior players there will be no junior singles this year. Four other classes will be open as they have been in the past. These are men's singles, men's doubles, women's singles, and mixed doubles.

All entrants must have G-E Club membership cards, the tournament being solely for G-E employees and the immediate members of their families. Employees only may enter the men's singles and men's doubles.

In order that play will not last too late, the tournament is scheduled to start at 7:45 P.M. each evening. Also, in order that there will be no delay in playing all players not present by 8:15 will have to forfeit their matches unless they have made previous arrangements with Mr. Ferverda.

Balls will be furnished by the Club but all players must bring their own paddles. Since the gymnasium floor will be used all players must wear suitable soft soled shoes.

Trophies will be awarded for the winners in all events and for the runner-up in men's singles. Medals will be awarded for the runner-ups in all other events.

Due to the number participating last year and the interest in the regular league this year, a large number of entries is expected in spite of the fact that many who have participated in the past are in the armed service.

All those intending to play should fill out the entry blank which will be found elsewhere in this issue of the WORKS NEWS. All entries should be mailed to L. Ferverda, Bldg. 28-2.

TAYLOR STREET BOWLING NEWS

By R. Lapp

It looks like Spring, so it's time to think of summer bowling. Well, here is the dope: the season will start April 10 at 6:30 P.M. and run for nineteen weeks ending August 28, 1945. According to advance information things will be plenty tough this year. Last year's champs (Tool Room) have entered a plenty good team again. The Firemen, a plenty tough outfit, have also entered. Screw Machine, Maintenance, and Guards have also entered teams with an 800 or better average. There are a few openings yet so turn in your name and average at once to R. Lapp—Punch Press Dept.

G-E Club Men's Basketball Closes Season



By Bob Kessens

Under the management of Ward Staley and Bob Kessens, the G-E Club Men's Basketball Team rang down the curtain on one of the most successful seasons of basketball enjoyed by a G-E Club team in many seasons. At one time during the season the team boasted a record of nineteen straight victories before falling before a team composed of the Kokomo All-Stars playing under the Kokomo G-E Club sponsorship. Since that time they were again undefeated in five games. The record compiled by the Club team for the season stands at 29 games played, won 26 and lost three. They defeated some of the cream of independent and industrial clubs in Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. They racked up a total of 1479 points to their opponents 1153 points.

The team management has received many compliments from the many opponents and officials for the fine sportsmanship shown by the Club not only on their own floor but on the opponent's floors as well. The Exchange Club of Findlay, Ohio, especially thanked the Club officials and players publicly for coming to Findlay to participate in their charity game this season. The Club team has become well known throughout Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio, and last week Jerry Hagan, sports editor of the Kalamazoo Gazette, requested the services of Allen, Miller, Reed, Krieg and Van Ryn of the G-E Club team to play in the All Star tilt against the famous Harlem Globe Trotters for their Milk Fund at Kalamazoo, the game being played at Western State Teacher's College.

The Club boys teamed up with Don Koenig of Concordia, Birtsas of Kalamazoo College, Janisch, Schoon and Dille of Valparaiso University, Selbo of Western State Teachers College and Schmidt of Valparaiso University. The Trotters defeated them in a great game by a score of 63 to 52. The College Stars led the Trotters at half time 29 to 26 on some brilliant playing of the Stars team. Although the scoring was mostly by the college boys, the representatives from the Club team gave a good account of themselves and were content to feed the ball to Schoon, Janisch and Koenig. The management of the Trotters team congratulated the boys on their fine team play, especially for playing together for the first time. The Harlem Globe Trotters will appear in the World Champion Professional tournament at Chicago next week and had Cumberland and Page former star players for the Rens in their lineup. Kreig and Van Ryn did not make the trip.

The average attendance at the Club games this year averaged around the 400 mark and the Club management and team wish to express their thanks to the many fans that attended the games.

The teams played this year and the final outcome are herewith tabulated; Mike Walker acted as trainer for the boys the last few weeks of the season.

Opponents	
G-E Club 38—Aboite A. C.	37
G-E Club 47—Fort Wayne Eagles	45
G-E Club 48—Baer Field	42
G-E Club 30—Decatur G-E	23
G-E Club 34—K of C	35
G-E Club 54—Fort Wayne Moose	70
G-E Club 63—New Haven Equities	45
G-E Club 65—Twin City Independents	49
G-E Club 47—Kimble Aces	12
G-E Club 58—Aboite A. C.	35
G-E Club 51—Anderson Big 5	44
G-E Club 41—Int. All Stars	25
G-E Club 64—South Bend Bendix	42
G-E Club 59—Culver Independents	47
G-E Club 52—Anderson Big 5	36
G-E Club 57—Benton Harbor	38
G-E Club 41—Baer Field	38
G-E Club 51—Findlay All Stars	39
G-E Club 41—K of C	33
G-E Club 71—South Bend K of P	45
G-E Club 45—Twin City Independents	38
G-E Club 43—Huntington Caldwell	37
G-E Club 73—Fostoria Screw Mach. Co.	37
G-E Club 27—Kokomo G-E	36
G-E Club 59—Kokomo G-E	37
G-E Club 48—New Haven Independents	32
G-E Club 72—Marion Moose	71
G-E Club 50—Schultz 5 & 10	42
G-E Club 50—Lima Westinghouse	40

The scoring record for the individual players on the Club team are as follows:

	G.P.	F.G.	F.	Tot.
Madden	20	40	8	88
Stoner	24	43	15	101
Baade	23	30	17	77
Allen	29	62	15	139
Krieg	24	60	63	183
Shinbeckler	13	21	3	45
Hassenger	8	4	2	10
Lowden	27	76	45	197
Van Ryn	13	55	17	127
Reed	24	131	40	302
Miller	10	42	15	99

Reed averaged 12.6 points per game to lead the club in scoring honors.

NOTICE G-E Club Golfers

In order to insure an adequate supply of golf balls for the coming season, C. W. Reynolds, chairman of the G-E Club Golf Committee, urgently requests that all old balls be turned in to the club house at Brookwood, to Bryce Hamilton, Bldg. 4-2, or direct to Mr. Reynolds in Bldg. 4-4. Ten cents will be paid for each old ball turned in.

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

March 14, 1945

Team	W.	L.
Pin Hitters	18	12
Flying Pins	13	12
Knock Outs	17	13
Whizz Bangs	13	17
Head Pins	12	18
Lucky Five	12	18

Games rolled over 170—Martha Wendel 179; Esther Fuller 173; Betty Hoffelder 172.

Announce Results Of Doubles Tournament

Winners of the Men's Doubles Tournament held at the G-E Club March 17 and 18 are listed below:

	Hand.	Tot.
1. Flager and High	204	
2. Welker & Lenz	102	
3. V. Rump and Perry	144	
4. Knepple and Piercy	240	
5. Bergman and Reitt	138	
6. Perry and Matthews	96	
7. Oyer and Unger	231	
8. Towns and McNutt	114	
9. Matthews and Ludeman	114	
10. Michelfelder and Bierly	213	
11. Walchle and Hindman	264	
12. Crowell and Brimeyer	168	
13. Hopkins and Stanger	168	
14. Matthews and Heingardner	105	
15. Oyer and Polston	174	
16. Stodgell and Phillips	141	
17. Schnepp and Garland	210	
18. High and C. Tarney	153	
19. Shelper and Diemer	192	
20. Koorsen and Merkert	249	

There were a total of 99 entr in the tournament, six of wh were from Kokomo, and some these "down staters" went ho with some bacon. Bergman a Reitt placed fifth and Stodgell a Phillips placed sixteenth.

There will be a mixed doubl tournament at the G-E Club on Sa urday, April 7. The entry fee w be $4.00 per couple. Handicap w be 75% to 375. This will be for G employees only, and each bowl must be a member of some san tioned league and with an esta lished average. Squads will roll 7:00 and 9:00 o'clock. One prize w be awarded for every 5 entri Bowlers may enter the tournam as many times as they wish, on with a different partner for ea entry.

Entries can be made with A Ackerman or Edd Yahne at the G Club. Money must accompany entries. Those planning to enter asked to get their entries in early.

Motor-Generator Splits Double Bill

In a double-header on Friday ev ning, March 16, the Motor-Gener tor team won one and lost one ga at the Club Gym. In the opener th were defeated by a very fast a aggressive A. C. Rangers' five by score of 54 to 38. Eshcoff was hi scorer for the winners with points, while Motor-Generator scoring was evenly divided wi Magnusson getting 10 points.

In the second game Motor-Gene ator turned the tables and defeat Aboite 43-37. Stoner was high f the winners with 12 points and Turner and Facks led the lose with 8 each.

The summaries:

Motor-Generator	G.	F.	T.	Rangers	G.	F.
Coles	4	0	8	Ness	2	1
Magnusson	5	0	10	Ogenoff	3	3
Arnold	4	1	9	Kostoff	6	1
Stoner	8	2	8	Eshcoff	6	1
Olso	1	1	3	Holman	4	1
				Minser	2	1
				Vorlch	0	0
Totals	17	4	38	Totals	23	8

Motor-Generator	G.	F.	T.	Aboite	G.	F.
Arnold	4	2	10	Gay.Turner	4	0
Coles	1	1	3	Scherer	2	0
Magnusson	5	1	11	Facks	4	1
Olson	3	1	7	Mills	0	0
Stoner	6	0	12	Gor.Turner	3	4
				Omel	3	0
Totals	19	5	43	Totals	16	5

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Mr. L. Ferverda, Bldg. 28-2
Please enter me in the—

Men's singles ..... Bldg.....

Men's doubles ..... Partner.....

Women's singles .....

Mixed doubles ..... Partner.....

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Seventh War Loan Drive May 14-16

New G-E Jet In Mass Production At Syracuse

Now Being Used In Propellerless Lockheed P-80 Shooting Stars

The new G-E Jet generates more motive power than any other aircraft engine and now is being used by the Army Air Forces to drive propellerless Lockheed P-80 fighters faster than any other planes in the world will fly, it has been announced by the Company with approval by the War Department.

Completion of the first of these superpowerful engines recently at Syracuse marked the beginning of mass production in the United States of this new motive power unit, which drives planes at lightning-like speed at altitudes more than six miles above the earth.

The entire turbine plant at Syracuse, with its more than 600,000 square feet of floor space, has been converted to production of the G-E Jets, and the production need is considered so imperative that no time out for even a brief ceremony was taken when the first unit made there passed its final test and was delivered to the AAF.

Power Doubled

The new G-E Jet, installed in the tail of the sleek P-80 Shooting Star, produces more than twice the power of the earlier model of jet engines first produced by General Electric for the AAF. This engine of simple design also is far more powerful than any conventional reciprocating engine for aircraft.

The tremendous power of this relatively light engine gives the great advantage of top speed to the P-80 Shooting Star. At this tremendous pace the P-80 is highly maneuverable, and control of the G-E Jet is so simple that AAF pilots have found the planes powered by it easy to fly. The powerful G-E Jet also will be manufactured by Allison Division of General Motors.

Air to the jet engine in the P-80 rams into vents in the front of the wings, almost flush against the fuselage. It pours through the vents

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CASUALTIES

PFC Wayne Fritz, Bldg. 26-1, was wounded in Belgium March 6.

Cpl. Merle E. Byers, Bldg. 26-B, was wounded in action in Belgium December 26.

Pvt. William Slater, Bldg. 26-4, was wounded in Germany March 4.

Suggestors Get $750 In Awards For Better Ways

William F. West, Taylor Street, Heads List With $100

An additional award of $100 to William F. West of the Taylor Street Plant heads the current suggestion award list, according to which 94 suggestors shared more than $750.00 in awards. Mr. West's suggestion pertains to providing solenoid operated pens to record the operation of coal scales on the steam flowmeter charts at the Taylor Street Power Plant.

Two other large awards were issued, the first to Earl M. Bartling, Bldg. 26-4, who received $30.00, and the second to Chester Laughman,

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NOTICE TO G-E E. S. C. BONDHOLDERS

Have you signed and delivered this year the proxy sent you a short time ago with the Corporation's annual report? If you have not, please do so at once. They may be handed to one's foreman, division head, or to the payroll division.

Wire Recorders To Be Used In Eye-Witness Battle Broadcasts

Aided by wire recordings taken on air missions over Germany, Japan and other areas, the Army Air Forces and the Blue Network are to co-operate in a series of Saturday afternoon eye-witness broadcasts about the battle of the sky.

Combat reporters will make recordings on General Electric wire

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Death Claims For February $161,355

Twenty-four per cent of claims of beneficiaries of G-E employees who died during February while insured under the General Electric Insurance Plans were for persons dying before they reached the age of 40, it became known this week as figures for the month's insurance settlements were announced by the Company.

Death claims were paid during February to beneficiaries of 62 G-E people and pensioners throughout the organization under provisions of the Plans, according to the announcement. The total paid amounted to $161,355. Of this, $48,855 represented Company In-

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Quota Of $340,000 Set For Fort Wayne Works

Announcement has been made by J. W. Crise, executive assistant, that the Seventh War Loan Drive will be conducted at the Fort Wayne Works on May 14, 15, and 16. A quota of $340,000 in cash sales has been set for the Works, this total to include sales at the Broadway, Winter Street, Taylor Street, Decatur, and Kokomo Plants. The magnitude of the goal can be seen from the fact that the quota is 38% higher than the quota set for the Sixth War Loan Drive; however, it is pointed out that the amount is well below the total of $362,864 in cash sales which was recorded in that drive.

During the coming campaign, special efforts will be directed toward securing wider and more complete participation. In former campaigns such as the Fifth and Sixth, in both of which the quotas were exceeded by nearly 50%, the bonds were purchased by approximately one-half of the employees, leaving almost 50% of employees who made no extra purchases of war bonds during the drive. Although it is recognized that nearly 100% of the employees are purchasing bonds by payroll deduction, it is felt that a larger percentage could purchase at least one extra bond during these drives. Therefore a secondary goal of the Seventh War Loan Drive will be an attempt to get a large percentage of participation, thus more nearly presenting the "solid front" the nation desires in furthering the war effort.

Mr. Crise, who is in charge of the drive, points out that patriotism and loyalty have and will continue to

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Spring, Beautiful Spring . . .



Amid all the choruses of delight which have been greeting the warm spring weather for the past several days, the WORKS NEWS photographer went in search of a picture which to him portrayed the spirit of spring. He must be a realistic sort of person, for evidently to him spring means WORK. Well, how about it, is your lawnmower ready?

Alnico Magnet Obviates Use Of Surgery On Child

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If there is anything a G-E engineer dearly loves to do it is to use one of General Electric's new gadgets or pieces of apparatus to save human life or reduce human suffering. Recently the opportunity came, as it has several times in the past few years. Betsy Johnston, 3, Schenectady daughter of a G-E man, swallowed a two-inch bobby pin while making her morning toilette.

Betsy was rushed to the hospital, and a flouroscope showed the pin had lodged in her stomach. Objects like bobby pins do not ordinarily

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Ideas Plus Courage

The country never saw, during the closing stages of a war, so much earnest thinking of ways and means of providing a satisfactory post-war level of employment as is being done right now. And when the proper time comes, there will be an unparalleled effort everywhere. It has been estimated that there should be seven to ten million more jobs than there were in 1940.

To accomplish this, there must be many new businesses, both large and small. There must be new ideas, and there must be people with courage to risk their savings in developing those ideas. It has been done before, as our country grew, and it can be done again.

General Electric itself is an excellent example of an industry built up through new ideas, and risk capital, and there are many others.

For example, in the early '80's, George Eastman produced the first practicable roll film, then the first Kodak, and staked his savings on them. And, beginning with Eastman Kodak, a progressive process of new businesses and new jobs began: an expanded optical industry, the great Hollywood movie production area, sales outlets for cameras, and all kinds of service ventures in camera towns like Rochester and Binghamton, with teachers, doctors, lawyers, insurance firms and retail stores of all kinds.

Most of these jobs were not there before George Eastman took a chance with his money. And in almost every supplemental business, people took chances by investing money. Not all of them won, but the net result was more jobs and a higher standard of living. If there is to be a great "lift" in peacetime employment, people must be encouraged, not only to think up new ideas like Eastman's, but to take the chance, as he did, of building new businesses.

"The Greater Our Strength"

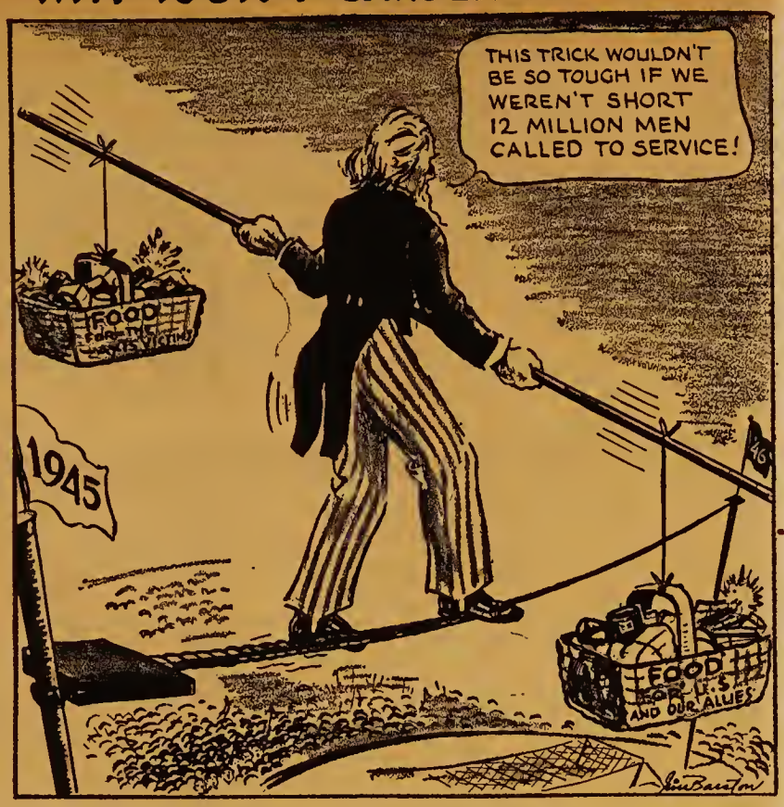
Keynoting his annual report to the president with the observation, "The greater our strength the sooner our victory," Secretary of the Navy Forrestal emphasized that while United States with a record-breaking production of ships, planes and major ordnance items, and by the end of 1944, had the largest Navy in the world, it must continue to build more ships in 1945, 1946 and 1947. He said our large Navy was a solid tribute to the power of industrial America and the Navy was grateful to the men and women whose genius, skill and devotion made this production possible. "We must forearm ourselves against heavier losses as we approach Japan, fighting not only her navy but her air power," the Secretary declared, "but there is another and more profitable reason for continuing Naval construction. We must maintain and increase the tremendous margin which we now have, the margin which has enabled us to conduct almost simultaneous operations against the Japanese. The Navy's operations in this war resemble the use of multiple teams in football—one team on the field, another one on the sidelines, a new, fresh one ready to go in and exploit weaknesses that become apparent. That requires surplus power. With a plenitude of power we were able to have at any given moment a multiple series of attacks under way and in the making."

It's A "Five Alarm"

The sight of a fire-engine speeding to "work" gives most people a thrill, though an observer was once heard to remark that he wished the firemen would finish dressing before starting. But the important thing is for the men to be on the engine when it leaves the firehouse in response to an alarm. Failure of one man to be in his place would slow up and disrupt the efforts of the fire-fighting crew.

America is a member of the crew now fighting a gigantic conflagration. Your job may not be as spectacular as a fireman's, but it is of paramount importance that you be "on the engine" every day in order to maintain and increase production of vital war materials. "Time is short!" The sooner our fighting equipment reaches the spot the sooner we'll douse the flames.

WHY YOUR V-GARDEN IS NEEDED



Have you gotten out your seed catalogue, thumbed it over and then ordered some of those lavishly luscious vegetables whose gay colors spread temptingly over the page? Well, there aren't vegetables for you there yet, but there are seeds, and the work of turning them into vegetables is a wondrous process in which many of us will take part this year.

It isn't only the bewitching catalogues that beckon, but the prospect of spring sun and balmy wind, the smell of the earth and the "feel" of growing things. And the superiority you take on as you crunch into a crisp radish, or taste the corn's sweetness that would be gone if you didn't eat the ear about as soon as picked. And then there's the sense of pity you have as you think of the folks still condemned to canned goods, and mighty little of that.

All these joys will be yours if you are Victory gardening this year. And you will be a good patriot and citizen of the world, too.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

KITCHEN "KNOW-HOW"

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Some people think a woman has to be a born cook to be a good one, but to our way of thinking it's the accumulation of "know-how," the kitchen lore and kitchen tricks of the trade which account in great measure for a homemaker's success with food preparation.

Mae Jenkin of our Consumers Institute staff who seems to have an endless store of handy kitchen helps at the tips of her fingers, shares some of them with the readers of this column:

Do you know that ¾ inch slices of apple fried in the bacon fat until soft and light brown makes a delicious accompaniment for bacon and eggs? They can be fried on one half of the frying pan, at the same time the eggs are being fried on the other half.

Do you know that too much flour will cause a cake to be dry and crumbly? A cake will fall if too much liquid is used. Be sure to measure accurately, using standard measuring equipment.

Do you know that the easiest way to measure solid fats is by the water displacement method? Example: If ⅓ cup of fat is needed, fill a standard measuring cup to the ⅔ mark with cold water; then add fat softened to room temperature until the water reaches the 1 cup mark by pressing fat under the water; pour off the water, and the fat is accurately measured.

Do you know that a vegetable salad benefits greatly from a zippy salad dressing? For mayonnaise or French dressing which is too bland, add celery salt, minced onion or garlic, Worchester sauce, dash of cayenne pepper, and dry mustard in any proportion or combination which suits your taste. For instance, celery salt and minced onion added to mayonnaise adds a pleasing tang to raisin and carrot salad.

Do you know that 3 tablespoons of cocoa can be used in a recipe instead of 1 square of chocolate—or vice versa?

Do you know that ¼ cup egg yolks equals approximately 3½ yolks?

Do you know that ½ cup egg whites equals approximately 5 whites?

Do you know that a floured cookie sheet helps to prevent cookies from spreading and the cookies keep a better shape?

Do you know that a large dill pickle can be hollowed out with an apple corer, then filled with a soft cheese? Let chill, then slice in ½ inch slices. It makes a pretty accompaniment for a cold meat plate or salad.

Admiral Halsey Asks Full Speed On CVE Production

A telegram received recently from Admiral Halsey, Commander of the Third Fleet, points out the urgency of full speed on CVE production. The telegram reads as follows:

OUR ESCORT CARRIERS ARE DOING A BANG UP JOB IN THE PACIFIC OFFENSIVE THEY ARE VERY BATTLE HANDY LITTLE SHIPS AND HAVE DONE THEIR FULL SHARE IN CHASING THE JAPS FROM THEIR ISLAND BASTIONS IN MORE THAN ONE ACTION THE BABY FLATTOPS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT THEY PACK A REAL MAN SIZED WALLOP WE'RE GOING TO NEED MANY MORE OF THEM FOR THE TOUGH BATTLES AHEAD. WE OF THE FLEET LOOK TO YOU OF THE PRODUCTION LINES TO KEEP DELIVERING CVES TO US AT FULL SPEED.

W F HALSEY JR
ADMIRAL USN COMMANDER THIRD FLEET

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NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Fine Job



F. W. Zuber C. C. Schultz, Jr.

"I have seen a lot of motors that we build and hope to see more; so keep it up. You're doing a fine job, and we need them," says Pvt. Clayton C. Schultz, Jr., Bldg. 4-3 and Bldg. 4-5. He is a member of the artillery. S/Sgt. Francis W. Zuber, Bldg. 19-2, is with a quartermaster depot company. "It's sure good to be back again and see the gang. I've seen G-E equipment in Iceland, Scotland, England, Wales, and France, and it always comes out on top."

Wilmer E. Lehman, CM 1/c, is stationed at Hutchinson, Kansas.

"We can all give G-E a pat on the back because she is doing everything possible to speed us on the way to victory," says Capt. Frank A. Jenkins. "Three cheers for the many good friends who are behind us on the home front."

Lt. Robert R. Kiester has been transferred to Garner Field, Uvalde, Texas.

Glenn Earl Myers, A/S, is stationed at Great Lakes, Ill.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Lt. Fred M. Hueber, Bldg. 19-4, a member of the Army Transportation Corps, has completed fifteen months of sea duty. "I feel more at home on Coast Guard and Navy troop carriers than I do in an Army camp." He has been aboard troop ships with the Transportation Corps, the outfit that handles the movement of Army troops to and from battle fronts through the reinforcement of England as well as the manning of the beachheads of Italy. Lt. Hueber says, "The Coast Guardsmen are calling me a 'salt' and they swear I'll be wearing bell-bottomed khakies before long."

Lt. Wayne A. Colley has been transferred to Amarillo, Texas.

PFC Harold A. Ponsot, Bldg. 26-1, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in France on December 9.

William F. Hayden, Ck 3/c, has been transferred to Norman, Okla.

Cpl. Albert J. Knight has been transferred to Upper Darby, Pa.

PFC Ralph R. Chepler is stationed at Paris, Texas.

Pvt. Claude B. Gettys has been transferred to Camp Livingston, La.

Ens. R. W. Gustafson is stationed at Washington, D. C.

Posthumous award of the Silver Star for gallantry in action has been announced for PFC Arthur W. Kuhl, Bldg. 4-6, by the War Department.

PFC Elroy D. Miller, Bldg. 17-1, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in France.

Sgt. Robert J. Cooper, Bldg. 26-4, is now in a hospital in England after being wounded in France on November 18.

Alameda, California, is the new station of Richard R. Zimmerman, F 1/c.

Sgt. Robert F. Crick has been transferred to Madison, Wisconsin.

Mary Glover, S 1/c, is stationed at Arlington, Virginia.

PFC Paul Baumgardner is somewhere in Germany.

Sgt. Myron Corll is stationed somewhere in France.

A/C William H. Scott is stationed at Tulare, California.

Back In Good Old U.S.A.

Dear Editor:

I'm writing to let you know that my address has changed again, and I am now stationed back in the United States. It sure was a great pleasure to see so much General Electric equipment in use in combat. In the course of my combat flying I used much of the same equipment I used to help make and am happy to say that I never once saw it fail on the job. If I have to go back to combat again it will be a great comfort to know that General Electric equipment is right in there fighting with me. Keep it coming.

Say hello to all the old gang in Bldg. 4-1 for me, although I doubt that many of them are still there after two years.

Hope they that they all give up soon and I can get back on the job at the G-E again.

Yours truly,
A/S Harold Koenig

Sgt. Morgan L. Fortney, stationed somewhere in Belgium, sends greetings to his friends in Bldg. 26-2.

Lt. W. G. Weikart is stationed somewhere in Belgium. Prior to coming to Belgium he saw action in France and Normandy. "Wish to say hello to the few of the old Bldg. 4-1 boys that are left."

Help Win



F. H. Bayha R. K. Hawkins

Franklin H. Bayha, Bldgs. 12-2, 26-5, 20-1, 10-2, is a V-12 training program member and is studying mechanical engineering at the University of Illinois. He expects to qualify for an ensign's commission at the end of his course of study. "I know the Navy is doing a fine job and hope the folks at home keep doing all they can to help win." PFC Robert K. Hawkins, Bldgs. 6-2 and 26-4, is recovering in a hospital in England from wounds. He has received the Purple Heart.

In France

Dear Editor:

Just a line or so to say hello to all at the good old General Electric Company and especially to the friends I worked with in Bldg. 12-1. I am living in pretty good quarters over here in France, and of course I have a pretty good job, cooking and preparing the chow, but I will have to say that I prefer working for the General Electric Plant anytime, but beings we have a very important job over here to do, we will get this over with and then return to our jobs back home.

If you find any of this to put in the WORKS NEWS, go ahead and put it in but I just wanted to express my appreciation for receiving the WORKS NEWS, and also to say hello to all, and let you know I am somewhere in France.

So now until I see you all again I want to say you are doing a splendid job and keep up the good work. I am counting on seeing you all soon I hope, so until then I will say so long all and God bless you all.

Sincerely yours,
PFC. Guy E. N. Tarr

Lawrence H. Schuster, Bldg. 4-3, has been promoted to the rank of PFC. He is somewhere in Germany with the First Army.

Pvt. Arthur E. McKinley has been awarded the Bronze Star.

Cpl. Merle E. Byers has received the Purple Heart for wounds received in Belgium in December, 1944.

PFC R. Herb has been transferred to Coolidge, Arizona.

Lt. (jg) Fred H. King has been transferred to Lake City, Florida.

Marcus A. Gotsch, S 1/c, is stationed at Great Lakes, Illinois.

Capt. Stephen Jurkovic has been transferred to Charlottesville, Virginia.

Pvt. Arthur E. McKinley has been awarded the Bronze Star "for heroic achievement in action in Germany on November 16, 1944."

T/5 Ralph Paetz is employed as administrative specialist in the Ninth Air Force Group Headquarters in France.

S/Sgt. Robert B. Lee is stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas.

T/5 Milford Crick, somewhere overseas, says, "Glad to hear production of war material is still on top, because that will be one of the main factors in winning this war."

T/5 Harold T. Boehm, Bldg. 19-5, has added a fourth bronze star to his campaign ribbons for action in Italy and France. He is a tank driver.

Pvt. Arthur J. Cochran, Winter Street, has arrived in the China-India area.

Norma J. Gaskill, S 1/c, is stationed at Jacksonville, Florida.

The Air Medal has been awarded to Lt. Richard A. Miller, Bldg. 12-2, and to Lt. Robert J. Blossom, Bldg. 12-2.

Waves



M. K. Zumbrun F. I. Decker

"Friends, very few of you will recognize me," says Mae K. Zumbrun, S 1/c, "but I am one of your helpers from Bldgs. 4-3 and 4-5. I've run across various parts you've built and they are marvelous. You build them and we'll keep them flying. Thanks for the visit and I wish to say hello to the ones I missed." She is stationed at Peru, Indiana. Frieda I. Decker, S 2/c, is stationed at Washington, D. C. She was employed in Bldg. 17-4 before joining the Navy. "Was wonderful to be back and to see the gang. Words can't express how much I appreciated the long letter. Thanks, every one."

Sgt. Garnall D. Parkinson is stationed in England.

PFC Robert C. Colby, Bldg. 19-4, has been awarded the Bronze Star for heroism in action.

Bernard J. Miller, Bldg. 4-4, has reported for a tour of shore duty at Chicago after almost three years at sea in both the European and Pacific theaters.

Marine Staff Sergeant Patricia Ann Townley has been promoted to her present rank at Cherry Point, N. C.

Pvt. Paul E. Wuttke has been transferred to Camp Pendleton, California.

Lt. Robert B. Oswald, who is missing in action, has been awarded the Air Medal.

J. S. Belot is now stationed in the Southwest Pacific. He sends greetings to the gang in Bldgs. 19-2 and 19-3.

Lt. V. E. Wiegand has been transferred to Redbank, New Jersey.

Standing Up



C. E. Cotton L. H. Hutchinson

"Keep up the good work and hope we will be home soon. I have seen a lot of G-E products in service, and they are standing up good. I say hello to all my fellow co-workers," says Lewis H. Hutchinson, MAM 2/c. He is stationed at San Francisco, California; he was formerly employed in Bldg. 6-2. Carl Eugene Cotton, Bldg. 4-B, a member of the Navy, is stationed at Sampson, New York.

Jet Engine

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to the engine, where it is compressed by a swiftly revolving impeller. At extremely high altitudes the air will be as cold as 75 degrees below zero. The air is whipped by the impeller to a combustion chamber, where fuel (usually kerosene) burns fiercely. This causes the air to expand and increases its velocity. The air and gases then pass through a blazing-hot turbine wheel, which is connected by shaft with the impeller. The blast then passes out the jet exhaust at the rear tip of the plane, giving the drive or forward thrust.

Simple Principles Used

This reactive thrust, which drives the Shooting Star and other jet planes forward, is so simple that it sometimes is hard to understand. It conforms with Newton's third law of motion: that to any action there is an equal and opposite reaction. A simple example is a garden spray of the spinner type, which revolves in the opposite direction from which the spray streams go.

This new G-E Jet makes virtually no vibration, lessening fatigue for the pilot. It is simple to maintain, having few movable parts. Pilots of a P-80 hear no noise from the jet while in flight. The rumbling roar from it passes out the rear.

Another outstanding performance characteristic of the P-80 is its high altitude maneuverability. The G-E Jet functions powerfully and smoothly at extremely high altitudes. Due to less air drag on the plane, the jet uses much less fuel at high altitude than it does going at the same speed at low altitude.

Another advantage of this new super jet engine is that it requires no warm-up. It develops more than enough power for a take-off in less than a minute.

This new high-powered G-E Jet was developed at River Works of General Electric, Lynn, Mass., where the first jet engine for the AAF was produced in the United States from original designs developed by the British.

Jet Plane Over Syracuse

Hundreds of General Electric workers engaged in the manufacture of G-E jet airplane engines at the company's Thompson road plant, Syracuse, saw definite evidence of their efforts last week when a Bell "Aircomet" zoomed at record-breaking speed over the plant several times during the noon hour. It was the first time a jet propelled plane had visited the city, in fact it was said to be the first time a jet plane had ever flown east of Buffalo.

"Look, quick, here she comes" was the yell of hundreds of voices as the silvery plane appeared in the far distance.

"Wow, there she goes" was the next exclamation.

Beats Own Sound

And that just about tells of the tremendous speed with which this G-E jet rocketed over Syracuse. You didn't hear the noise of the engine until it had passed, it went so fast. The exact speed is still a military secret but to observers it seemed to travel as fast as sound.

The plane was piloted by Capt. John Brown, Army air ace, now a test pilot at the Bell factory. It came to Syracuse primarily so that General Electric employees could see how the engine they are working on was put to use and they enjoyed the show. Coming during the noon hour, every worker had an opportunity to be out of doors for the brief but exciting exhibition.

First it zoomed down over the plant at low altitude, perhaps at a height of 600 or 700 feet, and then started an almost perpendicular climb, vanishing into a bank of clouds. In a minute or two it was back again, this time for a fast straight away over the plant. The third and final trip was at slower speed, as Capt. Brown was preparing to land at the Army air base, a few miles away.

Impresses Workers

"My, do I feel patriotic," exclaimed a young girl in overalls, one of the hundreds working on the new jet engine at General Electric's second largest manufacturing building. "To think I am helping to make engines which will propel a plane that fast! If I hadn't seen it go that fast I never would have believed it."

That was the attitude of all, and for the next hour or two the conversation of every one within the huge factory was "Did you see it?"

Officials of General Electric were at the airport to greet Captain Brown when he arrived. In the party with Superintendent William A. Saupe were Clarence Linder, assistant works manager, and Barney G. Tang, general superintendent, both from the Schenectady works. As Captain Brown stepped from the cockpit of the plane, one of the group remarked:

"We need more planes like that."

To which Captain Brown replied, "We need them badly. I hear you people at General Electric's plant here in Syracuse are making jet engines. I sure hope you will turn out a lot more very soon."

Suggestion Award Winners



Large suggestion awards were issued during recent weeks to the individuals pictured above. Top left, William West of the Taylor Street Plant receives a $100 award from J. J. Clarkson, superintendent. Looking on, left are Mark Tam, general foreman, and right, L. C. Hastings, foreman. Top right, Carolyn North, Decatur, who received $40. Lower left, Etta Anspaugh, Decatur, $25. Lower right, Earl Bartling, Bldg. 26-4, $30.

Alnico Magnet

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move easily through the human insides, and Betsy's stayed put for four days. An alert doctor thought it could be removed without surgery by use of a G-E Alnico magnet, so he asked the Research Laboratory to rig up an apparatus.

Goodwin W. Howe and W. K. Kearsley of the laboratory then went into action, Howe to fashion an Alnico V magnet of the right shape and Kearsley to rig it up to a rubber tube with a wire inside the tube to permit a surgeon to guide it on its search for the pin. Kearsley is well-known as a maker of gadgets for special purposes and as a pioneer in design of electrically-heated blankets.

Alnico V is a new magnet alloy three to four time as powerful as the previous strongest Alnico II. The surgeon, who did not want his name published, probed for the bobby pin in the dark, with a fluoroscope telling him which way to direct the magnet. From the time he inserted the magnet down the bronchoscope tube until the powerful magnet grasped the pin and allowed it to be removed, only half a minute elapsed, the doctor reported.

He said that if the object had reached the child's intestine, it might have punctured the walls and resulted in serious complications. He added that several similar operations have been performed in a like manner recently and declared that this procedeure with a magnet opened up a new field.

Death Claims

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surance, and $112,500 represented Additional Insurance.

Six claims were paid to beneficiaries of employees who were in their second year of service, and three to beneficiaries of employees who were in their third year with the Company.

Payments were made to survivors of Schenectady Works employees for a total of $34,565; to beneficiaries of Bloomfield Works policy-holders for a total of $7,000; Erie $2,395; Fort Wayne $7,000; Ontario $3,500; Philadelphia $2,500; Pittsfield $2,880; West Lynn $4,725; Syracuse Transmitter $2,150; River $13,010; and Appliance and Merchandise Department $7,800; February brought the grand total of death and disability claims paid since the plans were started in 1920 to $24,806,680.88.

Bond Drive

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be the controlling motives for purchasing War Bonds. "However," says Mr. Crise, "the postwar 'nest egg' motive presents a strong appeal to those who have youngsters to educate, those who wish to save for a home, a farm, or a lake cottage, for those who wish to provide an old age income, or for preparedness against emergencies. While this saving is going on, purchasers will have the satisfaction of knowing that their money is helping to win the war—that it is buying planes, ships, tanks, ammunition, medical supplies, hospitals, food, clothing and shelter for our men and women in the armed forces. It would be wise for every employee to begin right now to save a small amount each week so that he will be ready to purchase an extra bond for cash during the campaign."

Suggestions

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Bldg. 8-1, who was awarded $25.00. Mr. Bartling's suggestion was to assemble units before treatment; his award is in addition to $10.00 previously issued. Mr. Laughman's idea pertained to the use of idle rolls to respool wire on EP machines.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 4-4

John Allendorph, Herbert F. Sealar, Sam M. Hanes, Luke C. Shorter, Joseph E. Tricker, Edith P. Niemeyer.

Bldg. 6-3

Herman Ebel.

Taylor Street

Frederick L. Young, Franklin L. Bryan, Russel W. Gerardot, Perry Edward Smith, Robert H. Leever, Clifford A. Clauser, Cleo T. Haymond, Cecil H. George, Roy Patterson, Ivan H. Wall, Clarence Hanefeld.

Bydg. 8

Willis K. Deetz, Robert F. Spires, Vernon S. Wiseman, Harold V. Barrick, Ralph N. Hoover, Virgil C. Summers, Carl M. Junk, Lynn A. Wilson, William E. Stearns, Manford F. Robbins, John J. Powner, Carl Pettigrew.

Decatur

Josephine Schidack, Adam Johnson, Keith J. Smitley.

Bldg. 17-2

Harry W. Balzer, Helen R. Poynter, Catherine E. Tucker.

Bldg. 26-1

Paul F. Noffze, Doyle D. Miller.

Bldg. 4-3

Alva W. Miller, Jr., Adrian W. Herman, B. J. Skevington, Carl P. Snyder, Betty Boldt, William A. Mauger, Otas Otto Orr, Glyda R. Yoder.

Bldg. 6-2

Harold Anspaugh, Charlotte Moser, Mabel M. Miller, Vera L. Wulliman, Richard J. Young, Mary E. Hogan, Mary Jane Fry, Pauline Blair, Irene Barrand, Max E. Flohr.

Bldg. 6-4

Dallas Corson.

Bldg. 4-5

Brooks F. Brickley, Wilbur E. Tibbitts.

Bldg. 12-B

Russell L. LeBeau.

Bldg. 2-2

Brice G. Martin, Irene E. Martz, Eileen H. Stemmler, A. Kuckuck.

Bldg. 26-4

Arnold Eubank.

Bldg. 6-1

George E. Elson.

Bldg. 17-3

Mary J. Buesking, Madaline L. Briggs.

Bldg. 4-1

Fred H. Higgins, Jess L. LaLone.

Bldg. 4-2

Cecil E. Tarney.

Bldg. 26-3

Anna Bremer.

Bldg. 6-B

Thomas Harding, Homer L. Pulley, Byron L. Neuman.

Bldg. 26-1

Frank Schlotter.

Bldg. 17-1

Delbert F. Keefer.

Bldg. 26-2

Henry Leitz, Kenneth C. Casselman.

INSPECTION QUALITY FORT WAYNE TEST

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SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon—if I didn't come in early every day, I would never get all me poster reading done. That is, unless I wasted a lot o' time at me job. Posters, maps, bulletins, notices,—some dull—some very colorful, and full o' meaning. Some o' these War posters make me work harder than ever—thot's why I come early tae do me poster reading!

But I've noticed one wall decoration thot ye couldna' rightly call a poster. It was framed, wi' a piece o' glass in front o' it. Yet it told me a lot more than some o' the bigger, more colorful attention getters. It was called the Creed o' the Engineering and Manufacturing Divisions.

When I read this Creed, I could see C.R.* sticking out all over. I wouldn't need tae be Sandy tae see it, either. Among other things, it mentions things thot I've been saying in this column for lo these many (nearly 5) years. It says, for instance, thot the Engineers should not consider it incompatible thot improvements in design, with concurrent decreases in cost, are possible. I have said thot changing designs tae improve them, and at the same time getting a C.R.*, MUST be done, right along (without even considering anything about compatibility or incompatibility o' such PROGRESS).

In fact, after the war, we will hai tae make BETTER motors and transformers than our competitors, at the SAME price, or less, and that means thot all o' us will hai tae watch for gude C.R.* ideas at every turn if we expect to have jobs.

But, o' course, we don't have tae wait until the war is over tae put into practice the Creed, as published and framed, or what Sandy Says, as published and not framed, tho it seems as tho they used a lot o' my ideas tae make the Creed, so maybe I've been framed. (Joke).

Weel, Creed—or Sandy Says—they will work ONLY if everybody gets together and MAKES them work. Thot's you and me—not just the fellows over there, or around the corner, or in the office—but YOU—and ME.

Which, o' course, reminds me o' at least one o' me relatives. This time it's Cousin Malcolm, the soldier, remember? Weel, when he first got into the Army, he thought he could work some C.R.* into Army routine, like for instance, carrying messages. Malcolm wanted tae use carrier pigeons tae do the job, but when he found out thot the war must be won in triplicate, he wanted tae tie little gliders behind the "tow pigeon," tae allow space for all the copies. But, as he wrote me at the time, the idea didn't work. It made the messages pigeon towed (toed).

*COST REDUCTION.

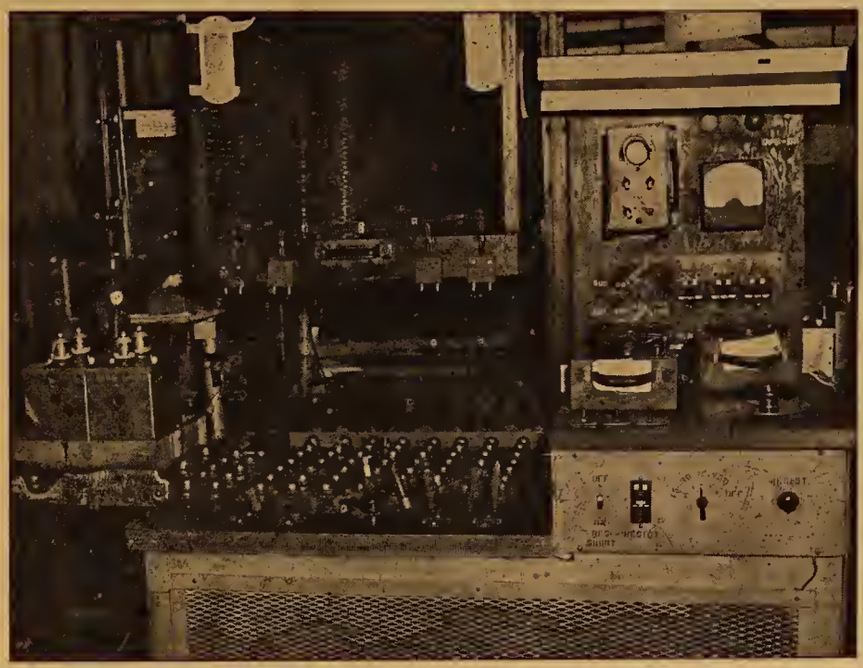
Prisoner Of War

Pvt. Marion L. Shuler, Taylor Street, who has been missing in action in France since December 8, is now a prisoner of war of Germany. He arrived in France in October, 1944.

Boy: "What's a convalescent?"

Doctor: "A patient who is still alive."

HIGH VOLTAGE TEST TABLE



Convenient location of instruments and controls, with adequate provisions for safety.

These factors assist in quantity production of apparatus with the FIGHTING QUALITY THAT WINS!!!

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

Would-be famous quotations: Henry Roemke, "Some day I'll be able to comb my hair with a towel!" L. Mellinger (clocking in with the office gals clocking out), "Let us girls through!" L. Hearn, "I can keep my weight down, but my years keep increasing." . . . What goes on in that pretty head of Leona's? The other day we all laughed at her umbrella—'cause there was no sign of a shower. But, my dear, believe it or not, great drops of H_2O were dripping all over the place by noon. Reminds one of the old saying, "He who laughs last, laughs best." . . . Margaret Hoot's cold is responsible for her new name—Froggie. . . . The girls of the winding section enjoyed a shower in honor of Nola Morris, Thursday night. Those present were: Ruth Thuerer, Marjorie Michalowshe, Polly Caffield, Valette Irwin, Betty VonderHaar, Betty Gushwa, Eleanor Coopenhaver, Ethel Rakoczy, Margaret Hoot, Ruth Swaidner, Mary Ellen Banet, Lillian David, Edith Williams, and the honored guest, Nola Morris. Nola was the recipient of many useful gifts. . . . Eldon Swaidner found out that it's easier to sit still on a swivel chair than when it's whirling. That floor is hard, isn't it? . . . Harry Prange sure makes the grade since he is a golden jubilee man; just how often do you have your picture in the Works News? . . . Betty Billman to Charles Schild, "M-m-m, Charley, what kind of cigar do you have today?" Charley to Betty, "Oh, just the usual rope, why do you ask?" Betty answers, "Oh, such an aroma, it must be imported." Was it, Charley? . . . Any wishing to reduce, please contact Kay Winkelman and Caroline Finch. They sure get results. . . . We wonder how much Mr. Lockwood is charging Mr. Daffon for euchre lessons. . . . Monkeys like peanuts, we're told, but that doesn't explain why so many North Enders are seen munching circus food these days. Could it be spring?

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By Perry A. Shober

Toothpicks never occurred to me as an edible delicacy, but not so to Ruth Stier. The other day, while balancing one on her tonsils, it seems her palate slipped and it plunged downward into her esophagus (the toothpick, I mean, not her palate). For a couple of days Ruth tiptoed around so she wouldn't jar it, but nothing happened and Ruth is quite normal again. Pass the toothpicks and the dressing, please, with a little salt and pepper. . . . Last Saturday morning Gerry Kunberger's desk looked like a basement bargain counter. It seems Gerry has wheeled off another milestone in her mad dash to reach voting age. A number of her girl friends gave a birthday dinner in her honor and contributing to the enjoyment were Carolyn Foley, Yvonne Klaehn, Jerry Garrison, Viola Harber, Mary Henry, Margaret Lissner, June Pepe, Elda Mertz, Kathryn Lahrman, and Mrs. Kunbarger. If all the wishes on the greeting cards she received come true, Gerry can throw her worrybird in the ash can.

The Last Word—
FROM BUILDING 4-1

For a few minutes the other morning we thought sure George Chandler was selling newspapers out at the front gate, but soon found out that he had become a member of the "Forgotten Badge Club." . . . Congratulations and best wishes go to Beatrice Teeters whose birthday was March 14. "Bea" passed the cake in the morning (and was it ever delicious!). At noon Lucille Slater, Rosie Fisher, Vicki Fuhrman, Alice Dahman and Mary Zirkle gave a surprise pot-luck lunch in her honor and presented her with a lovely gift. . . . Mac Archbold is back to work after being absent a few days on account of sickness. Congratulations and birthday greetings also go to Max, whose birthday was March 16. . . . A few of our group are getting in practice for their vacations, big game hunting. Virgil Gillenwater, Madonna Endres and Dick Graber are really going to put the rat charmer of Hamlin to shame with their mice. They will work as a team; Dick will run one down, Virgil will catch it barehanded, and Madonna will scream. . . . Now that the basketball season is just about over, Ray Dotzer will have to go back to discussing politics. Ray will stop eating chicken to argue about either basketball or politics. . . . Ralph Begue, setup man third trick in 15x16, has lost several days on account of illness and Jess Moore has returned to work after being off two weeks for the same reason.

Is Zat So?

These nice spring days have given us all an early dose of spring fever and at times we find it hard to keep our eyes open. Warren Locker has found a new way to overcome this difficulty. He just wears colored glasses and no one knows the difference. . . . Congratulations are in order for Frank Garard, who announces the addition of Carol Joan to the Garard family. . . . The biggest laugh of the week was furnished by Veora Habig. Early in the morning she passed Orville Haver's machine and noticed two packages of cigarettes laying there. Thinking she would teach Orville a lesson for carelessly leaving such valuables around, she nonchalantly picked them up and placed them under a towel on her bench. Orville searched everywhere and questioned nearly everyone as to the whereabouts of his cigarettes without results. Late in the afternoon Veora picked up her towel and the forgotten cigarettes fell to the floor. She immediately went to see if Orville had "lost" anything. He had given up hope of ever recovering his precious smokes and so had learned a lesson but the laugh was on Veora for almost carrying it too far. Was her face red? . . . Speaking of cigarettes, we think Johnny Shanahan discovered the hard way how hot the lighted end of a cigarette is when he put the wrong end in his mouth. . . . John Greider, a former co-worker now on pension, visited us last week. Jim Merchant, Navy, was also a visitor in our group. . . . Sympathy is extended to Ray Epperson on the death of his mother; Hoy Bastian, whose granddaughter passed away; and Ted Branning, who lost his father. . . . Pappy Mosshammer received a letter telling of the meeting of his two sons, Bob and Charles, somewhere in France. . . . From the looks of Wally McKay's desk the other day, it seemed as though he was trying to give Bill Crane a little competition. Wonder who did have the most sacks on his desk? . . . Birthday wishes to Hugo Wengert, Peter Schible, George Angel, Herschel Foreman, Harry Kessler, and Ed Brosche.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Cress Hollenbeck hasn't grown up yet. He takes the kite away from his little boy and flies it, and Cress says, "I like to fly a kite." Perhaps we better buy Cress a kite so his little boy will have one too. . . . Lawrence Schuster doesn't look exactly like an Irishman, but his display on his shirt looked like an Irish moon. It's too bad we don't celebrate Indian day! . . . Well, talking about St. Patrick's Day, you should have seen Al Miller. He looked like a Christmas tree, red hat and green tie. . . . Mat Matteson is the proud father of a baby boy. . . . Loretta Bloom doesn't mind her hat flying off and rolling down the street, but when it ends in a mud puddle, well, that's just too much. Too bad, Loretta. . . . Well, it's get out and get under for Connie Fiest. Anyway that was the way it looked in the parking lot with Connie down on his hands and knees

The Fort Wayne Works had the lowest accident frequency in 1944 of any year since 1940.

Apprentice Broadcast

Dear Fellows:

Here I am again without much to write about but I'll write something even if I have to copy it out of the funny paper. I might state too that this is strictly an extemporaneous article so if it gets too boring you can file it away in the nearest waste paper basket or just slip it in that paper can at the end of the chow line. You know like that one in the armory at Indianapolis, remember?

I guess it must be Spring in the air that does it all though and I do mean it's getting Spring because Harold Richardson has ventured out into the open again with that two legged arrangement more commonly known as a motorcycle. Who knows maybe I'll have another rather amusing story to tell if Harold gets too playful like he did last summer, remember? In fact he already came close once this year. If you don't be more careful Harold we'll have to tell your mother to take that toy away from you.

I hear they have a couple of convicts up at Great Lakes Naval Station who recently left from the Taylor Street plant and they are namely Paul Yentes and Bard Zwayer. Really I don't mean they're convicts but I understand they received the usual scalping upon entering the service and now they're really a couple of streamlined models. You should be able to pull your heads out from those pillows though before long since the weather is getting so warm.

Pvt. Bob Schuelke apparently doesn't like us northerners any more because he packed up his allowable belongings and transported them along with himself to Camp Blanding in Florida. I imagine he moved though due to a request over which he had no control. I believe he is now stationed near Bob Branning and if so here's alerting that part of Florida, because if a bright red glow is seen in the horizon it's just Schuelke and Branning painting that vicinity red and I mean with a capital R because they're just the fellows that can do it.

Leo Schlaudroff is really getting up in the world these days because he is now a Boatswain Mate 2/c; and as for that ridicule, etc., which you are now the center of due to your new advancement that is just a small obstacle for you because don't forget you are now the boss, except for a few superior officers, and that is just a minor detail or is it? Congratulations anyway on your new advancement. Leo is aboard an L.S.T. in the Amphibious Forces.

I was very glad to receive a letter this week from Don House MMR 3/c, who is now stationed at the Precommissioning Engineering School at the Naval Training Station, Norfolk, Va. I am sorry I can't put your whole address in the paper Don, but any of you fellows who want Don's address can write to me and I'll be glad to send it to you. Don is an instructor in the Refrigeration Department and of all the refrigerators made he still prefers a G-E and his students do too before they leave the school. Is there any reason for that, Don? Again I was glad to hear from you and write again won't you?

I'm terribly sorry fellows but I have lost the scores for the state final basketball tournament but there were no outstandingly close games in the finals. In the afternoon session Bosse of Evansville defeated Broad Ripple of Indianapolis and Riley of South Bend defeated Huntington. The final game in the evening between Riley and Bosse went, by about a ten point margin, to Bosse for the State Championship for the second consecutive year.

Last week the Fort Wayne Zollner Pistons won the World Pro Championship for the second consecutive year, thereby becoming the first pro team to ever accomplish this feat. The Pistons also won the league championship for the second straight year.

Dale Romey

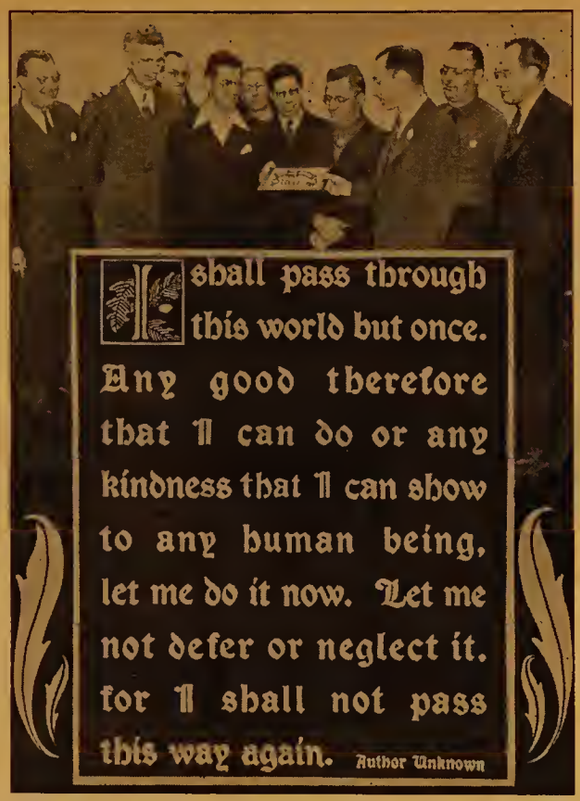
Hi-Nites In 17-1

Really, Louis Hesse reads the Bible for it says if they smite you on the left cheek, turn the right one. Well, he burned his left thumb, then stuck his right one on the hot rivet. . . . Jay Paulus is back on the automatics for a while. . . . Yes, spring is really here. Anne Handy has her bike out. . . . Clarence Wickliffe needs another patch for his apron. . . . Kate from tool supply will be in the tool crib while Purdy is away on vacation. She is visiting her daughter and granddaughter on the east coast. . . . What a wonderful thing a smile is—try smiling and see how fast they travel. . . . Russ Miller is among us again. If you ever see Dorothy Crist carrying a bucket, you may be sure she has a tune in it. . . . Why is it Bauermeister gets a front seat on the bus? Merely by saying, "Step to the rear please." . . . When Denver Coolman eats "out" for supper, you can make a safe bet there are also cigarettes for sale. . . . Jerry Pierce had his car loaded with week-end supplies, but it wouldn't run. Better connect the batteries, Jerry. . . . Here are some of the harbingers of spring in Bldg. 17-1: G. L. Meyers planning his potato crop; Joe Eifrid with a tree trimming saw; George Mosshammer with his "Easter" eggs; Virgil Best and his amphibian for the lake; Walt Hall and his fishing calculator; Russell Moore with his "big" fish stories; Bill Sterling raising more smoke than usual; Woodrow Allready selling fish worms; Gladys Grohe with her new hair-do; Andy Degler and his expected increase—in live stock; Norm Gardner growing apples big as grapefruit; Violet High with her soup supper—and lots more that we can't mention. . . . Kieth Brickley says spring is not how you spring but how you slip. . . . Oscar Schelper is giving up bowling to play horseshoes. . . . Hutson and Whitcomb are figuring out Joe Eifrid's fishing equipment for the coming season. . . . So long for this week but come back next Friday, same time and same station, Bldg. 17-1.

Hears That Son Is Prisoner Of War

Mrs. Gerry R. Gordon of Columbia City has learned that a short-wave broadcast from Germany heard in Pittsburgh listed her son, PFC Gail G. Gordon of Bldg. 4-2, as a prisoner of war. He has been missing in action in France since January 21. Mrs. Gordon is awaiting official notification from the War Department.

Words Fail Us



ON THIS OCCASION, SO WE BORROW FROM AN UNKNOWN AUTHOR WHO HAS ELOQUENTLY EXPRESSED OUR THOUGHTS. We believe that Earsal McPeak, Taylor Street employee, carried out the above truism to the letter when he liberated Walter Fair, a fellow employee, from underneath a coal car.

Mr. Fair was on top of the coal car when the load was unexpectedly dumped. He was carried down with the coal and was covered up with several tons. Unhesitatingly Mr. McPeak rapidly removed the coal with his hands, thereby releasing Mr. Fair in time to save him from serious or even fatal injury.

For this act Mr. McPeak was awarded the Meritorious Safety Performance Certificate by the Fort Wayne Works Safety Committee. J. J. Clarkson, Taylor Street Superintendent, is shown in above picture presenting this certificate to Mr. McPeak. This is the first certificate of this nature that has been awarded at the Taylor Street Plant. Shown in above picture in front row, from left to right, are Don W. Long, Fred Schafenacker, Mr. McPeak, Mark Tam, Walter Fair, Mr. Clarkson; second row, Frank Walling, Adrian Brown, Harold Gerke, and Don Brayer.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

The X-Ray
OF BUILDING 17-2

Many people are talking about the "breath of Spring", but group 13x41 has been breathing something else—green onions! Phil Miller and Ed Meyer treated the gang with some of those odiferous vegetables. . . . Hank Smith brought us a sample of his wife's good corn flake cookies too. . . . A little birdie tells us Marie Hilton is going to be a bride quite soon, but we couldn't bribe him to say just when; however, she told us trousseau shopping is no fun, what with all the colors and numerous shades of each. Etiquette says six colors are permissible this year, Marie. . . . If you want a nice chicken leg, huge slice of ham, or maybe even a steak, just keep a wistful eye on which oven William J. Cooper heats his lunch in. . . . We miss Mr. Drake and hope he's back soon. . . . Glad Leo Harter is back after a short illness. . . . Here's a welcome to Cloyd Carter, our new repair man. Glad to have you with us, Cloyd. . . . Letters received from Garnet Schemenauer from down Portland way lend hints of loneliness, but hope her mother is better soon so she may rejoin us. We miss her sunny smile. . . . Whatever became of the "good humor man," Vern Fredrics. . . . Dagwood has nothing on Tex Baker. You should see some of those foot-thick sandwiches, and they always come to view when we are all the hungriest. . . . Though a little late to mention, did anyone notice Mrs. Lydy's and Reva Deel's nifty green jumpers and John Williams' pert green bow in his cap? 'Twas the day for the traditional wearin' of the green. . . . Harold Kiel says if a coat of paint on the bedroom wall looks like water, all you have to do is get disgusted, go downstairs, listen to Jack Benny or somebody, and when you return it has dried just enough to look wonderful.

NOTICE

The Employees' Store will be closed all day Monday, April 2, for Quarterly Inventory.

H. R. Shepherd
Bldg. 10-2

17-3 Newsies

Our congratulations to Imogene Lehman on her engagement. She was formerly employed in Bldg. 17-3. . . . Birthday greetings to Alma Geary and Helen Evans. . . . The flu bugs had Lillian Johnson down, but we are glad to have her back again. Hazel Horman is also back after an illness. . . . Thelma Chesterman has left. We are sorry to see her go, but we wish her the best of luck. . . . Ila Johnston and Bernice Freiburger are not with us for a while—doctor's orders. The girls would enjoy hearing from us, so drop them a line soon. . . . Winifred Nulf Scheeler visited in Bldg. 17-3 this past week with her many friends. Glad to see you, Winnie. . . . Mary Wright and Marjorie Rouch are constantly talking about the subject of rest. Mary says most people die in bed, but have you ever heard of anyone cleaning their glasses in bed? . . . Greetings to our Yanks wherever they are and our best wishes for the best Easter possible.

Turret Tattles

Tony Wichman asked us to plead with the feller that absconded with his neighbor's alarm clock, to please bring it back. Seems as how the alarm clock is missing and it behooves Tony, as a friendly gesture to go over to the neighbors and gently kick in the door or smash a window to awaken the feller. As Tony is running short of doors and windows he takes this means of pleading with the practical joker who has started all this trouble by hiding the alarm clock, to bring it back so that Tony won't have to donate his valuable alarm clock to replace the missing one. . . . The cigarette shortage has brought forth some very queer and smelly means of wooing ol' lady nicotine. Page the corn cobs that have appeared. Some of them are old enough to vote, and strong enough to stand up and do it, too. W-h-e-w! . . . Our sympathies go to "12-18" Mussleman!! These durn clocks sure do spoil an otherwise beautiful lunch period, don't they, feller? A man can't tell whether he is working on war time, fast time, daylight saving time, central standard time or company time. It sure is confusin'. We hope it has all been explained to you now. . . . Any one in need of a chauffeur for a shiny station wagon may contact this column and we can put them in touch with an excellent prospect. May we suggest they have plenty of insurance on the fenders, for the prospect we heard of has no time to dodge objects in his way. It is more practical to push them aside. The shortest distance between two points is a—. . . . K. D. Mallott reports that his son has been home on a short furlough again. That sleepy look of K. D.'s face one morning recently was from "The Boy" showing pappy how to lose sleep. Cain't take it like ya "uster," hey, K. D.? . . . Herb Boltz tells us that his son with the Air Corps in Germany, has won another Oak Leaf Cluster. They're a very busy bunch of boys these days.

Merchant: "These are especially strong shirts, madam. They simply laugh at the laundry."

Customer: "I know that kind. I had some that came back with their sides split."

Volleyball Team Champions



Small Motor No. 1 were recently named champions of the volleyball league. Members of the team are, left to right, front row, Rowe, Starkel, Willits, and Hessert. Back row, Berghorn, Schlund, Snyder, Team Manager Brandt, and League Manager Soughan.

Bldg. 4-3

Howdy Folks:

The weather makes us feel like Spring has come and gazing at the folks in Bldg. 4-3 convinces us. Sure signs of Spring are Ann Coleman's loud blouses, Betty Boldt's flashy combs, Ethel Gardner's smocks and of course we should mention about the triplets—Bonnie Goodrich, Alta Stanley and Irene Warner who come to work in smocks alike in design but different in color. More signs are Rose Ulrey's red shoes and Bob Beitel's conservative tie and suspenders. Now really, Bob, red and yellow are rather dark colors for matching tie and suspenders. Why don't you brighten things up a bit? (If you do, please pass out colored glasses to save our eyesight). The gang should've put Helen Hageman's yellow shoelaces on Bob instead of Ernie Tatman. They did look awfully cute on Ernie though. We only wish you would've worn THAT tie when you had the shoelaces on. You did prove to be a good sport, Ernie, and you took all the kidding you got. And we just love that bright yellow, green and brown tie on that very blue shirt. . . . Dan Cupid has been throwing arrows around in Bldg. 4-3 and Alice Daily is the latest victim hit with one. What is the exact day in June that the big event takes place, Alice? . . . Helen Hageman went on an enforced diet one night when the sandwich disappeared from her lunch. She seemed to live through it all right but we bet the Hageman icebox was raided pretty thoroughly that night. . . . Idle remark made by Wayne Chrystler: "I hope the kids don't break any windows with the biscuits I made today." . . . Things-We-Like Dept.—The way Pat Monroe looked in the "Daisy Mae" dress he found in the rag bin. That was really a sight to behold. We also like the way Charlie Winans whistles like a wounded puppy when someone steps on him. It's a perfect imitation. . . . Harvey Kerr walked around with a toothpick in his mouth for four nights, just to attract attention and get his name in this column like Ernie Tatman did with his toothpick. What Harvey doesn't know is that Ernie has a special kind of toothpick, not the ordinary wooden kind, but the lead of his Eversharp pencil. Also, Harvey, the toothpick business wasn't necessary to get your name in the NEWS. The new baby girl that Pappy named Barbara is certainly news enough. Congratulations, Harvey. . . . Marjorie Ann Huge is a very happy person and we don't blame her. Her hubby, Cpl. Ralph Huge, is back in the States and should be home before this column appears. He has been in India with the AAF Supplies Office for 2½ years. We're awfully glad for you, Marjorie. . . . Arlene Gaskill was writing a "Lest-I-Forget" note. When she finished, she was dismayed to discover that she'd written her note on top of a duplicate report with carbon paper so her note was on the carbon copy of the report too. Was her face red! . . . Thought you might like to hear some inside dope from Hilda Pfefferkorn, now Mrs. Herman Bucks. One of the girls received a letter from her and she is doing nicely as a contented farmer's wife. Glad you're getting along so well, Hilda. . . . Any one wishing to donate colored eggs for the Pennsylvania railroad Canteen, please bring them to Florence Stanski or Ruth Fuller on March 29 or 30. Thank you. . . . Our box sure was crammed this week so keep it up folks. Guess this is all for this time because this column is long enough. Let's put our floor over the top in the Red Cross drive. That is really a worthy cause. So long.

—Country Cousins

More people were killed at home by burns than those killed in all railroad accidents last year, according to the National Safety Council.

Nationally, there was one fatal accident for every 372 families in 1944, reports the National Safety Council. One out of every three families had a disabling injury, and the cost per family averaged $139.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Nina Andress is recuperating from a recent operation and is reported to be doing nicely. We hope you will be back with us soon, Nina. . . . We didn't know that Georgia Garrett was such an early riser. She got up one morning and had already eaten her breakfast, when she looked at the clock and it was only four o'clock. Did you go back to bed, Georgia? We would too. . . . Welcome back to Lois Biggs, who is fully recovered from her operation and is back in the file room again. . . . Helen Conrad tried that old trick of showing her badge to the street car motorman in lieu of a pass, but it didn't work. He politely asked, "Don't you have a pass, little lady?" It is said that Helen blushed as she hastily showed her pass. . . . Lela Omspach had a pleasant birthday surprise last week, when members of the D.C. Motor Section serenaded her with a chorus of "Happy Birthday to You." Here's wishing you many more, Lela. . . . Don't you think Denver Druesedow looks a little more dignified lately? Well, being a father does that to him. Denver, Jr., weighing 7 lbs. 4 oz., was born on March 14. Congratulations, Denver. . . . To Thelma Winebrenner goes the Bright Remark medal for the week. Basketball Fan: "Broad Ripple was defeated." Thelma: "Who's he?" And she lives in Indiana, too. . . . Ruth English was seen carrying a bright red rake the other night. Harry Richardson thinks she may be planning to rake leaves for the Waynedale Fire Department. How about it, Ruth? . . . First honors in the art of cake making go to Eileen Burrell, whose angel food cake simply melts in your mouth. No, it wasn't anyone's birthday, but we don't need a birthday to enjoy a cake, do we?

"Why is it," asked the irate customer, "I never get what I ask for in your shop?"

"Perhaps, madam," said the assistant, smiling coldly, "we are too polite."

Non-Combatant Vessel Destroys Jap Torpedo Plane, Not A Shot Fired

In one the strangest victories chalked up in World War II, an auxiliary cargo ship of our Amphibious Forces recently accounted for a Japanese torpedo bomber without firing a shot.

The men and women who helped to construct this unwarlike AK vessel little realized the wallop they built into her. For today she proudly displays a replica of the Rising Sun emblem — testimony that she can deliver a punch as well as she can "deliver the goods."

The sole "weapon" used by the ship in knocking out the Nipponese plane was her huge cargo boom, which she normally employs in unloading supplies off Pacific beachheads for our fighting men.

Scene of the "battle," which was made public at the headquarters of Vice Admiral Richmond Kelly Turner, Commander Amphibious Forces, U. S. Pacific Fleet, was in the Marianas area. The Japanese plane dove in at the doughty cargo vessel and miscalculated its run. It crashed into the AK's extended "jumbo" boom, then plunged into the water nearby.

As for the plane's torpedo, it hit the ship but broke in two without exploding!

Upon receiving a report of the action, Admiral Turner sent the ship the following radio message:

"It is well known that the principal weapons that cargo vessel have for use against the enemy are their cargo booms. With these weapons they do great damage to the enemy. However, the task force commander notes with pride that this ship also has been able to use her cargo booms more actively to attack and destroy an enemy plane with one of these terrible weapons. He compliments her on her achievement. When the ship paints the trophy sign for destroying an airplane, do not paint it on the bridge but paint it on the cargo boom so as to make the gun crews envious of the winchmen."

The commanding officer of the AK, Lieut. Commander N. D. Salmon, USNR, sent the following message in reply:

"Cargo boom has returned to battery and reports manned and ready. Painting instructions complied with. Winchmen, who are also guncrews, claim they got him without using lock, stock or barrel. They beat him to death with the ramrod."

AAF Orders Casualty Blankets To Protect Wounded Airmen

Through the announcement by the Automatic Blanket and Sunlamp Division of General Electric, Bridgeport, Connecticut, of a large quantity order for "casualty blankets," it became known that the U. S. Army Air Forces has decided to put at least one of these blankets in all heavy bombers as standard equipment.

Newly developed and tested under actual combat conditions in European theaters, the blanket, a wartime version of the peacetime automatic sleeping blanket, is being used for wounded crew members to prevent shock from excessive cold at high altitudes. It is already credited in army circles as having saved the lives of wounded flyers.

"As with the automatic sleeping blanket, the amount of heat put into the casualty blanket is determined by an automatic control invented by W. K. Kearsley of the General Electric Research Laboratory at Schenectady, New York," David C. Spooner, Jr., manager of General Electric's division making the casualty blanket for the Army Air Forces, said. "This control increases the energy input as the surrounding temperature goes down and decreases it as the surrounding temperature rises with the descent of the bomber as it approaches its home base. In effect it adds or removes blankets as required to give the wounded man or the sleeper just the right protection against the cold. The control developed for sleepers, now has gone to war to care for the wounded."

The blanket consists of an electrically heated layer, well insulated with a wool fabric of thermal properties. It is lined with nylon to which a thin coat of neoprene has been applied. It will protect a man to temperatures as low as 60 degrees below zero.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
George W. Sonner (2)*	R. 1, Decatur, Ind. Coming in on No. 27—16 miles out.	19-5	Wickliffe	3:24-11:42
Gerald Gamble (2)*	R. 1, Huntington, Ind. Coming in on No. 9—No. 14, about 27 miles.	4-5	H. Crouse	7:00- 3:30
Daniel Oesch (5)*†	R. 1, Yoder, Ind. Coming in No. 3.	27	Bowman	7:00- 3:06
Roy Lawrence (3)*	R. 1, Hudson, Ind. Coming through South Milford, Kendallville—Road No. 3.	19-2	Prince	7:00- 3:30

Employees Seeking Rides

William E. Delanoy	R. 2, Churubusco, Ind. 3½ miles N. East of Churubusco. Wants a ride about May 1, 1945.	2-1	Walt	7:00- 3:30

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

NOTICE!

A special ration may be issued to transport a person from his home or fixed place of work to enable him regularly to cultivate a garden, if an area of at least 1500 square feet is devoted to the production of vegetables, and his labor is necessary for such cultivation. The application must state the location of the garden and the distance between the garden and the applicant's home, and no ration can be issued if this distance is more than fifteen miles.

The request must be made on a special R-552 application, and the maximum mileage allowable is twenty gallons for the season.

The location of the garden and the distance from home to the garden should be shown in item 2 of the application form.

B. E. NEEDHAM
Gas Rationing Office

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

The following letter was received by LeRoy Maxheimer of the Planning Section, from Ensign Elbert Stodden:

"March 6, 1945
"Somewhere in the Pacific
"Dear Max:

"I've wanted to drop you a few lines for some time but being a putter-offer of the old school (I'd use procrastinator but I can't spell it), I am just getting around to it. I received your Christmas greetings and was quite pleased. I didn't get any greeting cards sent at all this year, hoping for a few days leave at the holidays, which of course didn't materialize.

"This sea duty gets pretty rugged at times but as a whole is not too bad. We're kept pretty busy as there's always work to be done aboard ship and of course the never-ending watches. My watches are Damage Control duties and my collateral duties are in the C & R Department (Construction and Repair). We have a varied type of workers, from a carpenter to a metalsmith with emphasis on welders. My training at the General Electric has helped me no end and part of my work here will help me there. Of course, my main duty aboard ship is being a boat officer which is a result of my training at Coronado. All in all it amounts to this: when no one else wants a job, they call an Ensign.

"We're under very strict security rules with much emphasis on revealing the movements of our ship. We're now allowed to reveal our first stop—Hawaii. It's really quite a place and probably seeing such places under different circumstances would be quite the thing. They have some really beautiful scenery and some highly publicized places such as the Royal Hawaiian Hotel and Waikiki Beach; Pearl Harbor, of course, is not a scenic spot but is one of the wonders of the world.

"Now of course we've moved about quite a bit. The climate differences is the thing that amazes me. We really suffer from the heat. Rain is a daily occurrence and no one pays any attention to it, sleep in it, work in it and often times sit through movies in it. I can remember complaining of the heat in the office but that was cool at its worst, compared to this. In other words we're really defrosting.

"We have quite a bit of old Winter Street products aboard. Several small compressors and quite a few water coolers (Navy terms them Scuttlebutts). We have some nice machine shop equipment aboard and it is surprising the types of repairs that can be made.

"Of course there's only one point in the war I'm waiting for, that's the end. When it's all over I'm going to write a book, *Al Stodden at Sea* or *Why the Japs Held out so Long.* Sometimes the war news looks encouraging, and other times it makes a person wonder. All in all, I feel I'm in a good spot and consider myself very lucky.

"I see, according to the folks, that you have enjoyed, or endured quite a lot of winter. I suppose the routine at the office remains unchanged. Do you still walk to work or has the ration board removed its teeth? I imagine things remain pretty well unchanged.

"I haven't answered the round robin letter I received from the gang but plan on doing it soon. It seems I have to wait for an urge or some such thing before I can get enough energy aroused.

"Well, I've been writing for some time now but reading back, don't seem to have said much. It's hard to describe life aboard ship, especially the interesting phases. At least I feel I'm learning some things and probably accomplishing a little.

"Hoping to hear from you or see you soon,

"Al (Ens. E. H. Stodden)"

"Tucson, Arizona
"March 13, 1945

"Howdy You-All:

"And that greeting should tell you that I'm in the Southwestern part of the States. In fact I'm somewhere near the Arizona badlands, but from where I'm sitting, I'd say it was the not-so-badlands.

"I could very easily sing that song 'Everything Happens To Me.' I'm no longer on a B-29 crew, I'm not going to combat for a while and worst of all, I won't be able to fly for a year. All this happens just because I get sick with rheumatic fever. I suppose some people would be happy to be in this situation but I'm not. I've been in training two years to go to combat and would have been there in two months if this illness could have been avoided. I know it won't do any good to moan because these rulings on this disease have been set by regulations and as a rule the Army doesn't make exceptions. I had only a mild case of it and should be able to recover completely. At least I hope so.

"Here at Tucson I will remain in bed until they determine by laboratory tests that my heart is in shape enough for me to be up and around to start the first phase of rebuilding my muscles and endurance. Then after I complete six months of hospitalization I will be given a ground job that coincides with my ability and will then be a paddlefoot for six months before I can go before a medical board. This board decides if I have recovered completely enough to fly. By that time I'll probably be so dumb I'll have to start all over in Primary again. (But not if I can help it).

"Well I guess I'll close now and to any of the office help who have been there over two years say hello to them for me.

"As always,
"Tom (Lt. Tom DeHaven)

"P.S.—Tell Vern Gingher I said hello."

Alnico To Rescue of 3 Year-Old . . .



Mrs. Harrison Johnston, Schenectady, wife of a G-E employee, shows daughter, Betsy, powerful magnet and tube used to take bobby pin from child's stomach.

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Accounting

It may be due to spring weather but Pete Dannecker, the summer Lake Gage fisherman, has the fever so bad that his mind is being so crowded, that he stops and waits for some of his riders to get out, even if they aren't in his car.

Production

Schlup, Stockwell and Rockhill are going into the tobacco business. They have a favorite mixture which they should, if they don't already, call it "Ye Olde Stinkum-Uppa Blend." . . . Will everyone please note the new position of the pencil sharpener? Several persons have gone to its original location, with outstretched arms, ready to start grinding, only to find that it has been removed. . . . Most embarrassing moment of the week was when Mike Hunter dropped one of the file case drawers. . . . One of the nicest things Dolores Kiel received for her birthday last week, was a surprise birthday dinner, given by her mother. Those who attended were Mary Jo Suelzer, Margaret Petro and Eileen Mee from Winter Street and Jessie Coombs and Ruth Bonham from Broadway.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

Pete Dannecker was high man for the night when he came through with a 544. The 200 scores were Lauer 213, C. Miller 210, and Misegades 200.

Team 10 won 3 games and went into a tie for league lead with team 4. Each team has won 23 and lost 10. Team 8 was the only other team to win 3 games for the night. No change in the leaders of individual or team totals.

Golf

Despite some nice weather, not much golf has been played as yet. Brookwood, where most of the boys from here play, has been closed for the past two weeks. Fairview opened last Sunday and it is hoped that the other courses will soon follow suit and give the mashie wielders a chance to dig some divots. Be sure and report any scores under 100, or should we say 120?

Tool Room and Maintenance

Frank Smith has a new power sander invention that generates one and seven-elevenths horsepower, or thereabouts. . . . Bob Lasch has a new play which he uses at the noon euchre games. He calls it his "delayed action" play.

Pump and Compressor

Louise Rousseff has joined the first trick inspection gang. Glad to have you with us again, Louise. . . . Proud parents! and how! Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Miller are the proud parents of a baby girl. Leroy received a shower of gifts last week in honor of the baby from coworkers.

Power Drive Office

We are happy to welcome back to Winter Street Bob Mann, Ruth Turner, Mildred Banbury and Gertrude Currie, who have been sojourning at the Poinsatte Building for the past year and a half. We'll miss Alice Shelper who is being transferred to Bldg. 20 at the Broadway Plant. . . . Some people use alarm clocks to get up but Butch Konow uses a whistling teakettle. Monday morning it forgot to whistle and the top blew off. A fund is being raised to buy an alarm clock after the war. . . . We're sorry to hear of Vivian Renbarger scalding her foot. It's hard to imagine Vivian in hot water even with just one foot. We hope she'll be back to work soon. . . . In spring our young men's thoughts turn to fish worms and especially putting them on Fredonna Durst's desk. . . . Another we will miss is Norma McKown who will start her Cadet Nurse Training April 9 at St. Joseph Hospital. The best of success to you, Norma.

Cost

Charles Hooley just about wore out a pair of shoes last Friday watching for the arrival of the WORKS NEWS. But to our disappointment his picture wasn't even in. Maybe if you look real hard you'll find it in today's issue, Charlie.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Best of luck and success to Fred Klaehn of test section, who is leaving Power Drive and will be in the familiar blue of the U. S. Navy. . . . Rudy Langus of lathe section is now at Bldg. 4-3 Broadway, via the transfer route. . . . Our best regards also go to Bernie Rayman, Bill Weis and Pete Spitler, on their departure from Power Drive. . . . Barbara Renz was high in bowling with a score of 144. . . . Harry Golden and Kenneth Yoder accompanied by their wives, spent last week-end in Chicago and witnessed the strong Zollner Pistons climaxing the basketball championship. . . . Welcome to Jake Denis in Tool Grinding Section on first trick. . . . Joan Hively seems to be very happy these days with the approach of spring and the purchase of a car to offset the traveling congestion.

Machine Shop

Charles Hammond celebrated his sixty-fifth birthday in high style this last week. The good old gang around us bought him a handsome looking billfold, and L. Kittredge contributed a nice big delicious cake, enough to go around. Charlie was very surprised and pretty happy about the whole thing. We hope you have many more birthdays to come, Charlie.

Grinding

The two voices sounding like a Crosby-Sinatra duet coming from the Grinding Section is only Coffield and Trullender singing. . . . Clyde Coffield wants some unused crossword puzzles to solve.

Dust Proof Room

Last Thursday Lucille Johnson held a kitchen shower for Harriet Madezjewski. Those who attended were Schuckel, Lemish, Betty, Velma, Luella, Audrey, Mildred, Loretta Ellinger and Susie. . . . Lucille Lemish took a trip to visit her son in Mississippi. We hope she has an enjoyable trip. . . . We are all very glad to have Ruth Kittredge back with us. . . . Any one having any news of a tow-truck being for rent part time, Harold Evans would be very glad to be notified. He has been stuck in the mud twice in the last few weeks. . . . Bert Faulks had a nice trip, over the week-end, to Chicago, to see the Zollner Pistons play.

WIRE & INSULATION — Raveling

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Arminta Napier has been ill for a few days and it couldn't be caused by the chop suey she had—really not—because it was delicious. Anyhow, get well real soon, Arminta. . . . We would like to welcome Alice Lee, Ellen Emrick, Helen Ompacher, Basil Woods, and Walter White to our section. Hope you like it here with us. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner surely does like to read fiction and her favorite character is "Bugs" Bunny. Don't you let it worry you, "Dot", because some other folks were reading it too. . . . We're glad to have Gerald Bosserman back on the job after a week's illness with a "strep" infection. . . . The silver wings that Bessie Jones is wearing were sent to her by her son, William, who is stationed at Lowry Field, Colorado. . . . Howard Montooth while driving his truck the other day, happened to discover he had no brakes, when he looked up and right in front of him sat a nice new car. I'll bet Howard will never think any faster than he did then in order to miss it. . . . Some people try to do the funniest things. For instance, Carl Borchert trying to sharpen his pencil in a light switch on the wall. . . . Carl Junk holds the record for being able to put the most enamel wire en twelve and sixteen inch reels in the enameling room. All the fellows are envious, Carl. How about a few lessons? . . . Seems as if we have a natural-born actor in our midst and didn't realize it. At the Spring Review last Sunday afternoon one of the charming Harmonettes chose our dispatcher, Harry Beltz, Bldg. 8-1, as her "baby." Harry went into the act knee deep, short trousers, bonnet, bib, and nursing bottle. He even won the "imaginary" prize for emptying the nursing bottle first. Maybe Harry had more practice in his childhood days but at least he helped give the audience a good laugh. . . . Carl Pettigrew is back to work after several days' tussle with the "cold" germ. . . . The cigarette shortage is making a better man out of Truman Buckles. "Buck" says, "I'll not run all over town looking for cigarettes. I'll just quit smoking." That's an idea, but there's "Slim" Walters who never has any trouble. He always has a pack of every brand. . . . We want to wish a speedy recovery to our sick folks. They are: Mary Wehr, Edna Fahlsing, Raymond Aker, and Fred Ramseier.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Motor

Birthdays do come once a year. Happy birthday to Bill Shilder and Irene Kierns. . . . Many are enjoying their spring vacations—Ruth Woodlke, Dick Whitesell, Roland Parker, Don Swank, and Marie Hummel. . . . Blanch Bell and Mary Miller are on our sick list. Speedy recovery to both of you. . . . Welcome Helen Kaiser on the shaft line. . . . Ethel Flickinger was happy to hear that her son was safe in the Pbilippines. . . . Noreen Grubb received word from her husband who has arrived safely in France. . . . Congratulations go to Maude Benward who is the proud grandmother of a new granddaughter, and also Elizabeth Saylor. . . . Won't someone show Max Young how to saddle a horse and ride one. We do think that the horse had some horse sense. At least Max came to work, just limping. That horse sure had a take-off. . . . Sorry to hear of the death of Margaret Gelzleichter. The Rotor Section expresses their sympathy to George Gelzleichter. Margaret was a third trick lathe operator in Welded Wheel Section. . . . Speedy recovery for Tina Torres' mother, who is in the hospital. . . . Clyde Morrisey is now on the flame annealer. Luck on your new job. . . . Erma Grossnickle was trying to beautify herself the other day. Results, Erma wound up seeing the nurse that night.

Tool Room

L. D. Thrush has renewed his membership in the "I forgot my badge club." . . . We are glad to see Paul Davenport back on the job after a recent operation. . . . Let's remember the Fireman's Ball April 7, and any of the firemen have tickets to sell. Music by our own Les Hines and his orchestra. . . . With spring breezes flying and the ice off the lakes, Joe Veit has the fever to go fishing again. We expect to hear some long tales about some long fish this week; don't disappoint us, Joe. . . . Pvt. Bob Schuelke is enjoying Army life in sunny Florida. He seems to be having a good time even though the training is tough. . . . Edie Spencer says everything happens to her. This morning riding her bicycle to work, she hit the street car track wrong and had quite a spill. . . . Paul Winkleman took up cooking along with other household tasks while his wife was in the hospital. Just when everything was looking good, the phone rang and Paul never thought to turn off the stove. As the conversation went on, so went the dinner. The original menu was intended to be scrambled eggs and corn, but ended up toasted eggs and pop corn. . . . News has just reached us that Gerald DeLaughter, one of our former grinders, is going to the service March 29. Good luck. . . . When Dewey Baumgartner greets old friends he does it in a big way, even to the extent of narrowly missing any telephone poles in sight. If you value his life let's not be waving at him while he is driving his car. . . . These proud fathers sure take up a lot of room with their chests swelled up that-a-way. The latest swelling is on the frame of Willard Smith, who is the proud papa of a baby girl born March 21 at the Methodist Hospital. The girl, Susan Jane, and mother are doing fine. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Smith. . . . Ivan "The Terrible" Lowman is now helping us catch up on saw and mill work here in the Tool Room and he catches on to a new machine pretty fast. Good man, that Ivan. . . . We keep hearing of a train ride which our Adrian Libbing is expecting to take but never comes to pass. The suspense is killing us—wish he'd make it soon—just imagine the quiet and solitude we'd have for a while anyway. . . . My, isn't it amazing what the power of suggestion will do. Soon after we heard of Glenn Schmidt's case of mumps Freeman Rolfing got to feeling his jaw and darn if there wasn't a bump there too. At a pace just short of a dead run, Mr. Freeman headed for the dispensary. Soon he was out again with his face all beaming—no, it wasn't the mumps, just a lumpy jaw muscle which is caused by too much verbal exercise. . . . Well, now that spring is really here, we will no doubt have a preponderance of news in which the tallest of tales will be meted out by our bowlers and fishermen so anything printed henceforth should be taken with the proverbial "grain of salt." Don't say we didn't warn you.

Impeller

Ardella Wyatt has heard and received pictures from her fiance, Art Smethers, a former plumber of the Impeller Section. He is now with the Seabees in the South Pacific. Art is pitching for the Seabee's baseball team and has helped lead them to winning the championship of the island. He has won nineteen games out of twenty-one. Good pitching, Art. We are proud to say that you were one of our pitchers for the Taylor Street team. We hope you will be back with us again soon. . . We have missed Eulalia Coon these past several days. She has been taking care of her daughter who was operated on this week at the Methodist Hospital. We hope that she gets well soon, Eulalia, and that you can come back to work. . . . Marguerite Kesler and Cecil Stultz celebrated their birthdays March 23. When asked how old they were, Cecil said just one year older than Marguerite and Marguerite said just one year younger than Cecil. So far neither one has disclosed their age. Thanks for the angel food cake, and many more happy birthdays to both of you. . . . Marguerite Erdly also celebrated a birthday this week. We are a little late but congratulations, Marguerite, and we wish you many, many more. . . . Rita Philo bakes very good chocolate cakes. Everyone says the samples were fine, so now let's have a whole piece. You have let yourself into something, Rita. . . . How did Faye Woodworth get her foot wet when it wasn't even raining last Thursday? Answer: Faye just loves to paddle her tootsies in the water or does she? . . . We will let you in on a secret. Don't get the wrong idea when you see George Pribbernow buying baby food, as he is only helping to raisc birds. One of these days you may hear George saying, "Wanta buy a canary?" . . . Hazel Cook is planning on spending Easter in Chicago. Have a good time, Hazel. . . . Two people from the Impeller Section went to the hospital this week. Kenny Betts went to the Bluffton Clinic and Viola Cochren went to the Robert Long Hospital at Indianapolis. We miss you both and hope it won't be too long before you are back with us again. . . . Betty Jean Poling says it's nice to go on a vacation and then upon one's return to be presented with a gift from your co-workers. . . . Frank Dowden celebrated his birthday March 22. His wife gave him a gift of a green coat and a pair of brown trousers. We know you'll look very nice when you go walking down the street. She also sent a cake in to work which was very delicious and was enjoyed by all the gang.

Screw Machine

Lois Troyer was so occupied in thoughts of green wearing apparel for St. Patrick's Day that she forgot to wear her badge—well, red, white and blue doesn't exactly go with green, so as a poor excuse that's better than none! . . . Virgil Macfadden has been absent; we hope to see him back with us soon. . . . Vivien Dixon spent the week end in Chicago. . . . Elmer Matson has been dismissed from the hospital, but it will be some time yet before he returns to work. . . . Lloyd Siebern and Harvey Breese attended the screw machine party. . . . We have a brand new engagement in our section. None other than Ann Baker. When are the wedding bells, Ann? . . . Beatrice Douglas, our office girl, is improving at the St. Joseph Hospital. She misses the gang very much and hopes to be able to return soon. Her room number is 459 and she will welcome any of her friends. Bea, we miss you also, and hope you will soon be with us. . . . Dorothy Poehler is the proud owner of a beautiful diamond. Congratulations, Dorothy. Aren't sparklers nice? . . . Our sick list still has quite a number: Marie Coomler, Thomas Arnold, Aylene Smith, Ruth Emerson, and Juliana Vebert. The flu seems to have hit our section quite hard. Hope you will all be back soon. . . . Don and Alice Alday had a happy surprise when their son-in-law, Kenneth Statler of the Navy, visited them. It was Don's first meeting with Kenneth. His wife is the former Cupidell Alday, who worked in the Screw Machine section. They will return to Rhode Island on Wednesday.

Punch Press

Beatrice Schemehorn is on vacation this week. Hope you are having a swell time, Bea. . . . Pfc. Earl F. Roach returned home from overseas. He was wounded while in Germany. He is the brother-in-law of Edna Sellers and husband of LaDonna Sellers, formerly of the Test Section. . . . Velma Doherty's daughter and son-in-law are flying from Detroit to spend the week end. Velma is anticipating her usual airplane ride. . . . Sarah Underwood, our reporter, is on vacation. We are trying to carry on doing the best we can without her. . . . Elmer Matson is home from the hospital and is getting along fine. . . . Anna Lehman has a reason to be happy. She has the honor of being the first grandmother on second shift. Congratulations, Anna. . . . Happy birthday, May Wysong and Eva Creigh. . . . Anyone wishing to know the latest style in men's work pants see Max Young. Max is sporting a pair with fringe around the bottoms. . . . The Elex Easter dinner was quite a success. . . . Clara Ringenberg joined our "Forgotten Badge Club."

Nozzle Box

Earl Heath, son of Stella Heath, is home after his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill. Earl was formerly employed in the Screw Machine Section. . . . Gee, three birthdays celebrated this week! Ruth Freeman March 19, Eloween Appel March 24, and Virginia Harvath March 26. All received lovely gifts. . . . Welcome to Betty Gradeless to our Inspection Section. . . . Clara Wheeler's husband spent a fifteen-day furlough at home. He is stationed at the Crile General Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. . . . Mary Williamson has spring fever; she says it's her toe, but we don't think so. . . . What is this we hear about Harold C. Smith buying some acres of land? The next thing he will be getting some chickens and cows. . . . Nadine Heller must have spring fever the way she is hopping around from place to place. . . . Several letters have been received from Lloyd G. Lea saying that he is somewhere in France. . . . Congratulations go to John Mohr. He was married last week. We wish you all the luck in the world, John. . . . Ruth Freeman and Alberta Malcolm celebrated their birthdays. Hope you have many more of them, girls. . . . We want to announce that we have another "Sinatra" in our midst. Maybe Willard Durbin could tell us a little more about it. . . . Remember that old adage, "I'd walk a mile for a Camel." Well, the newest version is, "I'd walk ten miles for any cigarette." . . . Max Clark had a birthday March 21. Happy birthday, Max. . . . We got quite a kick out of Florence Lea one day this week; she came to work with different socks on and couldn't seem to figure it out. . . . Cleo Dicks' daughter is to come home for a rest this week; she recently underwent an operation. . . . Ferne Deane's sister, Virginia, and her friends are spending the week end here. . . . Pat Van Arsdol has IOU's all over the section. She got hungry the other day, borrowed from everyone, and left them IOU's. . . . Bob Baker is taking an army physical soon.

Aluminum Parts

Let's get our best bib and tucker out and plan on attending the Fire-

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Wins Taylor Intramural Championship



Pictured above are members of the Developmental team which recently won the Taylor Street Intramural Championship. First row, left to right, are Jack Walters, Eugene Bobilya, Carl Thieme, Donald Baker, and Walter Scott. Back row, League Manager Max Clark, Gilbert Beck, Walta Grossnickel, Team Manager Hilbert J. Nahrwold, and Joe Dickerson, chairman of the athletic committee.

The Developmental team won the first round of play by winning all their games. The second half was played in the form of a single elimination tournament, in which Developmental downed Final Test 32-21 and then whipped the Screw Machine team 37-20.

Developmental team personnel and total points scored:

Grossnickel	53
Baker	34
Walters	17
Bell	14
Castle	12
Thieme	10
Bobilya	10
Clark	8
Beck	4
Leever	4
Scott	3
Keiser	3
Total points	172
Opponents	113

Final League standing for the season:

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Developmental	7	0	1000
Final Test	3	3	.500
Screw Machine	2	5	.285
Office	1	5	.143

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

News From — TAYLOR STREET

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men's Ball, April 7, at the G-E Club. You'll all have a grand time and it will be an evening you'll long remember. Tickets can be obtained from the various firemen throughout the factory, but the ones in our section are Charles Rusler, Ed Leeuw, and Jack Mitchell. . . . Harold Souders was very much surprised on his birthday when his department presented him with a large birthday cake and a billfold. We say "Congratulations, Harold!" and Harold says, "Thanks to everyone." . . . Georgianna Seery, who was transferred to Aluminum Inspection from the Rotor section, has returned to work after being ill. . . . We hear Margaret Evers has trouble with her new Easter shoes. She wore them to the show but carried them home. Now, Margaret, don't you know hose are hard to get, too? . . . When it rains trouble for Louie Guenther, it pours—flat tire, and had his mud guards stolen from his car all within a period of two days! The fellow workers took up a collection to help Louie. It consisted of one cigarette, a match, an aspirin tablet, etc., etc. Helpful, aren't they!

Shipping

Vic Robbe's brother Bob is home from the South Pacific on a leave. We can now understand why the United States is so proud of its Navy. Anybody would be proud to have men like Bob working for them. . . . Well, Dick Wolff is back in the harness again. The Shipping Section is glad to have you back to work with us again, Dick. . . . All good things must come to an end and Al Kruse's boy left for the West Coast the other day after spending a month's leave with his Dad. We sincerely hope all our men in the service can be granted a permanent leave soon. . . . The Shipping Section hopes that everyone has a Happy Easter! . . . Inasmuch as we have often been asked about our relatives in the service we have decided to publish our part in this war. . . . Grace Mills has one son, Lt. Thomas Mills with the 15th Air Force, another son, Donald Mills, will be inducted this month into Naval Aviation. . . . Bob Zimmerman has one brother-in-law in the Navy and one brother-in-law in the Army. . . . Ruth Faurote has one sister, Lt. Mildred Faurote, serving with the Army Nurse Corps. She is now convalescing at Mayo Hospital. One brother, Joseph Faurote, with the Navy in the South Pacific. Ruth's fiance, Charles Rulka, is serving with the U. S. Coast Guard in the European Area. One brother-in-law at Camp Robinson. . . . Verna Powers has one son, Logan, in Italy, Max in Hawaii and one foster son, Fred Herber, in the Merchant Marine. . . . Caroline Thieme had one nephew, Clifford Hess, killed in action in Luxembourg. The others of us have nieces and nephews on all fronts. Some of us have suffered losses of close relatives. . . . On this Good Friday we with all other sections here at Taylor Street are offering our prayers for the safe return of these we hold dear.

"Old Loudmouth" Speaker Whispers A Mile



Where does that noise come from? I can't hear it yet, says Betty Cole. Ooooo-h, what a whisper!

Betty is pictured with a new General Electric super loudspeaker that can carry a whisper a mile, and audible speech for three miles under average weather conditions. Under ideal conditions it has been heard up to 18 miles. The speaker uses mechanical adaptions of human speech, using compressed air in a manner similar to the use of the lungs in speech which gives it tremendous power.

Now used at military airports and Navy yards, the super speaker is expected to have wide use post-war in airports, shipyards, construction jobs, railroad yards, stadiums, etc. It works on less than 25 watts of power, is portable with gas-driven generator, or can be plugged into 110 or 220 AC power line.

Receiving

Ask Betty Thiele about the time a visitor asked when she went to South Side High School. Betty could not remember the year and the visitor said, "Gee, are you confused!" . . . Whoops, my dear, you can't afford to miss this! Fireman's Ball at G-E Club—Saturday night, April 7. Featuring "Les Hines" and his orchestra—the Foster Sisters of Fort Wayne—soloists and other features. We are all going, are you? . . . Word has been received from Max Hower, one of our boys who is located in Iwo Jima island. He says the strain has been terrible. He has lost considerable weight and expects to go to a rest camp soon. . . . Pauline Bennett received a letter from Herschel Murphy who used to be on the dock here. He has been over nearly all of Europe and now is located in France. He wants to hear from you! She will give you his address. . . . We were sorry to hear of the death of Lloyd Pinkerton's brother, who was killed recently in service. . . . John Ruhl Jr., son of John Ruhl, foreman in the forge shop, having finished his boot training in the Navy is home on a short leave and called on us Wednesday. Glad to see you, John, and the best of luck to you. . . . Hobart Friend of the Oil House received word Wednesday of the death of his mother, who lived in Manton, Michigan. The funeral was Friday. We all extend our deepest sympathy to Hobart. She lived to be nearly seventy years old, she made her home part time with Hobart. . . . We wish to extend Easter Greetings and speedy return home to our boys in service, who are from the Receiving Section. Max Hower, Roland Givens Jr., Herschel Murphy, John Krider, Paul Clark, Dave Auman, Lloyd Rediger, Lloyd Pinkerton, Charles Daugherty, Robert Whittern, Dale Sweet, Sam Kreigh. Receiving Inspection, Morris Pratt, Joseph Ceveris. Shipping, Wallace Burton, Lloyd Goodwin, E. T. McDaniels, Forest Muluane, Marshal Fisher, Dale McCutcheon, Norma Miller (Wave). Our thoughts at this time turn to Paul Sheets of the Shipping Section, who was killed in action. . . . The time is growing short for our donations to the Red Cross. Let's not forget them; they don't forget the boys across.

Rotor

Congratulations to the Rotor Developmental team who won the plant's inter-mural basketball league. The team, Gilbert Beck, Walter Grossnickle, Carl Thieme, Johnny Walters, Walter Scott, Jay Baker, Walter Castle and Gene Bobilya. Their coach was Ozzie Nohrwald. . . . We are glad to report Johnny Mangona has returned home from the hospital. Be looking for you back to work soon, Johnny. . . . Glad to see Dot Gerardot back to work. Another case of the flu. . . . Elizabeth Henline, who had some teeth pulled is back to work. . . . We bid farewell to Betty Mitchell, who has left us to join the cadet nurses. It was nice knowing and working with you, Betty, and we know you'll succeed in your new position. . . . We had a nice long letter from Maxine and Blackie Ressler. Glad you like your new home, Maxine. Anyone wishing to read the letter see Roger Andrews. . . . Happy birthday to Helen Kaiser and thank you for the candy. . . . Art Sorg just can't understand what happens to the fruit in his drawer to make it rot after being there only 2 or 3 hours. Why don't you have Gil Beck explain all about it, Art. . . . Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Charley Shidler. It is their sixteenth anniversary. We sincerely wish you many more of them. . . . Glad to hear Marjorie Sirok is improving after an appendectomy at the Methodist Hospital. Hurry back, Marj. . . . We have two of those little bits of misplaced hairs commonly known as mustaches, growing in the rotor section again. Russell Dimmick and Eddie Hamilton are the proud owners. Better not shave it off this time till warmer weather, Russ. Remember you caught cold and were off work the last time. And Eddie would appreciate an eyebrow pencil to darken his, as no one notices it till they get close to him. . . . We are sorry to hear Merle Smith's husband has been ill. Hope he gets better soon so you can come back to work. . . . Margaret Langston is celebrating her birthday this week. . . . Mary Cains is enjoying her vacation in Chicago this week. Lucky gal! . . . Ann Whistlers' Seabee son is home on furlough. We are glad for you, Ann. . . . Keep Saturday night, April 7, open for the Fireman's Ball. Les Hines will entertain you from 9 to 12 P. M. at the G-E Club. Tickets may be obtained from the following Rotor Firemen—Larry Huffman, Eddie Hamilton, Carl Thieme, Benny Land, Joe Egts, and Bob Curry. Let's see you all there. . . . Sorry Kenny Hyman's little girl is back in bed after a set-back of pneumonia. Take good care of yourself, Charlotte. . . . The Rotor Section wishes Mr. Brunner a speedy recovery from an operation performed last week at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of Margaret Gelzleichter, who died last week. She will be missed by all. . . . Pearl Durben will be leaving us March 31 to be married sometime the following week. Rotor Section wishes you many years of happiness. . . . Eric Hellwig, Rotor Assembly foreman, was absent a week due to illness. Eric, no more smoking, doctors orders.

Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

We're sorry to lose Pauline Selking from our section. Pauline is now working in section 1x42. . . . Imogene Amburn left last week to go and live with her husband in Oakland, California. . . . Staff Sgt. Dick Beltz was up to see us last Monday afternoon. Dick sure looked swell and we were glad to see him. . . . We wonder if Margaret Hilgemann felt all right the other day. She wore a skirt to work the other day instead of slacks. We all thought you were a new girl, Margaret, if you wouldn't have had your name on your blouse. . . . Claradelle Dox, a former employee of our section, left us to go to Texas to be a nurse's aid in an army camp. We all wish you good luck, Claradelle. . . . Several people left us. Celesta Springer transferred to Bldg. 6-2; Dorothy Singer, Bldg. 26-4; Vera Luntz, Bldg. 6-2; Rita Topp, Bldg. 2-2; and Elsie Bockelman, Bldg. 12-B. Hope they like their new job. We also are going to miss Fleda Scatton and Raye House. Wish you lots of luck, girls. . . . We want to welcome Elbert Niswonger on days. Elbert was working nights. . . . Hazel Marks just got back from a week's vacation. Hazel was doing spring house cleaning. Did you have fun, Hazel?

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

The current cigarette shortage continues to be the basis for high grade entertainment in Bldg. 4-2. The latest example of this is Bob Kukla's cigarette rolling device which he purchased along with a pack of tobacco. The manufacturer's instructions accompanying the device stated that a perfect cigarette could be rolled in three easy steps and explained the steps. But Bob, being an ingenious lad, decided to try several thousand harder ways to accomplish the feat. He continued to invent different ways at such an astonishing rate that he was soon surrounded by quite a crowd of spectators who gleefully shouted encouragement. After a while he succeeded in creating a reasonable facsimile of a cigarette but found he had worn out the machine in the process. He also discovered—to his chagrin—upon examining the pack of tobacco that only one-third of the contents remained; the rest being scattered over his desk, on the floor, and through his clothing. The feature of the game was a remark made by one of the spectators who offered: "Does your cigarette taste different lately?—If not it soon will." . . . This being the season for hot cross buns, Teresa Burns and Myralene Liddy stopped in a bakery one noon hour recently to take advantage of it. They ordered two, then rushed back to the refreshment stand where they bought two bottles of milk to enjoy with them, but upon opening the sack found to their utter disappointment no hot cross buns but two hot dog buns and of course no hot dogs. In the future the girls plan to point at what they want in order to avoid any more unpleasant occurrences. . . . Spring has definitely arrived, according to the calendar and also the mild weather of the last week, so we are notifying Al Rondot that he will be perfectly safe in traveling without his snow shovel. . . . To hear Johnny Imel talk, those butterflies of his must rival or even excel the specimens collected by any famed entomologist. . . . Mark Brindle was guest of honor Saturday for a surprise birthday dinner given by Group 15x44. There was plenty of good food including a beautifully decorated cake with candles. He received a shirt and necktie and also the good wishes of all. . . . A group of girls honored Jean Herrman with a potluck birthday dinner recently at her home. The table was decorated with candles and a centerpiece of snapdragons and jonquils. The guests were Annabelle Mills, Idell Taylor, Ruth Henry, Donnabelle Jacobs, Marjorie Koeble, Ruth McCoy and Della Stemmler. . . . The way Andy Nichter handled the needle after he tore his apron is proof that he has mastered the fine art of sewing. . . . Dorothy McCleery believes in the old adage—if a little is good, a lot is better—and when her doctor gave her five different kinds of pills she took them all at once. P.S., she's still alive. . . . The brand of tobacco Arnie Johnson uses must be famous—at least Charlie Penn considers it good enough to be worth his while to make the trip to mooch some.

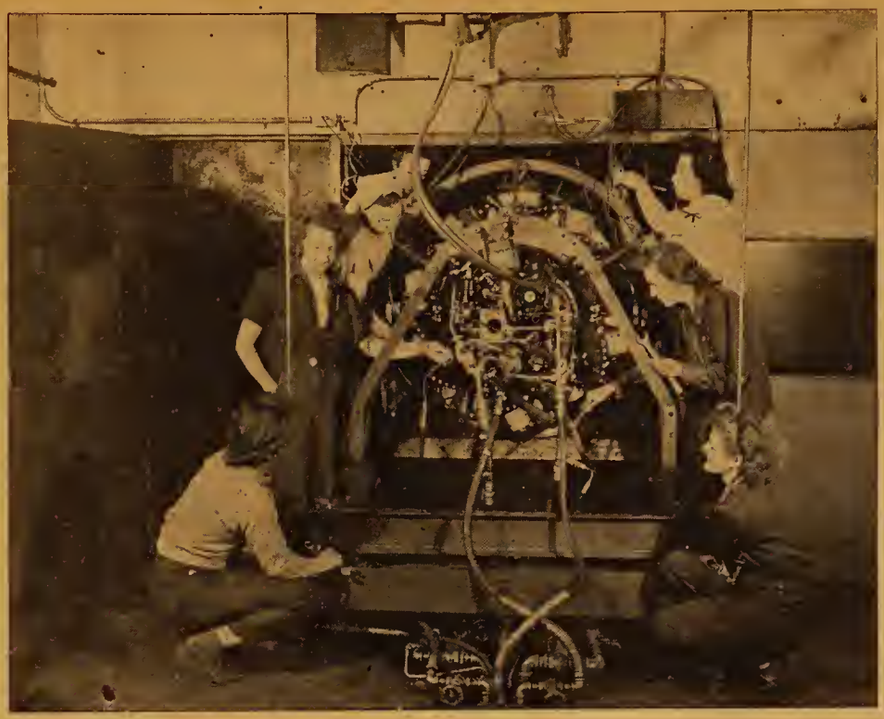
Accidents occurred in 1944 to 163 employees with over one year's service and 64 under one year of service.

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NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

First fish story of the 1945 spring season: Harold Messick and wife Marie for want of something better to do Sunday afternoon, went to nearby Kunkel Lake and caught fifty bluegills. . . . Rose Case and Esther Baumgartner have returned to their homes from the hospital where they are convalescing. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pyle are the parents of a baby girl, Barbara Janelle, born March 21. The father, who is employed in Plant No. 2, did quite a bit of floor walking, we hear. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Presdorf became parents of a baby boy on March 23. Mrs. Presdorf was formerly Deloris Beer of Plant No. 1, and Mr. Presdorf is employed in Plant No. 2. . . . Edith Laughrey is happy to have her husband back from overseas. He served in the Marines since August, 1940, and was wounded last July in action on Tinian Island. He received the Purple Heart and was recently given a medical discharge. He participated in several battles, including Roi and Namu and Kwajalein in the Marshalls, Saipan and Tinian in the Marianas. . . . Donna Medaugh left for the WAVES March 24. . . . Congratulations to Don Fruchte, U. S. N., who was married to Kathryn Davis on Sunday, March 25. . . . Dorothy Murphy was all smiles after receiving a telephone call telling her that her friend was safe and a prisoner in Germany. He had been reported missing in action in January. . . . Roberta Jean is the name of a baby daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Globig. Congratulations! . . . In the Skirt & Slack Bowling League there was not much stirring, only the high score Rosemary Miller rolled, which was 179. Now this was something to go to press about as Rosy usually remains consistent around 122. Nina Sovine cast another surprise by batting out 145, and her regular average is below the century mark. As to Ethelyn Burnett's score, she said she would rather not discuss it. . . . Inspector Brown has a growth on his upper lip he is bragging about, and he calls it a moustache. Better get some mascara, Brownie, so we can see it. . . . Bill Lister and Mickey McDougal were welcomed to the swing shift. . . . Edith Hamilton surely shall be rewarded for her patience. She recently spent 75 hours hand painting a photograph of "Old Ironsides." We bet it is beautiful, too. . . . Eddie Shaffer does himself proud by boasting of a new baby girl at his house. Congratulations! . . . We take great pleasure in announcing a birthday for Rosemary Miller this week on Monday. Also to Jean Everett. Happy birthday to you all! . . . The Swing Shift received a sorry missive this week. Al Windmiller, dispatcher de luxe, was scheduled to swing over to the day crew. While this is second shift's loss it is a gain for the day force. It is with great pleasure they thank Al for all he has done, and he has the best wishes of the entire second shift to succeed in his new position. Au revoir, Al, but not goodbye. . . . Norma Bower has been off on account of illness. . . . The Gecode Club Easter party was held at the K. P. Home on March 21. Dinner was served at beautifully appointed tables which were decorated to represent a tulip garden. An Easter playette was given by members of the committee. Attendance prizes were won by Ruth Christen, Ethel Miller and Agnes Heimann. The committee in charge were Mildred Wagoner, chairman, Rosalie Thatcher, Marcile Jones, Lillian Royer, Effie McGill, Mary Wolff, Linda and Erna Bultemeier, Bessie Ward, Edna Dellinger, Romayne Eady and Esther Strickler. . . . F 3/c John Baumann has been transferred to U.S.N.T.S., Newport, R.I. . . . Birthday greetings to these service people: Robert Baxter, Robert Bowman, Robert Brandyberry, Kenneth Chilcote, Junior Drake, Sim Hain, Charles Hall, Donald Hoffman, Lloyd Kitson, Virginia Mahan, Glenn McDonald, Lloyd Meyers, Cleo Painter, Lavern Roth, Arthur Scheiderer, Clayton Schultz, Vincent Tanvas, Avon Zimmerman.

First Picture Of The G-E Jet Engine



The newest of airplane engines, the G-E jet, is shown above being connected for test at the Lynn, Mass., plant of General Electric. Girls have proven particularly efficient in this type of war work. This is the first picture to be released with approval of the War Department, showing the turbo-jet. G-E is building turbo jets for the P-80 Shooting Star, recently announced by the War Department as the world's fastest fighter plane.

Engineers To Hear Talk On Magnesium

How Magnesium, lightest of all structural metals, is made, its wartime record and postwar applications will be told and illustrated by Mr. Kuthe of the Hills-McCanna Company, Chicago, at an open meeting sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

The presentation, opening at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club Ballroom at 5:30 P.M. Thursday, April 5, will be followed by a dinner at 6:30 P.M. An educational program at 8:00 P.M. will consist of a sound film, "Magnesium The Miracle Metal," and a display of magnesium products. Displays will include not only magnesium castings of the Hills-McCanna Company but also fabricated products from the Dow Chemical Company and Revere Copper and Brass Company.

Ten employees lost time due to burn accidents in 1943 and exactly the same number in 1944.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

That roar of laughter you hear at lunch is just Lillian Cobb cracking another joke or two. All of us enjoy hearing her tell about them. . . . Sorry to see Emma Walters has left us to take up housekeeping duties. . . . Mary Ream has also left us to remain at home. We are certainly going to miss that gal with her sparkling personality. . . . Maybe it's spring fever or something to that effect, but it seems all the girls would rather rest than eat during lunch period. . . . Say, have you noticed those lovely flowers some of the girls have been wearing to work? Louise Walkenstine, Margaret Schumann, and Marie Rossi all wore one on the same day. They were very becoming, girls. . . . If you thought you were seeing triple the other day, you can clear your conscience right now. It was only Thelma Garrison, Agnes Forschner, and Margaret Schumann wearing smocks alike. The best part of it was they were all working beside each other.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

Ho-hum—back again. Told you spring fever was catching, didn't we? . . . Ruth Nelson just couldn't wait any longer. She is taking her vacation this week. Danny Adams is filling Ruth's shoes while she is gone. . . . We would like to know what would get Vivian Cearbaugh so excited she would walk out of the diner without her change. Must be something special. . . . On the off list this week: Celia Stabler, Marie Hull, Mary Avery, Helen Burczak, Margaret Rehl. . . . Did you hear Jimmie muttering, "Insert stretcher—just where will I find an insert stretcher?" Now, Don, you know you shouldn't kid him like that. . . . We knew Martha Zoll was immaculate, but don't you think she's overdoing it when she tries to dig a shadow off her mold, thinking it's flash? . . . P.S. That buzzing you hear is your reporter sawing logs again.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Spring always brings out the regular bicycle riders, among which is Wayne Pribble. . . . Prettiest hat and purse combination seen this week belongs to Betty Beaman. Plaid taffeta and verrrry pretty. . . . Usually it's Sumner Tinkham who has the last word in jokes on Clarence Coe, but now it's vice versa. "Tink" has been having a hard time keeping supplied with coal, and Clarence feeling sooo sorry for his situation came in pronto with small bottle of the stuff. Says Clarence, "This should carry you through," but "Tink" doesn't quite agree with him. . . . Chess has taken the office like wild fire. The fiends include Wayne Pribble, Donne Morrison, Ernie Sumners, and Richard Kelly. They sit for long spells without saying a word and they say it's fun. Well, anyway. . . . Prize laugh getter of the week was Ernie Comte's book "How to Raise Dogs." The catch is that it really isn't a book. When opened a sizeable wiener pops out at you. . . . You should have seen surprised faces. . . . Bye 'til next week.

Bldg. 12-1 First Shift

It's a sure sign of spring for Louis Slack has taken off his cap he's been wearing all winter. Those are beautiful curls you have, Louie! . . . Vivian Fisher celebrated her first wedding anniversary this month. Congratulations, Viv! . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Mary Ward, whose uncle died last week. . . . We welcome Lucile Hesting and Goldie Mumy to our section. We hope you like it here. . . . Does any one have a Model A for sale? Louis Slack is looking for one, and Bob Pion is already driving merrily to work in his. Watch the speed limit, boys! . . . We girls are wondering how Byron Young keeps his curls in this rainy weather. . . . Virginia Holsworth is back again after being home with her husband who has recently returned from overseas.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We all wish Ruth Lange many more happy birthdays. . . . Mary Girardot is quite a fortune teller. If you don't think so, ask Joy Stuckey. She bit on it. . . . Something new! Joe Lothamer with a tie on. It looks nice, Joe. . . . The latest book being read nowadays in Bldg. 12-3 is "How to Raise Dogs." . . . Hurry up and get well, Elda Griebel. We all miss you. . . . Joy Stuckey is back to work after her illness. We sure missed you, Joy. . . . We were sorry to hear about Colette Buck's dog Boots getting killed. He had been their pet for 13 years. . . . Jean Snyder was a very lucky girl last week when she received 26 orchids from Hawaii. . . . Why is it that every time Marge Comte dials a telephone number she invariably gets "Murphy's Mule Barn?"

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Helen Vogelsang and Lueda Garrison have gone back to being just housewives. . . . Cecil Young received many nice gifts for his birthday Friday, among them perfume, nail polish and bubble bath. You're doing all right, Cecil, but where is the candy? . . . Have you ever tasted Jim Fleming's coffee? We can guarantee it will hold up an egg. . . . Slug Shultz says, "This is just my kind of weather." . . . Violet Schurg is sporting a sparkler these days. Who's the lucky guy, Violet?

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

Bob Nelson is going into gardening these days. He has a potato patch in Group 15x50. It all started when Ed. Glusenkamp found a potato and wondered how many spuds one little potato would yield, so he procured a pot and planted the potato in it. Bob kept the spud watered every day; results—a flowering potato plant. When it comes time to dig the crop 15x50 is going to have a potato bake. (To make sure everyone has enough to eat, each will bring his potatoes). . . . Group 15x50 and Group 15x59 bade farewell to Irene Reifsteck, who left the employ of the company last week. She was presented a rose gold pin by the fellow workers and with it many wishes for good health and happiness. . . . Sgt. Harry Anderson was heard from last week. He is now the right hand man in the building of the Stillwell Road, in the Chinese-India jungles. He said "hello" to everyone and would enjoy hearing from you. . . . Ed. Glusenkamp celebrated another birthday last week; he can truthfully say now one never gets too old to get a spanking for that is exactly what happened to him. He was presented with two birthday cakes and a number of cards. . . . Now we know the secret of Mildred Baily's lovely complexion; did you ever try a milk shower?. . . . Thelma Saxer has taken up crocheting. She informed some of the girls she would get married when she finished her first tablecloth. Will it be soon, Thelma? . . . Group 15x52 is proud to have a pin-up girl in their midst. She is none other than Violet Green. Anyone needing a pin of any sort, just see Violet. . . . Bettie Hall is giving all the girls around her advice on the exercises they should take to have that slender look nowadays.

Owl Basketball

By R. James

BLDG. 17 WINS OWL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

Behind 7-4 at the end of the first quarter, with the championship hanging in the balance a hard driving five from Bldg. 17 took the Owl League Championship from a good Bldg. 4-4 team by the score of 34-24.

Bldg. 4-4 pulled to within five points of Bldg. 17 midway in the final period, but Bldg. 17 got six quick field goals in the final quarter to put the clincher on the game and the championship.

Thomas with 11 points and Hensler with 9 points were high for the winners and for the losers it was Lecoque with 12 points.

This is all for Mr. Basketball this year for us; we've had a good season. Bldg. 17 won. They had a good ball club so, congratulations. Bldg. 4-4 also had a nice team going all the way to the final game; to them, tough luck fellows.

We also would like to remember the Taylor Street team, and Motor Generator team. Fellows like Borror, Gilbert and Luther from Taylor Street and Beber from Motor Generator, well they could play with anybody.

So till—softball—rolls around, I'll be seeing "youse" guys around.

Russell James
League Manager

Summary:

Bldg. 17	G.	F.	T.	Bldg. 4-4	G.	F.	T.
Hensler	4	1	9	Lecoque	4	4	12
Williams	1	1	3	Middaugh	0	0	0
Thomas	4	3	11	Hosek	1	0	2
Kelly	2	1	5	Johnson	2	1	5
Kimes	1	0	2	Christlieb	2	1	5
Young	2	0	4				
Totals	14	6	34	Totals	9	6	24

Officials—Slater and Bail.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Spring is here—and so is spring fever! Mary Banks just couldn't resist and had a good old "housecleaning" spree. She fixed up her FW books until they look like new. . . . If you see every one slipping and sliding around here, don't wonder. They just had the floors washed and waxed. . . . Seems as though Emmett Kearney doesn't wish to part with his precious shoe stamps—he swallowed the latest one in a glass of water. . . . Doesn't Dee Coles know he's getting too old to play basketball? He fell and sprained his arm in the last game. That's his story, anyway. For details see his wife. . . . Mike Sorgen had a birthday on St. Patrick's Day. We all enjoyed the lovely cake, Mike. . . . Congratulations to Vera McGregor on winning the Allen County Roller Skating Contest, held at Bell's Rink on March 17! This now entitles Vera to go to the State Contest at Indianapolis in June. Best of luck to you then! . . . What is it in Bldg. 31 that attracts all the canines? It has become a common sight to look up and see a dog trotting down the aisle. . . . Is George Murray just "naturally" funny or does he spend days thinking up those things to say? Anyway, he keeps everyone around him amused. . . . Welcome to Betty Kemerley, the new girl in blueprint. Betty comes to us from Bldg. 26-3. . . . Seems as though Dorothy Koenig is on a diet. Be careful or you'll be a mere shadow in a few weeks. . . . Why doesn't Johnnie Rogers furnish chairs for his guests? Poor Gene Etz, from Bldg. 19-2, fell off of Johnnie's wastebasket, much to his embarrassment.

Bldg. 17 Wins Owl League Championship



Winners of the Owl League basketball championship were the Bldg. 17 team, pictured above. Left to right, first row, are Williams, Kelly, and Hensler. Back row, Young, Kimes, Benz, Thomas, and League Manager Russell James.

DOTS • • • • •
AND
— — — DASHES
SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again—Have you noticed the signs of Spring? Pete Eberhart is bicycling once more. Let's hope he doesn't get too frisky. . . . "Zip" Wintrode has sleeping sickness. That is a clock on your desk meant to keep you awake with its perpetual ticking, isn't it, Zip? No, my mistake—just a temperature recorder for every minute of the day. . . . Then there is the Commercial Group showing a trace of restlessness by working on a puzzle which Andy O'Dwyer provided. It really is simple to work, so claims Andy. . . . Proof of romance is in the air—A gorgeous diamond is worn on left head of Joanna Bcemer, who works on the 4th floor, in C. P. Mentzer's section. . . . Harriet Basford and Jane Brinkman took themselves to the big city over the week-end. Chicago is quite the place for fun, right? . . . It has even been rumored that the sun has been shining of late, but it is hard for some of the us shut-ins to believe it. If the windows in the Drafting Section were washed maybe we could tell if there is a fog or just the glare of the sun reflecting. . . . There were several birthdays this week. Joan Mundy of the Service Bureau was looking very festive with her corsage of jonquils. Audrey Lyman also had a birthday and was taken to dinner at the Berghoff Gardens for dinner by Thersa Ueber, Helen Kespohl and Ruth Gebhardt. . . . Then our own—speaking for the Commercial Group—Ann Rastetter celebrated too. You know flowers are Annie's weakness and she was remembered with roses. Ah! Annie. Congratulations to each of you and many more happy birthdays. . . . Congratulations to Chuck Graham, too, who has just celebrated—by proxy—his fifth Wedding Anniversary. I am sure the little woman was pleased by your thoughtfulness as well as the roses, Chuck. . . . Your editor for months has tried to find some news—good or bad—about the head of the Engineering Division, namely E. J. "Tommie" Thomas, but to no avail. His secretary, Gertrude Wagner, claims he is always quietly behaving himself. . . . We wish to welcome a new member to the Engineering Section, Judy Gast. She isn't exactly new, having been here for several weeks. Judy is working with Myrle Marsh's group. She is very proud of her husband, and rightfully too for he is flying a B-29 off Saipan. . . . Looks like the Engineering Division took someone's suggestion seriously about nobody being able to find them. At the doorway you'll now notice a big sign which will leave no doubts as to where these engineers work. . . . One engineer, Bob Johnson, left his car lights on the other morning, only luckily a friend reported it to him in time so the battery wasn't run down. . . . Then there is Chuck Kronmiller who got new glasses Saturday. To quote him—"I have been in a fog today." End quote—Today? . . . We have some more new people added to the Wage Rate Section, Maurice Archbold and Bill Nickerson. There is also a new girl in the Cost Section, Carolyn Emrick, who transferred from the Photostat Dept. in Bldg. 18-5. Welcome to our Transformer Division and we do hope you like being with us. . . . We don't all roll our own cigarettes like Bill Shuler. . . . John and Mrs. Bastian have our deepest sympathy in the loss of their baby daughter. . . . We want to take this opportunity to tell Leonard Harsch how good it is to have him back and looking so well too. . . . The weekly report on Joannes Worman's swimming lessons: Head under water. Keep up the good work, Joanne, the first hundred years are the hardest—so they tell us. . . . The Commercial Section played host this week to three visitors. L. R. Brown from Pittsfield, "the big boss," was here all one day. Then there was that ole smoothie, Eddie Schorr from our Chicago office and John "Steve" Stevenson from the St. Louis office. Steve is quite the kidder—Believe me! . . . Well, imagine your editor's amazement when amongst my notes I found—Quote—"The Correspondent is a Stinker"—End quote. Who me?—I wonder why. That's enough, now.

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett
Bldg. 4-4 Floor

At taking the second look as to who is now working on the side track it's none other than Tom Harber who has rejoined us from Bldg. 6-4. . . . By a mere coincidence two new girls have been added to our Winding Section with the same first name, Elizabeth Hudson and Elizabeth Ruch. Welcome, girls. . . . Would you contribute it to nearsightedness that caused Marg. Ballentine to run into a tree and without thinking said, "Oh, excuse me." . . . Myrt Barfell wishes every one a Happy Easter and I am sure we all join in the same. . . . We are happy to have our convalescent girls, Gladys Strong and Wilma Lynch, back with us. . . . Lottie McFarland left her billfold at home and when she got down to the street car she found out it still takes money to ride a street car even if there is a war on. . . . Millie the Miller is having an awful time trying to sleep since she moved to town. Must be the street cars, Millie. . . . This is the last article about Frosty Alspaugh's car. It came to an ignoble end. Si sold it to the junk yard, memories and all.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Margaret Boitet and Bessie Johnston of Group 14x21 are vacationing this week, as is also Kathryn Gallmeier. . . . Stranger than fiction. First day of spring and Imo Mick of the Bldg. 6-4 office came in with a sprained ankle. Could it have been that first golf limp? . . . The potluck dinner in Bldg. 6-4, on Thursday, March 22, was a huge success. Mr. Crockett said so. Judging from the satisfied faces he must have been right. . . . Spring is definitely here. Sophia Bodigan was heard whistling very loudly, "My Dreams Are Getting Better All the Time."

Dr. Blodgett Gets Achievement Award Of American Association Of University Women

The American Association of University Women has announced that the annual Achievement Award of $2,500 has been presented to Dr. Katharine B. Blodgett, noted woman scientist of the General Electric Research Laboratory at Schenectady.

This is the third year that the award, contributed annually by the Northwest Central Region of AAUW, has been presented to an outstanding woman scholar in recognition of distinguished achievement. In 1943 the award was made to Dr. Florence Seibert, Phipps Institute, Philadelphia, for her research in tuberculosis; and in 1944 to Dr. Gisela M. A. Richter, curator of the Department of Greek and Roman Art of the Metropolitan Museum, New York City.

Dr. Blodgett received the award at ceremonies held last night at the National Museum in Washington. Dr. Helen C. White, of Madison, Wisconsin, president of AAUW, presided. Mrs. H. K. Painter of Minneapolis, representing the Northwest Central Region, presented the check. Dr. Blodgett spoke on "Films Built of Single Layers of Molecules." Scientists of the national capital attended.

Dr. Blodgett's invention of "invisible glass" has received widespread public recognition, but to the world of science this is only a by-product of her important long-time research on methods of building films of almost infinitesimal thickness. It was in the course of this research that she developed a process of depositing a non-reflecting film on glass. Her study was a contribution to the art of applying such films to the lenses of submarine periscopes and aerial cameras to increase their efficiency by preventing wasteful loss of light through reflection. Another application of her work on molecular films is a gauge devised by Dr. Blodgett as a simple method for measuring, by light reflection the thickness of any transparent or semi-transparent substance within a range of one to twenty-millionths of an inch.

Dr. Blodgett was chosen for the 1945 Achievement Award by an AAUW committee of eight leading women scholars, under the chairmanship of Dr. Hope Hibbard, professor of zoology, Oberlin College. Dr. Blodgett's career is significant now to younger women in science, according to Dr. Dorothy Weeks, physics member of the AAUW Awards Committee and member of the Washington staff of the Office of Scientific Research and Development.

"It was during World War I," says Dr. Weeks, "that General Electric offered Katherine Blodgett a place in its laboratory. She stayed on, and has made contributions to science which General Electric is proud to sponsor. It is to be hoped that other gifted women scientists who have found openings in the laboratories of industry during this war may have similar opportunities to continue their contributions under the same auspices in time of peace."

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE *Spotlight*

Housewarming parties are always fun, so we had one Saturday night. Helen Adler's house was the destination, and fourteen people arrived to find the lights burning brightly. We need not tell you what ensued, but everyone had a grand time, and why not, as there was everything there to make a party a great success. . . . Farewell greetings are extended to Pauline Blevins, who recently left the employment of the General Electric Company. . . . Margaret Furrell recently celebrated another birthday. How many is that now, Margaret? . . . Welcome greetings to Peggy Turschman who has been transferred to our division from Building 4-4. . . . Eileen Robertson recently sent a "thank you" note to the division, thanking them for the wedding gift she received. Eileen is at present with her husband who is with the armed forces. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Cecil Dougherty on the recent death of his father. . . . This week we are making an appeal to all those working in sections 40 and 48. It's rather difficult for one person to cover the large area in which there are General Service employees; therefore, it would he appreciated if some of you would contribute some items to this column. It is the only way possible that General Service can have a column in the WORKS NEWS every week. So get busy and aend in those items. . . . Here's wishing you all a very joyous Easter.

OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

By R. F. Dressel

Standings 3-24-1945

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 3	24	12
Team No. 12	24	12
Team No. 6	22	14
Team No. 4	21	15
Team No. 9	20	16
Team No. 3	19	17
Team No. 2	19	17
Team No. 7	18	18
Team No. 10	14	22
Team No. 1	14	22
Team No. 5	12	24
Team No. 11	11	25

Results of Matches

Team No. 8 won 3 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 12 won 3 games from Team No. 3. Team No. 7 won 3 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 9 won 3 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 6 won 2 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 1 won 2 games from Team No. 10.

200 games—Rockhill 201; Walche 207; Stiver 204; McBride 201; Loader 200; Zelt 216; Mosshammer 241.

Small Motor Office No. 1 Wins Volleyball Championship

Carl Brandt's Small Motor Office No. 1 team won the Inter-Division Volleyhall League by defeating Ed Lindgren's Main Office gang in two out of three hard fought games last week.

Small Motor was first half winner, while the Main Office boys took charge of the second half. The play-off produced the following scores:

Sm. Motor Office No. 1	15	7	15
Main Office	8	15	6

I wish to thank Paul Mitchell, Jerry Duryee, Jim Johnson, and Charlie Wilt for their efficient handling of the play-off series.

Ray Soughan
League Manager

G-E Girls Close Very Successful Season



Back row, left to right—Andy Smith, coach; Lou Fitch; "Tommy" Williams; Helen Boedeker; "Butch" Whiteleather; Helen Forker, manager. Front row—Jerry Steller; Betty Eisenacher; "Fuzzy" Amstutz; Gladys Varner; and "Boots" Puff. In front is Kenny Fitch, the team mascot and "ball boy."

By Helen Forker

The G-E Club girls' basketball team has just completed what is probably the most successful season that any local gals' squad has enjoyed for many a day. They played a total of 26 games, winning 22 of them.

They had the great misfortune to falter at the wrong time when they dropped the last two play-off games of the City League, but their season record is still "tops"—even better than that of the City champions! They numbered among their victims some of the best teams in the mid-west, including the highly-rated Curtiss-Wright squad from Indianapolis, the "Dieselettes" from Peoria, Illinois, and the local City Light girls.

A complete check of the scorebook reveals some very interesting "facts and figures," which further prove the abilities of our G-E gals. In their 26 games, they scored a total of 857 points while their opponents were struggling along gathering a mere 558 points. Our gals made 373 of their 1455 field goal attempts for a shooting percentage of .256, and they scored on 111 of their 277 free throws for a .401 average. Our opponents scored on 215 of their 1145 field goals attempted for a lowly .188 average, and they made 128 of their 359 free throw tries for a .356.

For our own team, the scoring was well-divided with three girls being in the top bracket, and the others all being closely bunched in the lower half. The top three were "Tommy" Williams, "Butch" Whiteleather, and Gladys Varner, who combined their talents to score a total of 527 points. For the second straight season, "Tommy" led the G-E team's scoring. She had 215 points for her efforts. Close on "Tommy's" heels was "Butch" Whiteleather who rang up 176 points for the year. Gladys Varner came in third place with 136 points as her contribution. Incidentally, "Butch" and Gladys took over first and second places respectively in the shooting percentages, with "Butch" hitting at a .460 clip and Gladys rolling up a .331 average.

At the free throw line, Lou Fitch was our most consistent scorer with an average of .714 for the year. In second place, was Helen Boedeker who scored on 50% of her charity tosses.

Our girls had a wonderful season, really establishing themselves as one of the top-ranking squads in the state. We are looking forward to next season, and hoping to have all of our "veterans" back, along with a couple of really tall girls. Lack of height was our big handicap this year, and we want to see a couple of tall gals out next season to help us overcome this problem. Every one of our girls proved her value this year in one way or another; and those who didn't score so much helped out by playing "bang-up" floor games. Every girl contributed her share towards our victories, and we should congratulate each and every one!

The girls' season record was:

G-E Club	Opponents
34—Bunker Hill WAVES	14
57—Baer Field WACS	17
14—Decatur G-E Club	12
22—Wayne Candies	20
29—Marion Stonettes	12
29—City Light	38
37—International Harvester	16
32—Wayne Candies	13
37—Decatur G-E Club	14
24—Peoria, Dieselettes	16
43—Bowsers	12
18—Curtiss-Wright	19
26—Wayne Candies	21
44—Uhlig's Machine Shop	13
39—Baer Field WACS	20
26—City Light	24
46—Uhlig's Machine Shop	31
33—International Harvester	23
26—Curtiss-Wright	25
48—Kokomo, Cage's Grocers	23
33—Kokomo, Cage's Grocers	21
39—City Light	34
35—Decatur G-E Club	23
38—City Light	26
19—City Light	37
29—City Light	34



Additional Prizes Listed For Table Tennis Tourney

Dale Hart Will Manage Tourney On Playing Nights

Lore Ferverda, table tennis chairman, has announced that additional prizes will be awarded in the men's singles in the table tennis tournament which will be held in the G-E Club on Wednesday and Friday, April 4 and 6. The added prizes will consist of one-half dozen balls to each of the two players who are eliminated in the semi-finals. Because of the difficulty in getting balls these prizes represent more than their actual monetary value.

Ferverda has announced also that Dale Hart, Taylor Street, will manage the tournament on the playing nights of April 4 and 6. Hart is an experienced player but since he is not playing this year he will be able to devote full time to management. This will add to the smoothness of the operation of the tournament.

Since the tournament is to be held next Wednesday and Friday, April 4 and 6, Ferverda has asked that all those who intend to play send in his or her entry blank just as soon as possible so that all the necessary arrangements and scheduling can be made before the tournament starts. Telephone numbers of all entries should be included on the blank.

The starting time is 7:45 P.M. There is no entry fee and balls are furnished by the Club. All players should bring paddles, and should wear soft-soled shoes suitable for use on the gymnasium floor.

TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT ENTRY BLANK

Mr. L. Ferverda, Bldg. 28-2
Please enter me in the—

Men's singles .....Bldg.....

Men's doubles .....Partner.....

Women's singles .....Phone.....

Mixed doubles .....Partner.....

KOKOMO *Bowling League*

By W. G. Kretzmann

Clean sweeps featured the March 22 rolling. Production went into a tie for seventh place by blitzing F.H.P. for the full count. Order Service got sweet revenge on Planning, taking all three games and thus turning the tables on them for what Planning did to them earlier in the season. Receiving cinched first place as they were handed two games on forfeit and then outscored the short-manned Inspection team in the last stanza. Power Drive took the first two, but lost the last one to Maintenance.

Steady scoring by the individuals was in the affirmative as there were an even dozen 500 series with only four 200 singles but seven games in the 190's. Bergman's 571 was tops and included a 223 single. Rapp had the best single at 224, and also a 190 for an enviable 560 total. Bishoff's 222 single helped him to his 533 count. Hollingsworth netted 513 pins. Griffith rolled a 512 with a 197 single, while Black also had a 512 total with a 195 game. Reith connected for 508 pins. Wikel included a 197 in his 504 count. Dressel and Spahr each totaled 503. Richards and his 198 got over the hump for 501 as Buesking also totaled 501. Adams was in the groove for a 212 single, and Hastings almost made the grade at 199. Newlon had one game at 192, and McCollom rolled his best so far with a neat 189 game to his credit.

Next week winds up the current season, so by the time this is read in print, it will all be over but the shouting.

NOTICE Owl Softball

All last year's managers or team representation, or anyone interested in entering a team in our Inter-Division League Owl Softball, report to the G-E Club, Monday, April 2, at 1:00 P.M. for team organization.

Russell James
League Manager

WANTED Softball Players

There will be a practice session for all those who wish to try out for the G-E Club softball team on Tuesday, April 3, at 5:30 P.M. Anybody who can play Class A ball is welcome and wanted. Bring your gloves and gym shoes, and the desire to work out.

We will go outdoors soon if the weather stays nice, so be prepared for both. We must get going soon, so please be present for all the practices.

Charlie Wilt
Softball Manager

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

G-E Club To Sponsor Baseball Team



Play Host To NBC State Tournament July 28 - August 5

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club management has announced that the Club will again put a baseball team in the field. The Club enjoyed such a successful season in its first year that the baseball fans more or less demanded this type of entertainment. In conjunction with this announcement, the Club has accepted the hostship of the National Baseball Congress state tournament to be held at Dwenger Park from July 28 through August 5. In making this statement the Club has assured the fans the best competition available both during the season and at tournament time.

The G-E Club baseball executive committee composed of Harold E. Carter, the newly appointed Baseball Commissioner for the State of Indiana for 1945, George Waldschmidt, Joe Henry and Ray Lindemuth, have appointed John "Red" Braden as team manager. Too much cannot be said for the splendid job done by "Red" Braden during the trying first-year, and with this fact in mind the committee renamed him, knowing that an even better job will be done this coming year.

After being reappointed manager, "Red" Braden stated that most of the personnel of last year's great nine would be back to form a nucleus around which to build the "State Champs" and subsequently "National Champs." Anybody wishing to try out for the team during spring training should report to Manager Braden. Practice sessions have begun this week as a result of the beautiful spring weather we are now enjoying.

Sunday afternoon the Club will have its first game when they encounter the Pittsburgh Pirates, who are training at Muncie, Indiana.

NOTICE G-E Club Golfers

In order to insure an adequate supply of golf balls for the coming season, C. W. Reynolds, chairman of the G-E Club Golf Committee, urgently requests that all old balls be turned in to the club house at Brookwood, to Bryce Hamilton, Bldg. 4-2, or direct to Mr. Reynolds in Bldg. 4-4. Ten cents will be paid for each old ball turned in.

Wire Recorder

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recorders in the planes. Records of both bombing and fighting actions as they occur will be rushed to this country for inclusion in the programs.

New York is the control point for the series, listed as "The Fighting AAF," to start at 1:30 p.m. March 31.

G-E Club Trims Harvester 34-27

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club basketball team reopened its season for one game Tuesday night and filled in for Reserve Club in a scheduled game with International Harvester at North Side High School gym. The G-E defeated Harvester 34-27. The score was tied at the end of the final quarter 9 all. The second quarter saw the Club team throw up a stiff defense against Harvester, holding them scoreless in this period, the half ending 25 to 9.

The third period saw the Harvester team begin clicking better, but they could not overcome the lead held by the Club. The fourth quarter saw both teams battling furiously under the basket with the Club team holding Harvester to one lone basket in this period, the game ending G-E Club 34, Harvester 27. Allen was high for the Club with eight points, pacing a well-balanced scoring attack, while Hanauer's seven tallies topped Harvester. G-E's record for the season now stands 27 victories and 3 losses with a new victory march of 7 straight wins.

The summary:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Int. Harvester	G.	F.	T.
Stoner	0	0	0	Stump	2	0	4
Madden	1	0	2	Shrock	1	0	2
Krieg	2	1	5	Shaffner	1	1	3
Allen	3	2	8	Budde	0	1	1
Lowden	3	0	6	Campbell	1	0	2
Reed	3	1	7	Hanauer	2	3	7
Baade	0	0	0	Nern	3	0	6
Van Ryn	3	0	6	Smith	0	2	2
Totals	15	4	34	Totals	10	7	27

Half Score—G-E 25-9.
Officials—Wagner and Lytle.

Girls' Softball

There will be a short but very important meeting in the G-E Club gym next Monday, April 2, 1945, at 5:30 o'clock. All girls interested in playing softball should be sure and attend this meeting. If the weather is nice, all girls interested in trying out for the G-E Club team should wear practice clothes and bring their gloves. For girls interested in the Inter-Division League, this will be an organization meeting. Be prompt and it won't last long!

Helen Forker
Women's Athletic Manager

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

March 21, 1945

Team	W.	L.
Flying Pins	20	13
Knock Outs	18	15
Pin Hitters	18	15
Whizz Bangs	15	17
Head Pins	15	18
Lucky Five	12	21

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 5 won 8 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 3 won 2 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 10. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 7 won 2 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 11.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	25	11
Team No. 2	22	14
Team No. 8	21	15
Team No. 1	20	16
Team No. 9	20	16
Team No. 12	20	16
Team No. 6	19	17
Team No. 4	17	19
Team No. 5	15	21
Team No. 7	14	22
Team No. 10	13	23
Team No. 3	9	27

600 Series—Hegerfeld 232-148-227—607.

200 Games—Lahmeyer 202; Ringwalt 215; Schaab 211; Stanger 223.

A new team high was marked up this week when Team No. 4 set a new single game high of 961 and Team No. 2 a new three game total of 2660. N. Hegerfeld of Team No. 7 was out to win last week. He rolled a series of 607, his first 600 series. Well fellows, only three more weeks to roll in this league. Let's have some changes in the next three weeks.

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Penny Wise, Bond Wise



These "self helpers" are also "self starters." This group in Bldg. 17-1 will contribute their share toward winning the award banner for their division when the Seventh War Loan Campaign gets under way. More than two-thirds of them already have saved "loose change" sufficient to purchase an $18.75 bond; many of them will be able to double that amount. Reading left to right, these girls who are helping themselves and their country by buying bonds are Betty Kaufman, Mary Jane Meyer, Helene Evanoff, Elizabeth Love, Veora Habig, Hilda Scheumann, Nina Clifton, Roxanna Miller, Marjorie Ottinger, and Iola Bobay.

Suggestors Receive $980 In Awards

Jules E. Cochoit, Jr., Bldg. 17-1, and Vella R. Lesh, Taylor Street, Head List

Suggestion awards of $50.00 each to Jules E. Cochoit, Jr., Bldg. 17-1, and Vella Robinson Lesh, Taylor Street, head the list of awards released this week by the Suggestion Committee. A total of $980 was distributed among 125 suggestors. Mr. Cochoit's idea pertained to improvements in counter sinking and finishing operations on certain bushings by the use of swing tools; his present award is in addition to $30.00 previously issued. Mrs. Lesh's suggestion related to improvements in the method of grinding in the preliminary balancing of rotors. Her award is in addition to $10.00 previously awarded.

An award of $45.00 went to Kenneth McCuaig of Bldg. 4-3 for his

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New Managers Are Named At Pittsfield And Philadelphia

Robert Paxton and C. A. Salmonsen In New Posts; L. E. Underwood To Retire

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Carl A. Salmonsen, Assistant Manager of the River Works, has been named manager of the Philadelphia Works, effective May 1; and Robert Paxton, Philadelphia Works Manager, has been named manager of the Pittsfield Works, effective July 1, at which time L. E. Underwood will retire as Pittsfield manager. From May 1 until July 1, Mr. Paxton will be Assistant Manager of the Pittsfield Works. This announcement was made this week by Neil Currie, Jr., Manager of Manufacturing, and Vice President H. A. Winne, Manager of Engineering.

Mr. Salmonsen started as an office boy with General Electric in 1909 at Schenectady, his native city. He took the apprentice machinist course and in 1914 he became a toolmaker. Three years later he was named assistant foreman in the tool department.

Transferred to Special Work

The following year he was transferred to the superintendent's office to do special work. In 1923 he was named assistant to the superintendent of Section K and later in the same year was appointed general foreman of the punch press depart-

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On V-E Day, Our Time Belongs To Our Country

To All Employees:

It is apparent that victory in the European war is at hand. Although we have long talked of V-E Day, we cannot be sure that any particular day or hour will mark the formal end of hostilities, since we are witnessing the break-up of the entire Nazi machine under the driving blows of our armies and those of our allies. But there is one thing of which we can be sure—much fighting still lies ahead in Europe, and the all-out phase of the Pacific war is just beginning.

While there is unfinished business on these fronts, our men in uniform will continue to fight and face death. Their bravery and their sacrifices have brought us this far. They appreciate, more than anyone else can, how important to their success has been your untiring effort in turning out the weapons and tools of victory. They are counting on you to appreciate, in your turn, that your time belongs to your country.

The Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy, have requested in the name of those fighting men that our plants and offices continue top production on V-E Day and every day thereafter.

Let us rejoice on that day, by all means. Let us give thanks that we have been able to achieve so much. And let us celebrate—with record production.

C. E. Wilson

Decatur To Observe 25th Anniversary

Plant Founded April 10, 1920

Next Tuesday, April 10, the Decatur Plant of the Fort Wayne Works of the General Electric Company will observe the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding and dedication by working and producing war materials. No special observance is being planned.

An interesting history is connected with the building of the plant in Decatur. Twenty-five years ago, in 1920, a group of Decatur citizens began a campaign to bring a General Electric factory to their community. The site upon which the works now stands was purchased and then, as an inducement for the new enterprise, sold to General Electric for one dollar. That dollar bill, symbolizing the origin of one of Decatur's key industries, was

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J. F. Cunningham Assistant Manager Of Manufacturing

(Picture on Page 4)

John F. Cunningham, for the past seven years assistant to the General Electric Vice President in Charge of Manufacturing, has been appointed Assistant Manager of Manufacturing in the Company's Apparatus Department, it was announced today by Neil Currie, Jr., Manager of Manufacturing, G-E Apparatus Department.

Mr. Cunningham, a native of Valley Falls, N. Y., began his service with General Electric in August, 1901, in the armature department in the Schenectady plant. After transferring to the motor department, he entered the test department in April, 1904, remaining there until November, 1906. He later joined the company's turbine production department. Then followed service in the contract section, after which he became assistant to the production manager of the plant.

Later Mr. Cunningham transferred to the staff of the Schenectady Works Manager to follow important government contracts. In July, 1923, he became assistant production manager of the plant, was named Assistant Supervisor of Production for the entire Company in April, 1928, and was appointed supervisor of production three years later. In January, 1938, Mr. Cunningham became Assistant to the Vice President in Charge of Manufacturing, the position he has held until his new promotion.

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Celebrating V-E Day

Last week while our armies were racing eastward over crumbling German resistance, news flashes gave false hopes that the war in Europe might be over soon. The reports last week were unfounded, but the time will come when the news is true. And then will be the time to be on guard!

As we approach V-E day we may be tempted to be over-jubilant and to forget too soon some of the obligations which are still ours. We must remember that the war against Japan is still to be won at a great cost of men and materials. Our enemy in the Pacific is a fanatical fighter supported by workers who have worked and who will continue to work ceaselessly to provide him with his weapons.

We must remember that the peace in Europe will be won, at least in part, by our help in the reconstruction and rehabilitation of that war-torn continent. It will take food to make the peace. It will take materials of all kinds, materials which will in part be furnished by G-E, to rebuild the shattered cities. It may take many men to keep order and to direct the rebuilding when the fighting stops.

We must remember that the war has not stopped for millions of Americans whose sons and daughters are still in the thick of battle.

We must remember that the war will never be over for those among us who have suffered the loss of a loved one.

Let us remember all of these things when we think of celebrating victory. And let us celebrate the victory in Europe by working still harder for an early victory over Japan.

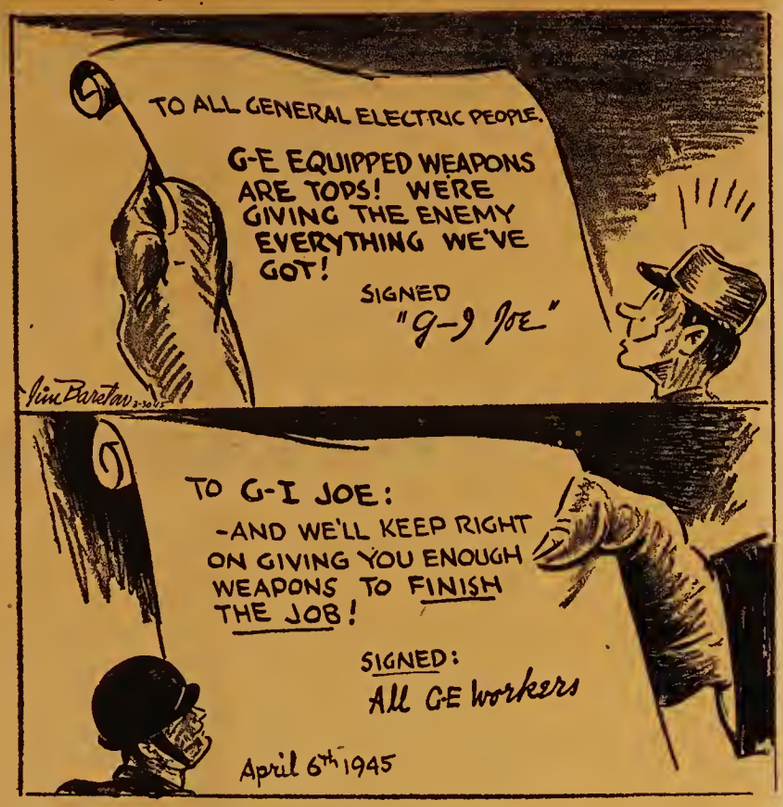
The Road Home...Production

"The road home leads through Tokyo" is a common saying among our forces in the Pacific, where many of our men have been fighting the Japs almost continuously for three years. Those men, who have endured every danger and hardship, want nothing in the world so much as to return to their families and friends. But they are not so war-weary that they would quit before the Japs are completely whipped. If their job can be speeded up at all, they know that it can be done with the aid of an overwhelming amount of production in American factories and shipyards. That's why they are counting on us to stay on our jobs too—because they feel that only with the full support of the home front can they hope to shorten the long way home.

* * *

Secretary of War Stimson recently gave one very good reason why there must be no delay in getting men and equipment to our fighting men. His words were, "The enemy does not wait!" It's up to us to see that our men don't have to wait either, wait for rockets badly needed to blast Japanese defenses, for carriers needed to carry the air war closer to Japan, for transports needed to bring in the supplies and reinforcements that must support every invasion. Our fighting men know the enemy does not wait. Let them also be sure there is no delay at home!

OUR ARMY DAY PLEDGE.



As the great American armies roll at flood tide eastward over the plains of Germany and wave after wave of invasion forces engulf the islands of the Japanese homeland, the irresistible power of the United States as a war combatant is now at its very crest.

And in the midst of these victories, products made by the men and women of General Electric, the finest electrical craftsmen in the world, are winning the praise of the Armed Forces and the grudging admiration of the enemy.

Never in the history of the world has victory been so within the power of the civilian supporters of an Army and Navy; never have the people at home responded better than in this war. But our work is not yet done and will not be until the last hopeless, desperate enemy has been conquered.

There could be no better Army Day resolve than to renew our pledge to our heroic men of battle.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

THE WAY YOU ROAST MEAT IS IMPORTANT

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

The government tells us that food will be more scarce for the coming year. That means we've got to plan victory gardens again, tighten our belts, and get more out of what we can have to eat.

But there is always the good to offset the bad, and even in war we find this true. It has taught us to buy wisely, to share, and to make the best of what is our share.

With meat, the method of roasting it is an important economy. A prominent restaurant man discovered that a low, constant temperature of 300° F. to 325° F. actually saves one serving of meat for each 10 pounds roasted. This is an important saving for a restaurant operator, and it can also be a direct saving to homemakers.

Roast At Low Temperatures

Formerly it was thought by home economists that roasting should be done at an extremely high temperature. Now, through actual testing we have learned tbat the high temperatures merely char the outside while the center is not done; besides, as pointed out above, high temperature give less meat per person.

We have also heard it said that searing meat helps to keep in the juices. But this is one of the old grapevine ideas that has been discarded as well since we know that meat which is seared shrinks more than meat which has not been seared. We find that a low, constant temperature, while it requires longer cooking, also gives a lovely brown that compares favorably with the brown from searing.

Roasting at high temperatures also causes excess spattering in your oven.

Large vs. Small

There is less shrinkage with a large roast than a small one, so extend your meat serving still more with a larger roast and the low, constant temperature for roasting. Perhaps this means, if your family is of average size, an extra meal all planned and cooked for you. There are many interesting ways to keep your family satisfied with the Sunday roast.

No "Roaster" Needed

For a tender cut of meat just use a shallow open pan without a cover. Put your roast in either a preheated of a cold oven. If your roast has fat, place the meat fat side up to make it self-basting.

Flouring the roast is unnecessary; though it may brown more easily, it is also apt to scorch. Also, with the use of a moderate oven temperature, the meat drippings will not burn, therefore there is no need to add water to your roast and you'll find it is actually juicier and better flavored. Salt penetrates not more than half an inch, so salt your roast whenever you like: either before, during, or after cooking.

Use a Meat Thermometer

The use of a meat thermometer placed in the center of the roast is the only safe way of knowing when your roast is done to tbe degree desired: rare, medium, or well-done. A flat, long roast takes less time per pound to roast than a high thick roast.

A time and temperature chart taking into consideration the size and sbape of your roast will serve as an excellent guide to better roasting. The Consumers Institute will publish one of these in this column in the near future.





NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

From Iwo Jima

Dear Editor:

. . . . Although my kind of work keeps me away from machinery and other products, I am sure that there is quite a bit of G-E products in use here.

I don't know how much the papers have carried on this operation, but I think I can safely say that this has been the toughest in the Pacific. The island itself is composed mostly of rugged crevice terrain, and the Japs hide in many masses of caves, very hard to get at.

The shelling of the Japs have been tremendous, and even I have been under it, having a few close ones in my vicinity. During an air raid while still on ship, we had a narrow escape, while watching it, when a bomb fell right off our bow, and another plane came in and strafed the ship.

Here on the island though I have a pretty good and deep foxhole, which would have to take a direct hit to get me.

Well, enough of this war talk. Keep up the good work; I know all the others that have worked at the G-E enjoy it as much as I did, and also enjoy getting the NEWS.

Say hello to everyone in Bldg. 26-3. Hope to be able to see all my friends there again soon. . . .

Cpl. Roy A. Hemsoth

Dear Editor:

Hope this finds you all feeling fine, for I know you all are doing your best back on the home front. So keep up the good work, gang, and we'll do our best over here. I'm now in the Philippines. I came here on D-day. We had a few air raids coming up here, and I saw a few Jap planes shot down, and do I ever enjoy seeing that. . . .

PFC Albert R. Wickliffe

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

In China



E. Miller C. L. Griffis

Lt. Charles L. Griffis, Bldg. 2-3, has been assigned to the hard-hitting Chinese-American Composite Wing of the Fourteenth Air Force. A transport pilot, he entered the army January 31, 1943. PFC Elroy Miller has written the following letter:

Hello, Fellows:

To the fellows in Bldg. 17-1. Just a few lines to let you know I'm in a hospital back here in England recovering from wounds I got in Germany December 9. It gets pretty rough up there sometimes. This makes the third time I have been hit and I now have the Purple Heart and two clusters, but don't hope for any more. . . . I am glad to see that they are keeping up the good work back there. Keep it up and we will all be home soon. You will have to forgive my writing, because I got hit in my right arm and I'm no good left handed. One gets kind of lonesome for the old gang back there. But after it is over I hope to be back with you again soon. . . .

As ever,

PFC Elroy D. Miller

Dear Editor:

. . . I see that the gang in Bldg. 4-5 and all the rest at the good old G-E are still doing their part in war work plus going over the top in bond buying. . . . I just got transferred here to the Air Force since wounds I received in combat won't let me do any more front line fighting. I have gotten the privilege to see some of the work here and they are doing a fine job. Keep up the good work and hope to see all of you in Bldg. 4-5 soon.

Pvt. Harold C. Sutton

Pvt. Dale W. Sweet, who is in the Philippines, would welcome any letters that his friends in the shipping and receiving section at Taylor Street would find time to send him. "I promise to try and answer all," he says.

In The Jungle

Dear Editor:

Aside from my busy navy life, I consider it my duty and privilege to inform the home front, from time to time, as to how things are taking shape in the various parts of the world where every inch of the way was fought and won by our fighting forces supported by the most gigantic turnout of military weapons the world has ever seen. These men of war long for the day when the steel used in making shells of destruction today will be found in the irons toasters, refrigerators, etc., of tomorrow.

I have traveled from the moors of Scotland to the wilds of the Pacific. Up until now I have been with the fleet the majority of the time. From now on I'll get a taste of how it feels to live in the jungle, always working against the forces of nature.

The hot Southwest Pacific sunshine has done much to remove the chills of the North Atlantic. Needless to say, I am enjoying the best of health.

My new assignment has shifted me from the Navy to the Marine Corps. I feel very fortunate to have been chosen for such an important undertaking—an education money cannot buy.

The food out here is good and the living conditions pretty fair, taking everything into consideration.

I have met quite a few former General Electric employees out here in the Pacific and discussed the possibliity of returning to the "fold" in the not too far distant future. That, of course, is a question which time alone can answer.

In reference to reading material, a copy of WORKS NEWS occasionally would shove my morale up on the grandstand. By giving you my new address, the problem of keeping up with my travels should be solved.

I would appreciate it very much if you would give my regards to the employees of Motor-Generator.

May I hear from you soon and keep up the good work that your past reputation has proved you capable of.

Respectfully yours,

J. S. Belot

Dear Editor:

. . . . I am feeling fine and hope all of my friends in the good old Power Drive Division are too. I sure hope this horrible war ends soon so all of us boys can come home and lead a peaceful and happy life. I would like to tell you about things here, but I guess it will have to keep until I get back home. Sure do miss the WORKS NEWS and the good old G-E. There is no place like it in the world to work at. So I hope the day comes real soon when I can work there again and be happy like in the peaceful days. . . .

PFC Robert M. Gibson

Arthur Buchanan, Bldg. 10-1, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant. Formerly with the First Army, he is now convalescing in an English hospital.

Good To Be Back



R. Stoner A. H. Bojrab

"I like the Navy very much but it seems good to be back," says Rebecca Stoner, S 2/c, who is stationed at Pensacola, Florida. Cpl. Albert H. Bojrab is a member of the air forces. Both were formerly employed at the Taylor Street Plant.

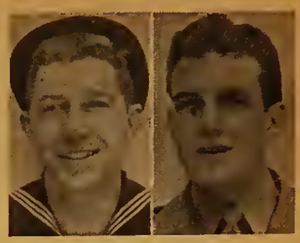
Infantry OK



R. J. Workman L. H. Claphan

"The infantry is ok, only you have to walk—would like to know where the trucks are. The equipment is ok. Don't see much G-E equipment outside of the bazooka, a deadly weapon. The clothes are tops, only they make you wear some of them too often, like the overcoat when it's not freezing," is the opinion of Lyle Claphan of the Taylor Street Plant. R. J. Workman, also of Taylor Street, is a member of the Navy, who recently returned from Belgium and Holland.

Great Part



F. R. Mulvane E. R. Reichert

"Having worked on the jet planes which are propelled by a General Electric engine, I can really say that the General Electric is doing a great part in winning this war," says Cpl. Eugene R. Reichert of the Taylor Street Plant. He is a member of the U.S.A.A.F. Forrest R. Mulvane, A/S V-12 USNR, is attending officers' candidate school at Greencastle, Indiana. He was employed in Bldgs. 4-6, 18-5, 2-3, and at the Taylor Street Plant.

Dear Editor:

Just a line to tell you how much I enjoy the WORKS NEWS. The first mail I received here on Iwo Jima was your paper and I read every line of it. Our mail was slow for a while, but now it's coming in pretty regular.

This was a tough island to take. In fact, it isn't taken yet. The boys on the front line are really having a tough fight. We use a lot of General Electric equipment and haven't had a complaint yet. Say hello to the gang in Bldg. 19-2.

PFC Dick Trott

Darrel J. Clouse is stationed at Brooklyn, New York. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 6-2 and at the Decatur Plant.

First Lt. Robert J. Blossom, an Eighth Air Force P-51 Mustang pilot, was recently promoted to that rank.

Cpl. John T. Howerton is stationed in the Netherlands East Indies. "Keep up the good work, as the result of your efforts we are defeating the enemy daily. I see a good many instances of it out here, and we'll do our part to speed the day of victory."

Cpl. Robert Louden, who recently arrived in Italy, will soon start combat flying with the 15th AAF as a nose turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber.

At a recent ceremony held on a 15th AAF Flying Fortress airdrome in southern Italy, 2nd Lt. David Woods, Bldg. 4-1, was awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activity against the enemy."

Cpl. Russell I. Van Allen, Bldg. 4-2, has been awarded the Air Medal at the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, N. C., for outstanding achievement as a crew member of a transport plane attached to the South Pacific Air Transport Command operating over the Solomon Islands area.

Lt. Richard E. Langdon, Bldg. 26-4, has been awarded the Air Medal "for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial combat."

CASUALTIES

PFC Joseph C. Houser, Bldg. 19-5, was wounded in France while serving in the Third Army.

Sgt. Ralph L. Miller, Bldg. 4-2, was wounded in February in Germany.

Sec. Lt. Paul E. Westrick, Bldg. 17-2, lost his life in England March 13.

Cpl. Lawrence H. Ehinger, Winter Street, was wounded in action in Germany, March 8.

PFC Charles E. Halter, Bldg. 26-3, was wounded March 19 in Belgium.

S/Sgt. Paul Gene Bucher, Bldg. 19-5, was wounded March 18 while serving with the infantry in Germany.

PFC Arthur A. Seidel, Bldg. 26-2, was wounded in action on Luzon.

PFC Philip Schwartz, Bldg. 4-1, was killed in action in Germany, March 18.

Anniversary

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framed and is now hanging on the wall of the *Decatur Democrat* building.

Hailed as a model industrial plant, the G-E factory was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies on April 10 of that year. The keys of the town were turned over to General Electric, streets were decorated, and "the G-E colors, blended with bunting and the American flag, were waving from practically every building on Main street, while the windows were artistically decorated and the G-E welcome signs were displayed by the business houses." Approximately 3,000 Fort Wayne employees attended the festivities.

The twenty-five years which have elapsed since that day have seen startling progress in the use of electricity. Millions of people have been brought the benefits of electric service. The small motors built at the Decatur Plant have contributed much to this progress. Peacetime products from the Decatur Plant are used in all parts of the country and in many places all over the world, and in wartime they are used by the United States armed forces in every battle.

E. W. Lankenau is superintendent of the Plant.

G-E Stockholders

General Electric stockholders gained 5000 in number during the past year, according to a statement made public by W. W. Trench, Secretary, to the effect that the total on March 9 was 235,742, as compared with 230,910 on March 10, 1944. The present figure is an all-time high for General Electric.

Mixed Chorus

Any person who likes to sing is invited to join a mixed chorus which is being organized. A meeting will be held at the G-E Club at 5:30 P.M. next Wednesday. Additional information may be secured by contacting Wilbur Wright, Bldg. 6-2, phone 2394.

Philadelphia And Pittsfield Management Changes



L. E. Underwood



Carl A. Salmonsen

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Robert Paxton

Suggestions

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suggestion for the use of step ground drills in machining ball bearing flanges.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Plastics

E. C. Dickmeyer, Collette B. Buck, Ralph Foust, Grace H. Hall, Walter J. Freehill.

Bldg. 10

Harold F. Martin, William C. Buuck.

Bldg. 5

Ralph S. Sample.

Bldg. 4-3

Allan S. Kitson, Edward D. Fischer, Helen M. Hageman, Betty Boldt, James E. Lamb, Conrad F. Hohnholz, Harvey C. Kerr.

Bldg. 4-4

James L. Crockett, Herbert F. Seslar, Earl S. Griswold, John H. Allendorph, Claude Holmes, Donald Gage, Victoria Walzer, Forrest E. Grim, Russell L. Thurber, Lawrence E. Wappes, Carl E. Heemsoth, John DeWald, Ralph B. Bonbrake, Martha Kruse, Christian D. Delagrange, Ralph Reed, Theodore C. Reed, Sidney W. Borton, James V. Ray, Russell L. Thurber.

Winter Street

Walter J. Hein, Herman J. Rockhill, James Fowler, Charles Rupright, Vera H. Pontius, Leo J. Houser.

Bldg. 4-5

Myron G. Richards, Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Edward A. Beck, Lewis W. Strong, Noble W. Meyer, Robert James Hughes, Everett E. Moring, Edwin C. Rodenbeck, Tom L. Wilkinson, Walter Amacher, Robert H. Bell.

Bldg. 20

Charles H. Osborne, Albert Bauermeister, Wiley B. Shockney.

Decatur

Clarence F. Drake, John D. Cowan, Mary M. Miller, James Kitchen, Ray A. Imel.

Bldg. 4-2

Audrea Dahlin, M. L. Brown, Floyd Loraine, Harold Mason, Robert A. Waltenburg, Herman Uhrick, Louise L. Reinhart, Laurence T. Johnson, Myrtle I. Cramer, Ida Marie Trenary, Charles Rondot, Ora A. Imel.

Bldg. 6-4

Lloyd L. Runyon, Howard R. Bootman, Marjorie Jane Ripley, Solomon S. Andorfer.

Bldg. 6-2

Irene L. Barrand, Lloyd Miller, Mary E. Stuckey, Ralph Reinking.

Bldg. 17-4

Lawrence J. Mellinger, George Patterson, Charles R. Springer, Charles W. Hayden, Dorthea Bixler, Edith M. Williams, Walter M. Lohm.

Bldg. 17-2

Jeanette Blough.

Bldg. 2-3

Emerson P. Miller.

Bldg. 17-3

Florence J. Deluga-Kowal, Bernadette B. Lantz.

Bldg. 19-4

Anna H. Blair.

Bldg. 2-2

Helen M. Geiger.

Taylor Street

Ned L. Neuman, Clifton T. Wolfe, Gladys M. Klausing, Virgil E. Stephens, Hans P. Jensen, Richard Whitsel.

Bldg. 4-1

Ruth E. Klopfenstine.

Bldg. 8

William E. Stearns, Estus G. Grady, Clifford L. Grim, Carl Junk, Virgil C. Summers.

Bldg. 2

Mary I. Heyman.

Bldg. 19-2

John K. Mazelin.

Bldg. 17-1

John R. Miles.

In New Post



J. F. Cunningham

John F. Cunningham, for the past seven years assistant to the General Electric vice-president in charge of manufacturing, has been appointed Assistant Manager of Manufacturing in the Apparatus Department, according to an announcement by Neil Currie, Jr., manager of manufacturing, G-E Apparatus Department.

New Managers

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ment and tool room. He was again promoted in 1925 when he became superintendent of the section.

In 1928 he went to the Peterborough Works of the Canadian General Electric Company, Ltd., as general superintendent, and two years later became manager of the plant. He remained in that position until 1941 when named assistant to the manager of the River Works. In 1942 he was appointed assistant manager, a position he held until his present promotion as Philadelphia manager.

Mr. Paxton entered the employ of General Electric in 1923, the year he was graduated from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N. Y. After a year in "test" he was assigned to the switchboard department. In 1927 he was transferred to the Philadelphia Works as the first oil circuit breaker engineer. In 1930 he was promoted to managing engineer of the metal-enclosed division.

Became Managing Engineer

Following the consolidation of this division with the manual and automatic panel sections in 1932 he was named managing engineer of the panel and equipment division, serving in that capacity until 1940, when he was named assistant to the manager of the works. On the death of Robert V. Good, manager, Mr. Paxton was named Works Manager, a position he has held until his present transfer.

Mr. Underwood, retiring manager at Pittsfield, joined General Electric in 1897. A native of Tolland, Conn., he was graduated at the age of 18 from Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University with a degree of bachelor of philosophy. He learned the machinist trade at the Becker Brainard Machine Works at Hyde Park, Mass., and on finishing his course entered "test" at General Electric, in its West Lynn Plant. Two years later he was assigned to the stationary motor engineering department. In 1915 he was made chief engineer of the department and in 1927 became managing engineer of the consolidated motor department, having charge of both engineering and manufacturing. Under his management this department grew from a small organization to the largest motor department in the world. In 1932 he was named manager of the Pittsfield Works.

Seventh War Loan Speaker Succumbs

Dr. J. Raymond Schutz, who had been scheduled to make addresses throughout the plant during the forthcoming Seventh War Loan Drive, died at his home last Thursday. Dr. Schutz had been a visitor at the Broadway Plant on the day before his death to complete plans for his appearance here during the drive.

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works will remember Dr. Schutz as the speaker on the last several bond drive programs.

Dr. Blodgett Addresses Washington Branch Of AAUW

Tell scientists the color of a film of oil on water, and they'll tell you how thick it is. "A thin film of oil . . . has a yellow color when the film is six millionths of an inch thick, red for seven millionths and blue for eight millionths," said Dr. Katherine B. Blodgett of the G-E Research Laboratory recently at a meeting arranged by the American Association of University Women in Washington.

The occasion was the presentation to her of the Association's annual achievement award of $2,500, for her long research on methods of building films of almost infinitesimal thickness. "Films which have thicknesses of a few millionths of an inch," said Miss Blodgett, "reflect vivid iridescent colors," and illustrated her statement by the preparation of such films.

"These are the colors that are seen in soap bubbles and in films of oil spread upon water. . . . "These colors, which are known as interference colors, can be used to measure thickness," she continued. "To do this we need an accurate scale of thickness in terms of color. This has been devised and is called a color gage. It consists of a strip of a special glass, containing lead, on which films have been built in a series of steps having thicknesses 2, 4, 6, . . . millionths of an inch. These steps appear as stripes of vivid color on the glass.

"Anyone who wishes to measure the thickness of a film which is only a few millionths of an inch thick can compare the color of his film with the series of colors in the gage. The step on the gage that matches his film in color will give him a measure of its thickness."

Dr. Blodgett devised the method of preparing these gages. One is built by depositing on the glass successive single layers of molecules, each only one ten-millionth of an inch thick.

"The substance used," she explained, "is barium stearate. A small amount of stearic acid is placed on the surface of water containing a dissolved salt of barium. The stearic acid spreads on the water to form a layer one molecule thick. As it does so the ends of the molecules next to the water surface combine with the dissolved barium to form barium stearate. The layers are transferred to a piece of glass or metal by a dipping process. They are built up one layer at a time and counted, so that any desired number of layers can be built into a film."

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST
FORT WAYNE

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A MOTOR IS AS GOOD AS ITS INSULATION



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Its application to A.C. stators is now being developed.

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Long apparatus life and customers' good-will will be the rewards.

KNOW YOUR JOB AND KNOW YOUR TOOLS.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE *Spotlight*

Last Sunday morning as we were strolling along the main street on our way to church, whom should we meet but Helen Campbell of Bldg. 20-2. She was attired in her new Easter outfit which she evidently bought with the money she saved by not eating during the last two months. Our "Pop" Quinn with his wife was casually getting the morning paper at the corner newsstand as usual. When I arrived at the church, whom do you think we saw? None other than Lee Foster and his wife. They were both very Easterish looking. Coming in late was Walter Muehlenbruch and his wife and son. His excuse was that he had to feed the chickens before coming to church. When it came to the collection, Mr. Gibson in his new Easter suit was there passing the basket. After church, we saw Norma Jean Sprunger with her new tailored suit and bonnet that she's been talking about the past several weeks. Also, Helen Adler made her presence known by singing above all the others. We saw Margie Plye sporting a beautiful mustard suit. Edna Welch was leading the Easter parade with the outfit she bought during the last minute Easter rush. . . . Farewell greetings to Hedy Graue and Doris Shaneyfelt, who recently left our division. Hedy is going to make her home in Louisville, Kentucky, and Doris is being transferred to Winter Street. We wish to extend best wishes to both of the girls, and we hope that we will hear from them often. . . . Your reporter would like to know if Velma Lehman ever got that bunch of flowers, hunk of veil and stuff put together in time to wear it on her head in the Easter parade. . . . That nine-pound boy who arrived at the Franke home recently has sure done wonders for Erwin. He no longer is bent over but walks shoulders back and chest out. The gang in the box shop say congratulations to both Mr. and Mrs. Franke and son. . . . Elzie Messick says the boys will not be offering him those peanuts and apples when he gets his new store teeth. It seems the boys have been extra nice to him in the past couple weeks, but Elzie says his day is coming. . . . George Cotts gave the fellows a break when he brought his son in for them to see. His boy, who has served overseas in the Navy, was home on furlough. Go ahead, George, and keep on talking, for he is a fine boy and we think you have a right to be proud of him. . . . Bob Hopkins was a very proud Dad also last week when his son was home on furlough after two years. Yep, his boy was home from the Navy with several stars in those service ribbons. We don't know who looked the happiest, dad or son. . . . Clarence Peters would like to thank everyone who was so good to him and his family when they lost their home by fire. Clarence says they were really friends in need and for himself and family would like to say thanks a million.

Second Lieut.: "I've been trying to see you all week. When may I have an appointment?"

Colonel: "Make a date with my secretary."

Shavetail: "I did, sir, and we had a grand time, but I still want to see you."

SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon!—One o' the nicest slogans I know is the famous G-E —"More goods for more people at less cost." O' course, Cousin Colin's is—"The best things in life are free"—but evcn Scotsmen hai tae get some o' the poor, miserable "unbest" things thot cost money—even tho Scotsmen seldom pay retail prices.

But, the things thot make life pleasant—electric lights, telephones, modern plumbing, electrical refrigerators, toasters, and many others too numerous tae mention—wouldn't be possible at all if somebody, sometime, had not tried tae produce, "More goods for more people at less cost."

Does thot mean thot without C.R.* we'd still be in the horse and buggy age? YUS. Every improvement we have is C.R.* in one form or another.

Take, for instance, electric lights as compared tae candles. Pairhops ye could use candles, and save a little money by it. But, could ye get as much LIGHT for the SAME MONEY? And could ye get enough at any cost tae read in comfort, without ruining your eyes? In the old candle days, man practically ended his day wi' the daylight. Candles weren't for lengthening his day, as the electric light is, they were for merely helping him find his way.

O' course, when we think o' lights, we also think o' all the other things we can have wi' electricity—toasters, refrigerators, radios, stoves, automatic furnace controls, etc., etc. These things wouldn't be available tae common people like me, save for C.R.*

So, if ye want more and better things after the War, and ye want the "After the War" period tae start sooner, get going on C.R.* Your C.R.* idea is part o' the great plan thot brought us these things in the past. It is part o' the great plan thot is winning the War now. It is part o' the great plan thot will bring us better and better things after the War.

Cousin Colin's wife, Bonny, says the first "better" thing she gets after the war will be a new girdle. The one she has now is too Scotch —no give—and she says it's too tight—but thot she is making it do —in a pinch.

*COST REDUCTION.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

I guess the vacation season is on. We have several from our section. They are Corine McGill, Edith Screiner, and Margaret Doctor. Margaret says she is going to clean house. . . . Geneva Culler, Mable Harding, and Vera Becker are working days with us. . . . Some people just can't seem to walk any more. Ray Pickett suffered a sprained ankle and could be seen hobbling around on crutches last week. . . . Mary Dodane is in the hospital after an operation. We wish you a speedy recovery, Mary. . . . Bonnie Mechling was pleasantly surprise when the Easter bunny left her a corsage, from her boy friend overseas. . . . Mary High was surprised also when she received a box of candy and a corsage from her boy friend who is in Germany.

One-fourth of all pedestrians killed in urban accidents in 1943 were crossing at an unsignalized intersection—but one-third were killed crossing between intersections, reports the National Safety Council.

Is Zat So?

We were all thankful for such a beautiful Easter morning. It was regrettable that more of our loved ones were not able to share this beautiful day with us, but we pray that next Easter season can be celebrated all over the world. . . . Many Easter eggs were in evidence this week so evidently the "bunny" visited quite a number of our coworkers. . . . Our special weather man is George Mosshammer, who devised a home made barometer. We still don't understand exactly how it works, but George can give the latest predictions. He guarantees them, too! . . . Although Mel Kestner is no volunteer fireman he was seen running up the aisle when the fire whistle blew. He said he was just breaking in a new pair of shoes, but we think he was just practicing running to get ready for the baseball game Sunday. It is nice to have one of our co-workers playing on the G-E Club team. Mel has been playing a good game so let's give him our loyal support and contact him when buying our ball tickets. . . . We welcome Pat Eichhorn, our illustrious Senator, back to work after closing of the Senate. . . . Congratulations were extended to our friend and co-worker, Heiny Wichern, who completed thirty-five years of service this week. . . . When the gals turn in all that loose cash, we are sure that our group will meet their quota in the Seventh War Loan Drive. A good idea girls, keep it up! . . . Lots of birthdays this week. They were celebrated by Paul Geiger, Ernie Riley, Charles Westfall, Ervin Papenbrock, Noel Walton, Walter Scherschel, Ernest Barnes, Dorotha Swain, Minor Bishop and George Charleston.

The X-Ray
OF BUILDING 17-2

Marcella Bowers decided to enjoy all the conveniences of home the other day, so she pulled the wrong lever on the leak test and "presto a free shower." . . . Betty Lupton was on time the other morning. She came in breathless but proudly smiling, says—"I did it!" . . . Now that vacation time is near we should be hearing some fish stories soon. "Let's keep 'em honest though fellas." . . . There were a lot of pretty Easter bonnets in the cafeteria the other morning. Everything from a "Churchill Topper" to a saucy beret. . . . If you like gum and who doesn't? See "Baldy" Debolt. His right shirt pocket almost invariably bulges forth with some. . . . What would all of us do for the after dinner pickup if Darwin Upson ever forgot to bring in "ye ole potato chip bag?" . . . Probably we're a little late in mentioning it but we certainly are glad to have Roy Mentzer working with us again. Roy had a six month absence on account of illness. . . . Charlie Sherland paid us a visit the other day. He looks fine since his operation but will not be able to work for several weeks. Hurry back Charlie. . . . Eldon Roley and Ed Stute finally caught up with Ed Meyer and Dale Sprunger in euchre games. All it took was a little practice in the evening, wasn't it boys? . . . We have some early risers even on Sunday morning. This reporter saw Bill Straub and wife and Walter McCormick at the Easter Service at Greenlawn Park.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again! As we go to press, I have taken a look around the office at my fellow associates and observed the following: Funniest sight of the week—Chuck Graham and Clarence Burke, carrying samples to the gate to meet the Short-Way Line Bus. . . . Joe Coughlin and Ann Rastetter are back on the fags. Ah, such aroma. . . . Andy O'Dwyer is striving for culture by reading the higher type of literature. Oh, come on down to our level, Andy. . . . "Pritch" and "Hutch" might get together and start a menagerie with their respective birds and turtle. Pritch says they might even have a Turtle Dove. Did anyone say something about corn? . . . Due to the neglect of turning on the germicidal lamp, Pete "the Boss" Staehle's voice has dropped another octave with the development of a cold. Hope the weather in Pittsfield proves a boost to his health. . . . Who do you think your are, Chuck—anyhow? . . . A double wedding anniversary was celebrated Wednesday. "Pritch" and Del Roloff had a double wedding(?) years ago. That must have been quite a wedding. Congratulations to both of you. . . . Roy Dierstein dropped in on us the other day and to quote what was said, "I am leading a very quiet, solitary and happy life." —End quote. . . . John, Maxine, and Judy Bastian have expressed their appreciation for our sympathy in their recent loss. That's all, folks.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Dan Cupid made two direct hits on our floor recently. Gerry Trautman was married to Pvt. Darrell Zuber last Sunday, at Grace Lutheran Church. Evelyn Thomas and Sgt. Orville Einseidel took their vows on March 24, at Bethany Presbyterian Church. Best wishes to both happy couples. . . . Congratulations to Donna May Barney, who celebrated a birthday last week. . . . Lois Biggs and Barbara Bedor are spending a week's vacation in Philadelphia, where Barbara's fiance is stationed with the U. S. Army. . . . We have been fortunate in having quite a few visitors during the Easter season. Al Willits and Bill McIver, Jr., both of the U. S. Navy, dropped in to say Hello while home on leave. Rosemary Suelzer, home from Philadelphia for the Easter holiday, paid us a visit last Saturday and was a guest for luncheon of the following girls: Bertha Bevington, Betty Rose, Ruth Kramer, Lillian Dougherty, Opal Cook, Lela Omspach, Eileen Hormann, Margaret Christle, Jessie Chadwick and Ruth Ehrsam. We were also happy to see Rosemary Pond, who is enjoying a brief vacation from her studies at Indiana University. . . . Some weeks ago Carl Brandt's bicycle was seen with the saddle lowered from its lofty position to a normal height, but the saddle not only made the descent, it also made an about face. Maybe Carl is going in for stunt riding. Do you suppose?

Newsies 17-3

Marian Pappert explained how she hurt her toe—got it caught in the heater on the car. . . . What's a potluck without baked beans? Girls of 13x7 and Leon Rodemaker found out they can get full and have a good time without them. Those who forgot about their figures, besides Roddy were Helen Moring, Hallie Hosler, Lucille Miller, Jo Rowe, and Hazel Normann. . . . Did anyone ever talk to Marilyn Chaney when she didn't say she was "just starved?" . . . John Cox, former set-up man on our floor was married this week. Our best wishes Johnny. . . . We are all sorry to see Marie Hamilton leave the Company. . . . Our deepest sympathy goes to Doris Ryan on the death of her brother-in-law. . . . A blood clot has formed in the eye of Arline Argerbright, where she had bumped it on a dresser drawer causing it to become black. We hope it isn't too serious. . . . Helen Bierbaum has received a message from her husband in France in a different way. One of his buddies delivered it by phone after his return to the states the other day. No matter how it came, it was a very beautiful greeting. . . . Mrs. Pearl Huett, formerly of Bldg. 17-3 has a new baby daughter. Congratulations Pearl. . . . Margaret Stein has a new ring, third finger, left hand. Best of luck Margaret. . . . Park Schemehorn never seems to be forgotten. The Easter bunny left a large beautiful basket sponsored by groups 26x27. . . . A group of girls on Park's line enjoyed a mid-day lunch with olives, celery, eggs, etc. The eggs were colored for Easter but Jeanne Haye got the one which wasn't cooked. Mary Fran Huff wasn't hungry for eggs on Easter day. . . . Alice Lester's feet were not on fire the other day, she just had on a pair of red shoes. . . . If you see a light in Jeanette Smith's kitchen at 5:45 A.M., you will know she is just making pies for the kids at work. Nice of her isn't it. . . . The joyous Easter season was saddened by the absence of so many of our boys. We hope that next Easter will find many of them reunited with their loved ones.

New Lamp Department Counsel Is Appointed

Quincy D. Baldwin of Pleasantville, N. Y., for more than seven years the Company's Lamp Department legal representative at New York, has been appointed counsel for the Lamp Department, it was announced last week by R. H. Luebbe, G-E Vice President and General Counsel. Mr. Baldwin will make his headquarters in Cleveland. He will succeed Howard A. Couse of Cleveland, for 14 years counsel of the Department, who will continue to be associated with it in a consulting and advisory capacity.

Mr. Baldwin, born in Brooklyn, was graduated from New York University and after admission to the bar in 1925, and practicing with a Brooklyn law firm, joined the General Electric Credit Corporation in 1933. In 1936 he entered the Company's general law department, transferring to the Lamp Department's legal office in New York in 1938.

There's No Doubt About It



Art, Chas. Britton agrees with you. Charles is shown in above picture smiling down at the pair of goggles he was wearing when hot solder exploded out of a solder pot he was operating in Building 19-2. FORTUNATELY THE "TOUGH" LENSES OF THE GOGGLES WERE BETWEEN HIS EYES AND THE FLYING SOLDER.

Art Thieme, foreman in Building 26-5, and Secretary of the Safety Committee in the Tool Division, is giving credit "where credit is due." Goggles are a very essential part of the safety program in the Tool Division also because of the nature of the work.

The 1945 Safety Committee in this Division is as follows: F. R. Hoffman, chairman; Art Thieme, secretary; Paul Brinkroeger, Lowell Walker, Russell Jones, John Inches, Herbert Thiele, Mark Francom, Harry Jones, and Ellis Gaylord.

Herschel L. Smith, Safety Engineer.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Ah, mystery! Who is the handsome man in the picture on the post over in the Planning Section? About a dozen girls would like to know. In fact, a reward might even be given for any information about him. Take a good look, girls. . . . We're going to miss Willard Garber who is leaving us after 21 years of service with the G-E. Best of luck to you in Huntington! Truman Holle from Bldg. 4 is taking his place. . . . "Here comes the WAVES" —sure enough, none other than Alberta Bultemeier who was formerly with us. She surely looks neat in her uniform. . . . Which of Andy Smith's "admiring public" decorated his picture and put it up on a post for display? He does make a nice looking girl. . . . June Baker from the Training School is helping out in the Raw Material Section. June comes from South Whitley. . . . A new little "tax exemption" arrived in the Leroy Seitz household on March 29. She will answer to the name of Suzanne. Mother, baby, and Roy are doing fine. . . . Before Betty Ormiston plays jokes on any one, she better make sure who it is. Some people resemble each other with their backs turned. . . . Didn't Dwight Myers make the prettiest "little boy" at the G-E Club Spring Review? Remember? . . . LaVern Engelbrecht had a big laugh last Saturday when she saw Mike Rebman with a tricycle. Transportation that bad for you, Mike?

HIGH SPOTS • • IN BUILDING 4-2

Helen Stookey had just about decided there was no Easter Bunny when, lo and behold, she found a lovely Easter basket on her desk filled with all the goodies that delight little girls like her. She's still trying to find and thank the person whose ingenious brain could produce such a masterpiece. . . . Jim McGill, who has always requested that his name be kept out of print, has now given his consent to have news about him published. If anyone has any contributions to make please notify your reporter. . . . We have been informed that Irene Geiger eats only one meal a day. The fact that it lasts from early morning until late at night may account for her ability to subsist on such a diet. . . . Congratulations to Bob Schinbeckler and Paul Liddy, who both have brand new baby girls. . . . Al Rondot says that since he has taken his snow shovel from his car he is willing to loan it to anyone who might have use for it. . . . Our best wishes to John Kruse and Jayne Flynn, who were married this week. . . . Joe Trentadue uses as an excuse to avoid manual labor the fact that he donated blood last week. We have been told it even affects his noon hour euchre, because he hasn't been able to win any games since.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Christ. Kaiser got the wrong leg ahead of the other one at the right time while bowling recently with net result of one kicked ankle with a long limp involved. . . . Ralph Steward is really going after the big ones this season. If he gets a fish that can pull that new bobber under it will surely set a record of some kind. . . . Henry Gerdom is dreaming of those great big (six inch) Barbee bluegills that he is going to catch in the very near future. . . . John Hensler said the other morning, "This is the first time in forty years that I forgot my badge. I changed pants this morning." . . . The check room has an addition, Cliff Dunten, and a subtraction, Ralph Baumgartner, who is leaving to pay Uncle Sam a visit, so this makes the situation equal. . . . Don Welbaum will now be known to his many associates as "Blackie Welbaum" after being dubbed that at a recent dinner party. . . . Dohr Krieg has returned from his vacation that he spent in Denver, Colorado, and all he talks about is the swell hotels out there. Can you imagine a fellow going that far and in that kind of country and all he saw was hotels? . . . Karl Smith showed his interest in the WORKS NEWS last week. He was seen sitting in a street car at the end of the line with his nose in the paper. What were you doing, Karl, playing "Let's take the long way home?" . . . The "mouse" inadvertently bestowed on Loretta Wyneken by Charlotte Drewett the other day was short-lived, but lovely while it lasted. . . . LaMar Brant and Gus Mittermaier are having a race to see which one will work themselves to death first. Brant is leading now with a stiff back after rolling his yard last Sunday; but just wait, Gus will do something to put himself in the same shape before long.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Hello, Dispatchers! Here is your column, written for and by dispatchers. We hope to make it newsy and interesting for all of you and we solicit your co-operation. Send any contribution of general or personal news to "Grapevine Editor," Bldg. 19-5 and we will give it our full consideration.

Our inquiring reporter has quizzed several dispatchers who are studying the S. A. I. course the G-E Company is giving and reports that all the students are well satisfied with the course. We urge all dispatchers who may have an opportunity to enroll to do so. It is well worth the time and effort required.

There is a rumor around that the Dispatchers Club is planning a banquet for the members and their wives—if you don't have a wife bring your girl friend. Sounds like a good combination of our two first loves—our wife and food.

Don't forget, members of the Dispatchers Club—the April 10 meeting is "Guest Night." Be sure to come and bring at least one other dispatcher who is not now a member. We will give you more details about the entertainment later.

Don't forget, send us your news items.

Your Grapevine Editor.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Screw Machine

We are sorry to see our old gang broken up, but lots of luck to you who have left. . . . Mabel Worley has a birthday in April. Happy birthday, Mabel. . . . Someone informed Waveland Bernardin that he would have a new red Easter bonnet to wear with his red outfit. . . . Jean Surface, who formerly worked on the Blanchards, is the mother of a 6 pound 9 ounce daughter, born March 25 at the Sonder's Hospital in Auburn. . . . Birthday greetings go to Charles Liggett, who had a birthday March 29. Many more happy birthdays, Charles. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baumgartner celebrated thier wedding anniversary March 20. Mrs. Baumgartner is better known to us as Clara. . . . Pvt. Jimmy Liggett spent an eleven-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Liggett. . . . Bill Charleston still has car troubles. His battery was dead Saturday morning. Maybe if you would tighten up the bumper guard it would help, Bill. . . . The Screw Machine bowling team lost two games again Wednesday. Even with "Dutch" Schuelke's 232 game, the gang just couldn't get started. Oh well, we don't want our bowling averages too high anyway. . . . Ernie Golliver is riding the street cars for a week now while he has his car fixed. He says he meets the strongest people on said trolley cars. . . . We are glad to welcome James Parker to our Section and we sincerely hope he has a long and happy stay with us. . . . Several of our gang have been absent this week. All this nice spring weather and still they have the flu. Hope you are all back with us again soon, Jenny Baker, Jerry Stellar, Mavis Kuhl, Winifred Coates, Emma Baker, Mary Muzzillo, and Nettie Foor. . . . We are glad to see Lucille Haught back with us again. . . Kathryn Norris is starting her vacation. Have a nice time, Kathryn. . . . Two of our co-workers received good news from their sons. Ethel Koontz received a letter from Boatswains Mate 2/c Robert Koontz, stating he is well and at present in England. Ethel was very happy as it was the first word for over two weeks. Clara Ringenberg received word that Pvt. Everett Ringenberg is improving nicely. His jaw is broken and he has a wound on his cheek, but he was proud he can talk now. He may return to the United States for plastic surgery. Good luck, boys. May you be home soon. . . . Four girls are still on our sick list. They are: Aylene Smith, Ruth Emerson, Twylo Elzey, and Audrey Robinette. Hope you are well soon. Esther Switzer and Helen Businger had been ill but have returned to work. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanders and daughter, Linda Jane, spent Easter with relatives in Kokomo. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Coomler spent Easter in Lima, Ohio. . . . Richard Golden was absent Saturday to repair damage to his home, when lightning struck the foundation. Six feet of the house had to be repaired. . . . Welcome to first shift, Harold Shady. Sorry we are a little late. . . . We wish to welcome Dona Darling on second trick. Dona has been working on third for a long time. Hope you like us, Dona. . . Jean Thompson and Mary Tharp have been transferred from the grinding section to the Final Assembly. Hope you like your new jobs, Jean and Mary. . . . Vic Feipel has also left the grinding section to go to work in Final Assembly. Good luck to you, Vic. . . . Have you noticed Don McCrea's camouflaged car? It's the very latest in spring fashion.

Punch Press

Velma Doherty has the Punch Press Section's sympathy in the death of her brother. . . . Beatrice Schemehorn is on her vacation this week. Hurry back, Bea, we miss you. . . . Well, what do you know? We have several birthdays this time. So happy birthday Biz Felts, Bob Young, Bob Glenn, Mac McCoy, and Hubert Gotta and may you have many more. . . . We wondered why Wilford Hall came in with a big grin from ear to ear. Sh! I'll let you in on the secret. He is the father of a big bouncing baby girl, Helen Marie, and she weighed eleven pounds and two ounces. How about the cigars, Butch? . . . I'll bet Ruah Ladig is the happy one. Her son, William, who is in the Navy, is home on a leave. He is being transferred from his ship. He will leave for New Orleans. . . . Come one, come all to the fireman's ball. By the looks of firemen's faces which are on the bulletin boards everyone will have a grand time, so bring your gal, or wife, and have the time of your life. It's to be at the G-E Club from 8:45 until 11:45 p.m. Admission is only fifty cents for a full evening's entertainment. . . . We were all very sorry to hear of the death of Louis (Pop) Tanner, who recently left the Company because of ill health, and we extend our sympathy to his wife and all members of his family.

Receiving

We have heard lots of fish stories lately. Now we have one, one evening last week Jim Brittin of the Shipping Section went to the ash pile to empty a tub of ashes and found two live bull heads thrashing ashes around. He captured them, put them in a tub of water, they survived, and Jim has asked us all in for a fish fry. . . . Right now we are puzzling our brains trying to pick out the time for our vacation. We all want one but we can hardly decide just when. . . . We received another letter from Mary Jane Markley; she is having a swell time in California. We are glad for her, but she is missed here by all. . . . Don Winebrenner our truck driver is the first to take his vacation from our section. He will spend next week in Northern Michigan visiting friends. . . . Ernie, our baseball fan, watches all practice games with his son, Tommie. We hope Tommie grows up to be the fan his dad is. . . . George Dehnert's eleven-months-old baby fell on a hot grate last week and was badly burned on both hands and one leg. We are glad it was no worse. She will be okay in a short time. . . . Hobart Friend's son Robert, who is stationed in Florida in the Air Corps, is home on a ten-day furlough. . . . Only one day left to get your crowd together for the Fireman's Ball at the G-E Club. Don't miss it. . . . This Section wishes to extend our best wishes to Otto Brunner and hope for a speedy recovery. Hurry up, fella, and get well; we miss you. . . . Cletus Kyle says, "Easter is gone; why should I worry now about that new Easter outfit I did not get?" . . . Income tax paid, now we are getting ready for local city tax. Life is just one tax after another. . . . Sam Heer, the gentleman farmer and poultry raiser, claims he gets fifteen eggs a day from twelve chicks. Some must be double yolks, eh, Sam?

Tool Room

John Fischer is the star of our human comedy show this week. The story goes thus: The Mr. & Mrs. retired at about 10:30 P. M. and got set for a good night's sleep. Waking later, Mrs. Fischer glanced at the clock and hurriedly awoke John saying they had overslept and he was late for work. John scrambled out of bed and made some fast tracks getting dressed. Ready to go he pulls out his watch to see how late he was. His pocket Ben said 12:20. Seems wifey had too much sleep in her eyes when she glanced at the clock and mistook midnight for 6 o'clock. P. S. 12:30 saw John back in bed for the rest of his beauty nap. . . . If you are buying (or is it selling?) furniture you can probably make a deal with Del Rehm. The story is a little mixed up so you'd better see Del for particulars. One deal made a week ago ended with Del owing his wife five dollars; they hadn't settled the argument at this particular writing. We will try to clarify things after the problem is solved. . . . George Prince was quite alarmed one day this week when he was ready to go home from work. After searching the locker rooms thoroughly he was convinced that someone had stolen his coat and vest and was even offering his trousers to go with them, to the bold thief. Happy days were here again when George looked in his closet at home and then remembered he hadn't worn his coat at all. George has now said his fond farewell to the tool room and is going into the Service April 11. Best of luck, George, and come in to see us when you get back home. . . . Under the leadership of Stan Wagner for the Tool Room and Bill Van Holton for Tool Inspection we hear the boys had quite a basketball game at the G-E Club. They promise more games are in store for us so let's be on hand and cheer for the boys. . . . Myrtle Mansfield was on the sick list a few days, but we are glad to see her back again. . . . Frank Lebrecht rates as the champion bowler this week with the same score each game 127. Frank says he is still wondering how it happened, too. . . . We have heard of people overeating, but hardly to the extent that they can't keep their balance. At least we are glad Edie Spencer didn't get hurt when this happened to her in the cafeteria last week. . . . Joe Veit and L. D. Thrush have great faith in the Easter bunny and sure enough there were colored eggs in their tool boxes the day before Easter. . . . Agnes Woods has given up working for a while and is going to devote her time to housekeeping. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Russ DeBard, our star reporter, on March 30. . . . Let's all be on hand to wish Everett Richhart a "Happy Birthday" April 11.

Impeller

George Pribbernow is going on his vacation next week. Hope you have a nice time, too. . . . Bob Kinnaman came in to work Monday morning with a nice sunburn. Bob also wants to know all of the best brain foods. He says it is really embarrassing the way he forgets things at times. . . . Do you have any teeth to be pulled? See Bob Mossburg, for he is the new dentist in our section by reason of past experience. He is practicing on himself. . . . Katie Caudill has been off several days with the hives. Glad you're back, Katie. . . . We are glad to report that Eulalia Coon's daughter, Margie Sirok, is leaving the hospital Tuesday. She wishes to thank all for the lovely gift. . . . Vacations have started—Cecil Stultz is taking his this week. He intends to sow oats. Don't work too hard, Cecil.

Winners Of Suggestion Awards



Large suggestion awards were won recently by the individuals pictured above. Left, Jules Cochoit, Bldg. 17-1, received $50.00. Center, Kenneth McCuaig, Bldg. 4-3, was awarded $45.00. Right, Vella Lesh of the Taylor Street Plant receives her $50.00 award from her foreman, Eric Helwig.

Shipping

Helen Clore is back to work after her trip out to Colorado. She sure brought back some swell souvenirs. Hope we can all get out into that part of the country some day. The scenery surely must be beautiful. . . . Did you see Dick Wolff's new Easter bonnet? Where did you get it, Dick? . . . We sure can tell spring is here when we hear Al Kruse talking about the low scores he hopes to make in golf and Van Horn talking about the big fish he hopes to catch. . . . We could not help but see the big smile on "Pappy" West's face the other morning. The reason was that his garden was growing with fine vegetables, soon to be harvested. . . . It is not the intention of this paper to run ads but when Al Muller keeps insisting we cannot resist. In a few words Al wants us to state that in addition to his farming project he has added a side line. He has opened the Muller dog kennels. Any one wanting to get a good home for their dogs at a reasonable rate should see Al at once. . . . Caroline Thieme is slowly improving from the results of her recent accident. We are very sorry this had to happen, Caroline.

Rotor

Jacob Smith is taking his vacation this week; his son will be home on a furlough from the army. . . . We welcome Virgie Mayer to the rotor assembly from wheel machining. . . . Ruth Grodrian's son injured his right arm again, but is improving nicely. . . . Those who have birthdays this week are Mary Linn, Loretta O'Connell and Richard McLaughlin. Congratulations and best wishes. . . . If anyone has an extra hard boiled egg, we know Selma Rodemeyer would appreciate it as she doesn't have time to cook her own. We hope the "Bunny" didn't forget to lay hard boiled eggs as yours certainly looked funny running through your fingers. . . . Margie Sirok wishes to thank everyone for the lovely gifts sent her while convalescing in the hospital. Also the Union for the flowers sent her. She is coming home Tuesday. We'll be looking for you back soon. . . . Bonnie Keefer is having a siege of the mumps. Have you tried tasting pickles, Bonnie? I've heard they are good for what ails you. . . . Our old friend Earl Baumgardner would like some letters from some of his friends. Let's let him know we haven't forgotten him. . . . Howard McClure, formerly of weld repair, is home on furlough. Enjoy yourself, Howard. . . . Mary Stahl has left us to join her husband. Nice knowing you, Mary. . . . Betty Ott has been transferred to Broadway. Good luck on your new job, Betty. . . . Rita Laux visited her home in Greenville, Ohio, over Easter. Lola Lehrman accompanied her as her guest. . . . Glad to report Arno Phegley is on the way to recovery and will be back soon. . . . Pearl Durben wishes to thank all for the bedspread, sheets and blanket presented to her as a wedding gift. Lots of good luck, Pearl; we'll all miss that sunny disposition. . . . Lois Jones has left the bucket section to be married. Congratulations, Lois. . . Happy wedding anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hyman; they have been married sixteen years.

Nozzle Box

Pvt. Harold McCray, son of Ethel

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

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McCray, was home on a short furlough. He is stationed at Ft. Robinson, Arkansas. . . . Gee, Bill, we're sure glad to see you back on the job after that quick trip to Bartelville, Oklahoma. Hope you had a nice time. . . . Elowene, Cookie and Virginia of the Nozzlebox went Easter egg hunting on Friday night. . . . Helen Langfeldt reports that the new grandson is going fine. But Bill Easley says, "We still have a cake coming as a treat." . . . Congratulations go to Don Leiter who had a birthday March 29. The girls surprised him with a birthday cake. . . . Cecelia Lovett celebrated her ninth wedding anniversary March 28. . . . Glenn Butz has one acre of good ground about one and one-half miles out of the city; he would like to trade it for a car. . . . Dorothy Cartwright made her first Red Cross blood donation Friday; she has been busy showing off the pin they gave her. . . . Ruth Ort is in the Lutheran hospital. We wish you a speedy recovery, Rutb. . . . Zelda Sonner has a new diamond; the wedding will be in the near future. The lucky man is Ralph Vardaman. Ralph is home after serving in the armed forces overseas. . . . We are sorry to hear Glenn Borror is absent due to illness; hope you are back soon. . . . Mary had a little lamb, Her father shot it dead. Now Mary Bubb takes her lamb to work, Between two slabs of bread. (This proves there must be a meat shortage.)

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Since the gum shortage we heard that Fred Pyle has changed his brand of chewing gum. What brand are you chewing now, Fred? . . . Happy birthday was sung for Max Pomper by the burr section and final inspection March 24. A beautiful birthday cake was presented to Max who was 65 years young. Congratulations, Max; may you have many more happy birthdays. May we add that Max has a very unusual record? He tells us that he has not lost a day's work on account of sickness or has had to have a doctor since he was 16 years old. We think that is unusual and also a very fine record. Congratulations again, Max. . . . What's a shirt more or less to Ray Dotzer. Ray was painting and needed a rag to wipe his hands. He went in the house and tore up a shirt and then found out it was one of his best ones. We think you just wanted an excuse to stay home from church this nice weather, Ray. . . . Henry P. Deitschel says that if Hitler can have upwards of six doubles, he sees no reason why Roosevelt can't have anyway one. So Henry's going to apply for the job. There is quite a resemblance, don't you think? . . . Bob Boone comes from a family of mighty fishermen and brought two large fish heads to work to prove it. The only thing Bob forgot is that dead fish do not keep forever without developing a slight aroma. The plumbing section thought they had a corpse of some kind, but it turned out to be Bob's overripe fish heads.



"PRETEND YOU'RE A MARINE, GEORGIE, AND DIG A LOT OF LITTLE FOX HOLES SO DADDY CAN PLANT CORN."

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Somewhere in the Pacific
"March 14, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"Your letter came as a surprise to me and I was certainly glad to hear from someone back there in the plant. Say hello to every one for me and have Ed Ehrman drop me a line.

"You asked me to write something that would be of interest to the gang back there. Well, there is not much to write about but here goes.

"After receiving amphibious training at Fort Ord, California, I went to Hawaii and took further training. I have moved again but cannot say where. We are still in training but hope to finish some time.

"I am still working as a radio electrician and have run across a lot of equipment made by General Electric. In fact most of our radios have General Electric parts in them. It sure is good to see that familiar monogram on a radio or anything else for that matter. I find that the G-E products hold up quite a bit better than any others.

"It is very nice where I am stationed at present except for the rain. It rains quite a bit here but otherwise it is real nice.

"The WORKS NEWS comes regularly but for a while there was very little news about Winter Street; however, the last three issues were "on the ball" as we say in the G. I. language.

"Well I must close now for it's time for lights out.

"Your former co-worker,
"Bob (Sgt. Robert Wyatt)"

"Fort Meade, Maryland
"March 15, 1945

"Dear Gang:

"I suppose there are still a few old timers around who still remember me. I don't think my old section is in production any more. I used to work in the Recoil Section, but that was almost two years ago, but it sure doesn't seem like it's been that long since I left good old G-E.

"I'm at Fort Meade, Maryland, now. My old outfit, the cavalry, was broken up and all of my buddies are scattered to the four winds. I wish we could have gone across together. It's hard telling where I'll end up now.

"I've been receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly every week, and of course the first thing I look for is 'Winter Street Rumblings.' I've seen letters from lots of the old gang who are in the service now, and I thought it was high time I stuck my two cents in.

"Is Joe Deck still wandering around Winter Street? I'd sure like to hear from him. There are lots of the others I would like to hear from, Harold Hites, Norman Burns, Paul Dove, and Lester Brown. I hope all of them are getting along O.K.

"I'm hoping just like every other G. I. that the time isn't too far off when we can all come back home again and take up where we left off.

"Until then my best regards,
"Calvin Minick"

SPORT NEWS

Bowling

Arnold Benecke, whose individual average leads the league, was the leading bowler for the night with a 586 count. This included a 221 game. Other 200 games were Zollinger 213, Macey 210, Schwartz 209, Lauer 205, Misegades 201 and Dennis 201.

Team 4 and Team 10 both lost 2 games but are still tied for league lead with 24 won and 12 lost. Team 12 had a 2,627 count for the night and this puts them in third place high for three game total.

Golf

Brookwood and Foster Park Golf Courses both opened last week-end and since Fairview has been open two weeks now, most all the boys have had a chance to get in a round or two. Winter Street is planning to have a golf league of their own this year instead of playing in the Broadway League. Details of this will be announced in the near future.

Machine Shop

Pat Sipes had a very interesting experience last week. After a hard day's work at the shop, she did her laundry and hung it out to dry. She left it there overnight, and in the morning, three pairs of stockings were missing. You should have heard Sipes gripe. . . . Evelyn Kilgus was presented with a very beautiful red Easter egg on Monday morning. . . . We have a new inspector with us. None other than John Cline from the grinders. . . . We'll have a new time clerk now that Eileen Paonessa is leaving. It's none other than the charming little Evelyn Engel, Mr. Gettys' former secretary. We hope you like us, Evelyn, and best of luck to you, Eileen. Eileen has been the WORKS NEWS reporter in the Machine Shop.

Grinding

Carl Timme is sporting a brand new pair of store teeth, and they are causing him considerable trouble. The other morning on his way to work they got to bothering him and he took them out and put them in his hip pocket. After riding a few blocks the bus driver asked him to get off the bus as he chewing up the cushions.

Dust Proof Room

We hope Audrey Fankhouser and Myrtle Carpenter have a very nice time on their vacation.

Oil Pump and Compressor

We have heard of people worshipping the "almighty dollar." The other day Johnny Roberts was chasing a dollar bill around on the floor. . . . We wish to welcome all the new co-workers to the Oil Pump and Air Compressor gang, who came from Power Drive. Hope you like all of us. . . . Is that a new employee over in the Grinding Section? Why shucks, no—it is none other than Carl Timme sporting a new set of false teeth. . . . We, the workers of the Pump and Compressor Section, want to express our deepest sympathy to Dessie Spears, upon the death of her Mother.

Power Drive Office

Mr. Bender's mustache and Mr. O'Neill's lack of a goatee has had considerable publicity in this column. The question is now, what happened to Mr. Bender's original mustache (did he have contact with others who had malice aforethought?) Regardless of what happened in the past, mustaches are starting to bloom again. . . . Changes in our office are continuing. The latest is Maxine Dixon transferring from the Production to the Planning Department. We quote Maxine "At present I have no statement to make." More later, we hope.

Shipping

Doris Shanyfelt is the new girl in the Shipping Office and Doris Polley has become a typist.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

We are glad to see that Uncle Hank Aldrich was able to return to work last week after a two weeks' illness. Hope you can stick around a while now, Henry. . . . Those blistered hands Dick Wamsley had after making garden gave the appearance of hard work. Do you think it's worth it? . . . "Stretch" Magnussen has been transferred to Broadway. . . . Believe it or not, she did it again. Last Friday Eva Longsworth drove to work, took the bus downtown at 3:30 and after arriving home later missed it. Knowing that no one could have taken it from home cause she had the keys, she trudged back to the Winter Street parking lot, and there she sat. Eva, how come you do those things? . . . Bob Hosier shall receive our congratulations a little late on that new baby, but then he still acts mighty proud. . . . Whenever you get hungry for strawberries—come strawberry season—you might be interested to know that Henry Aldrich set out a hundred plants. . . . Maxine Bobay became "Auntie" again Saturday night. It was a niece belonging to her sister. . . . I'm sorry that we missed last week, and will try not to forget again.

Tool Room and Maintenance

That profusion of flowers on Shoedel's bench means one thing. Spring is here, the sap is running and John has another birthday. . . . We wish to welcome Melvin Repine to our gang. He's the new tool grinder from Power Drive.

Engineering

Bob Steck spiraled to a three point landing the other day when he missed his chair. . . . Dorman Kirke's son, Jim, visited the Engineering Office last Monday. Jim is at present stationed at Lincoln, Nebraska, waiting to be included as bombardier in a new B-29 crew. . . . We welcome Mr. Forstad and Mr. Moore to the Engineering Office.

Turret Tattles

A coupla things we'd like to have seen, but didn't: "Sharpie" Sharp of the center aisle as he consummated a recent deluge of paper milk bottles. What DID you do with ALL of them, Sharpie? . . . What does P. Stiver look like without a smile on his face. We hope we never see him without one, we never have. And "Youngie" Young without those zoot trousers? And placid-appearing "Pick" Pickering when he isn't placid? And Wilbur Close when he is sure he isn't sure about sumpin', and by the way if you need screens made this Spring, see Wilbur. Don't thank us Wilbur, we'll bill you later; and Herb Boltz without his hat on. Oh horrors—not that—we've peeked and it's just too—oh it really is; and Don Gingrich when he isn't jigglin' up and down as he tells us something; and "Hienie" Schnurr at the controls of a plane; and Glen Seip, Jr., sometime when he don't know the correct answer; and Hilenbrand with hip boots on, he actually wants a pair, and bad too; and we really are gonna make an effort to see Jack Kennedy solo one of these days; there's "nuthin' to it" says Jack after his FIRST half hour. You're very likely a natural, Jackson; and Breezy Breese change his politics, no we'll stick that li'l whim with the trousers too; and Loren Rex when he eats lunch sometime; and Doc Carlson, fishin'; and "Brer" Hoover with his cows; and Ronald Hile in the "Shop" over at his house; and George Swartz at "The Cottage;" and Bill Lahmeyer when he slows down sometime; and Chester Bowen when he ISN'T whistlin'; and John Gerbers when he gets home from work some evening; and George Snyder when he gets "that farm;" and Arthur Fike ON his li'l farm; and Louie Swagger gets a letter from "The Boy;" and Wendall Crum when he was held up once by a dead end street . . . Boy, a fellow sure gets some screwy thoughts while laid up with a fever, doesn't he? I did.

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Spring is here and so is gardening time. At least that is practically all the conversation drifts to now. Watch those carrots and cucumbers. . . . Thursday afternoon in the Club Rooms it was hard to keep from shedding a few tears when the gang from the second shift presented Al Windmiller with two gifts in commemoration of the friendship and affection which he created when he was dispatcher of the swing shift. The gifts were a beautiful Parker fountain pen and a genuine leather wallet. George Heller officiated as master of ceremonies. Mr. Windmiller was well pleased with his presents and card and wishes to thank his many friends for their generosity and good will. . . . Bill Hunt tells of receiving a bouquet of lilies telegraphed from his son who is someplace in Europe—a very delightful Easter thought. . . . Chalmer Knittle did his bit as a swing shift man last week in the shipping room, replacing Taylor. . . . Willie Plasterer to the best of our knowledge is the champion coffee toper of this territory. He always asks for a second cup, but the other night Jean stopped all of that when she really gave him enough to hold him. Reports have it that he had to call for help. . . . Due to lack of pin setters, the Skirt & Slack League was forced to cancel their engagement this week. . . . Happy birthday to Billy Feasel. . . . Is Elnora Snyder happy! We say she is. Her son, Bud, is home on furlough. Cause enough. . . . Dorothy Wright has returned to work after an extended illness. . . . Bill Brunner is back again on the job after having been off some time on account of a fractured wrist. . . . Jo Voglewede sure received a wonderful card from her hubby. . . . Iva Teeple relates to us that her son Maurice, flat top sailor, will obtain a leave sometime in April. . . Helen Funk, formerly of Plant No. 2, is now a permanent fixture on the winding line on second shift. . . . Welcome, Bud Kriegel, to the second shift. Bud replaces Al Windmiller as night dispatcher. . . . Nurse Luella Smith and Margaret Kauffman were shopping in Fort Wayne for their Easter chapeaus. . . . Perhaps we are late in announcing that the name of the new baby at Vilos Bollinger's home is Martha Ann, but we were waiting until the father had completely recovered his composure. Congrats, daddy. . . . Joan Oliver's face has been wreathed in smiles—and no wonder. She at long last received a letter from her friend, now way up in Alaska. . . . Attention everyone who contacts Ethelyn Burnett will you please wish her a happy birthday. Only by the sheerest luck were we able to secure this announcement. Ethelyn is the star checker of the swing shift, Plant No. 1. . . . Mary Miller, Bernice Frauhiger, Harriet Pollack, and Josephine Ivetich were among those transferred from Plant No. 2 to No. 1. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Murval Andrews who are the parents of a baby girl. Mrs. Andrews was formerly Fairy Bedwell of Plant No. 2. . . . A few Preble friends were seen taking advantage of the full moon last week one night by wading in a nearby creek. Kind of rushing the season, aren't you? . . . Recent visitors to the plants included Chalmer DeBolt, U. S. Army, CPO Herman C. Keller and Lt. (j.g.) David Macklin. Accompanying the service boys was Andy Zeser, retired employee. . . . Cpl. Ray Teeple has been moved from France to Holland. Sgt. Bob Teeple has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action Feb. 27, somewhere in Belgium. . . . Bernard F. Meyers, MM 3/c has written from the Pacific area that he earned another battle star by participating in the invasion of Iwo Jima. He was able to tell us that he has seen Panama, Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Ulithi in the Carolines and Saipan.

Don't Look Now



"What will my sponsor say!" shouts Art Linkletter as comedian Kaye and Eve Arden try to get away with almost everything in sight as they depart from the "G-E House Party" studio at CBS. Linkletter is heard Monday through Friday at 3:00 P.M. Central War Time.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Bertha Smith, former Bldg. 18-4 employee, was home this week and paid us a visit. We can't decide whether it's married life or Texas that agrees with Bertha, but she certainly looks "in the pink." . . . Wonder how much Carolyn Levy, Bldg. 18-4 telegraph, paid the girls to keep quiet about her recent experience with "the little chair that wasn't there." Whatever she paid, it had more influence than your reporter's pleadings. . . . Belated greetings go to Betty Raucci, telegraph Bldg. 18-4, whose birthday was March 26. We always knew birthdays were hard to take, Betty, but there's no sense in letting it make you sick; we don't think you look a day older!!! Due to this illness, Betty and the girls will celebrate her birthday this week. . . . Wedding bells rang Monday morning for Esther Klemm, order and stores, who is now Mrs. Charles Reynolds. Our congratulations and best wishes are extended to both the bride and groom. The order and Stores girls had a dinner at the English Terrace a week ago Wednesday in honor of the bride-elect. . . . Understand that Helen Durham, Bldg. 18-1, was a mighty embarrassed little girl when she fell off her chair. . . . Connie Quinn, Bldg. 18-5, took the final step Monday too, when she married her soldier fiance. We all hope that she will be very happy. . . . Wanted: one pocket calendar for Jerry Imel, Bldg. 18-5. Since he was heard singing "Silent Night," we figure he must be a little confused as to the time of year. . . . Don Fagg certainly has a sad case of "Spring fever." The other day, he tried to convert the photostat dept. into a swimming pool. Tsk! Tsk! . . . This week our welcome mat was put out for Laverne Dolan, Frances Reidenback and Irvin Roggensee, all new in the accounting section. . . . We're sorry to report that Joe Oddou, accounting section, is in the St. Joseph Hospital, and we certainly wish him a speedy recovery. . . . We were also sorry to see Helen Powell, our little ediphone operator, leave the data bureau gang. . . . Party recently held at Helen Jane's home turned out to be a huge success. It was quite a unique idea. Helen had the data bureau gang over for lunch at noon, and what a lunch! 'Course they all got "soaked" on the way back to work, but we think it was well worth while. Incidentally the little peanut lady favors were precious.

When the old grandfather of a German family died, his sorrowing relatives put the usual announcement in the local newspaper. It ran: "Ernest Muller has been called to a better world."

And next day they were arrested for criticizing the Nazi regime.

Named Director Of Consumers Institute

Elizabeth Woody has been appointed director of the General Electric Consumers Institute, C. R. Pritchard, general sales manager of the company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, has announced. Miss Woody was director of foods for McCall's Magazine from 1935 to 1944 and previously had long experience as an advertising copywriter and director of daytime radio programs.

As director of the Institute, Miss Woody will head up a broad program of basic food research and an extensive consumer information program designed to disseminate as widely as possible practical solutions to homemaking problems. Miss Woody and her staff will test all appliances in the Institute's laboratories from the housewife's viewpoint, checking their findings in the homes of consumers with factory engineers to insure most satisfactory product performance and design.

"NIGHT HAWKS," as night fighter pilots are known in the Fleet must have exceptional night vision—the ability to see in the dark and distinguish the shadowy outlines of enemy planes silhouetted against the extremely dim light of the stars. To preserve their night vision, the pilots wear red goggles during the hours prior to take-off. The take-offs are then made in total darkness and most of the flying is done by means of instruments. Then, the mission completed, landings aboard are made in the dark, with the carrier often pitching and tossing in heavy seas.—Army and Navy Release.

Bldg. 4-3

Howdy, Folks:

We're a little late with the news but better late than never (or is it?). The real St. Patrick was given a big welcome on March 17 on days. Seems like everyone except the Irish wore green. The "Land of Erin" ought to disown "Mac" McHenry, Herb Telley and Rosemary Linnehan. Don Arnold wore a green tie for an ancestor way back when. Dolan Furney had a cute green bow tie and Kenny Miller and Herb Sauer wore green cravats too. Kenny looked absolutely stunning with that green tie and no collar. . . . We wonder what Phyllis Dunfee was thinking about when she apologized to a post for bumping into it. Or were you just keeping your manners up to par? . . . Our best wishes for speedy recoveries go to two Georges. George Cowan left the hospital recently. George works days in Flange Section. The other one is George Slater, final test on nights, who underwent an appendectomy at the Sacred Heart Hospital in Garrett. Hurry back, both of you; we miss you. . . . This week we lay our welcome mat before four people. Ida Mae Gerdemann has been transferred to Group 13x59 from Winter Street. Robert Dunlap, formerly of Taylor Street, is now working in Group 13x11. Tom Goodenaugh, Group 13x13, came from Winter Street, and Leslie Swank formerly punched the clock in Bldg. 17-2. Glad you're with us. . . . F/O Al Bullerman was up to visit the gang. Al used to run a Bullard in Group 13x15 on Second Shift. You sure looked swell, Al, in that officer's uniform with those shiny silver wings. Good luck and happy landings, Al. . . . Sarah Lecount, who is on sick leave, was up to see us. We were glad to see you, Sarah, and hope you're back soon. . . . Could it be Spring that makes Florence Stanski "sing like the birdies sing" every afternoon? Del Reiter goes around serenading lately too. . . . Mickie Gardenour, now Mrs. Edwin Steppat, and son Larry Lynn were guests at the weekly sewing club meeting at Florence Stanski's home. She is a former employee of Bldg. 4-3. Her husband will join her and after a short visit here and in Nebraska they will return to San Diego, California, where he is stationed with the Navy. . . . Several of the girls have post-war plans. Ann Coleman is going to raise rabbits, Betty Boldt is going to raise evergreens and Irene Richardson is going to raise cows. Any more? . . . Harvey Kerr was seen coming into work late one day. We are sorry about that blow-out. That's heartbreaking in these times, we know. . . . Well, gang, that's all the news for this week. Let's keep that box full to overflowing. It's up to you guys and gals who read this column.

So long.

—Country Cousins

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Word has bene received by Jean E. Brown that her husband, Staff Sgt. Warren G. Brown, formerly of Bldg. 26, has been released by the Russians from Stalag 111-C prison camp in Germany. Mrs. Brown is employed in Bldg. 17-3.

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Complete Twenty-Five Years' Service



Employees of the Fort Wayne Works who have completed twenty-five years of continuous service with the Company are pictured above. Left to right, top row, they are, Rollie Wickliffe, Bldg. 26-2, William Glenn, Bldg. 12-B, Sam Baumgartner, Bldg. 27, Carl Bobay, Bldg. 19-4, Al Hambrock, Bldg. 8, and L. P. Sherrick, Bldg. 18-4. Bottom row, Bernie English, Taylor Street, Paul Dannecker, Winter Street, Joseph Plescher, Bldg. 26-2, Kenneth Betts, Taylor Street, Lawrence Klaren, Bldg. 26-3, Ernest Etzler, Bldg. 19-4, and Raymond Lutz, Bldg. 6-3. All employees who complete twenty-five years of service are eligible for membership in the Quarter-Century Club.

Bazooka Put On Diet But Still Potent Weapon

A featherweight bazooka with a heavyweight punch and a new "eye" sight, 42 per cent lighter than the standard model, that may be handled as easily as a regular Army rifle, has been developed by General Electric engineers for the Army, and is now in production.

The little heavyweight, far more accurate than its older brothers and weighing 10½ pounds, now has a barrel made from aluminum, which represents several years of research by G-E and the War Department. The standard model now in use by the Army's ground forces is made from steel, but the wall thickness of the aluminum bazooka is greater than the steel one.

This is the seventh basic design of the weapon, forerunner of all combat rocket-launchers in this war, since original plans were submitted to the company by the Army in the spring of 1942. At that time one of the fastest production jobs in the history of industry marked the completion of the first few thousand bazookas. It took company engineers only a few weeks, from the time the Army gave them the plans, to put the weapon in production and ship the first lot to the North African front.

The first model bazooka had a single-piece barrel with a permanent rear sight, similar to an ordinary gun's.

Next came a streamlined take-apart model, commonly known as the folding bazooka, and designed for use by paratroopers and infantrymen fighting in jungles and thick underbrush. The advantage here was easier handling, less chance of snagging the weapon on vines and impeding the progress of an attack. This model had no sights on the barrel. It was equipped with a collapsible, single-element bar sight mounted on the side of the bazooka. When not in use the sight was folded against the side of the barrel.

The latest design has an optical sight on a folding unit. The design and construction of the sight provides unrestricted vision when leading fast-moving targets such as tanks. An elevation adjustment eliminates the conventional sights used on Army rifles. This sight has increased the accuracy of the bazooka to such an extent that now an infantryman may qualify as a "bazooka sharpshooter," for which he is awarded a sharpshooter's medal upon which is mounted a replica of the weapon.

Optical sights are not a new development. But their application on the bazooka required special study and unique application on the part of engineers. The sight consists of a high-grade glass lens in which are concentric lines and a bull's-eye center, similar to gun targets, enabling a bazookaman to pinpoint the vulnerable part of an enemy tank or pillbox.

Another development includes the replacement of dry-cell batteries with impulse generators for firing the rocket launcher.

The standard shoulder stock in use today for the launcher is also an improvement over the old model. The present model is equipped with a two-position stock for firing when standing or kneeling, and lying down.

Approximately 70,000 people suffered some permanent disability from work accidents in 1944, according to the National Safety Council.

Famous Last Words: "Well, if he won't dim his, I won't dim mine!"

Head Of G-E Patent Department Retires

Charles E. Tullar, vice president in charge of General Electric's patent department, retired on April 1 after 26 years' service with the Company. In making this announcement President Charles E. Wilson stated that direction of the department will be under Harry E. Dunham, as manager, reporting to R. H. Luebbe, vice president in charge of the law department.

Mr. Tullar, a native of Neenah, Wis., spent his younger years on his father's farm. On graduating from high school, the principal told him that Electrical Engineering was a good thing to study—so he entered the University of Minnesota, majored in Electrical Engineering, and was graduated with honors in 1901. After three years as an operating engineer with the St. Paul Gas Light Company and with Fairbanks-Morse Company, he entered the service of the government as an Electrical Engineer and draftsman in the supervising architect's office of the Treasury Department. In 1905 he joined the U. S. patent office as an assistant examiner, advancing through the various grades until, in 1917, he became principal examiner in charge of one of the electrical divisions. This frequently brought him into close contact with General Electric. While at the patent office he studied law at National University, Washington, and was admitted to the bar in 1914.

Mr. Tullar entered the patent department of General Electric in 1919, became assistant manager in 1927, and the next year was made manager. He was elected a vice president in 1934. He is a member of the bar of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, and of the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr. Dunham, a native of Baldwinsville, N. Y., was graduated from Syracuse University in 1906 with a degree in Electrical Engineering. During the next three years he was employed as an Electrical Engineer by the New York Telephone Company and the New York Central Railroad. From January, 1909, to October, 1910, he served in an editorial capacity for the publication, "Telegraph and Telephone Age." Going to Washington, D. C., he was a patent examiner from 1910 to 1912, and in 1913 received his law degree of LL.B. from George Washington University.

In October, 1912, Mr. Dunham entered the employ of General Electric as a patent attorney in Washington, and a year later was transferred to Schenectady. Radio was in its infancy at that time, and Mr. Dunham became associated with the Company's early work in that field. In March, 1930, he was named assistant manager of the patent department, and two months ago was appointed manager by Vice President Tullar. Mr. Dunham is a member of Tau Beta Pi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Two Released From German Prison Camp

Cpl. Robert W. Schweizer, Bldg. 19-4, and S/Sgt. Warren G. Brown, Bldg. 26-2, both of whom have been German prisoners of war, were liberated by advancing Russian armies from the German prisoner of war camp, Stalag 111-C. Cpl. Schweizer has been a prisoner since June 6, 1944, and Sgt. Brown since September 26, 1944.

Wife: "That brazen Miss Vamp boasts she's been kissed by every married man in town except one."

Husband (absently): "Wonder who he is?"

Elex Spring Fair Will Be Held On Monday, April 9

An interesting entertainment program is being planned for the Elex Club's Spring Fair, which will be held next Monday evening, April 9, in the G-E Club. The Synchronairs, a trapeze act, will be one of the main attractions at the Big Top, and the local "Andrews Sisters" will also appear. A wrestling match by Sailor Callahan vs. the Terrible Turk, as portrayed by Ceal Romary and Dorothea Swank, Madame La Zonga, and Herman Binkley's circus band complete the list of acts scheduled.

A picnic lunch will be served, and refreshments may be obtained in booths. Tickets are 55¢ and all reservations must be made with contact girls by today.

The party is scheduled to begin at 4:45 P.M.



"WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A WAR JOB, TONY? THE MONKEY COULD CATCH RIVETS FOR YOU WITH THAT CUP!

KOKOMO Bowling League

By W. G. Kretzmann

The boys wound up the season March 29 with some plain and fancy bowling. Evard rolled his best series and also best performance of the evening, toppling the maples for a 572 count and also getting a 205 single game. Spahr was pitching for 528 and a 209 single with Kallmyer breathing on his neck with a 527 series. Bergman was rolling that ball in there steadily for 520 pins while his teammate Reith was clipping the pins for 516 and a 203 single. Hollingsworth upset the wood at 518 and managed to get one of those 199 games as did Dressel who also got a 199 and totaled 507. Richards collected 512 pins, finishing with an even 200 game. Newlon curved that lefthanded ball in there for a neat 212 single and totaled an even 500 series. Morrie Gross and "coach" started their "broom ball" in the second game with five straight strikes. Then overconfidence or something overtook them, at least the fire went out, but he still finished with the highest single of the evening at 218.

The Production team having been in and out of the basement spot all season took all three games from Maintenance, and wound up with a tie for sixth place. They also made a clean sweep last week. McCollum evidently must have been a good influence, as he bowled with them these last two weeks. Order Service wound up the season with clean sweeps in the final three nights, thereby getting up from the bottom to fourth place. F. H. P. took a pair from Power Drive and Planning let the first place Receiving team have one game.

FINAL STANDINGS

Team	W.	L.
1. Receiving	54	30
2. Planning	47	37
3. F. H. P.	44	40
4. Order Service	41	43
5. Inspection	39	45
6. Production	38	46
7. Power Drive	38	46
8. Maintenance	35	49

High 3 game team total—Receiving, 2642; High one game team total—Receiving, 968.

High 3 game individual—Stodgell, 626; high one game individual—Spahr, 255.

High average—Bergman, 176; most 200 games—Bergman and Wikel, 15 each.

The secretary herewith wishes to express his sincere appreciation for the excellent cooperation received from the team captains and all the bowlers. It was indeed an enjoyable season. Next week the season will be tapered off with a Hi-Low Doubles Tournament.

KID SALVAGE



G-E Jet Engine Warms Pressurized Cabin On Lockheed P-80s

The new G-E Jet, most powerful aircraft engine in the world, feeds warm air to the pressurized cabin of the Army Air Forces Lockheed P-80 in addition to carrying out its major operation of driving this propellerless fighter faster than any other plane will fly, it was disclosed this week by General Electric.

The air flows from the impeller-compressor of the jet engine into the enclosed cabin, where the pilot sits in relative comfort, even when the plane is going at lightning speed in the substratosphere. Temperature of the air is controlled, making it unnecessary for the pilot to be swathed in heavy clothing. The pressurization of the cabin also makes it possible for the pilot to breathe normally at altitudes of six miles and more without even wearing an oxygen mask.

Another factor of the pressurized cabin, achieved through this new tapping of the jet power, is that it reduces pilot fatigue. The lack of vibration made by this most powerful jet engine also helps keep pilot fatigue at a minimum.

The G-E Jet is installed in the fuselage of the P-80 Shooting Star between the cockpit and the tail. It is far more powerful than any conventional reciprocating engine for aircraft.

This highly advanced engine is light and simple in design. The light weight of it in relation to the tremendous thrust power produced contributes to the maneuverability of the Shooting Star. The simplicity of the engine also has reduced maintenance problems sharply. For instance, the G-E Jet can be removed and replaced in a P-80 in a matter of minutes. It has only approximately 10 per cent of the number of moving and removable parts carried by the ordinary conventional engine.

Gets Patent



A. A. Ralston

Albert A. Ralston, engineer in the AC & CR Division, Winter Street Plant, has been granted a patent covering a device for enclosing an electric motor and control switch of an electric drinking water cooler so as to render the apparatus explosion-proof. The patent grants three claims to provide an improved arangement of connecting two casings for electrical apparatus and to provide a passage for electrical conductor between the casings. This is Mr. Ralston's fifth patent.

"G-E House Party" Helps Soldier



Master-of-ceremonies Art Linkletter of the "G-E House Party" (CBS Monday through Friday 4:00 to 4:25 P.M. EWT) is shown congratulating Sergeant Albert Greenberg of Chicago. Sgt. Greenberg was recently interviewed by Linkletter on the "G-E House Party" when it was revealed the sergeant has a wife and seven-week-old boy in Chicago he is unable to be with because of California's housing shortage. Linkletter made an appeal over the air and the Greenbergs had an apartment in Long Beach, California, before the program went off the air. Greenberg is stationed at Camp Ross, Calif. (Left to right: Sgt. Ronald Doe, of Rochester, N. Y.; Linkletter; and Sgt. Albert Greenberg of 2538 N. Kedzie, Chicago).

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. What causes the circle which sometimes appears around the sun?

A. It is a luminous halo, either white or colored, and is also seen around the moon. It is caused by refraction and reflection of light as it passes through minute ice-needles in the atmosphere. It is the result of refraction, reflection and diffraction of solar light, if the circle is around the sun—and of lunar light, if it is about the moon—when the light falls upon crystals of ice suspended in the atmosphere. The upper clouds are composed of ice crystals.

Q. What is the meaning of air compressibility when related to an airplane approaching the velocity of sound?

A. Air compressibility is one of the factors determining the velocity of sound in air. The performance of an airplane is related to whether the plane is traveling above or below the velocity of sound. When an airplane moves slowly through the air, it creates small pressure waves just as a moving object in the water creates waves. These pressure waves in the air travel with the velocity of sound. Thus when an airplane flies normally, at a speed below the velocity of these waves, the air ahead of the plane is continuously disturbed by these transmitted pressure waves. But when the plane travels as fast as the velocity of sound, the pressure waves can never outdistance the plane, and the air ahead of the plane is therefore undisturbed. The performance of any plane is naturally dependent on the conditions of the air through which it travels, and the speed of sound is therefore significant in calculating the performance.

Q. In what respects are milkweed floss and kapok similar?

A. Kapok is the mass of silky fibres investing the seeds of the silk-cotton tree or kapok tree. It has a number of commercial uses, as it is very resilient, buoyant, water-resisting, and high moisture proof. It is used for life preservers, stuffings for mattresses, pillows, in bathing suits, water wings, and for temperature insulation. Because of the present war, this material is scarce and the floss of the common milkweed is our only native fiber which is similar. They are botb more like hardwoods than they are like cotton. Both fibers have wide air cells and very thin walls. They are similar in diameter and nearly so in length. Both have a silky, lustrous appearance, are light and soft, and both fill confined spaces without packing because of their elastic springiness. Furthermore, they are water resistant because of the waxy coating of their fibers.

Chinese Delegates Visit G-E To Learn New Methods

Representatives of National Resources Commission of China Study Modern Manufacturing

On an inspection tour which took them to several of the works of General Electric, a large group of Chinese representative sponsored by the National Resources Commission of China, have been viewing some of the Company's technical equipment and learning the latest in modern manufacturing methods. The visit was hailed as strong proof of China's capacity to survive, despite determined attempts by Japan to crush her.

The National Resources Commission, the representatives said, is an organization created by the Chinese government in 1936 to prepare for the establishment there of four large manufacturing concerns, which were put into operation despite the rigors of the war with Japan. Some of the companies, like the Central Manufacturing Works, have had to produce in a number of scattered units to minimize enemy interference, and bombings have necessitated much repair work. Central Manufacturing employs about 4,000 persons.

The visit high-lighted the past and present influence of General Electric in the modernization of China by training Chinese engineers, who are thus fitted to aid in the development of industries at home, with resulting improvement of trade between their country and America. Members of the delegation said that China hoped to build up its central station load from the present 2,000,000 KW by adding 2,500,000 KW more in the first three to five years after the war's end.

The party inspected works at Bridgeport, Lynn River, Pittsfield, Schenectady, Philadelphia and Nela Park.

The young wife watched her husband carefully fold a piece of paper and put it in the farther corner of a drawer in the library table, and the fact that he seemed ill at ease aroused her curiosity.

"What's that, dear?"

"Oh, nothing," he replied, trying hard not to smile.

Still she wondered what it was and reasoned with herself that as he had said it was nothing of importance she would look at it, and she did at the first opportunity. This is what she found scribbled on the piece of paper:

"I'll bet you a new spring hat your curiosity will not permit you to leave this alone."

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Roy Lawrence (3)*	R. 1, Hudson, Ind. Coming through So. Milford, Kendallville, Road No. 3.	19-2	Prince	7:00- 3:30
Ralph W. Miller (4)*	W. Wash'gton, Churubusco	19-2	Laisure	7:00- 3:30
Edward H. Branning (4)*	R. 1, St. Joe, Ind. Coming in on No. 1 through Spencerville, Leo and Cedarville—27 miles out.	19-1	Hanke	7:00- 3:30
Daniel M. Oesch (5)*†	R. 1, Yoder, Ind. Coming in on No. 3—through Waynedale, 15 miles out.	27	Bowman	7:00- 3:06
William H. North (2)*	R. 2, Fremont, Ind. Coming in 27 and 427—through Angola, Waterloo, Auburn.	27	Pohler	3:30-11:43
Charles H. Curtis (3)*†	R. 2, Minnick Rd., N. Haven 4-1 Coming in No. 30 or Tillman Road—12 miles out.	Siebold		3:00- 5:15

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

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G-E Club Loses To Pittsburgh Pirates, 11-2

Winter Street Inter-Division Champions



Left to right, front row—B. Hooley, B. Fryer, K. Yoder, C. Seiple, F. Snyder, and V. Stuckey. Back row—McAfee, league manager; W. Histed, score keeper; E. Magnussen; B. Dent; C. Neitzer; Kell; B. McMonigal, team manager.

By Robt. A. Getz

On March 12 the Winter Street Inter-Division Basketball Team cinched the title of league champions by winning 19 straight games in league competition. No play-off was necessary, since Winter Street won both halves of the regular league season play.

In addition to participation in the Inter-Division League, the Winter Street team played quite a number of outside games, with some of the outstanding independent teams of the locality, such as Knights of Columbus, Rangers, and Murray Independents.

The first five consisted of V. Stucky and C. Neitzert at forward, E. Magnussen at center, and R. Dent and C. Seiple at guard positions. Other dependable players who played a good consistent game all season were as follows: F. Snyder, K. Yoder, P. Fryer, R. Kelly and R. Hooley, not forgetting R. McMonigal whose coaching efforts did much to add to the team's success.

To sum up a most successful season, out of 33 games played, Winter Street closed the season with a won and lost record of 31 won and 2 lost, having won games from such strong quintets as Knights of Columbus twice, and Murray Independents. The two defeats were at the hands of the Rangers and the Murray Independents. The latter was played again late in the season and Winter Street won by a score of 42-24.

The Winter Street Inter-Division Team wishes to thank all who so ably conducted the league, and believe special mention should be made of C. McAfee, league manager, and W. Histed, score keeper, whose diligent and energetic work made the league the success that it truly was.

This should end all basketball chatter from Winter Street for this season, so until next December, when another season rolls around, the Winter Street gang says, "So long."

Club Looks Good Even In Defeat



Well, another baseball season has rolled around, and we are sure that this season will be an even better one than last year. The Club could not have picked any tougher opposition for its first spring training game than they did in playing the Pittsburgh Pirates at Muncie last Sunday. The Pirates have a mighty fine team and should give a good account of themselves this coming season. Some writers are picking them for the pennant and Chick Braden and the boys are somewhat of the same opinion.

An odd thing about the Pirate game was the quick reversal of form the Club's defense showed after the second inning. By this time, everybody had had a ball knocked toward them and had gotten over that "first ball nervousness." Some of the boys had not had a ball in their hands until this game.

Chuck Bobilya had two hits but they did not appear on the scorebook due to some very fancy and lucky fielding by Bob Elliott and Lee Handley at third base. Elliott had a free ride from third base into left field by hanging onto Chuck's liner; and later on, Handley raced back to his left to come up with the ball after a great play.

Upon our arrival at the Pirate ball park, the first person we came across was an old, old baseball man who is ranked as the greatest shortstop of all times, and he is none other than Honus Wagner. As he came toward us from across the outfield, you could not help but admire him. Here he is, crowding seventy years of age, and still one of the liveliest members of the team. He goes about his business of giving advice here and there to new recruits and old timers alike. He is always willing and ready and down through the years, he has done more for ball players than any other one man.

Don't forget National Baseball Congress State Tourney at Dwenger Park, July 28 to August 5.

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club had to put a 11-[illegible] defeat in its record book last Sunday at Muncie, Indiana, when the National League pennant favorites, the Pittsburgh Pirates, showed that spring training does help a baseball team and proceeded to take the club into camp.

The Club looked good after some of the boys got accustomed to seeing batted balls come toward them. In the first innings, the Pirates scored seven runs on six hits, an error and a walk. Of these six hits only two were "hits in June," and both were by Bob Elliot, who can play on my ball club any time he wants. The Pirates added a run in the fourth on Jim Russell's triple and an infield out; another in the seventh and two in the eighth.

The Club could not do much with the offerings of big Max Butcher because even though he was hit hard, it was always at somebody and the Pirates fielded well all afternoon. It was in the fifth inning that Parnell Hisner connected for the first hit, a long triple to right center. After two were out in the sixth, Odie Barnett singled and Mel Kestner hit the screen in left and on the throw-in Odie was caught trying to get back to third. Again after two outs, Ron Gershmehl and Roy Brann hit safely only to die on base.

Finally, in the ninth the Club scored on singles by Mel Kestner and Hisner around Perry Bush's double.

All four pitchers used had good control and the Club's Bildilli and Al Davis showed very good in their first time out this season.

The summary:

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Bildilli, Davis and Bush; Butcher Ostermueller and Camelli.

G-E Club Schedules Softball Practice

There will be practice sessions for the candidates for the Club softball team each Tuesday and Thursday until further notice. We will meet at the Club and then go to some diamond to work out.

Everybody who can play Class A ball is welcome and invited. We would like to see more pitching material out this week.

Anybody who really wants to play ball is wanted on this team, so when you come out be prepared to practice and play hard. We'll be seeing you at the Club Tuesday.

Charlie Wilt

NOTICE G-E Club Golfers

In order to insure an adequate supply of golf balls for the coming season, C. W. Reynolds, chairman of the G-E Club Golf Committee, urgently requests that all old balls be turned in to the club house at Brookwood, to Bryce Hamilton, Bldg. 4-2, or direct to Mr. Reynolds in Bldg. 4-4. Ten cents will be paid for each old ball turned in.

NOTICE Owl Softball

An important meeting will be held at the G-E Club, Tuesday, April 10, at 1:30 P.M., for team organization. Everyone wishing to enter a team in the Inter-Division League, be sure and be there.

Russell James
League Manager

TAYLOR STREET Bowling League

TEAM STANDINGS

Team	W.	L.
Developmental	28	14
Chargers	27	15
Production	27	15
Tool Room	23	19
Grinders	22	20
Laboratory	21	21
Firemen	20	22
Receiving	19	23
Turbos	19	23
Screw Machine	18	24
Office	16	26
Air Corps	12	30

600 Series: Hanson, 203, 213, 216, —632.

200 Games: Dow 232, Schuelke 232, Towns 228, Crabill 204, McNutt 203.

Chargers and Production, by sweeping all three games, crept to within one game of Developmental, who lost two games. Only one more week to go, fellas, and any one of three teams can win the last half, so don't "spare" the pins, just "strike" 'em.

Hanson, with a very lovely 632 series, moved into first position for individual high series. He scored games of 203, 213, and 216. Schuelke and Dow each came through with a nice 232 pin game and moved into a third place tie for individual high single game. Frank LeBrecht pulled an oddity by rolling three identical games of 127, the first triplicate in our league.

Table Tennis Final Matches

Dale Hart, who is managing the playing of the Table Tennis Tournament, has announced that the semi-finals and finals will be played at the G-E Club tonight. The public is invited to attend.

Your general foreman will receive a Meritorious Safety Performance Certificate for your section if your section works one year or 1,000,000 man-hours without a lost-time accident.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKe

Results of Matches

Team No. 11 won 2 games from Team No. 6. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 10 won 2 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 4 won 2 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 5 won 2 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 3.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	27	12
Team No. 2	24	15
Team No. 3	22	17
Team No. 12	22	17
Team No. 9	21	18
Team No. 1	21	18
Team No. 6	20	17
Team No. 4	19	20
Team No. 5	18	21
Team No. 7	15	24
Team No. 10	15	24
Team No. 8	10	29

200 Games

Richardson 200; Stanger 200; Wheatley 201; Eifrid 203; Diemer 212; Neuman 214; Baumgardner 216; Stinsmuehler 223.

OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

R. F. Dressel

Standings 3-31-45

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 8	25	14
Team No. 6	25	14
Team No. 12	24	15
Team No. 4	22	17
Team No. 9	22	17
Team No. 3	22	17
Team No. 2	21	18
Team No. 7	21	18
Team No. 1	16	23
Team No. 10	14	25
Team No. 5	13	26
Team No. 11	11	28

Results of Bowling

Team No. 6 won three games from Team No. 10 by forfeit. Team No. 7 won 3 games from Team No. 12. Team No. 3 won 3 games from Team No. 11. Team No. 1 won 2 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 8.

200 Games

B. 215; A. Middaugh 213; O. Schelper 209; F. Garland 201; M. Walchle 200.

600 Series

R. Zelt 205-243-172—620.

There are three more weeks in this season and let's have a good wind-up. I still figure your averages and am with you men in spirit. So as I keep busy in Kokomo, keep the league going. Your secretary, R. F. Dressel.

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"Terrible Turk" Meets "Sailor Callahan"



Don't get scared, they're both human beings! That spectre on the left is "Sailor Callahan" and the figure in plaid is the "Terrible Turk." They appeared at the Elex Spring Fair last Monday night and provided the Elex girls with many a good laugh.

Group Life Insurance Changes Effective May 1

April 16 Through April 30 Period For Eligible Employees To Increase Coverage

The period during which those eligible to take out further insurance under the General Electric Group Life Insurance plan will run from April 16 through April 30, according to an announcement this week. The new provisions, liberalized recently to permit increases by employees hired since January 1, 1935, will be in effect May 1.

At present those who became connected with the Company since January 1, 1935, are limited in the insurance which they may take, to $2,000. Under the liberalized provisions, this group now may take out further insurance, based upon their normal 40-hour week earnings, according to the following schedule—

Class	Annual Earnings	Amount of Additional Insurance
A	Less than $1200	$ 500
B	$1200 and less than $1800	1,000
C	1800 and less than 3000	2,000
D	3000 and less than 4000	3,500
E	4000 and less than 5000	5,
F	5000 and less than 6000	7,500
G	6000 and over	10,000

The schedule, which replaces the one now in use, also affects those hired before 1935, permiting increases in insurance for certain wage and salary groups.

Within the next few days, each insured employee will receive a

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Foremen To Hold Meeting On April 26

C. H. Lang To Be Speaker At Semi-Annual Affair

Members of the G-E Foremen's Association will be guests of the Fort Wayne Works management at a dinner meeting on Thursday, April 26, at the G-E Club, according to an announcement by Charles Kensill, president of the organization. The meeting will begin promptly at 6:00 o'clock, and admission will be by presentation of membership cards or by invitation.

The principal speaker of the evening will be Chester H. Lang, vice-president and manager of apparatus sales. Mr. Lang will review for the group his experiences gathered on his recent four-week trip through the Pacific theater of war. During the evening musical entertainment will be furnished by Marguerite Hitzeman.

The Association is at the present time conducting a membership drive in an endeavor to enroll all

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Name Apparatus Sales Assistant Managers

J. E. N. Hume and J. W. Belanger Assume New Posts

J. E. N. Hume, Commercial Vice President and Manager of the Industrial Divisions, and J. W. Belanger, Manager of the Federal and Marine Divisions, have been named Assistant Managers of Sales of the Apparatus Department, effective April 9, it was announced this week by C. H. Lang, Vice President and Manager of Apparatus Sales.

Karl H. Runkle has been named manager of the Industrial Divisions to succeed Mr. Hume, and R. S. Neblett has been named Federal and Marine Divisions Manager to succeed Mr. Belanger. Simultaneously, Mr. Lang also announced the appointment of W. V. O'Brien as Manager of the Central Station Divisions, succeeding H. V. Erben, who recently was named Assistant General Manager of the Apparatus Department.

Mr. Hume has been Manager of the Industrial Divisions since 1935. A native of Virginia, he was graduated from the University of Virginia in 1906 and entered the employ of General Electric the fol-

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CASUALTIES

PFC Allan Egolf, Taylor Street, was killed in action in France March 20.

Lt. Robert Robinette, Bldg. 4-2, was killed in action in Italy, March 24.

PFC Oral L. Hyser, Bldg. 26-1, was wounded in Germany, March 10.

Pvt. Lewis A. Stocker, Bldg. 26-5, was wounded for the second time March 15 in Germany.

Pvt. William A. Slater, Bldg. 26-4, was wounded for the second time in combat in Germany on March 15.

Cpl. George Hill suffered injuries in combat March 14 in Germany.

S/Sgt. William H. E. Dinkel, Bldg. 19-5, was seriously injured by a hand grenade explosion in Germany on March 2.

T/Cpl. Albert H. Weinmann, Bldg. 2-1, was wounded during the battle for Luzon.

Orders Received

Orders received by the General Electric Company during the first quarter of 1945 amounted to $395,466,000, compared with $391,901,000 for the corresponding period of 1944, an increase of 1 per cent, President Charles E. Wilson announced this week.

Industrial Safety Conference To Be Held April 24, 25

H. L. Smith, G-E Safety Engineer, General Chairman Of Affair

Herschel L. Smith, safety engineer of the Fort Wayne Works, is serving as general chairman of the Fort Wayne Industrial Safety Conference and Exhibit, which will be held at the Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, April 24, and Wednesday, April 25. General Electric safety committeemen are assisting the Industrial Safety Division of the Chamber's Safety Council in various phases of the conference.

Mr. Smith announces that conference meetings will open with an address by Clarence A. Jackson, ex-

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Sixty-Three Idea Awards Total $580

To Address Foremen



C. H. Lang

Chester H. Lang, vice-president and manager of apparatus sales, will addres the G-E Foremen's Association at the April 26 meeting.

Isabel Kiser, Decatur, Leads List Of Suggestors With $85

An idea for discontinuing the practice of using insulating tape on shafts in commutators on NJ3A's brought an $85.00 suggestion award to Isabel Kiser of the Decatur Plant. Her idea was one of sixty-three suggestions which brought their originators a total of $582.00.

Three other large awards were also issued. George L. Santon, Bldg. 19-1, received $40.00 for his suggestion for changes in test routine so as to omit running tests on spare armatures. Two awards of $25.00 each were issued, one to Harold Anspach, Bldg. 6-2, who suggested tie leads in place for slots before dipping; his present award is in addition to $20.00 previously issued. The second $25.00 award went to Louis F. Schwartz, Bldg. 19-1, who suggested pro-

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SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

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It's Up To Us

We direct the strategy of this war and our own future, by the way we buy, by the way we spend, by the way we think, and by the way we act.

We can make heroes of our boys in uniform by sending them to battle with guns, tanks, planes and ships, or we can make martyrs of them by sending them to battle with bare hands.

We can help our government, our armies and ourselves by investing every penny in war bonds, or we can spend our money for gadgets, glamour, frolic and fun.

Yes—It's Up To Us

Our government needs and must have the financial support of everyone.

The money we save and invest in war bonds will be helping our country, will be backing up our fighting men, will help to keep prices down, and will be building a "nest egg" for us that will come in mighty handy tomorrow, in a brighter post-war period, to educate the children, to buy a home, a farm, a lake cottage or to provide civilian comforts or even luxuries when they are again plentiful.

Won't you please sign up for the limit during the Seventh War Loan drive, May 14-16?

What Kind Of V-E Day?

President Wilson has just issued an appeal to the men and women of General Electric for a celebration of V-E Day in keeping with the situation that will undoubtedly face us when organized opposition ends in Germany. "Let us rejoice on that day, by all means," he says. "Let us give thanks that we have been able to achieve so much. And let us celebrate—with record production."

At almost the same time, General Eisenhower in an official statement was confirming the impression given by recent news accounts that, after the German armies as such have been smashed, there will be desperate bands resisting to the last in most parts of the Reich. This sort of thing can take many weeks, perhaps several months. Actual victory in Europe may not come very soon.

And there may be no shrieking whistles and clashing bells to tell the news on V-E Day. In 1918, such tidings heralded the peace that was no peace. Thoughtful people hope there will be no dancing throngs in the streets this time. With our war casualties crowding the million mark, who does not know some crushed mother of a boy dead overseas, or someone who has come back to begin life anew, with wounded mind or body?

And who can say how long it will take to conquer the tough little people of Japan, whose armies resist till death? It is thoughts like these that should make the day of victory in Europe a day of resolution, though joyful with the relief of a great war half won. It should be dedicated to a continuation of the kind of fight we have been making, to make better weapons and more of them, that our boys may come soon out of the Valley of the Shadow! For, as President Wilson says, "Our time belongs to our country."

SAFETY IS *OUR* JOB!



If every G-E man and woman could get a glimpse of an American field hospital during a big push, they might learn for the rest of their lives the great lesson of safety in industry. The ghostly procession of ambulances, the inert form under the glaring light, the white-clad, nearly exhausted surgeons, the grimness of the fight that may repair, but can never restore—only a few fleeting minutes of this drama would make an unforgettable impression.

This is the inevitable burden of our Armed Forces as long as the war shall endure. It is part of the price of freedom. But nobody goes one inch along the road to freedom when someone is injured in an accident at home, whether in industry or without. Instead, everyone slips back just a trifle. Virtually every accident is preventable. Then let's prevent them, with the lesson of the field hospital in our minds!

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

THE SOMEDAY WASHDAY

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

The Someday Washday of the future will be as pleasant for homemakers as the other days of the week—as carefree from hard labor—and making as great a contribution to better homemaking as the all-electric kitchen, according to Ruby Littlefield, the Home Laundry expert of Consumers Institute.

Since the drudgery of washday will be eliminated and the washing procedure in the home can be accomplished without wet floors, open laundry trays, etc., the laundry will really come into its own with a room of its own instead of basements, back porches, or wash sheds where most of the family laundry is done today. Such a room will be a "utility" room where laundering can be done as well as many other household functions such as sewing, recreation, food preserving.

Uninterrupted Cycle

Today it is virtually impossible for the housewife to complete the laundering cycle (first washing, then drying, and finally ironing) in one day even if she has help and works from dawn to dark at a back-breaking pace.

In the Someday Washday of the future, her family laundry will be washed, dryed and ironed right in the same pleasant room in an uninterrupted cycle. That means this to the housewife: while an automatic washer washes clothes, a Tumbler Dryer dries those clothes already clean while the housewife irons those clothes or linens already dry. Thus, the time needed for the entire operation is cut to a minimum.

Rain or Shine

With an electric Tumbler Dryer which tumbles the clothes as it dries them (similar to the "fluff dry" procedure of a commercial laundry) the Someday Washday won't have to depend upon the weather, for rain or shine clothes can be dried and the laundering finished.

Furthermore, the unsightly backyard clothesline can be banished forever and this valuable yard space can be made attractive for outdoor living.

Ironing That's Play

Those few homemakers who already own a Flatplate Ironer know the joy of ironing that's play. However, there are more women today who don't enjoy ironing than who do. But in the Someday Washday as you sit in a comfortable chair effortlessly operating the control of a Flatplate Ironer while the automatic washer washes your clothes and the Tumbler Dryer dries them, you will think washday is actually fun. You will be happy that the laundry has finally come into its own with wonderful conveniences on a par with other phases of modern living.

Article By G-E Employees Appears In Electrical Manufacturing

An article on pressure sensitive tapes written by Herbert Driftmeyer, Bldg. 26-2, and Howard Orr, Bldg. 10-3, is published in the April issue of Electrical Manufacturing. Entitled "Factors to Heed in Pressure Sensitive Tapes," the article covers the characteristics and applications of different types of pressure sensitive tapes, which are similar to the well-known medical adhesive tapes.

Mr. Driftmeyer is in the Specialty Transformer Development Section, and Mr. Orr is section engineer of the Insulation Section of the Works Laboratory.

The General Works Safety Committee presents Safety Certificates to worthy individuals who do an outstanding job of preventing an accident to a fellow employee.

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NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Best Equipment



F. M. Pugh C. L. Schnepp

"I have so far only been on a small ship and it is literally filled with G-E equipment. It seems that the Navy knows the best equipment to use," says Cletus L. Schnepp, F 1/c, who was employed in Bldgs. 12-2, 17-4, and 26-5. Fred M. Pugh, Bldgs. 26-3 and 4-2, is a member of the quartermaster corps. He is stationed at Ft. Warren, Wyoming.

From The Marianas

Hello Folks at Winter Street:

Just a line to let the fellows in the shipping section know that I am still fit and kicking. I have not been here too long but am all ready to go back to the good old U. S. A. We have been working hard ever since we arrived here and it is really going to pay off because I know it's going to cause Tojo a lot of trouble.

Of course, I mean air raids and they are made by the planes which have an awful lot of G-E equipment in them. The weather has been real nice except for the past two days, and that has been rain. The mud is really getting deep and everything is always wet. Our camp is surrounded by jungle and there are still some of those Japs in them.

At present I am living in a three-man tent, but will have better living quarters later. Well, it's getting dark fast so I must close. Hello to John Byers, my old boss, and the gang of swell fellows I worked with. . . .

Sgt. Robert Friend

S/Sgt. Russell C. Kabisch, Bldg. 26-3, has been awarded the Air Medal while participating in aerial flights in the Southwest Pacific area from May 30, 1944, to January 1, 1945, as a gunner on a B-29.

Cpl. Frank P. Sitko, Bldg. 22, has been awarded the Bronze Star for action along the banks of the Rhine River on March 18.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Hi, Folks:

How are you all? I just want to thank you for the regularity in which I get "our" WORKS NEWS. (I have to share it sometimes with total strangers.) Also want to inform you about my change of address.

Say, I've a little beef to make. The reporter in Bldg. 26-2 only knows 6 or 8 people. Sometimes they don't hardly have to change type when they set up for Transformer Clippings. Tell said reporter to get out of the rut. I've never seen anything in the clippings about the men I used to work with in Bob Hunt's gang, Bldg. 26-2. Among them are some of the most interesting people I've ever met. Come now, just a word and then about them, OK?

Still here in the Admiralties things are quiet now. Been catching some fish. Will send you a real good picture of some fish and myself (I'll point out me) if you'll put it in your WORKS NEWS. I want my many fishing friends from all over the plant to see it. (Then they won't feel so sorry about me not doing my favorite pastime with them.) I could give you twenty names in seven buildings including Winter Street and Taylor Street plants, of people I've fished with in Indiana, Michigan, Canada, and the Admiralty Islands. That fellow (only one) that fished with me here is Wayne Staley, formerly of Bldg. 26-B! We went to the South Wayne school together from the first grade up. Lost contact for several years, met again at G-E, lost again, met again in my search of some white gas for a stove I had. Yes, that happened here in the Admiralties. At the time, Wayne was the sole owner of the only drum of white gas around. I had some fish to fry and my old schoolmate, co-worker, and now fishmate, fixed everything, skillet, grease, and all. Fine guy to know.

I know several men here that are former G-E employees, from many different states and factories. We all compare Works Newsies.

O. K. Neighbor, "thanks for listening." I'll be seeing you.

Good luck,
R. D. Kurtz MM 1/c

Tech. Sgt. Dale D. Hilbert, Bldg. 4-2, has been awarded the fourth Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal, having flown over 30 combat missions participating in attacks on important German cities and military installations in conjunction with Allied ground advances.

Bronze Star



R. Miller G. Coleman

Sgt. Ralph Miller, Bldg. 4-2, has been awarded the Bronze Star for heroism in covering the withdrawal of an infantry platoon, remaining at his post amid heavy enemy fire until the enemy was within thirty yards of his position and inflicting heavy casualties. When it became necessary for him to withdraw, he boldly ran forty yards down an open street amid lethal enemy fire to rejoin his successfully withdrawing organization. He has been overseas since September, 1944. His wife, Margaret, is employed in Bldg. 4-4. MM1/c George Coleman, overseas with the Seabees, has served in the Hawaiian Islands, the Marshalls, the Marianas, and other as yet undisclosed locations. He reports that he has seen some of the famous battlegrounds of the Pacific. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 22 as a welder, and he is the husband of Ann Coleman, Bldg. 4-3.

Marine Cpl. John D. McMaken, has returned to Miramar, California, from the Pacific, where he was a meat cutter with a Marine Air Wing group headquarters squadron stationed on Hawaii and Midway.

Betty G. Davis is stationed at New Orleans, La.

In California



G. L. Ruger J. G. MacMillan

Pvt. Gladys L. Ruger and John G. MacMillan, S 2/c, both of the Taylor Street Plant, are now stationed in California. John has recently returned from active duty.

From Luxembourg

To Editor and Fellow-Workers:

Hi, everybody! It has been a while since I have written to you and by my address you can see I am in a different country, different people, different customs and different ways of living than our U. S. The United States is, was, and always will be tops for me and the millions of others. One feels proud to know that he is trying to do his part in getting this war over, not only we in the armed forces, but as well as you people on the home or production front. I read everything I can about General Electric and always see where G-E is doing not only the best but better than best.

I will sure be glad when it's all over and I can resume my place among the G-E employees. I am in the Army but I still consider myself as a G-E employee.

One of my best friends is a former G-E employee. His name is Joseph Ciecikinski; he is a corporal. He formerly worked at the Schenectady Works, wire and cable department, Bldg. 109. He was employed there for 12 years. He and I are both sold on General Electric and we're always asking each other if we received our WORKS NEWS yet.

So you see my time in the army General Electric has followed me. Every time I see a G-E monogram I think of the Fort Wayne Works. Well, I hope I can mail my next letter from Berlin to you.

. . . We all like mail and the more we get the better we feel. Well, hope I get home this summer, so I can go to the park and hear a G-E band concert or go to one of Bill Walt's games. All we can do is work hard, strive, hope and pray for the best.

From your fellow worker,
PFC Don E. Walters,
Bldgs. 6-B, 4-B, and 4-4

Dear Editor:

Well, I am once more back in a camp in the good old U. S. A. Conditions here are a lot stricter than they were in Italy, but it is a lot nicer here. The food is certainly wonderful.

I am going to instructor's school taking a refresher course. I am not sure just where I will go from here, but it doesn't make too much difference to me. It wouldn't anyhow, because the army has a habit of sending you where they want to.

I would like to have you say hello to all the gang in the Tool Room at Taylor Street for me. . . .

Sincerely yours,
1st Lt. Bud Byers

Higher and Farther



C. Koester H. M. Yoos

"General Electric equipment has enabled us to fly higher and farther with greater safety. Keep it coming. We can use all that you can produce. We put great faith in its quality," says Lt. Carl Koester of the Air Corps. He was employed in Bldg. 19-3. Ensign Henry M. Yoos, Bldgs. 26-3 and 4-2, is a member of the Naval Air Corps.

Dear Editor:

. . . . I have been overseas for quite some time now and find that it isn't quite like being back at G-E by quite a lot.

I cannot say as to where or how long I have been here, but I sure know it's been long enough. We have a numerous amount of G-E products which are by far the best, as they have yet to let us down.

I also want to say hello to the gang in Bldg. 4-1 and to a very good friend in Bldg. 4-5, R. H. Becker, and would sure like to hear from them as well as see them. They sure are a swell group of fellows and gals and are doing a fine job, so keep them coming and we'll sure do our part in keeping them going.

How did you like the Iwo Jima campaign? It was a very costly one but we are now on the road to Victory and that begins with those at home on the production lines so keep 'em hot and it will pay off.

As ever,
Cpl. S. E. Ritchey, USMC

Dear Editor:

. . . . We still see a lot of G-E products and it surprised me to know that rocket guns were also made by my fellow employees. It is a very securing feeling to know that you are backed by a fine organization like General Electric, which will not let you down.

I thank you in advance for changing my address and am looking forward to receiving my next copy of the WORKS NEWS to see how my friends in Bldg. 17-2 are making out.

Pvt. Harold Lamboley



Every Little Penny Counts In "Saving For The Seventh"





More and more employees of the Fort Wayne Works are realizing that it is none too early to start "Saving for the Seventh" and are bending every effort to filling their various banks to the brim before May 14. Two groups of these far-sighted individuals are located in Bldg. 19-5 and in Bldg. 26. Left, the group from Bldg. 19-5 are as follows: front, Neola Christlieb, Vilena Herbst, Eleanore Copeland, Pauline Menefee, Helen Engle, Bonnie Mechling, and Mary High. Back, Mary Herb, Dorothy Shipman, Sarah Anderson, Clarice Fyock, Marilyn Aurentz, Betty Mutton, Dorothy McKenzie, and Faye Folk. Right is the group from Transformer. In the front row are Edith Gerdes, Blanche Botteron, Edna Lobert, Betty Van Lue, and Mary Odom. Back, Helen Shidler, Marie Bowers, Jenell Braun, Mildred Fabian, Mildred Cronkhite, Ruth McNamara, Mel Madden, and L. M. Palmer. All are of Bldg. 26-3 with the exception of Miss Odom, who is employed in Bldg. 26-2.

Group Life Insurance

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printed announcement and buff-colored application card on which to indicate his willingness or unwillingness to take advantage of the offer. By subscribing to the revised Plan by April 30, tbose eligible may have further insurance without physical examination.

If, however, there are any who are eligible but who do not wish to carry the higher limits—over $2,000—such employes will be permitted, of course, to retain the insurance they now have. If at any time in the future they change their minds and desire more insurance, they will be required to pass a satisfactory medical examination.

Company officers emphasized that it is important for each employee to sign the buff-colored card, whether he desires further insurance or not. Other liberalized provisions of the Plan are fully described in the announcement which accompanies the card.

Foremen's Club

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foremen of the Fort Wayne Works in the organization. Contact men will canvass all foremen who are not members of the Association to give them an opportunity to join before the April 26 meeting.



Suggestions

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viding a special wrench for setting up ball bearing lock nuts for tightness.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 19-4

Arnold Sprunger, Marcelene C. Girardot, C. Noland Myers, Lloyd D. Richards.

Decatur

Robert J. Shoup, Josephine Schirack, Erman E. Johnson.

Bldg. 4-4

John W. Bechtol, Harold O. Smith, Glenna E. Hyatt, Robert T. Gahman, Ralph B. Bonbrake, Forest Grim, Paul M. Shive, Myron E. Lindley, John H. Allendorph, Willie E. Roby, Marlin D. Johnson, Earl L. Watkins, Edith P. Niemeyer, Elvie R. Nicholson, August W. Zollinger, Betty A. Harrold, Gay Huey, Dorothy Gutmann, Dorothy Jensen, R. Gahman, O. Frauhiger, Walter Kritzman, Marceille Bandtel, Virgil H. Foland, Helen L. Miller, Howard Poorman, John Fuller, Jr., Lewis J. DeVoe, W. Huhn, Clarence DeArmond, Clarence Weist, Fern Sage.

Bldg. 4-5

Earl G. Blass, Vincent S. Cook, Tom Wilkinson, Robert L. Kelsey, Willis K. Dillman, Glenn Lewis, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr.

Bldg. 4-3

Walter O. Schelper, Victor H. Osterholt.

Bldg. 4-2

Robert A. Waltenburg.

Murray

William Passwater.

Bldg. 20

Harmond Timberlake.

Bldg. 10

August J. Delagrange.

Bldg. 2

Adele Kuckuck.

Bldg. 26-4

Earl H. Frederick.

Bldg. 27

Garry E. Robison, Vassie Tom, Elmer C. Witte, Lorain W. Chapman.

Bldg. 19-3

George D. Guenther, Ernest H. Leffler.

Bldg. 26-5

Carl H. Einsiedel, Paul C. Auman, William F. Dafforn.

Winter Street

Homer F. Liebig.

Bldg. 19-2

Eugene Joseph Miller, G. K. Buchan.

Bldg. 19-1

Virgil Carmean.

Bldg. 17-3

Myrl E. Wasson.

Kokomo

Rufus Couch, Grover C. Foust.

Bldg. 17-2

Jeanette Blough.

Bldg. 6-3

Herman Ebel.

World War Vets Election Will Be Next Saturday

The annual election of the World War Veterans Association will be held at the spring meeting and banquet of the organization on Saturday, April 14, at American Legion Post No. 47, 226 West Wayne Street. A dinner will be served beginning at 6:30, after which the election of officers will take place.

George Ellison, Taylor Street, and Emmanuel Stock, Bldg. 6, have been nominated for the presidency. Other nominees are as follows: vice-president, Royal Roeger, Winter Street, and Keith Mitchell, Taylor Street; secretary and treasurer, Glen Burt, Bldg. 10, and Victor Boutwell, Bldg. 26-2; sergeant-at-arms, Lester A. Didier, Bldg. 19-5, and Verl Ohmart, Taylor Street.

Tickets may be obtained from contact men on each floor.

Safety Conference

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ecutive vice-president of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce at Indianapolis. A new feature of the program this year will be an exhibit of personal protective equipment, safety devices, and safety educational material used in this community. Also to be included are some products manufactured in Fort Wayne industries. The exhibit is open to the public each day from 2:00 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

Sectional meetings scheduled for April 24 are as follows: Selling Safety vs. Compelling Safety; Job Analysis and Safety; Safety Minded Purchasing of Machine and Hand Tools; the Safety Ace Foreman; Potential Lost-Time Accidents; and Safe Use of Gas Welding and Cutting Equipment. On April 25 the following subjects will be discussed: Safety Psychology; Relief for Accident Victims; Hernia and Back Sprains; Safety Delivers the Goods; Safety Committee in Action; and Appraising Safety Performance. Speakers on these programs will be prominent individuals such as Ernest Beaumont, state chairman of the National Committee for Conservation of Manpower in War Industries; Ben Grainger of the National Safety Council; Mart Stigers and Joseph L. Lingo of Purdue University; and Warren W. Martin, chairman of the Industrial Board of the State of Indiana.

Blood Donor Service Announces New Schedule

The Fort Wayne Red Cross Blood Donor Center will be held at the Elks Club, 222 West Berry Street, April 23 through the 27. Although the schedule has been reduced to five days in place of the former six-day period the Blood Donor service was held here, the amount of blood donations to be obtained will be the same.

The new schedule of hours for the Center are as follows: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 2:15 P.M. to 7:15 P.M.; Wednesday and Friday: 9:15 A.M. to 2:15 P.M.

Apparatus Changes Made

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lowing January. He was named a Commercial Vice President December 30, 1938.

Mr. Belanger has been Manager of the Federal and Marine Divisions since January, 1943. A native of New Bedford, Mass., he entered General Electric's "test" at Lynn in 1917. He had studied electrical engineering in a night course at Franklin Institute in Boston.

Mr. Runkle, a native of Iowa, has been with General Electric since his graduation from Iowa State College, in 1917. Since 1936 he has been an Assistant Manager of the Industrial Divisions.

Mr. Neblett, a native of Texas, joined General Electric in 1923, the year he was graduated from Georgia Tech. He has been Assistant Manager of the Turbine Division since 1939 and since 1943 has acted as Assistant Manager of the Federal and Marine Divisions.

Mr. O'Brien was born in Point Pleasant, West Virginia and entered the employ of General Electric in 1922, the year he was graduated from the Virginia Military Institute. He has been Assistant Manager of the Central Station Divisions since January of this year. For the five years previous he was Manager of the Wire and Cable Division.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Probably all of the fellows in the office have their own way of keeping trim, but it's no secret now that Clarence Coe keeps in trim by skipping rope. Very interesting to watch. . . . An office potluck was held last Saturday. There was plenty of good food and a lot of laughs. Guests were R. P. Hannum of the Indianapolis Office and A. R. Wiles of Pittsfield. Everyone seemed to have an extra good time. . . Phyllis Guillot is sporting a new black satin raincoat. Very pretty indeed. . . Two new names to add to your list of champion cake bakers are those of Charlie Harris and Wayne Pribble. Charlie's specialty is spice cake, and Wayne's chocolate. . . . Pet expression we'd be lost without is Lois Yanney's "Are you kiddin'." . . . Wish I could have been a little mouse and watched office papas playing "Easter Bunny" for their kidlets. . . . Wish we could all have the calm, even temper of Loretta Mulligan. That gal's always in a good mood. . . . See you all next week.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Welcome to our gang, Marian Ray and Margery Beery and Esther Wilson. . . . We have a new mascot on second, a nice big brown rat. Earl Ealing has it so tame now that it eats from his hand. . . . Ask Eugene Diehm how his card table works. It jitterbugs, rumbas, waltzes, or so he says. Jim Fleming tried it, and it wouldn't work. What's the catch, Gene? . . . How was the vacation, Ray Moore? . . . Irma Poisel's husband returned to camp and Irma is back bringing candy, cookies, etc., as usual. We sure missed the eats while you were off, Irma. P. S. We missed you too. No kidding! . . . How are our victory gardens coming along? . . . Esther W. says her dog dug up all her potatoes that she planted.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

First of all, we have a new face in Plastics. Welcome, Roberta Ruby, . . . Looks as though Cupid hit the target right on the nose. Modenia Wicks is leaving soon to become a farmer's wife. Best of luck, Modenia. . . . Who was the happiest person in the world last week-end? Why, Vivian Cearbaugh, of course. Her husband came home on a three-day leave. . . . We hate to say "so long" to Marj Stephey, but so be it. We'll be looking for you in September again, Marj. . . . Happy birthday to Ruth Nelson April 2. . . . Just wondering: Why Dorothy Merilat carries all those washers on her key chain? . . . How does Marj Kimball keep her hands so lily white? Is it a secret, Marj?

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Anyone wondering what all the noise was last Friday night at 1829 Fairfield, it was just a surprise party on Esther Douglas given by Helen Hill. Esther was so surprised when they showed her the beautiful cake, she had to cry. We often hear of people taking things to eat to a party, but never their own chairs, which was the case when Helen Hill invited Eileen Minnick and Helen White to the party. Helen's most embarrassing moment was when Eileen and Helen came dragging their own chairs in—did Helen's face get red? Florence Schmidt had her share of olives; how about it, Florence? And, of course, all the girls got to meet Esther's husband and daughters. Esther received many beautiful gifts. . . . We all wish Lou Pettit, Arba Kurtz, Jean Barve, Esther Douglas, Helen Hill, Maxine Johnson, Barbara Luttman many more happy birthdays. . . . Leola and Vera Leitch don't trust the alarm clocks these days. They turned on their radio while they were waiting on their driver and found that radio programs don't come on the air until 5:00 A.M. . . . Norma Long decided cigarettes were too hard to get, so she borrowed a pipe for a while. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Elda Griebel on the death of her brother. . . . We are glad to have Esther James back with us again. She has been off sick. . . . We hope Wanetta Schulte is well soon. We all miss you, Wanetta. . . . We were sorry to hear that Helen Hill's husband, Cpl. George, has been wounded while fighting in Germany. . . . Arba Kurtz must be looking for a lot of mail, because she was seen putting up a new mail box. You shouldn't make so much noise, Arba. . . . If you go to a sale, be careful whom you wave at or you will end up like Jean Snyder with a thirty dollar rug. . . . We wish to welcome our three new girls, Betty Ott, Mabel Banett, Joan Diemer. Hope you like working here. . . . Katie Parrish is back to work after a visit with her parents in the South. . . . Loretta Archbold has left us to go live with her parents in Washington. We will miss you, Loretta.

Bldg. 12-1 First Shift

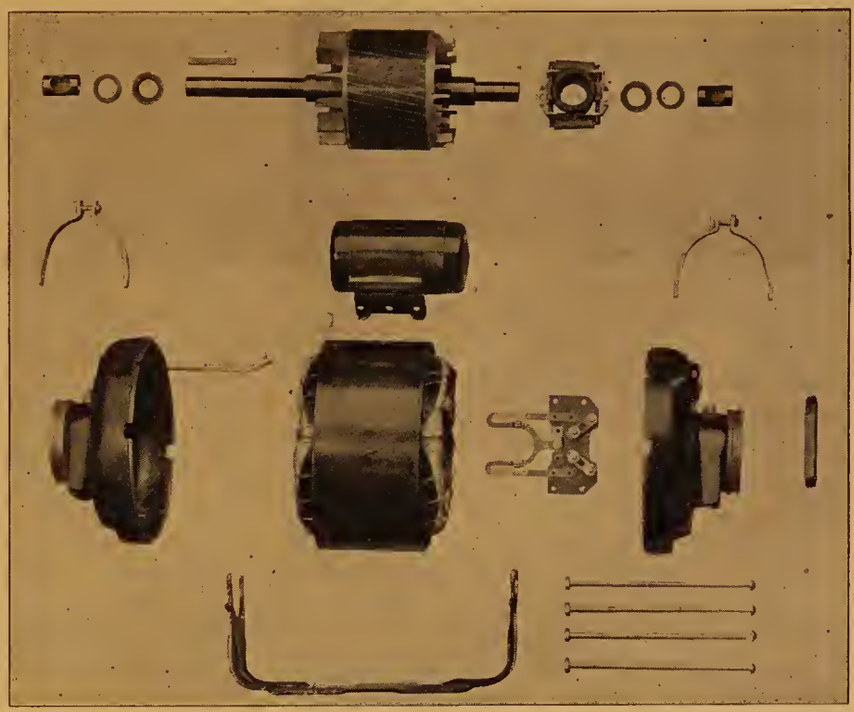
Spring is here, and we have a few ambitious people. Vivian Fisher says she is going to play tennis every day. Florence Mattes and Edna Fritcha are going to dust off their bicycles and ride them to work. Nice way to keep your weight down, girls! . . . Ask Walt Freehill what his most embarrassing moment was this week, and we are sure he won't mention pork chops. It seems as though he got so excited that his dinner just slipped out of his hands. . . . We wish Inez Marsh would hurry back to work. We miss her smiling face. . . . We welcome Vera Highley to our section; she was transferred from Bldg. 26-1

INSPECTION QUALITY TEST

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QUALITY PARTS



It takes parts to make a motor, and the operation of the motor depends upon the quality of each part.

Each part must be carefully inspected and the completed motor must be carefully tested to make certain it meets the General Electric standards of quality.

Are you doing your part to keep up General Electric quality?

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Wellington Blalock has his troubles. He forgot to get his driver's license; now the poor fellow had to get a beginner's permit and do his performance all over after driving all these years—better luck next time, Wimpy. . . . Ted Keller was looking up at an airplane and ran smack dab into an iron post. Well, Ted said he didn't look around to see if anyone saw him as it was very embarrassing. . . . Margaret Kocher is a lucky girl. She received a big, sparkling ring from India. It looks like an elephant's eye. . . . We hope when a circus comes to town that Mattie Lou Brunner can go, as she can't tell a monkey from a dog. . . . Loretta Bloom spent the week-end down at Roanoke picking wild flowers. Loretta said she never saw so many different kinds of flowers. Spring is in the air. . . . We understand that Elmer Hatfield made a trip through the Fort Wayne filtration plant a short time ago. . . . Now just why would Otto Braun tell any one they could crack an egg on his head, not knowing what kind of an egg it was. Maybe Otto wanted an egg shampoo. . . . To some of you people who are complaining about the lack of news in the Transformer Clippings column, did you ever stop to think that your reporters depend on you to give us the items you would like to see in print and that outside of the few items we can get, it would amount to less than .001% of 1% if we were to figure out just who turned in a little news now and then. So if you want more news of more people, let's have it. It's up to you.

Drunk: "It takesh me an hour or sho to get to sleep when I go home."

Drunker: "Thash funny, I always fall ashleep ash shoon ash I hit da bed."

Drunk: "So do I. My troublesh hittin' the bed."



Hoot Mon—Friday the thirteenth—the first one in a long time. It happened once in 1944 and once in 1943. It is happening twice in 1945. And may the two Friday the thirteenths bring bad luck tae the Axis this year—one for each o' them. Here's hoping there will be only one o' them left for the second one. I hai' mentioned it before, but pairhops ye don't remember, or mayhap there is a new reader o' this column since 1940—but, what o' the new calendar system some one "thunk up"—ye remember—the one wi' 4 even weeks in each month, and 13 months in each year? Weel, each month would start on Sunday, and every thirteenth would be on Friday. Thirteen Friday the thirteenths in each year! Thot is, o' course, unless they used the G-E fiscal calendar, and got mixed up as I do trying tae read it. Then the thirteenth would come on Saturday—or is it Thursday—or am I nuts for mentioning it at all!

Weel, anyhow, being verra' superstitious, I obsairve several cautions every Friday the thirteenth, such as:

1. Never wear yellow shoes. (Safety shoes are black or brown).

2. Always place your hand on your button (your badge, I mean) when ye start from home (tae see if ye have it on).

3. Always look over your left shoulder when ye start doon an aisle. (Tae see if there's a truck coming).

4. It's bad luck tae do a job twice. (If thot means ye did it wrong the first time).

5. It's good luck tae work like a horse, but bad luck tae "horse play," unless ye were raised in a barn with other horses, and are back home.

6. It's bad luck tae buy things ye don't need—but it's good luck tae save the money for the 7th War Loan Drive.

7. It's bad luck not tae think up a gude C.R.* idea and turn it in—bad luck tae you—but it's bad luck tae the Axis if ye do. (And good luck tae you).

8. O' course it's bad luck tae thumb a ride tae work in Cousin Colin's Model T. You would make the thirteenth, and Colin has a rule thot, since the car won't haul over 12, the thirteenth rider must run along behind and push.

*COST REDUCTION.

IN THE SECOND BATTLE OF THE PHILIPPINES two Navy AVENGER planes fired their torpedoes at a frantically maneuvering Jap battleship and missed. One of the "tin fish" passed 20 feet to port of the enemy warship and the other ran 20 feet to starboard. But as the AVENGER pilots, disgusted at their misses, turned south over the leading ship of the enemy formation, their aircrewmen noticed the wakes of the still running torpedoes. Both "fish" were headed straight for an ATAGO class heavy cruiser. Both scored direct hits, one amidships, the other near the stern. Tremendous explosions followed, the cruiser was enveloped in smoke and flame, and two minutes later she heeled over and sank.—Army and Navy Release.

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Another week has rolled around and time once more to put pen to paper and produce another column on the goings-on of the Bldg. 4-3 gang. . . . Several of "our gang" were on vacation this week, and we ought to hear some interesting things from the vacationists. Charlie Winans, Bernetta Hertel, R. Johnson and S. Hanson are four of the lucky people. There were probably more, but we can't find out everything, so how about you folks putting some notes in our little box? Oh, yes, Marie Ellert of Group 13x54 on second trick, took three days of her vacation to see her fiance graduate from Officer's Candidate School. Give our best wishes to George, Marie. . . . Albert Strahm certainly looked up to par after his vacation, so those things must agree with people. We won't know personally for another three months. . . . Irene Richardson, our welder, went on days, and Simeon Bugo has taken her place. Sorry you left nights, Irene, but we know you wanted on days, so have a good time. We place our Welcome sign before you, Simeon, and hope you like our floor. . . . Hildabelle Warren is also going on days and after being on second trick for so long, all of us will miss you, Hildabelle. . . . Last week the Inspection Section suffered two losses when Elmer DeBolt and Ernie Gray left. Elmer was foreman of inspection on second and is leaving to work in Bldg. 4-4 on days. Ernie was an inspector of flanges, also on nights, and is leaving the company. We're sorry to see you fellows leave but good luck. . . . Helen Bell, former final inspector on third trick, is back again after being on the sick list for two months. You're looking swell, Helen, and we're sorry you left the floor but anyway, good luck on the new job over in Bldg. 2-2. . . . Harvey Kerr received a letter from George Slater, and George wants to thank all his friends for the gift they sent him. Glad to hear you're feeling better, George, and we hope it won't be too long before you come back. . . .

The rotor assembly line presented John Schwartz with a gift also. Johnny has been off work for some time after he lost the argument between an automobile bumper and his leg. Johnny is feeling much better and so far seems to handle his crutches without any mishaps. He thinks he'll be back to work in another month and we hope so, Johnny. Just doesn't seem the same around here somehow without you. . . . We have a couple new brides recently. Hilda Quandt is now Mrs. Joe Steurzenberger and Mary Longnecker is Mrs. Carl Gardner. Both brides look very happy and why shouldn't they be? The bridegrooms are both home after many months overseas. Mrs. Gardner accompanied her husband back to camp. Our congratulations and best wishes are extended to the four of you. Mary had a bit of tough luck when a pulled tooth caused an infection and put Mary in the hospital just a week before the wedding day. We are very happy that you got over it in good shape and in time for the scheduled date. . . . The old phrase "a good time was had by all" could be applied to the potluck the Birthday Club had for Juanita Masterson on her umpty-ump'd birthday. She was presented with a water pitcher and glass set. Our belated birthday wishes are hereby extended. Many more, Juanita. . . . Things-We-Like Dept.—The way the place has brightened up since the lights were washed. It looks very nice. . . . Things-We-Don't-Like Dept.—Absenteeism: if the shoe fits wear it. . . . Ernie Tatman doesn't think he rates anymore since his name wasn't in last week. . . . Well, gang, when we started out we didn't have much to go on but, somehow, this column seems to be about the same length. We depend on you readers of this column to put in the items so please don't fail us. It's your column and can only be as newsy as the number of items you turn in. How about some vacation stories, birthdays, club doings, and such stuff? Don't forget about us, please. . . . So long for this time.

—Country Cousins

Wife: "I was a fool when I married you."

Husband: "I guess you were, but I was so infatuated that I didn't notice it—then."

Suggestion Award Winners



George Santon, Bldg. 19-1, and Harold Anspach, Bldg. 6-2, were recent winners of large suggestion awards. Mr. Santon received an award of $40.00 and Mr. Anspach, a $25.00 additional award.

Heads G-E Automatic Blanket Sale Section

James E. McCarthy has been appointed sales manager of the Automatic Blanket and Sunlamp Division of the General Electric Company. The appointment of distributors on a national basis has been completed for marketing the blanket as soon as the company gets the go-ahead on civilian manufacturing from the War Production Board. Meantime a full-speed production on electrically warmed flying suits, boots and gloves, casualty blankets and bombsight and camera covers is the order of the day.

McCarthy joined G-E in February, 1928, in the New York Office. Up to America's entry into the war he was a heating device and sunlamp specialist.

In the early part of 1943 he went to Boston where he expedited appliance and merchandise department materials from the New England states for shipment to headquarters in Bridgeport, Conn.

Facts and Fun

FROM 31

Our office was really honored this week—Jim Mitchell of the Seabees, Ensign Russell Harruff, and Ruthie Schafenacher's nephew, Ralph Light, all dropped in for a visit. Yes, we really had the "blues" this week. . . . Don Schultz is back after a long illness. Glad to see you back in harness, Don. . . . Mary Snyder's husband telephoned her from New York after arriving there by plane from the western front. He will be hospitalized for a time here in the States. . . . Alice Timmis is leaving us today and moving back to Kendallville—we'll hate to see you go. . . . Motor-Generator would like to have a girls' softball team this year. If any girl is interested, please see Helen Forker. . . . Does Fairy Boesch make it a daily habit to brush her teeth with brushless shaving cream? Colgate's tooth paste comes in a red tube, not a blue one, Fairy. . . . Don't be surprised if you hear a "bird warbling" around here—it will be our own Wayne Jones who studied voice for fifteen years and is in the choir at the Wayne Street Methodist Church. We have other warblers in here, too—Ruth Kespohl, when she isn't eating carrots, gives us a daily concert. Carnegie Hall has nothing on us. . . . For best results, address post cards before mailing them. Or was that card meant for you, Blossom? . . . We have a second "Betty Davis" in masculine form when it comes to dramatics. For lessons, see Dick Dierkes. . . . Common sights around the office: George Murray combing his tresses with his stapler for a mirror; Art Voelker blushing; Ray Woebbeking putting his chair back together; Wayne Jones and his invention, his "invisible" desk drawer, which when opened, brings another drawer out with it. Why not try for a patent? (or get another desk).

Mixed Chorus

Any person who likes to sing is invited to join a mixed chorus which is being organized. A meeting will be held at the G-E Club at 5:30 P.M. next Wednesday. Additional information may be secured by contacting Wilbur Wright, Bldg. 6-2, Phone 2394.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Now that spring is here some of our out-door enthusiasts are comparing notes and getting their boats in trim for the coming season. Walt Hall increased the capacity of his boat and we heard that Virg Best, not to be outdone has uncovered his outboard motor and blown the dust off of it. . . . Have you seen Hilda Schumann in her new Swiss hat, feather and all. She sure does look chic! . . . Since the bowling season is almost over, Brother Schelper got himself a new bowling ball. It seems like the old one had too much water in it. He's preparing for the coming tournaments. . . . Lady Luck smiled on Jim Stafford. I guess he found the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. . . . Marvel Daub is going out for the track meet. She was seen practicing sprinting the other night. . . . There is a poet amongst us. Could it be Ray Haut? . . . Conversation at the Jay Pierce home: Mrs. P.: "Jerry, will you pull the wild grass out of the lawn?" Jerry: "Oh, let's leave it grow with the rest of the grass. It's a pretty green." . . . Marge Dietsch says she hates to get up in the morning because she has such wonderful dreams. . . . Dorothy Crist would like to know if there's a doctor in the crowd. She came in contact with a splinter, or vice versa. . . . We're glad to welcome Eleanor Glass back after her husband's visit. . . . Bud Ulrich and Jimmie Paxton have their heads together trying to figure a few new ways to wangle the poor unwary fish into taking a nibble—so far they have had no luck. . . . Roger Crabill has left our trick for a short while to work with the day gang. His only trouble is that he can't get his eyes open until time to go home. . . . Jay Paulus has left group 71 again to work in Bldg. 12-3. "Good luck, Jay, and don't forget to come in and see us once in a while." . . . Pete Moore has turned over another year but he says he doesn't feel any older. Congratulations, Pete, and by the way that cake was very tasty.

"The earth shook," said Brown, describing his experience in a New Zealand earthquake. "Cups and saucers flew all over the place."

"Great Scott!" exclaimed Jones, "that reminds me. I forgot to post my wife's letter."

Thisa and Thata

BUILDING 19-5

It's good to see Phyllis Brumbaugh back to work after a vacation in the south. . . . Thelma Purdue went to Florida to see her son, Wallace, who is in the hospital. We all wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Helen Hogle and Veva Healy were on vacation last week. Veva's son, Mike, returned to the States from England. Mike was wounded and is getting along just fine. . . . A pot-luck supper was given for Faye Houser, who was transferred to Bldg. 6-2. The party was at Helen Hogle's home. Those who attended were Margaret Hilgemann, Thelma Purdue, Margaret Doctor, and Bonnie Mechling. . . . Congratulations, Janet Sunday, on the birthday you had Saturday. We all wish you many more happy ones. . . . We were sorry to lose Wilma Linker from our section. Wilma was transferred to Bldg. 4-5. . . . Mabel Harding is working nights again. Don't you like to get up in the morning, Mabel? . . . Johnny Ormiston had the pink eye last week. We hope he gets over it on his vacation before he comes back to work. . . . Geneva Worden left us to go and visit her husband in California for a while. . . . Ruby Arnold became Mrs. Lavon Travis a couple of weeks ago. We want to wish you lots of happiness and good luck, Ruby. . . . We surely want to wish Serena Slater's husband a speedy recovery. Serena's husband was wounded for the second time in Germany.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Hello, Dispatchers! Spring is here again, and the breeze is smooth as silk. Every one seems just a little happier—even Jim Crockett has lost that alas-poor-Yorick-I-knew-him-well appearance. . . . Congrats to Johnny and Avis Burnett on the arrival of their baby daughter. . . . Frank Dalzell has left the dispatching staff of Division 1 and has moved to Division 13 with the Fan Motor line. . . . Things we wonder about—How Thurman Leichty, Bldg. 19-2 keeps that well-scrubbed appearance.—How Walter Kammeyer and Harold Gick, the Bldg. 4-3 twins, retain their inexhaustible supply of good humor. . . . Plans for the Dispatchers' banquet are almost completed. Tuesday, May 1, is the time and the Chamber of Commerce is the place. E. J. (Just call me Eddie) Horstman will be the toastmaster for the affair and A. E. "Hap" Leider is the principal speaker. There will be a half-hour musical program with singing and accordion music featured. Be sure to tell your wife or girl friend not to make other arrangements for that evening. . . . Grapevine quotes—"Politeness lubricates the machinery of our relations with others. All of us respond favorably to a sincere 'Thank you,' a sincere appreciation of a job well done. Nothing else that costs so little repays so much." . . . Send us your news.

Your Grapevine Editor
Bldg. 19-5

Don't let carelessness rob you of your sight! 98% of all industrial eye accidents can be prevented. Wear your goggles!

Elex Girls Go To A Fair











Members of the Elex Club went to a "fair" Monday evening in the G-E Club. They stuffed themselves with food, popcorn, and taffy, and enjoyed the entertainment consisting of orchestra music, singing, a trapeze act, and a wrestling match. Left to right, top row, is a scene from the wrestling match. The wrestlers are down, but left is second Marty Boyle, and right is second Florence Stanski. Center, the Synchronairs. Right, a crowd scene. Center row, left, another crowd shot. Center, "Sailor Callahan" Swank gets a toe hold on "Terrible Turk" Ceal Romary. Right, a line-up for the food. Bottom, fortunes were told to many of the girls. Center, another view of the Synchronairs. Right, the "Andrews sisters" presented several numbers.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Another week, another bit of news—at least, that's what I call it. The Planning Group is planning a party at Clear Lake for the week-end of April 21 and 22. Stag, naturally. According to the list it looks like a very good representation. O.K., boys, have fun. . . . Joe Uttal had an appointment with his dentist —he suddenly remembered—but he remembered the wrong day, for he walked into the dentist's office and all he found was the cleaning man, who said, "No Suh, the dentist, he all not in on Wednesday afternoons." So another tooth was saved. . . . The Transformer Bowling League has completed another successful year of bowling with Homer Meeker as its secretary and treasurer. By the way, Mr. Meeker has done a very fine job. Joe Coughlin has threatened to pin Homer Meeker's ears back in bowling all this season, but it looks like Meeker's ears will remain intact at least another year, for the season ended with Meeker still topping Joe's score. . . . We're a little late with our welcome, but nevertheless it is just as hearty when we welcome Ruth Richardson —transferred from the Receiving Section to Al Coxon's Section. . . . It's reported that Frances Bringham had a fine trip to Chicago over the week-end. . . . Congratulations and best wishes to Dolly Armiston Beber, whose marriage to Carl Beber on Jan. 1, has just been announced. Surprised people, didn't you? . . . A fishing trip was taken by Bill Crouse, Gale Meeks, and Bill Irwin. Irwin came home with the fish—not the bacon. . . . Georgiana Smith of the Service Bureau, is being married April 21 to Harley Burgett, test engineer, from Bldg. 19-1. The ceremony will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the First Evangelical Church at the corner of Clinton and Dewald Streets. An invitation has been extended to all who would like to attend. Our congratulations and best wishes go to the young couple. . . . We also wish to welcome Anna Wade, a newcomer, to the Cost Section. . . . Monday, Dusty Rhodes appeared at the scene of work minus his keys. Oh well, faithful Joe Derheimer will have his. That's what you thought, Dusty—fooled again. . . . Cedric Persing greeted Warren Wyckoff with "Where've you been all my life?" after waiting in one parking lot for Warren while he was looking in another parking lot—for his own car too. This spring weather does funny things to people. . . . Then there's Chuck Graham who missed his train in Schenectady; but the red cap assured Chuck everything was all right with —"Suh, I all got your bags on the train all right." . . . That's it, folks.

THE 4.5" OR BEACH ROCKET, with which certain Navy amphibious craft are equipped, carries the wallop of a 105-mm. shell. The launcher used with this weapon is light and mobile and can be adjusted in elevation. It is merely a framework or slide similar to those used in the firing of Fourth of July rockets.—Army and Navy Release.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Punch Press

A party was given at the home of Eva Creigh for Ralph Bischoff, who was home for the week-end. Ralph was transferred to Kokomo a few months ago. Everyone had a good time. Madge Witten said it was the first time she had all the potato chips she could eat. . . . That is Francis Robbins' smiling face you have seen on the ovens the last few days. Francis is working again after being off sick. We are glad to have you back, Francis. . . . Edna Gibson is on vacation this week. Have a good time, Edna. . . . Betty Zephyr came to work one night last week sporting something new in socks. On one foot a bright blue lady's sock, on the other a man's striped one!—and was her face red! . . . Mary Lallow's brother, who is in the Merchant Marines, returns to duty this week.

Screw Machine

Donna Darling has been transferred from the Screw Machine Section to Broadway, Bldg. 19—Good luck, Donna. . . . Ardith Keppler is on her vacation this week. . . . Arlis Warner has received word from her brother, Pvt. Elden Warner. He is now in Germany. . . . Grace Shaw says their dude ranch will be ready for occupancy next week. Any donation of livestock of any kind will be appreciated after their vacation in June. . . . Audrey Robinette is taking her vacation this week. She plans to take a much needed rest and do some Christmas shopping. She believes in the rule to "shop early." . . . Esther Wiggins received one dozen American beauty roses from her daughter who is in California. . . . Anyone wishing some nice spring vegetables should contact Forrest Stinson. He is intending to go into business on a large scale, having purchased a garden tractor. . . . We are sorry to report that Beatrice Michael is ill with pleurisy. . . . Helen Switzer Businger and her husband are planning to move into their newly decorated home next week. They were married Feb. 7 of this year. . . . Esther Switzer is doing taxi service to and from work during the illness of her husband. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Bob Gale, who had a birthday in the month of March. We all wish you many more, Bob. . . . Gladys Klausing would like to know who ties her apron strings in knots during lunch. . . . Emery Skees will again be a Fort Wayne resident, moving this week from Columbia City. . . . All those taking their vacations soon, we wish them all a good time. Perhaps some of the fellows will come back with some of those fine fish stories. . . . We want to welcome all that have come on first trick from the second and third. . . . How many hours did it take you to buy a new pair of shoes, Bernie? What was the trouble, couldn't they fit you? . . . Winifred Coates made a visit to Camp Atterbury Sunday to see her son, Don, who was called into the service a couple of weeks ago. She says she had a very nice time. . . . We're glad to see all the girls back to work again after being sick. . . . The Secret Pal gifts are really floating around now. Easter surprises, birthday, and anniversary gifts. . . . Beatrice Douglas returned to the home of her aunt on Brooklyn Ave., Saturday, after a period of twelve weeks at the St. Joseph Hospital due to an accident. Her many friends will be glad to know she is able to be about with the aid of crutches. . . . Betty Ringenberg, daughter of Clara Ringenberg, has joined the Army Nurse Corps. She left for Camp McCoy near Sparta, Wis., Wednesday. Betty completed her nurse's training at the St. Joseph Hospital six years ago. Since that time, she has been in Chicago and Fort Wayne. Recently she has been employed as a hospital nurse at a local factory. . . . Rita Helmsing observed her second wedding anniversary last Thursday. She hopes that by another year her husband will be here. He is now somewhere in the South Pacific.

Rotor

Birthday wishes to Ina Crosby, Wanda Faulk and Mary Johns. May you have many more of them. . . . Vacationers this week are Hazel Brown, Kay Conner, Walter Grossnickle, Laura Ehrman, Maxine Monahan, Ben Land, and Mattie Jo Perry. . . . Farewell to Zelma LeMaster, who has left us to resume her household duties. . . . Helen Fouse has had her tonsils removed. Hurry back, Helen. . . . We welcome William Weis to wheel assembly. Bill comes to us from Winter Street. . . . Did you hear the wailing from Phyllis Shane the other day? "Someone stole my badge," says she. But when she reported it, her foreman nonchalantly told her there it was down on her belt. . . . Hazel Brown is visiting her brother, Jimmy Brown, who is home on furlough this week. Jim was formerly employed in Nozzle Box. . . . Another member has been added to the Rotor Section Mustache Club, namely Bob McClain. Anyone else wishing to join must produce evidence that he is man enough, then see President Ed Hamilton, or Vice President Russell Dimmick. No entry fee will be charged. . . . We are glad to report Marje Sirok has returned to her home in North Manchester and is improving rapidly. . . . Spring must be here! Have you noticed those new be-ootiful blue slack suits Freddie Young and Lee Overmeyer are sporting? Nice going, kids. . . . Stella Reed was so engrossed in looking for an empty house the other day that she rode right past Taylor Street. Can any one help her find one? She says it must accommodate four sons when they return from service. Good luck to you, Stella. . . . Happy wedding anniversary to Benny Land. May you have many more. . . . Let's all plan on attending the big "All Out War Production" spring dance. It will be held at the Chamber of Commerce Ballroom April 14, 8:45 to 11:45. Les Conner's orchestra will entertain. Admission will be 75c per ticket. Let's see you all there. . . . Ruth Smith has left us for the Impeller Section. Our loss and their gain. . . . Mary Cains will be glad when her Easter eggs are gone so she can change her diet. Any one want to help her? . . . Our deepest sympathy to Madelene Egolf, whose husband has been killed in action. . . . Happy birthday to Chet Carey. The shaft line celebrated Chet's birthday with a supper and a gift. . . . And happy birthday to Ann Lee, March 31, Wilma Warren, April 9. . . . Sally Alexander is giving her seventh time as a blood donor. . . . Azulah Zimmerman says she doesn't have any more birthdays. Ain't so! . . . Genevieve Bennet is now on first trick. Hope you like it, Jenny. . . . Gene Stambaugh is enjoying his vacation. . . . Elizabeth Saylor's son and son-in-law are home from the Armed Forces on furlough. . . . Lowell Burnworth is a proud daddy of a baby girl. . . . We know everyone is putting out victory gardens. Seems that Howard Anderson might have joined the victory gardeners if he could have gotten that hoe away from the man on the street car. But—Howard is still without a hoe. . . . Fred Spade is a proud father of a baby boy; the mother and baby are doing fine. . . . Theresa Hiatt has heard from her son, Tom. He is on his way home to the States. . . . Speedy recovery to Jane Borror, who has been ill.

It's A Privilege



TO BE PERMITTED TO BUY "SPECIAL FOOT-PROTECTION SHOES" AT HOME WHEN THE SHOE REQUIREMENTS OF OUR MEN IN UNIFORM ARE SO GREAT. Thousands of employees here are showing appreciation of this PRIVILEGE by wearing SAFETY SHOES constantly.

The sale of Safety Shoes at our Employees' Stores goes on at a rapid pace. It is only since the war that WOMEN have been given the protection of the STEEL TOE CAP of the Safety Shoe.

JUSTINE HURT, Bldg. 26-2, knows that women need this protection. The transformer shown in above picture fell on her foot and the shoe was damaged, but not the foot.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Receiving

Betty Thiele celebrated her birthday April 6. How old, Betty? Many happy returns of the day. . . . Betty Davis of the bucket section is helping out a few days in the receiving inspection section. . . . Faye Clark and husband took a week's vacation last week and visited her mother, who lives in Detroit. Faye had an enjoyable trip but was glad to get back in the harness. . . . Clyde Kreigh took his vacation this week. We hope you had a good time and caught lots of fish. . . . Gus Uhlig will take his vacation next week. He thinks he will leave his broom here and forget it for a week. . . . Our news items are rather brief this week. If you have any news, let us know so we can fill the column up. . . . Due to the cigarette shortage Jim Stoicke and Bob Little have signed an agreement that the first one caught smoking forfeits a dollar to the other. Now maybe there will be cigarettes for the rest of us. . . . We just received word that Lloyd Pinkerton, one of our boys who is in the Navy is in New York in a naval hospital. We all wish him well and a speedy recovery. . . . Have you noticed Chelf's new Easter bonnet. Some class, Ernie. . . . When you have any news items that would be of interest to your fellow employees please give the items to your WORKS NEWS reporter. Jim Brittin, Shipping; Earl Cochran, Stock Room, or Frank Fast, Receiving Section. Your reporter will appreciate it. . . . Frank Schramm is now wearing the smile that won't come off. He has quit lapping soup now and can really eat steak, or anything. We wonder why? . . . Your reporter visited our good friend, Otto Brunner, at the Lutheran Hospital and is glad to report that he is improving and expects to be back with us in a few weeks. . . . Fish stories are beginning to circulate as summer nears. If all the big fish are caught that some of the boys say they are going to get, it won't be any use for anyone else. That's what Brownie says.

Last year 166 lost-time accidents occurred on the first trick; 83 on the second trick; and 40 on the third trick.

Impeller

Eulalia Coon is taking her vacation next week. Have a nice time, Eulalia—don't work too hard. . . . Mary A. Gordon Hughe has come back to work after a short visit with her husband down at Washington, Indiana. We know you had a nice time, Mary. We hear it rains in Washington. Is that so, Mary? . . . Rita Philo is still a little girl at heart. She still likes to blow soap bubbles. . . . Belated birthday greetings go to Hazel Cook this week. She says she deosn't feel a day older, though. So she thinks she will just stop having them. . . . Hazel Cook received word this week that her son, Sgt. Dick Mendenhall, arrived safely overseas and is located somewhere in France. . . . Wilbur (Andy) Anders is a patient at the Lutheran Hospital. He is very much improved and expects to return to his home soon, which we are very happy to hear. He also wishes to thank everyone for the lovely basket given him with fruit, nuts and candy in it. Of course we all knew you had a big appetite, Andy, and we are very glad you liked the basket. . . . We want to welcome three newcomers to the second shift. They are Caroline Beal and Evelyn Kiester and John Giesking who is taking Wilbur Anders' place while he is absent. We hope all of you like us and we are very glad to have you with us. . . . Gertrude Bartaway received another little souvenir from her husband in Germany. Her co-workers thought it quite interesting, especially the reading it had on it.

Nozzle Box

Rose Wilkerson is off work this week due to illness. We hope you are back with us soon. . . . Bill Hutchinson is off work due to illness; we wish you a speedy recovery, Bill, and hope that you will soon be back on the job. . . . Leo Marquart is back on the job again after being off work for some time because of illness; it is good to see you on the job again, Leo. . . . There must be a modern version of the tale of the Easter Bunny. In days past Mother Goose tells of Mr. Bunny hopping from house to house leaving gaily colored eggs on Easter morning. But Bunny must have grown tired of that exacting tradition for he brought Myrtle Hill a diamond this year, and he hopped in Taylor Street Saturday night and brought Bob Roeger a "sugar and spice" tie. Bob wishes to thank Mr. Bunny for the lovely tie and would like to meet him sometime and thank him personally. . . . Last week our favorite songs seemed to be "I Wuv a Wabbit" and "Easter Parade," but this week we've heard people humming "April Showers" and "Let a Smile Be Your Umbrella on a Rainy, Rainy Day." . . . Irma Ford's brother, Bill, left for the Marines Monday morning. Another brother, Ed, is with the artillery in Germany. . . . Leo Freed is celebrating his birthday Sunday. We wish you many more of them. . . . It is nice to have Fern Deane back to work again. Fern was off because of illness. . . . Ann Lemmel said she was on the street car and the operator was Fred Rabel, formerly employed in the Nozzlebox Section. . . . Dorothy Franklin said that her husband is in the South Pacific and that she averages ten

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

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letters a week from him; that's pretty good isn't it? . . . Betty Taylor is to be congratulated on her first wedding anniversary April 6. . . . Esther Jean Secor went to Wabash to act as a bridesmaid for a former Nozzlebox Inspector, Phyllis Leiter. . . . Grace Smith was off for a few days owing to illness, but is now back on the job feeling fine. . . . Jean Young has left the Inspection Section here and has been transferred to the Punch Press Inspection Section. Hope you like it there, Jean; we do miss you. . . . We understand that June Miller's son is soon leaving for the service of Uncle Sam, hoping to give June Miller some consolation for she sure knows her boy will have a lot of buddies to help him end this war that much sooner and then all will be peace and quiet. . . . Wanted: Mechanic, preferably with tractor repair experience; see Harold Smith.

Tool Room

Del Rehm was off work one day last week, and we thought maybe he had caught Glenn Schmidt's case of the mumps. It would have made such a swell WORKS NEWS story too! Darn. . . . Ned Crum got himself all prepared for his summer yard work, even to having his lawnmower sharpened. Was he surprised when he attempted to use it though. It seemed to comb the grass instead of cutting it. Someone forgot to set it after it was sharpened and it just walked over the lawn and left nothing but wheel tracks to show its presence. . . . Louis Dascher and Joe Houser say there is "Something Wrong in Denmark" on the drawing of teams for the doubles tournament in bowling. Louis and Joe are teamed up and last week they each bowled a "96" and "98" respectively. Wonder who fixed them up so well? . . . We thought "Judy" Lehman was quite a fisherman when he told about the big fish he caught. We later heard someone threw them at him, and he caught them. . . . A few weeks ago we heard our old friend, Gerald DeLaughter, was going to the service. We now find him in the Navy taking training at Great Lakes. . . . George Mellinger, formerly of our Tool Room, who recently transferred to Kokomo, is going to the service April 9. . . . We were in doubt about Lloyd Taylor's feet being mates, and we are still in the dark when we found that his stockings didn't match either.

Aluminum Parts

It is surprising what can be done with a tin cup and a pair of dark glasses. Esther Harder had twenty some cents dropped into her cup the other night while waiting in line at the fountain for water. We only hope Esther doesn't get any ideas after this experience. . . . We had nice vacation weather the majority of this week, and those enjoying it were Dave Gold who intended to take a trip East, and James Streeter who intended staying at home with the exception of a few short fishing trips. We hope both are enjoying themselves. . . .

"Piggy Banks Opened Free"



Machine repairman Ted Hahnert of the Decatur Plant hung out his shingle, "Piggy Banks Opened Free," and now does a land office business every lunch period. Of course, all the proceeds from the banks will go to purchase War Bonds during the Seventh War Loan Drive. Other than Machinist Hahnert are, left to right, Hilda Gaunt, Flossie Hower, Effie McGill, Marcella Crozier, Loretta Weiland, Erna Bultemeier, Kathryn Hoffman, Joan Colchin, Isabel Kiser, Lucille Braun, and Bertilene Hess.

Talk about embarrassing moments, Gertrude Rosebrock had hers this week when she boarded a No. 10 street car for work only to find she had left her purse at home. Gertrude was quite confused until she spotted a friend on the car. . . . The girls of the Inspection Section had a very nice time together at Avenel Stanton's apartment playing games, with refreshments served afterwards. As usual Betty Taylor was the life of the party. . . . There are several people in our section whom we never hear anything about. How about some news concerning Iva Powell, Martha Warren, Phil Barber and William Lantz? Contact your reporter if you uncover anything regarding these people or anyone else; we don't want to slight anyone. . . . Birthday greetings go to Kenneth Rupp, Agnes Vaughn, Sarah Sowards' Flossie Nobles, and Avenel Stanton for tbe month of April. May you have many more to come! . . . We welcome Elizabeth Chew who was transferred from Broadway, to the second trick. We hope you like us and your work. . . . We would like to know what really happened when John Scott hurt his finger. Someone said he took a chew of tobacco and didn't get his finger away from his mouth soon enough. Is this right, John? . . . Martha Warren is on needles and pins, counting the days until she leaves for Corpus Christi, Texas, to visit her son who is in the Navy. . . . Some of these second trick foremen, Les Roush for instance, surely must be great fishermen. That is, to hear them tell it, we mean. Seeing is believing, Les, so how about bringing a sample sometime?

Shipping

Did you notice all the whispering going on in the Shipping Section the other day? No, there were not any secrets, it was Van Horn who had a good case of laryngitis. We sure are glad you are over it, Van. . . . We would like to know the reason for all the new hats in the Shipping cage, first Denver Fisher comes to work with one on, then the trucker on the second trick, Gregg Brickley, shows up with one. They sure are setting the pace for spring fashion. . . . Everyone is beginning to talk about his vacation now. Denver Fisher will take his this week. We hope you enjoy the needed rest, Denver. . . . Audrey Smith received word that her brother has arrived safely in Europe. He is in the army. . . . Al Kruse's new daughter-in-law is now living with him and his wife while his son is stationed at Norfolk, Virginia. . . . "V" stands for victory and we have the Victory girls in our section. Vesta, Verna and Vivian are our victory girls. . . . Caroline Thieme expects to be back with us in the very near future. Glad you are getting better, Caroline. . . . Grace Mills is moving into her new home. What about a house warming, gang? . . . Vivian Spindles has transferred to our section. We are glad to have her. . . . Whoopee! One week with no accidents, no dispensary passes, no fires and none absent. . . . Lt. Mildred Faurote, R.N., serving with the U. S. Army, is now at home for a month's leave after which she will return to headquarters in Galesburg, Illinois, for her next assignment. . . . Lt. Thomas A. Mills, who has been training on "enemy tactics" at Orland, Florida, is now home on a ten-day leave. He will then go to Colorado, where he is scheduled to enter a pilot's refresher school. . . . Ernie Schaefer decided to do a little economizing this year by having his old fedora cleaned and blocked instead of buying a new one for Easter.



Turret Tattles

Nancy Latchem, of the office, has received word that a very good friend is back from fifteen months in the Pacific and will be home "soon." Tell him "Hi" from all the gang here, Nancy. Any friend of "your'n" is a friend o' "our'n." . . . Someone has lost the key for the indicators! Will you please look through your tools and if it is found return it to the tool crib, in twenty-seven. . . . If you happen to run into a li'l legal technicality anent the hi-way rules and regulations, and are a bit confused, just take your troubles over to Don Gingrich. He knows some new ones! . . . If the Potter and Johnson section takes on a more terpsichorean air some time in the near future, blame it all on Chester. Who do you think is going all out for the jitterbug? No you're wrong! Chester is! Watch out, "gurls," we have a hunch he is going to fling a mean hoof. . . . There is a rumor that a very blonde, blue-eyed miss of our office is humming and whistling "Dark Eyes" continually. Seems a bit incongruous, but then perhaps we don't know all the story! . . . We have a recent letter from Bob Novick saying he is on a tour of Germany. States it is altogether too noisy over there and that he would appreciate it very much if someone would sweep out his old corner back in twenty-seven. She's swept out and awaitin', Bob, and we hope it isn't very long until you're in it. Good luck, feller! . . .

And have you seen the g-r-e-a-t b-i-g automobile that Bob Harrold now sports between here and the "farm?" Ya durn near have to own a farm to turn it around, hey, Bob? . . . Glen Seip, Jr., has been on the sick list for the past week; we hope by the time this is in print that he is again amongst the Turrets. . . . The recent reprimand by the second trick safety man to Murray Johnson about leaving his beard grow, causing undue worry over the possibility of their catching in moving machinery, has paid dividends. Did you ever see a smoother jaw bone anywhere?

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Did you ever hear that owls can see only at night? I believe we have proof that this statement is not true at all times. Bldg. 17-4 can boast of several Owls that can see better by daylight, because they won the championship. They are J. Kelley, R. Heller, E. Stauffer, J. Young, V. Kimes, R. Thomas, and M. Williams, all second trick boys and tbey won all honors in basketball, softball, and golf and are known as the Owl Basketball League, Owl Softball League, and Owl Golf League, and these Owls sure can see. . . . What happened to Steve Kelker's chair the other day? Did it just walk away from you and you landed on the floor instead of the chair? . . . Cy Seymour has the most beautiful driveway between Florida and Mackinac Island, so he says modestly(?). He is thinking of charging admission to view this wonder. He will charge by the yards, since he paid for it by the yard, but as yet hasn't got a ceiling price set. For appointment, call Cy after 3:30. . . . All the talk of driveways led Dick Sidel to brag a little bit about his drive, but he soon lost out when Cy told him that every time it rained, Dick had to go across the road and gather up his driveway in a wheelbarrow. You can't win, Dick. . . . For the latest style in a safety razor, see Fritz Stauffer. Fritz needed one so Otis Uran brought him one that is really something. It has been described as a lawnmower, popcorn popper, weed cutter, garden hoe, and what not. So if your garden tools or household appliances break down, maybe Fritz will loan you his little marvel razor, guaranteed to perform a thousand wonders. . . . Pelkey has joined the Banged-Up-Thumb Club. Seems he was working on the back porch and went to hit the nail and missed. Couldn't be the board moved? Guess he just aimed wrong. . . . John Hillsmeier's son visited him Sunday from Fort Knox. John says the Army agrees with him. He has gained 20 pounds since he has been eating Army chow. . . . Anyone wanting information about flowers please contact E. Wiegand; he has very many rare and unusual varieties. . . . Ben Kapp sure enjoys his meals since he has got his new biters. . . . We welcome Irvin P. Blackburn to our test group. Irvin is joining Clem Miller and L. Hearn on third trick—hope you like your new job, Irwin, and best of luck. . . . Was it the rainy day?—or the scarcity of matches—or was he rubbing two pieces of flint together Indian fashion—or the wet kindling? ANYWAY, the question is "Why did it take Lohm two days to build a fire?" . . . Bob Dichtel, our last test engineer on the floor, will greet Lynn, Massachusetts, April 9. We wish you all the luck, an abundance of friends, good health, and success.

A native of Ireland started away on his first trip. Never having seen a railway station, he did not know how to get his ticket, but he saw a lady going in, and determined to follow her lead. The lady went to the ticket window, and, putting down her money, said: "Maryhill, single."

Next in line was Pat who promptly planked down his money and said: "Patrick Murphy, married."

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"March 19, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"It has been quite a while since I have written to you, so I thought it would not be such a bad idea if I did. There is not mucb news to write about. Things seem to run in the same old rut.

"I had a little excitement on my last mission that I thought you might like to put in the General Electric WORKS NEWS. The excitement happened when my ship was about ten minutes from the target. The pilot seemed to be having a little trouble with number one engine. He finally had to call up the formation leader and tell him he would have to feather the engine and return to the field. Prior to doing this he (the pilot) had asked the crew if we could see any airplanes either under us or around us. All the positions called in and reported no planes around us. Since the bad engine was on the the left side of the airplane, we naturally wanted to keep that wing high when we banked around, so the pilot dropped the right wing and started around. The co-pilot happened to look out his side and see an airplane right below us and it looked like we might collide. He told the pilot this and the pilot real quick racked it up on the left wing. This was the wing with the bad engine on and it seemed for a while as if the plane might go into a spin. Luckily enough the pilot was able to pull it out. We finally got out in the open so that we could make our circle and come back to the field. Since we were up in enemy territory, the pilot called for a couple fighters to escort us back a ways. Failing to contact any we started back on our own. The navigator knew what he was doing and got us back to the field safely. Everybody was really glad to see the old field. The pilot made a good 3-engine landing. We received credit for the mission for which everybody on the crew was very glad, myself especially.

"While I am writing this letter, I am on C.Q. (charge of quarters). This means that I have to stay up all night and answer the telephone and relay any messages that might come in. When reveille time comes around in the morning I have to go around blowing a whistle to wake everybody up. This is the most fun of the whole job—in a fiendish sort of way. Ha! Ha!

"This seems to be all the news that I can think of at the moment so had better close. I was very happy to receive a copy of the WORKS NEWS today. It didn't take very long, only 10 days for this copy to reach me. Most generally it takes anywhere from three weeks to two months. Keep up the good work as I like to read it very much.

"Sincerely yours,

"S/Sgt. Kenneth E. Beery"

Tool Room and Maintenance

Once upon a time, three great fishermen of the Tool Room decided to go fishing. So they piled into their cars and headed for the lake. In the meantime Mother Nature decided to intervene and she stirred up a strong wind. But the boys kept plodding northward and presently they arrived at the lake. Now they all agree that they had a great day of fishing, but what we can't understand is why they have three different stories to tell. Pete Liebig's story is this: "The wind was blowing so hard that as I stepped out of the car it picked me up and would have blown me into the lake if I hadn't luckily hung on the door handle of the car." Dick Haskin's story is this: "The wind was blowing so hard that it blew the fish right up on the shore and all you had to do was go along with a bushel basket and pick them up." "Mooney" Rehnen's story is this: "The wind was blowing so hard—aw, nuts, who wanted to come fishing anyhow?"

"Marianas Islands

"March 21, 1945

"Dear Gang:

"I hardly know how to start this letter. I am not much on writing. I am well and safe, and in the Marianas Islands. And that is a long way from the good old General Electric Company. Tell everyone in Power Drive that I said hello.

"There are a lot of General Electric parts out here. They are really doing a good job. And the B-29's are really giving Japan something to think about.



"I am driving a truck, not working hard, but working, and it is awfully hot here.

"I wish I could see some good old Indiana snow. I think even a picture of it would be refreshing to us out here.

"That's all for now.

"As ever, a fellow worker,

"MM 2/c Nelson Mowry."

Retire On Pension



Ernest C. Gallmeier



Lewis S. Fox

Two employees of the Fort Wayne Works, Ernest C. Gallmeier and Lewis S. Fox, have retired on pension. Mr. Gallmeier, who was employed in the Specialty FHP Motor Section, has a continuous service record with the Company of thirty-one years and six months. Mr. Fox, of the Motor-Generator Division, has a service record of forty-six years and eleven months.

Miscellaneous

Elaine Shupe surprised the girls by passing candy Saturday afternoon announcing her marriage of October 13, to Delmer Lennington. We all wish both of them the best of everything.... Margaret Motherwell visited her sister at Greenfield, Indiana, last week, and reports a nice time.... Mary Slegal, formerly of Power Drive, is the new girl in our section. She is replacing Elaine Shupe Lennington.

Factory Office

Cpl. Dean M. Wakeland of Oahu, Hawaii, visited the Winter Street Plant last week. He is in tbe Mechanical Ground Crew and is closely connected with parts of the War Industry of AC & CR Sections. Cpl. Wakeland is a nephew of Mildred Clark.

Oil Pump and Air Compressor

If you are wondering what was the matter with the burring section for a few days, it was due to the illness of Dolores Wonderly. . . . The new addition to the burring section is Valeria Subzda, a Power Drive transfer. . . . Rachel Gaunt returned to work last week after her vacation of housecleaning. . . . We are glad to have Mary Jane Haller back with us after a three months' illness. . . . Lillian Ayers also has been vacationing. . . . We will miss the smile of Norbert Ewing as he left last week for the Navy. Good luck, Norbert. . . . We wish Zola Johnson a speedy recovery.

Grinder Grit

If you saw anyone running around in the Grinding Section who looks like Popeye don't be deceived, for it is only Cliff Baker minus his teeth and here's why. The cigarette shortage drove him to smoking a pipe, and he bit the stem a little too hard, and broke a tooth out and had to send them in for a "recap." So keep your chin up, Cliff, you know the old saying, "Many a 'true' word has been spoken through 'false' teeth." —Winter Street Winchell.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

Bill O'Neill had a three game total of 546 to be high man for the night. This included a 206 game. Other 200 games were: Kreischer 234, Grosh 210, Lolmerten 207 and Meyer 202.

Team 10 won 2 games and went into the lead with 26 won and 13 lost. Team 6 was the only team to win 3 games for the night. Team 8 won only one game but that was a 955 and is high single game for the second half. Team 5 had a total score of 2705 and that is second high 3 game series, also for the second half.

Golf

Winter Street is still going ahead with plans for a golf league of their own for this year. Glen Macy has temporarily assumed the duties of secretary and the following committee has been named to decide rules and regulations: Win Kirke, Sam Cunningham, Hal Staley, Tom Piepenbrink, and Ed Bireley. They will meet some time this week and an official notice will be posted as soon as possible. Forty-three golfers have signed up for the league, so in the meantime let's get in some practice rounds and be ready when the league opens.

Accounting

In case Tom Brenneman of "Breakfast at Hollywood" ever takes a vacation we have just the man to take his place. None other than Pete Dannecker. He looked simply ducky in that "coolie" hat last Saturday afternoon.

Order and Stores

Dick Ashton's old favorites, the "Cubs," played their first game of the season last Sunday, and Dick was right there cheering them on. Dick, is Portland going to be in the Big League this season? . . . Helen Cook and Joan Smith spent the week-end at the lake. From all reports a good time was had. . . . A dinner was held in honor of Joan Smith at the Victory Club last Friday night. Joan is leaving us to return to her home town, Chicago. Those present at the dinner included Helen Cook, Margaret Petro, Eileen Mee, Dolores Kiel, Lois Buelow, Bonnie Rarick, Mildred Longsworth, and Helen May.

Power Drive Office

We have more transfers this week. Ann Wade is now at home at Broadway and Mr. Norr is temporarily in Bldg. 18-4. We missed Vivian Renbarger again this week and hope she'll be able to return to work soon. . . . The mustaches (cookie dusters) are growing nicely these days and some new ones have appeared on Messrs. Konow and Rodenbeck.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Clara Blough had a very disgusting experience last week, when a few safety pins would have come in very nicely. She was high scorer in bowling with a 157 game. . . . Gerry Fishbough agrees that 75c for a haircut is OK because the barber has a tough time in locating his hair. . . . Mentioning a few names who have left Power Drive lately for jobs in Refrigeration or Broadway are: Ruth and Ben Gifford, Laverda Heinfeld, Paul English, Mary Black, Barbara Renz, Ruth Neely, Jake Denis, Charlotte Miller, Helen Royer, Bruce Murphy, Melvin Cook, Ann Wade and Bob Getz. . . . Earl Harford visited the Test Section during his leave from the Navy.

Cost

Justine Luyben was a bridesmaid for the former June Flaig of the Receiving Section at Broadway, in a pretty ceremony Saturday night. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Walter Strasser in the death of his mother.

Production

Helen Mackes received an unusually pretty Easter card from her husband, who is in Italy. . . . "I really rate," says Lou Lichty, seein' as how she received two letters on Sunday. It was because her Mother overlooked giving them to her on Saturday, but we're happy too, Lou. . . . Mary Jo Suelzer had a very enjoyable trip to Chicago last weekend.

Oil Pump and Compressor

George Wilson is back on the job again after being off for quite some time. Welcome back, George! . . . Chris Hess, a volunteer fireman from second shift, worked the first shift last Friday. At 8:00 when the regular weekly test blasts were blown on the fire siren Christie through force of habit, grabbed his trusty fire extinguisher and took off down the runway like a P38 going somewhere to crack up. Finally, someone stopped him and asked him where he was going and he said, "Why to the fire of course." So Christie came back to his machine all out of breath, and a sort of "burned up," and "put out," look on his face. It's an ill smell that no one gets wind of, for just about then he smelled smoke and his face lit up like an airport in a fog, for the machine directly behind him was on fire. So once again he took up his trusty fire extinguisher, and said, "Aha! Where there is smoke there is fire," and he disappeared into the smoke. About ten minutes or so later he had the situation well in hand, and after the smoke cleared away, there stood Christie with his dripping fire extinguisher in one hand, and mopping his face with the other, and at the same time he was singing, "Smoke Gets In My Eyes." So if anyone tells you to "burn all your bridges bebind you" it's no use, for we have firemen that will put them out. This only goes to prove that our specially trained groups and committees are always alert, and on their toes, ready to meet any emergency that might arise.

Refrigerator Assembly

Wilbert Cooper is vacationing this week.... Welcome to our gang, Willie Barnes; hope you like it, Willie.... The following employees of our section are off due to illness. Glen Courtney, Julius Warnement and Joseph Brown. We're anxious to have you back, fellas. . . . We have a new inspector on our line, Louella Burnsworth. We all say hello, and hope you will like us all.

Inspection Coop

Welcome to the inspection coop, Beth Dale; we hope you like it here. . . . Does anyone want to take in a show? All are welcome to go every Thursday night after working hours. You will be escorted by Gerry Geroff and Nan Bachman. Bring along enough money to buy two hamburgers to eat in the show. . . . For sale cheap. Nine dogs. For further information see Wilma Redding. No appointment necessary. Please don't ask what kind they are, 'cause we don't know. . . . The favorite song in the coop is "There I've said it Again." Now how about that, girls? . . . Do you want to roller skate, do you want to be a wow, thrill your spectators? Lessons are cheap, your teacher will be Leona Gloor, let her tell you the secret of her success and fame. . . . Well, mates, it's time to taper off for now, be good and I'll see you next week.

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Four Fourums

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

George Houck is now manufacturing horse radish. Anyone that wants it can get it in large or small amounts by contacting George. . . . "Red Rarick" has decided he could know more about excavating under his solarium. The spring rains caved the walls in, so now he must shovel dirt all over again. . . . We would like to know where and how Herman Lepper gets all those delicious pies he brings in to work periodically. . . . Art (Hawkshaw) Torbeck wore his new cap but one night. What's the answer to this, Art? Was the sudden change too much? . . . Kenny Crabill came to work Saturday in unusually high spirits. He said the price of chickens had gone up a cent. . . . LaVon Disler's new Easter resolution is not to have her name put on the "I Forgot My Badge Club" again. . . . We hope Maxine Warnock enjoyed her few days' vacation in the South, even if it was only to Portland. . . . We are happy to have Catherine Byanski Miller back with us again. She spent a few months with her husband while he was on the West Coast. . . . Si (Frosty) Alspaugh came to work one day this week without his white tee shirt. He wore one that actually had a collar and buttons on it. . . . Katherine Norr had a new experience last week. She mowed the lawn in a snowstorm. The wind kept blowing the lawnmower out of her grasp. So Katherine, with her inventive mind, tied the handle to her wrists. . . . Millie Reinhart claims to be of Swiss descendency but we think she must be Scotch, for she uses one tea bag for two cups of tea. . . . We congratulate Bob (Champ) Crosley on his fine showing at the Golden Glove Tournament. Bob defeated the New York entry by a TKO in the second round. . . . George A. Hosek spent last week as a bachelor since his family were gone on a visit. He didn't wash the dishes every day either. . . . Karl Kloepper advises not to pay for gravel hauling until it's dumped on the premises. He had to get the last load from along the county roadside. . . . A girl who is out in more ways than one to help win this war is Glenna Hyatt. She was seen trying to wear a coat with only one sleeve in order to help save the much needed wool material. . . . Irene Bowman didn't worry about her injuries she received when she fell on the way home from work but it was those 51 gauge hose she ruined, and, boy, are they hard to get. . . . Another of our former employees, Bob Ray, has left us to join Uncle Sam's Navy. . . . Phyllis Fosnought's dog, Abigail, doesn't seem to be getting the right kind of vitamins for Phyllis had gotten a maple sapling to set out in her back yard and by the time she was ready to plant it, Abigail had chewed it up. . . . Neva Waikel has decided to satisfy her thirst with water hereafter as she again has broken her thermos bottle. . . . It is rather cold nowadays to be going home without a coat, but Cecilia Sidner almost thought she had to as her coat wasn't around when the whistle blew, but when Cecilia got on the elevator, she remembered of wearing it to the cafeteria at lunch time and so there she did find it. . . . "Quick Change Over George Hosek" that's what they call him now, who the other morning while trying to rush the season was diligently mowing his lawn when up comes a snowstorm and ten minutes later George was seen again working as usual but had exchanged his lawnmower for a snow shovel. "Durn such weather."

HARRY E. SNYDER

The news of the death of Harry Snyder has been a shock to all of us. We pause to pay our respects to his memory. We all owe him a silent vote of thanks for he truly was the founder of our league. It was Harry alone who obtained the allcys, wrote the rules, made the schedule, listed the prizes—a job well done. We can remember him at his best during his last evening with us—an evening filled with fun for him. He smilingly accepted the hearty congratulations of the entire league upon finally joining the Gutter Club—he was stuck twice in the 7th frame and he enjoyed it—he wrote his notes as a reporter which were turned in the next day. His sportsmanship was of the highest, his advice was sound and his guidance has been felt many times. Let's keep the league like Harry founded it—based on fun and fellowship. Let's have our fun and let's be good fellows. Harry won't be with us but his spirit will—so let's do as Harry would have us do—play the game, play it well, and enjoy it.—(Excerpt from the Gutter Ball, the official organ of the Bldg. 4-4 Bowling League).

Bldg. 6-4 South End

June Bowman came in to work the other Saturday morning with a sparkler on her third finger left hand, and a twinkle in her eyes. . . . Solomon Andorfer is absent due to illness. . . . Louise Beamer is on the job again after a short illness. . . . The hard to get items go to Ruth Sites, such as marshmallows and very small bananas.



No, the above picture is not of John Burnett in his second childhood. It is a picture of him in Beth Ann's high chair. The chair is a gift from his pals of Section 14 in honor of the arrival of a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Burnett.

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Peg Turschman has transferred to Bldg. 20. Good luck, Peg. . . . Jaunty Julia Dippon is off to Boston this week-end. . . . "Where are your Easter posies?" was the theme Easter Monday. . . . Maxine Murphy has left us too, but only stepped to Bldg. 2-3 wing. . . . Doris Alleger is vacationing this week. . . . Gene Foster just returned from his vacation, which was cleaning up his new home. . . . It seems like Art Wedler is in a hurry to get through this life. The other Monday A.M. Art rings in then proceeds to drop his card in the box instead of placing it back in the rack. Mike Brayer was heard to make the comment "Short week, wasn't it?" . . . We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the wife and relatives of Harry Snyder, Inspection Foreman in Bldgs. 4-4 and 6-4, who died unexpectedly early Saturday morning.

26-5 TOOL BITS



Action photo of two Filipino boys performing on Mindoro Island, American fisticuff style, received by Christ Kaiser, Bldg. 26-5. . . . Walter Elliott is spending his vacation this week in the hard way, cementing the entire floor of his barn. Could we lighten the load of labors, Walty, with a first-class barn dance later on? . . . Dave Lewis is taking advantage of the nice sunshine at noon hour by sitting in his car and listening to the radio. The radio program must have been lullabies one day this week, though, as Dave was seen peacefully snoozing away after the whistle had blown. . . . Chet Reynolds has finally taken up the art of bowling; at least he bought a pair of shoes. . . . Anyone wanting to know what color "burple" is, ask Johnny Allen. . . . The Repair Bowling Team took another beating from the Lathes last week. This puts us two up on them. . . . Bob Mesing has opened a school for golfers. Last Friday, Bob took his first three pupils, Don Carrier, Marsh Foelber, and Dick Meier, and showed them how he gets those long ten-foot drives off the tee. . . . We are glad to welcome H. Wherry on the day shift, after he has spent several years on nights.

ACCURATE SOUND RANGING BY MEANS OF SPECIAL MICROPHONES now enables American artillerymen to locate enemy gun positions by picking up the sound wave produced by the muzzle blast of the gun. This fire takes into account the point of explosion of our own projectiles and the adjustment of our guns to coincide this explosion with the position of enemy guns. The microphone array in sound ranging is often spread over a distance of from 10,000 to 15,000 yards. Approximately ten miles of wire are required to connect the microphones to the recording station—Army and Navy Release.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Your reporter can scarcely find words to describe the effect of those "Fire Engine" red shirts, at first glance. Not just one, mind you, but seven of them and all in the D. C. Motor Section. Mr. Jones refuses to believe that it was a coincidence. Anyway, boys, you might have sprung them on us 2 or 3 at a time. . . . Martha Davenport shared birthday honors with Cecil Harrod and Glenn Stapleton in the Aircraft Section last week. Congratulations, you three. . . . Opal Gene Sprunger was striving valiantly to eat a cup cake one day, but just couldn't swallow it. So "Helpful Harry" Richardson took the offending morsel and threw it with great fervor into the waste basket. But lo and behold, out popped Mr. Cup Cake, so Harry impatiently tried again. Once more the stubborn cake bounced merrily back. So, gritting his teeth and muttering inaudibly, Harry gently picked up the little cake and laid it carefully in the basket. Strange how many uses they found for this reclaimed rubber. . . . Bettie Friddle of the Fractional HP Motor Section left us Saturday, April 7. A dinner was given in her honor at the Works Restaurant. Bettie is planning to go to school. We all hope you like it, Bettie, and we certainly will miss you. We also wish to welcome Mary Catherine Whittern, who has taken over for Bettie. . . . Beth Draker and Phyllis Bertsch have a new way of making their dreams come true. They wish on an eyelash. The eyelash (after having been removed from the eyelid of course) is held tightly between the thumb and forefinger. Then one party chooses the thumb and the other the finger. Whoever has chosen the digit to which the eyelash clings gets her wish. Beth's only trouble is that she never can decide what to wish. . . . Mabel Waggoner reports that her son Miles is home on a 21-day furlough from the Merchant Marine. . . . We are all happy to have Esther Black as a new member of the Aircraft Section. Hope you will enjoy working with us, Esther.

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

Ed Glusenkamp harvested his potato crop already. The top of the potato plants died and turned brown so Ed thought now is the time to dig. Ed dug! His crop yield looked more like sprouts than potatoes. Now Ed is ready to take lessons in gardening. . . . The next time John Breese's wife leaves Johnny in charge of their three-year-old daughter perhaps it would be best if she would put them both to bed before she leaves. John was supposed to be taking care of his young, only to find himself awakened from sleep while on the floor where he and his daughter had been playing. Lying asleep close to him was his charge, who probably couldn't stand the sound of her dad snoring, so thought it best to sleep during the noise. . . . Molly Coovert was lucky last week. She decided to treat herself to a nice lunch, and got more than she ordered.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Anyone who needs advice on plants, shrubs, or vegetables, just get in touch with "Bill" Hattendorf, 'cause, to quote an old phrase, Bill sure knows his vegetables. . . . The latest bulletin on Mary Elaine Garut is that she now tips the scales to 8 lbs., and she smiles at her daddy Lawrence, who is one of the proudest fathers in the world. . . . Donna Wagoner's favorite expression must be "Hanging is too good for them," because she sure uses it a lot. . . . Two very happy people in our division are Verna Kohart and Edward Brinkman. The reason for their feelings is their respective sons are coming home on furloughs. . . . Francis Isenbarger, after quite some time, has received his income tax return from Indianapolis and discovered a very legal-looking paper informing him that he still owes the staggering sum of three cents (3¢). Does anyone have a three-cent money order or shall Francis send pennies? . . . Hans Muller was singing for his amusement the other day and started in on "Yes, We Have No Bananas," when Olga Nickler pipes in with, "Say, Hans, that's a pretty new song you're singing." I guess this is a case of history repeating itself. . . . "Dot" Baumgartner and Evelyn Keenan sure like to splash around swimming even in the winter, so now they have two new mermaids at the Y. W. C. A. Watch those dives, girls! . . . We wouldn't advise anyone to get Margaret Witte angry these days as she likes to see wrestling matches and is liable to pull a half-nelson on you. . . . Bessie Jones' younger son has suffered a broken arm, so let's all wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Our deepest sympathy goes to Hazel Carlisle, whose son passed away recently. . . . We want to bid farewell to Bill Voltz, one of our enamelers, who left for the Army April 4. Good luck, Bill, and we hope you'll be back soon. . . . Congratulations to Harry Beltz, who celebrated 25 years of married bliss April 4. . . . Best wishes also go to Richard Counseller, who left last week for the Navy. . . . We want to say "hello" to Walt Braun and Joe Close, who left for the service recently. Joe serves in the Navy and is stationed at Sampson, N. Y., while Walt is with the Marines at Parris Island, South Carolina. . . . Rosella Smith came to work last week sporting a beautiful glimmering new diamond. The lucky man is Max Snyder. Congratulations, "Rosie!" . . . Betty Grakos has had that happy look for the past week which we all get when our boys come home. Betty's son, Richard, is spending a 12-day furlough here. He will then report for duty in California. . . . Gladys Prudhomme is leaving with her husband on April 15 to spend a two weeks' vacation in their home town, Shreveport, Louisiana. . . . Congratulations to Mary Coggeshall, who celebrated her birthday on April 10.

The principal types of fatal accidents to children (5-14 years) are as follows, reports the National Safety Council: motor vehicle, 31 per cent; drowning, 24 per cent; burns, 12 per cent; firearms, 9 per cent; falls, 8 per cent.

Winter Street Rumblings

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Engineering

We wish to extend our sympathy to Edna Kuhlman on the death of her mother. . . . Marcella McCarthy, when asked whether she was going to raise blue points, very sincerely replied—"No, just tomatoes." . . . Clyde Goshorn recently joined the ranks of the "visitors." . . . We would also like to make a correction of a slight error made in last week's column. Jim Kirke is not a bombardier but a navigator. Sorry, Jim, it won't happen again.

Dust Proof Room

Audrie Fankhauser and Myrtle Carpenter are both back after a week of vacation. Mildred Norton is on her vacation this week. . . . It seems like it was moving time for people in the Dust Proof Room. Ida Bell and Ellen both were moving. . . . We hope Hilda Vachon enjoys her work as much as we enjoy having her with us.

Planning

If you're wondering who the new fellow is in our office, look again, he isn't new, he's just Kenny Allway smoking a cigar. . . . The two new girls in our office are Madonna Ferguson and Florence Penn. Welcome to our gang, girls. . . . Dana Paff must be returning to his second childhood, as he has been blessed with the mumps. Tain't funny, is it, Dana?

Machine Shop

What would it be like in the Machine Shop without Witte's curl on his forehead, Russ making faces, Fred giving a political speech, or Windy Bireley breezing around? Or Pond's talk of farming, Otto's chewing tobacco, Jeannie's yodeling or Evelyn Engel's smile? It just wouldn't be the same old place. . . . A beautiful pair of earrings was presented to Eileen Paonessa as a going away gift.

Two Good Reasons



Two good reasons why the Winter Street Plant is flourishing are Walter Paulman and Tommy Thompson, above. Walter is in the Refrigeration Grinding Section and Tommy is a welder in Refrigeration.

Tommy and Walter started working together 25 years ago for another company, parted for a time, and are now again combining their efforts at Winter Street.

The accident frequency of the Fort Wayne Works is approximately three times as good as the national accident frequency.

Complete Twenty-Five Years At Decatur Plant



Thirty-two of the present employees of the Decatur Plant were employees of that plant when it was opened on April 10, 1920. Last Tuesday, when Decatur was celebrating its silver anniversary, the old-timers got together to have their picture taken. Left to right, they are, first row: T. Gehrig, Ralph Roop, W. Heim, F. Amstutz, J. Niblick, C. Peterson, and F. Braun. Second row: D. Kimble, E. Lichtenstiger, H. Cochran, Superintendent E. W. Lankenau, M. Brown, and F. Engle. Third row: C. Langston, Rufus Roop, A. Buffenbarger, R. Owens, F. Chronister, A. Owens, A. Hilton, J. K. Eady, and L. McIntosh. Fourth row: C. Smith, O. Teeple, W. Kohls, H. Linnemeier, L. Ulman, M. C. Wait, G. Fry, O. McManama, and C. Beery. A. Bieberich was absent when the picture was taken.

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

The G-E Club "Aeolian Choir" will close their current highly successful season in mid-May. On April 12, under the auspices of the Berne Business Women's League they presented a recital to a capacity audience in the Berne Auditorium. On April 24, they are scheduled to entertain the members of the Decatur Lions Club and their guests. On April 27, they will present a program at the Willshire, Ohio, High School and the following week at the high school auditorium in Convoy, Ohio. The membership committee, composed of John Moore, Emma Goldner and George Cramer, is supervising a membership drive with a goal of 60 voices to open the 1945-46 season. Any interested person is urged to contact one of the above mentioned people, so that a definite "tryout" date may be set. . . . Niles Butler got all set for lunch one day, bought milk, and then discovered he was ahead of schedule and had to wait another half hour. . . . We wish at this time to extend our birthday greetings to Charles Debolt, Mickey McDougal and Nellie Dellinger. . . . Courtney is back with us after a sick leave. . . . Iva Teeple sure has her troubles parking her car. We suggest that she get a pair of sky hooks. . . . When it comes to plumbing, Grant Fry and Lloyd Kreisher, win the left-handed monkey wrench. They recently did a job of plumbing and believe it or not, the faucets worked in the kitchen sink. . . . Roses from Italy. That is the case of Ethelyn Burnett when her intended cabled her a beautiful bouquet of the same. . . . Norma Bower, who has been sick for several days, underwent surgery for appendicitis last Wednesday. . . . Woody Ogg is the proud gentleman. He is now a grandpa. His daughter, Ella Faye Gibson. former employee, is the mother. . . . We wondered why Ray Leitz's hat did not fit. He recently received the safety award for respectable driving. Nice going, Ray. . . . Sorry to hear that Russ Tope was injured at home. He should know that you can't tangle with a bovine animal and get away with it. . . . John Habegger picks the sweetest time to have a flat tire. Even at 12 o'clock. Sorry, Johnny. . . . Betty Cook and Mary Shifferly were Fort Wayne visitors last week. . . . Martha Rawley will hereafter be known as Doctor Rawley, D.S. (doctor of stators). Appropriate enough. . . . Last week we had a champion coffee sipper. This week we have the champion ice cream eater. Iva Teeple of the corner grill now holds all records and challenges anyone to an ice cream marathon. . . . No one knows it, but Ruth Tinkham's first name is Nancy. . . . By the time you read this Roy Painter will have another son in the armed services. His name is Charles. Cleo Painter, former employee, is another son and is in the Navy. . . . Tom Rhodes is absent on account of sickness. . . . Pvt. George Womack writes: "Hello everybody and how are you all by now. Just fine I hope. By reading the General Electric NEWS, which a fellow appreciates very much over here, a fellow can keep up where the other boys are. The other boys like to read it, too. I am writing this someplace in Germany, but can't tell you where. Guess that I had better close for now, but I wanted to say hello to everybody, and to keep up the good work, which I know that you are doing."

"My clothes look pretty bad—the wife left 'em on the floor last night."

"What's the matter, wouldn't she pick them up?"

"She couldn't. I was in them."

Hunter (to old guide): "Have you never been lost in the woods?"

Old Guide: "Nope, but I was bewildered once for four days."

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Sure are sorry to see so many of the old standbys gone out of 15x14 and 15x15. L. Ginzel, Thelma Henry, Edith Henry, Ruth Gongaware, Edith Taylor and Jessie Miller. Jim Crowe says to tell you he sure misses you with Bob Collis on the sick list, and his wife Fordyce doing her darnest to nurse him back to health, well, that makes a couple more vacant places. Get well quickly and good luck, Bob. . . . Jerry Snell was presented with a lovely farewell gift last week. Jerry is leaving final inspection to take up her duties as a housewife. Good-by, Jerry, and good luck. . . . Gladys Lambert has been transferred from the Inspection Section to Building 26-4. Good luck on your new job, Gladys. We miss you, too. . . . Russel Lee is really the popular fellow. You often see his name in the WORKS NEWS and a few days ago we read his name in the Journal-Gazette and News-Sentinel. Russel will be remembered as the song bird in the anodize room. . . . All you fishermen take warning from this: "Tis better to mend your ways before they become so rutted that it takes a lot of fixing." Here's how it is: Seems like Charlie Reinbold, Carl Sorensen and Jim Crowe's fishing luck has gotten so lousy that by now they are grasping at straws. On April 5 they finally decided to take a preacher along, in hopes of changing their collective luck. So Charlie said to Carl and Jim, "Leave your chewing and smoking to home, and watch your language." But on such short notice even the preacher couldn't change their luck. . . . Lloyd Oberholtzer showed up at work Tuesday with bumps and bruises on various parts of his anatomy and in answer to questions of how come, he said he was going down to the cellar, and tripped and went down the hard way. Better get that step fixed, Lloyd.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

News of our servicemen should always be first, we believe, so we're glad to report that Willie Taylor of the Navy came to see us last week. He worked in Group 13x40 before entering the service and has just completed his boot training. He makes a fine looking sailor and the gang wishes him the best of luck in his important job. . . . If you like cookies "just like Ma used to bake," see Amy Ormsby. They were good, Amy, but not quite enough of them. . . . We wish to welcome Gene Geimer to our floor. Hope you like us, Gene. . . . With all the talent on our floor we should be able to put on a good benefit show sometime. William J. Cooper is a very good singer. Tex Baker yodels and plays a guitar. There are probably other hidden talents we haven't discovered as yet. . . . John Williams had a real happy birthday last Saturday. He received a number of cards and a pretty white shirt and tie and some folding money in an envelope. We wish you many more happy and joyful birthdays, John. . . . It's with real regret and sympathy that we include the news of the death of Sec. Lt. Paul E. Westrick. He was killed in England March 13. He formerly worked for Joe Wyss. Our sympathy is extended to Paul's wife and his small son.

Is Zat So?

We were glad to see that one of our co-workers was leading the group of suggestors again this month when Jules Cochoit received an award. Congratulations, Jules; keep it up! . . . A new treatment has been discovered for sprains by Nina Clifton. She used vanilla instead of liniment on her sore knee and felt better almost immediately. Of course, Nina doesn't guarantee the treatment, but she says, "At least it smells good." . . . Janie Meyer has been the "paper girl" for the inspectors and promptly delivers the WORKS NEWS every Friday. We think she is trying to work up a business. . . . His thirty-third anniversary with the General Electric Company was celebrated by Joe Schible this week. Congratulations, Joe. . . . Something new has been added to the office force. The gal with the pretty hair is Ruth Stewart. Welcome, Ruth, and we hope you like us! . . . We were all glad for Ruby McBride when she got the message that they were bringing her daughter home from Riley Hospital in Indianapolis. She is improving nicely, thank you. . . . The blond Adonis in Army attire was Cliff Ostermeyer, better known as "Whitey." It was good to see him again. . . . A beautiful bouquet of spring flowers added a cheerful touch to the Tool Coop. . . . Birthday congratulations to Russel Moore, Ivan Hammond, Albert Wade, Harley Lindemuth, Bill Miller, James Daley, Kenny Dwyer, Andy Degler, James Long, and Henry Papenbrock.

Interviewer (to applicant for position): "Have you any references?"

Applicant: "Sure, here's the letter: 'to whom it may concern. Mr. Jones worked for us one week and we're satisfied'."

Electronic Tubes And Amplidynes Help Ease Paper Shortage

G-E Devices Fight War Of Their Own

The busy little electronic tube and that versatile handy-man, the amplidyne, both by G-E, are fighting a war of their own against their sworn enemy, the well-known paper shortage, it became known this week. Installed on paper machines, these doughty fighters and their allies, such G-E equipment as turbines, generators, motors, switchgear, voltage regulators, speed regulators and control, combine to ease strain, save breaks in paper runs and enable an added speed-up which has made it unnecessary in many instances to manufacture new production machinery.

A modern paper machine is an imposing thing to behold. It looks to be about a block long, though its actual measurement from head, or "wet," end to tail, or calender end, is about 300 feet. The typical machine uses wood pulp, which pours out of a head box at the wet end, looking, in the case of newsprint pulp, very much like gray or white water.

Goes Long Journey

From there on, it is the business of the machine to take most of the water out of the pulp, dry it, give a final finish to the paper into which it has been made, and then wind the paper into rolls. From the wet pulp stage it soon graduates into a wide, continuous strip, and in the span of its journey it goes through a variety of processes.

First the bulk of the water departs through a wire mesh, where the pulp is made into a wet sheet, or "web." Then the web passes to a series of press rolls, which remove more of the water. In the next step, the wet sheet goes over a series of steam-heated drying rolls. The typical newsprint machine has 30 to 50 of these, and before the sheet has passed over many of them, it looks to the unpracticed eye very much like completed paper, though it has not yet become fully dry and has very little tensile strength.

Coming off the last drying roll, it has tensile strength, but no finish, and this is imparted by one or more tiers of calender rolls, or highly polished metal rollers set one above the other at extremely high pressure. This ends the paper-making, and as it leaves the calenders, the finished product is prepared in various ways for the market. Newsprint, for instance, is wound into rolls and subsequently trimmed, slitted and re-wound into smaller rolls for shipment.

Faster at Calender End

To think that all of these moving parts must revolve in unison is like thinking that a large family of children born of the same parents will all look exactly alike. There is not a chance of it. For at the calender end, the paper must move faster than at the wet end. This is because the pressing of the pulp lengthens the strip, and the drying rolls and calenders have to take up the "slack." The pulp on the wire mesh at the wet end may run no more than 92 to 94 per cent as fast as the paper at the calender end.

But if the dry end moves just a little too fast, then the strip breaks, and harassed machine tenders race to get things running smoothly again without too much waste of paper—all without stopping the machine, which in the average mill runs 24 hours a day for 312 days a year.

Until recently paper-makers have always been vexed with the problem of adjusting the various sections of their machines. In early days, the whole thing ran from a single drive shaft, with speed variations taken care of by cone pulleys and belts. That did well enough for the era of slow paper-making, but even then there were troubles caused by uneven wear, friction and other causes, which varied the load and upset the speed ratio.

Must Be Reset

When a different kind of paper is to be made, the entire machine has to be reset for a changed speed, and in earlier days the making of all the delicate adjustments took much time. A typical change, from heavy to light craft, or wrapping, paper may involve a speed-up of six or eight times.

General Electric has been furnishing motor drives for the various sections of paper machines since 1909, and the ease of adjustment has been marked, in comparison with the old cone pulley method, particularly in view of the tremendously increased speeds at which machines run in recent years.

G-E's latest improvements involve the use of electronic tubes and the amplidyne, the tubes to pick up a signal of the slightest change in speed and amplify it so that it may be applied to the amplidyne for holding the speed practically constant; the amplidyne for putting the amplification instantly into action. The amplidyne is that ingenious device which utilizes the well-known short circuit to control precisely and almost instantaneously the speed and power output of electric motors by amplifying a small into a large voltage.

What Amplidyne Does

For instance, when a gunner on a B-29 aims a distant gun and it swings sharply to bear on the enemy, it is a G-E amplidyne that has turned it like a flash against the push of the tornado-like slipstream. On a sectional drive of a paper machine, the electronic tube and amplidyne enable the sectional drive to "feel" the variations in speed which used to spell trouble, and they enable the paper-maker to maintain constant speed regardless of load.

With the G-E apparatus, speeds of the various section motors can be continuously held within .05 per cent of a level preset by the operator, despite variations in load. In addition, a precise differential between one section and the next can be held over a wider speed range.

All of this means the faster making of better paper, a substantial contribution to the war effort and an influence for the shortening of the war itself.

Booster Tickets Go On Sale



Sale of the first Booster ticket of the season was made by Jim Daley, right, to Jack Lewis, Bldg. 17-2, left, who is an ardent G-E Club backer. Mr. Daley, together with Erven Huth, is in charge of all sales of Booster tickets.

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club baseball executive committee has decided again to offer the Booster Tickets to the employees and have appointed Erven Huth and Jim Daley as co-chairmen of the sales campaign.

The Booster Tickets will sell for $1.00 and will afford the bearer the opportunity to see the G-E Club play for an additional 50¢, tax included. General admission, that is, admission without the benefit of the Booster Tickets, will be 75¢, tax included.

Both Mr. Huth and Mr. Daley have announced that there will be at least one Booster Ticket salesman on every floor of the Fort Wayne Works. In this manner, each and every employee will be able to purchase Booster Tickets without delay. Booster Tickets will also be on sale at the G-E Club candy stand in Bldg. 23.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

If the weather is nice, there will be a practice session next Tuesday, April 17, at 5:15 P.M. for the G-E Club team. Any girl interested in trying out for the Club team should be at the G-E Clubhouse at that time, and we will go out to practice. I need several girls, so I would like to see a big turn out—bring your glove and be at the Club at 5:15.

Helen Forker, Mgr.

17-3 Newsies

Helen Oswald must have thought she was on a street car the other day when she tried to give the candy lady a car check. . . . We heard Alice Lester talking about taking a furlough. We know you meant a vacation, Alice. . . . Our best wishes for many more happy birthdays go to John Williams, Phyllis Gorell, and Phyllis Corell. . . . Our congratulations to Imogene Lehman on her marriage, and to Phyllis Taylor, who will be married in a few days.... Bonnie Shoner Kesterson, formerly of Bldg. 17-3, is in the hospital after an operation. Let's send her cards. . . . For a perfect pie crust, always see Marjie Rouch. . . . Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go to Caroline Snyder. . . . Emma Ebling is back with us after a visit to her brother in Colorado.

Woman Biologist Decribes Work On Soggy Fungi

Soggy fungi, which impair the striking power and durability of vitally important war equipment in humid and tropical areas, have been christened informally with Japanese names by Ruth Wyant, biologist, who is one of the research scientists now seeking to render the parasites harmless in General Electric's Schenectady Works Laboratory.

Pointing to a greenish, moldish mass clustering to an insulated wire in a glass test dish, Miss Wyant, who is 25 years old, said: "Tojos." A whole colony of tiny destroyers. They look dead, but they're not. They keep multiplying night and day.

"These fungus Tojos and all their many parasitic kin are a menace to delicate equipment. Colonies of them sometimes clog machinery. Some of them give off acids strong enough to damage metallic and electrical devices, particularly in such hot and muggy areas as our armed forces are operating in against the Japs. Insulation on electric wires sometimes doesn't even stop them in the tropics, unless the insulated coating has been treated scientifically to withstand the parasitic fungi."

Miss Wyant hasn't christened all of the 200 varieties of fungi which have been catalogued by G-E scientists, but she looks upon them as barbaric Japanese allies. In the course of the experiments and many tests she has made in combating them in that part of the G-E laboratory known as the scientific fungus farm, she has observed their prolific destructive habits—always with the idea uppermost in her mind of contributing scientifically to eliminating the damage being wrought on war equipment by these virtually microscopic agents of destruction.

Much information about fungi has been obtained already by Miss Wyant in her hundreds of tests made in the G-E laboratory to determine exactly how the growths of parasites affect insulated wire, coils, switches, and many other electric devices under varied temperatures and atmospheric conditions.

"This is relatively a new field," Miss Wyant said. "There aren't many books on the subject. I've read what there is, but no one knows too much about combating fungi—particularly in areas like the tropics, where the moldy parasites thrive in lush conditions of heat and high humidity.

"Scientists here at G-E and elsewhere are making advances in this important research. Several fungicidal varnishes, waxes and lacquers have been developed, which in the overall reduce the depredations of the fungi greatly. However, the complete and perfect answer for fungus control under all conditions has not yet been found."

Miss Wyant explained that although fungi thrived most in hot, moist places that since it travelled with the wind and frequently moved about the earth in cargoes it was likely to appear almost any place.

"This is vitally interesting work," Miss Wyant said. "I make from 50 to 100 tests a day, and everyone of them is different from the others. Each is liable to produce something new—maybe what we especially are looking for in the way of a control substance that will work anywhere under all conditions."

Miss Wyant, who was graduated in 1943 from North Carolina State College, Durham, N. C., is the only woman biologist doing research in the G-E scientific fungus farm.

First becoming interested in trying to get the answer to things of a scientific nature by experimentation while in high school at Charlottesville, Virginia, where her family still lives, Miss Wyant continued this trend in college. There she majored in home economics and biology. A major part of her spare time was spent in the laboratory, where she concentrated on experiments in addition to those required in the courses she was taking. Reading of scientific books now is her major hobby.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Otto Aumiller (4)*	R. 2, Roanoke, Ind.	6-B	Kronmiller	11:00- 7:00
Gerald O. Adams (4)*	R. 1, Convoy, Ohio	26-5	Schafenacker	7:00- 4:00
	Coming in on No. 30—30 miles out.			
Everett C. Schurg (4)*	R. 2, Woodburn, Ind.	17-1	Neuman	
Robert L. Stotler (3)*	Hicksville, Ohio	26-4	Lockwood	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 37 through Harlan.			
Owen Yoder (3)*	R. R., Wawaka, Ind.	28	Miller	8:00- 5:00
	Coming in on No. 9 and No. 33.			

Employees Seeking Rides

Elaine Litzenberg	Payne, Ohio	12-2	Morton	7:00- 3:30
Isabell Overton	Payne, Ohio	12-2	Morton	7:00- 3:30
Henry Stegman	R. 4, Fort Wayne	4-4	Skevington	7:00- 3:30
	Thiele Road, 15 miles out.			
Joan King	South Whitley	27	Bowman	8:00- 5:15
	Wants a ride Saturdays only.			

* Number of Riders desired.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foremen	Hours
Jesse Millican	Andrews, Indiana	Langdon	2:48-10:48
Arnold Anthony	Markle, Indiana	Deahl	6:48- 2:48

Table Tennis Tournament Taken By Ferverda

Results For All Events Announced

Lore Ferverda, Bldg. 28-1, was the winner of the coveted men's singles trophy in the ninth annual G-E Club Table Tennis Tournament, which was completed last Friday night. He won the trophy by defeating Ted Reed, runner-up, 21-14, 21-16, 22-20. Semi-finalists were Bob Karasek and C. Mannan.

Results for the other events scheduled in the tournament were also announced. The champion in the women's singles was Mrs. Harry Renner, who defeated Phyllis Amstutz 21-4, 21-13, 21-4. Semi-finalists were Mrs. Emerson Downie and Mrs. Hubert Myers. Men's doubles were won by Wallace Fox and Leonard Michel, who won from Karasek and Hubert Myers 21-15, 21-11, 22-20. Ferverda and Mrs. Renner became mixed doubles champions by winning from Miss Amstutz and Homer Campbell 21-13, 14-21, 21-19, 19-21, 21-18.

Several interesting personal items were uncovered during the tourney. Ferverda, the men's singles winner, was also the champion in 1942 and 1943. The 1944 winner was W. Rapp. Fox and Michel, who were winners in the men's doubles, showed up in the win column after a lapse of four years. They were winners in 1940 and 1941. Mrs. Renner, a newcomer who is outstanding in her play, teamed with Ferverda to win the mixed doubles, thus forming a new combination for the table tennis tournament.

These table tennis tournaments are held annually for G-E employees and their families and are always well attended. They were begun in 1937 and have steadily increased in popularity. Dale Hart was manager of the tourney just completed.

KOKOMO BOWLING LEAGUE

By W. G. Kretzmann

The Kokomo bowlers added a final flourish to their '44-'45 league season by tapering off with a Hi-Lo Doubles Tourney. All regular and substitute bowlers were eligible to participate and 36 entries were submitted. Pairing these into 18 teams, they were turned loose on the alleys April 5, to shoot their best.

After the noise has died down, and the scores were tabulated, the following went home with the bacon: Buesking-Baker 1068; Dressel-Springer 1053; Bergman-Weliver 1043; Stodgell-Johnson 1006; Reith-Armey 988; and Bishoff-Hartzell 987.

The leading scorer was Bergman who turned in a neat 603 series which included a 208 and a 224. 500 series were rolled by Stodgell 570; Baker 559; Bishoff 556; Dressel 541; Spahr 540; Rapp 537; Springer 512; Reith and Hollingsworth each 510; Buesking 509; Withers 505; and Newlon an even 500. Besides Bergman's 200's the following also got over the 2C mark: Dressel 212; Baker 210; Spahr and Newlon each 204; Stodgell 202; and Rapp 201.

From all reports the tourney was enjoyed by all participants and the rooting section, which was composed of a number of the fair sex from the office and Von Grant, who made his first trip to the alleys since his accident three weeks ago.

In signing off for the season, we thank all those whose comments, suggestions and encouragements have kept this column alive. We were gratified to learn that this weekly article was read and commented upon by a Kokomo employee, now a Marine on Iwo Jima.

GOOD MORNING *Bowling League*

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 5 won three games from Team No. 9. Team No. 6 won three games from Team No. 10. Team No. 1 won two games from Team No. 4. Team No. 7 won two games from Team No. 12. Team No. 8 won two games from Team No. 2. Team No. 11 won two games from Team No. 3.

Standings

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 11	29	13
Team No. 2	25	17
Team No. 3	23	19
Team No. 1	23	19
Team No. 12	23	19
Team No. 6	23	19
Team No. 9	21	21
Team No. 5	21	21
Team No. 4	20	22
Team No. 7	17	25
Team No. 10	15	27
Team No. 8	12	30

600 Series—Kraft 192-212-220—624.

200 Games—Stiver 201; C. Tarney 202; Myers 210; Huff 210; Demsey 219.

Well, fellows, this is the last week of bowling in this league. We will have a roll off of the winners of first half and second half for league champs. When this is to be rolled off has not yet been decided. I will try to let every one know this Saturday. Your secretary, Harold F. McKee.

G-E OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

R. F. Dressel

Standings 4-7-45

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 8	27	15
Team No. 6	26	16
Team No. 12	26	16
Team No. 3	25	17
Team No. 7	24	18
Team No. 9	23	19
Team No. 2	23	19
Team No. 4	22	20
Team No. 1	19	23
Team No. 10	14	28
Team No. 5	14	28
Team No. 11	11	31

Results of Bowling

Team No. 3 won three games by forfeit from Team No. 10. Team No. 7 won three games from Team No. 11. Team No. 8 won two games from Team No. 4. Team No. 1 won two games from Team No. 9. Team No. 2 won two games from Team No. 5. Team No. 12 won two games from Team No. 6.

200 Games—G. Hughes 242; P. Stiver 220; B. Garard 207; M. Walchle 214; G. Todd 205; R. Mathias 215; G. Sarrazin 205; T. Rockhill 202.

Bowling Tournament At Club April 20-28

A double handicap bowling tournament will be held at the G-E Club beginning April 20 through Saturday, April 28, excluding Sunday, April 22. In order to make it possible for all G-E employees to take advantage of the tournament, the following schedule has been arranged:

April 20—6:30 P.M., 8:30 P.M.
April 21—10:00 A.M., 7:00 P.M., 9:00 P.M.
April 23—6:30 P.M.
April 24—6:30 P.M.
April 25—8:30 P.M.
April 26—6:30 P.M., 8:30 P.M.
April 27—6:30 P.M., 8:30 P.M.
April 28—10:00 A.M., 12:00 noon, 7:00 P.M., 9:00 P.M.

The tourney is open to all G-E employees, whether they bowl at the G-E Club or at an ABC-sanctioned league; however, averages must be verified by league secretaries. Entry blanks are available at the G-E Club; entries may also be made by phoning the Club alleys, telephone 742. An entry fee of $4.00 per team must accompany each entry. An individual may bowl as many times as he wishes, but he must have a different partner for each entry. If an individual is bowling in more than one league, he should use his highest average. Handicap will be 75% of 400; four men will bowl per alley. Prizes will be awarded.

Additional information on the tourney can be obtained by contacting Art Ackerman or Edd Yahne, phone 742.

"LET US NOT THROW AWAY VICTORY BY GIVING EASY TERMS to Germany and Japan," declared Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson in a recent speech. "Those nations have plunged the world into sorrow, misery and ruin on a scale more vast than history has any record of," he went on, "and we must keep in mind the enormity of their crimes when they put on their campaign for pity and try to pass the blame to a few leaders. There will be sentimentalists among us who will fall for that stuff. We know from experience after World War I that a soft peace with Germany does not take away her lust for war and conquest. A peace that leaves Germany and Japan with the means of making war again will surely pave the way for World War III and will render futile the sacrifice of those brave men who have laid down their lives on the Normandy beaches, at Salerno and at many another field of battle far from home."—Army-Navy Release.

Ten Minutes Over Japan On A B-29

Ten minutes over Japan with a B-29 bomber, recorded on a G-E Wire Recorder, was the high light of the "Fighting AAF" program on the Blue network program last Saturday afternoon at 1:30.

Describing the attack on industrial targets as it happened, from aboard the Superfortress City of Muncie, AAF Combat Correspondent Hal Brown recorded the action from two minutes before the plane's bombing run until the ship was over open water heading home. The recorder had caught the correspondent's observations and the conversation of the crew members over the ship's inter-communication system.

Listeners heard the vibrations caused by the rocking of the ship when it ran into anti-aircraft, machine gun bursts at enemy fighters and the yells of the crew when an enemy plane went down in flames. The crew was credited with downing three Jap fighters. There were no casualties, although the bomber was surrounded by enemy planes during its run.

Another part of the AAF show presented a wire recording of an A-26 fighter-bomber raid on railroad yards in Germany. Diving from 13,500 feet, the A-26 dropped its load squarely on the target. Heard were the instructions to the bombardier and the pilot and then, "Let's get the hell out of here, Nick," when their job was done.

The Fighting AAF Show is heard every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on the Blue Network and features wire recordings made on G-E magnetic wire recorders in far-flung war theatres. Recorded on spools no larger than a doughnut, the records are flown in for presentation on the program.

John Smith happened to witness a minor holdup. In due time, the police arrived, and one officer asked the witness his name.

"John Smith," replied Smith.

"Cut the comedy," snapped the cop. "What's your real name?"

"All right," said Smith, "put me down as Winston Churchill."

"That's more like it," said the officer. "You can't fool me with that Smith stuff."

Table Tennis Event Winners Listed



Winners and runners-up in the various events of the annual Table Tennis Tournament are pictured above. Front row, left to right, are Mrs. Harry Renner, winner of women's singles and of mixed doubles; L. Ferverda, winner of men's singles and mixed doubles; Phyllis Amstutz, runner-up in women's singles and mixed doubles; W. Fox and L. Michel, winners of men's doubles. Back row, left to right, C. Mannan, semi-finalist in men's singles; Ted Reed, runner-up in men's singles; H. Myers, runner-up in men's doubles; H. Campbell, runner-up in mixed doubles; B. Karasek, semi-finalist in men's singles; and Dale Hart, tournament manager.

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It's Never Too Early To Start



Sharon Ann Kahlenbeck, six months, believes that it's never too early to start buying War Bonds. That bank she's trying to get away from Grandfather Ernest W. Kahlenbeck, Bldg. 27, has already produced two War Bonds and is well on its way toward providing another for the Seventh War Loan. Sharon has a good reason for buying bonds, because she wants her daddy, Bob, Bldg. 4-2, to come home soon. He is aboard a Navy carrier at sea.

Quarterly Report Is Made By President Wilson

Red Cross Head Expresses Thanks For Contributions

Elliott S. Moses, executive director of the Fort Wayne Chapter of the American Red Cross, has expressed his appreciation to the employees of the Fort Wayne Works for their contributions during the recent Red Cross War Fund Drive in a letter to J. W. Crise, executive assistant who was in charge of the drive. Mr. Moses' letter reads in part:

"I should like to take this opportunity to personally express my appreciation to you and to the employees of the General Electric Company for the outstanding part you and they played in our 1945 War Fund Campaign.

"Not only did the total of contributions hit a new high, but so also did the per capita contribution. And as a result of our campaign being separate from that of the Community Chest, the financial payment has been made and the campaign completed now

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Pilot Liberated

Sec. Lt. Eugene Royer, Bldg. 4-4, who has been missing in action since February 23 over Western Germany, has been released from a German prisoner of war camp by advancing Allied armies. He is now in Allied hands and is being cared for by the Red Cross.

Comparative Statement Of Operations For First Three Months Of 1945 And 1944 Issued

General Electric Company profit available for dividends for the first three months this year amounted to $11,762,662, or 41 cents a share of common stock, President Charles E. Wilson announced Tuesday at the annual meeting of the Company's stockholders. This represented an increase of 13 per cent over the $10,384,405, or 36 cents a share, earned during the corresponding quarter of last year.

Net sales billed, representing shipments, during the first quarter of this year totalled $309,766,472 compared with $354,624,206 in the same period a year ago, a decrease of 13 per cent. Mr. Wilson explained that the reduction in billing resulted from lower prices on war products and from decreased output in one operating department where it was necessary to make a complete changeover in order to manufacture a different type of product required by the Armed Services.

Total Income Less

"Due largely to these factors and to the fact that costs and expenses did not decrease proportionately," he said, "the Company's total income was 37 per cent less than in the first quarter of last year. However, this decrease was more than offset by a 46 per cent reduction in the amount set aside as provision for Federal taxes on income and for postwar adjustments and contingencies so that there was an in-

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New Air Conditioning Department Established

George R. Prout Named General Manager

Establishment of the Air Conditioning Department as one of the six major operating departments of the General Electric Company was announced this week by President Charles E. Wilson. Operations pertaining to heating, air conditioning and commercial refrigeration have previously been the responsibility of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department. The new Department will have its headquarters at Bloomfield, N. J., and George R. Prout has been designated as General Manager.

Mr. Prout is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and has been connected with General Electric since 1920, when he enrolled in the various student engineering courses while an undergraduate. Subsequently he represented the Company in New England and in the southwest, and in 1939 was appointed Manager of the industrial department for the entire southwest district. In 1941 he became manager of the industrial control division, with headquarters in Schenectady, and in 1944 was assigned to manage the air conditioning and commercial refrigeration activities in Bloomfield.

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CASUALTIES

Lt. Charles Lahrman, Bldg. 6-4, has been reported missing in action over Germany as of March 24.

PFC John Kemper, Bldg. 6-2, was wounded March 28 after his battle unit crossed the Rhine River.

PFC Robert M. Ringle, Winter Street, suffered a fractured collar bone while in action in Germany.

PFC Charles D. Putman, Jr., Bldg. 6-4, was injured in action for the third time in Manila March 2.

PFC Robert E. Younghaus, Bldg. 19-5, was wounded March 16 in Germany.

G-E Development Helps Smash German Tanks

Projectiles With Cemented Tungsten Carbide Cores Prove Effective

Armor piercing projectiles with cores of cemented tungsten carbide, the hardest metal made by man, are being used by United States Army forces to smash the thick steel walls of German Tiger and Royal Tiger tanks with precision, it was announced by the Ordnance Division of Carboloy Company, Inc.

These projectiles, Carboloy engineers explained, actually are shells within shells, and they form a striking force so effective that the heavy steel shields of German tanks have been pierced by single hits at ranges up to 3000 yards.

Two outstanding combat advantages have been established for this projectile since use of it in action by the United States Army began during the St. Lo break-through last summer.

1. The extremely hard and tough tungsten carbide core penetrates armor with far greater effectiveness than will steel piercing units.

2. The new-type projectile weighs less than other anti-tank shells of

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New General Supervisors



John F. Welch



Raymond J. Hoffman

Announcement has been made of the appointment of John F. Welch to be a member of the staff of the Administrator of Product Quality as General Supervisor of Inspection and the concurrent appointment of Raymond J. Hoffman as General Supervisor of Testing.

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Keep On Learning

There is always something new to learn about your job, even if you are an old-timer.

The alert worker doesn't stop after he's been broken in on the job. He finds out the "why" as well as the "how" of what he is doing. He masters the job and then goes on to develop knacks of his own.

Every day better machines are invented that require different skills. Old methods, respected for years, are refined or changed under the pressure of war. New materials are coming into use.

Instead of being left flat when changes come, you can be out in front if you keep "in training" all the time.

You Wouldn't-But Would You?

You wouldn't place a board with a nail upturned in the path of a fellow-employee—but would you pick it up or bend the nail, if you passed that way?

You wouldn't put an obstruction on the stairs—but would you remove one, if you saw it?

You wouldn't operate your machine without using the guards provided—but would you do all you could to make a fellow-employee use the guards on his machine?

You wouldn't tell a fellow-employee not to wear his goggles—but would you make a special effort to get him to wear them?

We could go on and on with these "sins of omission," but we believe we have said enough to give you some food for thought. May we suggest that you apply some of these to your daily contacts with your fellow-man? The answers might be surprising.

The Jet Plane Race

News that America's newest jet plane, the P-80, with motors by G-E, is in mass production will be welcomed by everyone. Many months ago Wing Commander Whittle, of Britain's R. A. F., brought his earlier motor design to the River Works and merged his know-how with the many years of General Electric experience leading to development of the supercharger.

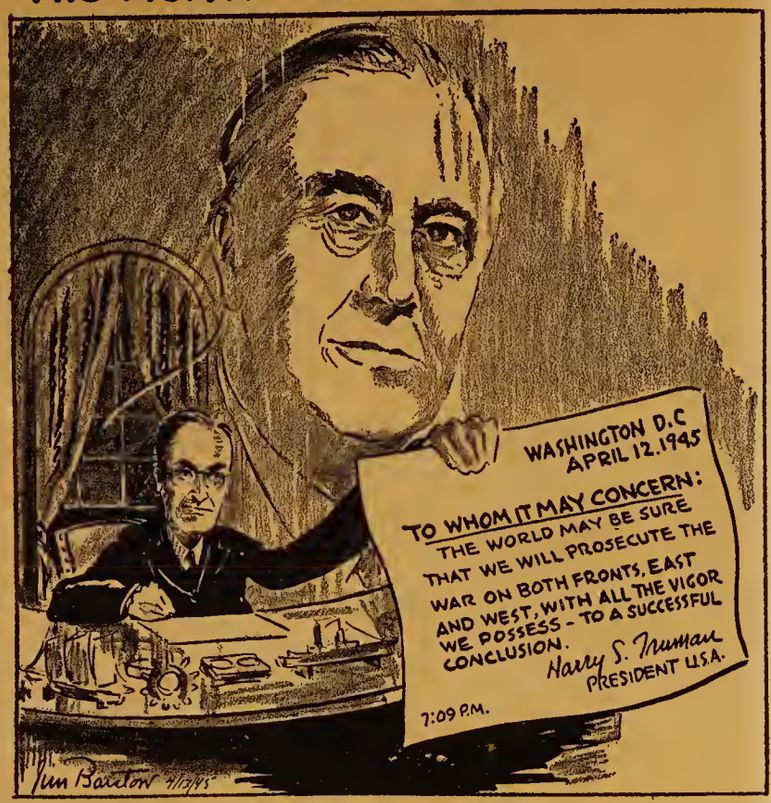
Since then great strides have been made in the design of both motor and plane, and the P-80, or "Shooting Star," may now be confidently expected to compete on equal or better terms with the German jet. The Germans, desperately trying to counter the Allied superiority in numbers and in quantity of equipment, have had a jet plane, the M-262, in combat use for some months now.

Whether this plane, or a later model, was the type which attacked the Rhine bridge at Remagen is not known. The "New York Times" reports that the M-262 is not as maneuverable as the propeller-type plane and has only a short flight duration.

How rapidly improvements are being made in jet-propelled craft may be judged by progress in England. Lately their "Meteor," according to the "Times," was chasing buzz-bombs at 480 miles per hour or thereabouts. But debate in the House of Commons now mentions a newer British jet in its primary stages, designed for a speed greater than sound—720 miles an hour.

And so the race to develop the world's fastest jet ship goes on. Though the German armies may be reeling back, the Nazi will to produce super-weapons remains, and there are still industrial hideouts in Germany capable of some, though perhaps limited, production.

HIS FIGHTING SPIRIT CARRIES ON



The nation, which staggered last week under the worst blow it has felt since Pearl Harbor, has rallied now and faces with renewed determination the work of winning, first the war and then the peace. Heartsick, the men and women of General Electric stuck grimly to their machines and their desks as the world paid homage to the still form in the flag-draped casket. He would have wished them to.

There is a new Chief at Washington, a man of the soil, trained in the tradition of democracy. He is able. He knows the plain people's needs, for he is one of them. He begins his task humbly, seeking their support and understanding as he faces his gigantic responsibilites.

The people of General Electric will give him that support and understandng, with all their hearts.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

GOOD PLANNING MAKES FOR GOOD GARDENING

By the
HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS
of the
General Electric Consumers Institute

How much is left from your last year's canning and freezing? What do you wish you had left? Do you wish you had canned another 10 quarts of tomato juice, or corn, or beans? Do you wish you had frozen another 25 pounds of strawberries?

Dr. Jennie McIntosh, Consumers Institute staff nutritionist, asks you these questions and she answers them with more questions suggesting plans for this year's garden.

First, she recommends that you take stock now: an inventory of how far your preserved food from last summer has stretched; last year's food expenditures; and last year's food shortages. Then take a few minutes to plan what you want more of next winter, and what you can plant less of this summer.

When you are planning this year's garden here are some important factors to consider:

Persons vs. Vegetables

How many persons must your garden feed during the summer, and, during the fall and winter when it is no longer yielding fresh foods. Do these people have any decided likes and dislikes in vegetables?

What proportion of the vegetables used during the late fall and winter can the garden supply? Which vegetables will you prefer to buy fresh?

Storage

What storage space will you have available? Do you have a root cellar? If you raise enough rutabagas, potatoes and other root crops to last until March or April is your storage space adequate, of good temperature, and dry?

Do you have a home freezer or a locker? Can you secure additional locker space? How much of this space will be given over to meat? How many products which you froze last year could be preserved equally well in some other way? For instance, it is possible to freeze tomato juice, but the same product may be canned; whereas canned strawberries are inferior to frozen ones.

Do you need to use so many air tight jars for pickles and jams? What jams were most popular? Which ones have been accumulating from year to year?

A Nutritious Garden

Let's consider the nutritional angle a bit, for we depend on fruits and vegetables for many dietary needs.

Try to include in your garden those vegetables and fruits which are especially good sources of carotene (which becomes vitamin A in our bodies) and vitamin C. The green and yellow vegetables contain carotene, the intensity of color being a fair indication of its concentration. For instance, the green outer leaves of cabbage have more carotene than the bleached inner leaves.

Many vegetables are even better sources of vitamin C than citrus fruits. For vitamin C vegetables in your garden include broccoli, green peppers, spinach, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, parsnips, asparagus, tomatoes, cauliflower, rutabagas and their relatives.

You can preserve your vegetables and still serve them with a high nutritive value, so consider the possibilities of your garden—make it work for you, for your family's health, and for the war effort.



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Overseas



G. Gordon R. Gordon

Brothers overseas are Gail Gordon, Bldg. 4-2, and Roy Gordon, Bldg. 26-B. According to a short wave broadcast heard recently from Germany, Gail, who had been reported missing in action, was listed as a prisoner of war. Roy is somewhere in the South Pacific.

Lt. John E. Davenport has been awarded a third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal.

PFC Clarence Walther, somewhere in France, says, "Keep up the good work there. Tell hello to every one. Perhaps soon I shall be there again—I hope."

PFC Edward Stein is now located in France.

Dear Editor:

A few lines to say hello to you and all of my friends. Things have sure changed since I last wrote to you. . . . I can not tell you much about the work or equipment we used, but the General Electric equipment is always there for us and never lets us down. I have seen a lot of things over here and been a lot of places, but the place I sure hope to see and I hope it is soon is good old Fort Wayne. Well I close with a big hello to everybody and keep up the good work and the WORKS NEWS coming.

As ever,
PFC Eric Lindquist

Lt. John J. Doswell took part in a powerful Thunderbolt attack against the vital Udine-Campo Formido airdrome in Northern Italy, one of the few remaining active enemy air centers.

Allen E. Jackson, S 2/c, is stationed at Fort Pierce, Florida.

Pvt. Donald J. Ladig has been transferred to Sheppard Field, Texas.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Charles Schaffer, S 2/c, says, "Tell all of them I said hello."

1st Lt. Garth D. Cobbum has been transferred to Salina, Kansas.

Lt. Donald L. Meyer, Bldg. 12-2, has been awarded the Air Medal "for meritorious achievement while participating in a number of combat bombardment missions over Germany."

It's The Best



W. K. McIver, Jr. L. E. Poorman

"I have worked with the U. S. Army rocket launcher or bazooka, which has a G-E electric appliance. It is great and to make no bones about it, it is the best. To the gang I say keep these coming, for we use them all the time," says Pvt. Lawerence E. Poorman, Bldg. 17-2. He is in the infantry. William K. McIver, Jr., Bldg. 4-6, is in the Navy and is stationed at Great Lakes. "You make 'em and I'll shoot 'em."

Swell



G. L. Kling A. G. Bultemeyer

"I think the Navy is swell and you're sure doing a fine job here. Keep it up," says Gloria L. Kling, S 2/c, Bldgs. 19-2 and 18-B. Alberta G. Bultemeyer, S 1/c (Y) was employed in Bldg. 31-1 before joining the WAVES. "The G-E still looks the same. It is fun visiting, but I'm anxious to get started on my job in the Bureau of Ships. We had nice living quarters on the campus of the Oklahoma A. & M. College, where we attended yeoman school." She is stationed in Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

After spending several months in France I find great pleasure in reading the G-E NEWS. There are very few things here in France to compensate for the longing of our loved ones and friends, but the G-E NEWS goes a long way toward alleviating this feeling. The little newspaper is always welcome and it helps fill in the tremendous gap of those thousands of miles of separation.

Not only does the newspaper recall G-E and my friends, but being a radio artilleryman I have often used G-E products which I like to imagine were manufactured in the Fort Wayne plant. Keep up the good work—we need G-E for a quick return home.

Regards to John Scott of the Taylor Street Plant and my other friends.

Sincerely,
PFC Harold Richmond

Lt. John A. Marks, Bldg. 26-3, bombardier-navigator on a B-24 Liberator bomber, has been awarded the Air Medal for "accomplishing with distinction several aerial operational missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe."

Sgt. Robert J. Swager, Taylor Street, who is now in Germany, recently received the Combat Infantryman's Medal.

M/Sgt. Robert J. Shirey, somewhere overseas, says, "Two fine basketball teams at the Club this year."

Dear Editor:

. . . . For some-reason the army seems bound and determined that they are going to keep me in a hot climate all of the time. This is the fourth winter they have had me where it is hot, this time in New Guinea. I'll be too lazy to eat in another year or two.

They are keeping me pretty busy over here now. I'm test pilot, flight commander, assistant engineering officer and have to take over whenever the ground engineering officer is gone, as well as my regular flying duties. I'm with a swell outfit, the first troop carrier outfit overseas and in action. . . .

Yours,
Lt. Thomas B. Murdock

Sgt. R. R. Racht has returned to the United States and is stationed at Santa Ana, California.

Cpl. William Burke, who is stationed in England, says, "Spring is here in England now; the days are getting longer and as you may know that in the summer the sun is out till very late—sometimes to 10:20 P. M. — something very strange to me when I first arrived here."

Louis W. Pieper, S 1/c, is stationed at Corpus Christi, Texas.

All Corners



J. E. Mitchell M. A. Gotsch

"The good old monogram is ever present in all corners of the globe. Keep 'em coming," J. E. Mitchell, SK 3/c, says. He was employed in Bldg. 31-1 before joining the Seabees. Marcus A. Gotsch, S 1/c, Bldgs. 17-4, 12-2, and 26-5, is also a member of the Navy.

Journey Through Russia

After returning from a 52-day journey through Russia as a result of his 15th AAF Flying Fortress



having fallen victim to heavy flak, S/Sgt. Robert E. Richards, Bldg. 4-2, is welcomed back to his base in southern Italy by Maj. Donald W. Ewing, his commanding officer.

On the day after Christmas, during an attack against the oil refineries at Blechhammer, Richards' Fort was ringed with flak from the multitude of ack-ack guns protecting that vital target area. Several near-misses stabbed the ship with flying steel, and disabled the oxygen system, the hydraulic system, and all the instruments—including both compasses, which left the crew isolated in space. The navigator's computer was shot from his hand, and the radio operator lost his transmitter-key in the same abrupt fashion; the emergency rations were peppered, most of the parachutes were shredded beyond utility, and the gas tanks were riddled—one burst put the bomb racks out of commission, and for the next few hours, while Richards was splicing severed control cables, the bombardier balanced on the narrow catwalk kicking out bombs to lighten the load.

Because one engine and the wing behind it had caught fire, the pilot pulled away from the formation to minimize the danger to his squadron when the explosion the anxious crew all expected should occur; but after a fifteen-minute reign of terror the fire died, and after several attempts the gutted engine feathered. On the three remaining powerplants, all of which were wheezing and coughing in agony, the pilot and co-pilot together managed to limp the tattered Fort over 150 miles of hostile territory and land just two and a half miles behind the Russian lines at a fighter field.

After a period of welcome recuperation at this stop, Richards and his crew were taken to an evacuation headquarters for Allied airmen. Here they were picked up and flown back to their base in southern Italy. "It was the rough way home all right," commented Richards, "but we were lucky to land in Russian hands—they made sure we had the best of everything they could give us!"

He wears the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, and is a veteran of 25 sorties over priority targets in Germany and the Balkans. He completed telegraph and telephone school at Camp Crowder, Mo., on July 17, 1943, and won his wings at Las Vegas, Nev., on May 6, 1944. After leaving the United States on Aug. 8, 1944, he flew his first mission, an attack against Barovincia, Yugoslavia, on Aug. 26.

Buddies



S. A. Sallot, Jr. A. E. Knox

"The WORKS NEWS is the only way that I can keep up on G-E sports. I'm also interested in the servicemen's page—it's surprising how many of my buddies' pictures and letters are published," says Alva E. Knox, of the Navy. He is stationed at West Lafayette, Indiana, and was formerly employed at the Taylor Street Plant. Stephen A. Sallot, Jr., is a member of the Naval Reserve stationed at Chicago, Illinois. He was employed in the Tool Room at Taylor Street.

Taylor Street Will Hold Family Party On May 3

Announcement has been made by the Taylor Street Athletic Committee that the annual Taylor Street Family Party will be held on Thursday evening, May 3, at the G-E Club. The party is open to all employees of the Taylor Street Plant and members of their families. Admission will be by special tickets, which may be obtained from foremen.

The entertainment for the evening has been arranged in two parts, with special consideration being given to children for the early part of the evening. The program will start at 7:45 P.M. with movies, a magician, and the "Andrews sisters," popular Taylor Street trio. Special entertainment will be furnished by Ilene Franke, accordionist. Refreshments will be served at 9 o'clock.

The remainder of the evening will be given over to dancing, featuring both round dancing and square dancing. Les Hines and his orchestra, from the Taylor Street Plant, will provide the music. Joe Packer will do the calling for the square dances.

An invitation is extended to all employees of the Taylor Street Plant to attend the party together with their families.

Red Cross

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rather than at the end of the year.

"Your workers are leaders in giving as well as in producing the weapons of war."

The total local works' contribution to the American Red Cross during the 1945 War Fund Campaign, including the company's contribution on a national basis allocated to Fort Wayne and Allen County, was $61,898. Per capita contribution was $2.70.

Quarterly Report

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crease in the profit available for dividends."

A dividend of 40 cents a share will be paid on April 25 to 235,742 stockholders for the first quarter of 1945 compared with 35 cents a share paid for the first quarter of 1944. This will be the 191st dividend paid on the Company's common stock.

Comparative Statement

A comparative statement of operations for the first quarter of this year and last year, partly estimated and subject to audit at the year-end and also subject to review by the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board, is shown below:

	3 months ended March 31	
	1945	1944
Orders received	$395,466,000	$391,901,000
Net sales billed (shipments)	$309,766,472	$354,624,206
Costs, expenses and other charges	266,629,395	286,480,104
Income from sales	43,137,077	68,144,102
Income from other sources—net	1,825,585	3,240,303
Total income, before provisions shown below	44,962,662	71,384,405
Provision for:		
Federal income and excess profits taxes	35,000,000	61,000,000
Estimated postwar tax refund (credit)	3,000,000	5,550,000
Postwar adjustments and contingencies	1,200,000	5,550,000
	33,200,000	61,000,000
Profit available for dividends	$ 11,762,662	$ 10,384,405
Earnings per share on 28,845,927.36 shares issued	41 cents	36 cents

When Johnny Comes Marching Home



The above pictured mesdames are saving their money—via "piggy banks"—to purchase War Bonds. They have heard about the age-old sport of putting husbands in the dog house, and they are anxious to get on with the game. They know buying bonds will help bring "the boss" home sooner. Left to right, they are, sitting, Ruth McChristy, Mary Longenberger, Ethel Schlickman, Gladys Anderson, and Viola Archer. Back row, Charlene Dailey, Mary Schifferly, Virginia Dellinger, Alma Everhart. All are from Decatur.

New General Supervisors

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Mr. Welch was born in Fort Wayne and, after attending public schools and graduating from Central High School, attended first, Antioch College and then Purdue University. He was placed on the Test Engineer Program at the Fort Wayne Works in 1934 and from there transferred to the Product Service Section of the Specialty Appliance Sales Division with headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio. He was later assigned successively to Electric Refrigerator Sales and Electric Sink Sales, finally becoming Cleveland District Representative of Appliance Sales.

Mr. Welch returned to Fort Wayne Works in 1942 and became a member of the Product Quality Division in charge of Inspection. A short time later he was made Supervisor of Inspection, Fractional-Horsepower Motors, where he continued until his present appointment as General Supervisor of Inspection, Product Quality Division, Fort Wayne Works.

Mr. Welch married Mildred Grosvenor of Fort Wayne in 1935. They have one daughter, Ellen Joan, at school.

Mr. Hoffman was born in Fort Wayne and, after attending Fort Wayne parochial schools, graduated from St. Peter's Catholic High School. He joined the General Electric Company in 1906 as an electrical wireman and in 1907, was made a tester in the Arc Lamp Test. In 1909 he was transferred to the Apparatus Test and later was made foreman of Apparatus Test. He was made General Foreman of Apparatus Test in 1916 and General Foreman of Apparatus Inspection and Test in 1924.

Mr. Hoffman was transferred from operating to functional work in 1926 when he was made Superintendent of Inspection & Test and in 1940 his functional duties were broadened when he was made General Supervisor of Inspection and Tests. He returns to operating as General Supervisor of Testing, Product Quality Division, Fort Wayne Works.

Mr. Hoffman married Alvina Follmer of Monterey, Indiana, in 1917. They have a daughter, Roberta, who is the wife of F. E. Hammond of the Order & Stores Division, and a son, Raymond J., Jr., who is a dispatcher in the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division.

Air Conditioning

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The new Department, according to Mr. Wilson, will select and utilize appropriate marketing channels and methods for all of its products except air conditioning for rail transportation, which remains a responsibility of the transportation divisions of the Company. Sales Divisions of the new Department are as follows:

The industrial, marine, and contractor equipment division (including refrigerant condensing units and compressors, naval and marine systems, self-contained air conditioners, central plant air conditioners, conditioned air cooling units, finned coil surface and heat transfer assemblies, and evaporative condensers and coolers); the packaged cooling equipment division (including water coolers, room air conditioners, window-mounted room coolers, beverage coolers, commercial food storage cabinets, refrigerated merchandisers and dispensers, and frozen food cabinets in large sizes); and the automatic heating equipment division, which is responsible for domestic heating equipment.

German Tanks

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similar size. This permits the given gun to fire the projectile with a much higher velocity.

The inner core—the slug that really rips the enemy's tanks open—is composed of the hardest of metals, which was discovered and developed in the Research Laboratory of General Electric Company in Schenectady. This armor piercing core is housed in a relatively light housing, or outer shell, which is made primarily of aluminum.

The prime function of the outer covering is to streamline the overall unit and permit a small diameter core to be fired from a larger bore gun. For the 76mm gun, for instance, approximately half the weight is contained in the core, the total projectile weight being nearly 9 pounds, compared with approximately 15 pounds for conventional steel armor piercing projectiles. As a result, muzzle velocity of the projectile is around 3400 feet per second, compared with 2800 feet per second for the old type shell of similar size.

The extreme hardness of the tungsten carbide core prevents it from being flattened out by impact. Being both harder and heavier than armor plate, it penetrates the steel plate much more effectively than can any other type of metal core. After penetration the carbide core breaks up into lethal pieces, scattering with great force in all directions.

Sixty-Six Idea Awards Bring $550 To Suggestors

Frederick Woerner, Winter Street, Heads List

A list of sixty-six suggestion awards, which brought a total of $550.00 to their originators, was headed by the idea of Frederick Woerner, Winter Street Plant, who suggested providing a burnish tool for final operations on piston discs. Mr. Woerner was awarded $40.00.

Margaret R. Schaaf of the Taylor Street Plant received $30.00 for her idea for the use of one-quarter inch diameter stellite rod in Westgate spindle welding operations.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 4-6

B. A. Curley.

Bldg. 8

Lynn A. Wilson, Guy O. Allred, Pearl Volkert, Carl M. Junk, Harold W. Parkison and John Powner, John Powner, Lawson Bryan Cox, Charles Martin, Carl T. Pettigrew.

Bldg. 4-1

Clarence F. Cleveland, Elmer F. Diemer, Leo M. Ebert, Frank C. Snyder, Joseph Turley, Chester G. Stoner.

Bldg. 4-2

Joseph B. Howard, Orin M. Clark, Weldon H. Hart, Mildred E. English, William B. Griffith, Dewy Snyder.

Bldg. 4-5

Edgar T. Jenkins, Ross E. Fahl, Willis K. Dillman, Robert L. Kelsey, Frank Lebrato, Charles H. Kirkpatrick, Walter Amacher, Wilbur E. Tibbitts.

Bldg. 26-1

Wilbur M. Smith, Nadyne L. Carr, Lawrence E. Hosack.

Bldg. 26-4

George Cernea, Roy Cayot.

Winter Street

O. W. Meagher, Tyrus L. Pond.

Taylor Street

Gerold F. Lahmon, Howard B. Switzer, Donald M. Shroyer, Glenn A. Borror, F. J. Nicole, Edgar L. Egolf, Walter E. Fair, Josephine Meschberger.

Bldg. 6-2

Mary E. Stuckey, Ralph Viland, Clester Platt, Ralph Reinking, Carl B. Plattner, Julius Falls, Mary M. Crosby.

Bldg. 6-1

Charles Strong.

Bldg. 26-2

Naomi N. McCague, Elvie W. Dafforn.

Bldg. 10

Melvin N. Yates, Herman M. Arnold.

Bldg. 26-B

J. H. Plescher, Owen R. Allen.

Bldg. 26-3

Hubert Shulock.

Patriotic Norwegians were among the first to exploit the telephone in the war of nerves against the Nazi invaders and the local Quislings. One of the favorite methods is to phone the wife of a Quisling, the conversation following this pattern:

Patriot's voice: "Hello. Am I speaking to the widow of Sven Erling?"

Mrs. Erling: "No. This is his wife."

Patriot's voice: "Pardon me. I'll call back later."

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Although we didn't know it, we have an artist in our midst, and it's none other than Ed Fogel, who spends spare time making comical sketches of cronies. . . . From conversation that we heard, the office golfers have been out already hitting the ball around. . . . That eye-catching tie Clarence Coe wore last week was something to see. It's adorned with prancing posies. . . . Bob Karasek says he's gained two extra pounds since the time he bet he could lose them. Shame on you, Bob. . . . Wayne Pribble has convinced us that he's the man with a joke for every occasion. We've heard some of them, and they're all right. . . . Betty Beaman is still as excited as she was over her engagement. Good for you, Betty. . . . Bye till next week!

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Our sympathies to Esther Wilson in the death of her father. . . . Another one has joined our gang, Winifred Hile. Sorry to see Aldina Harris leave us. . . . Have you planned your vacation yet? Better hurry, for it's just around the corner. . . . Delores Holtrey's pet name is "Aunt Cornie." . . . Have you noticed Marie Peters filling her hope chest? Something must be in the wind.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Nora Nickelson on the death of her mother. . . . Bet everyone is wondering if Grisella Wrageman has gotten over the exciting news of having a new granddaughter. Sorry it wasn't announced sooner, Grisella, and we don't blame you for being proud. . . . Lou Rexroth had a swell time in New York. We're glad to see you back home and hear all about it. . . . Ethel Morrison is expecting her son home on a visit soon. He's a captain in the medical corps in the Army. . . . Since there wasn't any news last week, we'll wish Mamie Baysinger a happy birthday now. . . . Thelma Carrison is back to work after spending a few days with her husband, who was home on a furlough. Hope you had a swell visit, Thelma. . . . Lena Popple was surprised with a visit from her nephew, who was home on a leave from the Navy. . . . We're sorry to hear about Delores Kaiser's being in the hospital. We hope she is back to work real soon. . . . We were all shocked by the news of the death of our President, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. We can all help to carry out his ideals and bring peace to our country soon by staying on our war job. We're sure that is what he would have wanted.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Here's wishing Mabel Dailey and Kathleen Brinker many more happy birthdays. . . . Effie Yinger said she was glad she was good so her name wouldn't appear in the WORKS NEWS. But even good people get their names in the paper, Effie. . . . Ilene Minnick's most embarrassing moment was when she fell off of her chair and landed at Carl Saaf's feet. Chairs are to sit on and not to fall off of, Ilene. . . . We wonder: Why Jean Snyder has been singing, "My Dreams are Getting Better All the Time?" How about it, Jean, are they? . . . Who taught Marie Smith that new method of milking a cow? Seems as though she can milk one standing up. . . . Where "Pinkie" Taylor got the new burst of speed? While playing tag at a wiener bake, she even outran Edie Yoder. Edie came in just ahead of the snail. . . . Why Lucile Schelper eats all those hard-boiled eggs every day? Could it be you have a weakness for them, Lucile? . . . Can you imagine Maxine Johnson decorating a Christmas tree in April.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

We have put that well-worn welcome mat out again, this time to Edith Roselius, LaDonna Jones, and Mary Beckman. Hope you like it here with us, girls. . . . We are all glad to have Celia Stabler back with us again. . . . Charles Martin is on his vacation this week. Have a good time, Charley; our turn is coming up, too. . . . In case you didn't know it, Art Beebe is your safety committeeman. . . . The gleam in Charlie Menefee's eyes comes from the big fish he's talking of catching some day . . . Come, now, Johnny, we know it's spring without your running around with your nose buried in those lilacs.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

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PRODUCT REJECTION DATA



DAILY RECORD OF PRODUCT REJECTION DATA
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How Are All Your
PRODUCT REJECTION DATA POINTS ? ? ?

Is Zat So?

Our hearts were saddened by the sudden death of our President. After we recovered from the shock, we then realized the good he had accomplished. As we mourn his passing, we resolve that he shall not have lived in vain. . . . Fredrick Reed has added another year to his service record, making a total of thirty-two. Congratulations, Fred. . . . We wonder if Orville Haver is just an enthusiastic Sinatra fan or whether he wore his wife's bobby socks by mistake. . . . We hear that Mr. and Mrs. John Mills and baby are quite a happy family and wish to be remembered to the co-workers of the former Fay Clark. . . . We had Joe Eifrid on first trick this week. Joe said he was just visiting. Hope you enjoyed the visit, Joe. Come back again sometime. . . . Frank Graffe is still on the sick list. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Was Marilyn Kiebel's face red? It seems Marilyn turned a corner without looking where she was going and came face to face with a strange man! Embarrassed, Marilyn? . . . We have enjoyed working with genial Bob Merrill and wish him success in his new job. We welcome Elton Throndsen, who is taking over Bob's former duties, and hope he likes our section. . . . Birthday congratulations to Oren Taylor, Max Gentit, and Paul Lahmon. . . . While Arnold Berning was engrossed in a card session during noon hour, his wife called and asked to speak to him. Arnold said, "Tell her I'm busy. I'm in the middle of a card game." A little later he called the wife only to be greeted with "I'm busy. I'm in the middle of a radio serial." Guess she turned the tables on him!

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

Congratulations to Elmer Fretz, who in honor of his birthday last week, was presented with a cake completely covered with candles. He still insists that there should have been only twenty-eight, but experts agree that the amount was correct and if necessary they can prove it. . . . Since Joe Trentadue has been on a futile hunt for those sandwiches which disappeared several weeks ago, we were not surprised, when the commutator stock room was moved, to see him don an apron, grab a broom and dust pan in the hope that he still might find them somewhere in the rubble. His efforts were to no avail and he has just about decided that he must have unwittingly played host to a hungry co-worker. . . . Jean Messler was cheered last week by the exciting news that the German prison camp in which her husband has been confined is now in the hands of the Allies. . . . The boys in the Tool Maintenance are seriously thinking of studying to become referees for wrestling matches since Red Smith was asked to act in that capacity for the Elex Club. They are in hopes that if they become proficient enough, one of them may be asked to referee when the Club has another such exhibition, and he will have the honor of being one lone man in company with about seven hundred women. . . . Have you seen the diamond on Mabel Didricks' third finger, left hand? It's a beauty; just ask her, she'll show you. . . . When we saw Carl Metkers' sox Saturday, one blue and one gray, we thought maybe he was down to his last pair but he said not—said he bad another pair home just like them.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Another happy year is wished for Jim Long. . . . Two new names have been added to the skunk club, Gromeaux and Bob Daring. . . . Some new talent has been discovered among the night hawks. Jimmy Paxton has been whipping up a few poems lately that are honeys. . . . Gerry Pierce came in with new "dress up" trousers instead of working pants and blamed it on the war. He said he couldn't buy anything else. . . . Mr. Hutson hasn't had his name in the column since he returned from Washington, D. C. . . . What ever happened to that overcoat Joe Eifrid bought?. . . Rex Whitcomb has his lawn all fixed up now and wants the gang up for a Sunday picnic. . . . Our safety committee is really on the job. Just try to work with a tie, ring, or watch on and you'll soon find out who they are. Keep up the good work, kids. . . . Bill Sterling is leaving us for a few days to work in Bldg. 4-B. We will all be in for some fish stories this week again. Seems G. Meyers, G. Humbarger, R. Whitcomb, and L. Hutson are going up to their pet river to see if it will be safe to let Joe Eifrid go along. It seems last time Joe got stuck in the mud and it took a team of oxen to pull him out. . . . So long until next Friday same time, same 17-1.

SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Okay, fellows get your fish stories ready because here is the latest, it comes from Cleon Oyer and Frank Lawrence while casting along the shore of Lake Gage. Frank really hooked a big one—in fact it was so big that he called Cleon for help. But Cleon being a bit slow getting to him and the big fish having snapped the line Frank decided to take things in his own hands—so to speak. He grabbed the big fish by the tail and tried to hold its head between his legs. The big fish, seeing his fate, gave a few flip-flops which covered Frank with sand and water from head to foot and inside and out and with a flash was gone. Frank swears it was 3 or 4 feet long and weighed 30 or 40 pounds. Why don't you take a club along with you the next time or maybe a little salt would do just as well? We have heard that either one helps to land those big ones, Frank. . . . Pauline Fischer and Beulah Butler have been transferred from the Inspection Section to Bldg. 6-2. We hope you like your new jobs, girls. Good luck and happy inspection in Bldg. 6-2. . . . Latest applicant for membership in the "Tall Story Club" is Emerson Eby, who comes back from Michigan with the tale that the fish are so plentiful that one can just scoop them out by the washtubfuls with no more tackle than one's hands. Could be, and far be it from us to call anybody a prevaricator, but we'd like to see that for ourselves. . . . Al Doan has left the Company to engage in the restaurant business. Good luck, Al, in your new venture and congratulations to Lloyd Oberboltzer, who takes Al's job as key inspector in group 15x16.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Congratulations are again in order, this time to Dick Seely, proud father of James Richard who was born April 6, and to Harry Richardson, who announces the arrival of a new girl, 7½ pounds, born April 10. Both fathers are reported to be doing well. . . . Romance is still in the air, as you could readily have seen, had you been in the file room last Friday. Alice Fisher's fiance, who had been in the South Pacific for two years, sent word that he would be home Tuesday, so wedding bells will ring again. Also for Barbara Bedor, who is marrying her soldier sweetheart. Barbara was presented with a lovely gift from her coworkers. We wish both couples the best of everything. . . . Margaret Sheteron is back to work again after quite a long illness. Glad to see you back, Margaret. . . . The girls of the Fractional HP Motor Section had a dinner in honor of Bernadean Dyson at the Works Restaurant on Saturday, April 14. The girls gave Bernie a parting gift. She is leaving us to go to school. We wish you loads of good luck, Bernie, and we sure will miss you. . . . We also hear Dottie Waggoner is having a wonderful time since her husband is bome on leave from the Merchant Marines.

One Down, And Two To Go



This gang has bowled its way through six war loan drives and are getting their "piggy banks" in top condition for the Seventh, which starts May 14. As anyone can plainly see, they have one "enemy" knocked down, another groggy, and now they are ready to toss a barrage, bigger than any previous. Left to right, they are Margaret Waltke, Betty Cook, Jean Struber, Patricia Boughn, Delores Patterson, Violet Wiseman, Agnes McBeth, Paula Thieme, Betty Gallogy, Doris McBarnes, Marie Weiland. All are Decaturites.

Foremen's Meeting Next Thursday

The semi-annual dinner meeting of the G-E Foremen's Association, at which time members will be guests of the Fort Wayne Works management, will be held next Thursday at 6:00 in the G-E Club. Chester H. Lang, vice-president and manager of apparatus sales, will speak of his experiences on his recent trip through the Pacific theater of war.

During the evening Robert Carlysle, who performs over a local radio station, will offer several selections and will lead group singing. Mr. Carlysle has had experience with the Jack Roth musical comedy, "Youth on Parade," and on a Toledo radio station. Musical accompaniment will be furnished by Thelma Fisher.

Charles Kensill, president, and Harry Beitel, secretary of the organization, have announced that the club charter is being opened until June 1, 1945, in order to offer former members an opportunity to be reinstated. Individuals desiring to join the organization should see club contact men.

Satan: "What are you laughing at?"

Imp: "Oh, I just had a woman locked up in a room with a thousand hats and no mirrors."

C. E. Wilson Praises Employee Bond Record

Securities Corporation Annual Report Is Issued

In a foreword to the 1944 annual report of the G-E Employees Securities Corporation recently released, President Charles E. Wilson paid high tribute to the efforts of G-E personnel in tbe success of War Bond drives.

"I sbould like," he says, "to commend the employees of the General Electric Company for the admirable way in which they have supported the war effort and added to their savings by the purchase of War Bonds. I have found that up to December 31, 1944, our employees have purchased War Bonds having a cost value of $138,547,776 (maturity value $184,105,200), a truly remarkable performance and one of the most outstanding among industrial workers in the country. Particular credit should go to the hundreds of devoted bond salesmen and saleswomen in our shops and offices from coast to coast."

Commends Board

Further proof of the excellent results achieved by employee representation on the Securities Corporation's Board of Directors bas been furnished by the record of the Board during the past year, according to Mr. Wilson. He says:

"Upon my return from Government service last fall, one of the first operations I reviewed was that of the G-E Employees Securities Corporation. I was indeed pleased at the splendid work which has been done in conducting its affairs and particularly in changing the investments of the Corporation in order to give the greatest possible security of principal to bondholders during this troublous war period.

"Shortly thereafter I was invited to a meeting of the Directors, and found the interest of the group in the problems of the Corporation just as keen as before the war when regular offerings of bonds were being made. The wisdom of the management of the Company in 1923 of providing for representation on the Board of our employees through the election of the Bond Directors has certainly been amply demonstrated. The experiment of twenty-two years ago is a proved success of long standing in 1945."

Protection Increased

Continued sales by the Corporation of its public utility and industrial securities and the reinvestment of proceeds almost wholly in government obligations increases the protection of the Corporation's interest-bearing debt, but it has resulted in a decrease in its income, and net earnings were reduced to 4.4% on capital investment, as compared with 4.8% in 1943, according to the Securities Corporation's report, which was submitted by C. N. Mason, Chairman of the Board, and W. O. Hay, Jr., President. The regular 4% interest was paid to bondholders in 1944 and the additional 0.4% will be paid June 1 of this year.

Says the report:

"The year of 1944 again was one of considerable activity in the security markets with higher price levels for securities, and the Corporation continued to sell public utility and industrial securities, reinvesting the proceeds almost wholly in United States Government obligations. The ownership by the Corporation of a relatively large amount of U. S. Government securities under prevailing conditions is, in the opinion of your directors, advantageous and desirable. Among other things, it not only provides a reserve of purchasing power making for elasticity of operation, but also increases the protection of the Corporation's interest-bearing debt.

"It has, however, resulted in a decrease in the income of the Corporation, and for the year of 1944 net earnings on the participating capital investment were at the rate of 4.4% as compared with 4.8% in 1943. The regular 4% interest was paid to bondholders in 1944, and the additional 0.4% will be paid June 1, 1945. Dividends are paid to the General Electric Company on its investment at the same rate as the interest paid to the bondholders.

Greater Safety Margin

"The approximate quoted market, or guaranteed price, of all securities owned at the end of 1944 was $1.14 for each $1.00 of cost, and the value of tbe assets of the Corporation amounted to $1.93 for each $1.00 of debt, as compared with $1.84 of assets for each $1.00 of debt at the close of 1943."

The report reveals that bonds owned by individuals at the end of the year amounted to $33,715,810 and that notes held by the General Electric Additional Pension Trust aggregated $24,685,000, making a total of $58,400,810, as follows:

	Amount	Number of Individuals	Average Holdings
4% Bonds Held			
By Employees	$26,524,580	21,945	$1,210
By Pensioners	4,558,910	1,474	3,090
By Widows and Heirs of deceased employees, etc.	2,632,320	1,260	2,090
	$33,715,810	24,680	$1,370
Notes Held by General Electric Additonal Pension Trust			
4% Particlpating notes	$16,815,000		
2½% Non-participating notes	8,870,000		
	$24,685,000		
Total Bonds and Notes	$58,400,810		

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foremen	Hours
Lessley C. Brown (2)*	R. 4, Huntington, Ind.	26-B	Freeman	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 24 through Huntington and Roanoke.			
Clarence Cleveland (3)*	No. Manchester, Ind.	4-1	Lemper	3:30-11:54
Delpbos Denney (1)*.	Markie, Ind.	17-2	V. Hall	7:00- 4:00
	Coming in on No. 3—29 miles out.			
Alfred Field (1)*	1320 S. Cedar, Auburn	4-3	Smitb	3:06-11:24
	Coming in on No. 427			
Lillian Harris (3)*	Payne, Obio	19-2	Princs	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 30.			
LeRoy Heintzlman (3)*	4443 Holton, Ft. Wayne	19-1	Hanks	7:00- 3:00
Glen S. Snyder (1)*	R. 4, Tri Lakes, Col. City	27	Shafianski	3:06-11:00
	Coming in on No. 33 througb Churubusco.			
Hope Smith (2)*	R. 1, Markie, Ind.	26-3	Jones	11:00- 7:00
Gearl Stepbens (3)*	R. 4, Ft. Wayne	26-B	McDougal	7:00- 3:06
	Coming in on Lower Huntington Road.			

Employees Seeking Rides

Kenneth Sanders	Ashley, Ind.	26-3	Bond 7:00- 3:30
Wilbur Stahl	Ashley, Ind.	26-3	Lieberenz 7:00- 3:06
Eileen Minnich	R. 1, Hoagland, Ind.	12-3	Carl Saaf 7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 27—mile north of Hoagland.		
Letha Burtzner	R. 1, Garrett, Ind.	18-4	Tillman 8:00- 5:15
Avanelie Reese	103½ S. Taylor, Garrett	18-3	Schnieders 8:00- 5:15
Marie Kettering	514 S. Johnson, Garrett	20-2	E. J. O'Neill 8:00- 5:15

* Number of riders desired.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foremen	Hours
Cleo Dicks	Auburn, Indiana	Smith	7:12- 3:12
Fred Karst	R. 4, Biuffton Road, City	Smith	7:12- 3:12
Lloyd Jacobs	R. 11, City	Langdon	6:48- 2:48
Edith Jullierat*	Columbia City, Indiana	Sible	2:48-10:48
Robert McClain	Columbia City, Indiana	Sibls	7:12- 3:12

* Can take anyone working from 2:30 to 11:30.

SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

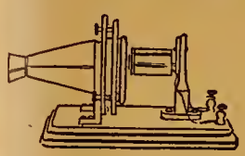
We'll Need Ideas, Capital *and* Courage

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its operations.

Seven to ten million more jobs than were available in 1940, last peacetime year, must be created in this country to achieve a satisfactory level of post-victory employment, according to Paul G. Hoffman, chairman of the Commtttee for Economic Development. But to attain this goal "will require hundreds of thousands of ideas, billions in risk capital and a vast amount of courage," Mr. Hoffman thinks.

These Inventions Created Millions of New Jobs

BELL'S TELEPHONE



When Alexander Graham Bell discovered how to transmit sound by electricity, he laid the foundation for our telephone industry.

368,715 JOBS

WRIGHT BROTHERS' AIRPLANE

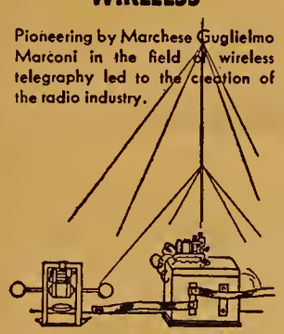


The first power-driven airplane, designed by Wilbur and Orville Wright, gave us our new and promising aviation industry.

107,131 JOBS

MARCONI'S WIRELESS

Pioneering by Marchese Guglielmo Marconi in the field of wireless telegraphy led to the creation of the radio industry.



55,924 JOBS

WATT'S STEAM ENGINE

The reciprocating steam engine, developed by James Watt, revolutionized our mode of travel, giving us our railroad industry.



1,135,019 JOBS

EDISON'S LAMP

Thomas A. Edison's incandescent lamp led to the formation of our electric power and electrical machinery industries.



710,576 JOBS

McCORMICK'S REAPER



The invention of the reaper by Cyrus Hall McCormick helped to build up a whole new industry to supply farm machinery to the farmer.

86,797 JOBS

HARGREAVE'S SPINNING JENNY

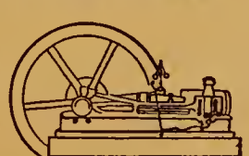
James Hargreave's spinning jenny and subsequent improvements in methods of weaving cloth gave us our modern textile industry.



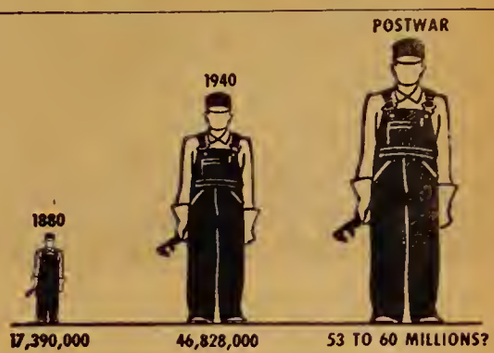
1,170,024 JOBS

DAIMLER'S GASOLINE ENGINE

Gottlieb Daimler's internal combustion engine made possible the development of our vast automobile industry.



574,931 JOBS



Jobs more than doubled in number in America in the short period of six decades, the span of an ordinary man's life.

29 Million New Jobs Since 1880

We hear a lot these days about the need for more jobs after the war—jobs for the men returning from service, jobs for all the women who didn't work before the war but who want to keep on working when the war is over. The air is full of suggestions for making two jobs grow where only one grew before.

One point often overlooked in these discussions is that America has been in the business of creating new jobs ever since the first Pilgrim set foot on Plymouth Rock. Year after year, we've seen not only jobs, but good jobs, swell in number.

More than 29,438,000 new jobs were created in this country between 1880 and 1940, an average of around 490,600 new jobs every year. What made these new jobs?

Some of the new jobs created in the past were due, of course, to the growth of industries already in existence, but many millions of new jobs were created by new inventions—the good old "Yankee ingenuity" at work!

Inventions alone, though, didn't—couldn't—produce jobs. It was necessary first for somebody to take a chance, put up a few thousand hard-earned dollars to build a factory and buy a few tools to start making the new devices. Hundreds of concerns were established in this way.

The illustrations at the left show just a few inventions, but which—taken together—provided manufacturing and other industrial jobs for 4,221,031 people in 1940. Millions of dollars had to be risked to put these inventions into production before these jobs could be created.

It is important to remember too, that, for the most part, the number of jobs listed for each invention at the left is actually only the number of jobs created in factories alone. Normally, only 25 per cent of all jobs are in the factory. Inventions also create jobs outside of the factory in other closely related industries.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Nozzle Box

Mildred Green and Pat Van Arsdol were off ill this week. . . . Bob Baker passed his physical and expects to leave for the Navy soon. . . . Jerry Lhamon has been off because of illness this week. . . . Bob Conroy has been on his vacation this week. . . . We understand that Ruth Ort is making a fine recovery after her operation at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Florence Lea had a birthday April 13; she received many cards and gifts, and a special gift from her son in France. . . . Nadine Heller, Ann Lemmel, and Eugenia Schurg went to the fair over at the G-E Club. They said that they had a swell time. . . . Frieda Felter had a birthday April 13. Congratulations, Frieda. . . . Olga Camilli, who has been away from work because of illness since last December, has returned to work. It is nice to see you back in the Inspection Section, Olga. . . . Also, we have quite a flying enthusiast in our midst, for our own Dorothy Cartwright just made her first solo flight, and was she up in the air about it! She not only is a cartoonist but an aviatrix as well. . . . Erlinda Werling is back on the job after being absent for several weeks with a broken ankle. . . . Floreen Dellinger is on her vacation this week. We hope that you are enjoying yourself, Floreen. Those on vacation also are Bessie Wright, Grace Scherer, and Marion Kloer. . . . We want to welcome Leta Thrasher to the Nozzlebox Line. Leta is the new welder on second trick, in the miscellaneous line. . . . Glenn Durben is in the hospital, St. Joseph. We hope that you will soon be back on the job with us, Glenn. . . . Vivian Lambert has been transferred to the Rotor Section.

Shipping

The Shipping and Receiving Sections are grieved at the news of the death of the president of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt. We as a group pledge ourselves to carry on and give support to our new President Harry S. Truman. . . . We are glad to have Rita Mahlon back to work again after a few days off because of illness. . . . The Shipping office had a welcome visitor the other day. Betty Lou Duke came back to pay us a call. She is now working in Ligonier. . . . Vacation time is just around the corner, and good suggestions as to where to go and what to do will be welcomed by many in the Shipping Section. . . . Our boys and girls in the service sure do like to receive letters from their former co-workers. Won't you write to them? If you do not know their addresses, see Mr. Long; he will be glad to give them to you. . . . Let's all make the Seventh War Loan a big success. We must not forget the war is not over.

Receiving

If you don't think spring house cleaning is here ask Ernie Chelf. He has been put in the traces. Ernie says he doesn't see why women can't hire their cleaning done. . . . Cliff Wolfe's wife has been ill for some time. We all hope she soon recovers. . . . Gus Uhlig is on his vacation this week. . . . Jim Stoiche is having open house one of these Sundays soon. Frank Fast is going to lay up his stone wall and Red Little, Cliff and Brownie are going to mix mortar. Jim has promised us a baked ham and refreshments. . . . Frank Fast has received some very interesting souvenirs from his son-in-law, who is a marine. One of the most interesting items received was a pair of Jap field shoes made of very fine leather and hob nailed. Also some shells of various sizes. Frank also has received word that one of his sons in the Navy received the rating of Chief Petty Officer. . . . Don, our trucker, is back from his vacation; he spent a few days in Northhaven, Michigan. He says their fried chicken is good. . . . Clyde Kreigh won't tell us where he spent his week off. He came in all tanned up, so we concluded he went to Florida. Both boys are all rested up and raring to go. . . . Let's all save up our spare change ready for the next bond drive. The war is not over yet even if Germany is on her last legs. Let's all get in the harness and put out production and buy that extra bond. . . . Dale Sweet requested through the WORKS NEWS for letters from the gang. About a dozen of us compiled one last week, each one adding a few lines. If you missed out on it, get his address from Herb Wilding to write to him. Dale used to be one of our boys, and we wish him all the luck there is. . . . George Dehnert is taking a couple days off to plow up his victory garden. If you find any stones, George, save them for Stoiche; he still wants his stone wall. . . . Baseball season is almost here, so help support the G-E team by buying your season ticket from any of the players. They have them now at one dollar each.

Tool Room

Harley Ridenour is sure looking "in the pink" lately. Betcha it's those oranges he's been eating. Where do you get so many of them, Harley? Is it a secret? . . . We wish to welcome and introduce some of our recent arrivals. George Kniss is now with us transferred from Winter Street where he operated a jig bore. Jefferson Young is also a Winter Street transfer and is now running a duplicator. Jefferson was formerly a boring mill operator. . . . Friends and former fellow-workers of Novel Pickens were sorry to hear of his sudden death, April 12. . . . Friday, April 13 Logan Sumpter went to take his exam for the service. . . . We're glad to see Frances Dunfee back feeling so well after being off a few days. . . . Ivan Voirol has been showing a few close friends an amusing picture of himself taken several years ago when he was playing softball. . . . Bill Daly is the new man we have checking micrometers now. He really isn't new on the job but just recently transferred to days from second trick. . . . In the Taylor Street doubles bowling tournament Saturday night, congratulations tool room on the high honors. Lloyd Taylor and Harley Ridenour were tops with 1251.

Right—At The Start



—PREVENTS A LOT OF "GRIEF" LATER ON! We all know this to be true when building a home or doing most anything else of importance. GEORGE FAULKNER, Kokomo Works, is demonstrating how this principle is being applied to SAFETY at that plant. However, it has a double meaning to George, in this case—STARTING RIGHT WITH SAFETY and STARTING THE SAFETY PROGRAM WITH THE PLANT ORGANIZATION AND PLANNING OF LAYOUTS AND PROCESSES.

Kokomo has had NO LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS so far this year! We wish them continued success.

The 1945 Kokomo Safety Committee is as follows: Edward Owen, chairman; George Faulkner, secretary; Ruth Adams; Lawrence Alexander; James Atkinson; Robert Brown; Ernest Cox; Mary Critchley; Fred Dearinger; John Downhour; Russell DuBois; G. W. Edson; Chas. Etchason; Frank Haas; Homer Harrison; Glen Keisling; Joseph McConnell; Wm. Milligan; Fred Parkhurst; Herman Rapp; Wm. Rosselot; Ernest Shigley; Daisy Stewart; Emery Trott; Zelden Wimmer; Edna Young; and Ralph Youngman.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Aluminum Parts

J. Melvin Tully, with his new brilliant red car, is now qualified to serve as Assistant Fire Chief of his home town—that is, if someone would dig him up a fire siren. . . . Burdella Welch and Millie Imler have been enjoying their vacations this week. Their plans were not known, but we trust they are having a very nice time. . . . Kathryn Brandt is taking her vacation next week and will visit her husband, Cpl. Bill Brandt, who is stationed at Eglin Field, Florida. We hope you have a splendid time, and take our regards to your hubby! . . . The second trick pump line has a poetess among them—Elizabeth Chew.

Screw Machine

Jim Settlemyre had a birthday last Wednesday. He was 72 years old. Many more happy birthdays, "Pop." . . . Dutch Schuelke entertained members of his bowling team at his home and a nice time was had by all. Those present were Jim Weikart, Ned Neuman, Gene Kilty, and Mr. and Mrs. Schuelke. . . . Helen Wert, a former co-worker, is to be married on June 24. Congratulations, Helen. . . . The summer leagues have started. Luck to all who are bowling, especially our champ, "Bernie." . . . Edgar Clark is the proud father of a 8 pound, 10 ounce daughter, born April 10. She has been named Linda Ann. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Minnie Cashion, whose mother passed away this week. . . . Hope you had a grand time on your vacation, Imogene. . . . Leanna Rhoades is planning to spend her vacation next week with her brother, Pvt. Wayne Rhoades, who is home on furlough. Have a good time, Leanna. . . . Have a good time on your vacation next week, Nettie Foor. . . . Mavis Kuhl has gone back to her childhood days and had an all-day sucker. Jerry Stellar wanted to bring her a bottle, but decided she was a little old for that. . . . E. N. Matson, assistant general foreman of the Screw Machine Section, returned to work last Monday. Mr. Matson has been off work for five weeks due to a foot infection. Glad to have you back again, Matty. . . . Katie Swift has been transferred to the Final Assembly. Hope you like your new work, Katie. . . . Dorcas Klinker has left the second trick to go on first. Good luck, Dorcas. . . . Ardis Crum donned his poloshirt for duration of warm weather. He really did attract a lot of attention. . . . Martha Hutson has returned to us after her vacation. She seems good as new. I guess that's what housecleaning does for one. . . . Pat Woodcock washed her hair two days ahead of schedule this week. She's going to Chicago this weekend and promised a press conference when she returns.

Impeller

A new grandson is the reason for Cecil Leslie's big smile all week. Cecil is taking her vacation next week just to spoil him, we think. . . . Lola Rowe had to quit this week due to illness. We shall miss you, Lola. . . . I guess we should congratulate Bob Kinnaman, as he has stayed on his "soup" long enough to loose six pounds. . . . Ardella McConnell is back to work again after being absent several days due to illness. . . . Mary Studebaker sure knows how to paint a kitchen in a hurry but the sad part of it is that she had to wash it all off. She was making frosting for a cake that she was bringing to work with her and had the electric mixer on high. But we'll all say Mary is a very good cake baker and the frosting was still one half inch thick. Better luck next time, Mary. May you have many more happy birthdays. She received a hankie from each of the girls. . . . Clarence Gardt is getting right up there with his garden, boys. Better hurry if you want to beat him for next week he is going to have green onions to eat.

Punch Press

Olive Bowman is on her vacation this week. Have a good time, but hurry back, Olive. . . . Irene Johnson received two letters from her son, who is in India. He expects to be home soon on furlough. . . . George Ayers expects to join the Merchant Marines. . . . Mary Tarr will be on her vacation next week. Have a good time, Mary.

Rotor

Happy birthday to Frank Clem of the Shaft Line. Frank has reached the ripe old age of 34. May you have many more of them. . . . We bid fond farewell to Arno Phegley and Leona Nims of the Shaft Line. Arno left due to ill health, and Leona has a new home in which she is resuming her household duties. . . . Smitty is vacationing this week. Wonder if he'll return with a deep tan from housecleaning, as he did last year. Somehow Smitty, with that tan as evidence we still can't believe your wife got much help from you. . . Sorry to report that Rita Laux has been confined to the Celina Hospital this past week. A speedy recovery, Rita. . . . Blanche Coomler is off due to the return of her son, who is stationed at Camp Hood, Texas. . . . On the sick list are Marjorie Buckmaster, Alberta Luegring and Margaret Langston. Hurry back, girls. . . . Glad to see Cleota Squiers back on the job after a siege of the flu. . . . Bonnie Keefer is still ill from mumps. Did you try those pickles, Bonnie? . . . Vacationers this week are Bob Mcclain, who is going to do a little golfing, Beatrice Winstel, who is housecleaning, and Mildred Napp, who is going to visit her cadet nurse daughter, stationed at Hammond, Indiana. Have a nice time, all of you. . . . Margaret Langston has received work that her son was wounded in Germany. Also Beatrice Winstel's son has been wounded in Iwo Jima. He is now in a rest camp in Hawaii. . . . Betty Millhouse had new pictures taken. They are nice, Betty. . . .

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

(Continued from page 8)

Helen Johnson's brother is now home for a rest furlough after having been wounded in action. . . . Paul Deweerd disputes the rights of Eddie Hamilton to be the President of the Rotor Mustache Club. "After all," he says, "mine is the oldest, the best looking and at least you can see it." Do you have an answer for him, Eddie. . . . Congratulations to Almetta Smith and Lela Ayres, who are now proud grandmothers. . . . We had two soldier visitors this week. They were Charlie Shidler's nephew, who has seen action in Germany, and Kay Conner brought his boy friend, who has also seen action in Germany. Good luck and happy furlough to you both. . . . All you men who feel just a little older or need just a little bit off the waistline, see Walter Scott, wheel assembly. Scotty is organizing an interdepartment softball team and guarantees it to be good for what ails you. Well—at least after the first few practices. Right, Scotty? . . . Well, well look who's in to visit us. Johnny Mangona We've all missed you, Johnny, and will be glad to see you back to work. . . . So long till next week, gang, and let's keep the news rolling in.

Eileen Lambert was transferred from Nozzle Box to Rotor Section. Luck on your new job. . . . Thelma Noll is enjoying her vacation. . . . George Richardt is moving from the lake to his new home in Fort Wayne. . . . Orpha Smith is now on second trick. Hope you like us. . . . Mildred Igney received a dozen roses and new set of wedding rings. Congratulations on your anniversary. . . . Amanda Messman is taking her vacation and is cleaning house. . . . We are glad to see Mary Miller and Blanche Bell back to work again. . . . Belated happy birthday to Irma Bohnberger. . . Theresa Hiatt is now vacationing and having a nice visit with her son, Tom, who is home from the armed forces.

Newsies 17-3

Bessie Yoder was seen reaching for her sweater the other day and ended up with the boss' coat. . . Betty Gearey has been so stiff and sore for the past few days. Why, she has been roller skating! . . . Esther Hawk and Wanda Burkhead Fredrick are leaving us. Good luck, girls, and we will miss you. . . . Mary Wright was sure frightened the other day by an artificial spider. Good thing it wasn't a real one, isn't it, Mary? . . . Alice Lester must be a wealthy girl, as she was seen throwing pennies on the street car this week. Seems her purse became unfastened. . . . Some people shed tears when they are sad, but Bernice Gasper sheds tears when someone tells a joke that is funny. She laughs till she cries. . . . Emma Bennett, who has been confined to her home because of illness, wishes to thank Group 13x25 for the beautiful plant she received. . . . We've seen many queer things, but the latest was Lucille Lampke writing phone numbers on her time slip instead of a clock number.

Four Fourums

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Bob (red nose) Till wants his good wife Eleanor to knit a cap for his nose. It gets sunburned when he rides the "Farmall." . . . Carl Kloepper is a proud half owner in a cement mixer. Anyone needing some mortar mixed get your bid in early. . . . Ted Warner bought a cottage on Lake Webster, but he can't find any one who wants to sell a boat. Maybe you will have to sell the cottage, Ted. . . . We were glad to see the smiling face of Charley Myers, who dropped in for a short visit one night last week. Charlie looked pretty good. It must be Kokomo is agreeing with him. . . . G.R. is speeding up his flying lessons. He is determined to make his parachute jump before Kenny Crabill. This event, we understand, concludes the last lesson. . . . Dale Irwin left the foreman's gathering in a "jingling mood." He said he enjoyed it and wished they had more of the same. . . . April seems to be a popular month for birthdays, thus far Mary Smith, Myrtle Barfell, Irene Bowman and Ray Mosure have celebrated theirs. Maybe they don't like the idea of another year creeping upon them, but we do enjoy the cake and candy. . . . Joe Tricker is collecting apron strings so as to help his wife get various prints for her quilt. . . . We are sorry to have lost our former employee, Vergena Baumgartner.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Friday the thirteenth sure put the jinx to Rufus Niblic's paper hanging. After diligently measuring and cutting the ceiling paper all to length, he applied paste to one strip, and proceeded artistically to apply ceiling. Everything went fine until he arrived one foot from end, when to his amazement he found that shortness of one foot on a ceiling wall paper looked comparable to the time he walked down Broadway with one pant leg rolled up and the other one down. . . . DeWayne Schele is almost up to the desperate stage on that motor bike of his and says that if it isn't completed very soon he will bring it home and finish it himself. That's biting off a pretty big chunk, Schele. . . . Bill Stetzer says that he would be a pretty good fisherman if he could just learn to tie knots. It seems that the fish are always stealing his hooks or leaders, and Bill has come to the conclusion that he just can't tie a good knot. . . . Bob Mesing displayed the most beautiful pair of red ears we've ever seen last Saturday. Sun burn, Bob? . . . Ivan Butler had laid up a sugar cured ham for a rainy day, but last Sunday he cooked it and by Monday morning it was all gone. . . . The Lathes won the second half bowling championship. They will roll off against the Repairs, winners of the first half for the league championship. As far as season records go, we have those Lathes right up in there again with their share of honors. In first place for high team score one game we have the Lathes with 982 and in runner-up spot is Welding with 931. For high team score three games, we again have Lathes with 2618, while Welding again runs a close second with 2609. Now for the individual scoring honors. Arlo Hawk took over in this department. For individual one game high, Hawk had a nice 257 count, while Piercy not so far behind had a 253. For individual three game high Hawk was in there again with a good 606 series. He was out in front in this department by just a few pins again, however; Mooney close behind had a 602 series. Here are the final standings for the second half, along with the individual seasonal averages.

Team	W.	L.
Lathes	33	12
Lab. No. 1	32	13
Welding	30	15
Automatics	27	18
Repairs	26	20
Rotors	24	21
Jigs	23	22
Tools	21	24
Dies	20	25
Drafting	20	25
Lab. No. 2	15	30
Fixtures	0	45

Individual Standings

	Ave.		Ave.
R. Lenz	180	Schmitt	148
France	171	Wiegand	148
Pinkerton	170	Jeffries	147
Hawk	169	Root	146
Saylor	168	Ponzio	145
Mooney	167	Meyer	145
Horner	167	Brown	145
Stahlhut	165	Piercy	145
Mesing	164	Benson	144
E. Lenz	164	Carrier	144
Lowden	163	Sauerwein	143
J. Roemer	163	Rider	143
Kaiser	163	Ueber	143
Thiele	162	Golliver	141
Yahne	162	Schultz	141
Roehling	161	Smola	140
Holder	161	Pequignot	138
Garman	169	Brinkroeger	138
Koeneman	159	Hansen	137
E. Roemer	158	Harmon	137
Wittber	168	Roesener	137
Welker	153	Gerardot	135
Thomas	157	Jones	135
Foster	167	Kleemeyer	135
Voors	156	Dunten	133
Allen	166	Wagoner	133
Castle	166	Bruns	130
Doell	155	Longerberger	130
Baker	164	Walker	130
Kapsanis	164	Cutshall	129
Ehresman	153	Dunlap	127
Karns	162	Wessel	126
Garrett	162	McFeely	124
Knepple	161	Yoder	124
Brinmeyer	151	Hanke	121
Reed	151	Muehlenbruch	119
Schemehorn	150	Yager	113
Hoon	150	Herz	112
C. Moore	160	More	109
Vaughn	149	Sauders	106
Buckmaster	149		

I am having this printed without the consent of my board of directors, who are Willie Garman and Kenny Doell. I do hope it meets with your approval, boys. Before our league says goodbye until next fall, I want to say hello to all you fellows who have left us to serve and fight with Uncle Sam. I hope that this bit of bowling information will bring back some pleasant memories, and I sincerely hope along with all the rest of the fellows back here at home that this war will end soon, and that next year we have all of your names back on our bowling roster. Good luck to all of you.

Robert L. Mesing
Secretary, Tool Room Bowling League

P.S. Incidentally, I bowl with those "mighty Lathes."



"YEAH, BUT WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE WHAT'S GROWING ON THE BACK STRETCH!"

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The old grapevine telegraph hasn't been very active lately. If no news is good news everything must be under control. We uncovered another of Carl Reeves' hidden talents at the last Dispatchers' Club meeting, Carl plays the piano like a professional. . . . Russ Skinner says he has found a cure for that tired feeling—just sit down. . . . Vic Leakey is taking flying lessons—better keep one foot on the ground, Vic. . . . Things we like:—The urbanity of Joe Bruns. . . . the enthusiasm of Mike Hunter. . . . that ever ready, warm smile of Henry Burch. . . . The final details of the Dispatchers Club banquet are about completed. Fletcher Cumby, program chairman, asks each member to have his reservations in by April 24. The banquet will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, May 1. . . . Elmer Pion says it always surprises him how easy it is the night before to get up early the next morning. . . . Joe Trentadue says when he was a little boy his ambition was to wear long pants, and that now he has his wish—he wears his longer than anyone he knows. . . . Grapevine quotes:—"The bird who said, 'The best things in life are free' wasn't fooling. Think it over—fresh air, sunshine, the beautiful skies, all the magnificent splendor of nature are ours to enjoy without cost in money or effort. We are all fortunate after all, aren't we?"

Keep pitching,
Your Grapevine Editor

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

Hope you-all are feeling as well and full of pep as we'uns are. Guess it's the lovely Spring weather. . . . Have you noticed the suspenders Dolan Furney has been wearing lately? They're pre-war too, and such a nice color combination of red and maroon. We can always hear you coming now, Dolan. . . . We were all very glad when Edna Butler came in to work one day with a great big smile on her face. She received a letter from her husband, Pvt. Ralph Butler, the first word since he was reported missing December 13. He is in a German prison camp and said he's in good health. All things come to those who wait, Edna, and we hope it won't be too long before he'll be coming home. . . . Arlene Gaskill is just a kid at heart. On April 11, the little girl went barefooted! Second childhood, Arlene? . . . Evelyn Schultz was really a happy girl when she received a blue and white vest sweater, belt and beanie in a matching set from Florence, Italy, sent by her husband, Sgt. Frank Schultz. . . . Harley Ward, assembly, favored all his comrades with a visit the other day. He has been on the sick list for quite a while. We want to wish you the best of everything, Harley, and hurry back. . . . Nick Cozmas tells us his wife has been ill for quite a spell. We hope it is not serious and the best of luck to her. . . . Our wishes for a speedy recovery are also extended to the wife of Adrian Weaver, test foreman. . . . George Blume is the new inspection foreman on second. He formerly was employed in Bldg. 19. Welcome to the floor, George. . . . Orpha McCreary is the newcomer to Group 13x55 on nights. Hope you like working with us, Orpha. . . . Ruth Woods was honored by a potluck supper on her birthday. The Birthday Club also presented her with a five-year diary and a handkerchief. We wish you many more happy birthdays, Ruthie. Oh yes, everyone enjoyed the delicious supper too. . . . Charlie Winans came back from his vacation with a healthy-looking coat of tan. He got it in his own backyard too. . . . Ann Coleman is on her vacation this week. Hope you're having a nice rest, Annie. . . . The winding section on Second had a potluck the other night. No one felt hungry the rest of the night so we think they must've had good things to eat and enough of it. . . . We also wish to extend belated birthday greetings to Erna Roemke. Best of luck, Erna. . . . Sid Hanson, test, is on nights for a few weeks and we're glad to have you with us, Sid. . . . Not a whole lot in our box this week, gang. Don't forget about it, please. . . . Whoops! Almost forgot something. Harvey Kerr doesn't know how he can manage to get his name in this "pillar" this week. Guess you'll have to do something drastic, Harvey. . . . Well, folksies, that winds up this week's doings of the gang. So long.

—Country Cousins

"You know, my dear," he observed, looking up from his book, "when one reads of the stupendous happenings in nature one realizes how lowly and insignificant is man."

"A woman doesn't have to read books to learn that!" replied his wife.

SANDY SAYS

For years I hai' been hearing talk o' new "secret weapons" from the Axis—I guess they intend tae keep them a secret—the only ones they've actually shown are the V-2 and V-3 robot bombs.

O' course the Axis has been in the "War business" for years and years, while we were at peace. When we went into War, we were breaking into "Business," with a competitor who was years and years ahead. Yet, we hai' out-done him at his own game.

How?

O' course ye'll oxpect me tae say C.R.* And, o' course I AM going tae say C.R.* And I mean the C.R.* thot means big machines, mass production, more horse power at the command o' each workman. I also mean the kind o' C.R.* that means new designs, ahead o' the other fellow — Radar — Bazooka — Remote control gun turret designs—etc. I also mean C.R.* thot means wide awake workmen, who can make suggestions—not slave labor.

Noo, this matter o' new C.R.* ideas, both in designs and factory methods—tae beat competition—will be a gude thing tae have AFTER the war. Where our competitor is now a Germany and a Japan thot were in "War business" years before we started, our G-E competition after the war will be other companies who may not have dived into the War as deep as we felt we must. They may be a jump ahead o' us when we get back into peace time work. But we'll come through on thot deal just as we are coming through now. We'll jump OVER them to resume the "leadership job" we enjoyed before the war.

BUT, yon and I can't just sit back and have faith in what I just said—we gotta dive in and MAKE WHAT I JUST SAID COME TRUE—AND WE CAN DO IT.

HOW? Tune in again next week—same time—same station.

Which reminds me o' Cousin Colin's wife, Bonny's new hat. She had faith thot she'd get one, but she didn't jnst sit back—and let Colin see the new window displays where the whole hat isn't as big as the tag attached thot says, "Price, $10.00." In fact, she knew Colin wonld insist thot the ten dollar bill would offer more covering than the hat. So, she got busy, and used two ribbons, two flowers, and two pieces o' veil—and made herself a $15.00 hat.

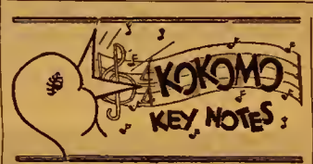
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KID SALVAGE





"THAT REMINDS ME—YOU OUGHT TO SHARE YOUR CAR, SMITH!"



Two feminine faces developed delightful smiles within the month of April. Rosemary Strain's uniformed husband returned from overseas service with Uncle Sam's Navy, and promptly lured her away from our fold. Petite Ruth Ellsworth is the other smile wearer; her hubby has his medical discharge from the Navy after three years' service. Nice! . . . The Harmes' household is working on the aftermath of moving. The head of the menage is satisfied so long as the fishing tackle remains intact and accessible. (Must have a new super-stocked lake in mind.) . . . It's good to know that Fred Dearinger is circulating around here again after several weeks spent recovering from injuries. Ethel Burris has returned to work following a siege of illness. And Janet Grant brings the glad word that the spouse, Von, is recovering via a five-week stay in a cast. Of course wishes for a quick recup, are forthcoming. . . . Norma Jean Currens' brother is home after fourteen months aboard ship where he was kept quite busy. . . . Following a three months' leave of absence, Luke Martin has returned to be foreman of the coil placers in Bulding 8, and welcome to you, Sir. . . . Friend Richard Heflin acquired a super distinction last Wednesday evening in the course of a golf session at the Municipal Course. What else? He made a hole-in-one!

Friend: "My good man, why don't you take the train home?"

Drunk: "It's no ush, my wife won't let me keep it in the house."

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

We want to congratulate Ann Hershberger and Hazel Martz on the birthdays they had last week. Also Hazel Martz was so excited when she took some pictures last week that she forgot to put the film in. We wonder what Hazel was excited about. . . . It's good to see Frank Devoe back to work with us. Frank was home sick with the flu for several weeks. . . . Mary Dodane is home from the hospital and is getting along just fine. . . . We hear when Thelma Purdue came back from her vacation from seeing her son in Florida that she inherited a daughter-in-law. Congratulations, Thelma. But we wonder how you can keep a secret. . . . It seems as though Helen Hogle craves candy bars. Besides eating her own, she picked up Margaret Doctor's candy bar and started eating it until Margaret caught her doing it. We don't blame you, Margaret; we wouldn't let her have it either. . . . We all want to welcome Norma Augsberger back with us. Norma was sick for a while, but looks swell and full of pep now.

Facts and Fun
FROM 31

Birthdays for the week are: Betty Bright, Elsie Hart, Vivian Kimmell, Bob Olson, Bill Wiebke, and Don Schultz. Best wishes to all of you! Also, birthday congratulations go to Fairy Boesch and a special tribute since she was "crowned." For further details, ask her to show you the new pin and earrings she received. . . . Bob Olson had a wonderful birthday present—a new little baby daughter born just 45 minutes before his birthday! Congratulations, Bob! . . . What's all this we hear about the Planning Department's "Stag" party held last Wednesday evening! One of the many highlights of the evening's entertainment was the quartet, "Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree" (with gestures), which was so ably rendered by Charlie McAfee, Bob Blomker, Mike Sorgen, and Bill Wiebke. As an added attraction, Dick Dierkes brought his little "invisible" dog, Herman. Poor little "Herman" was blamed for everything. It was also proved at the party that Mike Sorgen "is all wet." Someone accidentally(?) pointed a garden hose in his direction. Yes, it was a successful party. . . . Beauty hint for the week: take one cake of a certain "Pine-tar" shampoo soap, make a nice lather, shampoo hair thoroughly, rinse in clear water. Result: a lovely bluish-purple hue. See Jack Leedy, one who knows. . . . Vivian Kimmell has been sporting a beautiful diamond she just received this week. The lucky man is Bill Kayser of the Planning Section. Congratulations! Speaking of diamonds, notice the lovely diamond Eloise Dawson has, which is also new. Congratulations to you too, Eloise! . . . We wish to extend our sincerest sympathy to Alberta Bultemeier and family upon the death of her mother. Alberta was a former employee and is now in the WAVES. . . . Mary Snyder is visiting her husband who is in the hospital at Battle Creek, Mich., after being wounded in overseas action. We all thought we were "seeing double" Friday, but no, it was just Ilene Abbott and Fairy Boesch who showed up for work dressed alike. . . . What is it that keeps Marcella Brackman and Lillie Mosier quiet so much of the day? Could that drawer full of "all-day" suckers have anything to do with it? . . . Delores Magsam and Isobel Fotino are both leaving us this week. We'll be sorry to see you go. . . . There has been a question raised as to whether we have a "cannibal" in the office. Do you suppose Ilow Wilson's mother always gives her raw ham sandwiches in her lunch?

FIGHTER BOMBERS AND BOMBERS OF THE AAF IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN AREA are making use of captured Japanese bombs in attacking in the Mariana and Marshall groups still in enemy hands in event of emergencies where our own ammunition cannot be landed quickly enough on the beaches of captured islands. "It is fortunate that supply ships loaded with bombs usually get in when we need them most," declared Col. William S. McCulla, Ord. Supply Officer on Staff of General Harmon's Pacific Air Forces in the Central Pacific Area, on his recent return to this country, "for at their best Japanese bombs are hard to handle and apt to explode with the slightest jarring. To adapt them we had to have special fuses and boosters made in a hurry by the Ordnance Department. Air Ordnancemen at advanced bases were able to rig slings and racks so we could mount them in our planes. Planes of the 7th Air Force dropped a few duds on Tinian, so the Japs could see that they were getting their own bombs back."—Army and Navy release.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings
Bldgs. 8 and 12

A bunch of the boys from Bldg. 8-2 participated in quite a gay affair over the last week end, namely, a stag party held at the cottage of Amel Beck at Clear Lake. Those present were: Joe Hill, Ralph Hoover, Elmer Hamilton, Charles Brubaker, Roy May, Virgil Nash, Cletus Lothamer, Leo Elward, Howard Smith, and Amel. Everyone had a wonderful time, but the thing that got Cletus Lothamer's goat was that upon returning home from the party he found that his goat had presented him with a baby (kid) goat. . . . Ernie Miller, our everyday crooner, will have everyone crooning to him today. The song? A familiar refrain—"Happy Birthday To You." Congratulations, Ernie. . . . Congratulations to Deloris Mommer, of our die room, who is sporting a lovely new sparkler on her left hand. The lucky man is in the service of his country at present. . . . Our most heartfelt sympathy goes to Wilbur Roth, whose mother passed away during the past week. . . . We'll miss Ruby Ludy, who was employed in our salvage section and has been transferred to Bldg. 17-4 recently. . . . We wish to welcome Bob Schultheiss to our Engineering Division, Bldg. 8-2. . . . Congratulations to Clarence Pion, who celebrated his birthday last Saturday. . . . If you should see a big cloud of dust at the gate any morning now, it will probably be Joe Kramer arriving on his brand new bicycle. Take it easy, Joe. . . . Many happy returns of the day to Ray Fisher and Ida Erba, who celebrated their birthdays recently and treated the gang to delicious sweets. . . . Enola Crabill is home at present due to ill health. Take care of yourself, Enola, and hurry back. We miss you! . . . It seems that elevators hold a strange fascination for Donna Wagoner, 'cause she sure does like to ride 'em. . . . We want to say welcome to several newcomers in our section. They are: Elsie Bockelman, Fordyce Collis, Chester Hollin, and John Barnes.

World War Vets Hold Election

George Ellison, Taylor Street, Newly Elected President

George Ellison of the Taylor Street Plant was elected president of the G-E World War Veterans' Association at the annual spring meeting and election of officers last Saturday at the American Legion Post No. 47. Other new officers are Royal Roeger, Winter Street, vice-president; Victor Boutwell, Bldg. 26-2, secretary and treasurer; and Lester Didier, Bldg. 19-5, sergeant-at-arms.

At the time of the meeting, it was decided to admit veterans of the present conflict to membership.

The group is at the present time formulating plans for its annual observance of Memorial Day.

"Saving For The Seventh" At Taylor Street















Many employees of the Taylor Street Plant are joining the "Piggy Bank Brigade" and are saving their loose change for participation in the Seventh War Loan Drive. Top left, left to right, are employees of the rotor section, Lois Tritch, Fern Brindle, Cleota Stallbaum, Mary Cains, Lelah Ayers, Eloise Schwarz, Beatrice Winstel, Dora Hollenbeck, and Erma Bender. Top right, more rotor employees, Betty Brackney, Anna Mae Lee, Virginia Price, Barbara Brackney, Norene Grubb, Wilma Warren, Virginia Graham, and Ruby Warren. Second row, left, screw machine, Elsie Brecheisen, Twylo Elzey, Emma Baker, Winifred Coates, Ethel Koontz, Josephine Gaby, Melberta Grace, and Thelma Fields. Second row, right, screw machine, Garnet Slack, Florence Locker, Maxine Woodcox, Connie Filus, Lola Lehrman, Mildred Blivernicht, Virginia Buesching, Bertha Fuhrman, and Virgie Mayer. Bottom, left, rotor and screw machine, Sally Alexander, Betty Boszor, Mary Cordill, Delbert Dennis, Paul Beaver, Lucile Sasser, and Faustina Torres. Center, Fred Sanders and Dale Felck, both of the screw machine section. Right, rotor section, Gilbert Beck, Dale Moyer, Roscoe Morr, and Arthur Sorg.

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

'Tis a dreamy day out, but I promised I'd "pinch hit" for the regular column editor so here goes. . . . First thing I notice is there are very few "contributions" from fellow employees. If your regular editor has this few every week, no wonder there is always a note in the column to "turn in an item." Do you realize that this paper is sent to all our service men and that they "pass it around," that it's read by thousands—yes thousands, to whom the note "Mary Smith I was surprised with a party by--------" or just "Mary Smith tore her bobby sock" is an item about home, a breath of spring in a dismal fox hole. Turn in just one item each week—no matter if it is used or not, turn in at least one every week. . . . I want to live that way department—Did you notice that through the several days of tribute paid to F. D. R., the tributes were to him as a man, more so than as president of the U. S. I want to do my little job as well as he did his big one—How about you? . . . A note crosses our desk. It says "Please print in Heavy Black Type 'SAFETY IS PART OF YOUR JOB.'" I'd like to elaborate on that a little. In the past week two people in the Fort Wayne area each lost one of their arms at the elbow. One was crushed—one, a young lady's, was torn, yes torn, off. I wonder if either or both of these people had ever taken a few minutes to really examine their job and find out the hazards. I wonder, have you ever? Try it. Report any unsafe method or unsafe machine or machine part to your foreman or safety committeeman. If the hazard is inherent in your work, know the hazard and how to "work around it." . . . The Gecode Club girls of the second shift held their Easter party in tbe basement of the Zion Lutheran Church. After dinner games were played and prizes were won by Mary White, Martha Rawley and Pat Baughn. The committee consisted of Ruby Baker as chairman, and assisting were Viola Archer, Pearl Kreischer, Jean Augsburger, and Dorothy Stalter. . . . Our sympathies are extended to George, John and Herb Lohse upon the death of their father. . . . Roy Painter is on his vacation this week. . . . Orval Fisher, recently of Plant No. 2, is now a steady customer of Plant No. 1. . . . Iva Teeple attended the class play at Pleasant Mills Tuesday evening, Her son, James, was in the cast. . . . Happy birthday to Bill Beard. . . . We notice that Stults and his stooges are getting slicked up here recently. Must be going to be a Fireman's Ball very soon. . . . Two young gentlmen from the swing shift have decided to go into "V" farming. The two boys, Brown and Welch, have purchased two tracts of dirt east of the city. Of course, while there are no definite particulars as yet we believe that the principal crops this spring will consist of pumpkins and carrots. The line fence between the two farms will remain until the pumpkins are husked. . . . Mickey McDougal had his mouth all watered for a chicken supper, but when Vilos delivered it, the poor chicken was dead. Just have to eat bologna and noodles, Mickey. . . . Johnny Wattke sends along greetings and a special thanks to the Gecode and G-E Club for the Christmas package. Johnny is somewhere in the Philippines. . . . A note from Dean Gehres, a private in tbe infantry—Says Army life is O. K. except he doesn't like the weather or the sand prevailing in his camp. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Andy Schirack. Their oldest son, Joseph, was killed somewhere on the Western front.

The sailor was relating his hair-raising experiences aboard a torpedoed ship. The dear little lady was listening wide-eyed.

"An' there I sees a torpedo, lady, headin' straight for our ship," he explained.

"Oh dear," she gasped. "I do hope it was one of ours!"

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"March 26, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"Just got your letter in connection with the WORKS NEWS, after it had been forwarded several times from Amarillo, Texas. Sure was glad to hear from the Company. It's been quite a while since I last received a copy of the WORKS NEWS, but then that's my fault cause I didn't mention my various changes of address. If it's still possible, I'd like to get the NEWS if you'd put me on the list.

"I've been here in England a little over three months. Nice country and very nice people, although they appear a little strange until one comes to know them, and it's not a bit hard to make friends.



"I'm still flying on a B-17 Fort as engineer—top turret gunner. There never was a better ship in its class, and I believe you folks at home are aware of this by the history it is making over here.

"So far as my experiences in combat are concerned, I'm a little afraid the censor wouldn't approve of my telling them here. I do want to say that these jokers we're fighting aren't through yet, in the air or on the ground. The Hun gives a good account of himself every once in a while and makes things nasty for us. They have a good many ack-ack gunners left and turn hell loose in the heavens quite often. Without being actually conscious of it, we thank the manufacturers of the various products many times over on a mission over enemy territory. It's their stuff that brings these gas birds back, along with some good old sweat and guts.

"Well, that's about all for now. I want to say hello to my friends back there. Be seeing you all soon.

"As ever,

"T/Sgt. Dick Lawrence"

Staff Sgt. Richard Lawrence, stationed somewhere in England, recently received the Air Medal for meritorious achievement during Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on vital German industries and military installations.

"Terminal Island

"San Pedro, California

"March 27, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"I have been transferred now for a little over two months, and the WORKS NEWS has been forwarded to me every week. I sure enjoy reading the Winter Street column, but most of all the page about the service men and women. I've seen quite a few letters from fellows I met at the General Electric the three years I worked there.

"I have been assigned to a patrol craft. She is a new ship. After we pick her up, we will have a shakedown cruise.

"Sorry to read of Howard Fletcher's death; he was a mighty swell fellow to work for.

"I am about twenty miles from Los Angeles and about seven miles from Long Beach. Both are good liberty towns and we got three out of four nights and week-end liberties.

"Tell Wayne Hardy that I fooled even myself since I got in the Navy. I knew I would make it at my last induction, but I didn't think I would stay this long, and I find the Navy OK and am glad to be back in uniform.

"Tell the gang in Compressor I said 'Hello' and tell Fred Ellinger I still think of him and the gags he used to pull.

"Well there goes 'chow' call so will close until another time.

"A former employee,

"Lester E. Essex, S 2/c"

Production

Herman Rockhill is getting to be a regular "cut-up." He was seen making some index tabs. . . . Charlie Lammiman decided that the office needed a "bit of enlightening," so he brought in a bouquet of lilacs. Fellows of folly borrowed a gallon jug, which provided as a vase—and gave Charlie a bouquet of his own flowers.

Power Drive—Assembly Room

You no doubt heard of our Dan Traster and his pike—gosh, 17 pounds, 43 inches and twenty minutes to land him. We'd like to have Mrs. Traster's honest opinion of the supper Jim Shugert made of the sea food in her kitchen. . . . Ask Fred Gerke what his first thought was one morning this week when he was fooled at a fake job of bolting his tool box to his table. . . . We wonder what poor soul will have to suffer listening to Harold Reiter's fish stories. . . . Good luck and so long to a swell boss, Hugh Knepp.

Planning

Eileen Mee, former reporter in this office, is leaving us this week to devote all her time to being a housewife and mother. We hate to see you go, Eileen, but best of luck always. . . . That alarm clock you heard the other day was Mr. Alie's. Russell Ade, don't you know you shouldn't do that?

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

Arnold Benecke continues to dominate the Winter Street Bowling League as he was high man for next to the last night of bowling with a 574. This includes games of 204 and 208. Other 200 scores were O'Neill 219, Seiple 214, R. Miller 208, Lauer 207 and Roeger 202.

Team 5 was the only team to win all three games and now leads the league with 28 won and 14 lost. No changes in other individual or team standings. This coming week winds up the bowling for the second half, after which will be the doubles tournament and the roll-offs for the first and second half. Royal Roeger, secretary of the league, will have the schedules posted.

Golf

Win Kirke has been named temporary chairman of the golf committee and he has picked the following team captains: Glen Macy, Hal Staley, Ed Bireley, Arnold Benecke, Walter Schmidt and Dorm Kirke. There will be six men on each team and four will play each week. This allows for someone on vacation, working overtime, or who has another engagement for the evening. Wednesday will be league night and play will begin either May 9 or 16. All play will be at the Brookwood Course. A set of rules and regulations as to handicaps will be drafted this week.

Tool Room and Maintenance

We welcome Bill Koch, the new man in the tool room who was transferred here from the Power Drive Section. . . . Al Anderson finally got his early potatoes planted while on vacation last week. If he had waited any longer they would have been late potatoes. . . . Lyle Wray received his draft notice and will be leaving us soon. . . . Dale Weaver caught his limit of bass at the lake last Sunday. This makes up for the shut out the fish scored over Liebig, Haskins, and Rehnen the week before. . . . Carl Lester's boy, First Lt. Robert Lester, has received the Silver Star while stationed in the European Theater with the AAF.

"April 3, 1945

"Hello to All the Gang:

"I have been wanting to write you for a long time now and thank you for sending me the WORKS NEWS so regularly.



"Although I worked at the Winter Street Plant for General Electric only a short time, I made many friends and enjoyed my stay while I was there. That really was a swell bunch at Winter Street.

"If Denver Deal is still working there say hello to him for me. I haven't heard from him for a long time now. The pictures in the Christmas issue of the WORKS NEWS of winter scenes in Fort Wayne were really swell. After being around these islands you sometimes wonder if there really is snow anywhere; it hardly seems possible.

"I have been overseas now since the first of the year, and am a Chief Shipfitter in charge of welding on board a repair ship. They sure keep us busy here most of the time, but that helps the time to pass, so no one minds.

"There isn't much that I can tell you, not where I am or where I expect to be so I guess this is about the extent of my news from here.

"Thanks again for everything.

"Sincerely,

"Bill Caskey, C.S.F."

Cost

Saturday morning, April 14, Charlie Hooley of our office, and Anna Marie Roth of Bldg. 18-5, were united in marriage in St. Peter's Catholic Church. Congratulations and good luck, kids.

Factory Office

Mrs. Sorg told her daughter Velma to get some overall material for patching. Velma proudly presented her Mother with five yards of the material. New overalls or plenty of old ones, Velma? . . . Wedding bells will peal for Nan Bachman and Dick Burns Saturday night, April 21, at 7:30 at the Church of God, Harmar and Lewis Streets. Congrats and best wishes to both of you.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

We wish to extend sympathy to Margaret Harrison who was recently called to Vincennes by the death of a brother. . . . The familiar call for Henry Aldrich will be heard no more around Winter Street. He has been transferred to the Broadway Plant, and we wish him good luck. . . . Rachel Marshall has received a beautiful cameo ring from the Isle of Capri sent by her girl friend serving with the WACS. . . . Well, "Aunt Alice" Brockmeyer can't complain about her hair looking terrible any more. She got that permanent last Thursday. Looks nice, too. . . . If you've been wondering why Jim Fike always has such a solemn look on his face, it's because of the missing teeth. Oh, he'll never smile again until he gets his teeth—unquote. . . . Orville Hetrick and "Mac" McMonigal are a couple of the fellas working down here now. . . . Did everyone get a good look at Charlie Azar last Monday? Yep, underneath that suit coat he had on a shirt! . . . Mable Englert has been back with us after a long illness. It's nice having you back, Mable. . . . After you finish reading this column, you can go over and sing happy birthday to Eva Longsworth. She'd like it! . . . The best laugh of the week was provided by Leo and his rabbit. We've never seen a buck, yet, Leo, that could have little ones! . . . Congratulations to Bob Fritz and Ruth Molter, now Mr. and Mrs. The wedding took place last Thursday.

Machine Shop

Welcome to Machine Shop, Earl Galland. Earl is a transfer from Power Drive. We hope you like us, Earl. . . . For details concerning a pleasant vacation, see Jefferson Davis Caudill. (Incidentally, he didn't know it was his vacation until he received his vacation check). . . . We all miss Gerald Schnepp. Hope you will be back with us soon, Gerald.

Dust Proof Room

We were all wondering why the Sickafoose family ate their lunch out Friday. Come to find out, Gilbert fed the dog the good loaf of bread by mistake. . . . We hope Bert will be okay soon and be back to work. . . . Mildred Norton is back after her vacation. . . . Dorothy King left the Dust Proof Room. . . . Edith lost her heel today, and we hope she wasn't too embarrassed when she was walking down the aisle.

Milliner: "Pardon, Madam. THIS is the hat you bought; that's the BOX you are wearing."



Turret Tattles

If you've been wondering who that energetic young man is that comes in before the lunch hour on the second trick and starts moving things right and left, we'll inform ya! He goes by the handle of Jerry Fox. Hi! Jerry, told ya I'd find SOMETHING nice to say about ya, didn't I? . . . And the chap with all the shoes and ambition that comes in after lunch and takes over where Jerry leaves off is LeRoy Wickliffe. He's from Waynedale and plays the baritone and trumpet in the Elmhurst High school band and orchestra. Howdy, LeRoy, make yourself ta home! . . . These grandpas forget everything else when they get to telling about their grandchildren. Ernie Kahlenback was expounding the exemplification of perfection in his newest grandchild and to illustrate a point brought forth the picture of the li'l one from his billfold. Becoming obsessed in detail he picked up the pictures, placed them in his pocket, and forgot the billfold. Many eons of worry could have been avoided if he hadn't done that. As he settled back to work, one wag says to another one—he says, shouldn't he try to borrow a buck from Ernie? This was tried and the great good heartedness of Ernie caused him to reach to his hip pocket, where the billfold reposed! A-h-h-h, but it wasn't there! Conversation was cut short whilst our friend dashed back to the scene of his paternal oration. But alack and alas, the billfold was not where he had left it. "Betwixt" many accusations and convincing denials, a slight reward was hinted. This brought forth several different suggestions as to the whereabouts of the missing wallet. After some finesse on the part of the principals, of which we can't reveal the details, Ernie again came into possession of the wallet, intact. We ask you to not be too inquisitive about the ribbon round about his neck that falls in gentle arcs toward the hip pocket. It is a very simple precaution taken from his childhood days. And effective too. . . . It has been whispered into our shell-like ear that Geo. Mason from twenty-two has taken up stationary engineering. His first problem concerned the relative heat generated in an automobile motor, against the "A" stamps used up when an auto owner locks the car door, forgets the keys inside, and the motor idles quietly for seven and six-tenth hours. The answer consists of convincing a passing motorist to take him home, get the EXTRA set of keys, and announce to the many kibitzers on his return that he will take over, and there is no need of the steam gauge they have and are trying to fit to the radiator. . . . John Smeltzer can't understand why, when he went into the office recently to report the loss of a new War Bond, he was greeted by the statement "Yeah, that's what I hear." P.S. The bond miraculously reappeared on his bench while he was making the aforesaid report! Strange doin's! Must be the gremlins at work, John. . . . Strange things indeed. A boring mill operator busily engaged in his work, and a hand book lying beside him, titled "Farmer's Handbook." Odd are the ways of a mechanic.

Hubby: "What did the man say was wrong with the tire?"

Wife: "He said the air was beginning to show through."

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

By Walter Histed

Spring is here and it is time to put basketball away until next Fall. Charlie McAfee and I wish to join in thanking everyone who has contributed to make this season successful.

Winter Street going through both halves of the season undefeated have been crowned league champions.

By way of conclusion—below are the entire individual scoring records for the season:

Name	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Magnusson,	Winter Street	12	57	28	45	22	137
Seiple,	Winter Street	10	60	13	28	7	133
Milholland,	Firemen	13	51	24	55	29	125
Esterline,	Small Motor Office	12	48	16	30	18	112
Seltzert,	Winter Street	11	48	16	30	15	102
Lauer,	Small Motor Office	13	43	16	37	17	102
Hanic,	Firemen	13	45	12	27	18	102
Kepler,	General Service	7	41	17	54	15	99
Kaimer,	Small Motor Factory	11	44	10	24	19	98
Arnold,	West Side	12	39	16	38	14	94
Fox,	Taylor Street Test	12	36	15	49	23	87
Pickett,	General Service	13	35	8	18	22	78
Starkel,	Small Motor Office	13	35	6	18	13	75
Hoffman,	Small Motor Office	12	29	16	29	14	74
Conkle,	Taylor Street Test	11	32	8	23	15	72
Ehrman,	Transformer	9	29	13	49	21	71
Howe,	Squares	12	32	7	41	28	71
Hanefelt,	Taylor Street	8	28	8	31	11	64
France,	West Side	10	31	1	9	8	53
Close,	Small Motor Office	9	23	16	27	8	62
Yentes,	Taylor Street	10	27	7	18	14	61
Ray,	General Service	12	26	9	33	22	51
Dent,	Winter Street	13	24	11	19	7	59
Kauffman,	General Service	13	28	3	19	22	59
Rider,	Tool Division	13	24	10	38	84	58
Hapner,	Messengers	12	25	7	27	42	57
Altevogt,	Transformer	10	26	4	12	32	56
Waldrop,	Tool Division	12	28	10	25	16	56
Stetzel,	Small Motor Factory	11	25	4	20	23	56
Rabus,	Taylor Street	8	24	7	15	18	55
McNamara,	Squares	10	21	12	27	20	54
Gnau,	Messengers	11	25	2	11	10	54
Rice,	Messengers	11	22	6	12	25	50
Stucky,	Winter Street	8	21	7	12	5	49
Baker,	Taylor Street	8	18	13	22	6	49
Hanna,	Taylor Street	11	21	7	15	15	49
Young,	Small Motor Factory	11	20	8	24	22	48
Mader,	Squares	10	22	3	13	17	47
Kops,	Transformer	7	20	4	11	7	44
Long,	Firemen	14	19	6	14	18	44
Pequignot,	Tool Division	7	18	7	19	8	43
Zimmerman,	Firemen	11	18	6	15	13	42
Stellar,	West Side	11	19	3	6	20	41
Habig,	Firemen	11	17	5	8	12	40
Coles,	West Side	11	18	4	11	20	40
Reed,	Squares	2	17	5	7	7	39
Dwyer,	Small Motor Factory	8	15	6	16	5	36
Hoffman,	Messengers	12	15	6	10	17	35
Fryer,	Winter Street	12	15	5	7	12	35
Hooley,	Winter Street	13	14	7	19	21	35
Lesrier,	Firemen	12	15	5	19	22	35
Black,	Small Motor Office	8	17	1	3	5	35
Schuster,	Small Motor Office	13	13	8	22	4	34
Trump,	Tool Division	9	16	2	11	7	34
Bobilya,	Taylor Street Test	9	14	4	19	13	32
Ball,	Taylor Street Test	7	11	8	15	4	30
R. Roberts,	Taylor Street Test	9	12	5	22	19	30
Schible,	General Service	12	12	5	13	15	29
Bobde,	Taylor Street	7	13	8	11	6	29
Walters,	Taylor Street	4	10	8	17	14	28
Widner,	Tool Division	11	12	4	8	20	28
Thomas,	Tool Division	13	12	3	18	22	27
Grossnickle,	Taylor Street	2	13	1	4	5	27
Pulley,	Small Motor Factory	8	9	8	12	16	26
Hileme,	Taylor Street Test	7	10	4	10	1	24
Swank,	Messengers	9	11	2	3	16	24
Nickerson,	Transformer	10	9	3	12	6	21
Truelove,	Tool Division	7	9	3	8	8	21
Richardson,	Taylor Street	3	10	1	10	3	21
Edgar,	Squares	10	10	0	4	8	20
Reed,	Tool Division	13	8	4	11	18	20
Fritz,	Transformer	10	8	4	18	5	20
Kempf,	Transformer	7	8	4	9	10	20
Kelly,	Winter Street	8	9	2	3	1	20
Trott,	Small Motor Office	13	8	4	9	11	20
K. Roberts,	Taylor Street Test	7	8	3	8	6	19
Gitter,	Small Motor Factory	6	7	4	5	6	18
Stoner,	Squares	2	8	2	8	7	18
Snyder,	Winter Street	8	6	6	13	5	18
Yachon,	Messengers	3	8	1	4	3	17
Click,	Messengers	8	6	4	8	6	16
Dixon,	West Side	8	7	2	4	4	16
Devine,	West Side	5	5	6	10	10	16
Ambuchon,	Squares	6	7	2	5	3	16
Dunlap,	Tool Division	10	8	0	6	18	16
Bobilya,	Taylor Street	2	6	2	9	3	14
Yachon,	Transformer	6	7	0	4	7	14
Barber,	Small Motor Office	12	5	4	8	12	14
Seibold,	West Side	8	5	4	15	9	14
Bechtol,	Small Motor Factory	8	6	1	7	8	13
Howe,	West Side	4	5	0	2	2	12
Hawley,	Messengers	11	6	0	3	5	12
Langenberg,	Small Motor Office	8	5	1	6	3	11
Hellenthal,	Squares	12	4	3	10	9	11
Jennings,	Squares	5	5	1	9	6	11
Lee,	Small Motor Office	3	4	2	3	4	10
Tenoshok,	West Side—Squares	6	3	4	8	4	10
Heinbacher,	Messengers	1	4	2	4	0	10
Crosley,	Taylor Street	9	4	2	9	12	10
Sneed,	Small Motor Facotry	8	3	3	8	11	9
Gerber,	Taylor Street	1	4	1	5	0	9
Dukes,	General Service	11	2	5	18	9	9
Hamman,	West Side	8	3	2	4	3	8
Turner,	Squares	4	2	4	4	8	8
Lydy,	Firemen	11	3	1	3	11	7
Maenbarger,	Transformer	5	3	1	1	5	7
Imel,	Squares	1	3	1	3	1	7
Hardiek,	Small Motor Factory	5	3	1	2	1	7
Lindenberg,	Small Motor Factory	8	1	6	13	5	7
Schmidt,	West Side	2	3	0	2	0	6
Millikin,	Taylor Street	8	2	1	1	0	5
Harris,	Taylor Street Test	4	2	1	2	2	5
Bieber,	Firemen	6	1	3	8	3	5
Larimore,	Winter Street	1	2	1	5	1	5
Meyer,	Winter Street	1	2	0	0	1	4
Ostermuth,	West Side	7	2	0	1	5	4
Carpenter,	Taylor Street	1	2	0	0	0	4
Hauman,	Squares	5	1	1	2	5	3
Scott,	Taylor Street	8	1	1	3	4	3
Overdeer,	Taylor Street	1	1	1	2	3	3
Mann,	General Service	5	1	1	3	6	3
O'Connell,	General Service	12	1	1	3	18	3
Beard,	General Service	2	1	1	3	6	3
Hagermeister,	General Service	7	0	2	2	3	2
Swaim,	Tool Division	2	0	2	4	3	2
Seeley,	Squares	1	1	0	0	0	2
Washburn,	Squares	1	1	0	0	2	2
Butterbaugh,	Taylor Street Test	1	0	2	2	0	2
Yoder,	Winter Street	9	1	0	3	4	2
Lowden,	Tool Division	4	1	0	0	5	2
Scherer,	Firemen	2	0	1	5	1	1
Spell,	Taylor Street Test	5	0	1	3	12	1
Castle,	Taylor Street	1	0	1	1	3	1
Walton,	Firemen	4	0	0	1	3	0
Weaver,	Firemen	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mayer,	West Side	2	0	0	0	2	0
Verney,	Messengers	2	0	0	0	0	0
Steele,	Messengers	2	0	0	0	2	0
Wallace,	Messengers	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mettler,	Messengers	1	0	0	0	4	0
Schnurr,	Messengers	2	0	0	1	0	0
Coughlin,	Transformer	2	0	0	0	3	0
Van Horn,	Transformer	1	0	0	0	1	0
Gruelach,	Transformer	1	0	0	0	1	0
Hunt,	Squares	1	0	0	1	0	0
Alexander,	Squares	4	0	0	0	0	0
Walsh,	Taylor Street Test	2	0	0	0	4	0
Girard,	Small Motor Factory	5	0	0	1	1	0
Follis,	Small Motor Factory	3	0	0	0	1	0
Scherer,	Small Motor Factory	2	0	0	0	6	0
Macy,	Taylor Street	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hirsch,	Taylor Street	1	0	0	0	1	0
Moore,	Taylor Street	1	0	0	0	1	0
Rathert,	General Service	1	0	0	2	0	0

They Said We Couldn't, But We Did



They said England couldn't survive the blitz, but she did. They said American soldiers would never cross the Rhine, but they did. They said they couldn't retake Corregidor, but they did. They said we wouldn't meet our other six war loan quotas, but we did. Will we make the Seventh? These girls say we will and have "piggy banks plumb full" to prove they mean it. Decatur girls, they are Catherine Bailey, Irene Stram, Alice Sheets, Grace Moser, Edna Manley, Irene Draper, Mina Lamby, Esther Schinler, Ann Moyer, Nondus Snyder.

TAYLOR STREET *Bowling League*

Captain "Ozzie" Nahrwold's "Developmental Demons" are the new champions of the Taylor Street Bowling League. They attained that honor by defeating Bob Hanson's "Firemen Fighters," first half winners, in the final playoff match, 2269 pins to 2241 pins. It was a close match, and the winner was in doubt until practically the last ball was rolled down the maple. Developmental team members are Captain Nahrwold, Purner, Clark, Moore, and Bradley. Firemen roster includes Captain Hanson, McGowan, Linn, Morkoetter, and Christie. The winners, besides receiving additional prize money, will have their names inscribed on the Bowling Trophy, emblematic of their being Taylor Street Bowling Champs for 1945.

Below are listed final team standings for the last half of the bowling season:

Final Standings

Team	W.	L.
Developmental	30	15
Chargers	29	16
Production	29	16
Tool Room	26	19
Laboratory	23	22
Grinders	22	23
Firemen	21	24
Screw Machine	21	24
Receiving	20	26
Turbos	20	25
Office	17	28
Air Corps	12	33

600 Series—Taylor 192-215-198—605.

200 games—Nahrwold 227; Hanson 223; Hammond 219; Schuelke 218; McGowan 207 and Christie 200.

Chargers and Production, each winning two games, remained deadlocked for second position and were unable to wrest the last half leadership from the Developmental team. Tool Room finished in fourth place and the Laboratory jumped a notch to capture fifth position. Practically all other teams finished in their previous locations.

Final League Records

Team High Single Game—Developmental 960; Turbos 959; Grinders 936.

Team High Series—Production 2635; Turbos 2622; Grinders 2598.

Individual High Single Game—Taylor 245; Schulke 232 and Dow 232 (tie).

Individual High Series—Hanson 632; Taylor 629; Nahrwold 615.

Hanson and Taylor had a close race all season for high individual average, with Hanson finally emerging the winner with his 181.77 average. Taylor's average was 181.37. Others in the "Big Ten" listed in order, were—Martz, Crabill, Hammond, Meese, McNutt, McGowan, Garton, and Nahrwold.

League activities ends officially Saturday night, April 14, at the G-E Club alleys with Doubles Handicap Tournament.

The League Officers wish to extend their sincere thanks to each and every league member for cooperation, good sportsmanship, and courtesies extended.

Short Story:
Chips fly . . .
Lost eye . . . ?
NOT if you wear goggles!

Ever see a Big League catcher play without protective equipment? Be a "Big Leaguer" yourself—wear your safety clothing on hazardous jobs.

DO YOU HAVE YOUR

BOOSTER TICKETS

If not, see the salesman on your floor

$1.00

entitles you to admission at reduced price of 50c, tax included.

Look for the salesman closest to you and get yours now.

R. Ankenhruck, Bldg. 28-1
J. Henry, Bldg. 28-1
O. Ellenwood, Bldg. 26-2
D. McKerring, Bldg. 20-1
D. O'Connell, Bldg. 20-1
H. McGary, Bldg. 20-1
H. Underwood, Bldg. 20-1
J. Ort, Bldg. 17-2
D. Smith, Bldg. 6-B
G. McAfee, Bldg. 31-1
M. Kessner, Bldg. 17-1
A. Hume, Winter Street
M. Gerardot, Bldg. 26-5
M. Hennigh, Bldg. 17-4
W. Lassen, Bldg. 4-5
F. Eakin, Bldg. 18-1
R. Parker, Bldg. 18-5
G. Bobilya, Taylor Street
W. Rabus, Taylor Street
M. Sweet, Bldg. 26-4
J. Allen, Bldg. 26-5
N. Little, Bldg. 12-3
R. Hattendorf, Bldg. 12-2
O. Rodenbeck, Winter Street.
R. Braden, Bldg. 26-1
P. Cartwright, Bldg. 26-2
G. Cowan, Bldg. 4-4
R. Glenn, Bldg. 26-2
I. Homes, Bldg. 4-6
R. Kimmel, Bldg. 27

Booster tickets are also on sale at G-E Club candy stand, and any fireman, or from athletic committee members at Taylor Street.

G-E Employees In City Table Tennis Tournament

G-E employees were very well represented at the city-wide Table Tennis Tournament held April 12-13 at the Forest Park Methodist Church. The G-E champion, Lore Ferverda, Bldg. 28-1, was defeated by Peter Collias in the final match for men's singles championship. Homer Campbell of Bldg. 31-1 and Ferverda were defeated by Peter Collias and Barney Horn in the final match for men's doubles championship. The women's singles championship was won by Mrs. Harry Renner, whose husband is employed in Bldg. 4-6. Mrs. Renner and Phyllis Amstutz, of Taylor Street, teamed up to win the women's doubles championship. Mrs. Hubert Meyers, whose husband is from Bldg. 19-5, and Homer Campbell lost the mixed doubles honors to Peter Collias and Phyllis Amstutz.

Leland Hughes, general chairman of the Forest Park Church Table Tennis committee, on behalf of the entire committee sends his grateful appreciation to the General Electric players and fans who participated in this annual event for their fine sportsmanship and talent which has made this tournament the largest and best in their history.

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

The Taylor Street Golf League started off with a slice and a hook Monday evening, April 9, at Foster Park. Ten teams comprise the league and two complete rounds or a total of eighteen matches will be played. Five players are listed on each team and much interest and enthusiasm is being shown.

Smith B-29 golfer, turned in the low score of 43 on the front nine and Gompf of the Screw Balls toured the back nine with a nice 46 count. Scores up to 67 were scored, which shows that the rug-beater or snake-killer type of golfers do exist within our ranks. However, only 2 acres of the course were dug up opening night. To our knowledge, no clubs were broken nor any skulls fractured.

League Standings

Team	W.	L.
D. H. K.'s	1	0
Developmental	1	0
Giants	1	0
Laboratory	1	0
Tool Room	1	0
Aluminum Parts	0	1
Ramblers	0	1
"B-29's"	0	1
Screw Balls	0	1
Production	0	1

D. H. K.'s, champions last year, started out with a win over Production. It looks as if they are really trying to be a repeat champion. There are, however, nine other teams ready to challenge their claim.

Highlight of the first night's fracas was probably the tie between the B-29's and the Giants, which was finally won by the Giants after an extra hole had been played. It is said also that a 300 yard drive was exhibited by Al Muller, but after a careful check it was discovered he made it the easy way, 150 yards up and 150 yards down.

Officers for the league are as follows: Dale W. McNutt, president, Lou Barney, vice-president, and Al Muller, secretary and treasurer. See you next week, and here's hoping we all do better!

Taylor Street Bowling League Champs



The Developmental bowling team of the Taylor Street Plant won the championship of the Taylor Street Bowling League by defeating the Firemen, first-half winners, in the roll-off. The champions are pictured above being presented with their trophy. Left to right are Joe Dickerson, chairman of the Taylor Street Athletic Committee; Dale McNutt, president of the league; Purner; Nahrwold, captain; Clark; Bradley; Moore; and Brendel, secretary.

G-E Club Arranging Interesting Schedule

By Frank Eakin

Some of the Nation's leading colored teams will be played by the G-E Club baseball team during the coming season. Arrangements have been made through the co-operation of P. L. McCormick to have these teams scheduled by R. L. Sapperstein, the Chicago booking agent for members of the National and American Negro Leagues. In addition to the Homestead Grays, with whom the Club split two games last year, and the Cleveland Buckeyes, also victims of the Club, the Birmingham Barons, Kansas City Monarchs, New York Cubans, and many others will be played.

Tentative plans are to play a Negro team each week, and one or possibly two other games with leading servicemen's and semi-pro teams. The recent ban on Major League team travel has forced the cancellation of the exhibition game with a Major League team. If the ban should be lifted, the Club will play one and possibly two Major League teams. Also, in all probability the Club will represent Fort Wayne in the big Naval Relief game against "Bullet Bob" Feller's Great Lakes Bluejackets sometime in July.

The Booster ticket sales campaign now under way has far surpassed the sales of last year at the end of the first week. Needless to say, that with the interesting schedule now being arranged, the buyers of the Booster tickets will be in a position to see these games at a great savings by the use of the Booster ticket. Booster tickets will be honored at all games except the Great Lakes charity game.

Housewife: "How did you break that soup plate, Hilda?"

New Maid: "Well, you see ma'am, I threw down the dish towel and then I found it was in my other hand!"

G-E OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

R. F. Dressel

Standings 4-14-45

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 6	29	16
Team No. 12	28	17
Team No. 8	27	18
Team No. 3	27	18
Team No. 7	27	18
Team No. 4	25	20
Team No. 9	24	21
Team No. 2	23	22
Team No. 1	22	23
Team No. 5	15	30
Team No. 10	14	31
Team No. 11	11	34

Team High Three Games No. 7—2525.
Team High Single Game No. 7— 950

Results of Bowling

Team No. 7 won 3 games from Team No. 10 by forfeit. Team No. 4 won 3 games from Team No. 11 by forfeit. Team No. 1 won 3 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 5 won 3 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 3 won 2 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 5.

200 Games—P. Stiver 231, 207; F. McBride 201; T. Cowan 221; M. Walchle 211; A. Stanger 204; E. Marsh 215; R. Zelt 201; R. James 201; T. Roehm 200.

600 Series—P. Stiver 170-207-231—608.

There is one more session of bowling in the league. Since it looks as if there will be a roll-off necessary between team No. 3 and the winner of the second half, will all team captains please meet with the secretary at 11:45 in the lounge room of the Club. At this meeting arrangements will be made for the distribution of prize money and for the roll-off. Please be prompt and our business can be finished before bowling time.

Two little mites of about six and seven respectively were gazing with considerable interest at the storks in the zoo, when the usual interfering old lady ambled up.

"Those are storks, my dears," she purred. "The clever birds that brought you to your mother and father!"

The youngsters looked at one another, and one whispered: "Poor old thing! Shall we tell her?"

Table Tennis Champ Receives "Challenge" From Paris

Lore Ferverda, Bldg. 28-2, table tennis chairman, was surprised last week to receive an entry for the recent table tennis tournament from Paris signed by Sgt. M. M. McDonald. As announced in last week's WORKS NEWS, Ferverda was the singles champion, and he thinks that indirectly he may have a challenger on his hands.

Sgt. McDonald formerly worked in Bldg. 4-3. His letter, in part, reads:

"Please enter me in the tournament after this war is over. Just playing a joke on you. Not bragging, but I guess I can hold my own here in Paris. In the G-2 section there isn't a man who can beat me two games out of five.

"We really have a wonderful set-up here for table tennis. In our big day-room there are three regulation tables that are kept busy all hours of the day up till 12:00 at night. I always hold a table all night as it is 'I play the winner.'

"I know you are a busy man, so I won't bother you long. We have a wonderful set-up here in Paris, and have the following facilities: swimming pool, basketball gym, football field, three baseball fields, three tennis courts, our own Post Exchange and Doughnut Dugout, and a big show which seats close to a thousand. . . .

"As ever,

"S/Sgt. M. M. McDonald"

Industrial League Play-off

G-E CLUB ALLEYS

The G-E DC's won the Industrial League play-off with a total of 2784—West End finished second with 2702—American Legion third with 2631 and the G-E Flanges finished fourth with 2630. Sanders of McMillens won high single game honors with a 222 and Tutwiller of the Legion team rolled a 573 for high three game series.

Bowling Tournament At Club April 20-28

A double handicap bowling tournament will be held at the G-E Club beginning April 20 through Saturday, April 28, excluding Sunday, April 22. In order to make it possible for all G-E employees to take advantage of the tournament, the following schedule has been arranged:

April 20—6:30 P.M., 8:30 P.M.
April 21—10:00 A.M., 7:00 P.M., 9:00 P.M.
April 23—6:30 P.M.
April 24—6:30 P.M.
April 25—8:30 P.M.
April 26—6:30 P.M., 8:30 P.M.
April 27—6:30 P.M., 8:30 P.M.
April 28—10:00 A.M., 12:00 noon, 7:00 P.M., 9:00 P.M.

The tourney is open to all G-E employees, whether they bowl at the G-E club or in an ABC sanctioned league; however, averages must be verified by league secretaries. Entry blanks are available at the G-E Club; entries may also be made by phoning the Club alleys, telephone 742. An entry fee of $4.00 per team must accompany each entry. An individual may bowl as many times as he wishes, but he must have a different partner for each entry. If an individual is bowling in more than one league, he should use his highest average. Handicap will be 75% of 400; four men will bowl per alley. Prizes will be awarded.

Additional information on the tourney can be obtained by contacting Art Ackerman or Edd Yahne, phone 742.

Taylor Street Doubles Winners

As a final windup to the Taylor Street Men's Bowling League season, a handicap doubles tournament was held Saturday, April 14, at the G-E Club Alleys. Twenty-three teams participated.

Taylor and Ridenour were proclaimed the winners with a total of 1251 pins.

The first five winners and total pins are listed below:

1. Taylor-Ridenour 1251
2. Garton-Steffey 1246
3. Prince-Clark 1215
4. Stoicke—Werner 1214
5. Hammond-Towns 1213

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Results of Matches

Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 6. Team No. 11 won 2 games from Team No. 7. Team No. 9 won 2 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 8 won 2 games from Team No. 4. Team No. 2 won 2 games from Team No. 5. Team No. 10 won 2 games from Team No. 3.

Standings

Team	W.
Team No. 11	31
Team No. 2	27
Team No. 12	25
Team No. 3	24
Team No. 6	24
Team No. 1	24
Team No. 9	23
Team No. 5	22
Team No. 4	21
Team No. 7	18
Team No. 10	17
Team No. 8	14

600 Series—Roehm 212-181-216—609.

200 Games—Newell 200; Baumgardner 204; Landis 213; O'Connell 214; Wearley 216.

The roll off for the league champs will be rolled on Saturday, April 21 at 10:00 o'clock. Team No. 2 were winners of first half. Team No. 11 were winners of second half.

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That These Dead Shall Not Have Died In Vain



Every citizen of the United States owes our 12,000,000 fighting men in this bitterest, most tragic of all wars, unity of effort through a unity of obligation with no onlookers in the grandstand seats. Unity of effort for the civilian means active support of the Seventh War Loan Drive, which for employees of the Fort Wayne Works will take place on May 14, 15, and 16.

Results of that campaign will tell how well we meet our obligations.

Wilson Cites Healthy Growth In G-E Sales

Tells Stockholders Increase Means "Real Industrial Musclepower"

In a statement accompanying General Electric's 191st quarterly dividend to its stockholders this week, President Charles E. Wilson commented as follows on the Company's future:

"For the four years, 1936 through 1939, when armament sales did not affect our operating picture, your Company's annual sales volume averaged about $300,000,000. But during 1943 and 1944, when war had definitely become our business, our average annual volume of sales rose to $1,300,000,000.

Honest Strength

"In my considered opinion that billion-dollar growth is no temporary phenomenon but represents in large part real industrial musclepower. It is honest strength with which we face the hard-won years of peace. I believe that so great will be the need of postwar America for the quality products that General Electric can produce, it will require full use of your Company's facilities to meet that need.

"This belief is based. first, on the pent-up demands for our many products and services for consumers; second, on the need to replace existing industrial machinery and equipment necessarily kept overlong in service during the war.

New Things to Offer

"Finally, there are the amazing new things which the maturing

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Seventh War Loan Drive Speaker Named

Dr. E. Burns Martin To Address Divisional And Sectional Meetings Of Employees

Dr. E. Burns Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend, will address employees of the Fort Wayne Works during the Seventh War Loan rallies throughout the plants, according to J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign. The drive here is scheduled for May 14, 15, and 16, during which time a quota of $340,000 in cash sales is to be met by the employees of the Broadway, Winter Street, Taylor Street, Decatur, and Kokomo Plants.

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War Loan Speaker



Dr. E. Burns Martin

Speaker throughout the plant during the Seventh War Loan Drive will be Dr. E. Burns Martin, above. Dr. Martin is well known to residents of Fort Wayne for having been pastor of the Wayne Street Methodist Church for seven years.

G-E Plan Has Paid 25 Million In Insurance

Big Total Reached As Liberalized Plan Is Offered

The General Electric Group Insurance Plan passed a milestone last month with the payment of a total of $25,004,753.38 in benefits to the survivors of G-E men and women since the plan was started in 1920.

The 25-million mark was reached with the payment March 31 to Mrs. Katherine D. Connoly, of 1115 McClellan Street, Schenectady, of the first of a series of installment payments provided by the $3,500 principal amount of insurance on the life of her husband, Joseph L. Connoly. When he died March 14, Mr. Connoly was a foreman in the varnish section of the resin and insulation materials division, chemical department.

Had $3,500 Coverage

Mr. Connoly already had $1,500 in Company insurance when additional insurance was offered to him in November, 1925, at the time the G-E Insurance Plan was broadened

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Seventy Suggestion Awards Total $880

Rudolph F. Zelt, Bldg. 19-5, Heads Current List With $180

Seventy ideas for better ways wrought a total of $880 in awards to their originators during the one-week period covered by the current suggestion award list released by S. E. Palmer, secretary of the Suggestion Committee. Leader in the list is Rudolph F. Zelt, Bldg. 19-5, who was awarded $180 for his idea of spraying glyptal on armatures and stators instead of applying it with brushes.

An award of $105 went to Doyle D. Miller, Bldg. 26-1, who turned in a suggestion for providing double hole punches and dies for transformer lamination punchings. His present award is in addition to $7.50 previously issued.

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Elex Club Plans Annual Mother-Daughter Party

Event Scheduled For Both Shifts On Thursday, May 10

At the present time plans are being made for the annual Elex Mother-Daughter party which this year has been scheduled for Thursday, May 10, at the G-E Club.

The night workers will hold their meeting honoring mothers at 12:30 on that day. The program will consist of entertainment by the Vagabonds, prominent Blue Network artists and tenor Robert Carlisle, radio singer. Prizes will be awarded to the oldest mother pres-

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Article By President Wilson In "Saturday Evening Post"

The "Saturday Evening Post" in its May 5 issue will publish an article under the title, "We Will Get Something Back," by General Electric President Charles E. Wilson. The magazine is expected to be on news-stands next Thursday.

CASUALTIES

Pvt. Richard O. Heine, Bldg. 19-2, was killed in action in Germany on March 29.

PFC Forest Railing, Decatur, was seriously wounded in combat in Germany on March 29.

Pvt. Murray C. Squires, Bldg. 12-2, was wounded in Germany March 30.

SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

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Inflation At Work

Right now you are bidding against two of your neighbors for the privilege of buying $2.00 worth of consumer goods placed on the store shelves. That is what is known as a seller's market. That is the direct opposite of a buyer's market such as we had during the depression.

Now we have money and not enough goods; that makes prices rise. During the depression we had goods and little money. That makes prices drop.

It's knowing when to spend your money as well as what to buy with it that enables you to get more for your dollars and so accumulate more of what we know as wealth.

The Seventh War Loan provides incentives to all of us to stay out of today's seller's market when most of us are making war materials, and wait until our national facilities are devoted to the manufacture of consumer goods; when there will be goods on the shelves and money in our pockets.

Take a look at those dollars in your pay envelope. You throw them into a seller's market, and they will bring you very little, and that will be of moderate quality. The best materials have gone to war.

Put them away in bonds during the Seventh War Loan, and the same dollars will: increase in number; help the war effort while you're waiting for the interest to accumulate; stop bidding for scarce goods, and thus help to keep prices down; insure you the chance to buy at an advantage in the buyer's market which will follow the war. They're your dollars. Which way will you use them?

"Your Victory Gardens"

Victory gardens have contributed greatly to solving the Army's food problems during the past year, and the War Department is making a plea urging victory gardeners to maintain their vegetable production in 1945, and if possible to grow even more than they produced in 1944. "Your victory garden," said Major General Edmund B. Gregory, the Quartermaster General, "are credited with producing 40 per cent of the fresh vegetables grown in the United States last year. This has been a most worthy accomplishment—so worthy that we are asking victory gardeners this year to repeat their performance of 1944. In fact, with the less favorable food outlook and the added needs for military supply, we are hoping that you will surpass your record of the past season." Use of victory garden vegetables for home consumption has made available larger quantities of commercially canned vegetables for the Armed Forces than could have been taken without hardship to civilian consumers had victory gardens not contributed so liberally to the nation's food supply.

No Let-Up

Every American is keenly aware of the enormous casualties suffered by the Marines on Iwo Jima. But Lieutenant General A. A. Vandegrift called attention to another side of the picture when he spoke of the material losses as well. "Everything must be replaced," he said, "the landing craft that didn't make it to the beach, the supplies that couldn't be landed. That is why it is so important that there must be no let-up here at home." Other Marines will step forward to take their fallen comrades' places, but it's up to us at home to replace the lost equipment. Let's do it quickly as a token of our admiration for the men who didn't come back.

YOU ARE ONLY ASKED *TO BUY*



Money cannot buy victory, but it certainly can hasten the victorious end of the war. Money built the overwhelming swarms of aircraft, some of them soon retired from combat just because there is a plane a little better, a little safer for its crew. Money built the "bridge of ships" and the warships to convoy them, so that the pig-boats could not sink them fast enough to win.

In short, money makes our Armed Forces the best-fed, best-equipped combat team in the world. Already men of courage and self-reliance, is it any wonder that they have scored fabulous victories? Best of all, by shortening the war, money is making our Iwo Jimas and Tarawas few. We, who in the past have bought the bonds to do all these things, cannot relax our energies now. We must push the total in the Mighty Seventh to a new record.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

A RATION-MINDED OVEN MEAL

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Since the new rationing regulations were announced we are more conscious of red points than ever before because so many meats which were point free now take coupons. One sure way to make our meat points go farther is to use more meat extenders in casserole dishes. Casserole dishes as part of an oven meal also perform another economy: all the foods cook at once.

In planning oven meals it is necessary to use utensils which fit compactly into the oven. For this purpose oval or rectangular casseroles or baking dishes are usually more convenient than round dishes. It is also necessary to have tightly fitting covers for steaming vegetables and any other foods which require steaming. It should also be possible to arrange the oven racks so that the bottom rack is at least one inch above the lower unit and the top rack about 4 inches below the upper unit. In this way the most uniform browning and cooking will be obtained.

Breads and cakes, etc., should usually be placed on the top rack, meats and those foods containing more liquid on the lower shelf.

Menu

Tamale Pie — Harvard Beets
Baked Parsnip Croquettes
Tossed Green Salad
Pop Overs — Baked Apples

Tamale Pie

Boil 3 cups water and 1 tsp. salt. Gradually add while stirring constantly, 1½ cups corn meal. Stir until thick and continue cooking on low heat for 20 min. Using about ½ of the corn meal line the bottom and sides of a 3-quart casserole. Combine 1 large onion finely chopped, 1½ lb. ground beef, 1 can condensed tomato soup, 1 tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. pepper, 3 tbsp. chili powder, 1 small can whole ripe olives, 2 cups canned corn. Pour into casserole and spread remaining corn meal mush over the top.

Harvard Beets

Peel and cut in quarters, 8 medium sized raw beets. Place in baking dish with tight fitting cover. Combine ¼ cup water, ¼ cup vinegar, ½ tbsp. corn starch, ½ cup sugar, ¼ tsp. salt, 2 tbsp. butter or margarine. Pour over beets and cover.

Baked Parsnip Croquettes

Cook until tender, 12 medium sized parsnips. Force through ricer or sieve. Add and mix well, 1 well beaten egg, 1½ tsp. salt, 2 tbsp. melted butter or margarine, ¼ cup flour. Shape in balls about 2 inches in diameter. Roll in dry bread crumbs. Arrange in shallow baking dish. Pour over each croquette about 1 tsp. melted fat.

Pop Overs

Beat 3 eggs. Add 1 cup milk, ½ tsp. salt, 2 tsp. melted fat, 1 cup flour. Beat lightly and pour into well oiled custard cups.

Baked Apples

Core 6 medium sized baking apples. Score by cutting skin around the center of each apple. Arrange in shallow baking pan. Fill center with raisins and chopped nuts. Over each apple center put 2 tbsp. sugar or honey. Pour 1 cup of water in pan.

Place all foods with the exception of parsnip croquettes in cold oven at the same time. Set temperature control at 350° F. with oven switch in Bake position. Bake for 1½ hours. During the last half hour put in the parsnip croquettes.

You wouldn't remove a "Lookout for Trucks" sign—but would you observe its warning"?



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

WAC's



J. Baker F. Kraner

Pvt. Frances Kraner, who entered the WAC on September, 1944, finished her training as a surgical-medical technician and graduated from Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado. She has been stationed for the duration at William Beaumont General Hospital at El Paso, Texas. She was formerly employed at the Decatur Plant. Pvt. Joan C. Baker is taking surgical-medical technical training at Fitzsimmons Hospital at the present time. Upon completion of her training she will be assigned to an army hospital. She was formerly employed in Bldg. 10-2.

Sgt. Richard C. Lawrence, Winter Street, has been awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement during Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on vital German industries and military installations."

Roscoe D. Herr, S 2/c (Y), Bldg. 4-6 and Taylor Street, has been transferred to Davisville, Rhode Island.

Lt. Arthur W. Day, Bldg. 18-5, has been awarded the Air Medal and one Oak Leaf Cluster.

Tech. Fifth Merlin C. Ternet, Bldg. 26-B, has been awarded the Combat Infantry Badge for his participation in the 38th Division's drive across Northern Bataan.

Pvt. Edward H. Horman, Bldg. 19-2, who was wounded in action in France on June 28, has returned to the United States.

Cpl. Vern Daseler is stationed in the Philippines.

Captain Ralph O. Dunfee, who is stationed in Washington, is assigned to contract settlement work with emphasis on pretermination agreements with contractors. He reports that his work is very interesting.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Iwo Jima

Dear Folks:

One of my shipmates was right when he said, "The Navy always puts the —— in the toughest and biggest fights." As you have learned from the home town paper, this time our job was to give heavy gunfire support to the Marines landing on Iwo Jima.

When we learned where we were going, we had a good idea that it was going to be a tough job, because the Japs are fanatical fighters, and if they put up such a scrap for islands far away from home like Tarawa, what would they do to defend this two by four fortress island literally on their front doorstep? It's a rough and rugged island, mostly volcanic rock with thousands of crevices and cliffs which made it ideal to defend, but wicked to invade. Remember this island has been part of their empire for a long time, and they really had a chance to get "holed in." Actually I think they must have all lived in caves, because from the ship I couldn't see anyone moving on the island.

We pounded the island for three days before the Marines landed, and then D-day when they came plowing in with their landing boats, the ships stood off the beach—bow of one ship close to the stern of the one ahead—and poured tons of explosive steel into that island. We wanted to soften it up as much as possible and to do all we could for those Marines heading for the beach. I want to tell you those Marines have what it takes, and they take what they land on, no matter what. By the fight they've just put on out here they've seen to it that Iwo is no longer just the name of an island in the Pacific. It's a lot more than that. When you mention Iwo, you think of the same things you have in mind when you say Guadalcanal, Tarawa, and Saipan.

As I said, Iwo is an extinct volcano (although it seemed to come alive again with the smoke and flame from our shells), and at the southern end is Mt. Suribachi. The mountain was honeycombed with enemy guns and emplacements and proved to be a miniature Rock of Gibraltar. For three days we watched Suribachi, trying to follow the Marines' advance up her craggy side. Then suddenly on the third day—it was a beautiful day—there it was. On the highest peak of the mountain, there was Old Glory. I guess that I have seen the American flag hundreds of times before back home, but I don't think it ever looked as good as it did there on top of Mt. Suribachi.

The —— luck held good, and we came through without injury to the ship or anyone on it. We did our best, and as you know, when the —— does her best, that's practically perfect. (Or could I be prejudiced?)

At present all is quiet, and removed from the scenes of battle, we are resting (if you ever rest in the Navy) and getting our fill of sunshine.

As ever,
Lloyd W. Yoder, MM 2/c

Doing Their Part



V. D. Kelley H. A. Gordon

"In the camp in which I have been stationed I have always met up with a lot of G-E work. I have been around aircraft for a long time, and any place you want to look you see G-E nameplates. So I think that they are doing their part," says Victor D. Kelley, Bldg. 26-3. He is stationed at Harvard, Nebraska. Lt. Harold A. Gordon, Bldg. 4-4, is a member of the Air Forces. "I've been through pilot training and also just finished a course of flight engineer on B-29's. They have a lot of electrical equipment and a good share of it is of General Electric make."

Sgt. Robert J. Rectanus of the Army Air Corps, formerly of Bldg. 26-2, engineer on a B-17 Flying Fortress somewhere in England, has received the Air Medal. He is glad to hear war production is tops. He comes in contact with G-E material himself. "It's tops." He sends best regards to everybody.

First Lt. Vincent W. Tanvas, Bldg. 12-2, has been awarded the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, following completion of 50 combat missions. He is based in Italy.

Sgt. J. Robert Singer, Bldgs. 4-1 and 4-2, who is now in Germany, reports that he is having quite a few experiences.

Visited Home Plant

Dear Editor:

. . . Sometime ago when I was home on leave I went to the plant and visited. It sure made me feel good when I saw that you people were still on the job doing as much as ever. Sometimes I know you people back there get sort of bored and think you're not doing much, but if you could see where and how much your products are used and needed, you would sure get a thrill.

One of the things I sort of took for granted when I was working there was the G-E Club. I never realized how nice it was. When I came home on leave and saw all the good, clean fun everyone was having there, I felt very proud that I once worked for a Company whose workers had such a fine club. When you're away from home the thing that you like to find when you get back is that nothing's changed too much. It gives you a more substantial feeling to know that when you finally get home for good you'll still have some of the same things you remembered and dreamed about when you were gone.

This letter has been sort of long and I hope not too boring. In closing I will say that no matter where the fellows go or we girls, the G-E label gives us confidence in ourselves and our equipment.

Yours truly,
Flora Gaff, S 2/c

Howdy, all you ex-fellow workers!

It has been a long time since I've written, so I figured I better let you all know that I'm still alive and well. My only difficulty is the heat.

I am a gunner's mate in an amphibious unit and have run into a lot of G-E accessories in the line of ordnance equipment. All I can say is merely a repetition of what all of us say and hope is done, "Keep up the good work."

I got two issues of the WORKS NEWS the last time we hit port, and I enjoyed reading the letters from my old friends from the G-E who are in the service and out.

I have the good fortune of having a shipmate who is also from Fort Wayne. He is Dick Ahlersmeyer, the son of an old employee and the fiance of another employee. It makes it a lot better having someone from your own home town as a shipmate. . . .

Yours,
Jay Davis, GM 3/c

L. Stanely Simison, CM 1/c, sends his regards to the fellows in Bldg. 10-1.

Get Awards



R. C. Lester A. J. Liechty

A Silver Star was awarded Lt. Robert G. Lester, P-51 Mustang fighter bomber pilot for the destruction of two enemy aircraft in a battle against five to one odds over Germany. He is a member of the famous Pioneer Mustang fighter group of the Ninth Air Force. PFC Adam J. Liechty was awarded a Bronze Star for heroic action in the battle of St. Vithe. He took care of a wounded boy under enemy fire; he had to cross an open field where the Germans had good observation to shoot at him.

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines to inform you of my change in address. I'm still in the same group, but on a different rock. . . .

I formerly worked in the recoil section at the Winter Street Plant. I hope it won't be too long before I can be back there again.

We have rather favorable weather here. Our living quarters are very near the beach, so I do quite a bit of swimming in my spare time. As there isn't anything to write about, I'll sign off for now.

I remain,
Richard M. Bultemeier AEM 2/c.

Dear Editor:

. . . I'm writing you now that I may be returning to the States as result of an injury I received in Germany. I'll make it a promise to keep you posted on my movements so that I can receive the WORKS NEWS as soon as possible.

I sure was pleased to read the Fort Wayne plants went over their quota on War Bond sales. Keep up the good work.

Want to say hello to everyone of my friends in Bldg. 4-2 and the Decatur plants. Will close for this time.

Sincerely yours,
PFC Dale W. Stalter

PFC Herman Lyons is now stationed in Germany. "I am feeling fine and doing pretty good. I am now in Germany, and it is very good here. I like it, but I would take the States before I would stay here. Good luck to all at the G-E."



Unusual Hobby Brings Much Satisfaction





A trailer, on the sides of which were painted scenes from the tulip gardens of Holland, started an interesting hobby for Art Totten of the Decatur Plant. Mr. Totten was intrigued with the beauty of those pictures when the trailer parked on Main Street in Portland ten years ago, and sent to Holland for some bulbs. After the first year he had 2000 tulips; at the present time he has 15,000 in bloom, over 50 varieties covering more than a quarter acre of ground.

In addition to giving Mr. Totten a great deal of pleasure, the tulips are enjoyed by many people, for Mr. Totten generously supplies sections, offices, and the dispensary of the Decatur Plant with bouquets. He admits that following his hobby is a lot of work, but he says that being able to spread cheer and good will with the fruits of his labor makes every minute of it worthwhile. The scenes above were taken at Mr. Totten's home in Portland.

Suggestions

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Two other large awards were issued, one to Samuel E. Bireley of the Winter Street Plant for $65, and the other to Leo R. Maple, also of Winter Street, for $30. Mr. Bireley, whose present award is in addition to $135.00 previously issued, suggested changes to machining operations on high and low pressure housings. Mr. Maple received his award for an idea for salvaging freon gas formerly lost at purging operations.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 8

Charles D. Hardy, Lynn A. Wilson, Steven Bobay.

Bldg. 26-1

Doyle D. Miller.

Bldg. 6-2

Alfred F. Oelke, Herbert V. Koch, Charles S. Strebig, Antoinette Lause, Doyle E. Espich, Celeste L. Coppolino, Jean Schmalzried, Clester H. Platt, Paul R. Castle, George H. Hahn, Forrest R. Allman, Ruth E. Pretorius, Dorothy M. Tilbury, Doris Mae Fishback, Harold Anspach, Betty J. Oberlin, Max E. Flohr, Eva G. Motz, Luella A. Guy, Agnes C. Amstutz, Mabel M. Miller.

Bldg. 4-1

James W. Clark, Reinhold J. Frede, Kenneth F. Bergman.

Winter Street

Samuel E. Bireley, Cecil Goodson, Leo R. Maple.

Bldg. 19-5

Rudolph F. Zelt.

Taylor Street

Zelma M. Wood, Leonard V. Spring, Fredrick H. Sanders, Charles E. Rose.

Bldg. 4-6

J. C. Duryee.

Bldg. 4-2

Carl E. Swanson.

Bldg. 17-2

Ralph Solt.

Bldg. 17-4

Eleanor Pequignot, Raymond W. Heller, Cecil G. Stair.

Bldg. 27

Frank A. Fordham, Marion K. Worman, George W. Prince.

Bldg. 4-3

Raymond E. Meyer, ElRoy H. Bailey, John Thomas Casey, Leslie J. Frane, Ora Goff.

Bldg. 19-2

Robert Lauer, Gerald Kummer.

Bldg. 20

Herbert P. Prior, Albert H. Lamley.

Bldg. 19-1

Albert Hutchisson, G. L. Santon.

Decatur

Carolyn North, F. W. Zimmerman, Emery A. Hawkins.

Bldg. 19-4

Robert F. Heinig.

Bldg. 26-4

George F. Ryan.

Bldg. 10

Charles E. Scott.

Elex Party

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ent, to the youngest mother present, to the mother coming the greatest distance, and to the mother with the most daughters employed at General Electric. Each mother will be presented with a gift. Tickets are 50c each, and each mother must be accompanied by her daughter.

The day girls' party will be similar to that of the night girls, with entertainment being furnished by the Four Vagabonds, Robert Carlisle, and the O'Sullivan Bards, a group of eight young singers from Fort Wayne under the direction of Delores Spindler. Prizes will be awarded to the oldest mother present, to the youngest mother present, to the mother coming the greatest distance to attend, and to the mother with the most daughters employed at General Electric. Each mother will be presented with a gift. Tickets are 50c each, and every mother must be accompanied by her daughter. The meeting will open at 8 P. M.

G-E Sales

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electrical industry has to offer—television and frequency-modulation radio; the expanded applications of electronics in industry, communications, and research; chemical and metallurgical developments such as silicones and powerful magnets that have unfolded before our eyes; the ingenious and versatile gas turbine; new sources and methods of lighting a world that has always been too dark; literally millions of new homes which will fittingly reflect the progress of modern men. . . .

"Careful planning of developments and products during the last twenty years has made it possible for your Company to embark upon postwar years with an almost equal division of its business between capital goods and consumer goods. Few manufacturing corporations have attained that balance. General Electric's position in both fields is largely due to the vision and tireless efforts of my distinguished predecessor, Gerard Swope."

Seventh War Loan

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Dr. Martin served overseas in World War I as a captain-chaplain and in the later days of that conflict, under the direction of General Munson of the Morale Section, U. S. Army, spoke to large groups of men being returned to civilian life. In addition to his pastoral duties, Dr. Martin served as secretary and member of the Board of Methodist Foreign Missions.

He has a wide acquaintance in Fort Wayne by reason of having served as pastor of the Wayne Street Methodist Church here for seven years prior to 1940, since which time he has held his present pastorate in South Bend.

New Appointment



Robert J. Duras

Robert J. Duras, formerly Supervisor of Tests at the Kokomo Plant, Fort Wayne Works, has been appointed Supervisor of Fractional-Horsepower Motor Inspection at the Fort Wayne Works.

Mr. Duras was born in Portage, Pennsylvania, and, after attending the usual grade and high schools, entered Pennsylvania State College where he graduated in 1941 with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering.

Mr. Duras joined the General Electric Company at Schenectady Works in 1941 as a Student Engineer. He was next transferred to the Fort Wayne Works as a Student Engineer and finally placed in the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Sales Section.

When the Kokomo Plant began the manufacture of Motors & Generators, Mr. Duras was selected to take charge of the testing work at Kokomo and, in 1942, he was appointed Supervisor of Tests at the Kokomo Plant.

At the completion of the Motor & Generator program at the Kokomo Plant, Mr. Duras returned to Fort Wayne as Assistant to the Supervisor of Inspection, Fractional-Horsepower Motors and, on April 16, 1945, was appointed Supervisor of Fractional-Horsepower Motor Inspection.

Insurance

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to permit employees to take further protection at their own expense. So he took $2,000 additional, making a total of $3,500.

Mrs. Connoly was formerly a teacher in Draper High School, Schenectady. She has one child and has elected to take the insurance settlement in installments at the rate of $63 per month for five years, making a total of $3,780. This is $280 more than the face amount of the insurance. The total amount is based on interest at 3½ per cent on the deferred installment plan. The last payment of $63 will be made in 1950.

In Several Activities

Mr. Connoly, who was the secretary of Section Number 35 of the G-E Mutual Benefit Association and was also active in other employee activities, died at the age of 43. Recent payments under the plan indicate a fairly high mortality among insured G-E employees in the 40 to 50 age group. Had he lived, Mr. Connoly would have had the opportunity to subscribe for further additional insurance on or before April 30 under the provisions liberalizing the plan recently announced in the WORKS NEWS.

The new provisions also make it possible for many to increase their additional insurance, the amount depending upon the pay received. If they subscribe to the plan by April 30, no medical examination will be required.

SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

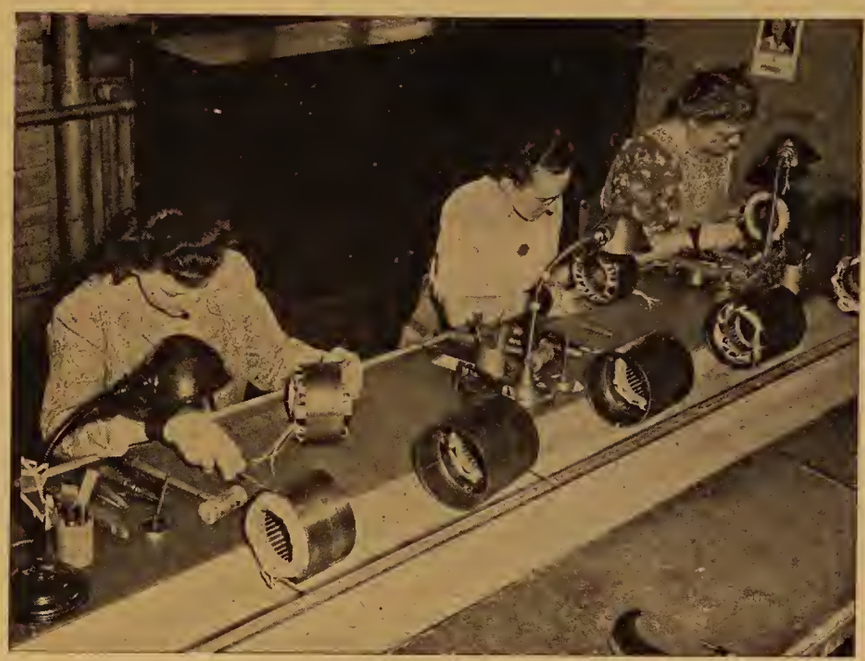
Turret Tattles

The golfing fever has struck the gang in twenty-seven-G. Seems as how some of the ol' softball maniacs are gettin' a li'l too aged for the more active participation required in the small-sized national game. C'mon gang! We dood it in softball! Let's do it with the Golf League! Good luck! . . . Didya ever hear the same story from two or three different people? We're sure you have and can understand the ensuing tale. A couple of twenty-sevenites and one pappy-in-law, what woiks up in twenty-six went mushroom hunting. When asked on their return about the profit or loss of the expedition, there were three different stories. One of the boys stated, "*I* found eight," another said "*We* found nine altogether," whilst the pappy-in-law was overheard to say that the group carried home a twenty-pound sack apiece. Strange as it may seem, we heard the first two of this trio skeptically questioned about their small haul, and upon the revealing of the sack episode the pappy-in-law was immediately swamped with queries as to the position of the mushroom gold mine. Tsch! Tsch! There is one born every—. . . . George Thielacker of the middle aisle layout table, has a very clever composite drawing of twenty-seven personnel. We suggest you take a peek and find out where he has *you* on his chart. . . . And Chester is piqued because he was left out of last week's "Turtle Tattles." We're sorry, Chester, and hereby apologize. . . . There is no doubt in our mind that you saw the "chesty" expression on the rotund-front grandpa from down on the Bullard boring mills. If we had as pretty a li'l granddaughter as she, and got our "pitcher" on the front page of the NEWS, we'd be chesty, too. . . . There are rumors that Earl Walmer of the center aisle section has lost his yen for "Chow" dogs. Seems that with the meat shortage and everything that he can't afford to keep one. Especially if the dog takes a liking to the meat on Walmer. We could say something about the dog having very poor judgment on the quality of meat he is willing to chew on, but we won't. . . . Herb Boltz's "Boy," (Tech. Sgt. Allen G. Boltz in the Army) is home after completing his missions over Germany. Some of the tales he relates makes us terribly glad they're holdin' that shindig "over there." Which reminds us that now is a good time to let the boys over there know how thankful we are for the job they're doing, and the best way to thank them and do yourself a great favor is by buying more and more war bonds. Remember you're not *donating* or *giving*—you're *investing* in your future and the future of your country. Let's get into the mood and put this Seventh Bond Drive away over the top, put it so far over the top that there won't be any need for an Eighth. Help the boys finish this mess up. Just take a peek at the li'l metal and ribbons on the chests of lads like the "Boltz boy" and then see how you feel about buying bonds. You'll find it isn't near the *sacrifice* you thought you were making.

The Signal Corps' wire teletype system in Paris alone handles 3,500 Army messages daily.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE
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A GOOD LAYOUT FOR INSPECTION



This shows an Inspection job that is well planned to eliminate unnecessary time and labor spent in handling the product.

The stators are rolled from the moving conveyor belt onto the Inspection bench for inspection.

After inspection, the stators are rolled back onto the conveyor belt.

Very little effort is required to move the stators to and from the inspection bench.

Inspection operations should be planned to eliminate unnecessary handling.



Remember last week—I said, tune in next week—same time, same station? Are ye in tune? If so—here goes.

The other night on the bus I heard one o' the "back seat philosophers" saying, "Isn't it wonderful how much other people do for us. Now, take that bus driver, for instance. If it weren't for him—we'd be walking."

Then, I got tae thinking o' what tae write about this time, and began tae think o' what people do for me—why, even the meanest man I know may be doing something good for me if I only realized it.

O' course, the next natural step after that is tae turn the train o' thought out onto the C.R.* main line.

Weel, one person who can, and does, do a lot toward C.R.*, without having thot as his regular job is the Inspector. Noo, how can an Inspector, whose job is tae kick out the bad, and pass the good, help C.R.*?

Weel, here's how. His complete record o' product rejections is the tool. The way in which he and the foreman analyze it is the "set up." The way they use their findings is the technique. Just suppose, for instance thot the analysis shows thot 50% o' the rejections were for one certain cause.

What would the foreman do? Thot depends on the cause, o' course. He might call in the engineer. He might call in the planners. He might have a "set up" changed, or an operation varied a little, or an operator instructed a little better on a certain operation. At any rate, he can DO SOMETHING. And without the record o' the inspector, he might flounder around a long time before he could put his finger on the cause o' the most rejections.

O' course, I haven't mentioned it, but cutting doon on rejections is the finest type o' C.R.*, but ye already know thot.

Yus. "Isn't it wonderful how much other people can do for us. Take thot bus driver, for instance. If it wasn't for him, we'd be walking." But, then, on the "bus" I regularly ride, if it wasn't for US, HE'D be walking, too—Cousin Colin would never drive his Model T if he didn't hai his "pay load" o' 11 passengers.

*COST REDUCTION.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

Last week we said good-bye to an old friend, Benny Metker, who left us to enter a new field of business. We shall all miss him and we wish him success in his new enterprise. In his honor the foremen and men in the office entertained at the home of Forest Bunner. From all reports a good time was had by all. We have it on good authority that they were entertained by the mellow voice of Walter Hazelett, Sr., who loves to sing about the beautiful flowers. We hear that he and Gayle Kelsey were losers in a euchre game, which may have decided him to shift from card playing to singing. . . . We also said good-bye to Pauline Swaim, Eileen Brown and Pauline Swary, who have now made housekeeping their full-time job. . . . Charley Reed and his brother went bullfrog hunting Safurday night. Charley said they didn't have much luck—they got only twelve. . . . Teresa Burns and Myralene Liddy are still having trouble with rolls; this time it was pecan rolls which they forgot to take along even after they had been sacked up and presented to them.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Polly Werling, Bldg. 18-1, was honored at a bridal shower held last Thursday evening at the English Terrace. She was presented with a beautiful gift from the girls. . . . Dorothy Gerig, Bldg. 17-3, was also recently honored at a bridal shower held at the English Terrace and was the recipient of a very lovely gift. The girls from Bldg. 17-3 and Bldg. 18-4 that were at the dinner were Betty Wilson, Claire Houser, Marie Dent, Ruth A. McNamara, Lucile Zimmerman, Estel Sewell, Betty Jane Toole, Betty Bohde, Esther Reynolds, Gladys Hurst, Lois Emmert, Marila Yehle, Gertrude Merkel, Ann McCarthy, Helen Brindle, Viola Robison, Mary K. Hostetter, Dorothy Volz, Berniece Korte and Emojean Brown. . . . Most accidents occur in the home is evidently true. Estelle Monroe, Bldg. 18-1, fell off a stepladder and Ginny Gutermuth, Bldg. 18-1, fell down the front porch steps. Fred Prange, Bldg. 18-3, came to work last Monday with his thumb bandaged, and he says he hit it with his trusty little hammer. . . . Nila Greek, Bldg. 18-1, is wearing a beautiful diamond. . . . Edna Voirol, Bldg. 18-1, is off ill; here's hoping we see you back real soon! . . . Some of the early vacationers have traveled on their vacations: Betty Carper, Bldg. 18-1, spent two weeks in Florida, Virginia Gerdom, Bldg. 18-1, was in Memphis, Tennessee, Madge Wagoner, Bldg. 18-1, visited her sister in Warrensburg, and Bob Ellis, Bldg. 18-3, also spent two weeks in Florida. . . . Mary Wysong, Bldg. 18-3, fell off her chair and disappeared the other day. After a little search, there she was under the desk. . . . The Accounting Section would like to bid farewell to Mary Lou Schaefer and Melva Wiley. Melva left us to join the Order and Stores. Lots of luck, Melva, but we miss you. This week our welcome mat is put out to Betty Meyer, a transfer from Taylor Street; Vickie Bickis, a transfer from Blueprint, Bldg. 18-5; Jane Bliss, a former co-worker and Clarice Dunten, Data Bureau. . . . Edna Gilpin and Flossie Badger, Data Bureau, really pulled a "fast" one on us last week. They decided Wednesday morning they would go to Philadelphia and left Wednesday afternoon. We'd call that fast work, huh? They returned early Monday morning and, from what we hear, they had a great time. . . . From all reports, everyone had a wonderful time at Marilyn Fox's wedding reception. The bride certainly looked sweet too, and we'll all miss her. . . . Esther Shroyer, member of the Data Bureau, will be leaving soon. Her husband recently returned from spending several years in India and the European theater of war and will be stationed somewhere in Florida. We all wish you luck, Esther. . . . Phyllis Kammeyer, Eileen Wolf, and Clara Squires, Bldg. 18-5, have blooming pink complexions after their bicycle hike to New Haven. They also seem to be having trouble when they sit down. . . . Ann Roth seems to be a mighty happy girl. Who wouldn't after just returning from their honeymoon?

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Yes, believe it or not, that was our own Florence Stanski dressed in that costume at the Elex Fair. . . . Did you notice the bowling pins Rose Ulrey wore the other night? One for being on the top team in the league and the other a gift at the banquet they had at the Yacht Club. Some bowler, that Rosie is. . . . Ruth Woods, our little switch girl, has been transferred and is now working in Bldg. 2-2. Sorry you left us, Ruthie, and lots of luck on the new job. . . . Ed Stoner has joined Group 13x15. Glad to see you, Ed, and we hope you like us. . . . This week we are appealing to the public for contributions of carrots and cabbage heads for our little rabbit, Jim Hoelle. Pretty soon you should be sprouting wabbit ears, Jim. Better watch out. . . . The other morning when around here we had a heavy frost, Evan Morris said there was an inch of ice on Blue Lake. Did you catch anything when you went ice fishing that night, Morrie? Somehow we doubt if there was that much ice on the lake. At least it wasn't that cold here on April 19. . . . Something happened to one of the days last week. Anyway Helen Hageman can't figure out what happened. She was a day behind on the dates. Better wake up, Helen. . . . If you want to know anything about riding a "bicycle built for two," just ask Mary Lucas and Leah Guy. They know. . . . Arlene Gaskill underwent an appendectomy on April 21. Hurry and get well, Arlene, because we miss you. . . . Phyllis Reber had a birthday April 18 so the Sewing Club had dinner at the English Terrace and presented her with a corsage and a gift. Later they went to the theater. Congratulations, Phyllis, and we hope you have many more happy birthdays. . . . Denver Carpenter, Small Lot, has been reported on the sick list. We wish to extend our heartiest wishes for a speedy recovery and good luck. . . . Glyda Yoder is back to work after a week's illness. Glad you got over it O. K., Glyda. . . . Gaylord Evans is looking forward to May 1. Not because the circus is coming to town though. The Dispatchers Club is putting on the "feed bag" at the Chamber of Commerce that night. Don't eat too much, Gaylord. . . . This week's vacationists (that we know of) are Al Baker and Adrian Weaver. Hope you fellows had a nice time. . . . Harvey Kerr objected to being called "Mr. Kerr" when he was looking out for things while Mr. Weaver was on his vacation. (P.S. How we doing, Mr. Kerr?) . . . We're wondering why Herb Saurer only wore THAT shirt one night. Could it be the rotor gang razzed him too much? Never mind, Herb. They're jealous and really wish they had a shirt that color. Anyway, we think it's pretty. . . . Our congratulations go to Ray Quandt on the arrival of a baby girl. Daddy's doing fine too. . . . Guess that's all there is, folks. Our little box was pretty full and that's what we like. So long for this week.

—Country Cousins

War Bonds--Your Best Umbrella



Is Zat So?

Extra! Found at last, a girl who is not afraid of a mouse. Art Leazier had a pet mouse that he has been sharing his lunch with every day. He brought it over to the Bond Room and believe it or not, Ginny Fisher actually held the thing. What a woman! . . . A humble apology is hereby extended to Orval Haver for misspelling his name in last week's column. It won't happen again, Orval. . . . We all know that apartments are hard to find, so we can understand Janie Meyers' excitement when she finally found one to her liking. She was so elated that she almost forgot to go to lunch the other day. . . . We welcome Max Anders, a floor inspector, to the first shift. Hope you like us, Max. . . . Wonder if Marilyn Riebel was trying to give herself the hot foot? Did you notice the bright red shoes she has been wearing? . . . Cliff Coombs returned from a vacation feeling rested. He said he almost had to fish through the ice. . . . Did you see the pictures of bulldogs that Ray Epperson had last week? Maybe that's one reason there is a meat shortage. They looked like they could sure stow it away! . . . As a result of his latest capers, Mel Kestner may now be addressed as "Deacon." . . . Maxine Mason has left the company to become a full-time farmerette. We will miss her sweet smile and little giggle but wish her happiness and success in her future life. . . . Olin Shookman, better known to us as "Shookie," is now eligible as a Quarter-Century member. Congratulations! . . . Birthdays were celebrated this week by Carl Fisher, George Belschner, Clarence Thomas, Clyde Crabill, Henry Wichern, and Guy Brundice.

You wouldn't hit a man in the eye with a piece of steel—but would you use a "mushroom head" chisel?

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

A farewell potluck for Charlotte Moser was arranged by her many friends in Bldg. 6-2. Following the dinner Charlotte was presented a lovely gift and very best wishes for her future, and let us hear from you. . . . What became of your little bunny on your apron string, Mabel Miller? . . . We regret losing foreman Charlie Brown, who is leaving the Company to enter into a private enterprise in New Haven; good luck to you, Charlie. He was presented with a large cake and gold watch chain from the employees in Bldg. 6-2. . . . Vernella Binkley became the bride of John Zurbrink, April 14, at New Haven. Congratulations to you both. . . . A potluck was recently held in honoring Joan Orr, who is leaving the company to take up home duties; a lovely gift was presented Joan. . . . Don List has a new method of testing paint. When he wants the kind that is quick drying he dips his finger in the can and licks it; if the paint tastes salty it's the kind he wants. His only trouble is he claims it all tastes so much like kerosene that he can hardly taste the salt in it. . . . Gene Sucker, new wire boy in 15x50, looked like he was using cosmetics last week one day when his nose was all smeared up in white grease paint. Gene, however, looked that way only after a trip to the dispensary where he had gone with an itchy nose and the paint was only to stop Gene from scratching his nose too much.

Thirty-two million man days were lost in 1943 because of traffic accidents—enough time to build 2,500 heavy bombers or five battleships. A majority of the accidents could have been prevented by adequate street lighting, according to traffic safety officials.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers:

Bob Altevogt has reported that the Planning Party at Clear Lake this last Saturday night was superduper. All the eleven fellows present enjoyed themselves, even including the fishermen who didn't get one bite. There's one in every party, and this time the honors go to Vic Scheele. . . . Georgiana Smith's wedding took place Saturday evening as scheduled and she and hubby, Harley Burgett, left immediately for Schenectady, where he has been transferred. Our best wishes to you. . . . First we had rumors of a whooping cough victim in the person of Cy Stonehill, and now it's measles that is reported getting people, or at least, one person, Eileen Daniels. . . . Emily Kelley the Service Bureau's own little Irish girl, has been ill the past few days, but is once more up and about. Good! . . . Now wedding bells are about to ring for Ruth Krauskopf. Ruth left Saturday to see "her Bill." The wedding will take place in Baltimore or nearby, where Bill Gerhardt is stationed with the Army. Bill is about to enter Officer's Candidate School. Our best wishes and congratulations to you both. . . . Evelyn Siebert had a week's vacation in Chicago and had herself a time. She went dining and dancing at all the favorite spots of ole Chicago, as well as taking in a couple of the current plays. . . . Then there's a guy like Jim Viorol, who calls the office to find out how every little thing is going, while he is away vacationing and enjoying himself. Fine thing! . . . Congratulations to Dutch Wellman who was lucky recently. By the way Dutch, what's this I hear about you singing a solo at the USO some day soon? Have you been holding out on us as to your talents? . . . Good-byes were said to Nan Paris this last week, who has left us to spend the summer with her daughter in the WAVES at Salt Lake City. Sounds like a nice idea, and we know Nan will enjoy herself. . . . Maurice Archbold started from Syracuse to Fort Wayne, but ended up in Bourbon, Ind. He was only 58 miles away from his destination. . . . We wish to welcome Mary Bischoff, who is replacing Ruthie Krauskopf. . . . Sadonna Fell has just returned from visiting her husband at an Army Camp, near Seattle, Washington. We know she must have had a wonderful time. . . . Getting back to my own little sanctuary, I am sorry to report that our own Dottie Leininger has departed never to return. We'll miss you, Dottie, no more whistling and no more whirling chairs. . . . Now that Spring is here, there are bound to be lots of golf stories around. Well, here's the first of the season: Johnny Carr, Joe Uttal, and Andy Maul went golfing Sunday, Joe's first time out in possibly three years. Well, to make a long story short Johnny had given Joe 20 strokes and had only one more stroke to go to win, when he lost his ball. Joe claims Johnny wanted to quit and then there's the other version of Joe saying, "The game is over and I don't have to pay off." Well, maybe it is all right if you understand golf—need I say more? . . . Poor Joe Coughlin, the man with the housewife hands—yes, the little man had to wield a paint brush and it hurt his tender hands. His problem is now whether it will be worth while to toughen up his hands or just give up painting all together. . . . Welcome back, Chuck, from Iowa. We understand the fresh air was almost too much for Chuck Graham on his recent visit back to his native land. Anyway we were glad he found his family in such fine shape. . . . So long, folks; there's a deadline to make, these days.

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

Just a wee bit of data has passed these ears during the past few days. To wit: One Grant Garritson is running the risk of becoming an alleged apple-polisher, making entrances at the mighty Kokomo portals of General Electric at the dewy hour of 7:25 ayem. Interrogation revealed that he is now coming to work by sun-time because of the absence of a clock that ticks in his home. . . . Friend Faulkner, George, points with pride to the growing interest in preserving navigation on the floor, that is, through the purchase of safety shoes. As a matter of fact, the recent sale netted thirty-six new advocates. That's the old lock-the-barn-door-before spirit. . . . Marie Bunnell met up with a surprise in the form of a birthday dinner at the Frances last Thursday, the nineteenth. Belatedly, we extend our bestest wishes. . . . Ray Massey dropped in 'tother day looking hale and hearty after a siege with the surgeon last February. And still battling to recovery is Bert Sanders, the man who does the death-defying leap from the porch roof. Bert expects to be around here in about five or six weeks, and we hope he shaves off a few of those weeks. . . . ODT should note happily the activities of Clare Saul, who keeps close inventory by inquiries of "Is this trip necessary?" . . . And John Kaade wore a deep blue frowu all day. Which, it is agreed, is justified when one has to put the car together before coming to work in the morn. And finding the speedometer needing repair he adjusted the matter only to discover the brakes weren't working. It's a gay life, isn't is, John? . . . Phyllis Curry is the latest victim of the bucking bronchos we call chairs. . . . Six very worthy exponents of the setting-of-the-tee upheld the good name of Kokomo against a half-dozen from Fort Wayne on the Peru course Sunday last. Messrs. McCollum, Spahr, Carpenter, Evard, Dennison, and Samuels carried the ball (used purely as an expression, not descriptive). Pro McCollum led with a forty-two on the first nine holes, whereas Samuels could not count above seven (probably had another game in mind). Divotor Dennison was non-commital this morn as were the other boys. We do, however, recall R. C. D. saying he had played once in the past nine years. Comprendez? One casualty for the day were Mr. Mac's clubs, which hitched a ride back to the Summit City quite "accidentally." Case closed, we think.

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

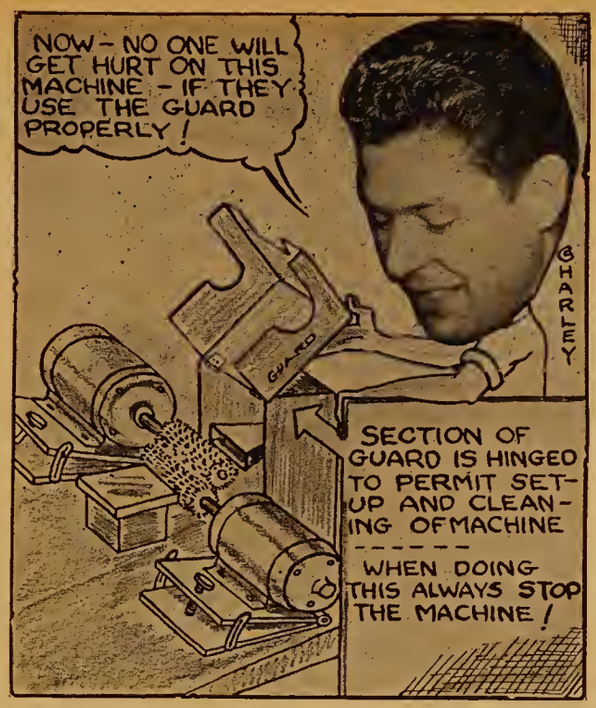
Eloise Noll, R. N., has been commissioned a Second Lieutenant with the U. S. Army and has reported to Fort Knox, Kentucky for assignment. We all want to wish her the best of luck. Rowena Holthouse will carry on in the dispensary. . . . Congratulations and best wishes to S/Sgt. and Mrs. Robert Keller, who were married on April 11. Mrs. Keller was formerly Jean Ulman of Plant No. 1. Sgt. Keller has just returned from the Pacific area, where he spent thirty-three months. . . . Esther Hunter of Plant No. 2 is the proud grandmother of the baby daughter born to EM 2/c and Mrs. John Acheson. Mrs. Acheson formerly worked in the Plant No. 1 office. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Reinhart Selking are the parents of a baby girl. Mrs. Selking was formerly Mariann Brite of Plant No. 2. . . . Best wishes to Othella Mattax who was married on April 6 to Cpl. Fred Edgell of the U. S. Army. Cpl. Edgell recently returned to the states after serving in the Aleutians for three yeras. . . . Joe Globig, George Buckley, Jack Acheson, Paul Hancher, Tad Smith, Chet Kleinknight and Dick Steele were guests of C. Millman at his Tippecanoe Lake cottage, where they enjoyed an all-day session. . . . Jean Augsburger is taking her vacation this week. She will spend the better part of it with her folks at Redkey. . . . Doris Jones is all smiles these days, and why shouldn't she be with that "sparkler" shining on her third finger, left hand! The lucky fellow?—Cpl. Lloyd Spiegel who has just returned from overseas. Best wishes, Doris. . . . The Gecode Club "April Showers" party was held at the K. of P. home Wednesday, April 18. Door prizes were awarded to Gladys Walters, Eloise Noll and Mary C. Hain. A gift was awarded to Mary A. Johnson for having the most articles in her purse. A gift was presented to Eloise Noll who has enlisted in the Army Nurse Corps. Entertainment was furnished by the "Islanders and their dancer Lei Loke," composed of Howard and Marcus Foreman, Ronald Stuckey and June Zinnel, and a trio, Miriam Appleman, Marjorie Meyer, Mary Ann Baker, accompanied at the piano by Clarice Rumschlag. . . . The Committee: Eileen Morrison, Verena Meyer, Charlotte Gephart, Tillie Barger, Alice Baker, Charlotte Schafer, Doris Shaffer, Frances Brite, Leota Braun, Alvera Vian and Miriam Moore. . . . Glenn McMillen returned from a trip to Norfolk, Va., where he visited with his son, Richard, who is a radio operator. . . . Doc Nelson had a birthday Wednesday, April 18. Congratulations, Doc, and many more. . . . Helen Funk is back at work again after a week of recuperation. . . . Iva Teeple's face looks as fresh as the flowers in May and no wonder. Her son Maurice, former employee, has returned home on leave. He is stationed aboard an aircraft carrier. . . . Ann Ivetich from Plant No. 2 is doing her bit at Plant No. 1 as inspector. . . . Noble Drum announces the marriage of his daughter, Patricia Rose, to Joe Shell on Tuesday last. Nice to be a father-in-law, eh, Noble? . . . James Teeple has been accepted as a member of the swing shift. Good luck, Jimmy. . . . Dot Stalter has gone to the Carolinas to visit with her recently returned husband, who was wounded overseas. . . . Seems to the writer that he will have to sprout a moustache. Everyone else including Grant Fry look like they left the razor slip. . . . Irene Heimann, Fred Engle and Raymond Shackley are among those on the sick list. We wish them a speedy recovery. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Hazel Brunner and her family. Her son, Cpl. Joe Brunner, was killed in action in the Pacific area—and to Arlo Lehman of Plant No. 2—his brother-in-law, PFC Wayne Sprunger, was killed somewhere in Germany. . . . Recent visitors at the plant were Harold Keller, Fred Schamerloh, Vincent Tanvas of the U. S. Army and Donald Fruchte and Robert Beard of the U. S. Navy. . . . Russell White, who was recently given a medical discharge from the U. S. Marines, visited with us last week. . . . We received word from PFC Donald Hoffman, who is serving with the Eighth Air Force in England, that he received the box from the G-E Club and wishes to thank them. He recently visited in Scotland, where he enjoyed a one-week furlough. . . . We also received word from Cpl. Clarence Michel, who wishes to say hello to everyone and says he is feeling fine. . . . Tony Murphy who is somewhere in Germany enjoys reading the WORKS NEWS.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Mary Lou Schmidt, Mary Ellen Beltz, and Vivian Curran were on vacation last week. They all looked full of pep Monday morning. . . . It seems as though Hazel Martz isn't the only one that gets excited when taking pictures. Margaret Hilgemann was also in the same boat week before last. Next time, girls, watch what you're doing and be careful. . . . We're sorry to lose Corine McGill from our section. Corine is now working in Bldg. 6-2. . . . If anyone would like to have a watch repaired, take it to Ginger Barger. She is in the business. . . . When Johnny Ormiston came back from his vacation, he was going to wear a mustache. Wonder why he got cold feet? Don't you think he would look cute with one? . . . We want to congratulate Irma Huhn and Ilene Burkett on the birthday they had last week. We wish them many more happy ones. Ilene celebrated hers by having a party at her home Saturday evening. . . . Wonder what Margaret Doctor was thinking about last week when she went to the Union Hall and forgot her card. Good thing you had Thelma Purdue with you, or you would never have got in. . . . The next time you go to church on Sunday morning, Evelyn Triplett, don't forget to wind your clock up before you go to bed. We don't want to see you again going to church in the middle of the afternoon. . . . If anyone is looking for a singer to sing for a party, ask Helen Hogle. She'll do it for a reasonable price, very cheap.

You wouldn't come to work without your Safety Shoes—but would you make a special effort to get your co-workers to wear theirs?

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THEY USE THE GUARD PROPERLY—THAT "IS" IMPORTANT. When compared to the many guards we have which are being properly used, those instances where guards are not properly used may appear unimportant. AMPUTATED FINGERS, LOSS OF SIGHT, ETC., caused by GUARDS BEING REMOVED or TAMPERED WITH are constant reminders that operators, safety committeemen, and foremen must always consider guards according to their true value—THEY MAKE IT EASIER FOR THE OPERATOR TO WORK SAFELY.

Charles Briggs, Secretary of the Safety Committee in Bldg. 6-2, shown in the above picture, and his committee never "pull any punches" when it comes to guarding equipment.

Charles' 1945 Safety Committee is as follows: C. A. Hartman, Chairman; Kenneth Guisinger, Harold Anspach, Eva Motz, Ralph Reinking, Martha Clark, Luella Guy, Hilda Merkel, Donelda Dotterer, John Waikel, Johanna Alles, Pauline Stocks, Melvin Cook, Virgil Trammel, and Wilma New.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Ask Lenora Kimbel how many pounds in a stone. P.S. she really knows. . . . Ted Warner had an embarrassing moment. He went to pay for his supper at the cafeteria and just then remembered spending all his money that afternoon. He wanted to borrow some, and everyone he knew had left. Was his face red. . . . Herman Lepper felt a cold draft on his leg enroute to the parking lot last week. On investigating he found a rip the whole length of his trouser leg. . . . Bill Shomaker sure is a sound sleeper. He lay down on the studio couch, with a cigar, to listen to the radio before retiring. Next morning his wife Mae, awoke him from a peaceful slumber still holding his cigar in a gingerly manner. . . . After four years of tool grinding Red Rarick says there are many ways to grind tools. For a demonstration, contact Red. . . . Maxine Warnock is convinced that the pause that "refreshes" is not the pause in mid air while falling from a chair. . . . A little competition, Gladys Strong against Kenny Crabill in seeing who can raise the largest White Rocks in the shortest possible time. . . . Irma Augsburger reported that the western climate is very enjoyable as she spent the week-end with Maxine Drabenstot of Huntington. . . . Joe Tricker has found out that not only snow will cause a man a little extra manual labor but mud also, as Joe was seen digging the front end of his car out of what at one time looked like a solid piece of ground.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

Bob Dickens and wife have as their house guest their son, Pvt. John R. Dickens, Army Air Corps, who is on furlough after nine months overseas. . . . Fern Sage and Blanche Fisher are having their tonsils removed. What a nice way to spend a vacation. . . . Who is the new glamour girl on coils? Oh! Yes! It's Dorothy Bowman with a new cold wave. . . . Jane Ripley has been absent for several days due to the illness of her mother. . . . June Bowman is with us again and reports having had a very enjoyable vacation. . . . Gay Huey was wearing a gardenia in her hair after celebrating her tenth wedding anniversary. . . . Christine Eddins has returned to work after a short visit with her husband's parents in Alabama. . . . Glenn McNamara is the spirit of hospitality itself. When Ruth Sites and Teresa Brug came back to the Section for a short visit Mac offered to go to the smoke house and get a ham for dinner. Stella Strong had a letter from her son, PFC George C. Strong, Jr., saying "I am in the pink, and will soon be in the tan," and that he is still in the game.

Sleuthing In 4-6

We wonder what Gladys Gebhart was doing sitting on the dance floor at Valencia Gardens a couple of weeks ago. What's the matter, Gladys, were you tired of dancing and just wanted to rest a while? . . . The girls in the file room held a party last week at the Sears Pavilion in Foster Park. As it happened, Alice Fisher's fiance arrived home from the Pacific in time for the party, and consequently she was honored by songs and gifts from the girls. Alice is now Mrs. Bill Schuhler and we wish her the best of everything. . . . Anyone interested in a dog please get in touch with H. P. Love. . . . Patty Johnson tried to steal the show at a wedding last Saturday and almost succeeded. Just as the wedding party was leaving the church Patty slipped on a grain of rice and the next thing she knew she was rolling down the steps. Despite offers of help, Patty insisted that only her dignity was hurt, and after the heel had been fastened back on her shoe, she was as good as new. . . . It seems that passing cigars is getting to be a habit in Bldg. 4-6. The Owen Howers are the proud parents of a baby girl, and Frank Moody announces the arrival of a boy. Congratulations to both of you. . . . Marjorie Miller of order service has had word from her husband Carl, who was shot down in Germany; he was in a hospital, and is now being moved to another base. Lots of luck. . . . If you didn't see all the red roses on Rosemary Bremit's desk, it was her birthday; she passed out candy. . . . Jo Hansen has a new baby brother. . . . The contract bridge games are still going on at noon in raw material section with Nena Foster, Leo Nyboer, Dell Hand and Bill Scherect; they could use better cards if anyone knew where they could be found. . . . Ned Foster, brother of Nena Foster, is now on the island of Mindanao; before he left he was working in Bldg. 19-1. . . . Elsie France's baby had the measles, but is fine now.

Retires On Pension



Allen R. McMaken

Allen R. McMaken of FHP Motor Section 13 retired on pension on April 13, 1945. His continuous service with the Company to date of retirement amounted to thirty-two years and five months. He resides at 1417 Third Street.

More than 5,000 refrigeration locker plants have been established since 1938. They supply 2,000,000 families.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Aluminum Parts

Ethel More has returned to work after being off ill several weeks. She has been transferred to the Screw Machine Section, which is their gain and our loss. It's good to see you around again, Ethel, even though you aren't in our section. . . . Bob Magley has returned to work after his vacation, which he spent at home. Bob says nothing exciting happened, but he had a nice time fishing in the river. The size of the fish is still a dark secret though. . . . Alice Robison has received word that her son, Robert, is recovering from wounds in a hospital in France. Another son, Charles, was home on leave recently from the Navy. Best of luck to both of the boys and may you see them again soon, very soon. . . . Les Rousch, Edith Waite, Martha Warren, and Kate Brandt are on their vacations this week. Here's hoping they are having a grand time. We are waiting in great anticipation for the particulars regarding Les's vacation. We know and expect great fish stories, and only hope he brings along some of those big ones to verify his stories. . . . Where credit is due we feel it should be given—Gertrude Rosebrock has completed one year without a single day lost. We don't understand how she did it unless it was all the pie she has eaten in the past year. Nice going, Gerty! . . . Has everyone seen that lovely sparkler Leeuna Hendrickson is wearing on her left hand, third finger? It won't be long now before the wedding bells ring, we hope. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gold are happy to announce that their twins are one year old this month. Little Eileen and Elliot had birthday cakes, each with one candle, and as these candles are added year by year, we wish that good fortune, health, and happiness will be added likewise. . . . Kenneth Stotler of the casing line just moved into his new Spanish-type home at Harlan for the summer months. Mr. Stotler is a great lover of wild life and spends much of his time in training high-bred saddle horses.

Tool Room

Edith Spencer has been on the sick list all week, but we are glad she is well on the road to recovery now. Hurry back, Edie. . . . The Tool Room extends their deep sympathy to Owen Joslin in the recent death of his mother. . . . We were very glad to see Robert Branning back if only for a little while. Robert is a fireman 1st class now and stationed at Mayport, Florida. Bob tells us he is working in a government machine shop down in the sunny south and he likes it very well. . . . You grinders should congratulate your reporter Helen Tritch for the swellegant job she has been doing for you. She really covers the news.

Screw Machine

Ardith Keppler quit this week. She was sworn in the WACS. We'll miss her but wish her the most success. . . . Icel Stukey is on her vacation in Chicago. . . . Bertha Garretson journeyed to Chicago over the week-end to visit her son, Keith, who is with the U. S. Navy stationed at Great Lakes. . . . Vivian Dixon, Pat Woodcox, and Irene Frazier spent the week-end in Chicago. The girls stayed at the Bismarck Hotel. . . . Joe Harvath is taking his vacation this week. . . . Ralph Dunlap, the second trick foreman, is taking Danny Bice's place on first trick this week. George Felts is substituting for Ralph. . . . Leonard Spring leaves for the service in the near future. Ernest Golliver goes for his physical examination. . . . The Screw Machine bowling team won two games again last week. Linus Schmitt's 219 game didn't hurt a thing. . . . Ruby Stucky spent the week-end at Indiana University Medical Center at Indianapolis, visiting with her sister, Cadet Nurse Kathleen Foreman, a former employee of the Instrument Lab. . . . Marjorie Parnell and Ruby Jackson are taking their vacations this week. . . . Prices have gone up in Ligonier. Ed Clark paid $5.15 for a sundae. Is this forgetfulness due to your new daughter, Ed? . . . Minnie Cashion wants to thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy during the death of her mother. . . . Gene Kilty won the "booby" prize at the bowling tourney Saturday night. . . . We were sorry to hear that Genevieve Hertsel had an operation for appendicitis. We're glad you are getting along fine and hope you will be back soon. Perhaps that diamond she now has on her left hand will help her get well sooner. . . . We wish to welcome the new girls who were transferred into our section Hazel Dilworth, Pearl Mosier, and Blanche Coomler. . . . Donna Breitenback's mother was visiting her mother, so Donna was chief cook and bottle washer at home. What's cookin', Donna? . . . Glad to see you back, Gladys, after three days of influenza. Even the best of girls get that flu bug sometimes. . . . There was a general get-together of the Screw Machine gang Friday to celebrate two momentous occasions. The one our foreman, Dale Feick's birthday. He was presented a nice gift. Many happy returns, Dale. The other was the leave-taking of Marie Coomler of the buffers. She resigned Friday after more than two years of service. We all regret her leaving as she was outstanding in qualities that make a fine co-worker. The life of the party. She leaves next week for Rochester, Minnesota, to take a sister and a brother-in-law to the Mayo Clinic. Upon her return she expects to go to their cottage at Sylvan Lake, Rome City, for the summer. She invites any and all of the gang to visit her. Best of luck, Marie. She was presented with a set of vanity lamps. . . . Florence Wiggins is taking her vacation this week. She expects to spend a part of it at Lake James. . . . Congratulations to Geraldine Wetoskey. She has announced her engagement to T/5 Earl DePew, who has recently returned from a two year's stay overseas. They are postponing the marriage until after the war. . . . Irene Blake's son is now home on his third furlough since his return from overseas service. . . . Louise Clauss is now enjoying her vacation. Here's wishing her a grand time. . . . "Red" Doster's wife is doing fine after her operation of two weeks ago. A speedy recovery is our wish for her. . . . What's this we hear about people stepping out after supper? Say, Betty Galleher looks a lot different in a dress, doesn't she? Ardith looked okay, too.

More Banks At Taylor Street



These employees of the Taylor Street Plant are helping to meet the Seventh War Loan quota for their plant by filling up their piggy banks with loose change. Left to right, top, are Ruth Godfrey, Wilma Lash, Wilma Follis, Ursula Wolfe, Gladys Verner, Waneta Taylor, Wanda Foulk, Betty Millhouse, Mildred Farrell, and Pearl Noble. Center, Maxine Monahan, Helen Baker, Claudine Bower, Dorothy Gerardot, Estelle Reed, Margaret Middaugh, Virginia Cronkhite, Betty Shutta, Lena Hicks, and Lucinda Fitch. Bottom, Cleota Squires, Mary Baumgartner, Paul Dull, Anita Pfeiffer, Alice Nills, Virginia Drennan, Russell West, and Wendell Schwartz.

Shipping

Screw Machine's loss is our gain, one hundred four pounds of feminine charm and ability. We are referring to Patricia Prouty, who transferred to our section. Welcome, Pat. . . . Harold Hirschy, one of our old stand-bys, was absent one day due to illness. Harold is noted for always being here on time and all the time. . . . Bob Schultess is really dreaming of the big ones he is going to catch. He is now singing "My Dreams Are Getting Better All The time." . . . Verna Powers is looking forward to seeing two sons enjoy furloughs at home at the same time. . . . Vesta is in the market for a boat. She says it is for her husband. We understand she also likes to fish. . . . We left Herb Wilding out on a limb last week as far as news is concerned. Herb is really doing a swell job with his column. Keep up the good work, Herb. . . . Vivian Spindler says she should be paid by the mile instead of an hourly rate. She really does plenty of walking. . . . Ray is wanting a supercharger installed on his truck. He says it will help him get around faster. . . . The Shipping Section welcomes Alverta Malloy among its employees. We hope you will like being with us, Alverta. . . . We of the shipping gang send our best wishes to Herman Lortz of the Army Air Forces Inspection, who is in the hospital recovering from a major operation. Best of luck, Herman, and hurry up and come back. . . . We missed Rita Mahlon, who was away a few days because of illness. . . . Denver Fisher tells us all he did was work at home on his vacation. His advice is don't take your vacation during spring house-cleaning time. . . . Did you know that Brownie from Receiving and Brittin from Shipping are on the Rotor Bowling team for the summer? Best of luck, fellows. . . . How did you like Cecil Bay's new badge? He is now our first aider on second trick. We are glad to have you on the job, Cec. . . . Well, the Al Kruse's are now alone again. Their new daughter-in-law left for Norfolk, Virginia, to join her husband there. . . . Are you still talking up the Seventh War Loan? Let's make it a big success.

Punch Press

Bob Glenn wishes to thank the gang for the very rare pipe he received for his birthday. . . . The gang received a card from Gus Bussmann, who was in Kansas on a two weeks' trip. He says he had a grand time. . . . It seems Opal Tanner is getting quite absent-minded. She still tries to use her streetcar pass at the guard house in order to come to work. . . . Bob Young had the hives. We wonder what he ate this time. . . . Joe says happy birfday, wittle Wilford. . . . Ruah Ladig celebrated her twentieth wedding anniversary the eighteenth. . . . Garnet Borne, her husband, two daughters and son-in-law went to Camp Atterbury, Indiana, Sunday and spent the day with their son and brother, Cpl. and Mrs. Brooks Borne in celebration of Cpl. Borne's birthday. Cpl. Borne and his wife will return home Saturday to spend a six-day furlough. Garnet also received word from her youngest son, Elmo Lew S 1/c. . . . Mary Tarr is taking her vacation this week. . . . Olive Bowman is quitting tomorrow to help her husband at their service station. We will sure miss you, Olive, but here's wishing you good luck. . . . Rita Ely is home sick with a throat infection. Hope you get well soon, Rita.

Impeller

Eulalia Coon is back this week from her vacation. It's good to see you back, Eulalia. Hope you had a nice time. . . . Walter (Blackie) Guenin has been home on a ten-day leave from Great Lakes Training Station. Monday morning he was in to visit the gang. He was looking wonderful, and we all were glad to see him. All of us are looking forward to a speedy victory so all the boys can come home. Good luck, Blackie! . . . Cecil Stultz is leaving us to take up the duties of a farmer. He received a very nice sweater from the gang. Good luck, Cecil! . . . Hazel Cook doesn't like housecleaning too well. She tries to keep her bed and stove cleaned off so she can eat and sleep. . . . We have had several on the sick list this week. They included Clarence Mallo, Ben Prickett, Mildred Amstutz and Ruth Smith our new inspector. . . . Anita Forrest is taking a vacation this week. Ohio, here we come! Hope you are having a nice time, Anita. . . . All of us wish Ray Grotrian a belated happy birthday. Congratulations, Ray! . . . Seems as though Bud Gerardot is fast becoming a plumber. How about it, Bud? . . . Frances Wilson has delighted everyone in the Impeller Section with the letters from two little Dutch girls that were sent from Holland. . . . Congratulations go to Gertrude Bartaway, who celebrated her birthday Tuesday, April 18. She brought a cake in to work which we really enjoyed. Since no one knew it was her birthday she had to wait until the following day to be presented with her gifts — a pretty crocheted Dutch hat and many hankies. . . . Ardella McConnell and Ralph Roland are taking their vacations this week. Ardella says she's going to clean house and Ralph, well—he is going to help his wife clean house. You just can't win, can you, Ralph!

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SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

News From — TAYLOR STREET

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Receiving

Faye Clark says she is nearly done with her spring housecleaning. We wonder who told her spring was here. . . . Brownie says give him a few more months and he will bring his bowling average above "121". . . . Don't forget to sign your declaration for your next winter's coal or else go without. Your local dealer has them. . . . Let's bear in mind the war loan drive coming up and do our utmost. . . . Clyde Kreigh tells us he received a reclassification card from Uncle Sam "asking him to be in 1-A" The service will get a good soldier, if he is called, and the G-E will lose a good man. . . . Just received word that Pvt. Max Hower has received a president citation for bravery. He repaired some tanks while under heavy fire. Good luck, Max, and we hope that you will soon be home with us. . . . Pauline Bennett was off a day last week on account of sickness. . . . Gus Uhlig returned from his vacation Tuesday. He visited relatives and also spent some time with the dentist. . . . Ask Frank, truck driver for Oil House, how his new chompers are working. They really look fine, Frank. . . . Ask any of the boys what they are going to do on their vacation. Majority say house-cleaning or fix up the yard. Where are all of the old-fashioned women who used to do all of this? . . . We have some good horseshoe pitchers in the section. Who wants to challenge them? See Bob Little of Jim Britton. . . . Ernie Chelf is a very proud man now. His son Tommy is starting to Kindergarten.

Taylor Street Employees In Musical Program

On April 18, the Midwest Harmonizers, which is a male chorus composed of Taylor Street employees under the direction of Bernie English, sang at the twenty-sixth anniversary banquet of the B. Y. M. Sunday School Class of the Bethany Presbyterian Church. This banquet marked the twenty-sixth anniversary of Lisle Hodell at teacher of the class.

The chorus sang several of their specialty numbers and were assisted by Cora Polhamus and Mary Whittern as soloists and a male quartet consisting of the Messrs. Martin, Dobson, Rosselot and Volmer. This Taylor Street male chorus is open for engagements between now and the end of June, when they will close their season for the summer.

Taylor Street Family Party Next Thursday

The complete program for the Taylor Street Family Party, which is to be held next Thursday at the G-E Club has been announced by the Taylor Street Athletic Committee, sponsors of the event. Cora Polhamus is serving as party chairman.

The party is scheduled to start at 7:15. Opening the program, several movies will be shown, following which remarks of welcome will be given by J. J. Clarkson, superintendent of the plant. A first aid demonstration will be presented by Boy Scout Troop No. 44, Russell Poorman, scoutmaster, and a special skit will be given by Dr. Moses assisted by Henrietta Hohman and Olive Walters. Thomas Rockhill, "the mystery man," will perform his acts of magic.

Following the serving of refreshments, the "Andrews Sisters," Max Crosley, Dick Mosier, and Max Miller, will sing. The evening will be finished with round and square dancing; music will be furnished by Les Hines and his orchestra, Joe Packer serving as caller. During the evening Ilene Franke will offer several accordion selections.

Russel Groves will serve as master of ceremonies.

All employees of the Taylor Street Plant are invited to attend with their families.

CONVALESCENT COMBAT VETERANS ARE HELPING lick the critical manpower problem at the Iowa Ordnance Plant manufacturing heavy ammunition. Credit for part of the stepped-up production at this plant goes to wounded veterans who come from Schick General Hospital, Clinton, Iowa, to help get high explosives to buddies still in the battle lines in Europe and the Philippines. More than 40 Schick Hospital veterans have come down on 30-day furlough arrangements that have been worked out with hospital authorities. At the end of the furlough they return to the hospital for re-examination and may be returned to the plant for another 30-day period. The volunteer veterans get paid for the work they do. The work has also been an important factor in helping many GI's to regain use of injured arms or legs. They learn muscular movement again. Production next summer from this one Ordnance plant alone will be something like 1,500 freight cars of heavy ammunition a month, stepped up from the present 1,000 carloads a month.—Army and Navy Release.

On Elex Program



The Four Vagabonds, above, will be featured entertainers on the annual Elex Mother-Daughter Party, which is scheduled for May 10. They appear on a radio program on the Blue Network.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Bill Hattendorf is sure a great admirer of delicious lemon meringue pie, and just to prove it you should see his eyes shine when he eats it. . . . "Red" Noyes received a couple of sore thumbs this week, caused from transplanting barberry bushes around his home. . . . Walter White sure can make the joint jump when he whistles "Rum and Coca Cola." He's really good. . . . Congratulations to Alma Beck, who celebrated her birthday recently. . . . George Wirges, George Doll, Bessie Jones, Olga Nickler, Clifford Grim, and Harold Parkison have returned to work after being home ill for some time. Take care of yourselves, folks. . . . We want to welcome several new employees to our division. They are: Jay Paulus, Ruth Gehrett, Clara Betz, Dorothy Gideon, Erma Adamson, Llewellyn Whitaker, William Rectanus, Floyd DeBolt, Art Garner, and Ed Mullikin, Jr. We hope you'll like us. . . . Our division has contributed three new members to the Quarter-Century Club during the past week. They are: Ray Kierspe, "Al" Nicholson, and Chester Steinbarger. Congratulations to all of you. . . . The gang in Bldg. 8-2 office all helped Ray Kierspe last Saturday afternoon to celebrate his 25th anniversary with the Company. When Ray came back from lunch he found his desk beautifully decorated, centered with a big gorgeous cake and a beautiful bouquet of his favorite flowers and a gift. . . . Amel Beck wishes to thank all the boys for their fine spirit of cooperation at the party, especially Leo Elward, the chef, and also the others who were so willing to help, thereby leaving him to enjoy the games of the evening as well as the rest. . . . In correction to the boys' report of last week, we wish to state the party was held at Lake George instead of Clear Lake.

New Fuse For Aircraft Electrical Systems Described

A new current limiting fuse developed for protection of aircraft electrical systems is described in an AIEE Spring Program paper by A. H. Powell, of General Electric's Switchgear Division. According to Powell, the basic design of the fuse is similar to that of high-voltage power fuses developed for utility company and industrial service.

The new fuse meets the requirements of adequate interrupting capacity, extremely short arcing time, vibration and shock resistances, high altitude and wide range temperature operation, and small size and weight, Powell reports. He says that tests made in a pressure chamber simulating conditions at 40,000 ft. altitude have demonstrated that the new fuse will dependably interrupt more than 4,000 amperes at 120 volts, 400 cycles, single-phase a-c, or at 120 volts d-c, with an arcing time of less than ¼ cycle on the a-c circuit.

The new fuse has a pure silver wire element. Silver was chosen, according to Powell, for its low specific resistance and high melting point. Supported from two molded end pieces in the center of a Pyrex glass tube, the silver wire element is surrounded by a special filler of granular quartz. Three such units comprise the fuse, providing a three-pole assembly with several advantages—fuse units in all phases must be replaced simultaneously; there is no chance of one phase being left open accidentally; and because the phases are in separate isolated compartments, phase-to-phase short circuits within the device are prevented during interruption.

Powell points out that for the higher voltages being used to transmit more power with smaller conductors, a fuse is an excellent short-circuit protecting device. But it must be properly built and correctly applied, he adds. Good fusing practice dictates that a fuse should be used for short-circuit protection, not overload protection, he explains. Powell says that the new fuse is ideally suited for aircraft circuit protection because its current-carrying ability and time-current characteristics are similar to those of the conductors used, and are not appreciably affected by differences in ambient temperature.



"WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A WAR JOB, TONY? THE MONKEY COULD CATCH RIVETS FOR YOU WITH THAT CUP!

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

We hear that Waldo (gee-haw) Greider spent all day last Sunday plowing. Back to earth, eh, Wally? . . . Walt Long says he is not in the market for any peanut brittle. . . . The gang in Bldg. 26-B would like to hear from Tom McKinsey and the rest of the guys who used to work down there before they left for duty with Uncle Sam. . . . If Everett Jones isn't telling fish stories, he tells about the mushrooms he got. We still say we gotta have proof, Jonesy. . . . How come we hear Elmer Hatfield being called Mr. Droolberry? Seems to us we saw a Mr. Droolberry in a cartoon recently. Has that anything to do with it, Elmer? . . . Vic Boutwell and Merlin Sweet have company on the Chicago Cubs (or better known as the Dubs) band wagon this year. It seems as if Connie (I can pick 'em) Feist is going along for the ride too. Whatsa matter, youse guys crazy or sumpthin'. . . . Tiny Vodemark claims to have lost 15 pounds in the past two weeks. How can you tell, Vode? . . . Bill Guldice should see the circus when it comes to town as he doesn't know his animals. How about it, Bill, but I guess you do know a horse when you see one. . . . Herb Martin went fishing, and we guess he caught some big ones, so the story goes. He landed one big fish and it swallowed his badge, but nevertheless Herb came to work the next morning. . . . Ray Feller needs some new ties. Some of them are so short he cannot tie them anymore. Well, Ray, we will see what we can do about it. . . . Would some good lady like a job cleaning house? Wilson Lindsey says that's what he will be doing on his vacation. . . . Well, well, of all people on Friday, the thirteenth, Merlin Sweet forgot his badge and had to go around all day with a piece of paper stuck on him. Watch that date, Merlin. . . . Did you see the nice red roses Joy Gerig received for her birthday? What a lucky girl! . . . Floren Lieberenz, Bldg. 26-3, has a very educated mouse that visits his desk. First it chews the tobacco from his pack of cigarettes, then it eats some tums for the stomach-ache caused by the tobacco. . . . Wilma Juke, Bldg. 26-3, prepared a dinner of meat balls and spaghetti and banana cream pie the other night. Wonder if she also served an aid to digestion. . . . Anyone interested in reading some poems by anonymous geniuses, please see Gertrude Kummerant, Bldg. 26-3. . . . Best wishes to Geraldine Stoll Fisher, Bldg. 26-3, who was recently married to Harold Fisher; and to Ruth Taylor Reinbold, who married William Reinbold, AM 3/c. . . . We were glad to see Betty McElwee and Marcella Hughes, formerly of Bldg. 26-3, when they were home on furlough last week. They are serving with the WAVES at Washington, D. C. . . . The Bldg. 26-3 office seems to have gone back to normal again with the return of Betty Haines, who has been in Virginia with her husband for three months. . . . Five members of the Bldg. 26-3 office force spent the week-end in Chicago. According to reports, a wonderful time was had by all.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"March 28, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly and really enjoy reading what's what. I saw in the March 16 issue a picture of a very good friend of mine, Robert Kite, whom I haven't seen or heard from in several years. Would you please send me his service address?

"I am still aboard the same ship, and have nearly two years' sea duty now. I made Machinist Mate Third Class the first of last month and am now sole worker in our ship's Machine Shop. It is a swell job and I really like it. Making spare parts and repair work is about all I do, but it sure is swell to be around machinery again.

"I'm sorry I can't say where I've been because our censors just won't hold still for any information leaking out about our ship's location. I might say that I have served in the American, European and Asiatic Theaters of War and have run into all kinds of General Electric equipment.

"I would like to say Hi to my friends in the Power Drive and hope to see you all again soon.

"Harold M. Rhine MM 3/c"

Frank Lemish received the following letter from Dick Arick, who formerly worked for Vic Cartwright:

"April 4, 1945

"Hiya Frank:

"Here I am finally after a long interval. I am now at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in school, staying in a big beach hotel down here and it is really nice. We have rooms which cost $56 a day during peacetime. The ocean is right across the beach from us. I got down here last Saturday after a two-day ride on a troop train. This is really a beautiful place. Our hotel is a large white one of the modern-type structure. We have every modern convenience, including venetian blinds, expensive rugs, shower and tub, closets, and hotel beds. They are about the size of twin beds and we use none of our Navy bedding. The hotel furnishes thick mattresses and the sheets and pillow cases. They launder them for 15¢ a week. We no longer live out of sea bags but took only what we needed and put them in our lockers and they took our other stuff and put it in storage. We eat civilian food, and civilian girls wait on us. Incidentally, they aren't bad either, and very talkative. The food is better than I ever bought in any restaurant with usually pineapple juice to drink. We are allowed to go swimming during any of our free time, which isn't too much most days. We also have maids to clean our rooms during the day. Down here a fellow doesn't realize he is in the Navy. We can go outside the base anytime we care to. The place has only about 1,500 men. We do not salute any officers under a captain's rating; in fact we have officers in our class.

"The school is really a tough proposition. No kidding, if high schools taught this way a person would graduate in one semester. A person can not realize how fast they go unless they take it, and I am not allowed to tell you anything about it except that it is very interesting and also very complicated. There is so much to it. I thought I knew something and I did, but it took the instructor about one-half minute to cover it. He will say something once and then says, 'Well, we know all about that,' and goes on. We really have to listen closely. Our classes start at 8:00 o'clock in the morning and we go until 12:00. We then have an hour off for chow and anything else we want to do. At 1:00 we start and go till 5:00, when we have two hours. At seven we start and go till 10:00. We have to be in bed by 10:30. Quite a day! Of course we have five minute breaks every hour.

"I am taking training in amphib equipment so you can have some idea of what branch I am going into. The other day I was in swimming for about an hour and it really is swell. Sunday I am going to spend most of my day on the beach. We do get liberty on Sunday from 8:00 to 12:00 at night. There is nothing to go into town for when most of the people are on the beach, so I will stay here.

"It is really lovely down here but the classes are tougher than I ever realized they could be. If a fellow goes to sleep one minute he is lost the rest of the hour. One fellow tried to tell me the first day here and he really laid it on. I thought it was impossible, but I found out that he still hadn't been able to really tell me how tough it is.

"Most of our equipment is also G-E manufactured. I have seen all of the equipment and seen it operate. It is really wonderful stuff and guarded very closely. All of the guards around here are armed and all books are kept in a vault which is locked and also guarded by an armed guard. Naval intelligence men are all over the place, and if we are caught talking about it outside of class we are picked up. I saw one fellow put in the brig for it. We are not allowed to take any notes in class or take anything out of class. We are not even allowed to talk about it in our room, but then I do realize why since I have had a little of it.

"I can't think of much else at present except to tell all the fellows I said hello.

"So long,
"Dick (Richard E. Arick S 2/c)"

"March 31, 1945
"On the Rhine

"Dear Editor:



"It's been some time since I received your letter, sorry I haven't answered sooner, but honest, I've been plenty busy.

"I can't say too much, censorship, you know.

"This gives me a chance to say 'Hello' to all the kiddies in the Power Drive.

"Gosh, I'd love to tell you some of my experiences, but I just can't seem to single any one out.

"I've seen plenty of this old world. Quote this please: 'I wouldn't trade all of England, Scotland, Wales, France, Luxembourg, Belgium, and Germany, for one inch of Fort Wayne.'

"Well, I guess I'll close this mess. I'll be glad to hear from any of you!

"Always,
"Marion (Cpl. Marion K. Zent")

Suggestion Award Winners



Pictured above are winners of large suggestion awards during recent weeks. Left top is Fred Woerner, Winter Street, who was awarded $40. Top right, Sam Bireley, also from Winter Street, received $66. Bottom left, Leo Maple, Winter Street, was awarded $30. Bottom right, Doyle Miller, Bldg. 26-1, is being congratulated by his foreman upon presentation of a $105 suggestion award.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

Ben Beaty was high man for the last nigbt of regular bowling with a 591 count which included a nice 240 game. This gives Ben third place high for 3 game total for the second half. Other 200 scores were Ellsworth Geller 225 and Arnold Benecke 214.

Team 5 won the second half with a record of 30 games won and 15 lost. Since they had tied with team 4 for the first half, they had the roll-off last Friday night. Team 5 won when they spilled 2515 pins compared to 2389 for team 4. Members of team 5 are Capt. N. Devers, Dennis, Hosier, Seiples and Lauer. Members of team 4 are Capt. W. O'Neill, Bender, Konow, Hildner and Rodenbeck. O'Neill's team started to grow mustaches about three weeks ago as a good luck charm but it seems as though it backfired.

The doubles tournament this Tuesday will wind up the bowling. Next week we will have the report on that and also some statistics on the past season.

Golf

Not much new was decided about the golf league this past week but at last we have found a permanent secretary. Royal Roeger, who was secretary of the bowling league this past season, has consented to take over the job. Since it involves a lot of work and is a thankless task, our hat is off to him. He intends to call a meeting this week and get the details all settled. Meanwhile the team captains have their teams all picked and are ready to start.

All of the local courses have been open for several weeks but the weather has been so bad of late that not much golf has been played. Most of the scores that have been reported ranged from 45 to 50 for 9 holes. So let's try to get in a few more licks before the league opens.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Pete Liebig is beginning to wonder what hobby to pursue in life. A few weeks ago he went to the lake to go fishing and when he arrived the wind was blowing so hard he couldn't get out of the car. Last week he was off on vacation so he decided to paint his house. Monday it rained so he put it off until the next day. Tuesday the wind blew so hard he couldn't step outdoors. Wednesday it was so cold paint wouldn't pour out of the bucket. Thursday, more rain, Friday, too cold, Saturday—too much—aw, heck, why didn't I wait until next week to take off. . . . Al Anderson is no longer with us, as he has returned to his native city of Kendallville. . . . Eddie and Walt held the windows shut in the Forge Room during the sudden windstorm last week.

Shipping

What's this about Irene Mestamaker and Mary Prezbindowski arousing from their slumber to go "hunting"—and in the wee hours of the morning, too. It seems as though they were staying at a "dog ranch," when a couple of dogs broke loose. After a time of calling, tramping and chasing, the girls are happy to say that the dogs were recovered.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-1

One can't always be right, can one? Anyway, if you call loud enough Henry Aldrich will hear you, for he has been stationed at Winter Street as a guard. . . . It looks as if Jessie Rogers is our high scorer in bowling this time with 180. . . . Have you seen Maxine Spitler entertaining herself with that one-armed checker board. . . . Dorothy Schmidt, Ruth Summers, and Kate Hively have joined the downstairs gang, Dot as a staker in the armature section and the other two on the assembly line.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

Our deepest sympathy is with Ella Jeffries on the sudden passing of her husband, James Jeffries. . . . We wish to extend our best wishes for luck and success to the many friends and co-workers of test and assembly sections who have left by the transfer route. . . . Joan Hively was in disgust the other day and then a ray of sunshine broke over her face, when she suddenly discovered her would-be lost badge under a nearby object. . . . A very unusual combination padlock was being sold around the section recently to the amazement of the purchaser. They discovered it would open at any number on the dial except zero.

Grinder Grit

Margaret Stillwell has returned from a week's vacation. . . . Clyde Coffield is taking two weeks' vacation while his son Rex is home on a fifteen-day furlough. . . . Congratulations to Warren Lopshire, who is the father of twins, a boy and a girl.

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WINTER STREET Rumblings

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Refrigerator Assembly

The following are new employees in our gang from the Power Drive Section: Carl Miller, Harold Rieter, William Messerschmidt and a new nameplate girl Mary Sauter. We welcome you and hope you like us. . . . Glen Courtney is still on the sick list. Hope you are back with us soon, Glen.

Machine Shop

Sgt. Ernest Pond, brother of "Red" Pond, visited us last Monday. Sgt. Pond is stationed in Panama. . . . Thetus Johnson didn't have enough trouble last week when his car wouldn't start and he had to ride a bicycle to work; he lost his new gas coupons. But Art Kabisch made Thetus realize that life was still worth living by returning the coupons. The last report states the car was running too. . . . James Eddy and Ty Pond are both enjoying their vacations this week. We're glad to see Clarence Elliott back with us again. Welcome to our "gang," Gene Brebm. Gene was transferred from Power Drive. . . . We have several on the sick list this week. Harold Comer is in the hospital at Columbia City. Andrew Traxel and Joe Zephyr are also ill. A speedy recovery to all of you from all of us. . . . We want to welcome our new Inspector, John Meyers. John is also from Power Drive.

Newsies 17-3

Did you ever hear of anyone being so tired that they couldn't get up to turn off the alarm clock, but had strength enough to pull the cedar chest over to the bed to turn it off? Anyway that's what Jeanette Smith did the other A.M. . . . A collection of odds and ends was given to Merle Wasson, who was flat broke. Seems that many boxes came down the belt, so when the final one arrived, she asked to borrow money for it without looking at the sheet to find it was a box for herself. . . . Harold Kiel arrived at the gate the other morning with no collar, no badge. Better luck next time, Harold. . . . We heard Mary Wright is good at calling square dances, which she demonstrated at Edith Brudi's. . . . Group 13x27 welcomes Louise Beamer and Sally Davis while inspection has Louise O'Connell as their new member. . . . Melvin Lyttle is the proud father of a baby girl. Congratulations. . . . Olympia Olson has received word from her sister in Rumania for the first time in two years. We're glad to hear that she is okay. . . . Birthday greetings go to Esther Gluescamp, Mary Bohnstedt, and Kathryn Szink. . . . Our best wishes go to Pat Blanton, who has been transferred. . . . Nola Venderly had the girls looking out the window to see the beautiful apples which turned out to be dandelions. . . . We were glad to see George Turner and Walter Gilbert, who paid us a visit. Our best regards and prayers go with them and our other friends in service.

Forty-four times as many people between the ages of 5-19 died in the United States in 1942 from accidents as died from infantile paralysis, reports the National Safety Council.

World War Vet Officers



New officers of the World War Veterans Association were installed at a recent meeting of the organization. Left to right above, George Ellison, Taylor Street, is the new president; Royal Roeger, Winter Street, vice-president; Lester Didier, Bldg. 19-5, sergeant-at-arms; and Vic Boutwell, Bldg. 26-2, secretary-treasurer.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

If you hear three familiar voices burst out in song, don't be alarmed; it's probably Donne Morrison, Bob Karasek, and Wayne Pribble, our "Andrews Sisters" giving out with some favorites of way back. . . . Ask Donne Morrison how he likes moving, or maybe you'd better not; he's in that stage now. Oh, for the life of a mover, eh Donne! . . . Quite a time was had in making out the golf schedule for present tournament. The fellows even brought in a new Math Book to get straightened out. . . . Other day Sumner Tinkham brought in a new group of pictures of his new daughter Patti. Ask him to show them to you. . . . Phyllis Guillot made up a batch of de-lish candy the other night, and brought us in a sample. . . . Wish we had the gas to see Elmer Botterin's farm he talks so much about. . . . Wanted: A ball and chain to help Wayne Pribble keep track of the waste basket. . . . Ed Fogel gave us the tip-off on his constant source of energy. He says vitamin pills do the trick. . . . Bye, for now.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We want to congratulate Ruth Coonrod. Yes, Rutb got married. Lots of luck to you both. . . . Happy birthday, Dorothy Wiegman. Hope you have many more happy birthdays. . . . Florence Schmidt delights in playing tricks on the girls. Just wait, Florence, your day is coming. . . . Effie Yinger not only does her job of winning the war on the home front, but her numerous stories keep the boys' morale up even in the foxholes in Germany, reports Jean Snyder's brother. Keep 'em goin', Effie. . . . Betty Baxter, acting like an absent-minded professor, looked through her purse for her glasses when they were lying right alongside her purse all the time. . . . Everyone wonders where Ellen Gerbers gets all her pretty coat decorations. Well, Lou Pettit let the cat out of the bag. Those red cherries she had on were some Lou threw in the waste basket. Anyone not wanting old worn-out decorations worn again, throw them where Ellen can't find them. . . . Any old puzzles? Any old puzzles? Colette Buck has entered another childhood and enjoys puzzling. . . . Bye, that's all for this week, folks.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Can you imagine anyone seeding peas? Mary Grace says she does. . . . Girls, if you ever need the EXACT change, call on Cecil Young. It so happens that the other day Rhoda needed a cent and a half change back from a nickel. Result, she got the exact change. . . . Did you ever see anyone as lucky as Marian Ray? . . . How's our mascot coming along, Earl? Keep him nice and fat, because one of these days he'll make a good meal for some cat. . . . Have you noticed L. Buckmaster's love for lilacs? It seems he gets all the wilted ones. . . . Have you ever seen Delores Haltrey do the "jumping jive"? If you haven't you've really missed one of the best things in life. . . . See you all next week.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Welcome, Wanette Stemen, Rosa Hughes, and Del Luley to our section. We hope you like us girls and stay. . . . Bert Goeglein bought a darling musical powder box and of all the songs for it to play! Guess what it is! No, you're wrong. It's "Whose Afraid of the Big, Bad Wolf"? . . . Anybody interested in buying a car, see Bettie Babcock.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

Happy birthday to Vivian Cearbaugh, April 14, and Danny Adams, April 25. . . . It's quite confusing to have four Marys in our section. There's Mary Meyers, Mary Capage, Mary Avery, and Mary Beckman. Making it even more of a headache, Mary Meyers and Mary Avery are both nicknamed Petunia. Avery is just simply Petunia and Meyers is called that because she lives in Huntington, the "City of Petunias." . . . That's all for now. See you again next week.



Facts and Fun FROM 31

Congratulations are in order for Betty Baumgartner who, by the time you read this, will be Mrs. Willard E. Kramer. Willard, better known as "Bud", is in the Marines and stationed at Cherry Point, North Carolina. Our very best wishes go to you for a happy future! . . . Another bride-to-be is Marian Lampe of the Cost Section who will be married to Dale Ehle on April 28. The girls of the Cost Section held a lovely shower for Marian last Friday night at the home of Verda Byers. Congratulations to Marian and Dale! . . . Paul Koenig should address envelopes before he asks his wife to mail them for him, or was it written in invisible ink? . . . We must say our office is rather colorful at times—between Ilow Wilson's and Erna Eley's lovely tulips, Bill Shuherk's loud ties, and Truman Holle's sun-burn (or is he blushing?), this would be a haven for technicolor movie camera. . . . Happy birthday to Mary Banks whose birthday was April 20, (this happy birthday doesn't include Hitler, whose birthday fell on the same day). . . . Welcome to Betty Crawford, who is our new girl in Blueprint! Also we wish to welcome John Murray, who is in our Wage Rate Section. John received a lovely wrist watch as a going-away gift from his friends at Taylor Street, where he was formerly employed. . . . We had a visit from a former employee, Jean Fisher, last Saturday. Jean is a cadet nurse at the St. Joseph Hospital in Mishawaka. . . . Ask Marjorie Barr to show you the picture of her in a hula skirt. Quite a Hawaiian girl! . . . A surprise birthday party for Althea Tarr was held Wednesday night at the home of Betty Peters! All had a good time and the honored guest was presented with some lovely gifts. . . . Is Betty Eisenacher going to hold up the Bob Inn Team this year? We know she'll do a swell job as pitcher. Best of luck to you in the coming season. . . . We missed Ray Moore, who is vacationing this week.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

April showers bring May flowers. . . Dick Stults is becoming quite a jitterbug since going to Murray's dance school. Really, he just dances all the time. . . . Lawyer is taking up a collection for a haircut. Give, boys! . . . Speaking of dreams, Eve Hiatt says she has one special of conveyers all over the house. . . . "These young squirts have nothing on me," says Al Degler, when he came in to work wearing that loud shirt last week. . . . Max Andres doesn't want his name in this column, so we will leave it out. . . . The four fishermen, Humbarger, Meyers, Hutson, and Rex Whitcomb, fared forth again this year into northern Indiana to fish. Everything went according to plan until credulous Len heard the story of the strange cat-rabbits roaming these parts. After hearing the story he picked up his trusty musket and started out to get some first-hand information. He kicked every fallen log and jumped on every brush pile, to no avail. This went on and on into the deep of the night. Finally despairing he was about to turn back when suddenly he heard a terrific noise. Crawling behind a log, he cautiously peered through the leaves and saw a large grey, or was it black, animal. Surely this was not a cat-rabbit. It looked more like a donkey, or was it a mule? Cat-rabbit? Donkey? Or mule? When the strange animal left, Len came out very scared and uncertain and went back to camp. He is as much perplexed as we as to the identity of the animal. It might be a cross between a horse and a barbed-wire fence or a catbird and a carrot. Ask Len about the weapon he carried. . . . Have any of you noticed how many redheads there are around nowadays? Must be something they ate. . . . When Joe Eifrid learned that Marvel Daub had a box of candy he invited everyone who came along to have some and poor little Marvel wound up without any for herself. . . . If any of our inspectors have started their victory gardens yet, we suggest lima beans as a fast growing vegetable. . . . Marshall Tarney gets sick every time he chews tobacco. Why not quit, Tarney? . . . Our dear friends and fellow workers, Hutson and Whitcomb, went fishing the other day. They had quite a day, lots of fun, plenty of lake, plenty bait but no fish. But Len had invited friends in for supper and not wishing to disappoint them and at the same time maintain his pride in his ability as a disciple of Izaak Walton the two boys went to the fish market and purchased some prize fish. Later that evening after supper while still bragging of their amazing catch imagine their embarrassment when Janet said, "Yes, and they really were fresh. They came packed in ice." . . . So long, folks, see you next Friday, same time, same 17-1.

Germicidal lamps may be used after the war to eliminate dangers of cross-infection for passengers on crowded subways, busses and trains. The ultraviolet wave length most effective for killing bacteria is 2,600 Angstrom units. (250,000,000 Angstroms equal one inch). The shortest wave length that is visible is violet—4,000 Angstroms.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The Dispatchers' Club calendar indicates lots of activity during the month of May. The dinner for the members and their wives (or girl friends) is scheduled for May 1 at the Chamber of Commerce. May 8 is the regular meeting night at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club. This will be a very important meeting with reports from several committees that will require serious consideration of the entire membership. President Walter Doehrman has asked that each member plan to be present. . . . At a recent "gas" session of a group of dispatchers, the question arose how one could avoid criticism—the only answer to be found was by doing nothing, saying nothing, and being nothing. . . . We would like to welcome Norbert Gase, Bldg. 6-3, Noah Kuntz, Bldg. 26-3, and LeRoy Seitz, Bldg. 19-1, as new members of the Dispatchers' Club. . . . Grapevine quotes, "A great symphony started with a lot of little musical notes. A book is made of a multitude of words. A good motor requires a lot of little parts. A good dispatching job means constant attention to a host of details."

See you later,
Your Grapevine Editor

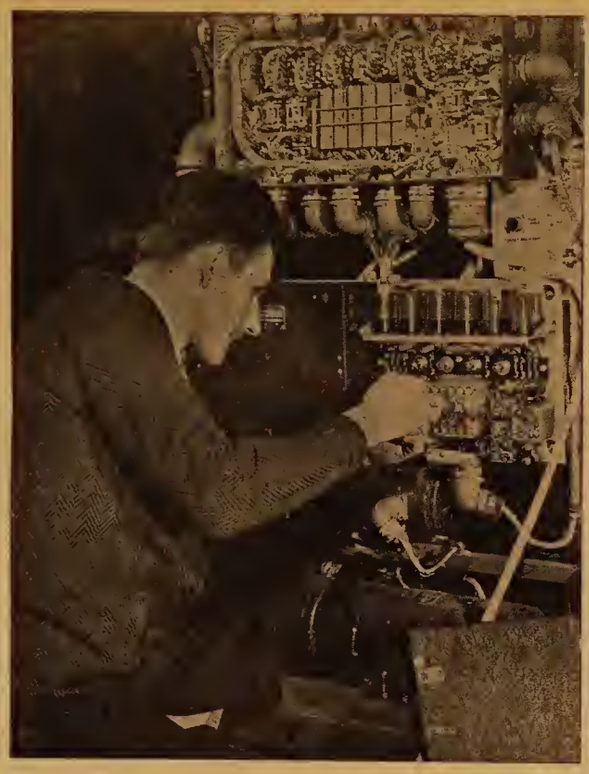
HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By Perry A. Shober

One evening last week Jim Craw, our genial Regional Warehouse Association president, had a couple of guests at his home for dinner. In honor of the occasion Mrs. Craw killed and roasted the family hen. After the family and guests were seated around the festive board, Jim took occasion to say that there was no more fitting illustration of the great truth that death prefers the young and tender than the deceased hen upon which he was about to operate. Jim was startled out of his lethargy by a shout from his wife that shook the leaves of the potted geranium on the window sill and killed a caterpillar on one of its branches. He took a stab at it and failed to straddle the wishbone with his fork properly and the talented bird slipped out of the platter, waved itself across the horizon twice and buried itself in the bosom of a new rug that cost $95, and the air was filled with stuffing and half smothered profanity. A roasted hen is a grim humorist and nothing pleases her so well as to hide her joint in a new place and then flip over and smile when the carver misses it and buries the knife in the bosom of a personal friend. Few men can retain their mental balance before company when they have to get a stepladder and take down the second joint from the chandelier while people are looking at him.

A newly devised mercury-vapor detector, an electronic instrument, can measure mercury vapor concentrations of one part in 3,000,000 parts of air. It is used to guard the health of employees in glass, chemical smelting and electrical manufacturing plants.

Electronic Units Of Gunnery System Unveiled



For the first time the military security screen has been lifted from two of the complex and intricate electronic and mechanical units of the central gunnery system designed and developed by General Electric engineers and scientists, which is protecting Boeing Superfortresses on unescorted raids over the Japanese homeland. These units, shown above with approval of the War Department, are the Gunner's Control Box and the G-E Servo-Amplifier. A maze of electric circuits forms junctions in the control boxes, one of which is in easy reach of the five gunners in the B-29's. The servo-amplifiers, one of which the technician is adjusting above, are electronic devices. Each servo-amplifier plays an elemental part in the control of the elevation and horizontal movements of a turret.

Two Divisions Continue Perfect Safety Records

Kokomo And Plastics Turn In No Accidents During March

Two divisions have continued to keep perfect safety records for the year 1945, according to figures released by the Safety Section; they are Kokomo and Plastics. During the month of April no lost-time accidents were reported by six other divisions in addition to Kokomo and Plastics, Motor Generator, Series and Specialty Motor, Tool, General Service, Decatur, and Anomalous. Frequency to date is 5.39 as compared with 4.69 last year, and the severity now stands at .175 compared with .716 for 1944.

The standings are as follows:

Division	Freq.	Sev.
Kokomo	0.0	.03
Plastics	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous	.99	.06
Series and Spec. Motor	3.63	.05
Motor-Generator	3.65	.03
Fract. HP Motor	3.67	.10
Decatur	3.88	.19
Transformer	4.16	.05
Taylor Street	4.51	.20
Tool	5.16	.01
Refrigeration	6.25	.13
Power Drive	6.82	.17
Wire	11.14	1.67
General Service	15.15	.11
Insulation	24.74	7.42
Distribution	25.94	.54

26-5 TOOL BITS

Rufus Niblick wants to thank us for the advertisement we put in the paper for him last week. He says that he's received so many calls to do paper hanging that he's had to turn down half of them. . . . One of our fellow-workers came in with a bad cold the other day and someone asked him how he caught it. His reply was that he was painting his kitchen with his bare feet. You know what! That's something I would like to see! What's the matter, Brant, did you run out of paint brushes? . . . It makes no difference to Mildred Day what electric appliance she connects up when her slacks need pressing, until five minutes before time to leave for work when facts assert themselves abruptly and she finds out that a toaster is hardly appropriate for the job on hand. . . . Bob (P.S.) Mesing of the once Mighty Lathes was no small contributing factor in the downfall of the former champions with his 122-142 games last Thursday night at the Club alleys. The sudden illness of Johnnie Roemer (who, incidentally, was fully recovered by the next morning) and the subsequent inserting of "Doc" Kleemeyer (a 135 bowler who bowled 170) almost spelled defeat for the new Champions, the Repairs. Much credit for this humiliating defeat of the former champions must go to Manny Gerardot, Chief of the Repairs, for his "over-his-average" performance in the roll-off games. The opponents also felt the sting of "Newspaper" Pequignot who gave a credible performance of bowling. The Repairs feel that, since a roll-off was inevitable, they are glad it was against such a quiet, modest team as the now forgotten Mighty Lathes. . . . Art Dicke's most famous words these days are, "Come, Come, Come, Come, etc." Somebody please teach Art some more songs. . . . Anyone wishing any bowling instructions, see "Doc" Kleemeyer (especially Robt. Mesing). . . . Our sympathy to Johnny Neukam and his family in the loss of their son, Henry, in the Armed Forces.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

The vacation season is on again, even though it is a bit cold yet. Violet Draker said it was too cold for her to do her housecleaning last week. What a way to spend a vacation anyway. . . . Bob Esterline is back after a week's vacation, and it appeared to have done him a world of good. He was here bright and early Monday morning with the nicest mustache. . . . Johnny Snelker says if it's the weather you want to know about, just come around. He says if it's going to rain, the one hair on his head stands straight up and if it's going to be a nice day it lies right down. . . . Our "good humor" man, Vern Fredericks, surely surprised us by telling us he had been married since February. Best of luck to you, Vern, and the candy was delicious. . . . Candy and cigars were also passed by Mrs. H. Manley, the former Marie Hilton, who is back after a short vacation. She was presented with a lovely white chenille bedspread by the gang. The best of luck to you, too, Marie. . . . We are sorry to report that Henry Smith is confined to his home because of illness. The doctor ordered a complete rest. We hope you will soon be well, Hank. . . . Iva Krouse has returned to work after a seven-week illness. . . . We would certainly like to commend the one who is responsible for the beautiful plaque in honor of our servicemen. Mr. Castle spoke briefly at the unveiling ceremony. We wish all the fellows whose names appear on it could see it. . . . That's all; see you next week.

BECAUSE THE NATURE OF THE PRESENT WAR required wide use of air transportation, particularly in the Pacific theaters the QMC has developed an airborne mobile laundry, a small detachment laundry, a clothing repair unit, a textile repair unit and a mobile bath unit that can be transported in a C-47 airplane or a CG-13, when wheels are removed. The mobile laundry is mounted on two trailers, each 6 feet wide by 9 feet long weighing 4500 pounds including equipment. One trailer carries a water heater, washer, drain bin, extractor, electric auxiliary pump, and gasoline tanks. The other trailer carries the drying tumbler, air heater, tool box, a gasoline tank, and 250 feet of rubber-covered hose. Also on this trailer is the 10-KW gasoline-driven generator which supplies the power. The burners for the heating of the air and water are designed to operate with either ordinary or aviation gasoline.—Army and Navy Release.

G-E Engineer Discusses Development Of 400 Cycle Aircraft Motors

Some of the problems solved in developing high-frequency 400-cycle electric motors for aircraft and their application are discussed by G. O. Schwandt, of General Electric's Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, in an AIEE Spring Program paper. Schwandt states that the new 400-cycle motors are more compact and approximately 40 per cent lighter than existing 24-volt d-c motors, one of the reasons why they are expected to be used more extensively on future airplanes.

According to Schwandt, five different kinds of engineering were involved in designing the 400-cycle motors: electrical, mechanical, thermal, airflow, and lubrication. High-speed operation, better material utilization, and varying conditions in which the motors operate were complicating factors, he points out. Correlation of these factors was difficult because any one might affect the others.

Schwandt states that motors of the open type are most satisfactory for the majority of aircraft applications because they do not possess explosion-producing characteristics and can be ventilated with less complication and without excessive weight increases. Gasoline pump motors require an explosion-resisting construction. Some of these will operate submerged, with their windings, bearings, and other vital parts directly exposed to the gasoline. A few totally enclosed intermittent motors may be required for engine nacelle or other locations saturated with oils or dirt.

A four-pole motor with a synchronous speed of 12,000 rpm will be used in most applications, according to Schwandt. He states, however, that speeds of 24,000, 8000, 6000, 4800 and 4000 rpm are also possible from 2, 6, 8, 10 and 12 pole windings, respectively. Generally a lighter weight power unit can be obtained by gearing down to the desired speed rather than increasing the number of poles, he explains. Six- and eight-pole motors will have a limited use for driving loads such as centrifugal fans and gasoline pumps because of the noise and lubrication problems associated with gears. Lighter weight motors could be obtained by using two-pole windings if there were suitable bearings capable of withstanding speeds approaching 24,000 rpm without freezing at low temperatures.

At present, according to Mr. Schwandt, only ball bearings are satisfactory for the high-speed operation, but sleeve bearings with special lubrication may be used in the future. Bearings of the minimum size necessary for radial and thrust loads and the specified life should be used to prevent excessive torque for overcoming friction at low temperatures, he says.

In ordinary air, electrons seem "bashful." They can thus be made to jump through space only by the pressure of high voltage. If enclosed in a tube, after air has been removed from it, they flow easily across the space. All electronic tubes are sealed carefully to maintain the essential conditions.

Floating Factories Repair Warships In Battle Areas

Enough electric equipment to furnish a good-sized factory plus a small hotel is installed on each floating drydock the Navy is using to make emergency repairs of warships far from their most advanced permanent bases, engineers of General Electric disclosed at Schenectady recently.

These floating factories, recently revealed to be in action, are changing the concept of naval warfare by enabling strategists to plan ocean-going operations without dependence on the availability of fixed bases. Whereas the old static concept of sea strategy required ships to operate within an approximate range of 2,000 miles from a permanent repair base, floating drydocks make it possible to establish bases as they are needed and as near the fighting zone as desired.

Can Lift Ship

In operation these mobile drydocks prepare a warship for repair by literally lifting the damaged vessel out of the water, thus giving workmen access to any part of the hull or deck, the same as if the ship were being overhauled on land. This is achieved by admitting water to sealed compartments so that the drydock submerges. When this is accomplished, the damaged vessel is floated over the dock or the dock is submerged under the vessel. Then water is pumped out of the compartments, and the drydock, with the ship under repair now nestling on it in a rack, arises to the surface. In this position, the damaged ship is completely out of the water, with its hull exposed, and examination or repair is made possible.

Though several different models of floating drydocks are presently in operation, the newest and most radical of these is the advanced base sectional type, in which 10 separate units, or barges, are joined together to form a repair dock that can accommodate a battleship. When this type dock is assembled, the separate barges form a surface nearly as long as three football fields and with side walls rising higher than a five-story building. Each of the sections has a lifting capacity of 10,000 long tons, the weight of 7,500 average automobiles. An assembly composed of 7 such sections joined together is large enough to accommodate a cruiser.

Because each barge is a complete unit in itself, as well as a "hotel" for the men who comprise the service crew, great amounts of electricity are consumed. This is generated by diesel-driven generators on each section and is used to operate machine tools, cranes, welders, anchor windlasses, hoists, blowers, compressors, ventilating and refrigerating units and pumps for emptying and filling buoyancy compartments. Electric equipment for these sectional drydocks was supplied by General Electric.

Unable to navigate under their own power, sectional drydocks are towed by other vessels to a protected location and there assembled and put into operation. Their latest repair equipment enables them to overhaul huge warships in short order and either send them back to permanent bases under their power or put them back in the fight.

Sales Manager Of Sunlamp And Heater Section Named

E. H. Norling has been appointed sales manager of the sunlamp and heater section of General Electric, according to an announcement by D. C. Spooner, manager of the automatic blanket and sunlamp division.

Prior to the war Norling was a kitchen specialist in the Company's electric sink and cabinet division. His wartime assignments were special personal contacts with the companies supplying material to G-E.

Norling joined G-E in 1927 in the advertising and sales promotion division of the electrical refrigeration department. He prepared the first retail sales training courses for domestic, apartment house and commercial refrigerator salesmen with a total enrollment of about 25,000 dealer sales people. He is the author of "The Story of Quality" and "The Story of the House of Magic" booklets, and presented the "Dr. Decision" skits on electric cookery at appliance dealer and electrical league meetings from coast to coast.

He also established the first 25 Retail Developmental League chapters on the West coast.

Name Assistant Manager At G-E River Works

The appointment of J. F. Eckel of Schenectady as Assistant Manager of General Electric's River Works was announced this week by G. M. Stevens, plant manager, with the approval of Neil Currie, Jr., manager of manufacturing, G-E Apparatus Department. The appointment is effective April 30.

Mr. Eckel, who has served as coordinator of all supercharger manufacture in G-E plants since early 1942, will take over the post formerly held by C. A. Salmonsen, newly appointed Manager of the Company's Philadelphia Works.

Schenectady Native

A native of Schenectady, Mr. Eckel first joined the Company in 1918 in the cost accounting department of the Schenectady plant, and for the next 17 years was engaged in various phases of manufacturing operations. He was in charge of the cost accounting section of the refrigerator division when, in 1935, he was named assistant co-ordinator of refrigerator manufacture at the Schenectady and Erie Works.

In February, 1942, Mr. Eckel was named co-ordinator of all supercharger manufacturing in G-E plants and worked in this connection with G-E licensees. This work has more recently included complete coordination of the jet propulsion program.

Former Prisoner Home

S/Sgt. Warren G. Brown, Bldg. 26-2, who was recently released from a German prison camp by advancing Russian armies, is at the present time home on furlough. His father is a foreman at the Kokomo Plant.

Another Old Timer



Looking proudly at his "old timer" Edison Mazda light bulb is George M. Delfs, Bldg. 4-B substation. Mr. Delfs states that the bulb has been in constant use since before 1922, first being used in a lamp, then as a porch light and for the last thirteen years in the furnace room.

G-E Engineers Study Requirements For Governing Variable-Ratio Transmissions In Aircraft

The results of an analytical study of performance specifications for governors for variable-ratio tranmissions are presented by W. K. Boice and L. G. Levoy, Jr., of General Electric's Industrial Engineering Division, in a paper "Governor Requirements for Aircraft Alternator Drives" listed on the AIEE Spring Program.

The development of a-c electrical systems for aircraft has given rise to a need for variable-ratio transmissions, which can receive mechanical power from main aircraft engines and deliver it at substantially constant speed to a-c generators in spite of wide variations of engine speed. Governors for such drives, the authors point out, require sufficient response to maintain generator speeds within close limits even during periods of engine acceleration and deceleration.

The authors confined their study to accelerations during parallel operation of alternators, since accelerations have a more adverse effect upon performance, and parallel operation also has a pronounced influence on governor requirements. The constants selected were typical of large airplanes, and the method described in the paper is one which can be used for calculating performance under a variety of conditions.

Among the conclusions drawn from this study were that a free-wheeling device in each output shaft, or a small amount of slip in the transmission, helps to maintain synchronism during short, moderate accelerations, even without governor action. For maximum accelerations, however, governor action is necessary. The effect of electrical load on the bus is to increase the governor response required to maintain synchronism during accelerations.

Other factors which the authors deemed important in establishing governor requirements were both the rate of increase and the maximum value of acceleration. Furthermore, to maintain synchronism, they recommended that the time lag in attaining governor response should be kept to a minimum. For the most severe case studied they found that the governor should attain its maximum rate of ratio change in about .03 second.

Inspection of artillery shells is being speeded up by use of green fluorescent lamps, under which rust spots stand out clearly.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Darris Hamilton (4)*	R. 1, Spencerville, Ind.	27	Druce	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 1 thru Spencerville, Leo, Cedarville. About 27 miles.			
Adrian G. Tustison (2)*	435 So. St., New Haven	26-2	Wearley	7:00- 3:06
	Coming in No. 24			
Raymond N. Mosure (2)*	614 S. Jersey, Bluffton	4-4	Skevington	3:00-11:06
Walter A. Kehmeyer (3)*	R. 5, Columbia City	6-1	Wolfe	4:00-12:18
	Coming in No. 14—12 miles			
George Hine (4)*	R. 2, Waterloo	Winter St.		3:30-12:00

Employees Seeking Rides

Simeon Bugo	Wolcottville, Ind.	17-2	Wyss	3:00-11:00
	Lives N.W. of So. Milford—near Road No. 3			
Alice Haney	R. 4, Albion, Ind. 2 ml. west	19-2	Prince	3:30-11:48
Pauline Werling	2919 Welsser Park, Ft. W.	19-6	Meyers	7:00- 3:30
	Wants a ride from Angola beginning in June			

* Numbetr of riders desired.

Cigarette Shortage Has At Least One Bright Spot

As a result of the cigarette shortage, developmental engineers of General Electric at Schenectady succeeded in solving a ticklish war problem in ultra-rapid time.

Asked by the Merchant Marine to develop a means for detecting the presence of drops of water in a ship's ventilating system, they were thinking of an elaborate way to accomplish this, when, suddenly, one of the G-E laboratory engineers, T. M. Berry, spied a package of pipe cleaners on a laboratory table. They had been left there by a co-worker who, because of his inability to buy cigarettes, had taken to a pipe.

Why wouldn't one of these work as a moisture detector, Berry wondered. So he quickly built a simple test device, using nothing more than a pipe cleaner, a standard electronic relay and electrical connections. When the resistance between the two wires of the pipe cleaner was reduced because of moisture, the relay operated. And in less than half an hour after it was assigned to them, the problem which had bothered merchant seamen for more than a year and which had cost many dollars in ruined equipment and lost time, was solved and a workable model demonstrated.

Who knows? Maybe even wartime shortages have their brighter side.

New Class I, Group C, Explosion-Proof Motor Announced By General Electric

A new Class I, Group C, explosion-proof motor, for atmospheres containing ethyl-ether and similar vapors, has been announced by the Motor Division of the General Electric Company. Recommended for use in chemical plants, hospitals, and research laboratories, the new motor was tested and listed by the Underwriters' Laboratories in July, 1944.

Available in frame sizes 204-326, and in Types K (normal torque) and KG (high-starting torque), the new motor is rated ¼ hp at 600 rpm to 20 hp at 3600 rpm, 110, 208, 220/440, 550 volts, 60, 50, 25 cycles. The construction is essentially the same as the Class I, Group D motors, but a special flamepath is used at the shaft openings to cool the flame of internal explosions. Thermostats operate in conjunction with a magnetic controller to disconnect the motor at a predetermined temperature, but do not supplant regular overload relays.

Other features of this motor include a cast-iron stator, a four-position cast-iron conduit box, and strong end shields of high-grade, corrosion-resistant cast-iron with reinforcing cooling ribs. Effective cooling is provided by a nonsparking fan, and a convenient pressure-relief system provides for ease of lubrication without disassembly of the motor.

Additional information is contained in bulletin GEA-4417, which may be obtained from the General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, New York.

SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

Baseball Team Getting Ready For Big Season

By Frank Eakin

With the opening game with Bunker Hill on Sunday, May 13, just two weeks away, Manager Charlie Braden is trying very hard to mold together a strong baseball team to represent the G-E Club this coming season. With some of the best servicemen's and semi-pro teams lined up and the always tough State Semi-Pro tourney in August staring him in the face, Charlie has a big job on his hands.

Some of the lineup is fairly certain to be made up of last year's veterans; however, there was and still is a definite need of some new blood to give the team some added speed and always welcome power. Here is a thumbnail sketch of the team's infield:

First base: Chuck Bobilya, the popular Taylor Street boy, is back again. In workouts, Chuck has hit the ball hard and is trying very hard to lose some increasing weight around the mid-section in an effort to put more power in his swing. Chuck has been wearing a sweat suit under his regular suit, and not because he is cold. He is a good team-player with good hit, fair field, and Ernie Lombardi's speed.

Second base: Kenny Wattier, the Club's leading hitter last year. He is a good fielder if he can get to the ball, and although a normal weak hitter, he may continue where he left off last year and be an unexpected source of hitting strength. Carroll Seiple is the chief competition for Wattier. He is a good fielder with plenty of speed. His stick work is of the lightweight size. If he were really "to get up and go" he could make a name for himself.

Shortstop: Odie Barnett is all that one would want in a shortfielder. He is a good hitter, a good fielder and has enough speed to be dangerous when on base. If all of Charlie's worries of the Barnett type, he could sit back in his rocking chair and gloat.

Third base: Ron Gershmehl, the popular coach of Concordia High School and College who did such a grand job of playing the "hot corner" during the second half of the last season, will be back and undoubtedly a much more experienced third baseman. He did not play the spot with the grace of a Pie Traynor or even that of our own Joe Henry, but he did manage to get most of the balls that came his way either with his glove or chest and even with his chin once. He is a good hitter, has plenty of speed to burn, being probably the fastest on the squad. He is the "wildhorse" type runner and causes the opposing pitchers some anxious moments. With some good coaching to help his fielding, he should make a third baseman. He also can play the outfield and second base if needed.

Next week, we will carry the sketches of the outfield and batteries.

Booster tickets are now on sale. They will permit the holder to see plenty of good baseball with the best teams available being scheduled.

Inter-Division Softball Meeting

The Inter-Division Softball League will hold a meeting tonight at 7:30 P.M. in the lounge at the G-E Club. All team managers will be present; however, one manager is still needed for Small-Motor Factory. All softball equipment will be turned over to the team managers at this time.

Anyone interested in Inter-Division softball is cordially invited to attend the meeing. Maybe you're not very good at softball yet, but if you like the game, come in anyway. We'll be glad to see you there, and don't forget, this meeting starts at 7:30 sharp.

Howard Barrick, Manager
Bldg. 4-2, Phone 2226

You wouldn't walk back of white tape—but would you caution the next guy about this hazard?

BOOSTER TICKETS

$1.00

Entitles bearer to admission at reduced rate of 50¢, tax included.

Look for the salesman nearest you and get yours now. Don't forget, opening game Sunday, May 13.

F. McCague, Bldg. 10-1
C. Saylor, Bldg. 6-1
W. Staley, Bldg. 6-1
M. Milholland, Bldg. 6-4
J. Arnold, Bldg. 6-B
J. Saylor, Bldg. 6-3
K. Guessinger, Bldg. 6-2
H. Gorrell, Bldg. 4-2
E. Lallac, Bldg. 4
E. Lash, Bldg. 4-B
H. Bubb, Bldg. 4-3
A. Lindenberg, Bldg. 4-3
H. Barrick, Bldg. 4-2
R. Chandler, Bldg. 4-1
V. Leakey, Bldg. 17-1
H. Franke, Bldg. 4-3
W. Hoelle, Bldg. 19-1
J. Lewis, Bldg. 17-2
P. Slack, Bldg. 17-3
E. Class, Bldg. 8
R. May, Bldg. 8
H. Lindemuth, Bldg. 2-1
C. Norgard, Bldg. 19-3
L. Scherer, Bldg. 19-4
M. Cook, Bldg. 19-2
H. Kugler, Bldg. 19-5
G. Miller, Bldg. 19-B
V. Howell, Bldg. 26-1
M. Miller, Bldg. 31
O. Beaty, Yard
C. Braden, Bldg. 17-2
R. Braden, Bldg. 26-1
G. Langenberg, Bldg. 4-5
J. Daily, Bldg. 17-1

Tickets may also be obtained from any G-E fireman, at the G-E Club, and from any member of the Taylor Street Athletic Association.

Taylor Street Doubles Champs



Harley Ridenour and Lloyd Taylor came away with top honors in the recent handicap doubles tournament of the Taylor Street Men's Bowling League. Their total was 1251 pins.

GOOD MORNING Bowling League

By Harold F. McKee

Well, fellows, this is the last bowling report for the 1944-45 season. The final scores were

Team	W.	L.	Ave.
No. 11	31	14	758.27
No. 2	27	18	804.66
No. 12	25	20	708.46
No. 3	24	21	782.10
No. 6	24	21	770.12
No. 1	24	21	724.66
No. 9	23	22	785.21
No. 5	22	23	718.02
No. 4	21	24	791.61
No. 7	18	27	738.26
No. 10	17	28	748.15
No. 8	14	31	712.74

Team high one game: No. 4, 961.
Team high three games: No. 2, 2660.
Individual high one game: Kincade, 248.
Individual high three games, Roehm, 658.

The winner of the first half was Team No. 2 after a roll-off of a four-way tie with Teams No. 3, No. 7, and No. 9. Team No. 11 was winner of the second half. The roll-off for league champions was rolled Saturday, April 21. Team No. 2 rolled 2463 and Team No. 11, 2420.

The Good Morning League champions for 1944-45 are Sam Baumgardner, captain, Paul Stiver, Bill Lahmeyer, Ralph Williams, and Tom O'Connell.

I would like to thank every member of this league for the swell cooperation I received this last half. It has been a pleasure to be your secretary. I hope you can say the same for me.

Your secretary,
Harold F. McKee

G-E OWL LEAGUE BOWLING

R. F. Dressel

Standings 4-21-45

Team	W.	L.
Team No. 6	32	16
Team No. 12	30	18
Team No. 3	30	18
Team No. 7	29	19
Team No. 8	27	21
Team No. 4	26	22
Team No. 9	24	24
Team No. 2	24	24
Team No. 1	23	25
Team No. 6	18	30
Team No. 10	14	34
Team No. 11	13	35

New Team High Three Games, No. 3, 2708.

Results of Bowling

Team No. 5 won 3 games from Team No. 10 by forfeit. Team No. 3 won 3 games from Team No. 8. Team No. 6 won 3 games from Team No. 9. Team No. 7 won 2 games from Team No. 1. Team No. 11 won 2 games from Team No. 2. Team No. 12 won 2 games from Team No. 4.

200 Games—Cowan 253; Surface 205; Eifrid 212; Humbarger 208; Stanger 205; Gerardot 204.

600 Series—E. Sarrazin 215, 209, 192—616.

This was the last week of regular bowling for the league with Team No. 6 taking the second half. A roll-off between Teams No. 3 and No. 6 for the league championship was rolled April 25. Results in next week's NEWS.

Girls' Softball

Some of the veterans of last year's team are now in service, and I am seeking replacements. If you are interested in trying out for the G-E Club team, please contact me at once. Any girl in the Fort Wayne Works is eligible and all are welcome.

Helen Forker, Bldg. 31-1
Phone 494

Taylor Street Ladies' Bowling League

April 11, 1945

Team	W.	L.
Flying Pins	27	16
Pin Hitters	24	18
Knock Outs	21	21
Head Pins	20	22
Whizz Bangs	19	23
Lucky Five	16	27

Games over 170—Louise Davis 172; Betty Hoffelder 172.

New Land For Chemical Department

The General Electric Company has purchased 60 acres of land at Waterford, N. Y., for the erection of a plant for the manufacture of silicone resins, it was announced recently by E. L. Feininger, manager of the Resin and Insulation Materials division of General Electric's Chemical Department.

Located in the town of Waterford, the land is bounded by the Hudson River on the east and the Delaware and Hudson railroad on the west. It is about 15 miles east of Schenectady. The large plot was purchased from James T. Whitehurst of Troy and Waterford.

The new plant is made necessary by the tremendous possibilities seen for the use of silicone resins in many industrial processes. Approximately 50 people will be employed at the new plant at the start. It is expected that construction of the plant, which will consist of four or five buildings, will begin in early fall. These buildings will use but a portion of the 60 acres, leaving room for future expansion.

Teacher (in grammar class): "Willie, please tell me what it is when I say 'I love, you love, he loves'."

Willie: "That's one of them triangles where somebody gets shot."

G-E Wire Recorder Stars On Blue Network Program

With combat descriptions told to the G-E wire recorder, U. S. Army Air Forces pilots and crewmen were the stars of the first of a series of Air Forces programs over the Blue Network on a recent Saturday. General H. H. Arnold, commanding, and other top-flight air officers contributed on short wave recordings from various places, but the high spots were the stories by the men just back from missions in fighting areas, with the excitement of battle still in their voices.

Take the crew of a B-24 assigned to the 389th Heavy Bombardment Group in England, for instance. Their ship had followed a glider-group landing on the other side of the Rhine and dropped equipment by parachute, from a height never greater than 300 feet and sometimes no higher than the treetops.

They said they had been able to see burning enemy buildings and our own men locked in combat with the Nazi defenders. In spite of a hail of fire, they stuck around there till they could see their comrades picking up the supplies from the ground. By then it was definitely time to depart, for their ship had absorbed some punishment. Members of the ground crew said they wondered how she held together till arrival at the home base. In fact, the pilot told the wire recorder that "Jerry got a bead on me, and I finished the trip with my instrument panel in my lap."

Another bit via the wire recorder was an interview with Captain Kent Geyer of the Ninth Air Force, whose crew, devoted to the business of ripping German railroads and rolling stock just ahead of the Third Army, described their technique. "The Maulers," as they are called, bomb the tracks ahead of and behind a moving train and then settle at their leisure to the business of strafing it into junk.

In addition to General Arnold, General James Doolittle of the Eighth Air Force, General Ira Eaker of the Fifteenth and General Carl ("Toohey") Spaatz, also took part in the program. The wire recordings were clear and compared very favorably with those on short-wave.

Developed by Armour Institute, Chicago, the wire recorder, which records sound on hair-thin wire by magnetic means, has been further improved by General Electric which has for some time been making it for the Armed Forces. It will record continuously for 66 minutes, and the wire can be "wiped clear" afterward for further use. The Army has been using it in both the European and Pacific theaters. The Air Forces program is at 1:30 o'clock on Saturday afternoon over the Blue Network.

Carver Club To Meet

Members of the Carver Club are planning a meeting for Sunday, May 6, at the Wheatley Social Center, 440 East Douglas Street. The meeting will open at 3 P. M., and during the course of the program light refreshments will be served. Reservations must be in by May 4 or they may be made by calling Billie Tate, A-39851.

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G-E Announces Jet Production For U. S. Navy

Only Company In World Making Engines For Two Service Branches

Jet propulsion aircraft engines now are being produced for the Navy by General Electric Company, it hss just been announced with approvsl of the Navy Department.

For reasons of military security, no further official announcement concerning the Navy's program for use of these powerful G-E Jet airplane power units now can be made.

Advsntsges of the jet engine, which already have been established, include: power to drive planes at lightning-like speed; smooth operation in the sub-stratosphere; virtually no vibration, easing pilot fatigue; almost instantaneous generation of power, eliminating warm-up delays; fewer maintenance problems, due to the simplicity of the jet power unit.

The G-E Jet generates and delivers its flow of tremendous power

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Mother-Daughter Party Plans Are Completed By Elex

Plsns for the annual Elex mother-daughter party, one of the most popular club meetings of the yesr, have been completed, and tickets for the event are now on sale by contact girls. The party will be held on Thursday, May 10, at the G-E Club.

Night workers will meet at 12:30 P.M. for an entertainment program and light refreshments. Numbers will be presented by the Vagabonds, popular performers on the "Breakfast Club" and "Tin Pan Alley of the Air"; and by Robert Carlisle, tenor formerly with Jack Roth's musical comedy, "Youth on Parade." As in former years, prizes will be awarded to the oldest mother present, to the youngest mother present, to the mother coming the greatest distance, and to the mother with the most daughters employed at General Electric. Each mother will be presented with a gift. Tickets are 50¢ each, and every mother must be accompanied by her daughter.

The day girls' party, 8 P. M., will be similar to that of the night girls, with entertainment by the Vagabonds, Robert Carlisle, and the O'Sullivan Bards, young octet from Central Catholic High School tinder the personal direction of

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The Road To Tokyo



—Signal Corps Photo

It's still a long way to Tokyo, and the way will be paved with the graves of American fighting men. Purchases of war bonds in the Seventh War Loan Drive, which will be held at the Fort Wayne Works May 14, 15, and 16, will help to keep down the number of graves dug for Americans on that long, tough, last lap.

G-E Equipment Speeds Aluminum Aircraft Parts

High-Speed Treating Aided By New Installation

Production of aluminum alloy parts for C-48 Commandos at the Curtiss-Wright St. Louis plant is being materially aided by new, high-speed aluminum heat-treating equipment. With this equipment, a work load of 1200 lbs. of aluminum alloy, together with its 900-lb. truck, can be treated from 70 to 930 F. within 25 minutes, if the furnace is already stabilized at this latter temperature before the load is conveyed into the heating chamber.

Recently installed, the equipment consists of a General Electric furnace, control, and loading station, and a quench chamber especially designed by Curtiss-Wright. Unusual features of this installation include an automatic water spray quench which minimizes quenching distortion, and a push-button controlled load truck which not only provides a centralized operating position but eliminates the human variable in the quenching operation. In addition, a precision tem-

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CASUALTIES

PFC Paul Baumgardner, Taylor Street, was seriously wounded April 1 in Germany.

PFC Wallace S. Hersh, Taylor Street, is reported as missing in action in Germany since April 6.

Robert G. Sternberger, Y 3/c, Bldg. 19-2, is missing in action off Okinawa.

PFC Howard J. Gfell, Bldg. 19-2, was killed in Germany April 8.

PFC Walter H. Duhn, Jr., Winter Street, was killed in Germany recently.

PFC Richard Tobias, Bldg. 12-2, was seriously wounded on Okinawa.

S/Sgt. Nathan Tagtmeyer, Bldg. 4-5, was wounded for the second time on April 10.

G-E Club Closing

Beginning Monday, May 7, the G-E Club will close at 6 P.M. until further notice.

Ed Yahne
Club Manager

Former Prisoners Of War Freed

Several former employees of the Fort Wayne Works who have been German prisoners of war have been released during recent weeks. Cpl. Delbert H. Logan, Bldg. 19-4, arrived in Fort Wayne recently shortly after his release by Russian armies. He had been a prisoner since October 6.

PFC Louis H. Webster, also of Bldg. 19-4, is in a hospital in England following his release April 14 from a prisoner of war camp. He expects to be returned to this country soon. PFC Webster had been a prisoner since January 19.

Cpl. Ralph C. Peterson, Bldg. 18-4, was liberated from a German prison camp, where he had been held since his capture December 17, during the battle of the Ardennes bulge in Germany.

Another soldier who has been missing, Sec. Lt. Charles Lahrman,

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Seventy-Three Employees Get Idea Awards

M. P. Shaw, Bldg. 4-4, Heads Current Week's Suggestion List

A total of $565 was paid this week in suggestion awards to 73 G-E employees who offered ideas on better methods. Leading the award list, released by S. E. Palmer, secretary of the Suggestion Committee, was M. P. Shaw, Bldg. 4-4, who received $50 for his idea on arc welding instead of brazing explosion-proof stator shells.

Three others topped the list with awards of $25. One award of $25 went to A. L. Kelly, Bldg. 4-6, who suggested a method of salvaging oleum spirits. Fred K. Vietmeyer, Bldg. 17-2, also received a $25 suggestion award for his idea to taper reaming field pin holes in blanking dies. Harry Foust, Bldg. 4-1, suggested changes in the method of reaming end shields and received a $25 award.

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Aim At Complete Participation In Seventh Bond Drive

Employees' Goal Is $340,000 In Cash Sales

Plans are being completed for the launching of the Seventh War Loan drive scheduled here May 14, 15, and 16, at which time employee solicitors will work toward a quota of $340,000 in cash sales. Employees at the Broadway, Winter Street, Taylor Street, Decatur, and Kokomo Plants will participate in the rallies.

Previous cash bond drives have been unusually successful at the Fort Wayne Works, according to J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, but a complete employee participation has never been achieved. In the Fifth War Loan drive employees purchased a total of $391,565 in bonds against a quota of $265,000. In that campaign, however, only 52.7% of the employees participated. A quota of $245,000 was set up in the Sixth War Bond drive, and employees responded by purchasing bonds amounting to $362,861. Again only 52.9% of the employees bought bonds for cash. Mr. Crise pointed out that in striving to meet the quota of $340,000 set in the Seventh War Loan drive, an attempt will be made to achieve nearly one hundred per cent participation, thus more nearly presenting the "solid front"

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SAVE FOR THE SEVENTH — MAY 14 - 16

Sleuthing In 4-6

The fiscal calendar hanging before me shows that it is the seventeenth week. Closer observation tells me that it is Friday and my woeful lack of ambition proves that it is late afternoon. I lean back in my chair and light up a cigar, a new brand; but the same quality as all other war time smokes. I blow a cloud of smoke into the air and gaze out, across the water tanks on Bldg. 17. I wonder how the bluegills are biting on Johnson's Bay, and the thought brings forth another cloud of smoke. Across the partition I hear a low mumbling and I recognize it as being Mr. Case. I turn my head slightly in an unsuccessful effort to catch a few words. I decide that he must be grumbling about the plowing job he got last week-end. I smile when I remember that he told me the fellow had plowed out four or five young trees he had just planted. Mr. Noble walks by and looks in. I stir slightly and then drop back to dreaming. A shadow on the glass partition turns out to be McIver a moment later in the doorway. He wants to show us a photostatic copy of the abstract to his Arkansas asparagus farm. The abstract bore the signature of President McKinley. He leaves and Mr. Norris, after commenting that Arizona would suit him better than Arkansas, picks up his new six-inch slide rule and for the seventy-fifth time tries to multiply two and one-half by five-eighths. From the file room across the hall comes the sound of feminine laughter, the girls way of sympathizing with Chuck Skove as he labors over twenty separate forms in an effort to prove that his wife really did lose all their ration coupons. A draftsman appears in the doorway and asks about the basic year. I light my cigar for the fifth time and turn to ask Ruth Ehrsam a question, and then recall that she has been on vacation all week. A slight breeze comes through the doorway and moves a paper on my desk, which is proof to me that Zahorsky just tore down the hallway. I walk out to the drinking fountain and on the way back I happen to remember that I had promised to write "Sleuthing in 4-6" this week. It startles me and as the grave responsibility of this task takes hold in my semi-dormant mind, I grab a pencil and write the column title. I can't get inspired; I have no heart to go sleuthing, so again I lean back in my chair, light my cigar for the sixth time, and start dreaming again. Won't it be nice when Friday afternoon is the end of the week and Saturday again becomes a holiday? I wonder if I can get to the lake during my vacation this year. I feel a frown on my forehead as I recall that next week my wife plans to clean house. Surely there is some way of washing the kitchen ceiling without the water running down my arm. Will Kapsanis get that new bowling ball so it hooks where he wants it next season, and will Ruth English ever be able to raise Brussels sprouts? How long will I have to wait on my income tax refund check? Is that underwater monstrosity presented to Yager for fishing a Rube Goldberg creation or will Charley really find a use for it in Michigan? Will Charley Wilt produce another softball winner this summer, and when will the candy woman again carry cigarettes? For the seventh time I light my cigar and wonder what I should put in this news column. Would anyone be interested in knowing that I bowled a 258 a few weeks ago? No, I can't put that down because I'd be accused of bragging. Did this column ever say anything about the new babies in the Moody and Hower families? For fear of repeating I guess that should be left out too. Would it be getting too personal to mention that Ray Jones lost thirty pounds through a rigid diet, and that about fifty per cent of the engineers attending the noon luncheon every two weeks never eat their spinach? Would any one be interested in knowing that Jerry Duryee spent ten dollars of his last suggestion award for a load of black dirt? No, that's a dirty story, and I'm sure wouldn't be printed. Would it be news to say that years ago Walter Brake took his first assignment with the G-E at three dollars per week, working for our present Mayor of Fort Wayne, that he quit and was then hired back at four dollars per week? That sounds more like history than current news, so I'll forget that. If I thought anyone cared I could mention that Phyllis Bertch's mother's brother married my brother's wife's sister and that we both came from Noble County, but the Aircraft Section would have to clear that information through Wright Field, and Grauer and Hemphill have enough trouble as it is, so I'll drop that too. Why did I ever promise to write this column in the first place? Why do reporters have to take vacations? There must be some easy way out of all this, and I think I have it. Years ago Confucius said, "No news is good news" so if no news was good news to Confucius why wouldn't it be good news for Bldg. 4-6? I think it's worth trying. Your real reporter will be back next week.

Straight Talk

The Seventh War Loan starts May 14. Americans as individuals are taking on their biggest quota to date, seven billion dollars—four billions in E bonds alone. The quota at the Fort Wayne Works is $340,000.

You may be wondering, "Why this biggest of all individual quotas NOW? Haven't we already reached the peak?" A fair question—requiring a straight answer.

The money is needed for war. The Battle of Japan has just begun. It must be backed up, paid for, fought for by a free people, intent on sweeping the Pacific clear of fascist hate—forever. With the war in the West our first and major concern, we have not yet been able to go all-out in the East. But neither has the Jap. The war to crush Japan will be bigger, tougher, and longer than most Americans expect. The Allied Military Command has estimated that it will take years, not months. The destruction of Japan's armies has not yet reached the annual rate of normal replacements—between 200,000 and 250,000 men a year. And the Jap, as our men in the Pacific know, fights to the death. As far as Japan is concerned, the outer Empire and the men who defend it are expendables. The Jap will fight the Battle of Japan from inside the inner Empire, of which Iwo Jima was an outpost. And Iwo Jima, according to Admiral Nimitz, was a pattern of the resistance our forces may expect to meet in future offensives.

New tasks, new needs. The single greatest obstacle to our crushing of Japan is distance. While in the Battle of Europe supply ships from our bases in England had only an overnight run to make, ships in the Pacific have long-reach round trips taking up to five months to make. To crush Japan will take time, heroic and back-breaking effort, overpowering effort. Millions of fighting men will have to be moved and supplied day in, day out, by hundreds of new ships now building. More of everything will be needed. More B-29's. More tanks, half-tracks, jeeps and trucks. More rockets, mortars, air-borne radar. A whole new air force is in creation—huge new bombers dwarfing the Superfortress—fast new jet-propelled combat planes, the P-80 or "Shooting Star" coming off the lines by thousands. These are just some of the 101 ways in which your dollars are needed more than ever to bring America's might to its full strength—so that we may crush our foe the faster, make an end of killing, and bring our men back.

And lest we forget. The sick, wounded and disabled will require medical attention and care. Many millions of dollars will be required for mustering-out pay and benefits voted by Congress to help our veterans get started again in civilian life. That's the least we can do in return for what they've done for us.

Winning the Peace. There are other weighty reasons for supporting the Seventh War Loan—reasons that take us from the present to the future. By investing in the Seventh War Loan, the patriotic American is safeguarding his own future, his country's future. By putting every dollar over rock-bottom expenses into the purchase of War Bonds, he is delivering a body blow to wartime inflation—thus putting a lid on the cost of living and maintaining intact the purchasing power of the dollar. At the same time too, he is insuring the country and himself against the catastrophe of a possible post-war deflation—with its depression, unemployment, misery, and heartache.

So save for your country—save for yourself. In helping your country, you are also helping yourself. Comes peace, we'll all need money for education, replacements, retirement, new homes, a new start—and we'll need a lot of it. There isn't a better or safer highroad to your goal than United States Savings Bonds. Let all Americans do their part—for their own sake, for their country's.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Well, Max Andres' name is in again. He is on first shift now. Hope they like you, Max. . . . And it's time now for the May flowers. Don't we love them? . . . Marge Dietsch is taking her vacation while her husband is home on furlough. . . . Where there is money in sight, Gerry Humbarger comes forward. He finished high in the money on the G-E doubles tournament. The sad part of this is that Joe Eifrid always seems to be tied to the winner. . . . Dick Stults came to work the other day with a bright gleam in his eye and a wide smile on his face. He had just received his first BIG War Bond. . . . Lawyer got such a response to his haircut collection that he has decided to make it a permanent program. . . . We all wonder if Denver Coolman learned his magic tricks by following the comic magazine "Super Magician." . . . Ferne Bermes, our thrifty inspector, went shopping for several items because they were on sale but found to her dismay she was a week early. . . . Yes, we too have a Tom Brenneman. You should see him modeling some of the ladies' hats. Chic is the word. . . . Lottie Moore is not really afraid of mice, but really doesn't like them in some of her workboxes. . . . Noteworthy among our Bldg. 17-1 bunch on second shift on Saturday afternoon, April 28, when the news of the surrender of Hitler's rats or supermen came to our attention was the fact that not one person stopped work, although highly elated and joyously thankful for the expected break. Still, all our workers stayed at their jobs clear through until closing time, well realizing that the war is but half won now, and we all still have a solemn obligation to fulfill. So on towards the Pacific and final victory—then all out for one grand and glorious celebration. . . . Now until next week, same time, same old Bldg. 17-1.

Mrs. Black was vigorously powdering her face before going out.

"Why do you go to all this trouble?" asked her husband, who was waiting impatiently.

"Modesty, my dear," was the reply. "I've no desire to shine in public!"

26-5 TOOL BITS

If Glenn Hoon expects to go after those big Barbee bass after June 16, he will have to spend the "off" season raking over the bottom of Irish Lake to find his casting outfit. We don't know whether he dropped it accidentally or threw it in after despairing of ever catching a bass. . . . Herbie Mennewisch was practicing the art of gracefulness (like an elephant doing a jig) in sewing up numerous seams in his white shop apron (using black thread), and judging from appearances when he finished, we don't advise a change from his former occupation. . . . We finally found out who catches that bucketful of fish Bernie Byanskie was always talking about. Bernie furnishes the bucket and his son furnishes the fish. . . . With Spring and housecleaning time here, we have a story on one of our newer employees. It seems that Marvene Kneller decided that a certain room needed painting and in the process she knocked the paint bucket off the ladder, upset the ladder and sat down in the paint that spilled on the floor. Some people might say that she started out as an interior decorator and ended up as an exterior decorator. . . . Don Welbaum says that last Sunday he felt like "The Man that Lives in a House by the Side of the Road and is a Friend to Man," for he furnished water to all the cars that boiled over as they returned from the Army Air Show. He even had to drive out to the Air Base to push one of his friend's (John Vaupel) car home. . . . When George Houser told us about the tools he bought, we didn't know whether he was going in the gardening or contracting business. He says that he bought a post-hole digger to plant his garden with and a pick-ax to use as a hoe. He also stated that he was going to plant his carrots with a corkscrew so that, when harvesting time comes, all he will have to do is just screw them out of the ground. . . . Four new members to the "Proud Papas Club" were reported last week. They were: W. Trumbower, with a baby boy; Lyman Steele, with a baby girl; A. Korte, with a baby girl; and V. Stuckey, with a baby girl. Congratulations on the new additions to your families and thanks for the cigars, men.



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

A Radio Repair Man

Dear Editor:

. . . The wonderful work and products you men and women are doing on the home front! Keep up the good work. I'm a radio repair man and come in contact with a lot of G-E equipment. Here's a little on the civilian side of this island. The people here are very well read up on the American way of life and are very friendly and seem to be very eager to help the American soldier. They should, don't you think?

Haven't been on the island too long, but can't say that I like it. The weather is too changeable. You can stand in mud up to your knees and dust blows in your eyes.

Well, this is about all I have for this time, so until this mess is over keep up the good work and give my best regards to the folks in Bldg. 17-1, third trick, of which I was an employee.

Sgt. R. E. Hardesty

Louis A. Schmackers, S 1/c, is stationed at Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Editor:

Just a line to say hello to all at the good old General Electric Company and especially to the gang in Bldg. 4-4. I am living in good quarters along the ocean side of the island. When I'm not working or busy I'm usually swimming to keep cool. That Christmas paper I received sure looked good with those pictures of the snow. I'd like to be back there working again. . . .

I am in the Seabees here in the Philippines. I do not operate any machinery, but I help handle lots of it. I sm proud to say the G-E is sure doing her part. You are doing a splendid job. Keep up the good work. I am counting on seeing you all soon, I hope. So until then I will say so long.

Lots of luck to all of you,

Robert Armstrong, S 2/c

Lt.-Gen. James H. Doolittle, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force, has commended the officers and men of his only repair depot on the continent of Europe, where Sgt. Robert J. Laudick is assigned to the carpenter section of the repair department of the supply division.

Sgt. Mary C. Henschen has been stationed in Italy for 18 months. "I have enjoyed my work very much. I would like to take this opportunity to say hello to all my old friends who still work or who have worked in Bldg. 26-3."

Dear Editor:

This is to let you know that I have changed my address from the state of Pennsylvania to the state of sunshine (liquid sunshine) meaning California. I have been here only two weeks and it has rained all but three days.

Will say this, it is very pretty around here. The orchards here are in bloom. The orange trees have nearly ripe oranges, or so they seem to me. But as nice as things look to be, I'll take good old Indiana for mine. . . .

Russell Andrews

Dear Editor:

. . . I would like to say hello to the maintenance gang in Bldg. 10-1 where I worked. I haven't been able to get back and see them for quite some time, but I hope this mess will be over before long so that I can come back and work with them. I am also keeping up to date with the G-E equipment because we have plenty of it aboard, and I might add that it holds up swell in rough duty and "Johnny on the spot" when you really need it. The G-E equipment aboard this ship is holding up a lot better than any of the other we have aboard.

Hope to see you soon in the good old U.S.A.

Yours truly,

Paul V. Beard EM 3/c

Ens. R. H. Lomont has been transferred to New Orleans, La.

PFC Richard D. Kite is stationed at Amarillo, Texas.

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

In South Pacific

Dear Editor:

I am somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. . . . This island was tough to take; in fact it isn't taken yet. The boys on the front line are really having a tough fight. We use a lot of General Electric equipment and are having no complaint. So say hello to all of my friends in Bldg. 19-4 and tell them to keep the good work up. So long.

Cpl. Timothy Dixie

Donald L. Marshall, EM 3/c, is stationed in Mare Island, California. He was employed in Bldg. 17-1.

George P. Clemishire, Bldg. 6-1, is stationed with a ship repair unit at the Naval Repair Base at New Orleans.

PFC Monroe B. Fuhrman is stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia. "Tomorrow we go to A. P. Hill for an 18-day maneuver. That is so we get used to roughing it. I guess I can take it as I had 29 months of Alaskan living and when it comes worse than that, as far as weather, I don't know where it would be."

From Overseas

Dear Editor:

. . . I've been overseas for a month now. The weather here is tops. We get a little rain now and then, but I'm getting used to that. However, I'll still take good old Fort Wayne as the place to make my home.

The Navy is still tops with me, even though I go high strung and gripe about it a lot. However, there is still no place like home.

That's about all the news for the time being. Please give my regards to my friends. I almost forgot to tell you that I'm somewhere in the Pacific, but that's all I can tell.

As ever,

Henry S. Perriguey, S 1/c

W. C. Poffenbarger, Dallas, Texas, says, "I am glad to be serving in the military service. The home front will have to go on without us fellows that have to go in the service although it is hard to leave the wives, children and sweethearts behind, hoping to come back some day. I hope to come back and work for the G-E again after I complete my naval service. I am striking for aviation machinist mate."

Lt. Robert R. Kiester has been transferred to Mission, Texas.

In Battle Of Okinawa

Dear Editor:

. . . I have been overseas for four months. I am now in the Battle on Okinawa. I am just fine. I have been serving with the Marines, the first Marine Division, as you can see on the envelope.

Since I am in the Navy it sounds kinda funny that I am with the Marines. Well, it's like this. I am a hospital corpsman in the Navy. I have been picked to serve with the Marines as they don't have a medical corps of their own. I have been picked to work in the Field Hospital. It is very interesting work and I enjoy my work very much. I enjoy serving with the Marines. I am proud to serve with such a fine division.

This country on Okinawa sure reminds me of back home. It seems as though these farms remind me more of home than anything else. They raise sugar cane, cabbage, carrots, sweet potatoes, and of course they raise some rice, as they are noted for growing rice. It seems like they raise more sugar cane than any other crop. They also have horses, pigs, cattle, goats and other animals. My buddie and I have a pet rabbit. He's a little white rabbit—we call him Tojo. He sure is cute. He stays right outside the two-man tent we have built. It reminds me so much more of home to have a pet around. We have a box outside the tent that he sleeps in.

. . . I have seen lots of G-E equipment in use since I have been overseas. I was aboard ship coming over and the engine room door was open. I was taking myself a good look around the engine room. I was wishing I could go in and take a look. Well, my wish came true. While I was gazing around the gigantic engine room, one of the sailors came along that worked there and asked me if I would like to look around. I said I sure would. We walked down about three or four ladders to get to the bottom deck. It seemed like just about everything we came to had G-E on it. When he told me how good the engines, transformers, turbines, and generators were that the G-E put out I just felt so proud I thought I just had to tell him I was an employee of the G-E and how good a job I thought the folks were doing back home. I told him all about the G-E and we talked for quite a while. He said he didn't blame me for being proud; they've done a swell job.

Well, it is getting dark and I can't have a candle burning in the tent. I want to say hello, everybody back there, especially the ones in Bldgs. 4-5 and 26-4. I want to say that everybody is doing a swell job and to keep the good work up and this war will be over before long.

Good luck and good night.

Sincerely yours,

Paul R. Eberhard, HA 1/c

T/5 Paul L. Miller in the Marianas, says "Here I see lots of G-E equipment and have seen it work and get wonderful results. The weather here is plenty hot and we have had quite a lot of rain lately. I formerly worked in Bldg. 4-4 for Kennie Crabill on the 11 to 7 shift, before I came in the Army. Tell all of them in Bldg. 4-4 I said hello and keep the good work up. Will do the same."

Harland Deaman is at the present time in the Philippines.



In The Philippines

Dear Editor:

. . . I'm still in the Philippines. I have visited Manila. Most of the town has been bombed or burned. This being a signal company, I see a lot of G-E products. Being a mechanic I use a lot of G-E equipment. I can say from experience that G-E equipment is tops, and I hope to be back in the shop before long. Tell all the boys hello for me in the impeller section at the Taylor Street Plant. As it's time for me to go to work, I'll close. Keep up the good work and keep the G-E equipment as good as it's been in the past.

Sincerely yours,

PFC Rolland Schwartz

S/Sgt. Arnold H. Horstmeyer, Bldg. 26-B, played an important part in the recent battle of Zig-Zag Pass on Luzon. He is a litter platoon sergeant. During the battle he led his platoon to the battalion aid station, where they picked up the wounded troops and carried them back to where the ambulances were waiting to move them further to the rear. Many times he and his men were subjected to heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire, but it failed to halt him in his work. He has been highly commended on his bravery and courage under fire.

Cpl. R. W. Schweizer is at present home on leave after being released from a German prison camp by Russian armies.

Pvt. Donald J. Junk, Bldg. 19-5, a patient at Billings General Hospital, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's badge, Presidential Unit Citation, and the Purple Heart.

Pvt. Kenneth Heersche is a patient at Army General Hospital, Charleston, S. C. He was wounded in Luxembourg.

Cpl. Weston A. Hager arrived overseas recently and has been assigned to a B-24 bomber group of the Fifteenth AAF in Italy.

James B. Moody, Bldg. 18-B, is now stationed at the Atlantic Fleet's Amphibious Training Base in Little Creek, Virginia, where he is preparing for duty aboard an LSM. When he completes his preparation at Little Creek, he will depart with his shipmates to take over a newly-built landing ship.

Cpl. Ford T. Mueller is a radio operator with the 18th Weather Squadron, USSTAF, and is now stationed in France.

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A Chart For Future Defense

A future defense program for America fortified by a continuing partnership of research and production working during the peace to "maintain our leadership in the technical and operational superiority of the implements of war" was proposed this week in an article in "The Saturday Evening Post" by General Electric President Charles E. Wilson, under the title, "We Will Get Something Back."

Calling attention to the grave national emergency in the scant preparedness of the country at the outbreak of World War II, he said, "In business, we carry on organized and continuing research. We chart our sales, orders, markets, prices and sources of material supply. In war, we do no such thing. Instead, we depend on miracles—which we get, in due time—but many men have to die first.

Approach Faulty

". . . The real fault lies in our approach to war as a people. It is bad enough to allow enemy production rates to get ahead of us when the nation's life is at stake, but it is demoralizing to allow him to get the lead in research and development. . . . Why not a fresh approach? Instead of disarmament and unpreparedness as keystones of national policy, let us try full preparedness according to a continuing plan.

"This does not mean that we must become an aggressor nation. We shall not invite war by being ready for it any more than we invite disease with a public-health program. We may prevent it. It seems just as ridiculous to have a war economy as opposed to a peace economy as it would be to have a personal-sickness economy as opposed to a health economy."

Years of Effort

Some of our best weapons in the present war, Mr. Wilson said, were not products of last-minute effort under the spur of necessity. "It took a quarter of a century to produce the turbosupercharger, to consider only one highly important device. Think of the years of effort represented by such others as the jet-propelled plane, automatic fire control for bombers, and electronic detection devices.

"They were years of trial and error. Good planning applied to this job will allow for the false starts, the field trials and the time for new inventions. These are the years that we must balance against the hours and minutes that will be sufficient to destroy a whole city in the next war. The robot bombs and V-2's are chilling warnings of what may lie ahead, and next time there may be no time to prepare."

Intelligent Co-operation

A fine precedent, Mr. Wilson said, had been "the fact that industry can co-operate intelligently with government. Let us extend that co-operation indefinitely to the continuing project of preparedness. Such a program must obviously be a responsibility of the Federal Government, begun and run by the President and the War and Navy Departments, with labor and commerce interested at a secondary level.

"Just as obviously, such a program must be insured and supported by the Congress through legislation and appropriation. Industry's part is to respond and co-operate, just as it has done in the war emergency, but on a continuing basis, because the object here is to eliminate emergencies. And business must be allowed to lend its co-operation. . . ."

Two Parts to Program

Mr. Wilson said that any such program fell into two parts, research and production. He noted that some progress on a tangible continuing research program had already been made by committees of Congress, paid tribute to the work of the Office of Scientific Research and Development, which, he declared, "has so ably mobilized science in this war," and said they recommended themselves for a long-range program.

He cited other existing governmental institutions, such as the Naval Research Laboratory, the Air Force Laboratories, the Ordnance Laboratories and proving grounds and the Chemical Warfare Service as desirable additions to the program, with their usefulness increased by the addition of competent civilian advisory committees. "Such a group might be empowered by law," he said, "to recommend developmental contracts and place them wherever the best facilities and talent for the job were available."

Plan Always Ready

He thought that the production phase of the program should call for the principal suppliers of war goods, to be determined by a study, being asked to appoint individually a permanent liaison man, familiar with war-production and the capabilities of his own organization. "Such a man," he said, "would keep always ready a broad plan for reconverting and equipping his own company or industry, for setting up subcontractors and assuring material supply—just what he is doing today in an emergency. . . .

"The real support which will determine the life or death of any such program will have to come from the mass of our citizenry, because the subject is admittedly a delicate one, and the program amenable to change from pressure groups . . . We have the war in existence, to remind us, if we need any reminder, that we are determined never to have another. We have a smoothly working co-operation between government and industry upon which to build."

None Better Qualified

No man in America is better qualified than President Wilson to put before its people the program which he outlines. He is well acquainted with the vital position of research in the problem of defense, for some of the country's foremost scientists are his colleagues in the service of General Electric.

He is thoroughly experienced in the art of industrial production; that is one of his jobs. He is versed in the inter-relationship of war industry with government, for he has occupied the crucial post of executive vice chairman of the War Production Board. With his support, the plan should have an excellent chance of success.

SPEAKING OF TRAVEL*



With the warm spring air beckoning to would-be travelers, the War Department, in the most strongly-worded of any of its statements on transportation conditions in the U. S., has just urged industry to curtail further its use of the railroads for conventions and such gatherings, unless determined to be essential to the prosecution of the war. The response is reported to be highly encouraging.

But the battle will be only half won unless great numbers of people avoid traveling for pleasure via train. When vacation time comes, the temptation will be particularly alluring. No one would willingly deprive a furloughed soldier of even one day of his precious time off through getting his train space, yet that is what is bound to happen in many instances unless the War Department's appeal is heeded.

And the sacrifice will be small. A trip on A-ration savings to a nearby resort, or even a rest at "home base" and daily trips out by local bus, can make a vacation truly happy. Just offer one of General Patton's boys the chance to swap the kind of summer he will have for a couple of weeks of such a "home-base" vacation, and see what he would do!

Unfinished Business

With an announcement of the cessation of hostilities in Europe expected hourly as the WORKS NEWS went to press, the nation was reading a statement released to newspapers by Jonathan Daniels, press secretary to President Truman, giving the President's views of the duty of home front fighters when the actual news is made official:

"He hopes there will be no celebration but a national understanding of the importance of the job which remains."

Meanwhile General Electric men and women were recalling President Charles E. Wilson's statement to them in the WORKS NEWS early in April in which he reminded them of "unfinished business" on the Pacific fronts that must be settled by our fighting men there!

"They appreciate, more than anyone else can, how important to their success has been your untiring effort in turning out the weapons and tools of victory. They are counting on you to appreciate, in your turn, that your time belongs to your country."



Aircraft Parts

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perature control is incorporated in the equipment which, with other advantages, prevents "overshoot" as the temperature reaches the control point.

The over-all length of this installation is 58 ft. The furnace proper, which is 21 ft. long and 19 ft. 6 in. in height at its highest point, will accommodate a load truck approximately 5 ft. wide and 14 ft. long. Three separately controlled circuits of heating units mounted on the furnace walls, and four 28-in. diameter motor driven fans mounted on the top of the furnace recirculate approximately 50,000 cu. ft. of air per minute. The lift type door is tightly sealed in the closed position by an air-operated clamping mechanism, and a two-speed motor hoist provides a "slow-down" stop at the end of the door travel, easing the shock of stopping.

Three lines of rollers provide a "road bed" for the load truck, which is pulled in and out of the furnace by a reversible chain driven by a two-speed, high torque motor. The truck is fabricated of heat-resisting alloy, and is made in four sections coupled together to provide flexibility and to minimize distortion due to repeated heating and cooling.

The "jet" quench consists of 300 nozzles through which pass approximately 2,000 gallons of water at each quench. The spray lasts for 30 seconds, and a pump returns the water to the supply tank after each operation. Whenever the water reaches 100 F. after quenching, it is drained off and replaced with cool water.

A push-button station located near the front of the furnace controls the conveyor. With the truck loaded and ready for heat-treating, the operator pushes the "LOAD TO FURNACE" button. The furnace door is hoisted and stops when it hits a limit switch. Simultaneously, the conveyor motor is started and the truck is moved through the quench (these doors are open except when quenching) hood and then into the furnace until the truck hits a limit switch. The motor then stops, the door of the furnace closes, and the load is "soaked" at heat-treating temperature for the required length of time.

Succeeding operations are initiated by pressing the "FURNACE TO QUENCH" and the "QUENCH TO UNLOAD" buttons, while a button marked "FURNACE TO UNLOAD" permits the load to be moved from the furnace directly to the unloading position. A fifth button, painted red and much larger than the others, is for emergency stop purposes. A selector switch located in the control cabinet at the back of the furnace, when turned to "MANUAL," permits the operation of push-buttons which independently control the conveyor, the furnace door, quench door, and the quench valves. In addition, suitable limit switches, solenoid valves, water level switches, etc., are included for complete automatic operation.

The main power for the heating units is brought from the power bus through three three-pole, fusible switches mounted on a power panel and from there through the three controlling or "throttling" reactors to the furnace. The effect of the reactors in the circuit is varied by Reactrol power panels. These, in turn, are governed by temperature controllers, which independently derive their information from chromel-alumel thermocouples, located in the top of the furnace near the fans.

A continuous power flow type of control is used, because the fast heating cycle requires a high rate of heat transfer early in the cycle. Continuous control of the input prevents "overshoot" as the temperature reaches the control point, while continuous throttling prevents "overshoot" during the soaking period. This control is much easier on the power system than the "on-off" type, since there is never an actual interruption of the circuit.

The saturable-core reactor, consisting of a laminated iron core with three windings, acts as a valve to regulate the amount of electric power flowing to the furnace. The two a-c windings are connected in series with the furnace and the main power supply, while the d-c winding is connected to the Reactrol panel. With no current in the d-c windings, the impedance of the a-c winding is high and most of the power-supply voltage appears across the reactor. Hence the power input to the furnace is at a minimum. The reverse is true when maximum current flows in the d-c winding. Intermediate values of power input are obtained by varying the current in the d-c winding.

Suggestion Award Winners



Those employees who in recent weeks received large suggestion awards are pictured above. Top left, A. L. Kelly, Bldg. 4-6, received $25.00. Center, Fred Vietmeyer, Bldg. 17-2, $25.00. Upper right, Harry Foust, Bldg. 4-1, $25.00. Bottom left, M. P. Shaw, Bldg. 4-4, $50.00. Lower right, Rudolph Zelt, Bldg. 19-5, $180.00.

Bond Drive

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the nation desires in furthering the war effort.

Dr. E. Burns Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend, will address employees at the many rallies scheduled throughout the Works. Dr. Martin is known to residents here by reason of having served as pastor of the Wayne Street Methodist Church in Fort Wayne for seven years prior to 1940, at which time he accepted the pastorate in South Bend. He served overseas in World War I as a captain-chaplain.

As in former campaigns, a soliciting organization is being set up so that complete coverage of employees will be made.

Assistant To Manager Named At Erie Works

W. Bradford Hill, superintendent of the Induction Motor Manufacturing Division of the Schenectady Works since 1942, has been appointed assistant to the manager of the Erie Works in charge of refrigerator manufacturing, it was announced this week by H. L. R. Emmet, manager of that Works. Mr. Hill will assume his duties at Erie on July 1.

Born at Ames, N. Y., he was graduated from Syracuse University with the degree of B. S. in Electrical Engineering in 1908 and entered the testing department in Schenectady that same year. Two years later he was transferred to the induction motor production department, then to the induction motor engineering department in 1913, where for six years he specialized in development, research and design.

In 1920, Mr. Hill was named assistant to the superintendent of the induction motor department and three years later was made superintendent, a position which he filled until 1929, when he became superintendent of the refrigerator manufacturing department. He returned in 1942 to the induction motor department as superintendent and serves in that capacity at present.

Elex Party

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Delores Spindler. At this party also, prizes will be awarded to the oldest mother present, to the youngest mother present, to the mother coming the greatest distance to attend, and to the mother with the most daughters employed at General Electric. Each mother will be presented with a gift. Tickets are 50¢ each, and every mother must be accompanied by her daughter.



Jets For Navy

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through such a simple process that it sometimes is difficult to understand. Air rams into vents on the front of any jet plane and funnels to the engine, where it is compressed by a swiftly revolving impeller. The air is whipped by the impeller to a combustion chamber, where fuel (usually kerosene) burns fiercely.

The blazing hot air expands and increases in velocity. The air and gases then pass through a turbine wheel, which is connected by shaft with the impeller. This turbine spins thousands of times a minute at temperatures of 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit and hotter. The blast passes out the jet exhaust at the rear tip of the plane, giving the forward thrust.

The first jet engine for aircraft was produced in the United States by General Electric from elements of both General Electric's turbo-supercharger and British design. G-E successfully tested the first powerful G-E Jet in 1942. Further far reaching developments in jet power devices and engines have been made since then by these engineers at River Works of General Electric Company in Lynn, Mass., where the G-E Jets for the Navy are being produced.

The G-E Jets are being produced now for both the Navy and Army Air Forces. General Electric jet engines power both the Bell P-59A, AAF jet trainer, and the AAF's fastest fighter, the Lockheed P-80 Shooting Star. G-E is the only company in the world producing Jets for both Army and Navy.

Prisoners Freed

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Bldg. 6-4, is a patient in a hospital in England, recovering from a broken ankle. It has not been ascertained whether or not he had been a prisoner.

Pvt. Harold Hastings, Bldg. 4-3, has been liberated from Stalag II-B after more than two years of imprisonment. He is well and expects to be home soon.

You wouldn't leave on the gas at home unless it was burning—but would you work in toxic fumes without wearing the respirator provided?

Suggestions

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Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 4-4

Ralph M. Reed, John C. Miller, Donald V. Gage, Forest E. Grim, Herbert F. Seslar, Nellie M. Baumgartner, Pauline B. Baker, August W. Zollinger, Raymond J. Tudor, Mary M. Dvorak, Norman S. Biddle and Jesse Devaux, Louis J. Hinen, Bernard G. Vice, Katherine Wickliffe, Russell L. Thurber.

Bldg. 4-3

Herbert George Cowan, William A. Mauger.

Bldg. 6-2

Louise Claiborne, Glen E. Beer, Alice R. Bowers, Edward J. Johnson, Carl Plattner, Doyle E. Espich, Harold C. Waters, Laura Jane Adams, Paul R. Castle, Georgia Hakes, Naomi L. Maller, Willie Mae Tate, Ethel R. Geyer, Iris August, Mary Crosby.

Bldg. 4-1

Leo M. Ebert, Carl R. Riedel, Mary M. Zirkle, Harry S. Bixler.

Bldg. 4-5

Elmer M. Baker, Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., Barbara W. Emerick, Walter Amacher, Robert H. Bell, Herbert A. Landstoffer, Chester A. Bell, Delight Smith.

Bldg. 4-2

Robert A. Waltenburg, Joseph B. Howard, Virgil J. Bowers, Howard Barrick, Eva Hoover, William B. Griffith.

Bldg. 6-4

Lloyd L. Runyon.

Winter Street

Howard F. Shay, Harry J. Kessens.

Bldg. 17-1

Frank Quinn, Harry C. Kessler, Kurth F. Harz, Robert W. Mathias.

Bldg. 17-2

Philip Springer.

Bldg. 17-3

Edward F. Andrews, Dorothy W. Heckman, Millard Newnam.

Decatur

Erman E. Johnson.

Bldg. 2-2

Pauline C. Hursh, Juanita Brinkman.

Schenectady Safety Record Outstanding

Safety engineers and committees at the Schenectady Works were holding their collective breaths this week hoping to preserve as long as possible the record just announced of what is believed to be the longest period without a fatal accident of any heavy apparatus manufacturing plant in the nation.

In clear, definite figures here is the record: More than 310 million man-hours without the accidental death of a single person. The news was released by George E. Sanford, who is chairman of the Company's general safety committee. The last fatality in the Schenectady Works occurred more than three years ago.

During the past two decades more than three times as many G-E employees lost their lives in automobile accidents as in the factory, and drowning accidents nearly equalled the occupational fatalities. Deaths from falls at home were about two-thirds as many as the number of fatal accidents in the plant shops.

Inspection QUALITY Test
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SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon! Here's another "Broadgas" on the subject o'

"Using Inspectors for more than Inspection."—or—

"C.R.* from Record o' Product Rejection."

Noo, me programs are proceeding according tae plan. But having a plan doesn't necessarily make me a planner—at least, not a gude one. Noo, if I were a Planner, I'd go out o' me way tae study the Record o' Product Rejections. Not thot rejections are sometimes the planner's fault—not thot rejections are ever the planner's fault—but if ever anyone can help tae reduce them, it's the planners. They can study the record, then study the job, and knowing what the record said, and seeing how the job is done, they can plan what tae do in the way o' fixtures, gages, tools, clamps, lighting, solderpots, welders, or what have you, tae cut doon the cause o' rejections—pairhops tae even cut doon the POSSIBILITY o' rejections.

O' course, no planner wants tae wait nntil trouble comes, then try tae cure it. He knows thot an ounce o' prevention is worth a pound o' cure.

A word tae the wise is sufficient, and the Record O' Product Rejections is word enough tae the wise planner. He doesn't wait until his whole division is really behind the black ball wi' the little 8 on it.

He has it within his power tae make it EASY tae cut doon rejections—and cntting DOON rejections is marking UP C.R.* He can deliver a knockout BLOW to rejections—and C.R.* will come in on the BREEZE.

And, speaking o' breeze, me ould uncle, Angus, was telling me thot he could merely sniff the air, and tell me when the south wind was blowing, bringing in the Spring.

"Why, Uncle Angus," I asked, "can ye smell the apple blossoms on the zephyr?"

"Foosh, no, me neighbor's hog lot is south o' me place."

*COST REDUCTION.

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KNOW YOUR GAGES

Turret Tattles

We hadn't realized how easy it was to "check" on the hourly shifts of the guards, here at G-E, until it was brought to our attention by one of our number. This chap noted for the first time in three years, as one of the guards punched his hourly button, and then said, "The guards must have changed their hours, I just saw one come in and ring in!" S-h-h-h-h don't awaken him! . . . We wonder, as this spring weather starts "gettin' us," if Cort Eylenberg has a motorcycle down in Kokomo! We feel it a safe guess that Eloise more likely has a new rug for the dining room. Married life has some drawbacks don't it, pal? How ya? Keeds! . . . "Bill" Teagarden is noted for his generosity. So when a "salesman" offered a bargain to Bill, he didn't quibble about it, he bought it, on the spot! Came the rude awakening! He had been "tooked"! And how! One of these genius like devices, created in the minds of G-Eites. You've all had experience with them. Several genuine G-E washers have been sold since the war shortage created a demand. Well, Bill was told to get his money back the way it had been taken from him. But his salesmanship fell short, and he was left holding the bag. The minds behind this scheme felt sorry for Bill and one evening dropped in at his home and explained how they felt and had come to return his money, IF he would furnish a li'l refreshment to ease their suffering in losing such easy prey. The payoff comes of course when poor Bill had to get the refreshment, but the most fun was in hearing him explain to the better half, how come. 'Tis the better part of judgment sometimes, Bill, to let the li'l woman in on these things sooner! And a good time was had by all. . . . Side lights: Did you notice the terrific pounding one evening recently down Wilbert Scheumann's way? Have you heard any talk about golf? Note the dignity with which "Digger" Stolte says, "My you're looking well this evening." Apologies to "The Life of Riley" program.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

A few days ago that genial and loquacious foreman of Bldg. 19-1 test, Bill Hoelle, was heard calling maintenance section for an electrician to replace sume burned-out lights in the test office. The conversation with the girl in maintenance office was somewhat as follows: Hoelle, "Send Morehouse over with a couple of lights for the test office, and tell him our voltage is low, so bring along a bucket of A-C volts." Girl, "Will you say that again, please." Hoelle, "Have Morehouse bring a bucket of A-C volts with him." Girl, "OK, I'll tell him." A short time later Morehouse and Fitch arrived with the lamps, but they have not brought the volts yet. They say the volts have been ordered, but as yet the priority has not been approved in Washington. . . . Some of the noon-time card games in the test and paint sections get quite interesting. This is especially true when the kibitizers bend every effort to have their favorite win. Rupert in the paint shop receives special attention, but in spite of all help he just can't seem to learn to play euchre right.

Newsies 17-3

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Arnold Middaugh and Alonzo DeCamp from the Bldg. 17-3 gang. . . . Helen Oswald came to work the other morning limping and having a hard time getting around. Housecleaning sure is a job, isn't it, Helen? . . . Mistaking the alarm clock for a telephone? Anyway, that's what Luella Peters did the other evening when she took a nap. Seems the phone rang, and she thought it was the alarm clock, which she grabbed to turn off and went back to sleep. She woke up to find the alarm clock in her hand. . . . We are glad to see Gertrude Wheat back after being ill. . . . Since the cigarette shortage, we have seen men smoking pipes, but we have never seen one like Park Schemehorn's latest one. Looks like the stump of a tree, even with the knots. . . . Our sympathy to Rosie Hecke on the death of her father. . . . Birthday greetings go to Eileen Brown. . . . We were sorry to see Mary Fisher leave us. . . . Dorothy McIntosh spent three hours on a bus to get out to see the air show, only to find it was over when she arrived there, so she returned to the city. . . . Our greetings to Dorthy Parrent, who has joined the testers. . . . Mary Wright gave Ardis Walters a book on "How to Raise Dogs," but Ardis had no idea when she opened the book that the dog would jump out at her. . . . We've often heard of the little red canoe. Well, we thought we saw two of them under Ruth Stone's chair, but to our surprise it was her shoes. . . . Our thoughts and best regards are with our service boys and girls. We want you to visit us whenever you are in town, but hope to see you permanently here very soon.

Is Zat So?

We have two co-workers that have a special reason for hoping that the war ends soon. They are Elmer Jockel and Tiny Schoppman, who are having a little difficulty trying to make their work trousers hold together until they are able to buy new ones. We hear that they are both becoming quite handy with a needle and thread. . . . Bill Crane was wearing that little white slip of paper again last week, which signifies that he forgot his badge. . . . We still haven't learned who had the last laugh when Mel Kestner tried to pay Ray Epperson the dollar he owed in pennies soaked in sawdust and oil. Guess Mel really went a-scrambling when Ray threw them all in the shavings! . . . Iola Bobay returned from a week's vacation at the lake. . . . Jim Hilgemann, who was recently given a medical discharge from the army, visited us last week. . . . Jim McClure was also a welcome visitor. He sure looked sharp in that Navy uniform. . . . The inspectors were all excited when a letter was received from Robert August, a former co-worker now in the Army. Bob reports everything is under control on the battlefront and hopes it's the same on the home front. . . . Frank Gitter must have spring fever. He walked home from work the other morning and left his car in the G-E parking lot. . . . Art Smith completes twenty-eight years at the G-E this week. Congratulations, Art. . . . Birthdays were celebrated by Von "Pat" Eichhorn and Roxanna Miller.

Apprentice Broadcast

Dear Fellows:

Here I am again, fellows, believe it or not. It has been quite a little while since I have written to you, but I'll see what I can do again. As a matter of fact, one of the main reasons why I haven't written sooner is because I have had very little news from you fellows and for this article I don't have very much, so if you fellows will, I would appreciate very much to hear from every one of you. I would like to know where each of you are and I know all the other fellows would like to know too, and as this column is your column, it is your news which I want to pass on, so what do you say? Can I depend on your letter, and I do mean yours.

Bob Branning, who is stationed in Florida, at Camp Mayport, was home recently on leave and he's looking mighty good with the Florida suntan. Bob works in the machine shop which is run on the order of any small job shop inasmuch as one fellow gets to run a job through to completion by doing all of his own machine work, etc.

I was very glad to receive a letter recently from one of the fellows you all know, and he is none other than Lt. Richard Amstutz, better known to you as Dick. For first hand information from him, here is his letter.

B-24 base—England

Dear Dale:

Surprised? Well, I finally made up my mind to let you know I'm still "up in the blue!" Have been getting the WORKS NEWS since I've been over here. Always look for the "Apprentice Broadcast" first of all. Please continue, as I'm sure all the ex-boys like to read it.

Am now a lead navigator. Have an even dozen missions completed to date. Am up tomorrow if the battle order comes through. Remember the once very popular song, "Let's Get Lost?" Well, that isn't our theme song over here!

Was very sorry to read about a couple of the boys being wounded or M. I. A. . . . Someday, somehow ultimate victory will be ours! Until that day we must all strive to do our best regardless of our safety and fortune and personal welfare.

Mr. Wolf has a bunch of boys doing their job. Maybe someday he can be our commanding officer in the shop as in the old days. Until then here's saying to all the boys, "Be seein' ya soon!"

Remember,
Lt. Richard H. Amstutz

We also received a very welcome letter from one of the new army recruits, namely Pvt. Bob Schuelke, and here is his slant on army life. Take it away, Bob.

To my friends:

Well, here I am down in the deep south, well the south anyway. The first place I lighted was Camp Atterbury, Indiana. That was one place, and still is, I don't like. We always called it the civilian army post because it was run more by civilians than the Army. I was in that camp for just one week. The gang and I were then herded on a troop train. Once on the train we weren't allowed even to step off until we were here at camp. Of course, at the time no one knew where we were headed. It took just about 33 hours to get from Atterbury to Blanding. Nice little ride.



Well, after four weeks' training I'm beginning to like this outfit. If this company was in Fort Wayne everything would be all right, but as it is I'll just have to put up with it for now.

We have had two or three rather long marches. Both have been under a full field pack. This pack weighs about 60 pounds, and after the first 100 yards that pack picks up about a pound with every step you take until it seems to weigh about a ton. Then you can't feel anything.

The country and weather down here are all right, but this is one terrible place for the army to be marching. First of all there is way too much sand. Every night I get in I swear I've got the whole camp in one shoe. And my shoes are just about big enough to hold this camp. We've had a lot of close order drill and an awful lot of classes. These classes range anywhere from first aid to rifle instruction. Most of it's OK, but sometimes it gets awful dry.

This camp must be built in the middle of the biggest desert the army could find. But by luck there is a big lake right in the middle of camp. Our company is just about ⅛ mile from a very nice swimming beach. I have been swimming about four or five times since I've been here. And say that water is sure swell.

Last week was sure a long week. The company was on the rifle range. We were to shoot Friday for record after a three-day practice. There are three groups into which you can be put. One, marksman, 140 out of 210; sharpshooter, 165 out of 210; and expert, 180 out of 210. I happened to get lucky and got 165 points for my sharpshooter. Of course, the sarge says that anybody can get expert, but you know he didn't do as good as most of these guys in the company. All week we've got up at 4 A. M. and had plenty to do until about 11 or 11:30 that night, so I didn't have much time to do anything for myself. Although I did like shooting that rifle, I'm glad I don't have to go through it again.

One night a couple of weeks ago we went out on a night problem. We pitched camp and slept in pup tents that night. Some of the guys had a lot of trouble sleeping, but you know me, I can sleep just about anyplace. So it didn't bother me in the least. That night we laid a mine field under the cover of a fake battle. That was a lot of fun, flares, mines, and everything bursting all around. But like all things this had its drawback. We had work to do and it was work. That's one thing I don't like, but I'd better be getting used to it pretty soon.

Yours,
Bob

I also heard that Dale Amstutz, who was in the Seventh Army, has been transferred to the Third Army under Patton.

So much for now and I'll be expecting those letters.

Dale Romey

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

We're glad to have Ray Miller back to work looking hale and hearty after undergoing an appendectomy several weeks ago. . . . Ted Frey is back after a week's vacation. . . . Group 13x40 welcomes Ruth Gifford and Paul Miller to their ranks. . . . Co-workers were glad to see Sgt. E. D. Wiesjahn, who was in and gave them a visit. . . . Don Baker left this past week for the armed services. Sorry to see you go, Don, but wish you the best of luck. . . . Pvt. Skinny Mosshammer came home on a three-day pass and came up to see the old crowd. Army life seems to agree with him. He looks fine. . . . Louise O'Connell left us to join the ranks upstairs. We hope you like your new job, Louise.

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Joe Tricker has a new method of threading a bolt. Instead of using a die he uses a nut with the desired thread in it. A good trick, Joe, if you can do it. . . . Robert Till has been walking about this week with a paternal air attitude. Well, we must admit he has reasons to since the "Robert Tills" were blessed with a 9 pound, 1 ounce son. . . . Mildred Reinhart is convinced that there are some honest people in Fort Wayne. She lost her purse in a downtown department store, and a short time later she recovered it. . . . Jim Harris is bound to get some ducks next fall. So he is practicing with his shotgun. . . . Spring is here, and a lot of home improvements are being made. Carl Kloepper is building some sidewalks, Art Trobeck is thinking of doing the same thing. Si Alspaugh and Herb Ort are building picket fences, and Ted Warner is remodeling his lake cottage by putting in electric lights instead of the old carbide system. . . . Oh! Oh! There went LaVon Disler's Easter resolution not to have her name on the "I Forgot My Badge Club" again, as we saw her walking around wearing that little white identification ticket. . . . By all appearance the winding section is "The Good Health Spot" of Bldg. 4-4, but how can one help but add a few extra pounds with all the sweets we have been receiving as the results of birthdays. Recently Katherine Norr, Maxine Drabenstot, Betty Gaff, Gladys Strong, and Wilma Lynch celebrated theirs. . . . "Oh, my back! It's not lumbago either," says Tom Harber. Well, Tom, we do hope those potatoes grow. As soon as you are ready to sell them, let us know so we can get our orders in early. . . . Sol Andorfer reports the prize mushroom of the season—said he had to use a bushel basket to get it to the house. . . . Mark Harrigan claims the cigar shortage will be short-lived now that the rope factories are making them. . . . Two cheerful smiles will be missing from Bldg. 4-4 after this week. Lenora Boone and Margaret Thompson are going to be full time homemakers now.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

We missed Bob Dickens and his cheery whistle those several days he was at home with a cold. . . . Dorothy Gutmann bakes such good birthday cakes that we want her to bake one that cuts 48 pieces. Helen Miller and June Bowman were the lucky cake eaters to get a taste of cake. . . . Gus Erxleben says that his house cleaning and papering is under control. Gus must be somewhat of an artist as we have seen no evidence of entanglements with strips of wet paper. . . . Lloyd Runnion and Lowell Arnold have now joined the I Forgot My Badge Club.

Gutter Ball Party

The Bldg. 4-4 bowling season officially came to an end on April 24 with a stag party held at Hank Epple's home on the Aboite Center Road. All members attended except one. Games consisted of horseshoe, baseball and cards. There were plenty of eats and refreshments. C. Holmes and F. Vogt won the horseshoe championship, with Fred bringing home the honors on his last pitch. John Fuller, Reynolds, Bill Owens, "Leatherlung" Foster, Ife Holmes and few others had trouble with a leaky container. Epple says that the boys should take their baths at home. Lefty Smith pitched a good game, but his support, consisting of Putman, Hawk, Rodenbeck and Bobay, was weak—so he says. Toerne showed up in a cap instead of a hat. He probably remembered the last night of bowling and what happened to his stetson. Art Wedler, Grady Roark, Bill Lehman, Mike Brayer, Pete Horrel, Darrel Daniels, Paul Hitzeman, and Peacock Reynolds were somewhat quiet for once, being bothered with eating. Boy, how they can put it away. Joe Robach and Les Green showed a lot of interest in Hank's chickens —so Hank immediately locked the coop and set the burglar alarm. Estel Grier showed his greatest interest in his cards and his loving cup which he had on hand all evening. Herb Habig, the promoter, was trying to promote a side tour to get acquainted with the neighbors. Bill Skevington won the engraved loving cup which he had to protect all evening.

All the members wish to thank Mr. Epple for being so generous in furnishing his home as a meeting place for the party, and it was through his work and planning that the party turned out to be a huge success. (Editor's note. I noticed the next day that several of the boys were realizing that they weren't quite as young as they used to be, for there were many stiff muscles and aching backs complaining, "Boy, am I sore.")

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By Perry Shober

Last Monday morning while assisting Ora Ramey in an attempt to regulate the draft in the furnace at the Hollywood Building, Jack Heiniger stooped over to disengage some clinkers in the grates, when the draft they were looking for almost overwhelmed Jack, but it seems the draft was in the wrong place. Jack hurriedly left the building but returned about 20 minutes later with a domestic issue of 1945 dungarees. . . . Virginia Bissell came in the first of the week with her right thumb bandaged. When asked the nature of the accident, she replied that it was a result of thumbing her way home from Winchester last Sunday. It seems that seeking transportation in this manner causes the thumb to become calloused and abnormally swollen. . . . We have all heard the old wheeze about "man bites dog" being news, but here is a new one. Mary O'Connor and her car were taken on the highway by a horse and buggy like the Seventh Army took Munich. Anyone wishing a moving van pushed out of a mudhole or a railroad boxcar pushed up a hill can consult Mary and her co-pilot Margaret Rectanus, who pushed the car most of the way back to the city last Sunday. . . . Some one asked Tommy Fox last week what boxing gloves looked like, and he said it was an upholstered mitten with an abnormal thumb and was tied onto the wrist with a string so that when you fed it to your adversary he could not swallow it and choke himself to death. That's good enough for us, Dugan.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Tool Room

Clarence Wiebke, Les Hines, and Ned Crum are new candidates for the Cowboy Purple Heart. They all pushed their courage up to the bursting point last week and went horseback riding. They threw caution to the winds. Anyway we we didn't notice any of them sitting very long in one spot this week. . . . Lloyd Fluke's feet didn't match one day recently. One foot was adorned with a blue sock and tbe other had a black one with a beautiful stripe down the sides. Oh well, maybe it's one of those new fan-dangled fads that this new generation is always thinking of. . . . Klee Lackey's foot ensemble last Saturday was of all things—bright yellow socks. Hmm—another fad no doubt. . . . Elmer Tieman is a bowling example of the "rags to riches" stories. Bowling around 300 one week and hitting 609 the next. . . . Late Flash! Carl Hammond got a new tool box. Are you figuring on using your old (tackle) box for something else, Carl? . . . Proud papa and mama announce a new arrival—the papa, Gene Kester, and mama Juanita Kester and baby Kester are doing wonderful. Mother and son are resting nicely at McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville. The boy weighed in at 10 pounds which automatically takes him out of the jockey class. Well cheer up, Gene, he'll make a good president maybe by and by. The Kesters haven't decided on a name for their boy yet. . . . Has anyone got a big paddle? Carl Ahlersmeyer will be twenty-one May 5 (so be says). . . . Elmer Tieman has started out very high with the summer bowling league. We wonder if he was holding out on the boys all winter? . . . Stan Wagner and Ed Kline have been on vacation this week. Joe Veit is on his this week. . . . Everyone is making plans for the family party. . . . Homer Seng is about convinced too that he rushed the fishing season when he was in Michigan recently. We're glad he didn't catch cold along with all those fish. How deep was the snow, Homer?

Receiving

Herb Wilding, our foreman, is taking his vacation. We miss Herb around here. The weather man has not been very accommodating to Herb, but he expects to get his yard all cleaned up in ship shape and rested up ready for the harness next week. . . . Gus came back to work Tuesday all rested up from a week's vacation. . . . Mary Jane Markley, who has been in California for a few weeks, called on us one day last week. She looks good and had a very enjoyable trip. . . . The reason you can't smell cigar smoke around here at noon now is because Frank Widner, our truck driver, is on his vacation. Have a good time, Frank. . . . Lloyd Pinkerton, one of the boys from our section, who is serving in the Navy, leaves New York for overseas duty. He has been in a Navy Hospital a few weeks but is out now and ready for more. Our good wisbes go with you, Lloyd. . . . Let's not forget to write to our boys overseas; they like to hear from the gang.



"NOT YET! I'LL TELL YOU WHEN!"

Nozzle Box

Congratulations go to Harriet Williams, who had a birthday on April 24. . . . Alta Rudolph and Dorothy Granklin both celebrated together on April 28. . . . Dorothy Franklin and Eugene Schurg are going to work for Max Clark, also Don Baker; Jobnny Gongaware is going to work for Art Smead on second trick. . . . Johnny Mullaney is going on third trick to work for Dan Paul. We wish you all the best of luck. . . . Rosemary Walters has had an increase in the family, a little colt which Rosemary has given the name Mischief. . . . Congratulations went to Tillie Wambsganss, who had a birthday on April 20. Tillie received quite a number of gifts and cards from the gang. . . . The second trick girls wish all of the gang who are leaving the best of luck. . . . Congratulations go to Betty Owen, Lelah Husted, Mae Harrold, and Doris Fulk, who all had a birthday this month. All the girls received nice gifts from the gang. . . . Word has been received from Orley and Betty Crozier; they are in Orchard Grove, Washington. . . . The Judy's are now in their new bome in North Manchester. . . . Margaret Puryear's daughter has a German medal with the swastika on it, sent from Germany. . . . Florence Lea received the Purple Heart from her son, S/Sgt. John A. C. Lea, in Germany. . . . The remaining inspectors on first trick wish to express their regrets on losing two fine and well-liked inspectors, namely Ester Secor and Dorothy Cartwright, and wish them the best of luck for the future and at the same time want to welcome Clara Prior and Dolene Palmer on the first. . . . Many pleasant days were had by all in the inspection gang and sure will miss Dorothy and Esther—for they both were swell kids. We will miss the warbling of Esther and the cartoons and caricatures of Dorothy, both efficient in their enterprises. Esther is going to the Broadway plant to work in the office; good luck, Esther, and let us hear from you both, for any word will be appreciated by the gang. Don't forget us, because we know no matter where you go you will make new friends and keep them.

Shipping

The Shipping Section had a very welcome visitor the other day. Wallace Burton was home on furlough from the Army. Army life has sure done Wally no harm. He sure makes a swell looking soldier. Lots of luck, Wally. . . . We missed "Pappy" West, who was absent from work a few days last week. . . . We also missed Alice Zent, who was off ill last week. Glad that you feel better, Alice. . . . By the way, did you know Alice has three brothers in the service? The Zent family deserves a lot of credit for the effort they are putting forth to win this war. . . . Did you buy your season ticket for the coming baseball season? The G-E Club is going to have a good team again, and we should all get behind them. . . . What has happened to all tbe talk about victory gardens? We wonder if it could be the cold weather we have been having. Well cheer up everybody because warm weather is just around the corner and those gardens will start growing again.

Punch Press

Our old gang has been broken up, and we've lost some good pals and working partners. We are going to miss you all. We wish you the best of luck and may we meet again some time. So again good luck, Fredona Graves, Mable Haines, Sue Troyer, Gus Bussman, Bob Glenn, and Wilbur Cox. . . . Lavern Tumbleson is on her vacation this week. . . . We sure will miss the girls who have been with us so long and who are leaving us. Also the men who have been fine fellows and good working partners. . . . We want to wish Velma Doherty, who has been home ill for a few days, a speedy recovery. . . . Nona Hedges says she is going back home and keep house for a change. . . . June Harlan is taking a trip to California for six weeks. Have a good time, June. You sure need a rest.

Rotor

Our sympathy goes to Clyde Mounsey in the death of his father. . . . The Bronze Star Award (a la envelope paper) has been made to Arthur Sorg of the Shaft line for meritorious service in the line of duty. (He was the only man around when a group of distressed women found a rat. Art heroically liquidated the enemy without thought of danger to himself. The award was presented by Edra Jacobs and Connie Filus in behalf of all women on the Shaft line). . . . Happy birthday to Almetta Smith; she wishes to thank all for the lovely hankies received in the shower. . . . Betty Millhouse also wishes it known that her birthday is next November. That's right, Betty, put your bid in early, they say advertising pays. . . . We are certainly sorry to learn that Margaret Langston now has another son reported to be wounded in the China Burma-India Theatre of War. We wish him the best, Margaret. . . . Congratulations are in order to Waneta Taylor, who has just celebrated eight years of happy wedded life. May you enjoy many more, Waneta. . . . Vacationing this week is Zeke Alexander, hope you're having a nice time, Zeke. We've been missing your cheery little salutations. . . . Another vacationer is Ed Hamilton, who is spending his vacation with his brother now home on furlough. . . . Happy birthday to Lillian Wehrly of the Shaft line. . . . A welcome visitor the other day was our own Peggy Johnson, formerly of Rotor inspection and now a Pfc. in the service of Uncle Sam. You sure looked sharp in that nice uniform, Peggy. . . . We wonder if Margaret Middaugh needs her glasses changed; she walked into the smoking area and very nonchalantly proceeded to seat herself. However, by inches she missed the bench and hit the floor—but hard! . . . We were glad to see Kathleen Woodruff able to be back for a few minutes last Thursday. You're looking swell, Katie, and we all hope your health improves; we've missed you loads. . . . A very interesting letter was received by Larry Huffman from an old fellow employee, Norbert Lerch. . . . Blondie Lehrman and Eleanor Smith have accepted jobs in the Decatur Plant. Good luck, girls. . . . I bid farewell to all who are remaining for myself and all the others too numerous to mention the names. I've enjoyed writing your column and hope someone else will continue in the future so we who are leaving may keep in touch with our old friends. Thank you one and all for your contributions and I wish you all success.

Screw Machine

George Minton and Thelma Fields joined the "I forgot my badge" club this week. . . . We are losing several of our girls this week, but we wish them all success in their new jobs and all through life. We'll miss you girls as we enjoyed working with you. . . . The girls of the inspection section enjoyed a farewell pot-luck dinner in the cafeteria.

You wouldn't think of smoking anywhere in the factory except in the "Smoking Area"—but would you take it upon yourself to warn another about the danger of fires?

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

Guard R. Zimmerman was a recent casualty. Carmichael explains Bob's broken toe thusly: he was washing the ceiling and using hard water, some of which he dropped on his toe. Such corn! . . . When Personnel smells smoke they attribute it to Faulkner's pipe or wastebasket. We suggest George might be able to assist in phone call reduction by getting a blanket and using the facilities for Indian Signals. . . . WAC Mary Sanders, formerly of the coil placers, is now stationed at Camp Atterbury. A recent brief visit revealed that she "loves it." Good, and good luck, Mary. . . . Our Bob Taylor came through Wednesday last with tbe astounding observation that it is just eight months until Christmas. That's a planner for you. . . . Then Friend Kaade came barrelling up with a confidential piece which is not to use names, but here's the gist of it: A certain general foreman, whose signature reads H. E. Spahr, hitched a ride home with a fellow employee, only to get out of the car, go into the house and immediately come tearing out, flailing arms wildly. He was signaling a return trip to the plant inasmuch as the Spahr auto had been left, forgotten, in the plant parking lot. Ah, memory! . . . The Romeos viewing Rosie's purty flowers through their bifocals disputed over the variety, but finally settled on sweetpeas. . . . Ruth Grant can stand just so mucb amusement and then she's overcome. . . . Mary Ann Butler's friend surprised her by appearing without notice from the armed forces in Belgium. . . . Ernie Brown is the happiest of men since the return of his son, S/Sgt. Warren, from five months as a prisoner of war. He was released by the Russians in January. The Browns learned in February that he had been a prisoner since fall. We're very happy for you, Ernie.

Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

We're sorry to lose Jessie Cleveland from our section. She is now working in Bldg. 26-4. . . . Did you ever hear of anyone going fishing and wearing gloves to bait the hook? Thelma Purdue also wears her long flannels to keep warm. We don't blame you, Thelma, for keeping warm, but wearing gloves to bait the hook—that does it! Don't you want to get your hands dirty, Thelma? . . . Norma Keel, a former employee of Bldg. 19-5, became Mrs. Bill Gasper Saturday evening. We want to wish Norma lots of happiness and good luck. . . . Mary High, Lucile Schriener, and Frances Rose were on a vacation last week. Good to see them back this week. . . . Mable Harding decided tbat she could get up in the morning. Mable is working days again. We hope you stay on days for a while, Mable.

Indian (after examining ham sandwich purchased at a city lunch counter): "You slice um ham?"

Waiter: "Yes, Chief, I slice um."

Indian: "Ugh. Darn near miss um."

Rocket Firing Tanks In Action In Europe

The first pictures showing U. S. Army rocket-firing tanks have arrived in this country. For the first time thousands of American workers can see their handiwork on the battlefields of Europe.

Month after month General Electric workers in a peacetime home laundry equipment plant turned out the barrels of the new weapons, which were mounted in bunches by other manufacturers. Similar barrels for aircraft rocket launchers were made from plastics and magnesium by General Electric.

According to the captions on the pictures, the rocket attachment is intended as additional armament for a Sherman tank about to go into battle, and the whole device is attached before the action, fully loaded. When the tank arrives near the scene of battle, it fires one rocket for effect, and continues to fire one at a time till the range is zeroed.

Then the rockets can be fired singly, in groups of five, or all remaining in one salvo, each leaving the tube a half second after the previous one. When finished the whole rack is automatically jettisoned, and the tank goes into action with the regular 75 m.m. gun.

The rack is salvaged and reloaded for a repeat performance by a follow-up crew. It is reputed to be more accurate at the longer ranges than shorter ones due to the increasing velocity of the projectile in flight.

Ready To "Bunch Hits" On Enemy



Acme Photo

Here are Sherman M4 tanks by German roadside equipped with whole batteries of rocket launchers. The rocket-launching tubes were manufactured by G-E in a peacetime home laundry equipment plant and are prepared to take Nazis to laundry.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Tucson, Arizona
"April 7, 1945

"Dear Winter Street Friends:

"I sure appreciate your promptness in getting George's address for me, but it looks as though I may not have time to get a letter to him before he is on his way home. I intend to send one anyhow because it will probably reach him somehow.

"Thanks for the good wishes and I'm already reaping their benefits. I'm out of the hospital ward now and in a convalescence barracks with off-base privileges as I desire. I'm going slow and easy yet because I don't have quite the stamina to keep on the go. I've been to town a couple of times and it isn't a bad looking place, though I'll still prefer Fort Wayne.

"The climate is very dry down here and I notice that only a little running around causes an irritation in my throat. I suppose I'll get used to it after a while, at least I hope so.

"My brother stopped to visit me a couple of weeks ago on his way back to ship. He has gone again after a month's visit at home. He was at sea about fourteen months the last time so maybe it will be another twenty-six months before we meet again. I hope not but you never can tell. In a short while I will start training a few hours each day in order to be able to handle a ground job while I'm still on limited service after leaving the hospital here. As yet I haven't gotten any promise that I can get back to flying before a year's time is up. You can bet I'll keep trying though.

"Well, I'll close now and write again as soon as there are any new developments here.

"As ever,
"Tom (Lt. Thomas DeHaven)"

"South Pacific

"Dear Editor:

"I thought I would write a few lines in answer to your letter. I have been in service over a year now and have traveled around a lot. I went from Great Lakes to Rhode Island, to California, Hawaii, and now out here (I can't say where). I expect to go farther on later.

"I have been overseas four months and have made a couple of rates in that time, so I am doing pretty good.

"I have seen a lot of General Electric equipment and it always makes me think of good old Fort Wayne.

"I get the WORKS NEWS regularly and see where the Winter Street boys had a good basketball team this winter; I hope they do as well playing softball this summer.

"Well, that is about all the time I have for now, so here's wishing the gang the best of luck.

"Kenneth H. James, MoMM 3/c"

Production

Shorty Redding, tired and sunburned from planting a garden, is back from his vacation. . . . If the frost doesn't get Wayne Cook's tulips, young bouquet-seekers do. Too bad, Wayne, but we must remember that we were young once. . . . Frances Miller let us in on a new way for "scenting" the air. Aw, put your shoe on, Frances; we know they're new. . . . Laverne Murphy whistled "Chopsticks" for us (plus the variations) the other day. Quite hard to master, we'll bet, but what we want to know is: When do you appear on Major Bowes' program? . . . Phil Rockefeller, Charlie Lammiman, Laverne Murphy, and Shorty Redding felt pretty charitable, so each of them put a penny in a cup that Dorothy Crawford was holding—one to be rinsed out, to boot. (Murphy felt that it was better to give than to receive, so she put in two). Dorothy has definitely decided to buy some dark glasses now.

Planning

On the vacation list last week was Leroy Maxheimer, who spent part of it at the lake and the rest in his hot house. . . . George Fischer is leaving us to take over a new job in Coshocton, Ohio. Best of luck, George.

Tool Room and Maintenance

We are glad to welcome back to the tool room one of our former members, Hugh Knepp. "Huey," as we all know him, was "loaned" to the Power Drive when it started back in 1942 and now that the job is finished he has returned. During his stay with the Power Drive he was a foreman in the assembly room. . . . Lyle Wray was inducted into the armed forces last Tuesday and is now awaiting call.

SPORTS NEWS

Bowling

W. Kirke and M. Walker won the doubles tournament last week in what was the wind-up of the bowling season. With their handicap of 240 pins they had a total of 1184. R. Dennis and N. Dever took second place with 1139 and a handicap of 174. High individual total was Jerry Grosh with 555 (without handicap). This included a 256 game which was also high single game for the night. Other 200 scores were Bireley 219, Kolmerton 209, and Rodenbeck 207. On the other side of the ledger three bowlers joined the 90 club and one joined the 80 club. Also, one well-known engineer had an even one dollar's worth meaning a game of 100. Wonder who?

Arnold Benecke lead the league for the year when he wound up with an average of 180. Eight other players had an average of 165 or better. They are: C. Timme 173, F. Lauer 170, C. Miller 169, O. Rodenbeck 166, L. Cunningham 165, B. Beaty 165, R. Roeger 165, and W. O'Neill 165. For high individual 3 game total Benecke was again high with 627 followed by Grosh with 613 and John Schwartz with 611. Royal Roeger had high single game for the year with 263 with Schwartz second with 247 and Benecke third with 246.

Although he did not bowl in the Winter Street league this season we would like to mention the feat of George Jackson who joined the "700 Club" last winter. The "700 Club" is made up of all bowlers in the city who bowl a 700 series or better in league competition. George hit a sensational 726 while bowling in a league at the Court Street alleys. George has long been known as one of the better bowlers of the city and this proves it. The next time he bowled after hitting his 726 he came up with a 699, just one pin shy of 700. That's 1425 pins for six games and brother, that's some bowling.

And if you think he's tough, don't forget we have a former world champion in our midst. He is Fred Zurcher, who was a member of Lincoln Life Insurance five man team when they won the world championship in 1922. He did not bowl in the Winter Street league either as he retired from bowling a couple of years ago. That all for this year, fellows; haul out the golf clubs.

Golf

The weather continues to be miserable for golf, but we will surely get a break soon. Meanwhile Royal Roeger, the new league secretary, has the rules and regulations all ironed out and play will begin Wednesday, May 16, at Brookwood at 5:30 P.M. sharp. A schedule has been drawn up and a foursome will tee off every five minutes. Play will alternate on the first and last nine each week. One thing is very important and that is that all players be on hand ready to start at the appointed time. Your captain will inform you each week as to starting time, opponents, etc. So let's get in there and sock that apple and make this a big success.

Dust Proof Room

We wish to welcome Gladys Smith to the room and we hope she likes her new job. . . . We hope Lucille Lemish is soon better and back with us.

Machine Shop

Bill Franke and his wife celebrated their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary last Friday, April 27. Congratulations, and we wish you many more. . . . T. Wolf moved to the lake over the week-end. . . . Bert Major, Hazel Null and Velma Keller are enjoying their vacations this week. . . . S/Sgt. Kenneth Beery paid the old gang a visit last week. He is a turret gunner and has spent 11 months in the E.T.O. and has 35 missions to his credit. He was formerly employed in the Machine Shop. During his furlough, Sgt. Beery was married to a girl formerly of Indianapolis.

Oil Pump and Air Compressor

Ted Pemberton's son, according to latest reports, was among 27,000 American soldiers liberated April 29 by the Americans advancing into Germany. He formerly was employed in Bldg. 17-3. . . . Ralph Calvert went to Winnipeg, Canada, over the week-end to see a preacher friend who is a model railway fan. Ralph even took a ride in one of the miniature trains. Bet he looked cute! . . . Zed Weist, Johnny Roberts, Leroy Miller went mushroom hunting Sunday. Being that Johnny had never gone before, he took two 50 pound potato sacks with him, thinking he was going to fill them with mushrooms. The findings were six mushrooms, a blue racer snake, and wild flowers. . . . Norman Burns is sporting a new pair of glasses that look like a motorcycle racer. . . . Johnny Thomas is on the sick list this week. We are all hoping that you will be back with us soon, Johnny, and fit as a fiddle. . . . A new machine operator for Howard Reise is Ruth Hambrock. Ruth came from Power Drive. We all say welcome, and hope you like us all. . . . Bernice Klembeck came back to work Tuesday after spending her vacation caring for her husband, who had an operation. . . . For expert advice on knife making, see Jud Passwater and Bob Eicher.

Miscellaneous

Mildred Stewart returned to work this week after being on the sick list for two weeks, trying to break in a new set of grinders. Not bad, Millie.

Engineering

Probably the secret to Mr. Moore's success in obtaining a seat on our crowded buses is that he is an ex-New York subway rider. How's about a lesson in your technique? . . . The WORKS NEWS photographer made a special trip to Winter Street to take L. Didier's picture for last week's paper. Mr. Didier anxiously awaited the arrival of the paper only to discover that he must have cracked the camera as the photographer used his picture on his badge. . . . Gingher tells of his very remarkable grandson who proved his versatility by sewing a button on his grandmother's dress. We understand from Gingher that this trend of domesticity hails from the paternal grandfather. . . . Bernie Tomson and Art Slane received the surprise of their lives when they shouted a cheery good morning to a group of workers for a trucking company and had it returned in German.

Shipping

Mary Prezbindowski has a new system not to be found in Emily Post's book of rules, for meeting truck drivers. Just bump your car into the nearest truck, and we will guarantee you that the driver will introduce himself. . . . Alice Minser was very perturbed to find that an east bound bus invariably goes east, even if she would rather go south. Oh well, Alice, we all learn the hard way.

Accounting

We want to extend our sympathy to Marie Leemhuis upon the death of her husband.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

The Accounting section had a dinner at the English Terrace last Tuesday evening for Amanda Borchelt, who will soon be married to Capt. Forrest Anders. He is on his way home from the South Pacific where he was a pilot on a C-47. The bride-elect's place was marked with a corsage, and she was presented with a lovely gift from the following girls: Mary Wysong, Leatha Knoelke, Betty Meyer, Laura Rice, Esther Feichter, Minnie Meineke, Donna Stetler, LaVerne Nolan, Jane Krause, Anne Krause, Goldye Kelly, Betty Filchak, Jean Sheteron, Harriet Keyes, Dorothy Bradtmiller, Phyllis Thompson, Faye Murphy, Aileen Betts, Frances Reidenbach, Vickie Bickis and Dorothy Karnap. . . . Phyllis Thompson, Bldg. 18-3, can be heard most anytime singing "Let's Take the Long Way Home." S'pose it's 'cause she especially likes that song? . . . Helen Janes, Data Bureau, deserves the prize for the perfect "3-point landing." Ask her what happened to her chair and why she turned such a becoming pink. . . . Leatha Knoelke is leaving us tomorrow. Best wishes from the gang.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers:

Here we go to press once again with the latest news—at least, we hope it isn't old. . . . The Commercial Section is beginning to become vacation minded, with "Hutch" making the first break from routine. We have been impressed with the wonders of the south, specifically speaking—Magnolia, Arkansas. Clarence Burke heard a song, "God made Heaven and they called it Arkansas," and "Hutch" is here to verify that statement. . . . Burke hasn't gone vacationing yet, but he did go fishing. Since he has learned the license also permits trapping and hunting, he is going to confine his activities to the latter two. . . . Then there's Del Roloff who goes for fishing too, I mean went—He is known as "Two-Lake, No Fish, Roloff." . . . Andy O'Dwyer took a short trip too, back to his own native land—Terre Haute. . . . Annie Rastetter is starting the season off in her own inimitable, lucky way. How about it, fellows, are you going to let her get away with it? . . . We wish to welcome Avenel Stanton, who has transferred from Taylor Street, to our little abode, the Commercial Section. We do hope you'll like us, Avenel. . . . We know the Red Cross drive for clothes is a very worthy cause, but I doubt if one is expected to give as much as Ray Tuttle. One week's laundry as a donation is fairly generous in our estimation. . . . We wish to correct a false report of last week. Eileen Daniels didn't have the measles at all. . . . Really Agnes, you do have to wear a badge to to get past the guards, even if they do know you. To explain, Agnes Reynolds has been leaving her badge in odd places and then finding herself stopped at the gate. . . . We wish to welcome a newcomer, Alice Baker, and also Frances Miller, who has returned to work in the Service Bureau since the close of school. . . . We've been collecting items regarding Dick Herrod, and it has been learned he is about to embark upon a vacation to the southland, New Orleans, La. He has warned his family, and so in preparation for his visit they have ordered thirty chickens, large enough to fry. Of course, if they run out of these they can always resort to the premature chickens for a fill-in. Dick is a little absent-minded and his associates have to remind him to change his glasses every morning, otherwise Dick develops severe headaches. Oh, Dick has other troubles. He found two flat tires on his car Saturday morning. . . . Paul Vance, Cy Stonehill, Chuck Graham, Joe Uttal and 96,000 other people attended the Air Show at Baer Field Sunday. . . . Air-minded Snuffy Smith tried his hand Sunday for the first time at landing in a strange air-field. Was it a three pointer, Snuffy? . . . Ruth Richardson has gone to Elgin, Illinois, for a few days' visit with her in-laws. . . . We want to wish Bob Paul luck in his new position in Bldg. 18-2. . . . If you want any instructions on horseback riding, contact Peggy Ford. . . . Marjorie Valier is leaving for California via airplane on May 9. Good luck, Marge. . . . Congratulations to Don Eme, of the Planning Section, who has a new baby boy at his house. . . . Wayne Weimer had a struggle to make a getaway, when his hands were full and the phone kept ringing for him. Why don't you make a run, and maybe you can get out of the door the next time, Wayne. . . . Dolly Ormiston Beeber is about to leave us to join her husband. Saturday will be her last day with us. We wish you lots of happiness, Dolly. . . . Doris Brushman is replacing Joan Bobay Loney in the Planning Section. . . . Well, this pretty well covers the waterfront this week—So long!

FIVE ATTACKS—FIVE JAPANESE WAR PLANES DESTROYED. That was the day's score recently for Navy HELLCAT pilot, Lieut. Alfred J. Fecke, in a convoy protection flight north of the Philippines. He was leading a division of four F6F's, providing cover for two damaged surface vessels, when a large formation of enemy planes attacked. Lieutenant Fecke, whose HELLCAT squadron is based aboard an ESSEX-class carrier, immediately engaged a Jap twin-engined bomber, firing a stream of 50 caliber bullets into its port engine. The enemy bomber wobbled, dropped out of formation and crashed into the sea. He then dived on a V-shaped formation of six torpedo planes, and in rapid succession knocked down three of them. A moment later, he spotted a lone Jap torpedo plane heading for the clouds. Lieutenant Fecke overtook it, sent a long burst into its port wing root, and sent it flaming into the ocean.—Army-Navy Release.

Piggy Banks Collect Bond Money At Winter Street



Piggy banks of patriotic employees at the Winter Street Plant are being filled with change for purchases of bonds during the Seventh War Loan Drive. Judging from the number of bulging banks at the plant, Winter Street employees should make a good showing in the campaign. Reading left to right, top left, first row, are Martha Greider, Marguerite Fisher, Dorothy Scherschel, and Nelda McClain. Back row, Rita Pallone, Dolores Kiel, Frances Bouse, Ann Hudson, Evelyn Ladd, Hortense Stevenson, and Mary Jo Suelzer. Top right, first row, Evelyn Kilgus, Margaret Butts, Gale Martin, Tommy Coppolino. Back row, Evelyn Engel, Cora Figel, Bob Schelton, Mary Slagel, Rod Ormiston, Irene Kintz, Helen Dammeyer, Henry Schrenk, Jr., Mildred Stewart, Gene Brehm, and Margaret Motherwell. Center, Mildred Banbury, Gail Barron, Fredonna Durst, Wanda Madsen, Helen Wyss, and Helen Schwartz. Bottom left, first row, Dorothy Hensel, Lee Shady, Marcella Reinking, and Jane Neuman. Back row, Helen Yeranko, Lucille McGaney, Audrey Kline, Beth Dale, Florence Hobel, Marian Parker, Iris Hebble, Leona Gloor, Wilma Redding, and Vivian Hauser. Bottom right, first row, Patricia Perry, Pauline Smith, Harold Bohde, and John Stettler. Back row, Cecile Phillips, Eve Longworth, Mabel Engler, Joan Hively, Martha Shull, Lois Brubaker, and Leona Franke.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Welcome to all our newcomers this week! In the Planning Section we have Ruth Kimble, Lola Lumpp, and Mary Vorndran. Ruth comes from the Decatur Works, and Mary and Lola from Bldg. 26-3. In our Service Bureau are Ebba Maher who comes from Minneapolis, Minn., and Virginia Steiner from Grabill. Then in Gruber's section we have Elizabeth Eubank from Taylor Street, and Phyllis Kime from Roanoke in Blueprint. Our two new men in the production section are Russell Dreyer from Bldg. 19-2, and Walter Timmerman from Bldg. 19-3. We hope you all like it in Bldg. 31-1! . . . Congratulations to Andy Smith on the arrival of a baby boy, James Frederick, born April 25! Is he to be a future basketball star, Andy? . . . Who is Joe Neal's secret admirer—the one who put the lovely tulips on his desk the other morning? . . . Ask Mattie Fancher how she enjoyed the Air Show at Baer Field last Sunday. She started on the "long, tedious" journey out there on the 1:00 o'clock bus, arriving a bit too late for the show (namely at 4:00 p. m.), and then had to hitch-hike back. Maybe she should have started on Saturday. . . . Why won't Althea Tarr ride the merry-go-round at Trier's Park anymore? She claims the last time she rode it, the horse "kicked" her. We wonder. . . . Happy birthday to Martha Moellering and Ida May Bearman, whose birthdays were both on April 26. . . . Ask Jackie Spacey how she got the bump on her head and see if she tells you the same story about a door—we wonder, but she sticks to the story.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

We hear by way of the grapevine that now-a-days each and every time Fred Pyle leaves the house he checks and double checks to make sure he has his bill-fold with his driver's license in it. The other day Fred was driving down the street and was stopped to have his brakes, lights, etc. checked. They asked to see his driver's license, but he had left it at home in his bill-fold. . . . Birthday greetings and congratulations go to George Bear, whose birthday was April 15, and Helen Miller, whose birthday was April 25. . . . The reason E. Logan (anodize room) is all smiles this week is because his brother, Cpl. Delbert Logan, is home on furlough for several days, having been liberated from a Nazi prison camp by the Russians. Cpl. Logan worked in Bldg. 19-4 before enlisting in the army. He participated in the invasion of Normandy and wears the Purple Heart. . . . The vacation season is on again. Frieda Liby returned to work Monday after a week's vacation. Marie Stoppenhagen is having a two weeks' vacation. . . . No one can doubt Al Ringle's patience when it comes to his favorite pastime, fishing. Al spent nine hours in a boat last Sunday and caught two little bass. You sure are a glutton for punishment, Al. . . . Ray Dotzer is spending his two weeks' vacation with his daughter and son-in-law, who is in the service, in California. While there Ray promised to look in the big conference in San Francisco to see that the boys in 15x16 get a square deal. . . . Happy birthday to you, Alice: When Alice came to work this morning there before her was a cake and many other things of great use. Ask her about her fishing tackle she received for her birthday. . . . Congratulations are in order to Alta Allen, group 15x19, who has over a year's work without being absent.

Ignition Transformers For Aircraft

Three new 115-volt, 400-cycle ignition transformers, designed to provide a high-voltage arc for lighting fuel in gasoline-fired, aircraft-cabin heaters and de-icers, have been announced by the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York. The units are shielded and filtered to minimize radio interference over all wave bands from 110 kilocycles to 200 megacycles.

Two of the transformers, with an output capacity of 6000 volts each, are of the single-secondary type. The third has a double secondary, rated 6000/6000 volts for heaters with dual ignition or for two separate heaters with single-ignition systems.

The units are housed in plated-steel cases and all coils are imbedded in a specially developed high-melting-point, moisture-resistant insulating compound. They will withstand the vigorous service required of all aircraft equipment, and will operate over a wide range of ambient temperatures from –70 to 140 F. at altitudes from sea level to 45,000 feet.

The new transformers are produced in the Transformer Division here.

Complete information on these 400-cycle transformers is contained in bulletin GEA-4431, available upon request from the General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

You wouldn't push a man off a ladder—but would you report a broken ladder if you saw one?

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

As we dig out our winter coats we're wondering what this cool weather is doing here. We thought spring had come to stay. Tennis Shidler braved the wintry blasts and shot a round of golf. He admits he didn't do so well, but he was the low man of his group. Keep at it, Shide, and before long you'll be back in form again. Especially with those golf balls that Albert Strahm brought in for you. And in these times, too. . . . Norma Beach, Alice Daily, and Glyda Yoder apprehended Freda Bunnell and notified her of a pinochle game to be held on the night of May 3 at the Bunnell residence. Furthermore, they demand respectable treatment on that night, plus a first class lunch. Better have plenty, Freda, because now there might be more there that night. . . . That fine-looking ensign who was visiting the gang was our own Jim McClure. Jim's in the Merchant Marine and has really been around. Said he was mighty glad to be back, see old friends and even to patronize the candy lady. Sure was nice to see you again, Jim, and we all wish you the best of luck. . . . Those brand-new $10.00 bills Betty Strohmeier and Florence Stanski were flashing around were prize money they got at their bowling banquet. Nice going, girls! . . . This week we have several newcomers to our midst. Irene Cline has joined Group 13x55 on second and came from Bldg. 4-4. Virginia Buesching is working on first trick in Group 13x57. Charles Shrader is putting in his bit in Group 13x15 and Rudolph Langas is in Group 13x71. Welcome to our gang, and we hope you like us. . . . Hildabelle Warren must be the harbinger of spring around hyar. Wilma Ahlersmeyer knows it's time to get out her white shoes since she saw Hildabelle wearing a pair the other day. . . . Things-We-Like Dept. —The way Charlie Winans imitates animals. His "crying puppy" and neigh of a horse are really excellent. The bird songs and train whistle he does are good, too. Keep it up, Charlie, because we certainly do like to hear them. . . . Marceile Eibling was certainly a very happy girl, Friday. She received a telephone call at work from her fiance who is on his way home after many months spent in the Aleutian Islands. We're glad for you, Marceile, and we sincerely hope it won't be too long before all the boys are home again so we can see the girls' faces as happy as yours was. . . . The latest report about Arlene Gaskill is that she had a smile a yard wide when Walter Pepple took her the bouquet of snapdragons, carnations and roses in a beautiful gift from the Bldg. 4-3 gang. She wants us to thank you all for her. Adrian Weaver stopped in to see George Slater who is recovering from an appendectomy. He is getting along fine and expects to return to work around the middle of May. We hope so, George, because we do miss you. . . . George Cowan has returned to work. He says he feels fine and if looks have anything to do with it, he must, because he certainly does look up to par. Glad you're back, George. . . . That's all there is for this week. There wasn't a whole lot in our little box (hint, hint) so we had to wrack our weary brains. Please don't let us down. So long.

—Country Cousins

It Was Only A Scratch



Just the other day John Jones went down to the hospital with a nasty infection in his thumb. It was all swollen up to about twice its size and throbbed so he couldn't keep his mind on anything. The nurse said he'd be lucky if he didn't get blood poisoning from it. But that's telling the end of the story first.

It really began about a week and a half ago when Johnny was working at his lathe and got a scratch on his thumb. He said "ouch!" and wound his handkerchief around the hand. That was all there was to it. After all, it was only a little scratch. Go to the dispensary? Silly.

But that's where Johnny was wrong—as he had to admit when the infection started to spread. And it could happen to any of us. So watch out for even those little cuts. To be safe, go to the dispensary for even that smallest scratch.

Skylines from 4-5

Harold J. Cunningham
Radioman 3/c
Somewhere in the Pacific

Dear Pete:

We haven't taken a vacation or anything of that sort. We just moved away for a while, but there is something so magnetic about Bldg. 4-5 that it brought us back here to dwell again. They brought along with us a big new office crew, raw material section and order service. Quite a few cute numbers, such as Mary Jo Sites, Barbara Riley, and Dorothy Stier are brightening things up. Your cousin, Donna Voges, is also to be mentioned. . . . The Lutheran Hospital has been taking care of quite a few of our group this past month, Irene Hockenberry, Mary Girton, Ida Kramer, and Helen Hutchinson. They are all doing fine now that they are minus their appendices. . . . Jeanne Fox came to pay us a visit while she was given a leave to attend the memorial services of her fiance, who was killed in the Dutch East Indies. . . . Brooks Brickley has left our hope he likes his new job. . . . stock room and is now working in Bldg. 6-2. We miss him, but we Everyone is talking about the air show that they attended at Baer Field Sunday. I guess Bldg. 4-5 was well represented. . . . Well, Pete, if the gang co-operates we will have some more news for you people.

The Gang

HIGH SPOTS
IN BUILDING 4-2

Jean Messler, whose husband was recently freed from a German prison camp, has been made happy by the news that he is OK and on his way home. . . . Charley Stoddard will probably be able to start a machine in operation, without the aid of an electrician the next time he is called on, since he has been informed that it's necessary to see that the machine is hooked into the power line before it will run. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Josephine Mutschlecner, who fell and broke her shoulder blade. She'll be glad to see any of her friends at her home. . . . Bertha Janiga and Eleanor Stotz are two more girls who are wearing diamonds on their left hands. . . . Lois Waterson spent her vacation visiting her brother in camp at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. . . . If anyone knows where a Stradivarius can be bought for a reasonable price, please inform Wilmer LaVine—he's in the market for one. . . . Gayle Kelsey says he has a new blue serge suit, says it's so new it hasn't even a shine on it yet. . . . We miss Bill Owen, who is temporarily loaned out to Bldg. 4-1—hope to have him back soon. . . . Those red noses seen around here Monday were mostly from being exposed to the wind and sun at Baer Field. Myralene Liddy and Hilda Hippenhammer are a couple that should receive honorable mention. . . . We extend our sympathy to Margaret Flaugh in the death of her sister and to Roman Niebel, whose father passed away.

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

After several weeks' absence our reporter finds that he again has much to tell. One does not have to hunt for news, it comes easily. . . . We find that Marcus Gotsch not only has gone to the Navy, but he was home to see us already on a ten-day leave. He sure looks good. He wishes to report that he is not yet an admiral but as soon as his ship is completed he will take over and sail the seven seas. . . . We were very much surprised to see Hugh Ralston come walking in on us one night two weeks ago. He has just returned from fourteen months overseas off the coast of North Africa. He has been with the Army Engineers Corps since entering the service two years ago. We are always glad to see such swell guys. . . . Information please! Ask George Miller how to hook up a three-way switch. . . . Ask Wilbur Krebs how to drive a car. He was learning fast. Then all of a sudden he traded for a jalopy. What a sudden and surprising finisb to a wonderful beginning. That boys is a whiz. We can't keep up with him. . . . We undersand that Gus Ausderan is now thirty-one years old. My, how time flies. Gus, these birthdays aren't so bad after all, are they, kid? . . . Ask Bob Woodward if his car uses oil and watch his hair stand on end. . . . Bob McCoy has gained fame as the "Let me see it, I'll fix it" man. . . . George Patterson wants to know why Hitler and Hirohito are like a waterfall? As Tony Willy and Stair would say quickly, "Well! They're both a couple of big drips." Corny, ain't it? . . . Now it would not be fair if we didn't mention our brother Kimes. We understand that he is tunneling under State Road No. 1 past his house. Is this an air raid shelter or do you wanta play mole? Bunny, you're not looking for gold or clams, are you? . . . Did you hear "Henry Aldrich" the other night? Anyway Henry's episode on "what might happen to a guy who doesn't wear a tie," seems to have a noticeable effect on Les Stauch. Next day he wore one of those neck chokers—the first time in months. . . . Al Ray seems to be up in the air over a few acres of ground—land of livin'! Who'd ever dream that you'd shop for real estate by airplane! . . . We are radiating get well wishes to Paul Lock, who has been playing hookey from school cause ol' man illness has tackled him and been trying to beat the tar out of him. . . . Walter Beeth was a shining example of how we should look on Monday morning. The new denim apron is purty, Walt, honest Injun. . . . It was a balmy April evening, when Mr. and Mrs. Ray Henderson were practicing golf on tbe lawn of their abode. Mrs. Henderson had swung—earth, ball and club united—after a few seconds the dust cleared away. Out of the freshly dug hole peaked the head of a night crawler. "One way of getting bait," said Ray. "But a litle hard on the lawn," said Mrs. Henderson. . . . Two proud papas on our floor are Joe Quinlin and Ralph Thomas. They both were fathers of baby girls. You should hear them argue as to which one resembles Betty Grable. We think it's a toss up. They both have swell daddies, so what's the difference? . . . You should see Gertie Mailand sing "Candy"—Marjorie Kramer "Jitterbug"—Mary Mobly blush and Cora June Emenhiser's new ring—Lillian Kidder eat oranges with salt on them, also square dance—Clara McKissick tell jokes. . . . Jim Loughran is leaving us. He is going back to the big city of New York. . . . Tony Willy is grandpa for the first time. A 9 pound 4 ounce baby girl is the lucky granddaughter. P.S. Tony says she whistles at him when he walks down the aisle at the hospital. . . . Les Meyers, our waltz king, is letting his whiskers grow so he will look like Farmer Jones. You should see him driving a tractor.

WIRE & INSULATION
— Ravelings
Bldgs. 8 and 12

The Die Room gang really put on a delicious potluck feed last Saturday in honor of Pearl Volkert's birthday, which was on May 1. . . . Gladys Prudhomme has returned from a two weeks' vacation which she and her soldier husband spent in their home town, Shreveport, Louisiana. . . . "Bing" Engelbrecht has been at home for the past two weeks on account of illness. Hurry up and get well, "Bing;" we need you! . . . We welcome Bob Merrill to our Production Section, and hope he'll like it here. . . . Remember folks, the 7th War Loan Drive is coming up soon! Save your money for a bond. You know, we must go over the top this time as we always have before. . . . Mary Brown is a very happy girl, as her brother, Kirk, is home on leave from the Navy. He came down to Bldg. 12-B to see Mary. . . . Gerhard Harbarth has his own idea of health and always says "an apple a day keeps the doctor away," so to play safe he eats three. . . . Our sincere sympathy is offered to Russell Flaugh on the death of his sister, Nora. . . . Alta Lee really believes in getting back to nature the hard way. She fell out of the hay mow last week. . . . Leo Flanagan said the other day he didn't want to see his name in our column. Don't you worry, Leo, the name of Flanagan is bound to appear sooner or later. . . . Mildred Behler will really have a nice flower garden tbis summer, judging from all the plans and pictures. It's a lot of work, Mildred, but it will be worth it. . . . Mary Roy had three hamburgers, potato chips, and candy and then said, "Gee, I'm hungry, I wish it was dinner time!" . . . We hear that Mary Ringler never anticipates papering a room again until she uses sizing first, especially since half tbe paper in the living room came loose overnight!

In Appreciation

I wish to extend my appreciation for all the many things friends at G-E did for me at the time of the death of my wife, Mary Jane, formerly of Bldg. 26-4 developmental section.

Sgt. E. D. Wiesjahn

Carver Meets Sunday

Plans have been completed for the next meeting of the Carver Club, which will be held next Sunday, May 6, at 3 P.M. at the Wheatley Social Center. There will be a short program, and Alma Alsup will be guest speaker. Light refreshments will be served.

Safety Exhibit Of City-Wide Interest



At the annual Fort Wayne Safety Conference and Exhibit, which was held recently, parts of the exhibit prepared by General Electric's safety-committeemen attracted much attention. The exhibit has been moved to Bldg. 16-2, restaurant lobby, where it may be viewed.

General Electric employees who bad an active part in preparing the exhibit and conference are shown in the photos above. Top row, left, Henrietta Hohman, Carl Rebling, and Olive Walters are shown demonstrating an airline respirator. Center, Harry Shepherd of the Employees Store demonstrating safety sboes. Right, George Hood of the city fire department and G-E Acting Fire Chief Ernie Hanauer are demonstrating a fire extinguisher while Henry Carnall looks on. Center row, left, L. K. Bodenhamer is showing the correct method of loading a punch press with pliers. Center, W. B. Hartman calls attention to statistics on finger amputations. Right, Don Long demonstrates the correct method of fitting goggles. Bottom row, left, Nyle Redding and Verne Friend discuss the safety device on model 400-ton hydraulic press. Center, city police officer Jordan viewing one of the exhibits. Right, Arthur Gardt and Herschel Smith discuss power-press safety with John Metts of American Steel Dredge Co.

New Auto-Switch Capacitors For Distribution Circuits

A new metal-enclosed, self-contained auto-switch capacitor, that automatically switches 180-kva of capacitance on or off the feeder in response to voltage requirements, has been announced by the Genral Electric Company, Schenectady, New York. Designed for improving the power factor of distribution circuits at periods of peak load, the capacitor is automatically connected in the circuit when increased load causes a drop in voltage, and is disconnected when voltage increases at light load.

The equipment consists of a 180-kva, 2400-volt delta or 4160-volt 4-wire or Gr Y, three-phase group of Pyranol* Capacitor units, a three-pole solenoid-operated oil switch, automatic voltage control devices, and a potential transformer for supplying control power, as well as control potential for voltage-responsive equipments. Although the standard equipment is designed for response to line voltage, current-responsive equipments are also available.

The housing is attractively styled and is designed for base or cross-arm mounting. Cover bushings of wet-process porcelain with clamp-terminal connectors provide for easy connection to the line. A hinged panel, containing all the devices for both automatic and manual control, is mounted in a protective compartment which separates the control from the power circuits. A protective screen prevents accidental contact with live bus work while working on this panel. An electric inter-lock automatically disconnects the equipment from the line when the protective screen is opened for access to the capacitor units or fuses. A red signal lamp remains lighted while the oil switch is closed and the capacitors are connected to the line. The whole unit is about 8 ft. 7½ inches in height, 46 inches wide, and 26 inches in breadth, and weighs 1420 lb.

Additional information is contained in Bulletin GEA-4405, available from General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

*Trade-mark, Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

The orb web spider—dating far back in entomology—has a strictly modern facet. She has a "telephone line" to let her know when fat insects are about. The line is a thread pulled tight to the center of the spider's web. She transports the line to her hiding place and lies down to nap. The instant an insect is trapped in the web, the line's vibrations awaken her.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1, Second Shift

Cecil Young is a man who profits by his own mistakes. He didn't give up raising melons this year just because his first 1945 crop grew so fast that they wore tbe vines out pulling them around. Instead he planted a second crop, equipping each blossom with roller skates. The melons not only moved more easily, but the ground was cultivated by means of knives attached to each roller. Even this is too much for Ripley. . . . Did you see Marian Roy jump the other day? Reason, just a rat ran across ber foot. . . . Hope you're having a nice vacation this week, Rhoda R. . . . Delores Holtrey has added a new step to her "Jumping Jive" called "Lame Lady." . . . Did you know Dick Schultz's secret ambition is to join a circus? He likes the rugged life tbey live. . . . See you next week, I hope.

Bldg. 12-3, First Shift

Wedding congratulations and best wishes go to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ward. Mrs. Ward was the former Leota Davis. . . . Anyone wanting a new hairdo, contact Helen Screeton. . . Congratulations to Cpl. and Mrs. Marvin Walters; they are the proud parents of Judith Anne, born April 27. We all miss you, Ada, and hope to see you soon. Inspection section had a potluck, and they all enjoyed it very much. Everyone was filled to the capacity. Ask Susie Jones if she likes cherries; Ruth Ann Conrad seems to have a weakness for dill pickles, too. . . . We welcome Melba Ferris to the inspection section. Hope you like it, Melba. . . . We hope Marge Comte had a nice time on her vacation. How about it, Marge? . . . The packing section also had a potluck. The main course consisted of bologna and crackers; of course we had cup cakes for dessert. . . . We all wish Sylvia Nelson many more happy birthdays. . . . We really expected to see Muriel Knapp wearing kilts this week. She received a morale building box from her son, S/Sgt. Richard A. Brown, who had a seven-day furlough to spend in Scotland. . . . So long, folks; see you next week.

Bldg. 12-3, Second Shift

Gladys Macon, Louise Swenson, Vonnie Sponhauer, and Bertha Goeglein had plenty of fun at the Elex party, even if it did rain. They had all the chicken they could eat, which is something these days. . . . Anna Hoot received a beautiful compact from her brother-in-law who is overseas. Was she thrilled! Especially since they hadn't heard from him for quite some time. . . . Lou Rexroth is on her vacation this week. . . . Violet Owens came to work sporting a darling new blouse. Very becoming, Vi.

Bldg. 12-1, Third Trick

Welcome, Carl Lee Bell. We hope you like carrying compound for us third trickers. . . . We miss Dannie Adams around this week. Dannie had her tonsils removed Monday. Hope you get well soon. . . . Did you hear that long low wolf call Tuesday night? That was for Johnny Sowers. He was entertaining his daughter, Judy, and came in all dressed up. . . Genevieve Aemick had a visitor last night in her battery. A rat, not a Japrat or a Nazirat, just a plain barn rat of the American variety. Genevieve isn't afraid of them as long as they stay their distance. . . . And speaking of rats we hear that Dorothy Merrilat once sat on a chicken roost to get away from one. . . . Do you second trick folks know where Dick Schultz was April 25? We saw him at the Red Cross blood donor center. Vera Johnson and Freada Butler were there this week, too. . . . See you all again next week.

Command Pilot Praises Plane Powered By G-E Jet

"It Floats Through The Air With The Greatest Of Ease," Says Veteran Pilot

Powered by the super G-E Jet, the Army Air Forces P-80 Shooting Star is "easy to fly" and when speeding faster than any other plane will fly "it seems to float through the air with the greatest of ease," Colonel Bruce K. Holloway, veteran 14th Air Force fighter pilot, said after completing test flights in this new Lockheed plane.

Colonel Holloway's praise for the new jet plane, the first statement to be made public by an AAF officer about his experiences in piloting this lightning-like fighter, was issued in Air Force, official journal of the Army Air Forces.

One of the points emphasized was that the G-E Jet, which was designed and developed by General Electric engineers, generated "no sensation or vibration," even when it was producing maximum power.

"The P-80 is hot, and it's easy to fly," Colonel Holloway said, "The P-80 is so smooth and quiet that you can talk in a normal voice with the engine going full blast. What impressed me most was the absolute lack of vibration. You don't seem to accelerate, but rather have a constantly increasing feeling of power. You roll along and gradually gain flying speed. Best of all there is absolutely no torque. Flaps help on take-off because you need a much longer run in the P-80 than you do in a P-51, but that's true of any jet-propelled job."

Colonel Holloway again referred to the feeling of great power, which the pilot experiences in the plane driven by this jet engine.

"As soon as the Shooting Star picks up a little speed, you really begin to appreciate the power," he said. "With the constant thrust the jet gives, you still have good acceleration in the higher speed brackets. Once the P-80 is wide open, it seems to float through the air with the greatest of ease. There's absolutely no sensation of tension orvibration when it's opened up, in direct contrast to any other type of plane."

The AAF journal states further that all pilots who have flown the Lockheed Shooting Star "have been impressed by its flying qualities."

"Warm-up is instantaneous, thrust is available in less than a minute after starting," the journal continues. "Taxiing and landing require certain knacks that an experienced pilot can easily pick up."

Installed in the fuselage of the P-80 Shooting Star between the cockpit and tail, these adnvanced General Electric engines are far more powerful than any conventional reciprocating engine for aircraft.

The functioning of the jet engine is simple. Air rams into vents in front of the wings of the plane, almost flush with the fuselage. The air flows to the engine, where it is compressed by a swiftly rotating impeller. The air is flushed by the impeller to combustion chambers, where fuel (usually kerosene) burns fiercely.

In the intense heat, the air expands and increases in velocity. The air and gases then pass through a turbine wheel. This turbine is connected by shaft with the impeller. The turbine spins thousands of times a minute at temperatures of 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit and hotter. The blast passes out the jet exhaust at the rear tip of the plane.

These powerful jet engines are in production for the AAF at the General Electric Company's works at Syracuse, N. Y. The G-E Jet also is being manufactured for the AAF by Allison Division of General Motors.

This new jet engine was designed and developed at River Works of General Electric Company at Lynn, Mass., where the first jet engine for the AAF was produced in the United States from British designs.

Dr. Jeffries Receives Clamer Medal



Dr. Zay Jeffries (right), Vice President of the General Electric Company in charge of the Chemical Department, received the Clamer Medal and certificate of the Franklin Institute from Charles S. Redding, President of the Institute, at the annual Medal Day ceremonies held in Philadelphia recently.

G-E Engineer Says Selenium Rectifiers Attractive For Power Conversion On Aircraft

Progress in the development of selenium power rectifiers for converting alternating to direct current on large aircraft is reported in a paper by A. L. Embry, design engineer of tungar and metallic rectifiers at General Electric's Lynn River Works, on the AIEE Spring Program.

Indicating that many of the large planes of the future will have auxiliary power generated as a-c but that considerable amounts of d-c power will still be required, Embry predicts that the selenium rectifier will have a wide field of application. He states that it has several advantages as a means of conversion: It does not have the high voltage drop of an electronic tube nor the moving parts and brushes of a rotating machine; it is simple, reliable, and easy to maintain; for three-phase power input it can be designed for 85 per cent efficiency; weight of a complete unit, including transformer and voltage regulating equipment, compares favorably with that of a motor-generator set of the same rating.

According to Embry, selenium rectifiers can be used with transformers to obtain any desired output voltage. Input may be single phase or polyphase. The widest present application is for 28.5-volt d-c units with three-phase input. He says that for some applications where the d-c load is substantially constant it may be practical to use selenium rectifiers without voltage regulation. Such rectifiers may be designed to operate directly from the a-c line or with a suitable transformer to provide any desired d-c voltage. Variations in d-c voltage will be only slightly greater than those of the system a-c voltage.

Pittsfield Worker Gets $500 Suggestion Award

Among the highest G-E suggestion awards of recent months was one of $500 achieved recently by Donald L. Betters of the Pittsfield Works. Mr. Betters, who is employed in the capacitor production section has devised a successful method of treating capacitor gaskets with a resinous solution to separate them after the original glyptal treatment, which leaves them stuck together. Previously the gaskets had to be separated by hand, with considerable loss of time and a high ratio of broken material due to the handling. Mr. Betters is 37 years old and began his service with the Company in 1936. He has been in the capacitor production section since April of that year. This is his 11th adopted suggestion, the first 10 having paid him $602.00.

She had begged her husband for months to have his picture taken. At last he decided to go through the agony, but when the proofs arrived, she exclaimed in horror, "Oh, Joe, you have only one button on your coat."

"Thank heaven," Joe replied, "you've noticed it at last."

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

TO COOK FROZEN VEGETABLES

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Frozen vegetables need not be completely thawed to cook them, advises Dr. D. K. Tressler, General Electric Consumers Institute; but more uniform and quicker cooking of frozen vegetables will be obtained if they are partially thawed before cooking.

The one exception to this recommendation is sweet corn frozen on the cob which should *always* be *thawed* before cooking, otherwise the kernels will become over-cooked before the cob becomes hot.

Shorter Cooking Required

During preparation for freezing, frozen vegetables are blanched before packaging, yet they are not blanched long enough to cook them for serving, except in such cases as winter squash, corn on the cob and beets which are cooked well done before freezing. So frozen vegetables require a shorter cooking period than fresh vegetables.

Here is the simple cooking procedure for frozen vegetables:

1. Place vegetables in pan with small amount of water (for electric ranges ¼ cup is sufficient).
2. Turn switch to high heat.
3. When steaming vigorously (after approximately 5 minutes) break up with fork to hasten complete thawing and cooking.
4. Count cooking time when vegetables start steaming vigorously again.
5. Turn switch to low and finish steaming.

Timing Chart

In order not to overcook your frozen vegetables, the following timing chart is given:

Asparagus	5-8 min.
Green Beans	12-15 min.
Wax Beans	12-15 min.
Broccoli	5-7 min.
Beets, young, whole	18-20 min.
Beets, heat to proper temp. for serving.	
Beet Greens	10-12 min.
Brussels Sprouts	3-4 min.
Carrots	5-10 min.
Cauliflower	5-8 min.
Corn (cut from cob)	3-4 min.
Corn (on cob)	3-4 min.
Kale	20-25 min.
Kohlrabi	8-10 min.
Mushrooms	10-15 min.
(Do not cook in water—but saute).	
Mustard Greens	6-8 min.
Peas	6-8 min.
Rhubarb	10-12 min.
Spinach	4-6 min.
Squash (summer)	10-12 min.
Squash (winter), Heat to proper temp. for serving.	
Swiss Chard	8-10 min.
Turnips	12-15 min.
Turnip Greens	15-20 min.
Lima Beans	16-20 min.

Frozen Foods Booklet

Detailed information is also given on the cooking of frozen meats as well as step-by-step instructions on the preparation of all foods for freezing in the Consumers Institute booklet, "Frozen Foods." It will be sent free upon request by writing to General Electric Consumers Institute, Dept. GN, Bridgeport, Conn.

A sergeant-major hailed a recruit who was sauntering forth in battle dress and conspicuous brown shoes.

"Where did you get those shoes?"

"I had them in private life, sir," answered the recruit.

"And what were you in private life?"

"I was on the stock exchange, sir," said the unhappy recruit.

"So. And did you have a silk hat as well?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then," said the sergeant-major caustically, "why don't you wear that also?"

Into the recruit's eyes came a look of mingled horror and incredulity as he replied questioning: "With brown shoes, sir?"

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
John Magner (8)*	R. 2, Woodburn, Ind. Coming In on No. 14 and No. 30	20-1	Muller about 15 miles out	3:30-11:43
Mark Pearson (8)*	Poneto, Ind. Coming In on No. 1 through Bluffton	20-2	Davis	8:00- 5:15
Earl Munson (4)*†	R. 5, Upper Hunt. Rd. Coming In on No. 24—3 miles out	19-5	Berlien	7:00- 3:30
L. W. Griffith (2)*	R. 1, Roanoke, Ind. Coming In on No. 3 through Zanesville	27	Druce	3:30-11:43
Don R. Farthing (2)*	1156 Engle, Huntington Coming In on No. 24	26-2	Hunt	7:00- 3:30
Walter Lydy (2)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne, Ind. Coming In No. 33 west—8 miles out	4-5	C. Penn	7:00- 3:30
William Spencer (4)*	954 Iowa, Huntington	6-2	Scbuster	7:00- 3:30
Richard Templeton (2)*	1340 E. State, Huntington	27	Rathert	7:00- 3:30

Employees Seeking Rides

Carl H. Kinsey	Unlondale, Ind.	19-2	Prince	3:30-11:43
Betty Cobb	LaOtto, Ind.	12-3	Sleepy	3:30-11:43
Carrie Edgar	R. 1, Yoder, ½ mile west	5-2	Boyd	3:30-11:43
Lucy A. Carbaugh	R. 1, Yoder, 1½ mile west	5-2	Boyd	3:30-11:43
Allen Kitson	R. 2, Silver Lake, Ind. Coming In on No. 14, through South Whitley (Wants a ride for 2)	4-3	Hart	3:00-11:43
Irene Bultemeier	R. 1, Decatur, Ind 1 mile off No. 27, 14 miles out	12-3	Harris	3:00- 5:15
Ruby Lassiter	R. 7, Huntington, Ind. 11 miles south of town	19-2	Leisure or	7:00- 3:30 3:00- 4:30
Pauline Werling	2919 Weisser Park, Ft. W. (Wants a ride from Angola beginning in June)	19-5	Meyers	8:00- 5:15

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Charles Smith	Auburn, Indiana		Traub	6:48- 2:48
Helen Meeks	Churubusco, Indiana		Sible	7:12- 3:12
Loren Farlow	Oliver St., City		Sible	7:12- 3:12
Fred Karst	R. 4, Fort Wayne		Smith	7:12- 3:12
Arnold Anthony	Markle, Indiana		Deahl	6:48- 2:48

Employees Seeking Rides

Norene Grubb	Arcola, Indiana	Sible	7:12- 3:12
Delores Veazey	Columbia City, Indiana	Sible	7:12- 3:12
Verna Overbolt	1502 Boone, City	Woody	6:48- 2:48
Rose Cordes	2918 Lillie, City	Woody	2:48-10:48
Austin Reimund	4223 Lillie, City	Sible	7:12- 3:12

Outfield Of Club Team Grooms For Good Year

By Frank Eakin

Last week we gave thumb nail sketches of the infielders on tbe G-E Club's baseball team. The infield was and still is the best part of Charlie Braden's outfit as far as steadiness afield and hitting power is concerned. Now, let us take a look at the outfield as a whole.

Last year Roy Brann was as good a centerfielder as one would ask for. He could get the long liners with the best; had a very good throwing arm; was a splendid lead-off man due to his smallness of stature, which made him hard to pitch to, and this together with his "eagle eye" put him on base about half of the time; and was a good team player, which always makes a player more valuable. This year Roy will be back, and all indications point toward another good year.

Braden tried several boys in right field during the early part of the season but with little success. Finally, Mel Kestner was inserted there after not being able to get going with the "willow." In the first game, Mel went two for three, and he stayed there. Mel continued to bit from the second slot in the batting order, and during the last two months was hitting way over .300 to bring his very feeble early season average up to a very respectful .302, which is good in anybody's league. Mel can field with the best and is still able to "pick 'em up and lay 'em down" with the best. Mel has a tendency to play the game "too close to the belly" and sometimes gets into some very undesirable spots. Even so, he still plays to win, and that is what counts.

Left field was the really sore spot on the team last year to put Braden's worries rigbt alongside those of Bill McKechnie, who had great difficulty filling the left field spot on his pennant winning Reds. At least four or five boys played there with one thing or another being wrong with their play. As of now, the spot is not exactly cinched for anybody. However, the signing of Ernie Young last week gave Charlie a good, hard-hitting boy who can play both the infield and the outfield. It has not been decided just where Ernie will play in an effort to utilize his hitting power.

Parnell Hisner, who is being groomed for outfield duty due to his ability to "lay the wood," is second choice because of his inexperience in fielding the position. Parnell is also a pretty fair pitcher and only time will tell just who will play where. So, it looks like the left field problem is not settled; however, Charlie does have two boys on hand who can hit, and all that remains is to decide just who will play where and when. Charlie believes that after a few games he will have a good regular leftfielder.

Next week, we will carry the batteries and utility men, which should give everybody a pretty fair idea just how the team will stack up compared with last year. Charlie has called a practice session for Sunday afternoon at Dwenger Park. All players will be there for a "long" intra-squad game.

NOTICE

Softball players of the Plant Protection Section should report to Cecil Rose or Ernie Hanauer, next Wednesday, May 9, at McMillen Park.

G-E Players Prominent In Table Tennis Tournament

G-E Club table tennis players carried off the lion's share of the honors in the Fort Wayne Closed Table Tennis Tournament last Friday and Saturday. Five out of the six senior events were won by General Electric people.

Lore Ferverda, Bldg. 28, G-E men's singles champion, beat out Pete Collias for the city championship in the men's singles. The finals in this event are usually the high spot of any tournament and this was no exception. Ferverda's experience and steady play turned the trick and the speedy Collias was only able to win two of the five games. Scores were 19-21, 21-18, 21-17, 18-21, 21-14.

Mrs. Harry Renner, G-E ladies' singles champion, easily copped the city championship, also. Mrs. Renner has only recently come to Fort Wayne but has seen a great deal of action in table tennis. Her style of play compares favorably with the best of the male players in Fort Wayne, and she has had, so far, no difficulty in defeating any of her opponents. Mr. Renner is a G-E employee in Bldg. 4-6.

Phyllis Amstutz of the Taylor Street Plant was the runner-up in the ladies' singles, and one of the semi-finalists was Mrs. Hubert Myers. Mr. Myers works in Bldg. 19-5.

Ferverda and Mrs. Renner teamed up in the mixed doubles to win that title, also. G-E was also represented in the semi-finals by Miss Amstutz who was paired with Barney Horn, Y. M. C. A., and by Wallace Fox and Mrs. Fox. Mr. Fox works in Bldg. 4-2.

The veterans' singles, limited to men over 35 years of age, was all G-E from the semi-finals on. Homer Campbell, Bldg. 31-1, won this title from Fox, 21-16, 21-13, 21-17, in a reversal of last year's result. The other semi-finalists were Ray Hamilton and C. Mannan, both of Bldg. 31-2.

Leonhard Michel, Bldg. 31-1, won the consolation men's singles from Pete Uran, Bldg. 28. Harry Renner, Bldg. 4-6, was one of the semi-finalists in this group, which was composed of all first-round losers of the men's singles.

The only event not won by G-E players was the men's doubles, in which Horn and Collias defeated Ferverda and Campbell for the title in a hot match, 19-21, 21-17, 21-17, 21-16. Fox and Michel, always a strong team, were eliminated in the semi-finals.

This tournament was the second annual affair under Indiana Table Tennis Association approval, and was promoted by the Y. M. C. A. through a committeee headed by John Worthman. A marked increase in interest in table tennis was evident during the tournament, as shown by the improved quality of play and the number of paid admissions. The Baer Field entries were particularly strong competition, and it is to be expected that Fort Wayne table tennis activities will receive still more attention as service men return home after the war.



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"THESE BEEFSTEAK TOMATOES ARE A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT. ALL THESE WEEKS AND NOT A SIGN OF ANY BEEF!"

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

By Dale McNutt

League Standing

	W.	L.
Tool Room	2	0
D. H. K.'s	1	1
Development	1	1
Glants	1	1
Laboratory	1	1
Aluminum Parts	1	1
Ramblers	1	1
B-29's	1	1
Screw Balls	1	1
Production	0	2

Summary

Tool Room won from Laboratory	184-198
Ramblers won from Development	219-231
B'29's won from Production	193-210
Alum. Parts won from Glants	205-230
Screw Balls won from D.H.K.'s	205-207

The second week of play was finished in a drizzling rain and most of the scores were a bit drizzly also. Tool Room "pellet punchers" sunk the Lab and swept into undisputed first position. All other teams are tied at one victory and one loss each with the exception of the Production quintet which has been subdued twice, so consequently they hold undisputed claim to the cellar position.

Even with the addition of two promising rookies, the Production "push-overs" have failed to click and have now established the amazing record of nine straight losses. They failed in their last seven encounters last season and so far this year have been defeated twice. At least they do get a lot of exercise and create new records every time they play.

Last week Richie and Taylor turned in the low scores of 45 for the first nine and Barney's 45 was low score on the back nine. High score for the evening was a blazing 74 count. It is rumored that he will lower that score next week with his ball bat and billiard cue.

See you next week and here's hoping you "Sunday" golfers do better on Mondays.

The big business man had died and gone to—well, not to heaven. But hardly had he settled down for a nice long smoke when a hearty hand slapped him on the back, and into his ear boomed the voice of a persistent salesman who had pestered him much on earth.

"Well, Mr. Smith," chortled the salesman. "I'm here for tbe appointment."

"What appointment?"

"Why, don't you remember? Every time I entered your office on earth you told me you'd see me here!"

Electrically Operated Aircraft Circuit Breaker Described

A three-pole, 120-ampere, remotely controlled, electrically operated air circuit breaker, designed for use on a 400-cycle, grounded neutral system, is described by C. H. Titus and P. J. Reifschneider, General Electric engineers, in a paper listed on the AIEE Spring Program.

Designed primarily for the 208Y/120-volt, 400-cycle, a-c system selected by the Army Air Forces for large aircraft, this breaker is described as having an interrupting rating of 3800 amperes at all pressures from sea level to 50,000 feet altitude. This rating, it is stated, offers adequate interrupting capacity for the proposed 400-cycle aircraft system.

Satisfactory and reliable operation under extreme conditions of temperature, pressure, humidity, vibration, and acceleration is cited as an important feature of the breaker. The authors state that the closing solenoid and shunt-trip coils have been designed to provide short closing and tripping times, respectively, over a wide range of ambient temperature and control voltage. The weight and size, which are primary considerations in aircraft equipment, have been held to the minimum.

Pointing out that future increases in aircraft electrical loads will undoubtedly call for more extensive systems using breakers of higher continuous and short-circuit ratings, the authors say that experience gained in the design of this breaker indicates that these demands can be met without sacrificing any of the present features.

BOOSTER TICKETS

$1.00

Entitles bearer to admission at reduced rate of 50¢, tax included.

Don't forget, season opener, Sunday, May 13, at Dwenger Park. Look for the salesman nearest you, and get yours now.

R. Ankenhruck, Bldg. 28-1
J. Henry, Bldg. 28-1
O. Ellenwood, Bldg. 26-2
D. McKerring, Bldg. 20-1
D. O'Connell, Bldg. 20-1
H. McGary, Bldg. 20-1
H. Underwood, Bldg. 20-1
J. Ort, Bldg. 17-2
D. Smith, Bldg. 6-B
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M. Kessner, Bldg. 17-1
A. Hume, Wlnter Street
M. Gerardot, Bldg. 26-6
M. Hennlgb, Bldg. 17-4
W. Lassen, Bldg. 4-6
F. McCague, Bldg. 10-1
C. Saylor, Bldg. 6-1
W. Staley, Bldg. 6-1
M. Milbolland, Bldg. 6-4
J. Arnold, Bldg. 6-B
J. Saylor, Bldg. 6-3
K. Guessinger, Bldg. 6-2
H. Gorrell, Bldg. 4-2
E. Lallac, Bldg. 4
E. Lash, Bldg. 4-B
H. Bubb, Bldg. 4-8
A. Lindenberg, Bldg. 4-8
H. Barrick, Bldg. 4-2
R. Chandler, Bldg. 4-1
V. Leakey, Bldg. 17-1
H. Franke, Bldg. 4-3
W. Hoelle, Bldg. 19-1
F. Eakin, Bldg. 18-1
R. Parker, Bldg. 18-6
C. Bobllya, Taylor Street
W. Rabus, Taylor Street
M. Sweet, Bldg. 26-4
J. Allen, Bldg. 26-6
N. Little, Bldg. 12-3
R. Hattendorf, Bldg. 12-2
O. Rodenbeck, Wlnter Street
R. Braden, Bldg. 25-1
P. Cartwrlght, Bldg. 26-2
G. Cowan, Bldg. 4-4
R. Glenn, Bldg. 26-2
I. Holmes, Bldg. 4-6
R. Kimmel, Bldg. 27
J. Lewis, Bldg. 17-2
P. Slack, Bldg. 17-8
E. Glass, Bldg. 8
R. May, Bldg. 8
H. Lindemuth, Bldg. 2-1
C. Norgard, Bldg. 19-8
L. Sebsrer, Bldg. 19-4
M. Cook, Bldg. 19-2
H. Kugler, Bldg. 19-5
G. Miller, Bldg. 19-B
V. Howell, Bldg. 26-1
M. Miller, Bldg. 31
O. Beaty, Yard
C. Braden, Bldg. 17-2
R. Braden, Bldg. 26-1
G. Langenberg, Bldg. 4-5
J. Dally, Bldg. 17-1

Tickets may also be obtained from any G-E fireman, at the G-E Club, and from any member of the Taylor Street Athletic Association.

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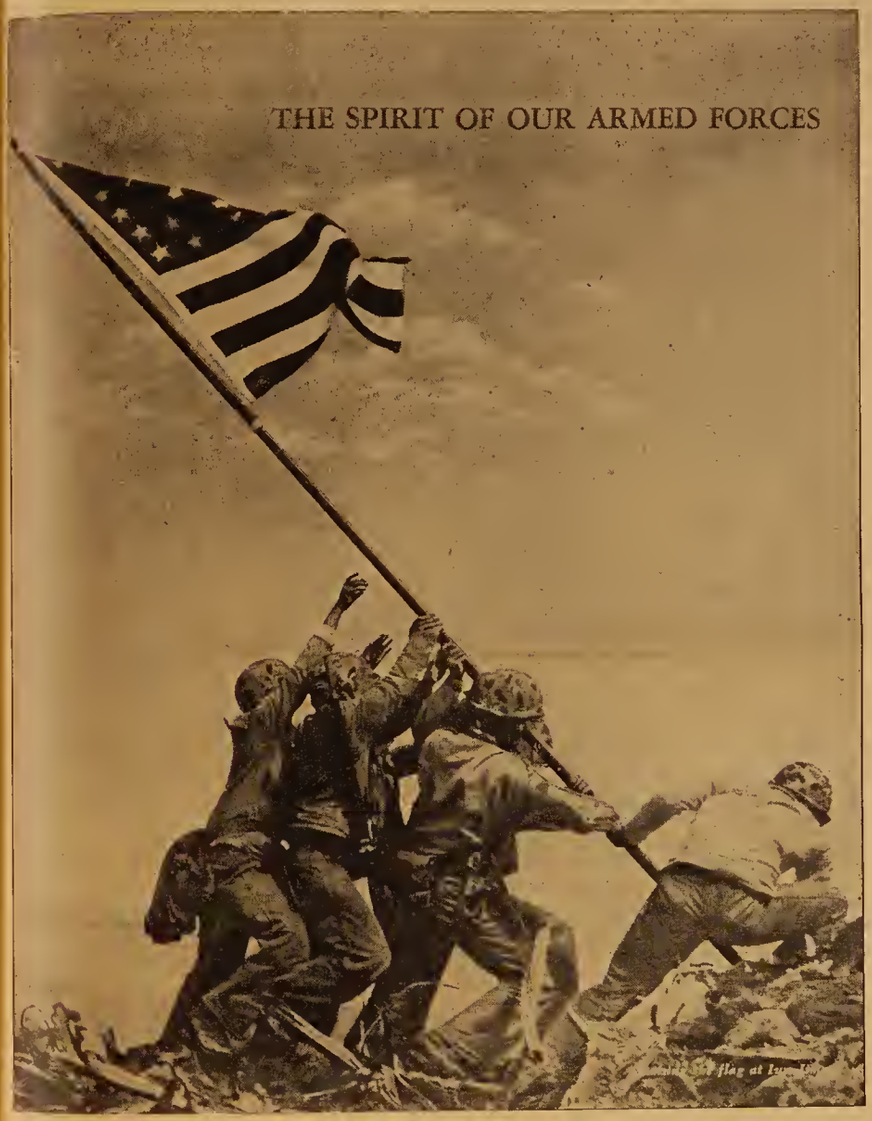
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Seventh War Loan Drive Starts Monday



Theme picture for the Seventh War Loan Drive is this photograph of the famous flag-raising on Iwo Jima during the campaign to take that island. It is symbolic of the fact that hard work and support of such undertakings as the Seventh War Loan are necessary before the flags of freedom will wave again throughout the world.

The Marines at Iwo Jima have shown civilians the way to victory. The Seventh War Loan will show how well they have learned their lesson.

Quotas Established For All Divisions

Goal Of $340,000 To Be Met By Employees On May 14, 15, 16

The Seventh War Loan Drive will open in the Fort Wayne Works at 8:30 o'clock Monday morning, when the first divisional bond rally will be held for employees, who this time will work toward a goal of $340,000 in cash purchases of war bonds.

Divisional rallies will continue throughout the day and resume on Tuesday and Wednesday, with the last rally scheduled for 3:15 P. M. at the Kokomo plant. Employees at the Broadway, Winter Street, Taylor Street, Decatur, and Kokomo plants will be reached by the programs.

Dr. E. Burns Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend, will be the speaker at all rallies. He is well known to residents here for having served as pastor of the Wayne Street Methodist Church for seven years prior to his present pastorate. Dr. Martin served overseas in World War I as a captain-chaplain. In the later days of the conflict he served in the Morale Section, U. S. Army, and there had the opportunity to speak to large groups of men being returned to civilian life. This is the first time he has participated in a Fort Wayne Works bond drive.

The "Melody Six," including Carol Lyman, Naomi Rinehold, Phyllis Hubartt, Beverly Wooding, Peggy Faux and Phyllis Renkenberger, will entertain at each of the divisional rallies. They will be accompanied by Ilene Franke and Velma Lehman. Misses Hubartt, Franke and Lehman are G-E employees.

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Alumni Group To See Comedy, "Kiss And Tell"

A special presentation of "Kiss and Tell," lively comedy of family life, will be presented for members, wives and friends of the Apprentice Alumni group Wednesday, May 23, at 8:30 P. M. at the Civic Theatre.

"Kiss and Tell" is the story of the Archers—Mom, Pop and their troublesome son and daughter—caught up in the fast-moving tempo of modern life. The play takes place in the suburb of an industrial city at the home of the Archers. The comedy offers the usual war marriage in secret (over parent's disapproval), and the antics of the daughter give Mom and Pop a few grey hairs in the course of the play's action, much to the delight of the audience.

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CASUALTIES

Pvt. Richard E. Jehl, Winter Street, was injured April 16, in Germany.

Sgt. Thomas C. Holmes, Bldg. 4-1, was wounded in Germany early in April.

Pvt. Max F. Potter, Bldg. 6-4, was wounded on Luzon, April 16.

PFC Wallace S. Hersh, Taylor Street was killed in action April 8 in Germany.

Suggestion Awards Listed

$645 Paid To 88 Employees For Ideas On Better Methods

Paul Johnson, Winter Street plant employee, topped this week's suggestion award list with his idea in providing a forming die for twisting fan blades, for which he received a $50 award. A total of $645 was paid to 88 employees who offered suggestions on better methods, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, secretary of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Other high awards to employees included a payment of $35 to Charles E. Etchason, Kokomo Plant, and $25 to E. Moser, Bldg. 19-4. Mr. Etchason suggested changes to oven schedules to reduce operation time,

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Carver Club Carnival

The Carver Club is participating in a carnival at the Wheatley Social Center on May 17 and 18. Plans are being made to have booths, games, and food such as baked beans and roast wieners. A limited number of cigarettes will be available each evening. The program on both evenings will begin at 7:00.

Members of the Elex Club are invited to attend.

Appreciation

I am certain that those in the Armed Forces of our country, wherever they may be, join with me in expressing appreciation to the employees of the Fort Wayne Works for so earnestly staying on their jobs all day Tuesday, May 8, after our President announced the end of the war in Europe.

It must be a source of gratification to the 4,352 boys and girls who left us to enter the Armed Forces to know that the people here at home realize the importance of the job still ahead and are continuing to produce the materials necessary to finish the job, defeat Japan, and bring final victory.

In memory of the 72 who will not return, this was a fine tribute.

M. E. Lord
Works Manager

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It Is Later Than You Think

Sure, maybe the show in Europe is over. What you've been reading in the papers lately is really true this time. Germany has collapsed and surrendered completely. But that doesn't mean that we can write "The End" to the chapter. Even if we can write off the Germans as a finished job, we STILL are left with a full-fledged war on our hands in the Pacific.

Arm-chair strategists and cracker-barrel philosophers may dispute at length concerning the best way in which the campaigns overseas should be waged, but they're in complete agreement about one fact. And it's a fact which none of us here at home can afford to overlook. We're still fighting. The war doesn't end at a certain hour of a certain day for each one of us as individuals. It goes on, bitterly and tragically, for all of us as a nation—until the final victory is won.

This is not the time for sitting back and slackening our efforts. Just remember this. Each day that this terrific struggle continues there are thousands of casualties. Maybe to you they're just names in the newspaper, fellows you've never heard of, men you've never met. But when you come across the name of a friend of yours . . . does that make you stop and think? Do you realize then that for him the war is over, but not for you? Not until the last gun has been stilled forever.

Maybe when they will ask you at the plant next week to sign up for extra war bonds for the Seventh War Loan you will say, "Well, I'll see. I'll think about it." That's not enough. This isn't a matter you can deliberate about, because from the very outset of this war, time has been our most implacable enemy.

The time is NOW! When the war bond solicitor comes to you next week, do it at once. Tell him that you want to write yourself down for some more Bonds for the Seventh War Loan.

Using One's Head

In nearly every job the headaches and the backaches can be cut down. And often it is the person doing the work who sees the improvements to make.

They may be simple, common-sense changes, like arranging supplies in a more convenient way, or raising the level of a bench.

But small improvements like these can make a big difference. They allow your full skill to go into the job. Yet they make your work less tiring. And a job is more satisfying when you use your mind to save your muscles.

They Look To Us

Is the Mighty Seventh "just one more War Bond drive"? Do the repeated rallies and posters and WORKS NEWS publicity, the canvassers, the payroll deduction cards and all the trappings of a bond campaign have a wearisome sameness? Has the whole thing gotten to be a bore?

Well, tell that to the Marines. They are the men who met the withering fire at Tarawa and Iwo Jima and are now taking it on Okinawa. They are the men whose survivors are alive today largely because you and I bought bonds with money that was used for the carrier-based aircraft and all the other paralyzing weapons which weakened the island defenders before the landings.

Tell it to the Army. They are the men who cracked Fortress Europe under the protective cloak of gunfire and the cloud of planes that we bought with our bonds; the men who leaped the Rhine and smothered Nazism with bond-bought tanks and artillery.

Tell it to the Navy. They are the men who swept the subs from the seas, sank most of the Jap navy and are sucking the life-blood from the sprawling Nip empire.

And these men need more of the muscle-power of war which we furnish with bond purchases. It may be that we can build a better plane than the B-29. If so, let's buy more bonds and do it! It is certain that there must be more tanks, guns, rockets, and all the other trappings of warfare to lick the little creatures who starve and torture their prisoners.

Those men out there are looking to us. The Mighty Seventh must go over the top!

DAY OF REVERENCE



As victory came in Europe this week, General Electric men and women were grave, not gay. There was a vast, surging sense of relief that the most terrifying job was over—the Nazi enemy was completely, overwhelmingly beaten. They could not make the excuse this time of the "deceptive" 14 points of President Wilson, no scapegoat in the shape of the German home front that "let the army down." It was abject defeat for Hitler and all that he stood for.

There was still the other job, partly done, but terrifying enough. It could be hastened now—shortened, but no one knows how much. The foxholes and graves in the Rhineland and on the North German plain would grow green this summer—there would be more foxholes and new, fresh graves on the road to Tokyo.

That was what made the people of General Electric solemn—not gay—this week.

But the victory is sure and the will to do it is strong.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

MEAT ROASTING TIME AND TEMPERATURE CHART

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

With the lowered temperatures which are now being recommended for the roasting of meats, one needs an efficient meat roasting chart.

The Edison Electric Institute has revised its meat chart to conform with the modern approved method of slower roasting (which saves considerable quantities of meat by less shrinkage), and here we publish it for your use. This valuable chart gives cooking time required (where no meat thermometer is used) as well as the new lowered temperatures.

Recommended Utensil

As stated in a previous column, with a lower temperature for roasting, no covered roasting pan is needed for the tender cuts of meat. So for all tender meats and fowl use an open shallow pan.

For the less tender cuts of meat such as chuck, rump, shoulder, and for less tender chicken use a covered roasting pan which will help steam it tender.

Roasting can be started in either a cold or preheated oven, with the exception of spareribs which should be started only in a preheated oven.

Meat, Fowl, Fish Roasting Chart

	Oven Temp. Fahrenheit	Approximate Minutes per pound
Rib Roast of Beef (with bone)		
Rare	300	18-20
Medium	300	22-25
Well Done	300	27-30
Rolled Ribs of Beef (no bone)	300	Add 10-15 min.per lb.
Lamb		
Leg	300	30-35
Shoulder		
Whole	300	30-35
Rolled	300	40-45
Cushion	300	30-35
Fresh Pork		
Loin		
Center	350	35-40
Whole	350	15-20
Ends	350	45-50
Shoulder		
Rolled	350	40-45
Cushion	350	35-40
*Smoked Ham		
Whole	300	15-25
Half	300	20-30
Veal (loin)	300	30-35
Duck—4½-6 lbs.	350	30-35
Goose—8-12 lbs.	325	25-30
Chicken, stuffed with dressing		
3½-4 lbs.	350	40-45
4-5 lbs.	350	35-40
5-6 lbs.	350	30-35
Fish, lrg., 4-6 lbs.	400	10-15
Small—2 lbs.	400	10-12
Turkey, weight ready for oven		
8-10 lbs.	325	20-25
10-14 lbs.	325	18-20
14-18 lbs.	300	15-18

*Tenderized hams require the shorter cooking time.

VICTORY VERSES



THE GUY WHO TAKES JUST ONE MORE NIP MAY ALSO TAKE AN EXTRA TRIP: OUT IN THE STREET HE'LL PAUSE TO HICCUP— AN AMBULANCE WILL MAKE THE PICK-UP!

REMEMBER THE SEVENTH WAR LOAN DRIVE — MAY 14 - 15 - 16

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Feel Proud



P. W. Jeffries P. R. Wehnert

Pvt. Paul R. Wehnert of Taylor Street is a member of the infantry. Cpl. Perry W. Jeffries has written the following letter:

Dear Editor and Gang in Bldg. 4-4:

Just a word to say hello and let you know how glad I and my buddies are to receive the WORKS NEWS and to thank all for the swell job they are doing to get this over so all can come back to see all their family and friends. It sure makes me feel proud when I see the good G-E label on so many things here. And the bazooka has sure been a wonderful help to all of us over here.

As ever,
Cpl. Perry W. Jeffries

Cpl. Ford T. Mueller is a radio operator with the 18th Weather Squadron, USSTAF, and is now stationed in France.

PFC Monroe B. Fuhrman is now stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va. "We just came off the rifle range today, and I qualified for expert. I had 187 out of a possible 210. I had a slow start but was doing pretty well in the last few rounds."

The WORKS NEWS will be sent to all G-E service people for whom addresses are on file; this mailing includes both overseas and continental stations. Service men and women are asked to send in changes of address promptly; friends and relatives of service people are asked to help their uniformed people by supplying changes of address to the WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 10-2.

Communications from service people for the "News from Men and Women in Armed Services" page are welcomed. Please address WORKS NEWS Editor, General Electric Company, 1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, 2, Indiana.

Seaman First Class

Dear Friends of the NEWS and Bldg. 4-1:

I get your paper regularly now and sure do like to read it, and often as I read it I wonder about the fellows in Bldg. 4-1 and my old foremen, Carl Moser and Jim Crowe.

I made seaman first class the first of April and am now striking for ship's cook, working in the galley. It sure is different work, but I really like it. The outfit I am in is stationed on one of the Admiralty Islands, which I cannot tell the name. It is very nice here; we are situated in a coconut grove, so you see we get all the coconuts we want. We have all kinds of entertainment, such as a new movie every night, USO shows, and all kinds of recreation.

I would enjoy hearing from some of my old pals in Bldg. 4-1, such as Pete Miller, Ed Smithers, and any of the rest that wish to write.

Well, I guess that is about all I know except thanks a million for the NEWS and I wish I was back with the fellows working. Well, maybe I will before long. Who knows? Will close with best luck to everyone from an old friend.

Sincerely,
Jacob F. Koeppel, S 1/c

Dear Editor:

Haven't written you in quite some time now, and I figured it was about time that I did. . . .

Am glad to see that everyone back there is doing their bit, so that we can all get home soon. Where I've been, and where I'm at now can never compare with home.

Give my regards to the gang in Bldg. 19-3 for me, and tell them I wish them all the best of luck always.

Keep up the good work, and we'll all be home soon.

Chester E. Bunger, SF 2/c

Carl J. Winicker, Winter Street, who was wounded in Holland just prior to the Sixth War Loan Drive, with a fractured shoulder and a broken left arm, was still determined to keep right on going. A photographer, inspired by the pluck of the boy, took a picture of him, which was later used as a poster for the Sixth War Loan Drive in New York City. Carl's mother is employed in Bldg. 19-2.

Frank J. Walzer, S. F. 1/c, would like to say hello to all his friends. "Tell a few of them to write to me."

Was In England

Dear Editor:

Was in England eighteen months and never got around to writing to the WORKS NEWS. Now that I'm in Germany, I finally found time. I am with the First Army over here and find it quite a change from England. For one thing, it's a little warmer, and that's something.

There is plenty of stuff over here with the G-E label on it. If you ask me, the production front has done the impossible. . . .

From what I've seen of Germany, I like it quite a bit better than England. I didn't see enough of France or Belgium to make any comparisons. Germany looks much like Indiana. It's a flat country, the weather is the same, and the same crops are grown. I like the flat country part, though. As an infantry man, it's a little easier when it comes to hikes.

I want to say hello to everyone I knew and worked with in Bldgs. 26-2, 26-B, three and four. Hope to see all of you some day in the near future, as we think it's almost finished over here. If anyone wants to write, I'll do my best to answer.

PFC Eldon Clevenger

Walter W. Gilbert, Bldg. 17-3, is stationed at Hutchinson, Kansas. "I'd like to say hello to the gang up at Bldg. 17-3, Roddy, and Charlie Rice. You are all tops, and I wish I was back with you."

Lt. Robert J. Blossom is one of the hundreds of fighter pilots who escorted heavy bombers and strafed Nazi trucks and trains during the Eighth Air Force's recent two-week record blitz on German rail and road junctions in air cooperation with the American drive into Germany. Lt. Blossom recently was awarded the first and second Oak Leaf Clusters to his Air Medal.

PFC Edward H. Horman is now a patient at Billings General Hospital, Indianapolis. He has been decorated with the Purple Heart with an Oak Leaf Cluster for wounds received at St. Lo.

Lt. Cmdr. Romer Franklin Good has been transferred for temporary duty to the Atlantic Fleet's Minecraft Training Center at Little Creek, Virginia. Lt. Cmdr. Good has completed 20 months' duty on a minesweeper in the Pacific area, where he participated in six invasions. He holds the Silver Star.

Deep In Germany

Dear Editor:

I've been trying to drop you a line for quite some time, but it seems when the Hun is on the run the best thing is to keep him running. As you can see, our division is the one the deepest in Germany, and we have a record behind us that anyone would be proud of.

The very ink, paper, and pen I'm writing this letter with was in German hands only a few short days ago. No doubt some big Nazi was writing on this very table a week ago, and it looks like he left in a hurry, as it is a fair pen, and he didn't finish his last letter. We have a habit of arriving a little sooner than they expect us, or at least that is what they tell us when we arrive at almost every town.

We have no trouble getting hot water and good places to sleep if we do put down in a city, as the civilians know that the Americans like to keep clean. I talked to a German medic last night, and he commented on the cleanliness of the doughs. I can easily see what he means by the prisoners we take and the ones that don't walk any more. Filth is evident everywhere and when we get a bar of soap out they almost beg to smell it, and if it is almost gone they eye it till we leave it where they can pick it up. Chocolate has been kaput here for about five years, and it is mighty hard to eat it in front of a child.

About the only product of the G-E that we have in a rifle company is the bazooka, but believe you me it's the little cannon to the Jerries.

I guess maybe you would like to know more about the place I'm staying. It is a huge castle and just like the ones you see in travelogues and art books. A week ago it held hundreds of Allied prisoners, but they are all on their way home now. The quarters I have are about 200 feet above the city and has showers, stoves, and believe it or not, furniture. Sure better than a foxhole. It's time I quit racing my motor and go do a little guard duty. The WORKS NEWS gets to me in eight days, and I must say words can't express my appreciation for it. It is like one big letter from all the G-E people.

A front-line G.I.,
PFC Jerome Brumbaugh

Lt. Waldo Page, Bldg. 26-1, a prisoner in Stalag 7-A in Germany, broadcast via shortwave on March 29 that he was all right. "Don't worry; I'll write whenever I can," he said. He received two letters from G-E men.

S/Sgt. Samuel E. Schladenhauffen, Bldg. 19-2, saw action in the Battle of Zig-Zag Pass on Bataan. During the battle, he remained at the front with his medical unit, administering blood plasma and other medications to our wounded troops. He has been commended by his battalion and company officers for outstanding bravery and tireless energy.

Major Paul M. Neumann has been decorated with the Silver Star for the manner in which he supervised the supply of men of the 337th Infantry of the 95th Infantry Division from Nov. 8 to Nov. 21.

Herbert Langer, F 1/c, Bldg. 26-5, is on active sea duty.



Flight Officer John P. Leinedecker has been awarded the Air Medal "for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial activities against the enemy."

Piloting Air Transport Command planes carrying high ranking Allied military officers, priority passengers, combat men and war cargo over the vital Middle East air routes from Casablanca to Karachi, India, is the duty of 2nd Lt. Harrison L. Rainey. He is assigned to John H. Payne Field, Cairo, the North African Division's airway gate to the Far East war fronts where planes are landing and taking off every ten minutes of the day and night.

Lt.-Gen. James H. Doolittle, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force, has commended the officers and men of his only repair depot on the continent of Europe, where Sgt. Robert J. Laudick is assigned to the carpenter section of the repair department of the supply division.

Cpl. Carl D. Swihart has been awarded his fifth bronze battle star, representing his fifth major campaign of the war in which his outfit has participated. He is a truck driver in the 440th Troop Carrier Group, awarded the Presidential Unit Citation for its work in the initial invasion of Normandy, the paratroop and glider operation in Southern France, the airborne invasion of Holland and the aerial resupply of the U. S. troops surrounded at Bastogne.

Sure Is OK



J. R. Schroeder H. J. Davis

"Have been in service 21 months," says Pvt. John R. Schroeder, Bldg. 19-5, "and overseas 13 months. Was stationed with a general hospital. Spent six months in Sydney, Australia, and six in New Guinea, and what boys have talked with say the G-E equipment is OK." At the present time he is stationed at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Homer Johnson Davis, Bldg. 4-2, is a member of the U. S. Navy.

Bond Drive

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J. W. Crise, who is in charge of the campaign, pointed out that in working towards the goal of $340,000 set for this drive, an attempt will be made to achieve nearly one hundred per cent participation, thus more nearly presenting the "solid front" that is necessary to finish the war in the Pacific. An employee soliciting organization has been set up, he added, which allows complete coverage of employees at the Fort Wayne Works.

Other bond drives here have been outstandingly successful, despite the fact that complete employee participation has never been achieved. In the Fifth War Loan Drive employees purchased a total of $391,565 in bonds against a quota of $265,000. This represented an employee participation of only 52.7 percent, however. In the Sixth War Loan Drive, 52.9 percent of the employees bought bonds for cash totalling $362,861, again oversubscribing a quota of $245,000.

Divisional and sectional quotas have been set up so that each employee solicitor can work toward a definite goal and success in each group may be tabulated. The Works quota of $340,000, broken down by divisions and sections, is as follows:

Specialty FHP	$ 15,237
4-6 Office	3,599
Section 13	23,890
Section 14	10,203
Section 15	33,908
Subcontract	310
Section 19	9,522
Section 20	4,609
Motor Devel.	4,294
FHP Engineers	3,031
FHP Drafting	3,417
Spec. Trans.	37,237
Spec. Trans. Eng.	1,444
Spec. Trans. Draft.	249
Mot. Gen.	35,905
Mot. Gen. Eng.	1,623
Mot. Gen. Draft	1,235
Wire	3,771
Wire Eng.	116
Insulation	1,503
Specialist Train.	963
Salvage	716
Power Plant	951
Gen. Tool	6,725
Plant Protection	1,469
Gen. Service	13,479
Plant Eng.	3,768
Gen. Insp. and Test	301
Central Wage Rate	237
Rec. & Gen. Stores	1,850
Distribution	4,292
Reg. Pts. Whse.	487
Leased Whse.	1,478
Order & Stores	1,176
Prod. Service	1,718
G-E Club	385
Employees Store	19
Restaurant	1,283
Dispensary	278
Personnel	945
Wks. Acc. Off.	913
Payroll	1,573
Accounting	1,157
Clerical Train.	166
Wks. Lab.	1,611
Data Bureau	427
Draft. Bpr. & Photo	1,173
Asst. Mgr. Off.	674
Manager's Off.	1,364
Plastics	4,265
Total Broadway	$250,946
Taylor Street	26,091
Power Drive	5,077
AC/CRD	20,207
Decatur	23,027
Kokomo	14,652
Total	$340,000

Seventh War Loan Banner



The banner pictured above is that which will be awarded to the employees of those divisions and sections of the plant which meet their quotas in the Seventh War Loan Drive next week. The banner has a white background with red and blue lettering.

Suggestions

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while changes to certain frame drawings to show tap drills through casting were suggested by Mr. Moser.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 were as follows:

Bldg. 19-5

Hillis A. Wearley, Raymond A. Pickett.

Bldg. 4-4

Walter Kritzman, John C. Miller, Louis J. Hinen, Earl Strong, Elmer C. Place, Paul Z. Burnau, Lloyd John Roose, John H. Allendorph, Herbert W. Schumm, Donald Gage, Mildred Reinhart, Nellie M. Baumgartner.

Bldg. 4-1

Harry Foust, Paul A. LeCoque, Frederick W. Schaaf, Leo M. Ebert.

Decatur

Charles M. Pyle, Arthur Garner.

Bldg. 4-3

Gwendolyn J. Buzby, Ralph M. Springer, Ora E. Goff.

Hamilton

Raymond H. Trumbower, Paul A. Witte.

Kokomo

Holden E. Hilligass, Raymond E. Tilley, Raymond Artis, C. Ray Freed.

Bldg. 19-4

Clyde L. Boyce, Arthur McNamara.

Bldg. 19-3

Thomas A. Gouty, Frank C. Vorndran.

Bldg. 4-2

Herbert A. Tilbury, Virgil J. Bowers, Howard Barrick, Otto E. Reichwage.

Bldg. 17-3

Arthur J. Drewery, LaVern C. Goeglein, Bernadette B. Lantz.

Bldg. 4-5

Robert L. Kelsey, Boyce M. Lambert, Willis K. Dillman, Maxine N. Conley, Felix J. Neuman.

Bldg. 6-2

Charlotte M. Moser, Antoinette A. Lause, Irene Barrand, Luella A. Guy, Clester Platt, Dorothy Tilbury, Lela V. Gaunt, Max E. Flohr, Anna M. Baals, Richard Conrad, Jr., Wilda Knelanger.

Bldg. 17-2

O. R. Young, Jeanette Blough.

Bldg. 26-5

Louis A. Paluszak, Allison A. VanWormer, Glenn O. Hoon.

Bldg. 2

Adele Kuckuck, Helen C. Burnam, Charles W. Scarlett, Richard Andrews.

Bldg. 27

Frank A. Fordham, Donald Willis Gingrich, Ralph L. Dolan, Loyd McClure.

Bldg. 6-B

Byron L. Neuman, Samuel N. James.

Bldg. 26-4

Erwin Benzinger.

Bldg. 7

John A. Klejnot.

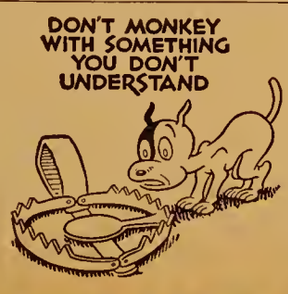
Bldg. 17-1

Charles A. Lauer, Homer Deventer, Richard H. Evans, James Stafford, Elva E. Gunning.

Alumni Meeting

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The play has enjoyed unusually long runs both in New York and Chicago, and the rights to do the play here were secured by the Civic Theatre after much difficulty. Tickets may be secured from contact men.



General Electric Greets V-E Day With Resolve For High Production

When Armistice Day ended World War I, the men and women of General Electric joyously abandoned machines and shops and thronged the streets as the war's pent-up emotions suddenly were released. In one G-E Works, a group of shop men lifted the manager to their shoulders and paraded with him as with a football hero. But that was 26 years ago.

When President Truman marked the official end of World War II in Europe Tuesday, most General Electric people did not demonstrate — the overwhelming majority stuck to their jobs; there was work still to do. There was another enemy yet to beat, and sons, brothers and husbands were still in mortal danger as they grappled with him. So G-E people took another hitch in their belts and went on with record production.

At the Fort Wayne Works, the news for which all had been waiting was received quietly and with thankfulness. Although there was an undercurrent of excitement among the people over the news, there was at the same time a solemn determination among them to finish the other half of the job yet to be done.

At River Works on V-E Day the names of three more boys joined the list of war dead, making 104 to date. At Ontario, California, 3,000 miles nearer the smoke and dust of Okinawa, every man and woman in the works stayed on the job. There was another job to be finished.

At Erie the personnel took V-E Day in stride. There the President's proclamation was broadcast throughout the works and the G-E men and women went back to their work. There was no hilarity —instead, a prayer service was held before the speaker's platform near the main gate at noon, addressed by Works Manager H. L. R. Emmet, J. W. Nelson, president of Local 506, U. E. R. and M. W. A., the Rev. Charles A. Ward and the Rev. W. G. Hartman.

The Plastics Divisions News, Pittsfield, led General Electric publications up to another milestone in company industrial journalism when it published an extra with a large number of illustrations depicting Plastics Divisions activities during the war period and exhorting its readers to increase pressure on the surviving member of the Axis.

At the Pittsfield Works there was an impromptu parade at the end of the broadcast of President Truman's proclamation. Some confetti was thrown from windows, and a crowd collected in front of the administration building. A number of the group formed a parade led by a truck carrying a piano playing martial and jive airs. An inadvertent air of festivity came when a strip of aluminum foil fell across two power wires in the street and made an explosion, which was the only noise of the day, other than that of turning out weapons to lick the Japs. Paraders were only a small proportion of the works personnel.

At Philadelphia, employees tried to get friends and relatives on the phone, to find the city wires jammed with calls. As the day progressed elated employees met in small groups in their own departments to express thanks and relief over the victory. Several visiting combat veterans joined.

Design Signalling Searchlight For Colored Messages

A signalling searchlight used to send colored code messages has been designed by the Lighting Division, General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York, for use on Navy vessels. The 12-inch unit is built to withstand the roughest weather, severe reper- cussion from the recoil of the guns, and other vibrations encountered in modern sea warfare.

The unit is enclosed in a fabricated, drum-type housing mounted on a trunnion bracket which pivots on a stationary base. A cylinder-shaped hood, in which a clear glass or any one of three special colored lenses can be used, fits over the shutter. The shutter is of the lattice-vane type, manually operated with either of the two handles at the sides. The hood tunnels and directs the light to the receiver, making the message impossible to intercept unless in a direct line of vision. With each searchlight employing a different color lens, it is possible to send four simultaneous messages to one ship without the danger of confusion on the part of any receiver.

Gaskets used on this type of signalling device are made of the new G-E silicone rubber. Unlike the usual gasket materials, silicone will not shrink, become brittle when subjected to extreme temperatures, absorb moisture, or be affected by sea water. It retains its elastic properties at temperatures as low as -60 degrees F or as high as 575 degrees F. It further acts as a weatherproof and shock-proof cushion for the door glass which protects the shutter and lamp.

The operator can easily aim the light by means of a handle attached to the back of the door. A sight is provided on either side of the drum for aiming the beam.

As in standard G-E marine signalling searchlights, the shutter has been tested to withstand more than 2,000,000 operations at the rate of 180 operations per minute. An experienced signalman sends and receives messages up to a rate of nine words or 180 dots and/or dashes per minute.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Have you noticed Cecil Young's new trousers? He said he happened to have a couple extra thousand dollars, so he went on a spending spree. . . . Jim Fleming recently became a rancher. He told everyone he was getting a carload of cattle. It turned out he got one steer. Must have been a big one to take up one box car, eh, Jim? . . . How is the vacation, Georgia? . . . Remember Mother's Day is Sunday. A little deed or thought will mean a lot to her. . . . Mae Null has left us for a few weeks to go upstairs. Hurry back to us, Mae. . . . We all agree with Deall Rogers that her little nephew, Jeff, is quite a cute little fellow.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

For many months Violet Schmidt has been counting the days until she is 18, so at last the day got here. Happy birthday, Violet, and many more. . . . We were sorry to see Esther Douglas leave, but she was needed on the farm. . . . Mildred Oyer, Effie Yinger, and Florence Rekeweg are the lucky girls on vacation. . . . Can you imagine? Helen Screeton without a sack of something good to eat—Wanetta Schulte without flowers in her hair—Jean Firks without singing one of the hit songs—Naomi Eicher and Maxine Johnson without a smile—Joe Lothamer not hungry—Susie Jones without saying "Hello"—Ellen Gerbers without the red cherries for her coat—Anita Slusher without eating a banana—Lucille Schelper on a diet—Crystal Waterman without a salt shaker in her hand—Carl Saaf not chewing gum—Dorothy Weigman without bringing in some souvenirs her husband sends from Germany. . . Goodbye now. See you all next week.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Wedding bells to Cpl. and Mrs. Herbert Richardson. She's the former Louella Rexroth of Monroeville. . . . We're glad to see we have a couple new girls, Dorothy Hart and Kate Muldeney. Also we have a new girl from Bldg. 12-1; she's Mary Null. Welcome, girls! . . . Wanda Kumfer got new glasses but only had them a few days when she broke them. Don't worry, Wanda; everyone does it once in a while. . . . Hazel Kraft has been wearing a nice pair of red shoes to work this week. . . . Bettie and Lillian Cobb had simply an awful time trying to find someone who drove to LaOtto since their driver went on days. Well, as luck would have it, they found a driver—so now their worries are over.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

Plastics third trick is just about as usual. There's Ruth Nelson spending half her lunch period making sandwiches for the girls too tired(?) to walk to the cafeteria. . . . Johnnie Sowers and Will Osmun running to catch the street car. They must be out of gas again. . . . The usual smiles and gripes. This week it's the cold, wet weather, next week will be too hot or something. . . . And there's me asking everyone I meet, "Any news this week?" The usual answer, "I don't know a thing!" . . . Dot Merilat gave out with a new one this week, "I got some good news—but it's not printable." Disappointment. . . . Oh, yes, there is something new, another face. Introducing Eva Truman. Hope you like it here with us, Eva. . . . It's a dirty trick, that's what it is. Hadn't you heard? Don Dressen lost the banana he laid on the window sill to fill that void spot he gets around five o'clock. And he stood in line for two tiresome hours to get that very banana. Too bad, Don. . . . We won't say a word about Marj Kimbell and Alice Parquet spending Thursday with Ruth Nelson. And we won't mention about their going to a murder show, especially as they all decided it should not be printed in the NEWS. . . . By some odd quirk V. Johnson, H. Burcazk, M. Capage, D. Merrilat, R. Frederickson, D. Adams, and F. Butler had breakfast at a Broadway diner. Is the food good there or is it the magnetic pull of one plastics' worker to another? . . . Don Dressen took "mama" uptown yesterday and decked her out for Mother's Day. He bought her a dress and (as he puts it) one of those little hats with a big veil. Betcha he can pick 'em, too. . . . That's all for this week. See you all again next week with more news—we hope.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

The other day Charlie Harris reached in his pocket and pulled out two clothes pins. Tell us what it's all about, won't you, Charlie? . . . Maybe the reason Betty Beaman almost missed her bus the other morning was because she was adjusting her new spring bonnet to just the right angle. It's adorned with spring flowers, and very pretty. . . . Phyllis Guillot and Louise Stephenson are sporting new bracelets of the same kind, have you noticed? . . . Roseanne Schnieders and Pvt. William Roem of the Army, were married last Saturday morning. A reception was held that night at the Schnieders' home, and was attended by many of her co-office workers. Good luck to both of you. . . . As the golf tournament proceeds, it produces new names in the lead; this week it's L. A. Buckmaster, and Carl Saaf, and by the way credit is due to Ernie Comte who has been taking care of all arrangements connected with the tourney.

Cannibal Cook—"Shall I boil the missionary, boss?"

Cannibal Chief—"Don't be silly; that's a friar."

You wouldn't pile material in such a manner that it would fall easily—but would you straighten it up if you saw it so piled?

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

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EFFICIENCY FROM THE START



Correct brush seat and bearing wear-in are essential.

Correct brush seat is obtained by proper heat run.

Assembled motors are placed on racks, sent to heat run by conveyor and then to test. This method reduces the handling and the rejections due to damaged finish and leads to a minimum.

A QUALITY PRODUCT IS IN DEMAND THE WORLD OVER.

Name Co-ordinator Of Supercharger And Gas Turbine Manufacture

Edward R. Fitzgerald has been appointed coordinator of all supercharger and aircraft gas turbine manufacture in General Electric plants, it was announced recently by Neil Currie, Jr., in charge of manufacturing for the Company's Apparatus Department.

Mr. Fitzgerald, a native of Syracuse, N. Y., and a General Electric employee for the past 19 years, was graduated from Syracuse University's School of Electrical Engineering in 1926 and in July of that year was enrolled as a student engineer on the Company's test course at the Schenectady plant.

In December, 1927, Mr. Fitzgerald was transferred to the refrigeration engineering department on developmental projects where he remained until March, 1943, when he was transferred to the General Office and named coordinator of war projects in the Subcontracting Division, a position he held until his present promotion. Mr. Fitzgerald succeeds J. F. Eckel, who was recently appointed Assistant Manager of the River Works.

Engineers Describe Quality Control For Resistance Welding

A system of quality control of resistance welding that has been used successfully for over two years in manufacturing switch gear cubicles and equipment is the subject of an AIEE Spring Program paper by R. S. Inglis, R. P. McCants, and L. S. Hobson of the Switchgear Division, General Electric Company. Stating that standardization of the process is essential to its control, the authors describe in detail the methods by which it is attained.

Although on highly repetitive jobs it is necessary to establish the proper welding procedure only once and continue on that basis for the duration of the job, variable welding conditions such as are encountered in the fabrication of switchgear equipment make it necessary to have a specific procedure for each combination of materials. In the absence of basic fundamental data for such conditions, the authors state that it was originally necessary to undertake an extensive program to determine the effects of such variables as material type and thickness, welding current, pressure, and time. Many thousands of tests were made in which these factors were independently varied, and from this study it was possible to establish the proper welding procedures and the physical properties of the welds. These methods of testing and control continue in use today.

The authors report that since the structural stability of assemblies which are fabricated by resistance welding depends not only upon the quality of the parts used but upon the strength and ductility of the welds—two things which are most difficult to determine without destruction of the fabricated parts—three welded specimens are prepared each hour under the same conditions of production welding. These specimens are tested in torsion in special testing machines to determine ultimate torque, angle of twist, and weld diameter. Torsional testing gives a simple and accurate means of determining the weld strength and ductility, since the strength is proportional to the ultimate torque and weld diameter, and the ductility is proportional to the angle of twist.

Moreover, the paper states that a standardized welding procedure makes it necessary to have properly calibrated, reliable welding machines. Thyratron synchronous controls assure that once the machine has been set for a definite procedure, all of the welds made will be consistent. In addition, plug-in jacks are used to check them at regular intervals.

These factors are combined to give a quality number or index and hourly averages are plotted on a control chart posted on each machine. A weekly record sheet gives a complete analysis of weld quality control, by showing the relative performance of each machine, and the relative effect of materials and welding methods on the over-all level of weld quality.

You wouldn't wear long sleeves around moving machinery—but would you tell that "new guy" why you wouldn't?

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Thisa and Thata

BUILDING 19-5

We're glad to see Jenny Frazier back with us this week. Jenny was on her vacation last week. We are sorry to hear Jenny was sick the first part of her vacation. . . . We also want to welcome Geneva Worden back with us. Geneva spent several weeks in California with her husband. . . . Donna Bucker came to work last week with a sunburned face. Don't you know, Donna, that you can't take too much sun? Not right at first, anyhow. You sure look cute! . . . We wonder if Ray Pickett stops to think when he paints floors. Ray the other night painted his bedroom floor and that same evening he wanted to go someplace. Here all his clothes were in the closet, and Ray had to stay home. The next time, Ray, maybe you'll know better! . . . We wonder why Bonnie Mechling went to bed with her glasses on the other night. Did you want to see what your new home looked like in the dark, Bonnie?

Remote Indicating Compass Being Built At G-E's Lynn Plant

Have you ever been misled in the woods because you read your pocket compass when it was too near your axe or rifle? If so, you can understand why heavy metallic armor around fighter-plane cockpits made it necessary to adopt a kind of compass that could be located in a wing tip, or the tail, but read in the cockpit. Such a remote-indicating compass is now being manufactured by the General Electric Company in its instrument factory at West Lynn, it has just been revealed with the permission of the War Department.

Such compasses offer other advantages in that one compass unit may have several remote indicating dials so the navigator or other members of the crew on large planes can have the same information as the pilot.

Alnico permanent magnets in the compass unit, placed in a wing tip or the tail of the plane far from the plane's disturbing magnetic effects, line themselves up with the earth's magnetic field. These magnets affect the electrical voltages in a wire coil so that corresponding coils in the one or more indicators in the cockpit move pointers over a dial in exactly the same directions as the compass.

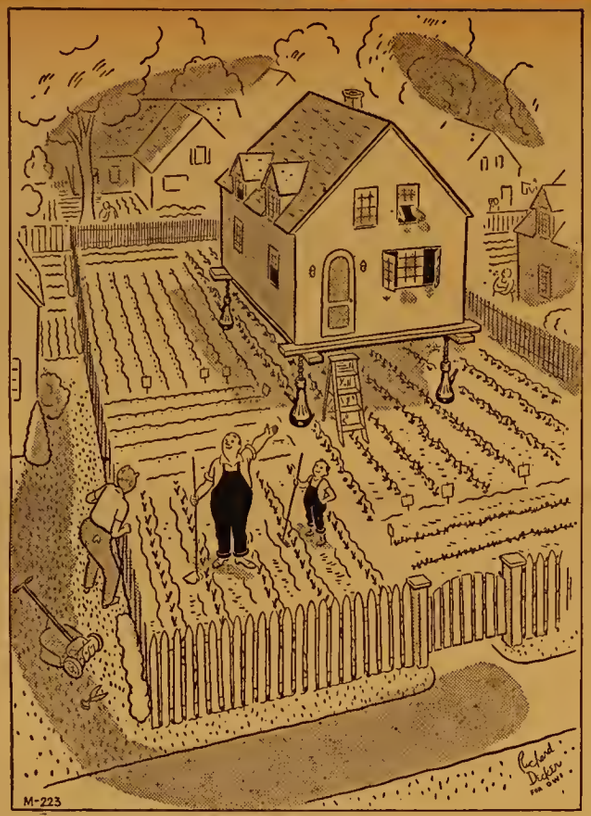
Until this type of compass became available, the problem of providing pilots with a compass dial which could be located where they could read it, and still be depended upon to guide them, seemed to be growing beyond practical solution.

Waiter: "May I help you with that soup, sir?"

Diner: "What do you mean, help me? I don't need any help."

Waiter: "Sorry, sir. From the sound I thought you might wish to be dragged ashore."

You wouldn't drive your car without good brakes—but would you tell your neighbor that this is for his protection and he should do the "same by you"?



"WE'RE DETERMINED TO RAISE MORE THIS YEAR."

Rear Admiral Cochrane Praises G-E Equipment Aboard Destroyer

Veteran of more than a dozen sea battles and with a mileage of 158,911 to her credit in her first two years alone, the U. S. Destroyer Jenkins is still in the running with her G-E geared turbines "almost as good as new" and her auxiliary generators "still quiet-running and efficient," says Rear Admiral E. L. Cochran, Chief of the Bureau of Ships, in a telegram recently received commending the men and women of Genral Electric.

The telegram is as follows:

"To the men and women of General Electric Co.

G-E main engines and turbo-generators have contributed to the oustanding record of the USS Jenkins which has been in almost constant war service since July 1942. This Destroyer played a prominent role in the North African invasion and in more than a dozen actions in the Solomons, Gilberts, Marshalls, New Guinea and Philippines campaigns. In her first two years alone she steamed 158,911 miles. Despite a minimum of upkeep, the condition of the engines was reported almost as good as new and the generators still quiet-running and efficient. The performance of this equipment reflects the traditional good workmanship of G-E personnel.

E. L. Cochrane Rear Admiral USN Chief of the Bureau of Ships."

The Jenkins carries as her geared propulsion turbines the third such shipment made by General Electric to ships of her class. All her auxiliary turbine-generator sets were made by G-E at the River Works, and her main turbines were built at Erie.

H. Freeman Barnes Dies At Cleveland

H. Freeman Barnes, manager of General Electric's lamp department sales promotion division since 1931 and nationally known pioneer advocate of better light for better sight, died at Cleveland Tuesday. He was 48 years of age.

For many years Mr. Barnes' activities were principally devoted to better illumination in homes, schools and business places as a means of improved living conditions.

Soon after being graduated from Swarthmore College in 1918, Mr. Barnes joined the engineering staff of Edison Lamp Works at Harrison, N. J. He successively became publicity expert with Edison Lamp Works and assistant publicity manager in 1928.

In 1931, he was named sales promotion manager for the entire G-E lamp department with headquarters in Nela Park, after the Edison Lamp Works and National Lamp Works of G-E were combined into one organization.

Born in Beloit, Kansas, Mr. Barnes combined a lively imagination, creative ability, and an instinct for writing and public speaking into a broad program of service to the electrical industry. His original views on marketing, merchandising, and distribution were constantly sought by trade and consumer groups.

Tramp: "Lady, I'm hungry. Could you give me a piece of cake?"

Lady: "Isn't bread good enough for you?"

Tramp: "Yes, ma'am, but you see today is my birthday."

Television Station For Indianapolis By Late Summer

General Electric Sales Engineer Describes Expansion

Television will be needed post-war to help maintain the $40 billion national annual income which will prevent unemployment, Paul L. Chamberlain, General Electric sales executive, told the Advertising Club of Boston recently.

Indianapolis will be one of the three cities having new television stations on the air by late summer, he said, making a total of 12 in the nation. Other new stations will be in operation at Jamaica, L. I., and Boston. Three stations now operate in New York City, one in Philadelphia, another in Schenectady, and two each in Chicago and Los Angeles.

20th Century Fox

The Twentieth Century Fox movie company will operate the new Boston station, he said, explaining that the company has taken over and is remodeling what was formerly experimental station WIXG of the General Television Corporation at 70 Brookline Avenue.

Several prominent department stores, including Filene's in Boston, have requested broadcast television construction permits from the Federal Communications Commission, the speaker explained, adding that the Boston store "has chosen General Electric equipment."

Boston also would be a "natural for an extension of the International Business Machines Corporation radio relay," Chamberlain said. The initial circuit will connect Schenectady, New York City, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, he told the advertisers.

Shows Model

Chamberlain exhibited a model of one of the towers in this relay which will handle two television programs, eight sound channels for present-day or frequency-modulation radio, two radio photo channels, and 120 business machine channels in one direction at one time. These towers will be located within sight of each other, spaced perhaps 30 miles in level country, perhaps 80 to 100 miles between mountain tops, he said.

Mr. Chamberlain, who is manager of sales for General Electric's transmitter division, visualized two major applications for television after the war. Broadcast television will add a new dimension to home entertainment and will provide one of the most powerful mass advertising media ever developed. It will supplement other forms of advertising to maintain the national income needed to keep American workmen on the job, he said.

Intra-Tel, General Electric's system of television by wire, will carry pictures and sound from one point to another for various private commercial stores, he added. Theater television may also be of the wired type, with a live talent program originating at a central point and sent to a number of theaters for projection on the regular theater screens.

The X-Ray

OF BUILDING 17-2

Well, it's "news" time again so we sit down and take our pen in hand and scratch our heads and think over the week gone by. With this result: We wish to welcome Erick Magnusson and Ben Gif ford to Section 13x16. . . . A of us have a lot of friends, bu Archie Boren needs several aliases to accommodate his. Thus far he answers to the name of Charli and Louie. . . . Glad to see Iv Krouse back after a long illness The gang presented her with an envelope containing some foldin money, and it wasn't even pa day. . . . Marie Bruick is back t work after a short illness. . . . We wonder who borrowed Paul Bender and Herman Wegman's alarm clocks—they were late t work Monday morning. . . . Danie Lamb had his vacation last week If anyone is interested in joining the "Onion Club", see Phil Mille Phil brings a big sack of gree onions, and immediately there i a crowd around him. We would suggest the charter members be George Eshleman, Ed Meyer, Ber tha Witham, and Jess Wittwer The club has "atmosphere," bu nothing else. . . . You should see Harold Kiel's disgusted look when he pulled the wrong lever on leak test. Who ever heard of a com plete shower without soap or tow el?—Betty Lupton's face when showing the pictures of her little niece, Judy—Marjorie Strausser's grass skirt her fiance sent her from the Philippines. . . . A welcome to Ervin Lange, who came to join us from Bldg. 17-3. . . . William J. Cooper is vacationing at the lake. We surely envy him . . . We were glad to have Louis Starr come down from Bldg. 17-3 and work with us a day last week Well, we hear that V-E Day is here, so we sign off to investigate See you next week.



Surprising what a little sunshine can do for the office demeanor. Witness Lew Gossman and his exuberance over a delicious assortment of playing cards. We suppose someone will put the back on the chair again . . . Our deepest sympatby goes to Paul Adams, whose mother passed away recently. . . . Unfortunately we have lost track of those who are on vacation, so maybe a blanket "Have Fun" wish will do. . . . Granville Edson is dispensing the cigars in honor of a recent son, so here's with we extend congrats. . . . Kathryn Deakyne left in a flurry following the surprise return of her husband on the eve of April 30. He supposedly was still a prisoner of war, but happily that was not so. And we're very happy for all concerned.

Edna McReynolds, who checks the gasoline applications for all details, sent her own in without her signature. Of course, it was returned. Heh, heh. Bad spot, what

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Newsies 17-3

The other day Alice Lester went to leave her chair, only to find out that the strings of her apron had been tied together; and there she was, dragging the chair with her. . . . It was heard that Berniece Gasper tried to use her car keys for a street car pass. We agree that it is hard to think in the mornings. . . . Betty Gearey was seen looking for small pieces of costume jewelry this past week. She is sending it to an Anglo-Indian girl and would be glad to get more if her friends wish to contribute items they no longer wish to keep. . . . Ida Sinn was late to work the other morning, using the excuse that her companion walked too slowly. But the real reason is that her sister, Lillian, blew the fuse causing the alarm clock to be slow. . . . Jeanette Smith came to work with her ribs all taped. Did you really fall off the step-ladder, Jeanette? . . . We wish Bernice Freiburger a speedy recovery from her tonsil operation. We miss her. . . . A delicious rhubarb pie was baked by Frances Wilkie for her friends in Section 13. We all like pie, Frances! . . . Birthday greetings to Therelene Freiburger, Emma Bennett, and Luetta Haugk. . . . To those boys and girls in the service, we send our best wishes and prayers for a victory in the very near future. We want you back with us soon.

Screwy Crew
BUILDING 19-5

The second shift would like to know why one of their members, Bill Tennison, was presented with a certificate signed and sealed with the seal of the Tall Story Club. There must be a story behind the story here, and our reporter has been scooped. . . . Grapevine, take notice on the first shift. Frank Voirol and Lester May are modeling silks and rags these days, while Earl Sexton's razor adds a few beauty marks to his face and neck. . . . Otto Roehm's having his gold teeth pulled and will cash them in. He should make a little profit on five gold teeth. . . . Since everyone's raising a victory garden, Warren Jackson decided to be different and raise a cookie duster (mustache). . . . John Lallack also had a smart looking mustache but found out it was too much trouble taking care of it, so off it came. . . . Say, Herbert Heddon, hurry and get well; the gang on the second trick misses you. . . . Just a little news from a few of our boys overseas. Letters were received from PFC Robert Younghaus, who is recuperating in Paris, France, from wounds received. Pvt. Tom Carr is sure doing his share too, traveling around Europe with an armored division. And PFC Glenn D. Miller is back at the front in the Philippines after recovering from an attack of malaria. Pvt. Darrell Zuber spent a couple of pleasant hours visiting the gang in group 1x10 a while back. Darrell is just back from overseas. You do look swell, Darrell.

V-E Day Comes To Fort Wayne Works



When the joyful news of the cessation of hostilities in Europe reached the Fort Wayne Works, the great majority of employees stayed loyally on their jobs, turning out war material for those soldiers fighting a bitter enemy in the Pacific war areas. Pictured above are employees of a few of the many sections of the plant who knew that the war it not yet won. Upper left is a group in Bldg. 12-3 Plastics. Upper right, Bldg. 4-3. Lower left, Bldg. 6-2. Lower right, Bldg. 4-6 office. Center, in Bldg. 26-2 a group of employees whose husbands are fighting the Japs in the Pacific look at the V-E day poster, displayed in all sections of the plant. Left to right, they are Nona Heston, Garnet Wildermuth, Arlene Berry, Madelene Poffenberger, and Audrey Lyman. All were determined to speed the day of their husband's return by staying on the job.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Nina Andress is back with us again, and looking none the worse for wear. But Nina claims those lake breezes are healing to the body as well as to the soul. . . . Anyone desiring a change of typewriter ribbons call C. Skove, whose efficiency along this line is amazing. Chuck decided that the typewriter in the file room needed a new ribbon, so, after trying unsuccessfully to palm off this unpleasant job on someone else, he rolled up his sleeves and set to work. Removing the ribbon was easy and soon Chuck had the new ribbon off to a good start. But jeepers, where did the ribbon go from there? Well, it seems our hero, ready for any emergency, keeps an instruction book handy, which he now hastily consulted, but it was only by the trial and error method that he finally got the ribbon in place. Yes, it works, too. . . . It seems the population still is increasing, for Carl Brandt walked in last week with the familiar candy and cigar boxes under his arm. It's a boy, 9 pounds, and his name is Thomas Eric. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Brandt. . . . We don't know why Margaret Christle thought it necessary to polish off those freshly waxed floors any more, but polish them she did, and with a jolt, for Maggie had a box of castings in her arms when the sitdown occurred. However, neither the girl nor the castings suffered any serious ill effects. Some time later Orval Doherty threatened to follow suit, but after doing what might have passed for either the Charleston or a new jitterbug step, he managed to keep his feet. . . . We wonder who won the battle between Henry Marahrens and Walter Whonsetler, rival news collectors. Each planned to "scoop" the other on the announcement of V-E day, which seemed to happen in piecemeal fashion anyway. . . . The "dirty" story last week proved to be just that for Jerry Duryee. Jerry's wife noticed in the column that he had spent his suggestion money for black dirt. But Mrs. Duryee's story is that she paid for the dirt. Looks as though Jerry will have to come across with a ten.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Hello, Dispatchers! Vacation was swell, but here we are—back to the grind again. Garland Roby has been doing some intensive lobbying for a six month vacation twice a year, but so far he has had no encouraging results, unless he is willing to take it without pay. Gerald Brown, Bldg. 19-1, is considering offering a prize for the best essay on the subject, "Why Vacation Time Passes So Rapidly." . . . All the dispatchers who attended the Dispatchers Club banquet at the Chamber of Commerce May 1 seemed very well pleased with the event. Much credit should go to Fletcher Cumby and his committee for planning such a delightful evening. Whoever prevailed upon Eddie Horstman to act as toastmaster and Mr. Leider to speak should also be congratulated upon their wise choice. Eddie has that rare gift of humor that all of us admire and enjoy. Mr. Leider proved to be the prize package of the evening. His informal manner, his irrepressible humor and his ability to present a serious idea without being didactic were thoroughly enjoyed by those present. The Grapevine was very much pleased to see so many of the dispatchers' wives present. We hope they all enjoyed the evening. (Incidentally, where did all those dispatchers get their good-looking wives?) . . . President Walter Doehrman announced that the Dispatcher's Club has joined the Chamber of Commerce. This is a very important step for the club, for it will help us to focus our individual and collective interest on civic affairs of merit. The Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce has an enviable record for active and enthusiastic support of worthwhile events and ideas. We should all be proud to belong to this beneficial organization, and we should strive to bring as much that is worthwhile to the Chamber of Commerce as we expect to derive from it. All subseuent meetings of the Dispatcher's Club will be held at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce. . . . Grapevine quotes: "It is better to be quiet and seem a fool than to speak and remove all doubt."

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WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Somewhere in Burma
"8 April 1945

"Dear Editor,

"Received your letter of January 19 a few days ago, so will try a few lines in answer.

"Burma is the fifteenth foreign country I have seen since I left Power Drive in 1942, and I believe it is the best of the fifteen, too, especially this particular section of the country.

"I spent four months in and around Karachi and Calcutta, so I can probably say quite a bit about India.

"India is the dirtiest, poorest, most disease-ridden of them all. If Adolph and Hirohito are exiled like Napoleon was, India would be the perfect place!

"Nothing is so permanent as death in India. That is all the people have to live for—and the Hindu religion teaches re-incarnation. That is why nearly all animals, monkeys, snakes, dogs, as well as cows are considered sacred.

"No Indian will kill any living being, because it may be his own brother or mother.

"We had beavers or house boys there who were paid a rupee a day, which is thirty cents, so it is easy to see that the standard of living cannot be very high. Calcutta was very humid, and even at night it was difficult to sleep.

"Burma is contrastingly different. Here it is cool, clean, and unhampered by the diseases of civilization.

"The surrounding countryside is beautiful, and reminds me a little of our own Rocky Mountain States, although not so rough.

"We haven't all of the conveniences we might like to have, yet we like it very much. It takes days to reach any major city except by air travel, so we don't grumble any more than the usual griping G. I. about using our helmets as wash bowls, or of eating "C" rations day in and day out.

"We have a swift, ice-cold stream nearby to swim in, and it seems well stocked with fish, which by the way, are not caught with hook and line, but with hand grenades or dynamite sticks!

"I wonder what Herman Norr, Bob Bender, or Frank Mason would think of such fishing if it was tried at Lake Wawasee?

"Also, the boys do quite a bit of hunting, and we have all the deer meat we can eat. They also hunt bears and leopards, but so far I know of no one who has been able to bag any.

"It takes four men, two rifles, a spotlight and a jeep to hunt! Two do the shooting, one spots the light, and the other drives.

"There is more than enough evidence that this place was held by the Japs, and one doesn't have to look very hard if he is souvenir-minded. It would be hard to realize that a war was being fought and that a big battle had taken place here if one looked at the terrain, which is overgrown with brush and weeds which are as much as ten feet high, and so thick, light doesn't penetrate. It is no wonder it takes so long to get in or out of the country, and that planes have to bring in a large share of the supplies.

"Seems I have gone on and on, but it is hard for me to describe what I have seen in so few words.

"Will you please tell Staley and Dent that, if existing postal regulations permitted, I would send them a bottle of Saki! That—is mighty powerful stuff—mighty powerful!

"I saw a Burmese woman smoking a white cheroot. Perhaps that would alleviate the cigarette shortage in the States if some were shipped in! McMyler might go for some!

"S/Sgt. Lyle B. Kiser"

"Somewhere in France
"17 April 1945

"Dear Editor,

"Well, it's been some time since my last letter and since then a little water has flowed under the dam, so to speak. In the first place, I tried to argue with a tank and found it didn't pay. Had a little run-in with one near the Rhine and wound up



with a broken collar-bone. Got a plaster cast around my shoulders and neck that looks like a halter on a horse.

"The doctors say I'll have it on anywhere from six to eight weeks.

"The hospitals do as much as possible in trying to make things comfortable for us, Red Cross Clubs to pass away the hours, movies several times a week and once in a while a stage show gets around.

"The Army chaplains visit the ward occasionally and are pretty good eggs to have around. You would be surprised how much they really help a guy out.

"Recently, at one of the hospitals I just left, I ran into a fellow in my outfit at the Red Cross Club, who had been captured by the Germans along with about 18 or 19 other fellows in my company. He had been a prisoner for quite some time, and really showed the results of it. A lot of these men had been prisoners for three to four months and their treatment wasn't any too good. This friend of mine spent seven days in a box car—five of which were without food or water. The other two days they had one crust of bread and a glass of filthy water, for their nourishment. The bread was so hard that it busted his partial plate right in half. To give you an idea of conditions in these German P. W. camps, the prisoners were allotted three cigarettes a day—Canadian ones that had been captured by the Germans in one of their drives. As much as the fellows liked to smoke, he said they were willing to give those cigarettes up for a quarter of a loaf of bread, to be able to keep going. Once a day they were given a bowl of soup, made from dried beans, potato peelings and meat, if you could call it that. The G. I.'s were known to have taken potato peelings that had been thrown out by the Germans on a manure pile, and strung them up to dry to have something to eat. Many of these men lost as high as 30 to 40 pounds in weight and I saw a few of them that looked just like skin and bones. This makes your G. I.'s over here rather hot under the collar, after you read in the papers and hear over the radio how well the German prisoners are being treated in the United States.

"The war news is pretty good these days but we all have had quite a shock handed to us at the death of President Roosevelt. As one Army private put it, in the Stars and Stripes, "the soldier has lost the best buddy he has had to date," and that just about expresses the sentiments of every person in the armed forces. I believe that Roosevelt had more backing from the soldiers than from anyone, because he was for them and was trying to see that they got a good deal. You people back in the States just don't know how lucky you are. If it was possible for special pictures to be taken and shown around the country instead of just your ordinary newsreels, a lot of people might wake up to the fact that things aren't as hot as they are painted. Sure—your newsreels and your papers every day have good news of important battles being won and the Allies pushing deeper into Germany toward the inevitable end. But when a headline reads 'thousand plane sortie over Berlin' or 'Armored Tank Column Smashes Through'—with a loss of a few planes and tanks—the people will say, 'We're sure going great over there'—but they never stop to think that those planes and tanks that are lost also have a bunch of good men that were either killed or wounded with them. Maybe I sound like I'm getting cynical but after seeing a few of the things that go on over here and see some of your buddies wounded, and the treatment these guys captured get, you are bound to get a certain cynicism in you.

"Well, to get away from the heavier side let's go to the lighter side. It's been some time since I've seen the G-E WORKS NEWS; in fact, it's been some time since I've seen any mail. It has been going on a month now, and I'm getting pretty anxious to get some.

"If it's as nice in the States as it is over here, you can understand why more than ever I'd give anything to be back there. Call it spring fever, or what have you, I'd sure like to be walking into good old Winter Street and punching a time clock about this time. These days, if I remember right—it seems like ages ago—all the fellows and girls were out taking walks around the block during the noon hour to get a breath of that good old spring air—(along the Wabash tracks) cough . . cough. . . .

"Two of my best pals at Winter Street—and I do mean best—are Johnny Rockhill and Gabe Barrick. They've kept up a pretty good flow of news from home and have been pretty swell in writing to me. I have written various others at Winter Street but . . . You might thank Johnny and Gabe for being so swell in answering my letters even though they are sometimes few and far between.

"Tell all those old men out there who still aren't decrepit enough that they can still hold a bowling ball in their hand — Ben Beaty, Johnny Rockhill, George Haggenjos and a few other of those would-be bowlers, that I still think I can whip that old apple around enough to take them on for a few games . . . and beat them.

"Nancy tells me in her letters that she is keeping the old apple polished up and in good condition, and I think that when I get back that I can give them a pretty good run for their money.

"Say hello to all the gang for me and give them my regards.

"Will be glad to hear from any of them any time so don't hesitate to drop me a line.

"As ever,
"PFC Bob Ringle"

Winter Street Bowling Champs



The championship team of the Winter Street Bowling League are pictured above. Left to right, back row, are Frank Lauer, Bob Hosies, and Royal Roeger, league secretary. Front, Bill Seiple and Nelson Dever. Richard Dennis is missing from the picture.

Production

Betty Clem, Lou Lichty, Eileen Kagey and Betty Capin of Order and Stores looked around at one another and thought that some form of black measles was going around. Come to find out, it was only some oil that an engine sprayed over them while they were crossing the tracks. . . . Helen Mackes is vacationing in Florida this week—visiting a girl friend. . . . An embarrassing moment for Mary Jo Suelzer, was when she was walking to work and bingo! She walked right out of her shoe, but went treading merrily along—one shoe off and one shoe on—for a few steps before retrieving it.

Planning

We want to welcome Eugene Stolte to our office. Hope you like us in here, Eugene. . . . Mr. Alie is on vacation this week and from what we heard he is doing some spring housecleaning—mainly painting.... Frema Poling was also on vacation; she visited her home in Ohio and reports a very good time.

SPORT NEWS

Golf

The report on the golf scores are beginning to look like the scores of major league ball games of late. The headline reads, "All Games Cancelled Because of Rain." It's getting to be such an old story that everyone knows what will be in the paper before they pick it up. . . . Anyhow, to repeat what we said last week, the Winter Street Golf League will start at Brookwood, Wednesday, May 16, at 5:30 P. M. sharp. Surely the weather will break enough to get in at least a round or two before then. Only a few golfers have reported scores so far. Some of the best are Tom Piepenbrink and Les Didier 43, Ed Bireley 44, Wally Schmidt 45, Win Kirke 46, Glen Macy 47, and Dorm Kirke 48.

Softball

It is not known definitely at this writing whether Winter Street will have a softball team or not this year. Most of the players from last year's softball team as well as the inter-division champion basketball team have been transferred elsewhere during the past few weeks. . . . Last year Winter Street was runner-up to the Firemen in the inter-division league, losing 3-2 in the final game. However, it is doubtful if any of the players from last year's team are available for this year. Only Everett Kelley, regular pitcher for the team last year, is still here, and he is playing with the G-E Club this year, which makes him ineligible to pitch in the inter-division league, as they do not allow Class A pitchers. However, he could play any other position, as that is allowed. Bob Dent and Bud Snyder, the two heavy hitters from last year, are both at Broadway. So is Al Bauermeister, the flashy shortstop. So it goes down the line. . . . A whole team of fellows who had never played together before would have to be fielded. Also, no one seems interested in managing a team. A practice game for all teams will be played this Wednesday, and if we

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WINTER STREET Rumblings

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can get ten players rounded up, we will go out. Otherwise we will just have to give it up.

Tool Room and Maintenance

The latest delicacy on the menu is groundhog sandwich a-la-deluxe. Frank Smith killed a young groundhog recently and brought in a sample for some of the boys to try. It was very good, according to Herman Brandt, John Schoedel and Mike Daley. . . . Dale Weaver, Pete Liehig and Dick Haskins have at last found out that the bluegills are in the lake, the suckers are on it.

Power Drive, Bldg. 1-2

We understand Fred Gerke is having quite a time with the fireplace in his new home. Don't give up, Fred; maybe a heating engineer or the contractor can give you information on operating it. . . . Hale Berghoff was nonchalant the other evening after being able to secure a ride home. He suddenly remembered driving his own car and had to get out and walk back to the lot where it was parked. . . . Georgia Zinn of the gear section has left Power Drive. After taking a vacation, she will be placed on her new job. . . . Four jacks of diamonds and four queens of spades making a double, double pinochle were held by Charlie Kensill in a game recently. Did you hold the commanding lead and win the game, Charlie?

North Calhoun Street

Anyone wishing to secure information with regard to weather predictions for their vacations, see Don Brighton at North Calhoun Street, and he will give you the latest dope. He predicted last week to be a beautiful week with plenty of sunshine.

Machine Shop

Who's that new inspector? Hmm! None other than "Buddie" Shelton from the Crankcase Line. (Stop whistling, girls). . . . We have a couple of new faces this week in our section. They're Paul Dove and Homer Bright. Welcome, boys. . . . The best of luck to you, Gerald Schnepp. Gerald has been transferred to Broadway. . . . Harold Comer's condition is reported as about the same. We all miss you, Harold, and wish you a speedy recovery. . . . Larry Stoppenhagen is enjoying his vacation this week.

Oil Pump and Compressor

John Thomas returned to work Monday after a ten-day illness. We missed your caustic comments and witticisms on the political situations, John. Hope you are 100% well again. . . . Anita Brown is back to work after a few days off due to illness. . . Ruth Stephans has been displaying the latest in pancake makeup, and now the rumor is that a new hair cut and permanent is coming soon. . . . Delores Wonderly made her usual week-end trip back to Mark Center over the week-end. In case you don't know where Mark Center is, it is a suburb of Sherwood, Ohio. . . . Ambitious Martin Voelker spent Sunday cleaning his cottage at the lake. Sure wish we all had his pep. . . . Louise Barger, never seeing a mushroom, was presented with two of them Monday morning. Now Louise wants some steak. . . . Mayme Carney is a patient at the Lutheran Hospital. Hope you have a speedy recovery, Mayme, and get back to work soon.

Taylor Street Owl Bowling Champs



Pictured above are the members of the bowling team which won the championship of the second shift bowling league. From left to right: Robert Schnepp, Tool Room; Robert Hilbish, Tool Room; Martin Walchle, Screw Machine; Floyd Garland, Screw Machine; and Lee Hindman, Tool Room.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Screw Machine

We welcome Fairy Leffell, Icel Snodgrass, Betty Galleher, and Lois Yater to the first trick. Hope you like us, girls. . . . We're glad to hear that Genevieve Hertsel has returned home from the hospital and is getting along fine. . . . Charles Liggett joined the "Forgot My Button Club" this week. . . . Dick Bohde is on his vacation. During his vacation, he visited the plant. . . . There have been some changes made. Ed Clark is working on the drill press; Ned Schaeffer and Ed Seidel are working on milling machines. . . . We wish good luck to all those that were transferred. We hope they like their new jobs and wish them success all through life. . . . Seems like old times with Mort Stillpass running a Blanchard grinder.

Tool Room

Our Elmer Tieman's score of 609 in bowling was slightly in the shade last week with electrician Eddie Schrantz making a grand slam of 764. Whew! Eddie's score included a 290—boy, that's bowling! . . . We haven't seen Harley Ridenour eating a single orange for nigh on to two weeks now. Wattsa matter, Harley, did you lose your source of supply? . . . Speaking of fruit, did anyone see Harold Cutler eating that apple he brought in the other ayem. I didn't, but I noticed Carl Ahlersmeyer eating one that looked just like it. Of course, I could be wrong; apples do look quite like one another. . . . Vern Krohn is rather out of place in that bald headed row he's in. His head looks like a well kept patch of grass in an otherwise bare field. . . . Adrian Libbing and wife are moving. . . . Our helper pulled a good one two weeks ago. Barney Krieg waited on his car pool until twenty minutes of seven and decided they weren't coming. So he boarded a street car and arrived out here at six o'clock. His watch was only one hour fast. Had a little time for breakfast, didn't you, Barney? . . . We are sorry to hear that PFC Wallace S. Hersh was killed in action in Germany, April 8. Wallace, better known as "Tony", worked with the cutter grinders. . . . Lloyd Taylor was on his vacation last week. Edith Spencer is on her vacation this week. . . . This seems to be a bad luck week in the grinding section, for "Judy" Lehman and Carl Daniels. Both were involved in automobile accidents. We are glad to report neither was hurt. . . . George Mellinger is in the Navy now and stationed at Great Lakes. . . . Pvt. Lee Crosley has just arrived in France. He seems to be having quite a time with his French, but we believe he will get along o.k.

Receiving



PFC Thomas Foltz, son of Ray Foltz of the shipping section, just received a good conduct medal. Also his company recently received the Meritorious Service award and plaque by the Service Supply Commanding General. Each one of the division will receive the gold cloth wreath. We are glad to hear this, Tom, and we know you made good. Another of Ray's sons, Sgt. Richard F[illegible], is expected home on furlough this month. . . . Herb Wilding is back on the job after spending a week resting up, cleaning his yard and 101 other jobs around the place. We all missed Herb and are glad he is back. . . . Lizzie Markley is off work a couple days. Her son, who is in the Army, is home on a furlough. . . . Eddie McDaniels, one of our boys who is in the Navy, paid us a visit last week. He is home on a short furlough. We were glad to see him. He looks good and now wears an overseas emblem. . . . Bernice Lord was home three days last week and two days this week on account of sickness. We're glad you are back, Bernice. . . . Ted Essig, Sam's right bower, is taking his vacation this week. We miss you, Ted; get rested up and we will be watching for you back. . . . There is a new government inspector assigned to the Receiving Section. It is Raymond Grermire. We like him real well and hope he likes to work with us. Fred Barnett was here for some time but was transferred to another section. . . . Let's not forget the bond drive coming up in a few days. We can see what previous drives have helped to do to Germany, so let's treat Japan the same way!

Punch Press

Velma Doherty, who has been sick, is some better, and we hope she will soon be able to be with us again. . . . Garnet Borne's son, Cpl. Brooks Borne, spent a week's furlough with them last week, from Camp Atterbury, Ind. Mrs. Borne, who has been living at Franklin, Indiana, with him, remained home to spend a week longer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hyser. . . . Nona Hedges didn't get to start housekeeping again when she left us last Saturday, as she was called to Broadway on Monday and started on her new job at once. Best of luck, Nona; we sure miss you, but our loss is their gain. . . . Marguerite Hemlinger was off ill for two days but is now back to work. . . . Sarah Underwood says old age is creeping up when you have to have your teeth pulled. Oh, boy, the soup is fine.

Aluminum Parts

May we say this to our many friends who have left us: Your friendship has been most pleasant and will be remembered by those of us still at Taylor Street. Our fellowship has been severed, but if this means bringing the war to a close sooner, then our parting of ways means happiness for untold thousands, so may we also be happy in the thought that our boys will be back that much sooner. As you go to your new duties, please remember that we wish you the best of luck; and we are not saying goodbye, but just so-long until we meet again. . . . The Aluminum Section gives a vote of thanks to those responsible in arranging the Taylor Street party held May 3. It was a swell evening of entertainment nicely arranged.

Rotor

We welcome to the first shift Justin Cour, Austin Riemund, Edward Butler, William Trowbridge, Agnes Rugman, Floyd Montz, Theresa Hiatt, Ruth Nordyke, Deloris Veazey and Helen Bradley. . . . We hope you like us. . . . Congratulations are in order for Charlie Shidler on his new offspring—it's just a colt named Doll.

Shipping

Norma Miller, former employee, writes us from Takoma Park, Md., where she is now stationed. She sends best regards to the gang and expects to be in Fort Wayne soon. . . . Bob Zimmerman is now wanting a week's rest after his vacation. . . . Verna Powers will go most of the way with her gang, but she refuses to go horseback riding. . . . Remember, the bond drive will soon start at G-E. Remember, we cannot afford to let our boys down now with victory in Germany. Remember, it is just plain everyday common sense to invest in another bond. Remember, it is an honor and a privilege to be an American. Remember, buy a Bond. . . . Rita Mahlan was transferred from the Shipping Office to Broadway the other day. We hate to see you go, Rita, but we wish you lots of luck on your new job. . . . The Shipping gang misses Cecil Bay, who went to work at the Broadway Plant. Cec was a good worker and a swell fellow. We wish him success wherever he is. . . . We missed Denver Fisher who was off work because of illness. Glad to have you back, Denver. . . . We saw Mr. Long and family, also Helen Clore and her daughter at the Taylor Street family party. Where were the rest of the Shipping bunch? A swell time was had by all, and the committee in charge deserves a lot of credit. . . . Did you know Dick Wolff is holding down an outfield position with the Monroeville baseball team in the Federation league this year? We wish you and the team a lot of luck, Dick. . . . Don't forget to buy that Bond for the Seventh War Loan. Our boys still have a hard road to Tokyo, so let's help them with our cash.

Impeller

Frances Melching is back to work again. Glad to have you with us, Frances. . . . Hazel Cook, Cecil Leslie, and Rita Philo of the polishing section were transferred to Broadway last week. How we hated to lose them. Hope you like your new job, girls. It sure was hard on us that are left to see you go. . . . Everyone enjoyed a nice time at the family party Thursday evening sponsored by the Taylor Street Plant. . . . Why is everyone afraid of Bob Mossburg this week? You would be too if you knew what he is trying to break in this week—a new set of false teeth. Bob, you are doing O.K. with them. Also Bob, is that a new part in your hair or is that false too? . . . Thelma Barnes has gone on second trick in the heat treat. Hope you like your job, Thelma—we miss you. . . . Rita Philo surprised the milling machine section and the polishers last Saturday by giving us each a piece of her birthday cake. It sure was good, Rita. We wish you many more happy birthdays. . . . Everyone have your pennies ready for the Seventh War Loan drive next week. We all want to end this war in a hurry and get our boys back home again. . . . Clarence Mallo is on our sick list this week. Hope you will be back soon, Clarence. . . . Marguerite Erdly is taking her vacation next week. Hope you have a good time, Mar-

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WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 & 12

Everyone is making all sorts of predictions these days, but Leo Elward sure wins the prize. If you want to know what is going to happen, just ask Leo; then you pick the opposite, and it's bound to be a sure thing! . . . There are magicians who can do all kinds of tricks, such as pulling rabbits out of a hat, making things disappear, etc., but "Slim" Walters has a new trick up his sleeve. "Slim" can put a minnow on a hook, throw it in the water, and when he pulls it out what happens? Presto! two minnows! And we didn't even know he was a magician. . . . Howard Smith's eyes may not line up with the sights on his rifle, but he can sure see mushrooms when he gets his feet all tangled up in them. . . . Helen Smead, of the Insulating Section, is now all ready for her summer vacation. The other day she found an 1889 model bathing suit in the rag bag. A perfect fit, too! . . . Welcome to Emery "Bud" Skees, who has recently joined our die room gang. . . . Congratulations to Betty Grakos, who will celebrate her birthday on May 13. Betty is leaving next Sunday to spend a week of vacation in Chicago and other parts of Illinois. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Voloney Heller on the death of their infant baby. . . . Howard Smith still claims alarm clock trouble. We want to tell you something, "Smitty"; they just won't ring until properly set. . . . "Art" Gardt, one of our expert euchre players, says, "I'm not afraid to play it alone as long as I can get one trick." But what does he say when he doesn't get any? . . . We are glad to have Curtis Roush back with us again. . . . And welcome to Betty Boszor, who has recently been transferred here from Taylor Street. . . . Elmer Hamilton had a choice seat at the Air Show last Sunday. Right up in front, but it seemed like a thousand miles from the front when it came time to leave the grounds. . . . Robert Pion, of Bldg. 12, went to Indianapolis during the past week to take his final examination for the Army. . . . We are all glad to have "Bing" Engelbrecht back with us after several weeks' illness. . . . Agnes Bensman was in a dither the other day because dust kept coming at her in all directions. Then she found out it was coming from her own machine! . . . Bessie Jones is the one to see about ordering your strawberries, gang, 'cause she's planted 150 plants. . . . "Dot" Baumgartner received a very pretty gunny sack the other evening, as someone had taken her coat by mistake. Did you wear the gunny sack long or jacket style, Dot? . . . Lawrence Gardt is a new member of the Quarter Century Club. Here's wishing you lots of luck in the next 25 years! . . . Lester Faus is on the lookout for the one who wired his lunch box to the rack, and when he finds out, vengeance will be sweet, judging from the tone Les was using. . . . We all want to wish a very happy eighteenth birthday to Elsie Bockelman. . . . George Huber is the owner of a very good sunburn he received at the recent Air Show. Is his face red! . . . We have heard that Earl Gebert went shopping last Monday. Was it uppers or lowers, Earl?

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Hi folks! Did you ever go through a revolving door and lose your shoe? Just ask Margaret Kocher—very embarrassing and hard to get the shoe. Watch those doors, Margaret. . . . Bill Guldice dropped the glue can, and it splashed all over his face. Bill didn't know whether or not he liked the taste of glue, but he wouldn't try it on his pancakes yet. . . . Say, folks, did you know Bill Shuller is slipping? Just see how sleepy he looks in the mornings. Maybe it's the air from the airport. . . . Ray Tuttle made a sad mistake when he put his laundry bag out when they were collecting clothes for Europe. We guess Ray had to borrow a few shirts until he could get some more. Too bad, Ray. . . . The gang in Bldg. 26-2 is very happy to know that Henry Webster's son, Louis, is safe from a German prison camp. . . . A pot-luck dinner was had in honor of Kathryn Miller, who is leaving for the WAVES. We all wish Kathryn the best of luck. The guests were Lois Barney, Dorothy Barr, Evelyn Saxer, Delores Baker, Mary Raub, Bessie Chapman, Madge Van Reyn, Luella Conrad, Letha Brim, Val Stickler, Lucille Werling, Howard Fritz, Jim Quin, Lowell Kronmiller, Dick Anderson, Carolyn White, Helen Deloff, Lois Bumgert, Neva Lee Tharp, and Edith Dave. . . . We were very happy to have Miles Morris visit us after being away twenty years. Mr. Morris lives in Dallas, Texas. He looked fine and wasn't the skinny fellow we used to know. Of course, we feel rather good, too, as he knew all of us after 20 years, regardless of age and a little heft. So come and see us again, Miles. Mr. Morris is Bessie Chapman's uncle. . . . Dorothy Ellison is spending her vacation at home with her husband, Bob, who is home on leave from the Navy. Bob worked in Bldg. 12-2 and Bldg. 26-5 before leaving for service with Uncle Sam, and we can say that Navy life seems to agree with him, as he sure looks super. . . . We hear that Tiny Vodemark is going in the rabbit business. He is looking for Rhode Island Red rabbits. We think he should make up his mind whether it's to be rabbits or chickens. . . . Dutch Wellman has been wanting a new suit, but we didn't think he would look over the clothes turned in at the clothes depot in the recent war relief clothing drive. . . . Connie Feist, Louie Sordelet, and Wilson Lindsay were on their vacations last week, and from what we hear Lindy was the only one who accomplished anything. He cleaned house. . . . We had a letter from Cpl. Louis Miller, who is still somewhere in the South Pacific. He says hello to all the gang, is O.K., and also very busy loading those B-29's with the big noise for Tokyo. Keep up the good work, Looie, and let's hear from you again, soon. . . . Cpl. Bob Bubb, who is still in Italy, says hello to the gang and hopes to see us all soon. . . . With summer almost here, we expect Velma Meads to break out the Meads navy and start patroling the shores of Lake Gage any time now. . . . A farewell party was held for Ann Bishop, who left the Company after 23 years' service. A pot-luck dinner was held in the sample room. She was presented with a farewell gift. Those present besides the honored guests were Georgie Begue, Lois Heck, Rosie McKinney, Jean Fry, Guliea Brown, Millie King, Herb Driftmeyer, Harry Proxmeier, Art Kruckeberg, Elmer Lord, Harry Brattain, Bob Hunt, Carl Stout, and Harry Rollins. Again we say good luck, Annie. . . . Because of shoe rationing, George Hemrick apparently has only one pair of shoes, so when those were misplaced, he had to wear his bedroom slippers to work. . . . Cars use water on Sundays as well as the rest of the week, even though the filling stations are closed, Wilma Butler and Betty Haines discovered. For a quick radiator fill, first find empty coke bottles and a horse tank. . . . Anyone finding a stray man following the following description return to the Bldg. 26-3 office. A reward will be paid. Two and one-half feet tall, six hundred pounds, purple hair with a green streak, red eyes, and yellow eyelashes. He also can be identified by his little white knit cap and booties. . . . Bob Smith enjoyed a nice swim at Rome City Sunday, so he says, but we think it was more for the polar bears than us. We don't envy you, Bob. . . . We extend our sympathy to Louis Palmer on the death of his brother. . . . Can you imagine anyone being so afraid to get out on a Chicago street that they would have to take two wooden shoe horn souvenirs for protection. How about it, Helen Rodgers?

To Appear In Bond Rallies



Appearing in the various Seventh War Loan Drive rallies to be held throughout the plant will be the "Melody Six," pictured above. The group has been singing at various Fort Wayne functions for the past two years, appearing at such places as the Scottish Rite and Baer Field. Left to right, they are, Carol Lyman, Naomi Rinehold, Phyllis Hubartt, Beverly Wooding, Peggy Faux, and Phyllis Renkenberger. They will be accompanied by Ilene Franke and Velma Lehman.

Handle Parts, Materials Carefully



Unwittingly sometimes we spoil our own work or the work of the man at the machine near ours or in the room up the hall. We give it a jounce or a bang or a scrape, or we drop it, in our hurry to get it on its way. We hadn't thought how delicate most of the work we do here is, how easily destroyed or damaged. Maybe we have worked or he has worked a day on it or a week or two weeks. Maybe people in several more departments have worked on it too. All this work and time is cancelled by one minute of carelessness. It's a horrible feeling when we did it.

Let's consider the value of what we are moving. Let's handle parts and materials carefully.

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guerite. We don't know, though; this is house cleaning time, and that's bad. . . . George Pribbernow has been transferred to Broadway. Hope you like your new job, too. We miss you, George. . . . Wonder why Roland Anselman says he wants to stay on his job every day. Is it because his wife is doing her house cleaning? . . . Anita Forrest, one of our inspectors, is leaving us. We shall all miss you, Anita, and we wish you the best of luck in everything you do. . . . Stella Deventer is taking her vacation in Florida. We all envy you, Stella. . . . Has anyone missed a foreman? It is none other than Joe Cochoit, who is taking his vacation. Hope you have a good time, Joe. . . . Ardella McConnell came back from her vacation and has been transferred to Broadway. We all wish you a lot of luck and hope you like your new job. . . . Susanna Pickett is taking her vacation this week. Hope you enjoyed it. . . . We want to wish everyone that left our section success in their new work, whatever it may be. . . . We are very happy to have Kenny Betts and Wilbur (Andy) Anders back on the job again after being absent for some time. . . . Ruth Smith, another of our inspectors, has left us. Best of luck, Ruth.

You wouldn't place your finger in the pinching point of a power press—but would you tell the other fellow not to?

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

Cy Seymour became the proud possessor of a "hunk" of good fortune last week. We'll help you celebrate with that anytime you say, Cy. . . . Ever since the spring flowers have been in bloom Caroline Finch has kept a pretty pink vase on her desk with nothing in it but water. Now can't anyone take the hint? . . . If anyone is looking for a little extra work, they might contact Betty Billman, who will be only too glad to help you find same. . . . We really have some ambitious people in our midst doing outside work, or merely keeping up with their hobbies. We'll refer you to Mike Schmidt if you have a radio that gives out with weird noises or no noise at all. Bob Olson, if you get to your barber and find four or five people ahead of you, and you can't wait that long. Ray Hupp, should you decide that you'd like to have a new picture to put into the old family album. And if you gals want a new hair-do and can't make up your mind how you'd like to wear it, leave that up to Mel Azar. Best results guaranteed. . . . In the future the people that call for anyone on telephone 352 will be greeted by one voice from now on, instead of the usual two or three. Our cost section has a telephone number all their own now, which makes them very happy. . . . We wish to extend our wishes for a more speedy recovery to Emma, who has been ill for about three weeks. . . . The punch press section is so cleaned up since we had moving day that there isn't even any dirt to print. Worse luck! . . . When Clarence Nussel was absent on circus day, everyone was sure he had gone to see the elephants, but when he was gone the next day too, we knew he was sick. . . . Sights we are sorry we missed: Mel Azar promised John Hillsmier he could paint his mustache red, white and blue if V-E Day came last week. That really would have been something. . . . Horseback riding has become the talk of the day. Our riders include Edna Buist, Edith Williams, Archie Kugler; and they are trying to talk Cleo into joining them. So far she says no. Could be horses scare her?

"THE QUICKEST WAY TO GET THE BOYS BACK HOME in the greatest number is to employ all our resources for the single purpose of licking the Japs," Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, USN, Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet, recently declared in citing the lack of available shipping space as a main reason for the Navy's present inability to establish a system of military leaves for deserving servicemen in the Pacific theater. "In view of all these facts," he went on, "I want to remind you that even if the issue of who is going to win this war is settled in our favor, it is not yet settled when our final victory is to be won. The answer to that question hinges upon the ability and determination of our fighting men and no less upon the ability and determination of the people at home. Japan will be brought to unconditional surrender much more quickly if all of us continue our unconditional efforts to win. If these efforts are slackened, we have brought a prolongation of the war upon ourselves."—Army-Navy Release.

G-E E. S. C. Directors Meet



Including several employee representatives, Securities Corporation Board had annual meeting in New York recently to release report and discuss policies.

Standing left to right: J. G. DeKoning, G. F. Mosher, O. M. Corrigan, H. J. Vogt, W. W. Trench, H. R. Munro, G. G. Calvert, B. M. Boland, L. W. Osborne, R. C. Seelig, J. P. Babcock, F. O. Reinhart, J. L. Preo and E. G. Kinloch.

Seated left to right: L. D. Hopper, W. M. Grady, J. W. Lewis, C. N. Mason, W. O. Hay, Jr., J. L. Lee and C. W. Matthews.

Is Zat So?

Next week we will again have an opportunity to do our part to aid the war effort. Let's back the Seventh War Loan Drive and put our section over the goal. . . . Since shoe rationing everyone is trying to conserve shoe leather, but Ray Stanger is really conservative. He came to work with one old shoe and one new shoe and explained that the old one was still too good to throw away. We think his feet hurt, so he decided to break in his new shoes one at a time. What's your guess? . . . Loyal Hilsmier and Clyde Crabill were relaxing in the smoking area and reading the morning paper. After discussing some of the "latest" news, they discovered that their newspaper was a week old! . . . Jim Stafford gave a good example of what the well-dressed factory woman should wear. He really looked the part, didn't he? Evidently the men like to imitate the women, because Loyal Hilsmier was seen modeling his own creation of a woman's Easter bonnet. . . . The girls are always wearing costume jewelry and seem especially to enjoy novel lapel pins. Everyone was remarking over Ginnie Fisher's newest pin when we discovered that it was a chameleon, her souvenir from the circus! . . . Speaking of the circus, we hear that Ann West attended, and she didn't have to sneak in either. . . . Olive Love has gone to the West Coast to meet her sailor husband, who is returning after two years' active duty. . . . Bill Walt is the latest of our strong sex to take to sewing, of necessity, of course! . . . We wonder if Mel Kestner is planning on going out west? He was seen out at the park trying to corral the ponies. . . . William Knuth, Ed Bailey, and Norman Bender each added another year to their service records this week. The three of them have a total of seventy-six years' service. . . . Birthday congratulations to Goldie Taylor, James Carey, William Stolp, and Raymond Rodenbeck. . . . The laughs were on Pat Becker when she was on the receiving end of a joke. . . . Bldg. 17-1's bid for Luther Burbank fame is Emil Zimmerman. Emil says he is raising climbing tomatoes in his victory garden that he expects to gather from a second-story window. Maybe that story about Jack and the bean stalk wasn't just a fable after all, eh, Emil?

Two men the other evening, driving home from a swell party, car zigzagging all over the road:

Al—"Careful, Dick! Y'liable to run us into a ditch."

Dick—"Who, me? I thought you was driving."

"Did you make these biscuits with your own little hands?"

"Yes, why?"

"Oh, I just wondered who lifted them out of the oven for you."

Judge: "I will be merciful to you. Seven days."

Accused: "But I am to be married in a week."

Judge: "Then I will be still more merciful. A month."

Gyros Pass Their Physical At G-E



(Story on Page 12)

Gyros are put through many tests in West Lynn Works before they are ready for shipment to Navy and Army. Shown here is the final inspection in main assembly room. Workers wear lint-free smocks to reduce hazard of introducing dirt into mechanism. Gyros shown in this picture are electrically driven. So that the instruments of which they are the basis will operate properly in both high and low temperatures, their moving parts are completely sealed.

SANDY SAYS

"One thing about a Scotsman," Colin says, "if he owes some one a dollar, he'd never blame it on anyone but himself. In other words, he'd never pass the 'buck'."

Noo, after thot odoriferous pun, I should quit quoting Cousin Colin—but, thot reminds me—"Passing the buck" is a favorite pastime o' human beings. And one o' the more familiar species o' the pastimes goes something like this:—"Why can't those engineers design something thot we can build?!!"

Every time we get behind in production—and the 8-ball—because o' rejections, someone always says, "Now, if the engineers would only change their design a little, we could make these parts without so many rejections." They sometimes forget tae add, "Maybe the motor (or transformer) would blow up in the customer's face, but at least we could build it."

Dumb as these remarks may sound (to an engineer), there must be some sensc in them. Surely, some o' these Record O' Product Rejections could suggest to the engineers thot some part could be changed tae make it easier tae make, and yet not spoil its usefulness.

O' course, thot's up tae the engineers—they see the Record O' Product Rejections and can analyze them. But thot shouldn't stop the rest o' us from thinking about it, too—and turning in a suggestion.

Don't forget, C.R.* suggestions pay the biggest awards!

And a nice fat head o' "Morganthau lettuce" would come in handy right now, with the Seventh War Loan coming up.

And, speaking o' War Loans, make yours tae Uncle Sam right away—and don't loan anything tae Uncle Angus. Thot would be a "War Loan," too—it would be like the 30 years war tae get it back.

*COST REDUCTION.

Going from the sublime to the ridiculous, here's a tip for the matrimonially minded readers:

Love is like an onion.
You taste it with delight.
And afterwards you wonder
Whatever made you bite.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Robert Davis (2)*	Markle, Ind.	26-2	Scheuman	3:06-11:06
	Coming in on No. 3, through Zanesville, and Waynedale.			
Richard May (4)*	Waterloo, Ind.	4-2	Johnson	7:00- 3:06
	Coming in No. 427, through Auburn.			
James A. Paxton (1)*	829 Wilkerson, Huntington	17-1	F. Crickmore	3:06-11:00
Herman Bertsch (2)*	Grabill, Ind.	20-2	Rohrbaugh	8:00- 5:00
	Coming in No. 1, through Leo.			
Mariam Fritz (3)*	R. 7, Defiance, Ohio	4-3	Kimble	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 24 or No. 37.			
Robert Stotler (3)*	Hicksville, Ohio	26-4	Lockwood	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 37 through Harlan.			
Joseph H. Atkinson (4)*	345 Pleasant, Van Wert, O.	17-4	Kelley	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 30.			
Sara Barnes (2)*	Paulding, Ohio	4-2	Johnson	7:00- 3:06
	Coming in on No. 14, through Payne.			

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Clara Zielke	R. 1, Latty, Ohio	6-B	B. Herman	7:00- 3:30

TAYLOR STREET PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Francis Tester	Decatur, Indiana	Deahl	7:12- 3:12
John B. Hite	Liberty Center, Ind.	Hartson	2:48-10:48
Winifred Coates	Ossian, Indiana	Deahl	7:12- 3:12
Ralph Whitcomb	Orland, Indiana	Langdon	6:48- 2:48
Melvin Tully	Ligonier, Indiana	Holloway	7:12- 3:12

Discuss Possibilities Of Automatic Flying

Forecasts Based On High Precision Gyroscope

(Picture on Page 11)

Imagine climbing into the pilot's seat of your airplane, making a few adjustments with dials and switches, then relaxing to read a book, while the plane automatically takes off, carries you to your destination and lands. An idle dream? Not according to aviation engineers of General Electric.

On the basis of developments made during the past ten years in a magical, spinning top that not long ago was nothing more than a child's plaything, G-E researchers predict that this techniue for completely automatic flying is, from the engineering standpoint, a definite possibility.

Automatic Pilot Now

Already in use by the armed forces, they pointed out, is a G-E control that will hold a plane on its pre-set course more accurately than can a human pilot, and flights have been made with a device that permits automatic control of turns, banks, and other maneuvers. Add to this automatic take-off and landing control, functions which General Electric engineers said are well within the realms of probability, and there you have air travel by completely robot means.

The rapidly rotating device on which these forecasts were based is the high precision gyroscope. As simple-seeming in appearance as the toys that were their origin, these consist, essentially, of a wheel, or body, mounted on a shaft and arranged to be spun at great speed. In principle, tops and high-speed wheels are gyroscopes. So is the earth. In only comparatively recent years has extensive application been made of their unusual talents. Today gyros, installed in directional equipment on planes, show a pilot what his correct course should be, even when he is far off that course. Under water they direct a deadly torpedo to its mark.

Used on B-29

One of the newest uses to which gyros have been put is in lead computers for serial guns on the B-29 and other recently developed aircraft. Here they help calculate the various factors between the gunner's own ship and the target, thus determining how far ahead of the enemy plane he must shoot to have it and the bullet meet in space. Other applications are too numerous to mention individually.

These applications utilize a certain characteristic of the gyro, that of maintaining a fixed direction of the spin axis, regardless of gravity, magnetism or the earth's rotation. It resists any attempt to change its direction while spinning. When a plane or ship deviates from its correct course, the gyroscope mounted horizontally still points in a fixed direction, permitting automatic calculation of how far the craft is off its course. Another instrument with the gyro mounted vertically enables the pilot to determine whether his plane is in level flight.

Amplifier Used

Indicating information of this nature is what enables present automatic pilots to function and will, when they are developed, make it possible for robot devices to pilot a plane through a completely automatic flight. When information that the plane is off course or not in straight and level flight is noted by the gyroscope, it sends an electrical message to an amplifier, where the message is converted into greater electrical energy and sent on to a "servo" power unit. Here power is initiated that moves the controls and brings the plane back automatically to its normal position and correct course.

Today the trend is toward the use of electrically-driven gyros, though many air-driven models still remain. There are several reasons for preferring electric gyros in present-day applications, especially in war equipment. For one thing, they are not limited by extreme altitude and temperatures; for another, electric drive provides a constant speed of rotation, independent of altitude, air density or temperature. These gyros can operate at all altitudes up to 40,000 feet and in excess of 1,000 hours without servicing.

Furthermore, electrically driven gyros permit sealed construction, to keep out dust and minimize moisture condensation.

Pointing to the remarkable advancements made in the gyroscopic field in recent years, G-E flight engineers declared that new applications of them and new ways in which they can be used to perform old jobs in superior ways are being made constantly. On the basis of these developments, they asserted that automatic aerial flight, as well as other departures from the ordinary, are no longer meaningless fancy.

Dr. Langmuir To Deliver Memorial Lecture

Dr. Irving Langmuir, associate director of the General Electric Research Laboratory, will deliver the eighteenth Steinmetz Memorial lecture in the Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, May 17, at 8 p.m., it has just been announced by P. H. Light of G-E's Central Station Engineering Division, vice-chairman of the Schenectady section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Dr. Langmuir will speak on "Science and Post-War Incentives."

The lecture series, arranged for the Steinmetz Memorial Foundation by the AIEE, originated in 1925 as a memorial tribute to Dr. Charles Proteus Steinmetz in consideration of his outstanding technical and scientific ability and his broad human interests and varied activities.

The public is invited to attend Dr. Langmuir's lecture.

The fact that refrigerating systems are reversible has been known for 93 years, but steps toward applying this principle to home heating were taken only 20 years ago. The system, known as the heat pump, uses electric power to draw heat from the outdoor air. It is predicted that many homes in temperate zones will be equipped with the pump within ten years after the war.

Mechanical Fingers



. . . SUCH AS PLIERS, HOOKS, PUSH STICKS, BRUSHES, VACUUM AND MAGNETIC LIFTERS, ETC., CAN BE USED MUCH BETTER BEFORE THE ACCIDENT THAN THEY CAN AFTER THE HAND IS CRIPPLED. Norbert Meyer, foreman and chairman of the Safety Committee in Bldg. 17-1, is demonstrating TEN EXCELLENT REASONS why YOU should use these tools.

Operators of punch presses, lathes, milling machines, etc., have had dozens of accidents where these MECHANICAL FINGERS were cut off. The aluminum pliers shown in the above picture, at the lower right, were victims of the most recent accident of this nature. Had the operator not been using these pliers the greater portion of his hand would have been cut off. YOU ARE NOT EXPECTED TO EXPOSE YOUR HANDS AND FINGERS TO DANGER, BUT YOU ARE EXPECTED TO USE THESE TOOLS. Norbert Meyer and his safety committeemen know the value of these tools, no doubt, as well as anyone in the plant, because of the nature of their work.

The 1945 Safety Committee for Bldg. 17-1 is as follows: Norbert Meyer, chairman; E. Love, secretary; J. Kuehner, O. Harold, E. Bueker, R. Whitcomb, D. Mosure, A. Stahl, M. Mummer, A. Wilkinson, Maurice Rodgers, Royal Hilsmier, E. Pattee, C. Wickliffe, C. Boedeker, G. Pierce, L. Barns, R. Huhn, C. Lesh, W. Woodward, and M. Fuelling.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

More G-E Prisoners Freed From Camps

Word has been received of the release of additional G-E employees from German prison camps. PFC William J. McKown, Bldg. 26-2, is in a hospital in England following his release from the Lazaret prison camp near Siegburg, Germany. He had been a prisoner since November 9, 1944.

Sgt. Robert Waldrop, Bldg. 22, who had been a prisoner since February 4, 1944, is on his way home. He was held in Stalag Luft IV.

PFC Robert L. Murray, Bldg. 17-2, is home after being a prisoner at Bad Orb for 84 days, after being captured January 8, 1944, during which time he lost 35 pounds weight. He was released from prison camp by his own unit, the Seventh Army.

Sgt. Billie L. Ramsey, Taylor Street, who had been a prisoner since February 20, 1944, was liberated from a camp near Hanover. He was liberated April 14 by the British Second Army.

A list of German prisoners released April 26 from Stalag Luft IV included the name of Sgt. Bob G. Johnson, Bldg. 20-1, who had been held prisoner since May 12, 1944.

S/Sgt. Glenn W. Bordner, Winter Street, was released April 26, according to a dispatch from a front-line correspondent. He had been a prisoner since Aug. 29, 1944, after being shot down over Yugoslavia.

"You know, of course, that a politician has to have at least three hats?"

"No . . . . why?"

"Well, he has to toss one in the ring. He needs one to wear, and the third is the one he uses to talk through."

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Our inspector, Ferne Bermes, is on the day shift for two weeks. We'll be waiting for you, Ferne. Eve Hiat will take her place on the floor. . . . Louis Hesse has been away a week on vacation. . . . It has been quite some time since our foremen have had their names in our column, so we say, "Beware, Messrs. Crickmore, Schelper, Bastian, and Allen, for we are going to keep our eyes peeled for some spectacular event that rates a special notice." . . . . We have all heard of the interesting things done at Baer Field on their big day, but there is one that is a little more than that to the Bldg. 17-1 night group. An old car got stuck and stopped all traffic for some time. Four pretty girls dressed in fine furs and feathers had to get out and push. If you want to know what was said to them, ask Betty Bradtmiller. She knows. Period. . . . There's still a bit of guesswork going on as to who writes this column. It could be, if they guess wrong often enough, the simple process of elimination is bound to solve the mystery. . . . Fisherman Uhrick is all out of sorts since the fishing season closed. Now all he can do is work on the cottage. . . . Mahlon Grubbs and Jesse Mills have taken up literature. It is a caution to see them explaining some of the finer points to each other. . . . Neal Allen is the latest member of the glamorous and odorous Skunk Club. . . . Len Hutson spent a few days of his vacation "helping" wifie clean house. We understand he also worked on the old jalopy. . . . Marvel Daub celebrated her ? birthday Saturday, May 5. . . . Several of the "sad sacks" bemoan the closing of fishing season. Well, Sir Sad Sacks, this is the time to tickle the tackle for the opening day to come soon. . . . Our latest on the cat-rabbit comes from our own Jimmy Paxton. He actually saw a cat-rabbit that had a short tail, ran when it walked, and hopped when it sat down. He can't prove it as this cat? rabbit? lives in New Jersey. . . . So long, folks, see you next week, same time, same Bldg. 17-1.

Brick: "When did Brown die?"

Barney: "He passed away during a card game."

Brick: "What did he die of?"

Barney: "Five aces."

Boyhood Memories



Few of his friends will recognize in this stalwart pioneer lad with his team of oxen Carl Mosser, third shift foreman in Bldg. 4-1. The Mosser family homesteaded a tract of land in Minnesota, and Carl, who was 11 when this picture was taken, helped clear the land.

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

Circus day was here again, and several girls proved they were just kids at heart. The Pelkey sisters (Alice and Hattie May) and Clara Nahrwald really went in style. Clara certainly was excited about going to the circus. Seems like she bought a candy bar in the drug store and walked up and showed it to the clerk and then walked out the door. That's bad, Clara. . . . Betty France came in Wednesday doing the rhumba. The $64 question: Did she learn it from the South American girls or the elephant at the circus? Just kidding, Alice. . . . Did you ever see Donna Dinius move as fast as she did when Erma Poinsette came around with that mouse? She was up on the tables before anyone knew what was happening. We bet the poor little mouse was scared too. . . . Aimee Linvill received some beautiful gifts from her husband, S/Sgt. Marshall H. Linvill, who is stationed in India. They were nice, Aimee. . . . Here's thanking the K belt and everyone else that gave towards the monthly donation for the USO at the Pennsylvania Railroad station. . . . Betty Strohmeier is a very happy girl these days because her husband, S/Sgt. Don Strohmeier, is home on furlough. Have a nice time together, kids. . . . A time-worn excuse for a black eye was applied to something else on Tuesday morning when Phyllis Dunfee came in with a swollen lip. Claims she slipped on a waxed floor and struck a chair, but we're just doubting Thomases. Hope it feels better by now, Phyllis. . . . Mary Longenecker, now Mrs. Carl Gardner, wants to thank the Bldg. 4-3 gang for the wedding present. She received a coffee maker and a flower vase. She also wants to thank everyone for the flowers she received while in the hospital. . . . This week our latch-string was out for several people, all of whom came from Taylor Street. They are Marie Hummel and Ruth Nusbaum of group 13x59, Hilda Hirshey, group 13x55, and Hazel Cook, who is working in group 13x56. . . . Gaylord Evans did all right for himself at the Dispatchers Club banquet held at the Chamber of Commerce. Says Gaylord: "We sure had a swell meal." Glad you did, Gaylord; that's what it was there for. . . . Bernetta Hertel left the Flange Inspection group on days to take up her duties as a full-time housewife. Sure sorry to see you leave, Bernetta, and the best of luck. She was presented with a farewell gift from the gang. . . . Walter Pepple, assembler, left us Saturday last. He is going to be a favorite of women (and men) because he is going to work for Uncle Sam in Auburn's post office, and nowadays who doesn't like the postman? Sorry to say goodbye to you, Walter, but lots of luck, and all good. . . . Louise Stout celebrated her birthday on May 3. She passed out the most delicious cake to the assemblers, inspectors, testers and what-have-you and the south end. The Birthday Club had a party in her honor and she was presented with an old-fashioned lady vase with a vine and a beautiful handkerchief. We hope you have many more, Louise, and thanks for the cake. . . . Helen Hageman received a letter from Arlene Gaskill, who is convalescing at her home. She wants to thank everyone for the beautiful flowers and gifts. She says the kindness of friends almost makes being sick a pleasure. Hurry and get well, Arlene, because it isn't the same without you. . . . Herb Telley, group 13x15, is leaving very soon for the Navy. We hate to see you and your good humor leave us, Herb, but our loss is the Navy's gain, and we wish you the best luck there is when you don the Navy blue. Drop us a line if you have time, Herbie, so we can let the gang know how you're getting along. . . . Guess that winds up this week's column. The box was rather full this week, folksies, so keep up the good work, and we'll try to keep up our (?) work in putting the items together. So long.

—Country Cousins

Facts and Fun
FROM 31

"Flash! Flash! This is Mike 'Drew Pearson' Rebman giving you the highlights on the European War! All Northwestern Germany surrendered today (May 4)! And now my special feature—predictions of things to come. Germany will surrender unconditionally tomorrow at 5:30 o'clock. This is 'Drew Pearson' Rebman signing off, reminding you to fight, work, and give, to make democracy live!" End of quote. Yes, this "news analyst" is quite popular around Bldg. 31-1. He keeps everyone up on the latest world events. Don't give up hope with your predictions, Mike, they're bound to come true soon! . . . It seems that Lauretta Elliott and Bill Shuherk differ on the German question. How about leaving it up to the San Francisco Conference, kids? . . . Betty Eisenacher, whose birthday was May 3, received a lot of lovely gifts—including a picture of Van Johnson! That accounts for the multitude of female admirers around her desk most of the day. . . . Truman Holle is the original "Sleepy Time Boy!" He drove downtown to eat and got back at 12:30. Deciding to take it easy in the car for a while, he fell asleep and didn't wake up in time to get back to work at 1:15. Too bad cars aren't equipped with alarm clocks! . . . Doris Olinger was beaming the other day as she put a lovely box of candy out on her desk. The candy was for her cat, who gave birth to four little kittens the day before! Special note: the feline formerly made her home at G-E. . . . Edna Bruns just can't stand the smell of some kinds of cigarettes, it seems. Let that be a hint to certain people around her. People who smoke those should be isolated from others. . . . George Murray's new spring hair-do looks like the "don't look like this" advertisements. "Slicker" Murray we now call him (cousin of Flat-top). . . . We welcome Bill Whitehead to the second floor Engineering section. Sorry, first floor, but what's your loss is our gain. . . . Congratulations are in store for the Bob Walworth's new 8½ pound boy. Some lad, Bob! You won't have to wait ten years before he can row a boat! . . . Anyone interested in buying country eggs see Steve Korn—but get them quick or you may find one hatched right in your desk, as Steve did last week! Was he embarrassed! . . . We extend sincere sympathy to the Johnnie Rogers on the death of their son.

War Loan Solicitors In Section 15



Typical of the Seventh War Loan solicitors throughout the plant are those in Section 15, which includes Bldgs. 4-5, 4-1, 6-2, and 4-2. They have their organization complete and are ready to go when the drive opens next week. Members of the first shift are pictured above. They are, left to right, front row, M. Hartman, D. Conners, D. Tilbury, G. Schueman, L. Fullenkamp, and P. Neiswander. Second row, W. Bailey, A. Lause, W. Thiele, C. Watson, J. Turley, and P. Kenerck. Third row, R. Berdellman, E. Deemer, V. Fuhrman, J. Fortney, H. Seabold, N. Hegerfeld, and H. Klinker. Fourth row, K. Young, M. Trott, F. Lebrato, G. Hill, W. Archer, R. Reinking, T. F. Grim, and W. Lamont. Standing, D. Gentis, V. Free, M. McFadden, and L. Marquardt. Not shown are F. Wade, M. Liddy, J. France, D. Commers, R. Papenbrock, R. Frede, D. Horstmeyer, C. Leiter, H. Barrick, and C. Curtis. In the bottom picture are shown the second shift bond salesmen. Left to right, front row, E. McKee, L. Strong, L. Cox, M. Siffle, J. Alles, and N. Potter. Second row, E. Musser, M. Cook, O. Clark, G. York, C. Cleveland, and P. Liddy. Third row, R. Blackburn, A. Oelfke, C. Kabisch, C. Grant, R. Arnold, P. Neal, and P. Woodard.

Turret Tattles

The official reports said there were no casualties at the recent Air Show at Baer Field. We feel it our duty to set the record straight on this point. You might even call it sabotage. Sabotage of an "A" stamp. When "Buttercup" Hildenbrand started home from the show, he began a tour that became somewhat extended. It would be far too complicated to try and explain where he went, for he really isn't sure himself. Suffice to say he drove some twenty-six or seven miles over the normal six or seven miles from his home to Baer Field. To top it off he didn't get to see all the show, as he had to park too far away! Tain't right, feller! . . . It has come to our attention that there is a new addition to our staff down near the stator section. . . . Those office chairs should be repaired so that Phylis Sipe never has to put casters in them again. We didn't think girls blushed any more, but boy! oh boy! They trick everyone who sits in them, Phylis! . . . Extra! Extra! Superman tries to upset lift truck with his bare hands! Murray (Superman) Johnson became irked at a factory crossing when he inadvertently bumped into a lift truck, and gave the truck a hefty punch with his hoof. The results were not all that could be expected. Damage to the truck was negligible whilst Murray now has a bandaged wrist. We would like to suggest to Murray that he try and control himself when in the proximity of either a lift truck or an outboard motor. They seem to be exceptionally rough on his wrists! . . . We would like to have a "coupla" the old gang let us know where they are if they can. 'Sbeen a long time we no see either Lloyd Wire or Bill Deam of the milling machine section. 'Twould be interesting to hear of their endeavors in the Navy. And their old sidekick, Bob Armstrong, not the one of the radio serials, but the guy who "usta" drop in on the center aisle during respites from that there great big oughtymobile. Where are youse guys and how are youse? . . . We would like to welcome Giles Pierre to our midst. Come right on in and pull up a desk, Giles. . . . And we wish to extend the well wishes of the entire gang to "Digger" Stolte in his new position at Winter Street. If they get rough with you out there, Digger, you come right on back here; we like you.

You wouldn't smoke while you had oil or other flammable liquids on your person—but would you caution the other fellow about this hazard?

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

By Dale McNutt

Team Standings

	W.	L.
Tool Room	3	0
D. H. K.'s	2	1
Laboratory	2	1
Aluminum Parts	2	1
Production	1	2
Developmental	1	2
Giants	1	2
Ramblers	1	2
B-29's	1	2
Screw Balls	1	2

Summary

Tool Room defeated Screw Balls 200-201
D. H. K.'s defeated B-29's 231-232
Production defeated Ramblers 210-214
Laboratory defeated Giants 226-230
Aluminum Parts defeated Develop... 212-233

Tool Room turfers, by winning a one stroke match from the Screw Balls, remain the only undefeated team in the League. B-29's went down before the D. H. K.'s also by a difference of one measly stroke. Production really surprised the critics as well as themselves by finally annexing a four-stroke victory over the Ramblers for the first win in their last ten starts for 1944 and 1945 seasons. Perhaps a little confidence will do wonders for them from now on.

Laboratory cut the Giants down to their size and won from them by four strokes. Most matches were very close except the Aluminum Parts vs. Developmental. Although the weather was extremely chilly, no doubt Developmental would have played better without their overcoats.

High scores are still quite prevalent and two boys shot well over seventy (9 holes). Bob Woehr, with a neat forty on the front nine, and Lou Barney, scoring a forty-four on the back nine, were the golf leaders for the evening.

At least two unusual shots were made last Monday. Woehr's chip-in shot from several feet off number 5 green was indeed a beauty.

Michael's second shot on number seven fairway hit a small log in front of him, bounded back directly over his head, hit two trees close together and rolled about twenty yards further away. Indeed a tricky shot if you can do it.

It is suggested that the southpaw "swinger" who persisted in yelling a lusty "fore" on practically all his shots change to calling a "two" instead as his ball seemed to go only half the distance that he thought it should. Undoubtedly, his failure to judge distance was due to lack of anti-freeze on the golf ball.

A young girl working in a war plant, engaged in the making of precision instruments, exercised the American prerogative of abusing the umpire at a recent ball game.

"Ya big bum," she yelled. "He was safe by a thousandth of an inch."

During the 1941 blitz in England, the blackout caused more casualties from stumbling, falling and collision than were caused by enemy bombing.

BOOSTER TICKETS

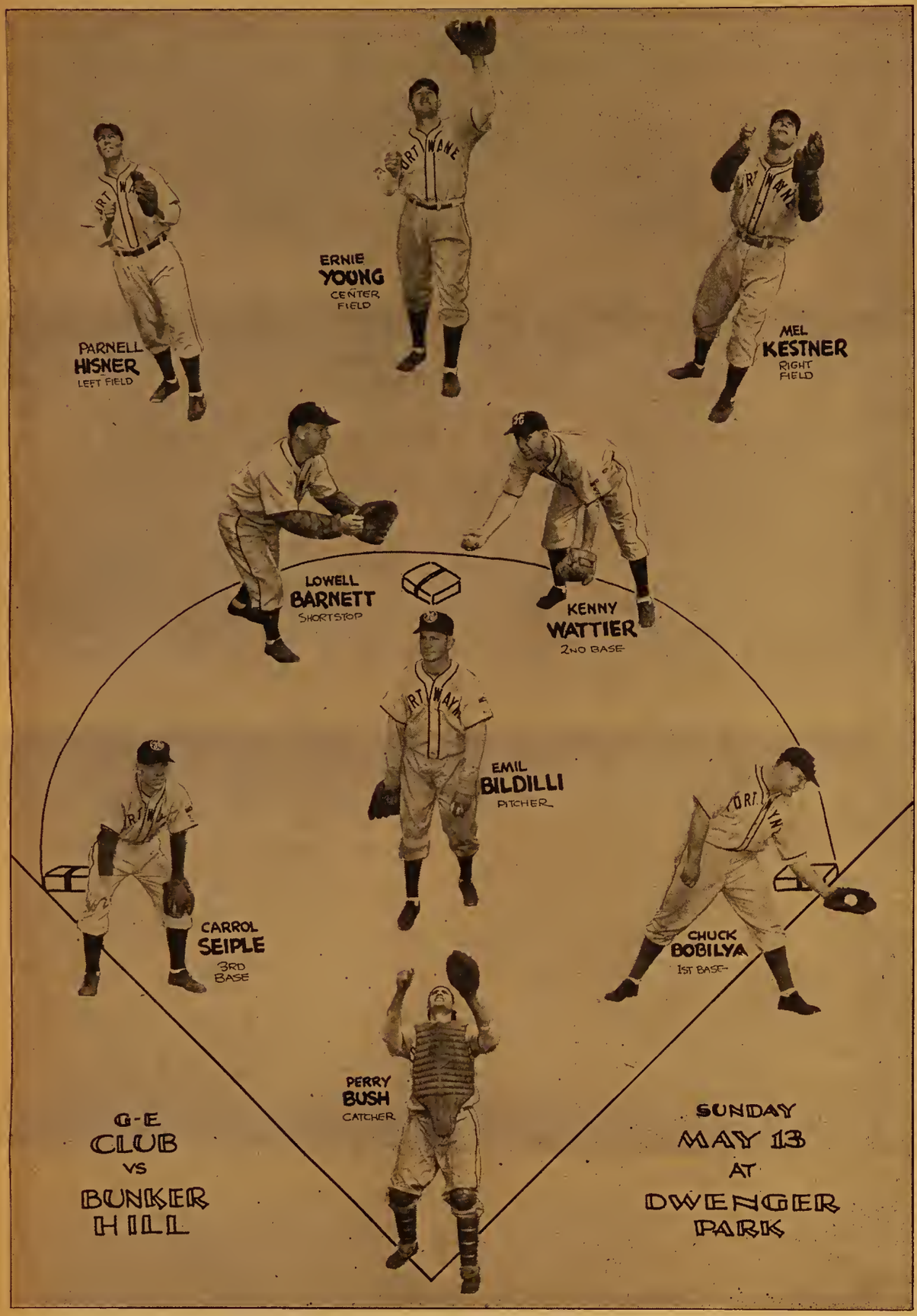
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Lineup For Opening Game



New 2000-HP Tri-Clad Motor Announced By General Electric

A new 2000-hp Tri-Clad motor, the largest to be added to this widely known line, has been announced by the Motor Division of the General Electric Company. A squirrel-cage induction-type motor, it is specially designed for use in large central power stations and large industrial applications.

The new motor is in the 6360-frame series, which is five steps larger in diameter than the largest standardized frame (namely, 505). Operating at 1800 rpm, it is rated 2000 hp, 2300 volts, 3-phase, 60 cycles.

The motor incorporates all of the basic protective features of the Tri-Clad line. These include protection against physical damage, electrical breakdown, and operating wear and tear. The end shields are of split cast-iron construction to facilitate maintenance and provide exceptional resistance to rust, corrosion, accidental blows, and rough use.

Charley: "I never told lies when I was a little boy."

Junior: "When did you begin, Dad?"

Batteries Of Baseball Team Should Be Good

By Frank Eakin

Before a baseball team can get into the class of good teams, the main pre-requisite is a high calibre pitching staff. Last year the G-E Club was in the class of "good" teams, and it also had a very good pitching staff in Emil Bildilli, Hugh Orphan and Max Miller. Since the close of the season, Manager Braden has lost the very likeable Hugh Orphan, who was shipped overseas during the past winter. Hugh will be a very hard man to replace because the big "submariner" had plenty on the ball.

Charlie Braden is building his mound staff around Emil Bildilli, his ace lefthander. Bildilli had a great season last year, and all indications point toward the continuation of such good work; and since he is just plain good, a bunch of statistics would merely fill in space and not help prove the point. So, if you don't believe it, come out and see for yourself.

The boy being groomed for Hugh Orphan's spot on the staff is the very promising youngster, Parnell Hisner. Parnell is a big, strapping kid standing six-one and weighing 180 pounds. He has an abundance of natural ability with a good curve ball and a fast one that does things. With such capable runners as Perry Bush and Ernie Young to handle him, he should develop into a good replacement for the departed Orphan. Parnell is also a very good boy with the stick and will probably see plenty of action as an outfielder when not busy doing mound duty.

Max Miller is back again for relief duty and some starting assignments, if needed. Last year the Club was fortunate enough not to need a relief hurler on very many occasions. Nevertheless, Max never knows just when Charlie will signal for him to come into the "clutch." So you can readily see that Max pitched plenty of games out in the left field bull pen.

Perry Bush will be back again to handle the catching chores after having a good season both afield and at bat. Most people don't realize the true value of Perry. Just because on a couple of occasions he missed a play, they forget about the many, many good ones he made. Perry is a very good clutch hitter and finished the season well over .300. He is a good receiver, giving the pitcher a nice target at which to throw. As replacements, Braden has Ernie Young and Roy Brand, both of whom are very good receivers and hitters.

All in all, Charlie Braden is pretty well set with his batteries with a unit that should be second to none in the semi-pro field and which should make the club an even bet with any team on the schedule.

"I see," said the touchy customer, "that you advertise that you make your own pies."

"Yes, sir," replied the beaming manager.

"Well, I should like to offer a suggestion."

"I'll be pleased to hear it, sir."

"Let someone else make them."

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Seventy-One Get $590 In Awards For Suggestions

E. T. Jenkins, Bldg. 4-5, Heads This Week's List

Seventy-one G-E employees were recognized this week by the suggestion committees of the Fort Wayne Works for ideas on better methods and received awards totalling $590. Edgar T. Jenkins, Bldg. 4-5, led the award list, released by S. E. Palmer, secretary of the Works Suggestion Committee. Mr. Jenkins received $55.00 for his suggestion on improvements in regulator contacts on master motors.

Carolyn North, Decatur Plant No. 2, suggested providing an assembly fixture for brushes, lockwashers, screws and brush support plates to brush holders and received a $40.00 award. Aleda B. McWhirter,

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USSR Says Mobile Power Plants Help Smash Nazi Foe

Units Saw Front-Line Duty Following Advancing Red Army

First accounts of how American-built mobile electric power trains helped the Red Army smash into Berlin are being discussed by engineers and production experts of the General Electric Company and the American Car & Foundry Company, who supplied 63 such plants with a total generating capacity of 143,000 kilowatts to the USSR.

The mobile power plants have seen real front-line duty, according to a recent Information Bulletin issued by the Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialistic Republics.

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Rallies Start Off Seventh War Loan



Rallies throughout the plant sent the Seventh War Loan off to a start last Monday. Speaker at all the rallies was Dr. E. Burns Martin of South Bend; music was furnished by the "Melody Six" accompanied by Velma Lehman and Ilene Franke. When Bldg. 17-4 held its rally, Carl Rutledge, above, returned veteran of the present conflict, appeared on the program, singing several songs. He was accompanied by Miss Lehman.

Bulletin

The dollars subscribed in the Seventh War Loan Campaign to date are about the same as in the Sixth. Many divisions have not yet completed their solicitation.

Bond offices for the issuance of bonds were opened in some of the divisions Thursday evening, and this part of the work will progress rapidly. All solicitors and others interested are earnestly requested to collect their subscriptions and report promptly to their division representatives.

J. W. Crise
Executive Assistant

G-E Powered Wind Tunnel Soon To Be In Operation

Fourteen Thousand Motors To Be Used In New Aircraft "Proving Ground"

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Containing the most highly flexible range of testing conditions in the country and capable of testing airplanes in the "fast-as-sound range," a new $2,500,000 variable density wind tunnel at the Curtiss-Wright Corporation plant in Buffalo, N. Y., will go into operation soon, it was announced today by C. W. Vaughan, president of the Curtiss-Wright Corporation.

Powered by a General Electric system, the tunnel will be capable of testing airplanes at pressure conditions comparable to those found at 35,000 feet. It contains an air volume of 210,000 cubic feet, equal to the cubic air volume contained within 16 six-room houses. California Institute of Technology used the same basic design in construc-

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Retires On Pension



John Bickley, an employee of FHP Motor Section 15, has retired on pension. His continuous service with the Company to date of retirement totalled twenty-two years and four months. He resides at 241 East DeWald Street.

5,477 Veterans Employed By G-E Companies—Wilson

General Electric and affiliated companies have employed a total of 5,477 veterans of World War II as of March 31, 1945, it was announced this week by President Charles E. Wilson.

Of this number, 3,347 veterans are former employees of G-E and its affiliates, while 2,130 discharged service men, now working for General Electric had not previously been employed by the Company.

The figures announced by Mr. Wilson also revealed that a total of 51,423 General Electric and affiliated employees had entered the services as of March 31.

World War Vets To Observe Memorial Day

The sixth annual program of the World War Veterans Association in honor of war dead will be held on Decoration Day, Wednesday, May 30, in the plot east of Bldg. 19. Veterans of both World War I and the present conflict will be honored by the organization.

Arrangements for the program are under the direction of George Ellison of the Taylor Street Plant, who is president of the Association. The tentative program includes posting of colors by a color guard, an address, and the placing of wreaths at both the World War I and World War II memorials by veterans of each of those conflicts. The program will be concluded by the

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Three Soldiers Released From German Prisons

Three additional G-E soldiers have been released from German prison camps, according to word received here. They are PFC Charles Edwin Taylor, Decatur Plant; Sgt. Anthony William Kitson, also of the Decatur Plant; and PFC Fred Kunkel, Bldg. 19-5.

Sgt. Kitson, who had been missing in Germany since December 12, has been overseas since May, 1944. PFC Taylor, a member of General Patton's Third Army, has been overseas since September, 1943. PFC Kunkel, who had been missing in France since January 18, was with the Seventh Army.

CASUALTIES

PFC Robert J. Ort, Bldg. 18-B, was wounded April 17 in France.

Sgt. Robert C. Colby, Bldg. 19-4, was wounded for the second time in Germany.

Pvt. Richard E. Grubb, Winter Street, was wounded by a hand grenade on April 14.

Sgt. Anthony L. Schall, Taylor Street, was killed in Germany, December 6.

PFC Dallas F. Smith, Bldg. 26-5, was wounded in Germany, April 26.

MEMORIAL DAY 1945

Operations will be conducted as usual in all divisions of the Fort Wayne Works on Memorial Day, Wednesday, May 30th.

M. E. Lord

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Memorials

Plans are already under way to erect a monument based on the remarkable photograph showing Marines planting Old Glory on Mount Surabachi at Iwo Jima. Many of those Marines will not live to see that monument. And the other Marines still fighting out there in the Pacific, well—they have more immediate needs than monuments. They would prefer to have you express your appreciation by making sure that all the weapons and equipment they need for future invasions will be—like the Marines themselves—always ready!

No Quick Victory In Pacific

While the war in the Pacific "today is ahead of our expectations," a quick and easy victory cannot be taken for granted, even now that the European war is over, Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King, Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. Fleet and Chief of Naval Operations, declared in his annual report to the Secretary of the Navy.

"We have gone ahead rapidly because we have been able to keep steady pressure on the enemy," Fleet Admiral King said. "It is of the utmost importance that we not only maintain this pressure but intensify it. There must be no relaxation of the fighting effort, nor of the industrial effort that makes the fighting effort possible. I make a special point of this because of recent indications that industry is having difficulty in meeting the needs of the armed services. This is cause for concern, since if the industrial output falls off, the effect will be to prolong the war at great cost in American lives as well as money."

Paying tribute to the "magnificent productive capacity of the United States which has given us the greatest Navy in all history," the Commander-in-Chief said that the genius of our research and industry has put us a long step ahead of our naval enemies in effectiveness of ships, planes and weapons.

"The Navy is deeply grateful to industry for its accomplishments," he added, "which have enabled the Navy to play a large and effective part in the landings of the Allied armies in Europe, as well as to prosecute the Pacific war with a vigor evidenced by the rapid advance towards Japan in recent months."

Fleet Admiral King emphasized that "the very speed of our advance has created new production problems. Our accelerated operations are placing a heavy strain upon reserves of certain vital items, while production of certain necessities is falling behind mounting requirements."

Characterizing the Pacific war as still in the "crossing the ocean" phase, the Commander-in-Chief observed that "therefore, the essential element of our dominance over the Japanese has been the strength of our Fleet. The ability to move troops from island to island, and to put them ashore against opposition, is due to the fact that our command of the sea is spreading as Japanese naval strength withers. . . . While we rejoice in the reoccupation of Guam and the Philippines we must constantly realize that we are only now gaining a position from which we can assault the heart of Japanese strength. That is our goal, and the enemy is welcome to know that we shall continue to press him with every means at our command."

WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?



For several weeks now, the American nation has listened to the story of the most savage cruelty of recorded history. Tales of the outrages inflicted on limited numbers of men in such periods as the Spanish Inquisition pale almost into insignificance by comparison. We are learning of the torture and murder of thousands of human beings by a government having the support of the people of the best-educated nation in Europe.

If it is unpleasant to look at this cartoon and if it gives one a sick feeling to see and read the pictures and articles in the public press about such places as Buchenwald, it is nevertheless our duty to look at them. We undertook as a people to win a war against the Nazis and support a peace which will prevent such things in the future. Very well. Then we must inform ourselves.

And while we are informing ourselves, let us buy bonds in the Mighty Seventh. This can be one of our answers to Buchenwald and Dachau and Oranienberg. And it should be one of our answers to the unspeakable March of Death in the Philippines. For we still have the Japs to beat.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

HOUSECLEAN THE PRESERVE CLOSET

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Jaded appetites may not necessarily mean your family has a bad case of spring fever—it may mean they have grown tired of the food supply from the preserve closet. For with spring at hand, appetites may yearn for fresh vegetables or fruits from the garden or market.

But now is the time, advises Adelaide Fellows, Consumers Institute staff member, to houseclean the preserved food supply and use up all fruits and vegetables preserved last year. As you perhaps know, it is better not to store canned or frozen vegetables and fruits longer than 12 months.

Below are given special recipes which Mrs. Fellows has selected to help you use up your preserved foods by preparing them in especially appetizing dishes.

Apple Scallop

Blend together 1 cup flour, ½ cup margarine. Place in casserole 4 cups canned apples or applesauce. Sprinkle with cinnamon and ⅔ cup of sugar. Sprinkle flour-and fat mixture over top. Place in 350° F. oven until brown (15-25 min.) Serve hot with cream.

Raspberry Jam Pudding

Time 1½ to 2 hrs.

Place in mixing bowl ⅔ cup bread crumbs, ⅔ cup flour, ⅔ cup sugar, 2 tsp. baking powder. Beat slightly 2 eggs. Add ⅔ cup milk, ⅔ cup raspberry jam (or plum, strawberry, peach), ⅓ cup melted margarine, 1 tsp. lemon rind. Add egg mixture to dry ingredients and beat for one minute. Turn into an oiled pudding pan and steam.

Peach and Sour Cream Pie

Temperature 425° F.

Time 45 to 55 min.

Line pie pan with sweet pastry. Cut in eighths or leave in halves 6 to 8 peach halves. Arrange in pastry-lined pan. Mix together and sprinkle over peaches ½ to ⅔ cup sugar, 2 tbsp. flour, ⅛ tsp. cinnamon. Pour over peaches ½ cup sour cream. Sprinkle with ½ cup grated snappy cheese. Bake.

Peanut-Carrot Loaf

Temp. 375° F. Time 1 hr.

1½ lb. loaf pan

Place in a saucepan 2 tbsp. shortening. Add 3 tbsp. flour. Mix and add slowly 1½ cups tomato juice and pulp. Cook slowly until thickened. Add 2 cups chopped cooked carrots, 2 cups chopped peanuts, 1 cup dry bread crumbs, ¼ cup finely chopped parsley, 1⅛ tsp. salt, ⅛ tsp. pepper. Pack tightly into a well greased loaf pan which has been lined with wax paper. Bake.

Beet Salad

Mix 1 cup vinegar, 1 cup water, 4 whole cloves, 1 stick bark cinnamon, 1 bay leaf, ½ tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. pepper, 2 or 3 cups sugar. Simmer 10 minutes. Strain and pour over 3 cups diced canned beets. Cool. When ready for salad, add equal portions of chopped cabbage and top with salad dressing. Serve.

Russian Sauerkraut

Serves 10 Time 1½ hrs.

Cut in cubes 1 lb. veal, 1 lb. pork. Brown in 2 tbsp. fat. Turn heat on high. Season to taste. Add, chopped 4 onions (medium size), 3 green peppers, 4 fresh tomatoes, peeled. Add 1½ lbs. sauerkraut, 1 pint thick sour cream. When steaming freely, turn to low.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES



Somewhere in Germany
April 21, 1945

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines while I have time to say hello to you all and tell you how proud I am to have at one time worked at the good old G-E. I am waiting for shipment back to my outfit. I have been in the hospital for over two months. . . .

Things look good over here now; so maybe it won't be too long before things are brought to a halt in the E.T.O.

I want to say hello to all my friends in Bldgs. 19-4 and 26-4. I hope Harry Bennet, Fred Hiligas, and Walt Colchan are still with you.

I hope to see some great baseball results this year, and I am sure I will if Kenny Wattier is still playing with you. Hello, Kenny.

I must close now. Keep up the good work. Hope to see you all soon.

Sgt. Orval K. Songer

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Dear Editor:

I've been transferred just recently, and I thought I'd better write you a note to let you know and to give you my new address. I am now stationed at Norfolk, Virginia, and as usual I'm still repairing aircraft. . . .

There doesn't seem to be much more to write about. I could say that the war news sounds very good to my hungry ears—I say hungry ears because ever since I got into this outfit they have been waiting to hear, "Here's your discharge, bud; so long." And the surrender of Germany does mean a lot—to everybody. I'm hoping Japan follows soon.

Bye now. Please give my best regards to everyone in Bldg. 4-3 and "Keep the defense wheels going." Good luck to everyone.

Sincerely,
A. L. Steigmeyer, A.M. 3/c

Gets Silver Star

Dear Editor:

. . . Since last November I have been in England, France, Germany, Belgium. Was up in the front lines 27 days. Was wounded, went to the hospital January 8, 1945. Left the hospital March 25 and am now back in France, now in the Air Force, on limited duty. Was in the infantry before. While I was up on the line I made sergeant Dec. 28, 1944, by being squad leader and was also awarded the Silver Star for bravery. Was very glad to get it and to do my duty. Am hoping and praying for this old war to end so we boys can get back on the job and get back to our loved ones. Please tell all the boys in Bldg. 10-1 hello. Can also say I have visited Paris and what a place! Will have a lot to talk about when I get back. Before I close wish to say hello to Blaine Sefton, believe in Bldg. 19-3 or 4.

Sgt. Arthur L. Buchanan

Sgt. Homer E. Conrad was recently promoted to that rank from corporal. He is stationed at Mountain Home, Idaho.

Lt. R. C. Harruff, Jr., has returned to duty in the United States and is stationed in New York.

T/5 Jack E. Byrd is stationed in Italy.

First Lieutenant William R. Walker was recently promoted to that rank in England.

Overseas

Dear Editor:

This is the first letter I've written you since I've been overseas.

I am in the —— Air Force working in squadron supply. I've been in New Guinea, Dutch East Indies, Philippines, and now I'm at a new location. I wish I could tell you where, but I know you understand.

We landed at Leyte second day after D-day. The first day was very quiet. But the next day the Japs made up for lost time. They bombed and strafed us. I never thought a foxhole would feel so cozy. Outside of being bombed and strafed we were shot at by snipers. After a couple of weeks of this ordeal we moved further inland from the beach. Traveling was hindered by rain and mud. When you have to walk in mud knee-deep you will appreciate good old Indiana mud.

After a few days we had our next camp set up. Things really happened here. I've seen about everything there is to be seen in war. If I would tell you all my experiences it would cover a book.

I've seen plenty of G-E equipment while overseas. Keep up the good work. Cooperation is a wonderful thing.

Tell the gang in Bldg. 26-4 and the other divisions I said hello.

Yours truly,
PFC Paul E. Anspach

2nd Lt. John Doswell, Jr., participated in a highly successful attack on harbor installations at Venice, Italy. The attack has been commended by the commanding officer of the Desert Air Force.

S/Sgt. Garnall D. Parkison has been awarded the Air Medal for participation in Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on targets in Germany.

PFC Paul P. Koehl is in the infantry somewhere in France.

PFC Howard A. Schultz is stationed in India.

A. M. Bailey, AMM 2/c, says his ship has a lot of G-E equipment aboard. "Tell the gang in Bldg. 19-5 that I said hello."

PFC Dale W. Stalter is spending a 30-day furlough at his home in Decatur. He holds the Purple Heart, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, and has five stars on his campaign ribbons.

Soldier In Germany Describes Plight Of Refugees In Europe

Deep in Germany
April 25, 1945

Dear Folks:

. . . It has been three weeks since I last wrote you. Honestly, I just haven't had time; we have been on the go constantly. Have been to three different places since I last wrote; also had a three-day pass plus three days' traveling time. As you see, yours truly and his pals have been stepping on Jerry's heels.

Several weeks ago I would have bet a month's pay that Germany would give up by now. At present I give them till Christmas. We see truckload after truck of prisoners every day; that all helps considerably in ending this turmoil, but they still have a large army. Jerry has also put a few planes in the air lately.

I mentioned above a pass. Yes, after nearly four months of steady gains, I took off for six days. Honestly, it did me more good than anything I can think of except a permanent trip home. Four of us went together—before I forget, we went to Brussels, Belgium. We left the place we were then stationed at 9 A.M. in the morning, drove all day and night until 2 A.M. At that time we were in Cologne (one place I will remember and scare at the thought of until I die). Left Cologne at 6 A.M., arrived in Brussels at 3:30 P.M. that afternoon. Gives you a pretty good idea how far we travelled. We made our trip in a jeep. By the time we got half way, we didn't care if we lived or died, we were so tired and sore. Upon reaching the destination, our opinions changed. I have told you this country was beautiful and also that these people are swell, but honestly Belgium can't be beat for beauty and grand people. The only people that can compare in my estimation are the Luxembourg and Dutch. Each of us spent a tidy sum of $150. You can take it from that we had a pretty good time. That seems like a lot of money; guess it is, but after being away from life and luxury as long as us you would have done the same. . . .

As I said before it was a trip I shall never forget. Things we saw en route, things that happened en route, plus things that happened there. I can't tell you all right now, but will as soon as I get home. One thing, we got about 100 miles from camp and rolled over in the jeep. Luckily, no one was hurt, and an ordnance company had our jeep ready to go again in three hours. Another thing was the refugees on the roads. French, Belgium, Russian, in fact people from every occupied country that Hitler had as forced laborers or prisoners. If you think you ever felt sorry before, you are wrong after seeing these people. One has a different sense of sorrow for these people, far different than what he gets when a close friend dies or is hurt. You may think I am crazy for saying that, but I base my opinion on these facts. When someone dies his troubles are over; if a person is hurt, you know eventually he will heal; but these people, these poor suffering refugees, are to be pitied. They are people back from death but yet at death's front door. They travel the best way they can, which usually amounts to walking. If they have any personal belongings, it is in a hand cart, or strapped to their backs. They walk miles upon miles every day, trying to get back home, yes home, probably by now scattered within a radius of 10 miles. Some of them are so skinny from starvation they look like a sick skeleton. My description is very poor, but I assure you if I could tell my story and adventures to you or anyone else personally or in a body I would soon convince them my above statements are true. We are not permitted to carry these people in army trucks because of possible accidents; in the event of a fatal accident the U. S. is held responsible. There are, however, places where these refugees can collect; at these points they can board trains which will carry them back farther into the interior. There are also places where they can stay and eat. Most collection points are old P.W. stockades or Jerry army camps. They are fed on U. S. field rations.

Cologne, a city two or three, maybe four, times as large as Fort Wayne, is in total ruins. To me a h— of a price to pay just for the pleasure of war. Yet the Germans are willing to sacrifice their all for this war. Cologne is now a ghost town. Not a building standing, not a person living there. All we saw was a dead horse lying in the middle of a street and several arms and legs sticking out of the debris. It isn't just Cologne (I just described that because I saw it in the dead of the night and was nearly scared to death); Aachen, Frankfurt, in fact all large cities are the same. Within a week I can add Berlin to that list.

Well, people, I am sorry, but this is it for now. It is nearly 2 A.M., and we get up at 6:45.

S/Sgt. Ralph Lee

Mobile Units

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"They invariably follow in the wake of the advancing Red Army," the Embassy bulletin states. "Since the first days of the offensive, mobile stations have traveled to the front with the armored trains and have rendered invaluable service to tank and truck repair shops, supplying them with power."

The efficient pattern of how the Russians relied on the mobile power plants to rehabilitate cities as quickly as they were retaken from the Nazis and thereby strengthen further advances is revealed by the bulletin.

"The stations played a vital part in restoring Stalingrad, the Donbas, the Crimea, Zaporozhye, Krivoi, Rog, Gomel, Minsk, and other cities," it relates. "The People's Commissariat of Power has sent 30 new mobile power stations to the liberated districts."

Forty of the 63 turbine-electric mobile power plants supplied by General Electric generate 3000 kilowatts of electric power each. The other 23 are 1000-kilowatt units.

The 3000-kilowatt plant is described as a train of nine specially built railroad cars which can be hauled at fast-freight speed and put into service within about eight hours after arrival at a power-needy area. Two locomotive boiler cars, two tenders, a turbine-generator car, a switchgear car, and three cooling tower cars compose each of the plants.

First of the 3000-kilowatt mobile power plants was delivered to the Soviet government June 1, 1944, at Berwick, Pa., at which point the USSR took the responsibility for shipment abroad. In officially accepting the first unit, Lieut. General L. G. Rudenko, chairman of the Soviet Government Purchasing Commission, and a veteran of the defense of Stalingrad, predicted the part that the power trains would play in crushing Germany.

"They will be run close to the lines," he said, "and used to repair tanks, trucks, and other equipment. They will also be used in rehabilitation work as assigned.

"The power trains will aid the war effort greatly," the General declared. "The saving in taking the power plants to the front lines, instead of taking damaged equipment back to repair shops, is apparent."

New Fixed Paper Dielectric Capacitors

The General Electric Company has announced a new line of hermetically sealed, fixed paper-dielectric capacitors with glass terminal insulators, in case styles CP-60, -62, and -64, characteristics E and F. These new units meet the rigid requirements of the Proposed Joint Army-Navy Specification JAN-C-25, and are for use in combat communication equipment where severe operating conditions may be encountered.

For complete information on these units write for bulletin GEA-4424, General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

War Loan Speaker



Speaker at the Seventh War Loan Drive rallies held throughout the Works was Dr. E. Burns Martin, above, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend. Dr. Martin addressed forty-two meetings during a three-day period.

Wind Tunnel

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tion of its new tunnel at Pasadena, California, just announced.

Test Lab, Too

The new tunnel will serve not only as a Curtiss "proving ground" but it will also be in a position to serve as a testing laboratory for other Eastern airplane manufacturers.

The mammoth tunnel's extreme flexibility of "testing range," one of its most unusual features, will enable Curtiss technical experts to test in the future models of all types of planes, thus accomplishing in less time, and in one place, work which previously has been performed by three or four tunnels.

The big tunnel, which stretches its 378 feet of circuit length, has an 8½ x 12 foot test chamber which permits testing a model of 10 foot span. Overall length of the tunnel is 178 feet. Its overall width is 81 feet. Steel used in the tunnel's construction is equal to that employed in the construction of a heavy U. S. Navy destroyer. The tunnel stands 36 feet from the ground at its maximum height.

14,000 HP Motors

The 115,000 volt power supply for the tunnel is brought into the plant through a 10,000 kilovolt amperes outdoor sub-station where it is reduced to 4800 volts for use with the 14,000 H.P. General Electric drive motors. This power service is adequate for the tunnel to operate, if need be, twenty-four hours a day, with good voltage regulation, an advantage enjoyed by f... wind tunnels in the United St...

Employing four special compressors, air in the three-quarter-inch steel shell may be pumped to four times atmospheric pressure, or 60 pounds per square inch.

Can Also Reduce Pressure

On the other end of the "pressure range" the tunnel may be evacuated to a pressure of four pounds per square inch, equivalent to the minimum pressure encountered in flight at 35,000 feet.

Still another feature of the tunnel is its test chamber, which may be "sealed off" from the remainder of the tunnel, thus permitting airplane models in the chamber to be changed or worked on without changing the test pressure.

The Curtiss tunnel, despite its tremendous size and multiplicity of equipment, may be efficiently operated by a crew of three men, a power operator, a balance operator and a tunnel control operator. The entire operation may be performed remotely from the operating "console" located just outside the tunnel.

Memorial Day

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firing of a salute by the Post 47 squad and taps.

The Memorial Day program is one of the outstanding events of the year for the World War Veterans Association. This year the organization will honor the six men from the local works who gave their lives in World War I, and also the dead of World War II, who at the present time number seventy-three.

Carver Carnival Is Postponed

The carnival in which the Carver Club is participating at the Wheatly Social Center has been postponed to Thursday and Friday, June 21 and 22. Complete plans will be announced at that time.

Ilsley Appointed Manager Of Wire And Cable Division

B. F. Ilsley has been appointed manager of General Electric's Wire and Cable Division, Central Station Divisions, it was announced by W. V. O'Brien, manager of the company's Central Station Divisions.

Following his appointment, Mr. Ilsley announced that the Wire and Cable organization would be divided into two sections, the Magnet Wire section here in Fort Wayne and the Cable section in Schenectady. Sales managers of the two newly created sections are J. S. Overstreet, cable, and J. J. Curtin, magnet wire. Both men were assistant managers of sales for the Wire and Cable division before the organization changes became effective.

This promotion comes in Mr. Ilsley's sixteenth year of association with General Electric. He joined the company in 1929 after attending Harvard University, the Royal Technology College in Glasgow, Scotland, and Glasgow University.

After doing special work in the office of the Schenectady Works superintendent, he was made general foreman of the wire and cable section in 1930 and became assistant superintendent of that section four years later. In June, 1937, he was appointed magnet wire specialist of the cable section of the G-E Central Station department in Schenectady, and two years later he moved his headquarters to this city.

In 1941 he returned to Schenectady as General Assistant to the Division Manager of Wire and Cable. In 1943 he was made Assistant Manager Sales and placed in charge of commercial operations at the Oakland, California, cable plant, the position he filled until his present promotion. Mr. Ilsley was born in Stirling, N. J.

G-E Engineers Author Many Articles For Trade Magazines

Ten General Electric engineers were authors of 13 technical articles in April issues of trade magazines.

They are Hendrick D. Middel, Industrial Engineering Division, who wrote "The Influence of Electronics on Process Control," which appeared in the April 14 ELECTRICAL WORLD; R. L. Fegley, Advertising and Sales Promotion Department, "How to Write Instruction Books," INDUSTRIAL MARKETING for April; N. L. Rea, Service Engineering Division, "The American Educated Mouse," in POWER; L. U. C. Kelling, Industrial Control Engineering Division, "Application of Photoelectric Loop Control," MACHINE DESIGN; W. J. Gorman, Industrial Control Engineering Division, "Maintenance and Servicing of Electronic Resistance Welding Controls, Part I," ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING.

Also Pao-Tung Chin, Industrial Control Engineering Division, "Controlled Rectifier Circuits, Part I," ELECTRONICS; R. H. Rogers, Industrial Engineering Division, "Servomechanisms," MACHINE DESIGN; D. L. Beeman, Industrial Control Engineering Division, "4160 Volts Is More Economical than 2400 Volts for Medium-sized Plants," in PURCHASING, GENERAL ELECTRIC REVIEW, MILL AND FACTORY, and MARINE ENGINEERING AND SHIPPING REVIEW; L. E. Newman, Central Station Divisions, "Modern Extraction Turbines, Part IV," POWER PLANT ENGINEERING, and R. M. Swetland, Central Station Divisions, "How and Where to Use Mercury Street Lighting," in the AMERICAN CITY magazine.

Suggestions

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Bldg. 6-2, ranked high on the li... with a $25.00 award for her sug... gestion providing a mixture of pai... for stamping DY81 cases.

Winners of awards ranging fro... $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 4-1

Raymond J. Dotzer, Frederick W... Schaaf.

Bldg. 4-2

Paul Leon Miller, Harold Mason... Cecil Tarney.

Bldg. 4-5

Rudolph A. Becker, Maynard Ra... Cope, Jr., Noble W. Meyer, Robert... L. Kelsey.

Bldg. 6-2

Louise Claiborne, Marie R. Drew... ery, Dorothy M. Connors, Harol... Waters, Max E. Flohr, Anna E... Robinson, Richard A. Conrad, Jr.

Bldg. 26-B

J. H. Plescher, Leona L. Friend... William Laflin, Donald Edgar.

Bldg. 26-1

Lawrence E. Hosack, Doyle Mil... ler, Reuben E. Dewart, Leslie A... Baumgartner, James Lillich, Claude... E. Fryback.

Bldg. 26-2

Elvie Dafforn, Lester R. Parrish... Bonnie L. Herrman, L. J. Gbursik... Albert E. Kreager, Grace B. Campb... bell, Henry H. Webster, Marvin M... Wimerman, Thomas G. Carr, Rol... land T. Fawcett, Ervin O. Johnson... James R. Voirol.

Bldg. 26-3

Anna Bremer.

Bldg. 26-4

Elson J. Shanebrook, Joseph W... Marx, Neva L. Lutz.

Taylor Street

Edward C. Putnam, Gerold F... Lhamon, John H. Rhodes, Zelma M... Wood, Frederick L. Young, Leonard... V. Spring, Russell Shultz, Cecil Ray... Russell L. Poorman, Emma E... Baumgardner, Phil Phillips, Robert... A. Hattersley, Neil Richard Glock... Ernest E. Golliver, Oscar L. Flem... ing, Sr., Donald R. Swank.

Decatur

Ruth J. Kiess, Mary J. Gage, R... Eileen Reed.

Bldg. 20-2

Ralph Wm. Wieman.

Bldg. 19-2

Robert W. Voltz, Lloyd Franklin... Kemery.

Bldg. 19-1

Milroy W. Ploughe.

Bldg. 8-1

Vernon S. Wiseman, John J. Pow... ner, Lawson Bryan Cox, Lynn A... Wilson.

Bldg. 8-2

Howard D. Smith.

Bldg. 12-B

Clyde W. Eulitt.

Automobiles have killed 769,000 people since the turn of the century, reports the National Safety Council.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS



Hoot mon! More gasoline for A card holders! Now thot V-E day has come and gone, there is a possibility of more gas. Everybody I know has been happy about it, except my Scotch relatives, and they are happy, now, too, after I oxplained tae them thot it wasn't compulsory tae buy all thot extra gas; it's just permissible.

But it is compulsory tae be doing some other things, now thot V-E day is past—like, for instance, keepIng on with our part in the war, and using all the best tools we know how tae use to accomplish this.

I hai been writing about one o' these tools for the past three weeks —pairhaps ye are sick o' reading about it—weel, I'm not sick o' writing about it—in fact, here goes another installment.

The Record o' Product Rejections should be used by everybody, take, for instance, the draftsman, or mechanical designer. If he studied all the causes for rejections, he'd find thot most o' them are mechanical, not electrical. Ah yus, the Record o' Product Rejections should electrify the mechanical designer—electrify him into doing something about it. Even if his designs are good, and perfectly buildable, the Record might still suggest a change thot would make them better, even to the point where it would be almost impossible tae spoil onc. In other words, they'd not only be buildable, they'd be practically unrejectable.

But, pairhaps ye are not a draftsman or mechanical designer. Weel, then, ye can worry them with suggestions. Find a way tae cut doon rejections by a mechanical design change, and turn it in, and remember—

The C. R.* suggestions pay the biggest awards.

And, speaking o' awards, Cousin Colin won a bridge-lamp at the Scotsman's War Bond rally raffle, last week.

"How does it work?" I asked him.

"Weel, I'll let ye know, as soon as I find a bulb, shade, socket, and cord and plug."

*COST REDUCTION.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

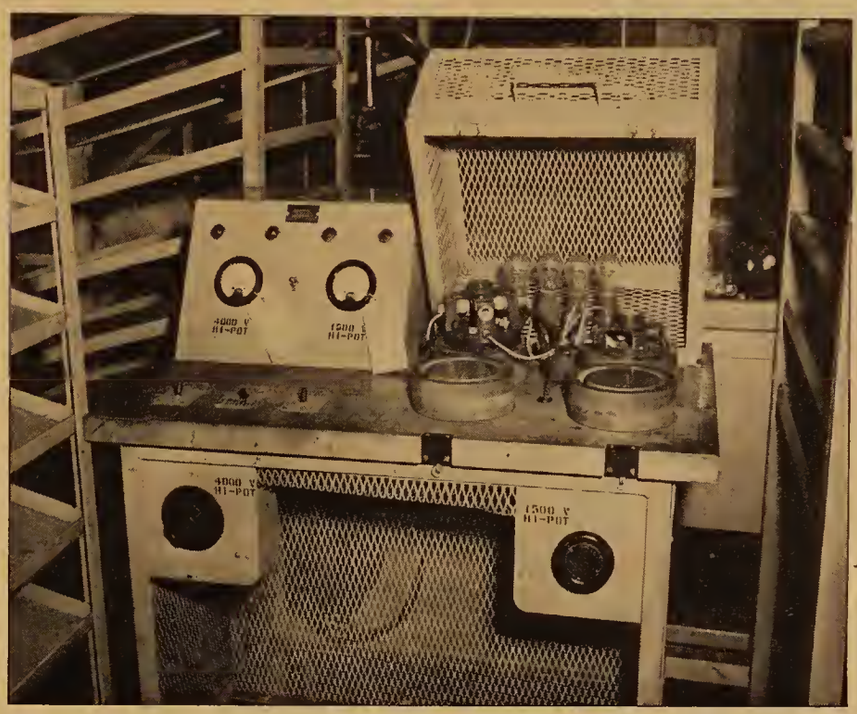
Irma Kasner is visiting her husband in California. We hope to see Irma back to work with us soon. . . . Congratulations, Jesse Cleveland, on your birthday anniversary last week. . . . We also want to congratulate Mary Lou Schmidt on the birthday she had last week. Mary Lou is old enough to vote now. . . . Donna Bucher celebrated a birthday this week. We wish you many more happy ones, Donna. And look, Donna, your last name is spelled right this time. . . . Sure glad to see Thelma Purdue back with us this week. Thelma had a tooth pulled last week.

The nation's productive capacity was reduced in 1944 by the loss of 41,500 workers. National Safety Council figures show that 18,000 were killed in work accidents, and 23,500 in off-the-job accidents.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

No. 148 May 18, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

HIGH VOLTAGE TEST TABLE



Long range, mechanical warfare requires tools of war with extraordinary accuracy.

Such accuracy can best be assured by careful testing, with accurate equipment.

Accuracy of testing equipment is shown on calibration cards similar to those attached to the voltmeters above.

BE SURE THAT THE INSTRUMENTS YOU USE ARE CALIBRATED FREQUENTLY!

Here and There
BUILDING 17-4

Well, land of livin', we send a man home for a week of hecklin' tonsilitis, and what happens? He grows a grandfather, teastrainer, mustache! Why, Richard Markle, did your razor break? . . . Don Kruse, the outdoor sportsman, evidently has his weaker moments. T'other day, Don came rushing out of the thermocouple room and never stopped 'til he was out of the danger zone—Seconds later brave Leona came out dragging a harmless little beast—a "daid" mouse! E-magine! . . . Vacations are here again—Lacey Hearn, graveyard shift, attended a reunion of his classmates of Purdue. Bet those classmates of 1905 had plent-e to talk about. . . . About this time Clem Miller is along the St. Joe pulling glistening fish from blue-washed water, under the heavenly brilliance of a lazy May day sun, the grasses swaying in perfect rhythm under Spring's gentle breezes. Be still, faint heart, or I, too, shall be a vacationist. . . . It's swellegant to see lil' Cora Emenhiser on days. . . . Gus Ausderan is back on the job again after a short illness. We miss Gus, regardless of how or why he is gone. . . . Oh yes! Toney Willy lets us in on the latest about his granddaughter. He says she asks her mother if she can have dates when she is two. . . . Now we find Charley Crain and Charley Hunt are becoming fast friends since they heard about one another's dancing. They seem to be in competition, although they dance altogether different. Both are equally popular. . . . You should see Mary Mobly and those beautiful hair ribbons. Lillian Kidder and that far-away look in her eyes—must be spring fever. Wilbur Krebs' cute new wave in his hair. Charley Stuckey since he doesn't wear a mustache. . . . Just imagine: George Fann without that smile. Harold Knepp without those plates. Bill Geist at 100 pounds. George Mannisto short and chubby. Jack Willauer as a farmer. Clarence Koepke never saying a word to anyone. Red Coburn with black hair and a long beard. Jesse Ebersole driving a horse and buggy. . . . We take this time to welcome three new members to our floor, Robert Krohman and Irwin Blackburn to the North End test room, and Curly Williams to the machine shop in the South End. Hope you fellows will enjoy working with us on this floor. . . . Walter Lorenz has at last turned farmer. He is considering a garden this year. He promises that he won't act like Boris Karloff anymore. . . . At last we know Bunny doesn't really want to be a plumber. . . . George Patterson doesn't really resemble General Patton.

Apprentice Theater Party Wednesday

Members of the Apprentice Alumni Association will see a special presentation of *Kiss and Tell* at the Civic Theatre next Wednesday evening, May 23, at 8:30 P.M. Tickets for the affair are free of charge and may be obtained from contact men.

The play, popular in both New York and Chicago, is a comedy based on life in war-time America. The Alumni Association will see the Fort Wayne premiere of *Kiss and Tell.*

Turret Tattles

Carl Schafianski of the center aisle just can't seem to keep the water on the outside of his boots. Hunting mushrooms t'other day with some of the lads, he had considerable trouble when he got into water over the top of his hip boots. What puzzles us is that the rest of the fellows claim the water wasn't over six inches deep! Howdayadoit? . . . The funniest thing to come to our attention for some time was when the daughter of one in our midst came to the gate and asked for her father (she needed movie money), and when it was found that papa was not at work, she suddenly remembered he was home with a cold! Poor pa! He doesn't get the credit for his efforts he deserves. . . . Has anyone noticed any thumping or bumping along the south wall of the garage? There seems to be quite a program on for the elimination of same from this district, but to save us we've never noticed. Couldn't be those oversize shoes "Doc" Carleson wears? He does an awful lot of stomping around on that wooden platform during his seven and six-tenths hours. We suggest rubber overshoes! . . . If the jalopy should need new brakes, try talking George Swartz into helping with the job. He's quite a help. And if he can't get around to it, Joel Bacon can give you some dope on a good spot, too. . . . The Owl League Golfing group gets under way this week at Brookwood. We have a hunch the scores will look more like a marble game. Don't throw that! . . . The Motor-Generator Softball Maniacs have had several spring workouts and are in fine fettle. Go get 'em, gang. Let's see a whole flock of new jackets in Bldg. 27 next fall.

G-E Diesel Locomotive Features Reopening Of Manila Railway

A 47-ton, 380-hp diesel-electric locomotive, built by the General Electric Company, recently led a triumphal procession which marked the reopening of train service to the capital of the Philippines. Decorated as the "General MacArthur Special," this 47-tonner started from Caloocan station, and traversed part of the route from San Fabian to Manila, over which daily freight movements have since been resumed.

Known as No. USA 8584, this diesel-electric is one of many locomotives of its type built for the armed services at General Electric's Erie, Pa., Works. Part of an order scheduled for the Chilean State Railways, it is one of two which were diverted by the War Production Board and consigned to the Army.

The two locomotives were shipped from Erie Works to the west coast in November 1944 and thence by transport to the Philippines. Originally designed for meter-gage track, it was necessary to make adjustments that would permit their operation on a 42-inch-gage track in the Philippines.

The National Safety Council reports that most of the serious cases of infection start from small wounds. Get immediate first aid treatment for a cut or scratch.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Rallies Open Seventh War Loan At Fort Wayne Works



Rallies featured the Seventh War Loan Drive at the Fort Wayne Works this week. Top left, music for all of the programs was furnished by the "Melody Six," composed of [illegible] shows a group at the Taylor Street Plant. Second row, left, Bldg. 4-4; center, Bldg. 4-3; right, Bldg. 4-2. Third row, left, Bldg. 4-5; right, Bldg. 17-4. Bottom row, left, another [illegible]

Decatur Holds War Loan Program



The Seventh War Loan Drive at the Decatur Plant opened Monday morning with rallies for both first and second shifts. Guest speaker was Major Harold Zwick, local doctor recently returned from 28 months in the India-Burma war area. In the background, left to right, are Henry Stauffer, president of Local 924, UERMWA; E. W. Lankenau, superintendent of the Decatur Plant; and George Laurent, supervisor of personnel activities at the Decatur Plant.

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

It was farewell time again in Section 5-55, this time for Mable Sautter and Rose Dyson. Both of these girls returned to their former jobs of cooking, sweeping, dusting, etc. A dinner was held at the plant cafeteria, and everyone enjoyed hearing the guests of honor relate their most embarrassing experience at the G-E. Autographed gifts were presented to the two guests. Others in attendance were: Bess Geisler, Josie Garard, Esther Brokaw, Edra Dellinger, Pearl Ray, Florence Lawson, Georgia McMichael, Kathleen Fennig, Imel Tice, Okabeah Stetler, Loretta Lehman, Gladys Engle, Kathryn Fosnaugh, Edwinna Stucky, Grace Wyer, Ina Noack and Alvena King. . . . Leona Walters is back at work after spending her vacation with her son, Pvt. Edward Walters, at Camp Hood, Texas. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Conrad, who are the parents of a baby son named Roger Lee. Mrs. Conrad was formerly Selma Strahm and was employed in Plant No. 2. Martha Colter is aunt and Frieda Conrad is grandmother to the baby. . . . Cupid has been shooting arrows around the plant. On Saturday, April 28, Nellie Hawkins was married to Floyd Ridenour, both employed in Plant No. 2. And on April 19, Eva Mauller was married to Frank Clingenpeel. . . . The girls' four bowling teams ended their season with a wiener bake at Hanna-Nuttman Park. There was plenty to eat, and everyone gathered around the blazing fire to talk afterward. . . . The marriage of Rosella Strickler to Carrol Sovine was announced recently. Attendants were Nina Sovine and Melvin Dellinger. The second shift wishes the happy couple all the best of luck in their new venture. . . . Dorothy Stalter arrived at the factory one evening accompanied by her husband, Dale, who has been overseas for two years. He was wounded in action in the European theatre. Dale has a 30-day furlough. . . . Friends of Jo Voglewede presented her with a corsage of three red roses on the occasion of her third wedding anniversary. . . . Al Windmiller reports that his son, Floyd, who was wounded at Iwo Jima, has been promoted to first lieutenant. . . The swing shift has acquired another young lady with auburn tresses, namely, Pauline Hannie of Monroe. . . . Harry Johnson and Myron Lehman have returned to work after teaching school the past year. . . . Jo Voglewede has something new in the line of lapel pins—a hoot owl, of all things, and it really bats its eyes. . . . Viola Archer did her vacationing last week. . . . Charlie Baker has severed his connections with us to take a job driving a milk truck. . . Betty Harman Mauller is quite elated this week. Her hubby has returned from the western front for a 45-day furlough. . . . Lou Clark is an additional newcomer to the swing shift. May your stay be a long one. . . . If Doris Paxon talks to you and doesn't smile, she must not be well. . . It seemed as though Ethelyn Burnett had proclaimed her own V-E day the other evening when she was accosted by one of the Pied Piper's pets in the aisle. . . . Katie Heller is sporting a brand new sparkler. Bill Brunner sure is a lucky guy. . . . Elnora Snyder had a birthday last Saturday and what a birthday. She received a very lovely corsage from her friends in the shop. . . . Truman Goldner had on display a number of medals he received from his son overseas. They were taken from dead German soldiers. Among them is the German Purple Heart. . . . According to Ray Ballard, his fourth son, born recently, is going to be called "Sparky". . . . Ed Warren shadow-boxed with a tractor and came out second best. They do hit hard. . . . PFC Cecil C. Harvey writes from England that he is still stationed there, working in a hospital on night duty. He just hopes that it isn't long before all the boys get back so they can get together again. He likes getting the WORKS NEWS and any news from home and said he got the Christmas box, for which he thanks everyone. . . . Mo.M.M. 3/C Kenneth Chilcote has written from the Western Pacific. Here are some of the interesting items taken from his letter: "—I'm feeling fine but have lost quite a bit of weight.—Am in a repair outfit, repairing small landing craft. I'm in charge of the spare parts department. It really keeps a guy going issuing parts for all the work that is being done by the men in the shop.—Have been on the island for quite some time now—have really seen a big change in this island since we have taken it over. I haven't met anybody from home out here yet—saw two of the men in Pearl Harbor that worked in the plant.—Have read in the papers from home that some of the guys were here for awhile but never got to see them.—Have been receiving the "WORKS NEWS" regularly and enjoy it very much. —I see by the news that the men and girls are doing pretty good in basketball this season. We have recreation out here. I play with the Naval Base baseball team and doing pretty good. We have won three and lost two. I was playing basketball, but the sun is too hot out here. It really gets hot sometimes out here. A few weeks ago the thermometer showed 130 degrees in the sun. Our living conditions are very good.—There are 14 men in our hut, which makes it pretty comfortable. Tell the gang I would like to hear from them. Keep up the good work and we will do the same. (Addresses of service men may be procured from the Employment Office). . . . The writer of this column wishes to apologize for the absence of DECATURITES the past two weeks. Illness kept the regular writer from being at her desk, and the pinch hitter was too busy getting ready to go to the army—so please bear with us. . . . Robert Shoup, jeep driver of the swing shift, and a big contributor of WORKS NEWS items, will be very unhappy until Decaturites gets back in the NEWS again. Bob is the fellow who hands out all the orchids, so give him the news—you may get one, too. . . . All G-E Club members are invited to a dance sponsored by the Club on Saturday night, May 26, at Sunset. Speck Hebble's orchestra will play from 10:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. . . . V-E Day was an extra super one for Sanna Kunkel. On that day she received word that her brother, Fred Kunkel, who had been reported missing in action, was well and safe. . . . We were also happy to hear that Sgt. Bill Kitson, who has been reported missing since December 12, has been released from a German prison camp. Bill was formerly employed in Plant No. 1. . . . Pvt. Eugene Loshe, son of John Loshe, and Pvt. David Langston, son of C. C. Langston, have reported to Camp Meade, Maryland, for further assignment after spending furloughs at their homes. . . . Virginia Heller is on sick leave and is spending some time in Florida. . . . Virginia Dellinger was on vacation at home last week. Her brother, Pvt. Robert J. Parrish, is home on furlough from Alaska. . . . Emma Goldner visited the past week-end with her brother in Detroit. . . . Dora Cook and Thelma Andrews left Sunday for an extended visit with Mrs. Cook's daughter in California. . . . Hilda Gaunt, Verena Meyer, Lorena Keller, and Ethel Tumbleson Essex visited last week with Anne Murtaugh at the Irene Byron Hospital. Anne is much improved and sends her best regards to her many friends at the plant and to our boys in service. . . . Lt. Raymond Shackley has returned to work after being absent for several weeks because of illness. . . . Cloyd Dellinger suggests using the alarm clock as a reminder when it's time for your favorite radio program. He likes Judy and Jen, WOWO artists, and says he never misses a program since he learned to use his clock. . . . Albert Baumann's English leghorn hens are super. He feeds them double-duty mash, and he says they lay three eggs daily. . . . Lurlie Miller is leaving the services of the company to accompany her husband to Washington, D. C., where they will make their future home. . . . Mark Whitaker is the new member of the sparkler's club. She received a beautiful diamond from AMM Maurice Teeple of the U.S. Navy and a former employee of Plant No. 1, who has now returned to duty after a short leave. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Zimmerman, who are the parents of a baby son. . . . Our best wishes and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fullenkamp, who were married on May 5. Mrs. Fullenkamp was formerly Alice Baker. Both are employed in Plant No. 1. . . . Nellie Hawkins and Edith Pingry are enjoying a week's vacation. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Anna and Josephine Ivetich in the death of their mother and to Alva Lawson in the death of his brother. . . . On the sick list are Delores Bentz, Lydia Gerber, Fred Engle, Jack August and Fern Passwater. We wish them a speedy recovery. . . . No one could have been the recipient of finer gifts than the ones Iva Teeple received from her two sons for Mother's Day, a beautiful strand of pearls and a lovely gold compact. Iva's sons must really love her. . . . The second shift at long last had a skating party. Sure was a success even if Charlie Debolt did do the buck & wing. These parties will be held every Friday night until further notice. . . Russ Tope is now back on the job again after an unexpected layoff due to trouble with one of his guernseys. . . . The colors call—Julie Baker, our erstwhile safety director, ace photographer and personnel man, is due for induction the twenty-second of this month. We lose a valuable man and hope tbat he will be as valuable in his new position as he is here. Au revoir, Julie, and good luck.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

With everything else to do last Thursday, including being married, our Evelyn Keenan received several phone calls from the gang during the day—but nevertheless, in the afternoon she became Mrs. Robert Flory, and we wish them both the very best of everything. Congratulations, Evelyn and Bob! . . . Donna Wagoner is quite the thing when it comes to eating, but judging from the luscious bananas lately, they must have transplanted a few trees in Jefferson Center. . . . Russell LeBeau was a lonely man this week, and on seeking out the reason we discovered that Hans Muller and L. Gardt were on their vacations. Take heart, Russ, they'll be back soon. . . . Dorothy Gideon is the recipient of several new nicknames, including "Shorty," "Pee Wee," etc. Wonder why? . . . Mary Brown spent this week all the way down in New Mexico. How's the weather there, Mary? . . . Ray Aker was here for a visit and is much improved, although not able to return to work as yet. Enola Crabill is still on the sick list and in the hospital with an appendectomy. Get well soon, folks. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to John Klejnot. . . . Greetings to Arthur Rasor, and we hope to see you soon. . . . We want to wish the best of luck to Joe Hill, who left last week for the Army, and we hope you won't be gone long, Joe. . . . Slim Walters is all set to provide fish bait for all who can prove they are good fishermen. . . . Congratulations to Charles Brubaker, who has become tbe proud father of a baby girl during the past week. . . . Evelyn Hewes is in the St. Joseph Hospital recovering from an appendicitis operation. Hurry and get well, Evelyn, we miss you.

News From TAYLOR STREET

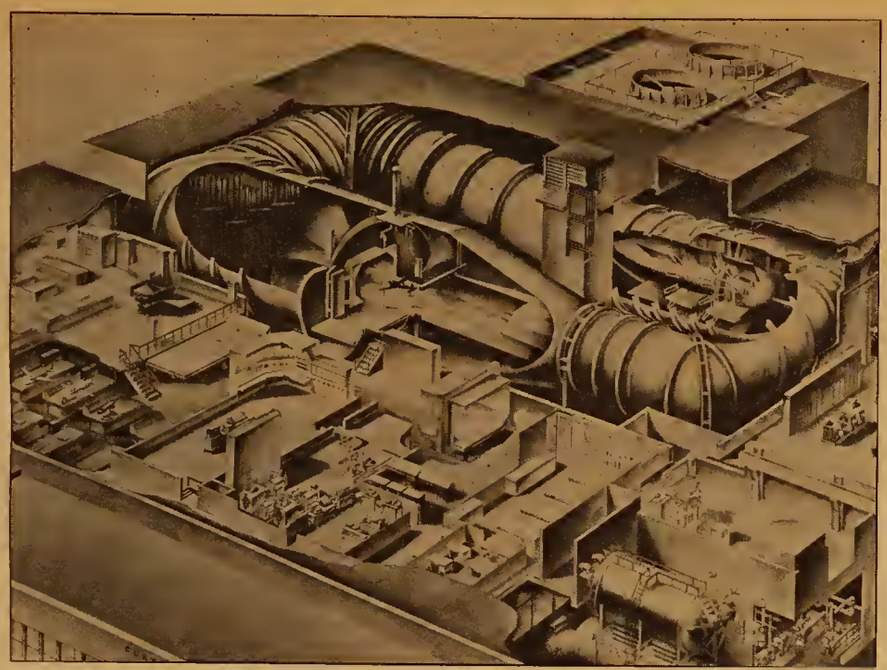
Impeller

Tuesday morning at eight o'clock V-E Day had finally arrived. The Impeller Section stayed on the job, for we knew that the Japs are not finished. . . . If anyone is painting their walls green this year, wait until Bob Kinnaman gets through with his house. What is left he will gladly give away. . . . We were wondering if Thelma Barnes was coming to work or coming in for a picnic. Last Monday evening she had only two bananas and a two-pound box of cookies with her. It sure helps your waist line, Thelma. . . . Last Saturday morning a strange girl came into work in the Milling Machine Section. But looking the second time, we discovered who it was. No one but Ardella Wyatt with a new hair style. . . . Bob Mossburg seems to be having a time keeping his upper plate in. So he has solved it by having the welders spot weld it in for him. . . . Manasseh Garard says he would like to read his name in the paper too. So here it is. . . . Seeing is believing with Bob Bennett, as Clarence Gardt was telling him what a nice garden he had—especially about his large radishes. To prove it he brought one of his radishes in to work. For any other information look on the bulletin board for proof. Clarence does believe in signs; that's why he has such good luck with his garden, boys. . . . William Uecker is taking his vacation. Hope you have a nice time, Bill. . . . Gladys Lutz has been transferred to Broadway. We miss you but wish you a lot of luck on your new job. . . . Bob Kinnaman doesn't have anything on Hugh Tigges. He has been painting too. He even tried to dye his hair. He came to work with his hair all yellow—you know blondes are getting popular now. Did you get any on the wall, Hugh? . . . The cigarette shortage doesn't bother Bob Kienzle and Hugh Tigges. They are rolling their own now. They are just beginners, and it sure is fun to watch them. Do you think you will ever be able to do it, boys? . . . Three of our girls have left us — Katie Caudill, Margurite Kessler, and Eulalia Coon. Katie is now working at Broadway. Margurite is doing housework and assuming the duties of a wife. Eulalia is a telegraph operator in North Manchester. Good luck to you, girls. . . . Bob Bennett is on vacation this week. We hope you are having a good time, Bob, and aren't working too hard.

Rotor

James Gibson, Edward Butler, and Claudine Bauer are enjoying vacations this week. . . . Birthday wishes go to Kenneth Conner on his birthday; hope you have many more of them. . . . It seems there was a certain party missed last week in going over the names of those changed to first shift; this certain person was Bob Griffin. We are so sorry, Bob. . . . Carl Thieme bade us farewell this week—good luck, Carl.

Great G-E Motors Power This Wind Tunnel



Cutaway view of the giant new $2,500,000 wind tunnel equipped by General Electric soon to be in operation at the Curtiss-Wright Research Laboratory at Buffalo. Capable of testing airplanes at the lightning speed of jet propulsion at pressure conditions simulating 35,000 feet altitude, the tunnel contains an air volume of 210,000 cubic feet, equal to the cubic air volume in 16 six-room houses. Foreground of the picture shows model shop where scale model airplanes for testing are constructed.

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Screw Machine

Dale Feick is vacationing for two weeks. We hope you are enjoying yourself and are looking forward to your return. . . . Several of our former co-workers have sent in word to us as to what they are doing. We love hearing from each and every one. Audrey Robinett is a home body becoming familiar with her household duties. She'd like to say hello to all the gang, so the gang says hello right back. Gertrude Martin sends her best regards and misses the gang. Arlis Warner is a waitress in Garrett. Come on, gang, we must look her up. Welcome back, Beatrice Michael; she has returned to be our bench girl. Hope you enjoy your work. We want to bid farewell to Thomas Arnold, who was transferred to Broadway. Good luck, Tommy. We'll miss you. That's just a few we have heard from; hope we hear from others who have left us. . . . Annette Hastings, formerly of the stamping area, received wonderful news. Her son, Harold, has been freed from a German prison camp and will return home soon. You must know we are happy for you, Annette. . . . Mr. and Mrs. William Kiester are the parents of an eight pound four ounce daughter born May 6 at the St. Joseph Hospital. Mrs. Kiester was the former Rita Schaeffer. . . . Nancy Haley, Leroy Beckman, Bill Brager, Don Myers, and Marion Brown are on first trick now, coming from second. . . . Edgar Clark is on his vacation this week. . . . It sure is good to be working the first trick again, at least for our good friends, the firemen. They have so much energy stored up that they even answer the test whistle on Friday morning. How about it, Don McCrea, and Scudder Chaney?

Punch Press

We have with us Betty Hoagland from the Screw Machine Section. Hope you will like your new job, Betty. . . . Gaylord Gerig is going on his vacation next week. Have a good time. . . . June Harlan is enjoying herself in California with her daughter. . . . Garnet Borne spent Mother's Day with her mother at Ossian, Ind. Her mother is 85 years old.

Aluminum Parts

Lon Klopfenstein became curious the other day as to which direction a water valve should be when turned off and soon discovered how it worked when a spray of water shot up into the air and descended upon his bald spot. Boy, is that bald spot water repellent! Just like a duck's back! Lon gave a quick look around to see if anyone was looking—sorry, Lon, but there was someone who did see the whole thing. . . . Martha Warren is a very generous person. It seems she loaned her only alarm clock to someone and had to rely on a neighbor lady to call her. However, the lady took ill suddenly during the night and consequently Martha was not called, the result being that she slept too late for work. . . . Old man weather is not very considerate of our vacationists; however, a nice time was reported by Georgianna Seery and Margaret Haupert, who have returned from their vacations. Some of those on vacation last week were Homer Miller, Emma Bumgardner, Helen Fleischer, Henrietta Walburn and Sarah Smith. We trust they enjoyed themselves. . . . Anna Weaver was united in marriage with Lawrence Jentzsch on May 6. Congratulations, Anna, our best wishes go to both of you for abundance of happiness and good luck. . . . Our best regards and wishes for a speedy recovery go to Peggy Tschannen, Uvah Creamer, and Virginia Fulk, who are absent because of illness. . . . It happens to all of us, sooner or later old age creeps in and we become forgetful—such is the case with Betty Hoffelder, the result being that she has joined the Forgotten-Badge-Club.

Tool Room

Elmer Tieman and John Septer were on vacations last week. "Judy" Lehman took two days' vacation, but was so lost and lonesome, he could hardly wait to get back to work. . . . Archie Gwaltney has been wearing a bright red sweater. . . . News has reached us that George Prince is in the Navy now. We hope to have more details later. . . . Edith Spencer has left us to join the Waves. Best of luck, Edie, from all of us. . . . News of one of our former grinders, Willard McClish, able seaman with the Merchant Marines, is that he has been in the South Pacific for some time. Ed Etter, our horse-back riding champion, says he hasn't been riding lately because his horse got hurt. I wonder if Ed had anything to do with it? . . . We regret losing Frances Dunfee. . . . NOTICE: Any future gifts of fruit to Carl Ahlersmeyer will please be placed on his bench with sender's name attached. Thus a record can be more easily kept as to the donors. Remember fellows! Size, quality, and originality will bring your record up or keep it down. All decisions of the judges will be final. The latest reports put Harold Cutler out in front with Harley Ridenour riding a close second. May the best entry win! . . . Bob Kerr celebrated his birthday rather royally May 12. The boys had a cake baked and topped by a huge red candle. The cake was handed to him at our lunch time as he entered the cafeteria door. Mr. Sweeny, the cafeteria manager, handed the "lit-up" cake to Bob, and he became so excited that he forget his silverware and had to come back for it. . . . Frank Lebrecht and Russ DeBard took their vacation this week.

Forge

The long awaited, and hoped for, V-E Day, signifying the end of the war in Europe, proved to be more of a day of Thanksgiving in the Forge Shop than of celebration with production continuing for the other half of the war still before us. It seems a fitting occasion to express our appreciation to our boys in the service and to say hello to all of them wherever they may be: Dale Zolman, Bob Lauer and Stanley Richards, somewhere in Europe; Kenny Hemlinger, in the Pacific; and Jimmy Hughes, Roger Greene, in the Navy. . . . And it seems that one more is to be added to the roster, as Ward Meese is scheduled to leave for the Navy soon. Let's hope Japan is out before you get in, Ward. . . . That proud gent walking around last Monday was Jerry Ott showing his sailor son how we work at Taylor Street. We believe Jerry was trying to out-do the broad smile Johnny Ruhl displayed when he convoyed his son Jack on a tour of the plant a short time ago. . . . In case you have been admiring the picture of Mr. Langdon's son hanging over his desk, that really is the Leaning Tower of Pisa in the background and if you know where that is, you just about know where his son is stationed. He is a Thunderbolt pilot with a long list of missions to his credit. . . . Bill Eastes returned to the Forge Shop after a sojourn in final test and while welcoming Bill back, we also welcome some new members to the fold: Elizabeth Keister, Elinor Laux, Luciel Funk, Linnie Rindchen, Walter Wheeler and Arthur Judy. . . . We have been hoping that warm weather would get Frank Adams back in good health so he could be with us again but instead, we have added another to the sick list when Angela Kane was ordered to bed for several weeks. We hope they both get back soon. . . . Aren't you glad Gene Fair was on vacation while the fishing season was closed? We will have enough fish stories when the two Izaak Waltons, Paul Gintz and Rugman, return from their vacations. . . . Beware of street cars marked "Special". The man behind the controls may be our own Dick Wells or Walt Bridge. . . . Don Bucher, Don Sollows and Frank Smith have returned to their first loves—the board hammers—and are contributing their share of noise to the forge shop din. That timid pecking is Eddie VanAllen learning what makes a board hammer hammer. . . . Agnes Brubaker brings in the news that our former co-worker, Leona (Degner) Davis, has a brand new eight-pound baby girl.

Receiving

We are all glad to have the chance to celebrate V-E Day. We in our section did it by being

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News From — TAYLOR STREET

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100% on the job. We realize it was a hard-fought victory, but with the brave boys across and our goal won in part, as we have Japan yet to conquer, let's stay on the job and buy an extra bond, so we really can celebrate when Japan surrenders. . . . Ted Essig is back from his vacation and looks rested up and ready for more hard labor. . . . We are glad to hear Brownie's gentle warble again as he is back to work. . . . Ernie Chelf is taking his vacation this week. We think he is spending it with R. H. Long, who is on his vacation. Have a good time, boys. . . . Don, our truck driver, is sure working this week as his partner, George Dehnert, is taking his vacation and brought his Uncle Dave Sowers to visit us. Dave has been stationed in Persia, in the service, for nearly three years but now is discharged on account of his age. We were glad to meet you, Dave. . . . R. H. Long, supervisor of the Receiving and Shipping sections, is spending this week in Alexandria, Indiana, visiting relatives. We all wish you an enjoyable visit. . . . Last Thursday, May 10, one of Frank Fast's sons, who has been to the South Pacific some place, called him up to tell him he was in Fort Wayne on a short furlough. He had to report back to Norfolk to board his aircraft carrier Wednesday, May 16. . . . If by chance you forgot to remember your mother on Mother's Day, just remember every day is Mother's Day and let's not forget her a minute. She will appreciate flowers on any day. . . . We received a nice letter from T/S Robert Whittern, who is now overseas in the European Area. Glad to hear from you, Bob.

"Buy Bonds and More Bonds—Keep Them."

Shipping

The Shipping Section misses Dick Wolff who left us. Best of luck, Dick. . . . We also miss Alberta Malloy, who although she was only with us a short time, made many friends. We wish her well wherever she is. . . . We welcome Vic Robbe, Al Braun, and Eugene Scott on first trick. They are all transfers from second trick. Glad to have you with us, fellows. . . . A couple of us were on a street car the other morning in which a fire started. Who do you think put it out? Why none other than our own Arlie Schelly. He must have been an air raid warden the way he handled that sand. Nice work, Arlie. . . . The Van Horns had a welcome visitor the other day. Their nephew, who lives in California and is now in the army, paid them a visit. We understand it was the first time that they had seen the boy. V-E Day sure was wonderful, so let's buy a bond in the Seventh War Loan to bring V-J Day that much sooner. . . . Our correspondent, Earl Cochran, failed to report the news from his section this week. We miss your breezy comments, Earl. . . . Wonder what's happening to Al Kruse—seems to be dreaming of better days to come, maybe golf fever. . . . Mother's Day has come and gone. We hope that all of you remembered her on that day. . . . Lest We Forget: Now that the war is over in Europe let's not forget that we all still have a great obligation in front of us. We must all stay on the job until V-J day has been won. . . . See you all next week.

G-E Employee Sends Home Nazi Souvenirs



Sgt. Robert E. Drennan, Bldg. 4-3, who is now in Germany, has collected many a souvenir during the course of his adventures. Pictured above with the Nazi relics are his sister, Virginia Drennan of the Taylor Street Plant, and his foreman, Clarence Didier, now in Bldg. 4-3. They are examining a German bayonet.

Screwy Crew BUILDING 19-5

Well, folks, the grapevine came through. We have a tall, modest, reserved sort of fellow, Bill Tennison, in our group who went fishing two weeks ago, and at the very first cast—wham, he gets a strike. With great astonishment he started to reel in the line, and with shaking hands and staring eyes he watches for a glimpse of his catch. To his amazement, he looks into the sleepy face of an eight-pound pike who is lazily opening his mouth to yawn, and as he does so, the bait and hook gently slip out. Quick as a flash Mr. Pike turns on his tail and away he goes. Now I'm sure you'll all agree that Mr. Tennison should merit a membership in the Tall Story Club as one of the best fish story tellers of the season. So fellows, take a tip and do your fishing later in the day, when the fish are wide awake. . . . Al Flory has a new daughter-in-law. Congratulations! . . . Letters were received from Cpl. Austin Harrison, somewhere on Okinawa Island, and PFC Jerry Brumbaugh, who was dodging bullets and enjoying life in an elaborate German castle. . . . One grave mistake was made by your reporter, and I'm terribly sorry, Tom Carr. Tom is a corporal and not a private, as stated in last week's NEWS. Congratulations, Tom, on your receiving the Bronze Medal for meritorious service. . . . That's all, folks.

17-3 Newsies

Did anyone know the capital of Kentucky was Memphis? That's the answer Leone Hesley gave. . . . Bessie Yoder must be going through her second childhood. The other day she was seen spinning a button on a piece of cardboard. . . . Therelene Freiburger was out for a chicken supper the other evening and found hers had the feathers still on. Better luck next time. . . . Glad to see Berniece Freiburger back with us again. . . . Mary Wright was very careful how she handled a banana all day, but towards evening, someone sat on it. She ended up having it for breakfast, sliced. . . . Birthday greetings to Dorothy McIntosh and Matilda Snyder. . . . Seems that Melvin Lyttle has gone on a diet because his wife had to do so. Best of luck on the continuation of it, Melvin, because it might be expensive if you don't. . . . To our fighting friends all over the world we send greetings. We hope that many of you will join us very soon for good. Let us hear from you all. . . . We are sorry the column is small this week, but guess your reporters didn't find much. We'll try to do better next time.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Well, V-E Day was a 100 per cent day for the second trick. Everyone was at his post for all-out production. . . . You know, when we hear of anyone having the measles, we think of children. Well, Norm Gardner must be very young as he has the measles—and how! . . . Girls, if you wish to see the most beautiful blush in the G-E, just watch Cliff Robinson some night at the cafeteria. He really can blush. . . . Both red and white carnations were seen in Bldg. 17-1 Saturday night in honor of Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13. . . . Walt Hall really can make his own fishing tackle. But he hasn't said a word about any of the fish he caught. . . . Eve Hiatt is out on the floor inspecting again. Just like old times. . . . Joe Eifrid says he doesn't intend to grow hair on his bald spot as he is preparing it for a flea skating rink. . . . We hear that the inspectors have already met their quota in the Seventh War Loan. Let's show them that we can all do it. Let's go way over the top on the Seventh and help to wipe Japan off the map. We've always heard that map makers had a lot of trouble putting all those islands in the right place, so let's help sink them by subscribing for an extra bond or two. . . . Schelper's little Victor called on the telephone the other day, and his father thought he was an Indian. . . . So long until next week.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

Regina Morris celebrated her birthday by entertaining a group of girls for dinner at The Toppers. The guests were Esther Snyder, Joan France, Helen Klinker, Blanche Irons and Mildred Close. . . . Andy Lee was certainly the center of attraction the other morning when he arrived at the office all decked out in a new suit. As he made his entrance, all eyes were focused on him, and the boys gave out with their most musical whistles. . . . While Mary Sheehan was waiting at the G-E Club for her ride home one evening recently, she fell sound asleep. When she awoke she was shocked to find that she had been left behind with apparently no way to get home. About that time she put out an S.O.S., and through the combined efforts of her sister and a cooperative neighbor she arrived home very wide awake. . . . Joe Trentadue is still working his way through the dictionary, he's just about half way through the "A's" now. . . . George Seibold and Bill Widdifield celebrated their birthdays last week. George had a dinner which included a cake with candles, and he was assisted in blowing them out by his little granddaughter. . . . Laveda Bowman thinks she may go into the egg business on a big scale. So far she hasn't made much in it, but at least she gets experience. . . . The meat shortage being what it is, Arnie Johnson was elated at the prospect of going home to a supper of pork chops. He even had it figured out that there would be one left for his lunch the next day, and he may have been right, for no one could find him at lunch time the next day. We are of the opinion that he didn't feel safe in coming out in the open with such a rare commodity. . . . The noon hour pinochle game time seemed unusually short to Andy Lee, George Seabold, Bob Neeb, and George Langenberg, but the clock said time to go to work. After the game broke up the boys didn't see anyone else working, and after consulting their watches, they found out that a couple of low-down females had turned the clock up. Since that day, you can be sure they check and double check the time. . . . Ed Klomp was wearing the cutest little blue and white checked apron on V-E day. He said he wore it so he could help the rest of the girls put forth every effort to keep the day's production up to schedule.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The dispatchers of Section 1 were glad to see Gordon Smith, who was home on furlough from the army last week. Gordon seemed to have benefited from his physical training in the army and was in the pink of condition. . . . We wish to extend a hearty welcome to all the new members of the Dispatchers' Club. There are so many (hurrah!) that we won't try to enumerate them here, but that means a no less sincere welcome. . . . Dan Tetlaw is busily engaged in organizing a golf team. We wonder if Dan has repaired the damage wreaked on his driver in an unfortunate (??) accident last year. . . . We hear by the grapevine that Russel Skinner has moved from Bldg. 19-5 to Bldg. 6-B. . . . That Bill Glenn of the Insulation Division is the dispatchers' choice for a citation for meeting dispatchers' requests for material above and beyond the common line of duty. . . . That Bob Hanes of Taylor Street is Mr. Fix-it himself. Anyone who wishes to install a thermostat or fix the young son's bicycle, consult Bob—he knows how. . . . V-E day, which infused us all with a quiet thanksgiving and a determination for redoubled efforts, brought about a postponement of the Dispatchers' Club meeting which was scheduled for May 8. All members will be advised of plans for an extra-curricular get-together to replace the one which was postponed. . . . Grapevine quotes: "Gentleness and kindliness generate not from weakness, but from strength". . . . Send your news items to Bldg. 19-5 to

Your Grapevine Editor

A recent survey of a large city's hospitals showed 10 per cent of its beds occupied by accidentees, according to the National Safety Council.

WINTER STREET Rumblings

"Somewhere in the Pacific
"22 April 1945

"Hello Gang of the Winter Street Plant:

"I have been wanting to write for some time now but seems as though every time I get the ambition I find myself having to perform some other duty. There isn't a great deal that I can write about, only up until about thirty days after it has happened. I have seen several of these islands that our boys have had a tough time taking from the Japs. I have been at Pearl Harbor, and saw the way some of the people live around there. It is a beautiful place, but nothing like the good old U. S. A. We saw another place that our boys had a tough time taking over, Eniwetok in the Marshall Islands. After a layover, we proceeded on to our objective.

"Our objective was the invasion of Iwo Jima, in which our ship played one of the main parts of the picture. This invasion was supposed to be one of the toughest our boys have had. We cleaned up there.

"One of my best exepriences was when we started for the South Pacific. We knew then we were going across the equator and what that meant. There were a large number who had to be initiated into the 'Mysteries of the Deep.' That is something any sailor is proud of. That was a few days of fun for the fellows that bad been across previously and a tough time for the ones who hadn't been across.

"We sailed on down below the equator to the islands of the South Pacific. There is some beautiful scenery on those islands, especially to one who has seen nothing but water for a number of days. We passed some of the places on which some of our worst battles were fought, such as Guadalcanal and others. From these places I can't relate because the censor would cut it all out.

"How is all the gang getting along at the shop? I sure would like to be back tbere with the old bunch, although I am around General Electric equipment all the time. We have many articles with parts on them, which were made at the Winter Street Plant of the G-E. All I can say is for the whole gang to keep up the good work that the G-E puts out and this war will be over and all of us boys out here can be home with the rest of you. Until that day of victory let us all work together for that one purpose. I will try to write you sooner next time and let you know some of the happenings.



"So long for now,
"Odell G. Scott, Cox."

"Palau Island
"April 23, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"I received your letter and was very much pleased to hear from you. I am getting the WORKS NEWS all right now, since I gave them my new address. I am not such a good letter writer, but I know that doesn't make any difference to my friends back at the good old General Electric. They only want to know how we are getting along and what we are doing. I am in the best of health, and helping to rid our country of the enemy which has caused the whole world to suffer. But the day will come soon, when we all can come home and lead a peaceful life, which we all long so much for now.

"Tell all the gang in the Power Drive I said hello and sure do miss them. When I get the WORKS NEWS, I always look for the Power Drive column first to see how the old gang is getting along. Of course there are a lot of new people working there since I've been gone. But I feel as though I know them anyhow. Sure hope this horrible war ends real soon, so I can be one of you again. There is no better place on earth to work than the good old General Electric Company. I know tbat all the people back home won't let us down, and you can bet we boys out here won't let you down at home, because we want to get this over as soon as possible and come back home to the people we love and miss so much now.

"I've been on a lot of islands since I've been overseas, but I wouldn't trade my back yard for all of them, and I am sure all the boys out here feel tbe same way.

"I must close for now because there is much to be done; I shall write whenever I get time. Hope to see all the gang at work soon. Sorry I couldn't see the gang at work before I came overseas, but you can't win a war by staying in the States.

"Yours truly,
"PFC Robert M. Gibson"

Cost

Charlie Hooley still hasn't gotten over the excitement of getting married. Last Friday he nonchalantly threw his pay check in the waste paper basket and filed the envelope in his billfold!

Production

Back from vacation, Ray Jennings is styling a mustache. The general opinion of the office is that he ought to shave it off, but we might get used to it, Ray.

SPORT NEWS

Golf

Althougb we don't have the scores at this writing, tbe golf league was scheduled to open officially at Brookwood last Wednesday. Most of the players have been complaining that they hadn't had enough practice because of the weather. The best score turned in so far was a 41 on the first nine at Muni by Win Kirke. So keep tuned to this station and we will have all the results and comments next week.

Softball

Winter Street is still trying to field a softball team without much success. If we get a team together and get out Wednesday night for the league, we will have a team this year. Otherwise, we will just have to forget all about it until next year.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Another new man in the Tool Room is Omer Hootman, who was recently transferred here from Bldg. 17-2. While at Bldg. 17-2 he worked under Bill Franke, who is well-known to many of the fellows from our section. . . . Sid Fletcher is back at work after a long illness.

Machine Shop

Wes Johnson's son is home. He has been with the Navy in the Pacific. . . . Bill Franke, V. Thomas, and Henry Schrenk are on their vacations this week. . . . Anyone who would enjoy a nice delicious candy bar, see Max Huchison. . . . The Inspectors have new lights for their tables. . . . The Seventh War Loan Drive started this week. Come on, gang; let's show the boys that the Machine Shop is behind them 100%.

Order and Stores

When Clark Leips was asked to draw up his arm so we could see his muscle, it seemed it must have slipped because we couldn't find anything there. Why not take a Charles Atlas course, Clark? . . . We've heard that Dick Ashton will spend his vacation in Chicago seeing his favorite Cubs play ball. What we want to know is—is that rumor confirmed? . . . . You can always tell it's spring when Helen May goes motorcycle riding—great sport even though it is a little chilly, huh, Helen?

A Container



FOR EVERY OCCASION—so it appears in the above picture where Harold Whitmer is shown in the midst of FLAMMABLE LIQUID containers which are used throughout the plant as a safety measure to CONFINE THE LIQUID, as shown on the card which Harold is calling to our attention.

This is one of the seven safeguards for flammable liquids which are emphasized by our plant Fire Department. They are as follows:

1. ISOLATE THE HAZARD. (An example of this is curtains around welding booths.)
2. CONFINE THE LIQUID. (As stated above, this is accomplished by the use of safety cans.)
3. VENTILATE TO PREVENT EXPLOSIVE MIXTURES. (This is done extensively in paint ovens.)
4. INSTALL EXPLOSION VENTS WHERE NEEDED. (Such as on wash tanks, spray booths.)
5. ELIMINATE IGNITION SOURCES. (Most common ignition sources are as follows: open flames, electrical, overheating, hot surfaces, spontaneous ignition, sparks and embers, static electricity, and friction.)
6. EDUCATE EMPLOYEES ON HAZARDS AND SAFEGUARDS. (This is done through the Safety Section and our Volunteer Fire Department.)
7. PROVIDE ADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION. (Such as you see in the form of hand-operated fire extinguishers, sprinkler heads, automatic and semi-automatic fire extinguishing apparatus.)

The Safety Committee in Bldg. 4-5 is constantly faced with the FLAMMABLE LIQUID hazard. This committee is composed of the following: Harold Whitmer, secretary; H. Wiegman, chairman; Paul Castle, Howard Little, Ruth Leeuw, Nick Wagner, Walter Rehling, Edith Harchelrode, Vern Klopfenstein, Maynard Cope, Jr., Mildred Brown, Richard Blackburn, Elmer Baker, Joseph Moritz, Harold McKee, and Felix Neuman.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Refrigeration Section

Charles Reitenour took a week's vacation last week to repair his house which he purchased recently. . . . The car bug finally got Gust Herbst, so he bought himself a Chevy. . . . Ed Gerdom enjoyed a vacation last week. . . . Ed Hauk said he found out that little red ants like pie also.

Power Drive Bldg. 1-1

Next week it appears we will be minus quite a few of our pretty girl faces with Luella Schuster, Mary Wyss, Sue, Amanda Songwell, Thelma, Marie Kessens, Delores Voirol, Kate McNutt, and Bernice O'Connor leaving us. Could we include Bob Sowards in that bunch, too, or shall we mention him separately? . . . Vernon Kies can be found (if you look close enough) along the assembly line replacing Elmer Gault, now in the refrigeration section. . . . He rated his picture in the WORKS NEWS twice last week—in sports, naturally, namely baseball and bowling. What's my name?—If you guess Carroll "Bill" Sieple, you couldn't ever be wrong. . . . Vacation for Alice Brockmeyer this week has meant moving time. How does the new house look, Alice?

Dust Proof Room

The Dust Proof Room honored the mothers in the room by giving each a carnation and having a large decorated cake. . . . We hope Ellen Ditlinger enjoyed her vacation and Betty Sickafoose also. We heard Betty really got enough mushrooms to eat. . . . We hope Franklin Dawden likes it at Winter Street as well as he did at Taylor Street. . . . We hope Ida Belle Rockwell enjoyed her trip home on her vacation. . . . We are wondering if Whitey Bolvin is going into the detective business. We hear he has a new bloodhound.

Shipping

There is another new girl in the shipping section. Her name is Dorothy Cartwright. . . . If you ever want to know how to spend Saturday evening, just ask any of the girls who went bowling from this section. . . . There was a party Monday to celebrate the birthdays of Virginia Watts and Mary Presbendowski. Many happy returns to them both.

Oil Pump and Compressor

Delores Wonderly wants a correction made. Mark Center is a suburb of Cecil, Ohio, not Sherwood. . . . Gertrude Shimer is back to work after a week of lazy vacationing. . . . Wayne Hardy is off work because of sickness. Get well, Wayne; we miss you. . . . Joe Carrier, "Whitey" Thorton, Hollis Richardson are off enjoying their vacations. . . . Jinney Voirol is back to work after a siege of illness.

There have been 30 million Americans injured in home front accidents since the war began, the National Safety Council reports.



Elex Holds Annual Mother-Daughter Party



Mothers of Elex Club members were guests of honor at the annual mother-daughter party, which was held recently. Scenes from the second shift party are shown in the top row. Left, oldest mother Mrs. Nettie Krick receives a gift from Rose Ulrey, Elex vice-president. Mrs. Krick's daughter, Nora Duncan, is employed in Bldg. 19-5. Center, four generations were present at the party. Left to right are Irene Meyers, club advisor; Mrs. Nellie Smith, great-grandmother; Mrs. Flossie Greek, Bldg. 18-2, grandmother; Mrs. Mazie Welbaum, mother; and Judith Welbaum, daughter. Right, Miss Meyers presents Mrs. Mary Hammond with a gift because she is the mother who has attended the most mother-daughter parties. Daughter Eileen Foor, Bldg. 17-3, is shown at right. Second row, Mrs. Ulrey with the youngest mother present, Mrs. J. Rensberger, 38. Daughter Luella, right, is employed in Bldg. 4-5. Center, Mrs. Anna Phebus came 42 miles to attend the party. Her daughter, Ruth, is employed in Bldg. 26-3. Right, the Four Vagabonds provided music. Third row, left, the O'Sullivan Bards presented several specialty numbers. Center, at the day girls' party, Mrs. S. G. Atherton of Monticello, mother of Mildred Clark of the Winter Street Plant, took the prize for coming the greatest distance to attend. Elex President Mary Jane Buesking is making the presentation. Right, oldest grandmother Mrs. Louisa Schust receives a gift from Dorothea Swank. Granddaughter Pauline Schneider, Bldg. 12-2, is at left. Bottom left, Miss Meyers with the oldest mother, Mrs. Anna Davis. Golda Mentzer, Bldg. 26-2, is Mrs. Davis' daughter. Center, youngest mother was Mrs. Mabel Vendrely, shown with daughter Betty of Bldg. 18-5 and Mrs. Buesking. Right, Miss Meyers presents a gift to Mrs. Sadie McCague, the mother with most daughters employed at General Electric. Daughter Naomi is pictured right.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Plastics

Second Shift, Bldg. 12-3

Although we were excited about V-E day, we celebrated by working, which was the really smart thing. Thanks, girls, for showing you know how to finish this job. . . . We're going to miss Margaret Schumann when she goes on days. Lots of luck, Marg. . . . Carl Sleppy surprised his wife by giving her a beautiful diamond ring on their twenty-first wedding anniversary. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Sleppy, and may you have many more. . . . Thanks, Louella Rexroth for the delicious chocolates you passed around. . . . Here's hoping Dorothy Hart, Kate Muldeney, and Carl Sleppy have fun on their vacations. . . . That's all for now—see you next week.

Third Shift, Bldg. 12-1

Hello, back again with a little news. . . . We hope to see Mary Meyer's cheery face around again soon. Speedy recovery, Mary. . . . Ruth Nelson is going around with her fingers crossed. Ruth took a test for the Cadet Nurse Corps Thursday and is awaiting the outcome. Best of luck, Ruth. . . . Happy vacationing to Vera Johnson and Genevieve Aemick. . . . Favorite phrases: A. Gieger: "I've got the blues." D. Merrilat, "Just what do you think I am, twins?" R. Frederickson, "Not knowing, I'd be scared to say." M. Meyers, "Aw, now, you're kidding me!" H. Blessing, "I'll take these parts this morning—navy test." F. Butler, "I love me, too." Don Dressen, "How you doin', kid?" C. Lothamer, complete silence (well, most of the time). A. Parquet, "I'm teaching my son to be a man." M. Lautzenheiser, "Now, if Sad Sack there would—". . . . The best and biggest news of the week—the war in Europe is over!!! Tears for the men who lost their lives, hopes of seeing our loved ones again and prayers for Victory everlasting, soon. . . . When you bought your bonds for the Seventh War Loan, did you think of ME, or did you remember the boys over there giving their all? It isn't too late to buy that extra bond! . . . One last request—if you have any items for the WORKS NEWS, please turn them in to Freada; just any little note, as long as it's not a rumor. . . . We'll be coming your way again next week. So long now.

First Shift—Bldg. 12-3

The tallest tale heard this week: Alice Hahn flew to Washington to celebrate her birthday with President Truman. Happy birthday, Alice. Hope you have many more. . . . For the latest creations in hats, see Elda Griebel and Frances Slusher. . . . Helen Scott needs no alarm clock now. Her new niece, Judith Ann Walters, sounds the alarm clock every morning at 6 a.m. . . . Famous last words of Edna Holdrobe, "If it doesn't get warm soon, I am going to California." . . . Another report on the weather is that some of the girls in Plastics say that if it doesn't warm up, they are going to get their fur coats out of storage. . . . Esther Peck is spending her vacation this week cleaning house. . . . Ellen Gerbers is going to spend her vacation next week out on the farm. Don't work too hard, Ellen. . . . Margaret Kaminsky and husband are vacationing in New York. Hope you are having a grand time. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Simons upon the death of their infant son. . . . Hope you are having a nice vacation, Joy Stuckey. . . . Lucile Schelper was sure surprised when she went home the other evening. Her brother and sister-in-law were there. They came from Las Vegas, Nevada, on their way to a camp in the soutb. Her brother is a first lieutenant in the army and has served eighteen months overseas. . . . Good-bye for now. See you next week.

Second Shift, Bldg. 12-1

We welcome to our gang Sally Alexander, Phyllis Lambert, Virginia Van Wald, and Elizabeth Johnson. . . . Birthdays were plentiful this week, Marie Peters and Rhoda Rittenhouse. Thanks for the candy, girls. . . . Have you noticed that pretty flower Carm Flemmy has been wearing in her hair? . . . We're glad to see everyone going out for War Bonds this week and also the swell attitude displayed on V-E day. . . . Our little mascot, Mr. Rat, is getting bigger every week. Keep on feeding him, Earl, and he won't be able to get through the crack in the wall. And that will be the exit of Mr. Rat.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Mrs. W. Roem (Roseanne Schnieders) is back to work after a week's honeymoon. . . . Happy birthday to Lois Yanney, Betty Beaman, and Roseanne. . . . Things we notice! Loretta Mulligan's smile; Ed Fogel's energy; Irene Bultemeier's wonderful disposition; Clarence Lallow's ability to take a joke as well as tell one; the nice clothes Ernie Comte wears; the baby pictures on Bob Karasek's and Sumner Tinkham's desks. . . . Summer must be on the way because nearly everyone has a slight case of spring fever. Possibly spring is here, for there's a wasp basking in the glow of the fluorescent ballasts above. . . . Mary Ryan acquires an aged look as of a Monday morn by taking up roller skating after two and one-half years away therefrom. A little baseball thrown in of a Sunday does up the job in fine shape, eh, chum? . . . Betty Rouse also had ouchy muscles Monday after Sunday's tour of the sandlot bases. . . . Martha Griffin is very happy 'cause her hubby's still here. . . . Betty Hatt wore a beautifully chagrined expression when the candy machine dispensed neither candy nor coin. . . . Welcome to Marjorie Garber and Phyllis Reyburn, newcomers on Vivian Ancil's line. . . . And Vivian is recuperating from the scare of t'other eve when she found herself stranded between nowhere after missing her connections by the merest fraction. Provoking, what? . . . We wish Betty Hatt's mother a speedy recovery from having fallen down the stairs. . . . The Samuels' larynx makes telephone facilities unnecessary. Paul Heltzel is usually at the other end of the room. . . . Fran Sosbe and Mary Stodgell are knee deep in a dither. "Dither" in their case means a two-weeks' vacation in Califor-ni-ay. Wonder if there's room for one more? . . . Another batch of welcomes to be divided equally among Joan Russell in Blue Print, Barbara Daniels in Stator Winding, and Nola Cagley in the Service Bureau. . . . Jimmy Newlon's image made off with a whole pack of Pop's ciggies. A trifle young, hmmmm? . . . To Helen Ridenour the best wishes for her marriage to Homer Moffett of the U. S. Navy as of last Tuesday, the fifteenth. . . . The newly-waxed floors always give the personnel the appearance of walking on eggs. Ask Janet Grant. . . . It's the half-way mark and there's the other V-E Day—Victory Everywhere! With the aid of Seventh War Loan Bonds. . . . We wish to express deep sympathy to the family of George Faulkner, who died suddenly last Tuesday.



In a recent book James Thurber tells of his grandmother's unshakeable belief during her life that electricity was leaking out all over her house through the sockets. The old lady wasn't so far off the beam as you might think. Electricity can leak out—but only from faulty connections.

There's the case of our workman in the poster, who's just had the shock of his life, literally. He'd been using that plug for so long he got to thinking it would never wear out. First, the wire frayed, but it still worked OK. Then a little crack came in the plug. Still no trouble.

But when the crack widened to halfway across the plug—came trouble. It's a good idea never to put off replacing faulty equipment, even for a day. The minute you see something amiss on electrical fixtures, have it fixed.

It's always better to be safe than shocked.



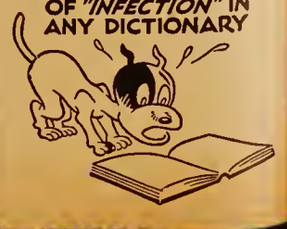
Is Zat So?

Your star reporter, Veora Habig, is away on vacation; so while she is gone, we will proceed to wreck her column. You know the old saying, "While the cat's away the mice will play." . . . One of the spectators at a recent practice session of the G-E baseball club insulted our own star rightfielder, Melvin Kestner, by suggesting he play softball just because he swung and missed once. Maybe the bigger ball would help but Mel thinks he can still hit the little one. We do, too. . . . Howard Eastman, the old tomato salesman, has been taking orders as usual; however, this time he is taking them a little early as a bumper crop is expected, and he doesn't want to waste space by planting too many. . . . Clyde Crabill has killed two birds with one stone; his Mother's Day gift did the trick. It solved the problem of a gift and also most of the cultivation of his Victory garden. What the gift was we won't say, but it looks from here like Clyde doesn't like to HOE the garden. . . . That sure was a lovely picture of Norb Meyers in the WORKS NEWS last week, especially those hands. . . . You should have seen the forlorn look in George Mosshammer's eyes the other day. He wasn't doing anything in particular, just window shopping, but you would never guess what was in the window. Just combs and hair brushes. What a memory George has! . . . We were pleasantly surprised by a visit from two of our favorite servicemen, Bill Hanley, a Marine, and Buckmaster, a soldier. They looked swell and we sure wish they and the rest of our boys were here to stay. Let's help get 'em back. Remember the big SEVENTH WAR LOAN. . . . "Mike" Kramer is thinking of laying out a golf course on his back forty. He's too busy to plant it anyway. . . . If anyone catches any big ones, see Emil Zimmerman; he has all the details on mounting fish heads. . . . Wally McKay has been on the sick list. Hurry back, Wally, we miss you. . . . Does anyone know who likes popcorn more than Mabel Lieberenz does? . . . We have a new production supervisor, Elton Throndsen, in Bldg. 17-1. We hope he likes us. . . . If anyone has still read this far we would like to say that we knew a fellow once who worked every day, saved his money, didn't take time off to spend his dough. He put it in War Bonds. He didn't cash them in. But do you think he was happy? You're darn right he was. . . . Co-workers in Bldg. 17-1 extend their congratulations to Group 19x90, the inspectors in Bldg. 17-1, for exceeding their quota in the Seventh Bond Drive.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Mary Snyder was back to visit us last Monday. Her husband, who has been hospitalized after his return from overseas, is getting along fine. . . . Such "goings-on" in the Jones family! We are wondering if Hannah is weak from lack of vitamins or if she likes exercise, but V-E Day found her carrying her time cards across the street in sections, and the other day Beulah, not to be outdone by her sister, was trying on a man's coat for size in the Al-Ruth. Think of the poor man, Beulah; that was a cold day, too. . . . Vacations have started already! Donnabel Walker just couldn't wait any longer for her vacation and took it last week. The cold weather didn't keep her from having a good time, though. Another "early bird" was Bob Hodell, who also took his vacation last week. . . . The canine corps is loose in Bldg. 31 again, in the form of a huge black dog which was under the impression that he had a friend in our office. Next time, Mary Alice Green, when you take your daily walk across the street, don't "speak" to dogs you don't know. . . . Bill Kayser can't feed Laverne Englebrecht that line about having lost his car keys. She knows quite well that he and Vivian just forgot where they parked the car. . . . Yes, we are quite war-minded around here—among our newcomers are a "Patten" and a "Stillwell" (namely Frances Patten and Albert Stillwell). Other newcomers are Rosemary Frick, Pauline Miller, Goldie Lutz, Betty Kleinknight, David Slattery, who was recently discharged from the service, Robert Tieman, and Esther Mosier. Welcome to all of you! . . . Irene Meyer was glad she wasn't a giraffe this last week. She had her tonsils removed. . . . For years Virginia Mollett has been trying to get up enough nerve to ride a horse, but she is afraid they will give her an English saddle, and she won't have anything to hang onto. . . . We're glad to have "Toppie" Moffat back again, and he is pleased to be here—his hospital room was so noisy he had to put cotton in his ears. . . . Everyone in Bldg. 31 was so thankful when V-E DAY came—some cried; all of us felt like it. We are very proud that we have had a share in making that day possible. Our prayers went out to the boys "over there" and to the ones who will never come back—those who gave their lives for the ultimate end. God bless them!

I wish to extend my appreciation to all General Electric co-worker friends for their kindness shown during illness and death of my husband, Glenn D. (Bill) May, Bldg. 19-4. Sincerely, Mrs. Lillian May.



26-5 TOOL BITS

The gang here in the office want to extend their best wishes to Marilyn Nagel and Lillian Von Deylen, as they are leaving to get married this week, Marilyn to Herbie Meyer, an ex-toolmaker now in the United States Army, Lillian to Don Carrier, one of our toolmakers here in Bldg. 26-5. . . . George Houser says that he painted his dog house last Sunday, but if you'd see his dog, you'd swear that he painted him instead of his house. Now George has a black, white, and green Spaniel. . . . We don't know how Schele got his motor-bike completed, but at least he has it now and is riding it to work on nice days. There is only one drawback to it as far as we can see, and that is there is another bicycle rider here in the office who is just wearing himself out trying to beat Schele to and from work. . . . Bill Trumbower purchased twenty-five baby "ducklings," which he raised as ducks, until a neighbor informed him that his ducks were all geese. . . . Russell Dunten spent one week of his vacation getting everything ship-shape in that new home of his, so he will have to take his other week now to relax and enjoy the new surroundings. . . . Everyone is happy to hear Frank Truhot's son, who was reported missing in action, is safe after escaping from a prison camp. . . . Bernie Byanskie is an ideal husband, says Norm Carrol, the radio announcer. It seems that Norm was interviewing some of the guests at a party and happened to come upon Mrs. Byanskie, and when she was asked where her husband was, she said that he was home doing the dishes while she came to the party. . . . Matt Wiegand and John Allen believe in going to parties early. It seems that Merv Lowden was giving Don Carrier a party, and Matt and Johnny were invited. When they arrived, they asked where the other fellows were, only to find out that they were a week early.

Apprentice Broadcast

Dear Fellows:

Here it is "Broadcast" time again, because another two weeks have slipped by since I last wrote, and during this time some very eventful happenings have taken place, for which we are indeed thankful; and I know you fellows are rejoicing over them. . . . Since Germany has surrendered, I imagine we'll be seeing some of you fellows before long back in the United States on furlough; so we'll be expecting a visit from you at the General Electric Company in good old Fort Wayne. . . . Here's to one of the former apprentices exclusively, namely Jay Davis. In your letter to the WORKS NEWS which was published two weeks ago, you mentioned the fact that one of your shipmates was Dick Ahlersmeyer, the son of an "old" employee at the G-E. It so happens that I work at Taylor and Street with this old employee of whom you were speaking, and he, namely Carl Ahlersmeyer, has taken this very much to heart. In fact, Carl has been tempted this past week to make an investigation into his birth record to see if he is eligible for old-age pension. Carl also has ceased all forms of physical exertion and goes straight to bed after supper to save this old body of his for a little while longer, because elderly people require a lot of rest, you know. Knowing that I write the "Apprentice Broadcast," he has asked me to thank you for calling his attention to this fact, as otherwise he would have carelessly wasted away his life and gone on long before his time. Again, Jay, thank you very much. . . . Paul Yentes and Bard Zwayer were home last week on leaves after completing boot training at Great Lakes, Illinois. Both are looking mighty good and a little salty, or are the Great Lakes salt-water lakes? Anyway, they both looked mighty good. I also understand, Paul, that those tires on your car haven't improved any since you left, have they? For those who don't know what I'm talking about, I'll tell you. Paul was driving to the station to catch the train for Chicago and had a flat after going about half way; consequently he had to walk the rest of the way. . . . Bob Palmer, another of the ex-apprentices, left for the service last week. Good luck, Bob. . . . Victor Barcus, S 1/c, attained a high scholastic average of 98 to lead his class in completing basic engineer service school at Great Lakes. Congratulations, Vic. I couldn't have done a bit better myself even if I tried. . . . I'm sorry to mention that PFC Dick Tobias is in a hospital in the Marianas because of being seriously wounded on Okinawa April 5. Dick entered the service July 9, 1943. He received his basic training at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland, Army Specialized Training at Chicago University, and other training at Camp White, Oregon. Dick went overseas in July, 1944, and took part in the invasion of the Philippines on Leyte. . . . Now I'm glad to report that F/O William Edward Turner's name appeared in a list of liberated prisoners published in the Chicago Tribune. His parents have not as yet had any direct word from Ed, but this report is believed authentic. Ed was reported missing over Austria February 21. He was on his eleventh mission as a bombardier-navigator on a B-24 of the Fifteenth Air Force in Italy. He entered the Army in May, 1943, and went overseas November 18, 1944. . . . Here's calling the attention again of Jay Davis, to tell you, Jay, that Carl Ahlersmeyer has thrown away all safeguards pertaining to his old age, because he just reread your article and found out you meant he was an old employee in regard to his service with the company and not in regard to his age, so look out, everybody; Carl is loose again.

Dale Romey

Good Morning League Champs



Champions of the Good Morning League for the year 1944-1945 are pictured above. Left to right, they are, Harold F. McKee, league secretary, Bill Lahmeyer, Paul Stiver, Tom O'Connell, Ralph Williams, and Sam Baumgardner, team captain.

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Production section lost another employee. Doris Alleger is aiding the home front and now works for her dad. . . . Bill Lehman has left us and joined Bldg. 2-3; however, Bldg. 4-4 has not lost him as a pinochle player. . . . Anyone interested in buying a good hat, size 7¼, contact Gene Foster. It's really a bargain, folks; so step right up. . . . "The sky is the limit," says Eldon Bell with his new blue and silver army released plane. . . . Our sincere sympathy to Pauline Brown on the death of her grandfather who lived with them.

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

We wish to express our deepest sympathies to Herman Lepper on the recent loss of his mother. . . . Ray Bowers of the service section was also the proud father of a new son this month. . . . Jolly Frank Phillips is back again after a long lay-off because of a broken leg. We are glad to have you back, Frank. . . . Dorothy Golden didn't wash Monday because of the weather, but on Saturday she still hadn't washed. It's all right, Dorothy, if you don't run out of clothes. . . . John Heine was heard reminiscing of the old Robinson Park days. It seems John did an act of going across the river by holding on a pulley with his teeth. One day his feet dragged, and the jerk removed his front teeth. . . . After two years of pleading, Herb Ort finally got Si (Frosty) Alspaugh to bring in his wife's recipe for pecan pie. Perseverance always wins out, Herbie. . . . Orville Robinson one evening went to clock in and discovered the clock cards were moved. Upon further investigation, he found out he had gotten off of the elevator on third floor. Maybe it would help, Orville, if you would ask the elevator operator to call the floors. . . . Polishing a car will bring to life many unused muscles. This was plainly proved by Dale Irwin, as he was seen the next day walking around in a crippled condition. . . . Myrtle Barfell is keeping up with the fashions of the youngsters, as she was seen wearing two different socks. . . . We are happy to have back with us again none other than Orvil Scherrer. . . . May is starting out as what looks to be a popular month for birthdays, as Mary Schwartz and Maxine Warnock have again let another year slip upon them. . . . Anyone having a refrigerator they wish to have fixed (providing they do not need it for eight weeks), contact Joe Tricker.

Bldg. 6-4

Kathryn Gallmeier left the ranks to take up housekeeping as a profession. We will miss you, Kathryn. Just to remember us by, Kathryn was presented with some gifts by all her friends. . . . The Crockett son and heir was introduced to the G-E Company by way of pictures shown on Saturday, May 5, 1945. . . . Kathryn Erwin received a nut cracker and a beer stein from her son, somewhere in Europe. . . . We extend our sympathy to Floyd Edwards in the loss of his father. . . . We have lost Dorothy Gutmann, our tester, to the office force. You just can't do that to us, Dorothy. . . . Our general foreman, Ronald Tobias, was off on vacation this week. How are your Victory Garden and lumbago doing, Ron? . . . We understand that Glenn McNamara took his son to the circus. Now Mac, who is the biggest kid, you or the two year old?

Dale Irwin was seen back tracking the other afternoon, going after his badge; he is one man who is not having his name added to the "I Forgot My Badge Club." . . . Irene Bowman does not believe in riding on anything free; when she got on the elevator, she got out her street car pass to show the operator (oh, was my face red!) . . . Glenna Hyatt and Verona Riley are on the convalescent list. We miss their presence greatly and hope they will soon be able to return. . . . Joe Tricker was much surprised Friday by his fellow employees who showered him with many gifts and cards. The occasion was his birthday. . . . Kathryn Norr is having a hard time concentrating. She made three trips to the grocery store before she purchased milk.

Dudley E. Chambers Appointed Executive Engineer Of G-E Research Laboratory

Dudley E. Chambers has been appointed executive engineer of the General Electric Research Laboratory, according to an announcement by Dr. C. G. Suits, G-E vice president in charge of research and director of the laboratory. Mr. Chambers succeeds Dr. Laurence A. Hawkins, who has held the position since it was created in 1912 and is now retiring. He will remain as a consultant in the laboratory.

Though he was born in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1905, Mr. Chambers' family moved to California when he was quite young and he was educated in the schools of San Diego. He went to Leland Stanford University, graduating with the degree of A. B. in Electrical Engineering in 1927. The following year he received the degree of Electrical Engineer, and then he came to Schenectady and the General Electric Co. At first he was employed in the Research Laboratory, with a group working on electron tubes, and then he went into the test course.

After this he entered the Industrial Control Division in a newly formed group working on the industrial applications of electron tubes, and then he became head of this section in 1933. In 1938 he was made Assistant Engineer of the Transmitter Engineering Division. In 1944 he returned to the Research Laboratory.

Dr. Hawkins, born at Pittsfield, Mass., in 1877, was graduated from Williams College in 1897 and from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1899. Williams College conferred its honorary degree of Doctor of Science on Mr. Hawkins in 1944.

He began his connection with the electrical industry in July, 1899, when he went to work in the engineering and patent department of the Stanley Electric and Manufacturing Co. in Pittsfield. In 1903 he joined the General Electric Co. in Schenectady as patent attorney, later transferring to signal work in the transportation engineering division.

It was in 1912 that he joined the Research Laboratory, first as engineering assistant to the director, then as Executive Engineer. In this post he has acted as business manager of the Laboratory and co-ordinator of the varied research activities of the several hundred scientists employed. This has assumed particular importance in the past few years because practically all of the laboratory has been engaged in war research.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Everett Murray (2)*	108 S. Bennett, Bluffton Coming in on State Road No. 1.	18-5	J. Fagan	3:30-11:48
Vernon Nihlick (2)*	R. 1, Decatur, Ind. Coming in on Winchester Road.	27	Stephens	7:00- 3:30
Hope Smith (4)*	R. 3, Markle, Ind. Through Zanesville and Waynedale.	26-3	H. Jones	11:00- 7:00
Melvin E. Yoquelet (5)*†	R. 1, Churuhusco, Ind.	26-2	Sordelet	11:00- 7:00

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Dale Mechling	R. 1, Craigville, Ind.	6-1	Buhl	8:00- 5:00
Eugene Lechleidner	224 Cherry St., Butler Coming through Waterloo and Auburn, Ind.	26-1	Boutwell	7:00- 3:05
Florence Haag	R. 1, Garrett, Ind.	26-4	Lockwood	11:00- 7:00
Nellie C. Uhrig	R. 6, Hamilton At Aboite Center Road.	19-2	Egts	3:30-11:48

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Club Shut Out By Sailors, 6-0

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club opened its 1945 baseball season in a very unimpressive manner by being shut out by the always tough Bunker Hill NATS behind the very effective six-hit hurling of little Charlie Schupp, formerly with Louisville in the American Association.

The Club took the beating from a team that now holds a two-game lead in the six games played over the last two years. The Sailors were a hustling ball club and took advantage of some first inning jitters to score two unearned runs. They put another deuce on the scoreboard with the help of a 385 foot homer by Bobby Gleasner with Gene Miasek aboard in the third, and Mike Bohonko scored the fifth run off Emil Bildilli after hitting his second double in the fifth.

At this point, Manager Braden replaced Bildilli with Scott Carey, a little red-headed left hander, who had some bad luck with his support and allowed one run on two hits in the eighth. Of the six putouts he pitched, he personally made four of them.

Where the Club's power was, we do not know. However, they were up against a "toughie" in Charlie Schupp, as he kept them off balance all afternoon. Kenny Wattier, the Club's leading hitter, connected twice but to no avail.

Charlie Schupp had very good control, as he struck out nine while walking none. Bildilli struck out three while walking one, and Carey struck out two and did not issue a free pass.

The box score:

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Bunker Hill	AB	R	H
Brann,cf	4	0	0	Bohonko,2b	5	2	3
Barnett,ss	4	0	0	Thurnblad,ss	3	1	2
Kestner,rf	4	0	1	Lukasiuk,3b	3	0	0
Bobilya,1b	4	0	1	Miasek,1b	4	2	2
Hisner,lf	2	0	0	Gleasner,c	4	1	2
Young,lf	2	0	0	Schlaffer,cf	4	0	1
Wattier,2b	4	0	2	Rados,lf	3	0	0
Seiple,3b	3	0	1	Golden,rf	4	0	0
Bush,c	3	0	0	Schupp,p	4	0	0
Bildilll,p	2	0	0				
Carey,p	1	0	1				
Hisner	1	0	0				
Totals	34	0	6	Totals	34	6	10

"I like the shy demure type," observed a sailor, "you know—the kind you have to whistle at twice."

A wealthy Detroiter, returning from his grand trip abroad, was asked by an artistic-minded friend whether he had managed to pick up a Van Gogh or Picasso abroad.

"Naw," said the traveler. "They are all right-hand drive, and I got three Buicks anyway."

Small Motors Girls

There will be a softball practice on Tuesday, May 22, for all girls of the Small Motors Division who are interested in playing softball in the Girls' Inter-Division League. The practice will be at the Fourth Street Diamonds, in Lawton Park, from 5 until 7 o'clock. We want to retain that championship we won last year; so let's really have a turnout!

Charlotte Drewett, Mgr.

Interdivision Softball Meeting

The softball committee in charge of Inter-Division Softball for the coming season has announced that a meeting of managers will be held Monday, May 21, at 3:00 P.M. in the G-E Club lounge. All managers are asked to attend the meeting.

According to the committee, up to the present time six teams have been formed, Motor-Generator, Mike Sorgen, manager; Squares, Al Bevier; Transformer, Vaughn Hadley; Fire Department, Cecil Rose; Taylor Street, Walter Scott; and Small Motor, Joe Sullivan. The Tool Division and General Service have always had teams in the competition, but as yet no representatives for those divisions have appeared at meetings. If players are interested in playing this season, they are asked to send a representative to the next meeting. The committee points out that players can be drafted from such divisions and sections as Winter Street, Small Motor offices, Main Office, Bldgs. 10, 6, 8, and 12, since none of these locations are represented by a team.

Two additional teams are needed to complete the league, and the first two to register name and manager with Howard Barick, Bldg. 4-2, phone 2226, will be entered.

All equipment and the diamonds to play are furnished by the G-E Club. Plans have been made to start league play on Wednesday, May 23.

BOOSTER TICKETS $1.00

Entitles bearer to admission at reduced rate of 50¢, tax included.

BOOSTER TICKET SALES ON FLOORS CLOSE MONDAY, MAY 21

BOOSTER TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE ONLY AT THE G-E CLUB AFTER MONDAY

Get Yours Now

G-E Club Plays Tonight And Next Sunday Afternoon

To Meet American Giants And Lockbourne Army Air Base

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club will play two games over the week-end, with the Chicago American Giants, one of the crack teams of the Negro National League, being played tonight at 8:00 at Dwenger Park and Lockbourne Air Base being played Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

The Giants are one of the best Negro teams in the League and have had their stock boosted by the return of "Candy Jim" Taylor, who piloted the Washington Homestead Grays to two League titles and the world championship during the past two years. They have a well-balanced team and should make the Club go the limit to stay in the game.

The Lockbourne Army Air Base of Columbus, Ohio, is fielding another good team, which has played ten games to date with a 7 to 3 record.

Club Will Have Strong Softball Team In Field

Will Play In Main Auto Major League

By Charlie Wilt

The G-E Club will again sponsor a strong softball team this year. They will play in the Main Auto Major League, where competition will consist of Baer Field, Reserve Club, International Harvester, Moose Lodge, City Light, Clark's Grill, and the Bowser 90 Club, all strong opposition.

The Club has a well-balanced team this year which since the close of last season has added some new faces to the line up. Jim Hilgemann, who has been honorably discharged from the Army, is back in the line-up, along with Clyde Hess, who was given his release from the Navy, and Red Rarick, another ex-army lad.

The team consists of Dick Bohde and Dohr Krieg, as catchers; Bob Starkel, Bud Feldheiser, and Bob Coleman, pitchers; Tony Stanski, shortstop; Marv Steuernagel and Johnny Allen, first base; Perry Esterline, second base; Art Lindenberg, third base; Jim Hilgemann, short field; Clyde Hess, Tommy Anderson, John Allen, Red Rarick, and Bud Snyder in the outfield; Warren Roeger and Don Scherer, utility men.

There are several men on the team who can play more than one position, thus letting the manager forget those pre-game worries.

The G-E Club is in a good spot to win a majority of its games this year if the boys play as they have been in practice games. Their attitude seems to have that winning spirit, and with such men as Hilgemann, Hess, Rarick, Snyder, Krieg, Anderson, Allen, and Steuernagel hitting those long balls, the team should be able to punch in some runs.

Most pitching will be by Bob Starkel and a youngster, Bud Feldheiser. Bob's record in the past speaks for itself. He won sixteen and lost three last year. He has very good control. Bud is a high school boy and has plenty of stuff. He will get a lot of encouragement and with the aid of Starkel and catchers Bohde and Krieg should turn in some well-pitched ball games this season. He has the stuff, and the team is back of him.

All games are free of charge. Next week's schedule is as follows:

Monday, May 21, Memorial Park
6:45—Reserve Club vs. Bowser
8:00—City Light vs. G-E Club
9:15—Moose vs. Harvester

Tuesday, May 22, Municipal Beach
7:00—Harvester vs. G-E Club
8:30—Clark's Grill vs. Baer Field

Thursday, May 24, Municipal Beach
6:45—Bowser vs. Clark's Grill
8:00—Reserve Club vs. Baer Field
9:15—Moose vs. City Light

The Manager



Charlie Braden

Manager Charlie Braden, affectionately known to many as "Chick," "Red," "John," and "Slim," is starting his second year as team manager of the G-E Club baseball team. He has had numerous problems to solve during the past season and is just now getting to the point where he can enjoy his job. And he really does enjoy it, second to his great love for fishing. He is an old baseball man with many years of playing experience to give him a very good background. He was a pretty fair country pitcher, and as some old baseball critics say, "He had it in his day." He was a member of Branch Rickey's St. Louis Cardinals' elaborate minor league system.

He really loves to win, and when a player makes a good play, you can almost see every freckle light up with glee. Last year that was the case most of the season, since the Club ended the season with a very enviable record against some of the best. Charlie is again counting on a good season; so, if you see a tall, thin, freckle-faced red-head walking around the plant with a big smile, it will be Manager Charlie Braden of the G-E Club.



Well, after seeing the Club-Bunker Hill game, we are a little inclined to believe that this boy, Charlie Schupp, had just a little too much on the ball and will be plenty tough to beat. The Club was at a slight disadvantage in facing a boy of this calibre in their opener; however, we don't think it would have made much difference if it had been July.

One thing is certain, and that is that the team as a whole should have a special session on "pepper talk." Even though the breaks may go against them, if they will keep their "pepper," they will do all right in the end. Your winning streak carried over from last year has been broken; so now, get out and start another one and make this one even longer. However, be very certain that you don't end it during the State Tourney, because after all you are State Champs.

Braden's new boys had fair success. Parnell Hisner looked very good in catching Bobby Gleasner's home run in the seventh; however, he was a bug-a-boo victim in his two appearances at the plate. Carroll Seiple had a good day all the way around. It is true he made an error, but he also made some mighty nice plays, especially the double play he started. He went one for three at the plate, which was par. Scott Carey's relief efforts brought smiles to Braden's face. Scott did a very good job, and the newcomer should do all right.

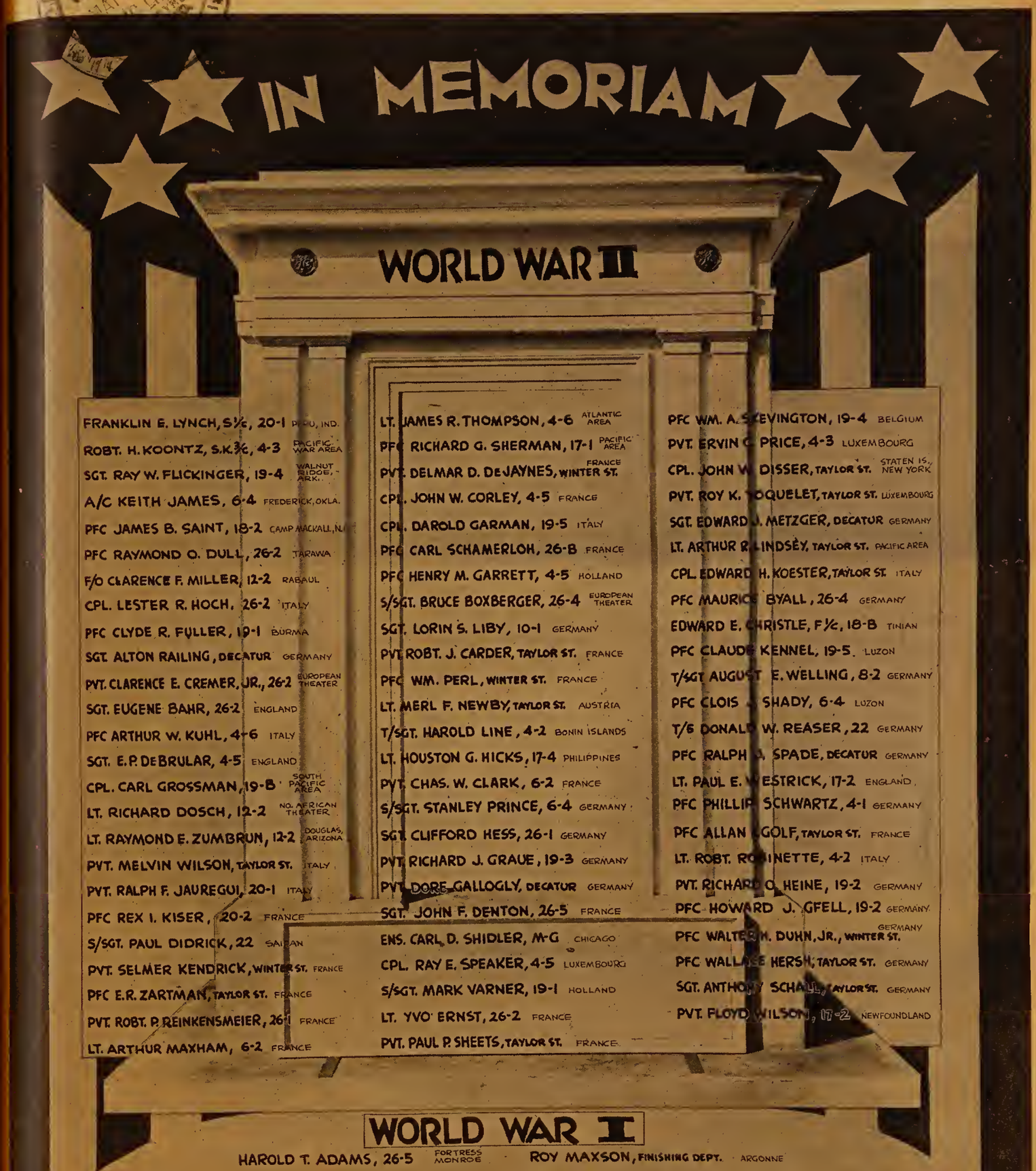
Kenny Wattier started right where he left off last year by getting two for four. He was robbed of another hit when Schupp deflected the ball to Bohonko, who made the putout. Keep it up, Kenny.

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Turbines Aweigh!

One hundred twenty-six years ago last Tuesday, on May 22, 1819, the Savannah, a sailing packet converted for auxiliary steam operation, sailed from Savannah for Liverpool. She had been built in New York. In addition to full sailing gear, she was equipped with boiler, engine and paddle-wheels. The screw propeller now used for all transoceanic ships was not invented till many years later.

It took the Savannah twenty-seven days to make the crossing, only eighty hours of which were navigated under steam, and when she arrived at her destination her coal was all gone. But within the ensuing weeks she made a tour of the Baltic, during which, to the delight of her crew, she was an object of tremendous interest.

The Savannah made history, though she had but two years more of life before she was lost in a coastal storm. This was the first oceanic crossing by steamship. Much water has flowed over the dam (or "fo-castle") since that time. Steam, unpicturesque but steady, has come into its own, first in reciprocating engines, then in the even more steady turbines.

General Electric has had a proved part in turbine shipping. Its men for years made turbines for central station generators. Then Emmet, a G-E man, developed turbine-electric propulsion for naval craft. Always the aim was for greater power, which depended in large part on better alloys to withstand more heat and pressure. General Electric developed them.

This experience stood America in good stead when the call came for a rapidly-increased Navy and for a stream of merchant ships to offset the staggering U-boat losses. In 1944, we built for merchantmen 221 turbines and 196 gears, representing 1,433,000 h.p. and 1,287,000 h.p., respectively.

A proud record to have on Maritime Day, the anniversary of the first transatlantic steamship crossing!

I Talked To Him---Yesterday

"It doesn't seem possible—I talked to him just yesterday, and he seemed O. K." All of us have made or heard others make similar remarks when someone we know suddenly and unexpectedly passes on. It must have been possible, because that friend is no longer with us.

His departure was yesterday—ours we know will be—how and when is the only uncertainty. We can't change nature's plan of "dust unto dust," but we can conduct ourselves with our friends and associates so that the talk we had "just yesterday" with a departed friend or associate will be a pleasant memory.

We can all be sure that there will be a day in our lives when we speak to our friends and associates for the last time. The fact that we never know when such an experience will occur should guard our tongues, soften our hearts, subdue our anger, thus making our personal contacts with others have a pleasant ending regardless of the nature of the conversation.

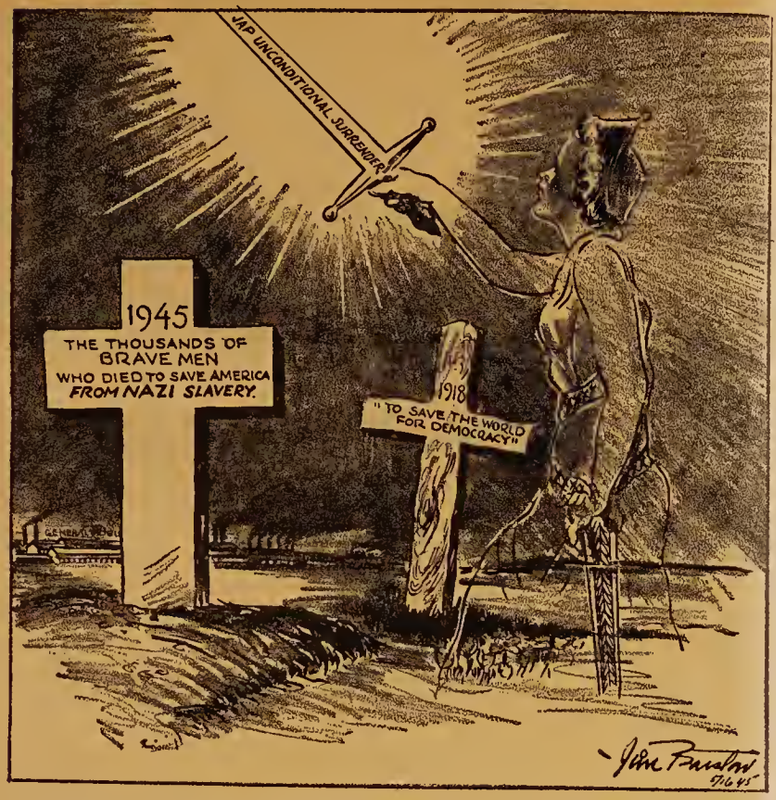
Clear Your Mind

Have you ever had a near-accident because your mind was upset? A state of mind like that can black out the best of work habits.

Safe work habits do prevent many an accident. But when anything seriously disturbs you, danger lurks even in everyday actions. Then the most unexpected mishaps may occur.

So, if your mind is upset, use extra care. And, at the earliest chance, take steps to straighten out the trouble. A clear mind leads to a clear safety record.

"THAT THESE DEAD Shall not have died in vain."



Next Wednesday will be the strangest Memorial Day America has ever known. It is not the peacetime affair of old, with the parading Legionnaires, the grizzled soldiers of '61 in autos and the speech by the Mayor. Nor is it a day of unbounded thanks for deliverance from war, as in 1919, with smartly-marching men fresh from victory.

It is a Memorial Day of America in mid-passage—with a victory already bought from one enemy—at a price—and another on the way to purchase from a second foe—at a price. The price that free men have always had to pay for their freedom is ever the moving thought of Memorial Day. It is death and bereavement.

The price paid for freedom in this war will be the highest we have ever paid. The picture is overwhelming, and grief crowds up into our throats at thought of it. All this cruelty, misery, and death cannot be prevented now; it can be in future. If we did not think so, it would be better not to live.

Honor, then, to all these dead. Courage and brave hearts for the ordeals to come. Patience and wisdom to make a good peace.

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Why are snowflakes never alike?

A. The snowflakes are unlike because of the non-uniform properties of the air in which they form. The water vapor content diffusion rates and the thermal gradients in the air where the crystals are forming have enough variation, so that the adjoining crystals cannot be identical because they receive different amounts of water molecules at different rates. Snowflakes have six rather than five points. The reason for this is that the crystalline structure of the ice tends to form a hexagonal crystal.

Q. Is the earth gradually cooling off or getting warmer?

A. Geologists believe that at present the earth is about in equilibrium; that is, it is not getting any warmer or cooler. It radiates away about as much heat as it receives from the sun and the small amount from its interior.

Q. Is there a lizard that can grow a new tail?

A. It is not a lizard, but a red-spotted newt or small salamander. It has semi-aquatic habits. It begins life like the tadpole hatched from eggs, but it never loses its tail. It lives on land for about a season, principally in damp woods and under old logs. Its food consists of earthworms, flies and small insects, usually. After its short stay on land, it returns to the water and becomes truly amphibious.

Q. What substance will absorb moisture in a house?"

A. Calcium chloride spread out in thin layers in pans should do this. Calcium chloride can be bought at either a chemical supply store or drug store. The containers should occasionally be refilled.

Q. What is quartz?

A. Quartz is the most common of all solid minerals. Colorless and transparent, or colored, it is a form of silica, occurring in hexagonal crystals or in crystalline masses.

Q. Are germs of one size or do they vary in size?

A. A germ means to most of us any organism that can cause disease. Used in that sense, a germ can be almost any size, large enough to be seen with the eye or organisms too small to be seen with the most powerful microscope.

Q. What is a cryostat?

A. A cryostat is a thermo-regulator for maintaining low temperatures, an apparatus for maintaining a constant temperature below zero Centigrade with automatic regulation of the temperature. It is used in connection with the study of freezing points of solutions which is called "cryoscopy." This study employs the so-called cryoscopic method —a freezing-point method of determining molecular weights by measuring the depression which takes place upon dissolving a known quantity of a substance in a solvent.



THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

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A Good Job Well Done



Members of the "500 Club" can well be proud of their outstanding contribution to the Seventh War Loan Drive. All employees of Bldg. 17-4, each attained membership in the "organization" by purchase of a $500 War Bond during the current campaign. "President" of the "club" is Otto Proehl, who holds office by virtue of having purchased a $1,000 bond. Left to right, front row, are Maurice Crow, Ernest Fruechtenicht, Edwin Schneider, Lester Stauch, and Albert Ray. Back row, Clarence Nussel, Melvin Azar, Carl Swaim, Lawrence Reed, Mr. Proehl, and Charles Haberkorn. Not present when the picture was taken were Charles Schild and Clement Miller.

June 2 Set For Annual Picnic Of Foremen's Group

William Walt Announces Varied Sports Program

Horse racing, softball, and other sports will be featured at the G-E Foremen's Association annual picnic Saturday, June 2, at the Fraternal Order of Police grounds on the St. Joe Road. William Walt, chairman of the entertainment committee, has announced a varied program of entertainment starting at 3:30 P.M.

The foremen and their guests will have a chance to participate in horse racing, under the direction of J. V. Johnson, target practice, a divisional tug-of-war contest, horseshoe, and a softball tournament with six teams in the series.

Harold Smith, Vic Boutwell, George Ellison, and William Kelsey will have charge of refreshments.

Members of the Association are urged to be present, since plans are being made to furnish food and entertainment for all.

Booklet Distribution

Distribution of a pamphlet entitled "Good For a Lifctime," a publication of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, will be made in the near future. The pamphlet treats eyes and their care.

BULLETIN

At the time the WORKS NEWS went to press, most recent returns in the Seventh War Loan Drive indicated that 97 per cent of the bond campaign budget had been realized. Nearly all divisions are reporting some additional sales each day, and prcsent returns indicate that the goal will be met. The campaign will continue throughout the Works until the quota has been reached.

Additional facilities for the issuance of bonds have been provided in Bldg. 18-1 for anyone who was not served at the itinerant bond issuing stations.

J. W. Crise
Campaign Chairman

CASUALTIES

Tech. Sgt. Glenn E. Spencer, Bldg. 6-2, was wounded April 27 in Italy.

Pvt. Floyd Wilson, Bldg. 17-2, was killed in a plane crash in Newfoundland on November 12, 1944.

T/Sgt. Homer Warren Hibler, Bldg. 26-1, has been missing since April 18 over the Pacific Ocean.

Lt. Thurman C. Long, Bldg. 19-4, was injured recently.

Dr. A. R. Stevenson To Address Squares At Annual Dinner

Will Speak Before Organization Next Tuesday, May 29

Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr., staff assistant to the vice-president in charge of engineering and chairman of the apparatus education committee, will be the featured speaker at the annual dinner for members of the G-E Squares next Tuesday evening, May 29, at the Squares clubrooms. The dinner will start at 6 P. M. promptly.

The booking of Dr. Stevenson for this event continues a precedent set several years ago of inviting talented Company personnel to address the club on subjects closely related to the members' interests.

Selecting for his topic "You are never too old to learn," Dr. Stevenson knows whereof he speaks for he is co-founder of the advanced engineering course and still leads its yearly program, and has practiced his own tenets by earning both a Master's and Doctor of Philosophy degree in post-graduate study, after obtaining his degree in civil engineering from Princeton University in 1914.

The Company has dclegated Dr. Stevenson to make a detailed survey of the possibilities of promoting advanced education for G-E em-

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Memorial Day Program Completed By War Vets

MEMORIAL DAY 1945

Operations will be conducted as usual in all divisions of the Fort Wayne Works on Memorial Day, Wednesday, May 30th.

M. E. Lord

Chaplain J. D. Foster of Baer Field Will Deliver Address

Solemn and impressive services will be sponsored by the G-E World War Veterans Association on Memorial Day, Wednesday, May 30. The services will be held both for General Electric employees who lost their lives during World War I and World War II. The program will be held in the memorial plot east of Bldg. 19, starting at 12:25 P. M.

George Ellison of the Taylor Street Plant will be in charge of the program. Colors will be posted by the American Legion Post 47 color guard, and the call to colors will be sounded by Theron Weaver, Bldg. 19-4. The invocation will be given by Chaplain J. D. Foster of Baer Field. Mr. Ellison will introduce a member of the management, who will give a short talk and introduce Chaplain Foster. Following Chaplain Foster's address, wreaths will be placed at both the memorial flagpole and the World War II memorial. Placing of the wreath at the World War II memorial will be done by Kenneth Heersche; that at the memorial flagpole by Arthur Stute.

Following the placing of the wreaths a three-volley salute will be fired, and the program will close with taps by Mr. Weaver and retiring of the colors.

Mr. Stute is a veteran of World War I and Mr. Heersche was invalided home after being wounded in combat.

Six G-E Employees Released From Nazi Prison Camps

Good news of the liberation of six more employees who were German prisoners of war has been received in Fort Wayne. The newly-freed men are Pvt. Paul H. Banet, Bldg. 17-4; Lt. Jack M. Humbrecht, Bldg. 12-3; PFC Clarence W. Bade, Bldg. 4-5; Pvt. Donald Macke, Bldg. 19-5; S/Sgt. Virgil R. Guebard, Bldg. 19-5; and Lt. Paul C. Carr, Bldgs. 4-5 and 6-2.

Pvs. Banet was captured December 18, 1944, in Belgium and was a prisoner at Stalag IV-B. He has been overseas since October, 1944, with the infantry. Lt. Humbrecht was liberated from Stalag VII-A, where he had been held prisoner since his capture August 27, 1944. He was a B-17 pilot in Italy. PFC Bade, who had been a prisoner since July 27, 1944, was liberated from Stalag VII-B. An infantryman, he was sent overseas in June, 1944.

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Named To New Sales Positions



C. E. Burke



D. F. Roloff

Two imminent changes in Specialty Transformer Section personnel were revcaled today by P. M. Staehle, Manager Sales, following the appointment by L. R. Brown, Manager, Transformer Division, of C. E. Burke as Manager Sales, Distribution Transformer Section, and D. F. Roloff as Assistant Manager Sales, Specialty Transformer Section. Both appointments become effective June 1. Mr. Roloff, in his new assignment, takes over the present duties of Mr. Burke.

Mr. Burke, who came to Fort Wayne as Assistant Manager Sales, Specialty Transformer Section, in November, 1943, first joined the Company following his graduation

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DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello, Readers! Your snooper is ready to report, having seen, been told or otherwise, the following: Larry Rickert has said his adieus to the Wage Rate Section to become a member of the Fractional Horsepower Production Section. Best wishes, Larry, in the new position. We do hope you find strength to take the caps off the ink bottles of your new desk set soon. . . . Our congratulations and more good wishes to Vern Boyers, who was married Sunday to Mildred Sauders, a teacher at Huntertown. . . . We don't blame Mary Jane Fletter for being the proud little woman. Her husband, who served overseas several months with an infantry division of the Seventh Army, has recently been awarded the Silver Star. . . . We wish to take this opportunity to welcome Esther Walda, Wilbur Giltz, and Josephine Roth, all newcomers to the Wage Rate Section. . . . "Beau Brummel" Bret Young and his bow tie. He claims his wife bought the tie as a result of listening to radio serials. Well, it might be said Bret looks like the result of a radio serial. . . . Big business—Jim Voirol negotiating for a Crosley. Can't you just see Jim behind the wheel? Only problem is where to dangle the legs. Over the windshield? No, would obstruct the view. Ah, over the side—real handy too. We can think of three uses for his legs: to indicate right and left turns, to push himself away from the curb, and to stop the car like a scooter. . . . Congratulations to Don Eme and his wife, who have just recently blessed-evented. . . . Marge Vallier has reached her destination of Long Beach, California, and enjoyed a nice trip on the train, in spite of having to give up her plane reservations in Chicago. . . . Welcome to Margaret Moldthan, transferred from Taylor Street to Al Coxon's Section. . . . Donna Fell is the happy girl whose husband is home on furlough. . . . Joe Uttal's habit of leaving things where he was last has finally caused him mental anxiety — 18 Chesterfields missing. All Hoosiers are suspected as criminals, especially Chuck Kronmiller, since this is his native land. Now aren't you sorry for your accusations, Joe?—When all the time those old cigarettes were just where you left them in the Drafting Room. . . . The Transformer Division had its debut in golf Monday night, represented by Morrie Cox, Chuck Kronmiller, Bob Hart and Bob Rowe. Other members of the league are Carl Stout, Carl Fletcher, and Dick Rump. . . . Dick Herrod has returned from the Southland. He has a gorgeous tan. "That's what I like about the South," claims Dick. . . . The G-E Squares dance was reported as a fine affair by all in attendance. This Division was represented by James Steele, Snuffy Smith, Joe Coughlin, Lee Gburski, Bob Rowe, Morrie Robinson and their respective wives. Tom Short, as a stag, and Barbara Brower were also present. The Lady from Alabama, Madeline Steele, and the Gentleman from Virginia, Tom Short, speak a mutual language—discovered the hard way. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Maxine Oury, whose father passed away last week. . . . Eileen Daniels is looking forward to her husband's leave with much anticipation, since learning he is back in the States after many months in the South Pacific. . . . Vera Reeves feels like a real city slicker since moving the trailer to town. . . . Welcome to Kathleen Knepp, who is now a member of the Drafting Section, having transferred from Taylor Street. . . . "What do you know"—we've got quite a singer in our midst. "Pritch" has "My Dreams are Getting Better all the Time" running through his mind. We'd like to hear the whole version sometime, Pritch. . . . Chuck Graham, chairman of the G-E Squares dinner May 29, is laying plans with a great deal of zest. . . . Cy Stonehill gets everything, including poison ivy poisoning. . . . Maybe we have discovered Ann Rastetter can get as much work done in four hours as in eight. How about this "on the double" stuff, Ann? . . . We marvel at Avenell Stanton's efficiency. . . . Credit goes to everyone for their cooperation on the Seventh War Loan Drive, especially to Johnny Carr for hanging the flag in the Commercial Section. . . . That's all, folks.

Inspection QUALITY Test
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BUILT IN QUALITY REDUCES REJECTIONS

G-E Club Finds Camp Atterbury Has "Team That Wasn't There"

Anyone interested in playing a baseball game with an ordnance company team formerly at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, will please catch the next boat for Germany!

W. E. Lassen, booking manager for the G-E Club baseball team, has finally decided that step is necessary if the two teams are to meet this year. Lassen, much interested in having the service team play here for one of the Club team's opening games, wrote the athletic officer of that unit on March 29 and then again on April 12, requesting an answer to his invitation to play here.

The futility of carrying the thing further was smacked home with a ball bat, it seemed to Lassen, when a polite note typewritten on the April 12 letter came back to the States. It read:

"We regret to inform you that it will be impossible to play that game with you this year, much to our disappointment. We are at present in Germany. Wishing you a good season."



"O, I'd trade my braid for points, and get outa this blood war—" sang Cousin Colin.

"Where did you get such a song—if it is a song?" I asked him.

"Just made it up—Colin—that's me—but say, I wanted tae ask ye—now thot diers wi 85 points, which means lot o' service, can get out, and thot manufacturers o' war goo can get a release tae make civil goods again, how is it we still tae keep at the old war job? Doesn G-E have 85 points?"

"Noo thot ye ask a more matu mind that question, I'd be glod t oxplain," I answered. "In the fir place, G. I. Joe gets out wi 85 point IF he isn't vital tae the war. Ma o' our competitors are G. I. Joe They enlisted, or were drafted, f the duration. They are now bei 'honorably discharged,' tae go bac to their peace-time jobs.

"In the second place, officers al accumulate points, but they are n being released like G. I. Joes, even they hai 85. Many officers were re serve officers, on inactive duty i peace, but were called tae acti duty in war. General Electric was 'reserve officer' in peace time, ser ing the Government in various way like developing turbo-electric drive gun firing control, and many othe devices for the Navy, tae say not ing o' the devices for the Army, th Air Corps, etc.

"In peace time, a Reserve Office gives only two weeks per year t his country, and as a good Reserv Officer, the General Electric C gave only a small part of its faci ities during peace time. BUT, i War, both step into a full-time jo And both must stay in till the en

"G. I. Joe may get back and ha a head start on his peace-time jo —but by gude hard work (and C R.*), the reserve officer can catc up wi' him after it's all over.

"And G-E will catch—and pass— G. I. Joe competitors, too, but i won't be easy. It will take 'work work, and more work' as our Presi dent said, (and C. R.*, C. R.* an more C. R.*, as 'Sandy Says'.")

Kinda involved, isn't it—but any way, thot's what I told Colin.

*COST REDUCTION.

Credit Union Closing

The Credit Union office will be closed Decoration Day, May 30. Regular office hours will be resume on Thursday, May 31.

The Credit Union Committee will meet this month on Tuesday, May 29, at 6 P.M., according to Lee Cupp, treasurer of the Association.



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES



Flight Officer Carroll R. Phillips, Bldg. 19-1, has been assigned to the 15th Air Force heavy bombardment group in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

PFC Ralph J. Martin is connected with an infantry unit of the Ninth Army in Germany. He writes he has visited many different countries and cities of the continent. He sends regards to his friends at G-E.

PFC Bernard L. Asies, Bldg. 19-1, was awarded the Certificate of Merit for outstanding performance of duty while serving with Patton's Third Army.

Dorothy T. O'Shaughnessey, S 2/c, is stationed at San Ysidro, California.

PFC Warren W. Spurling has received a unit citation for meritorious service with a medical detachment in Germany.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

First Lt. Alvin C. Beck has been "riding out" the raids over Japan as commander of the Superfortress, "City of Fort Wayne." Lt. Beck and the regular crew of the "City of Fort Wayne" have made seven runs over Japan, but the ship has made five other trips with crews that do not have assigned planes. In a recent statement to a war correspondent, he described the flak over Tokyo as "so thick that it seems you might climb out of the place and actually walk on it. Somehow you get through," he said, "and when you look back, you know you had to be lucky to make it."

Cpl. Richard E. Landon and Cpl. Edward F. Dicke were recently commended with other enlisted men at B-29 bases in the Marianas for the part they played in the historic Superfortress low-level incendiary attacks on Japan.

May 3, 1945

Dear Editor:

Just received two G-E NEWS dated April 6 and 16. Was sure glad to get them. Gosh, I hardly know anyone in my Section, only Harold Smith in Nozzle Box.

Tell the gang I said hello. Things look pretty good here now. But the right Kraut hasn't yelled "Kamarad" yet.

We don't use any G-E equipment, but I know it is here and doing its part. Was wounded in Germany. Will bail out for now.

Sgt. Roy Lee

S/Sgt. Homer E. Bates, Bldg. 19-5, recently received the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for combat at his Superfortress base.

Navy Men



B. E. Zwayer W. A. Nahrwold

William A. Nahrwold, S 2/c, Taylor Street, has completed five months in the Navy. Bard E. Zwayer, S 1/c, formerly employed in the Taylor Street tool room, now has four and one-half years' Navy service to his credit.

T/3 Voil F. Latourette is on duty with an army engineer maintenance company at an island base in the New Hebrides.

Ens. David VanMeter has reported to the Naval Training Station at Norfolk, Virginia, to receive instruction for duties aboard a destroyer of the Atlantic Fleet.

Cpl. Louis F. Boerger, Bldgs. 26-2 and 26-4, is now somewhere in Germany. He sends greetings to his friends at the plant.

Decorated



V. M. Smith

At a recent ceremony held at his 15th AAF B-17 Fortress airdrome in southern Italy, T/Sgt. Verlin M. Smith, Bldg. 10-1, was decorated with the Bronze Star Medal by his Fifth Wing commander, Brig. Gen. Charles W. Lawrence. Sgt. Smith, a member of the veteran 301st Bomber Group, was awarded the Bronze Star "for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations," while working as an armament section chief. His citation lauds his ability to work "under the most trying conditions" and cites "his ingenuity and unceasing devotion to duty," which enabled his unit to contribute greatly to the success of the Allied campaigns in Africa, Sicily, and Europe. In addition to the Bronze Star Medal, Sgt. Smith wears the Good Conduct Medal, his theatre ribbon with seven battle stars, the pre-Pearl Harbor ribbon, and the Distinguished Unit Badge with one Cluster, awarded his group for outstanding bombing performance.

Somewhere At Sea

At Sea, April 23, 1945

Dear Friends:

I guess it is about time that I let you know that I'm still around and O.K.

It has been over a year and a half since I was back on leave, and it doesn't look like it will be very soon before I'll get back again, but when I do, I will want to visit my old working place in Bldg. 17-4 and shoot the breeze with all of my friends up there.

I see where Harry Prange has been placed among the ones who have really helped to build a big and successful manufacturing plant, with which the world wouldn't be able to get along without, for right now it seems to be one of the deciding factors in this war.

Tell all the guys and gals in Bldg. 17-4 that I read their column and it keeps me posted, but that a few letters would help me out, and I'll be glad to answer them.

Several months ago, I received a letter from James Kelley, and it woke me up to the fact that I was letting the gang down on the letter-writing side, and I wrote to him and gave a detailed account of the rovings of my ship. If you would like to read about it, I believe Jim will let you read the letter.

My ambition when this is over is to come back and work with the same fellows I left, and I hope it isn't too long. I had better sign off for the present. So long until I see you again.

George R. Guest, M.M. 1/c

Sgt. Robert W. Lehman is stationed somewhere in Germany.

Glenn R. Mohr, RT 2/c, is stationed at Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois.

PFC Dallas F. Smith, G-E apprentice graduate employed in Bldg. 26-5 at the time of his induction, is now in a base hospital in England recovering from a fractured nose and lacerations. He was sent overseas March 1, 1945, and was injured in Germany, April 26, 1945.

Major David C. Hanson is stationed at Rosecrans Field, Missouri.

Lt. Donald F. Holle, pilot with the Jolly Rogers, oldest B-24 group in the Pacific, has been awarded the Air Medal. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 17-1.

Keep 'Em Coming



Edward McDaniel Wanda Mitchell

Cpl. Wanda J. Mitchell, WAC stationed at Camp Hood, Texas, said, "You just keep them coming; we'll keep them going," on her recent visit with her former co-workers at the Taylor Street Plant. Edward McDaniel, S 1/c, was formerly employed at the Taylor Street Plant.

Under Fire



A. H. Horstmeyer R. A. Robey

S/Sgt. Arnold H. Horstmeyer, formerly employed in Bldg. 26-B, played an important part in the recent battle of Zig-Zag Pass, on famed Bataan Peninsula, Luzon Island, Philippines. Sgt. Horstmeyer is a litter platoon sergeant. During the battle he led his platoon to the battalion aid station under heavy fire and carried wounded back to ambulances for transfer to the rear. He is entitled to wear the Good Conduct Ribbon, the American Defense Ribbon, the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with one campaign star, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, and the Bronze Arrowhead for taking part in an initial amphibious assault landing. Richard A. Robey, S. F. 2/c, said on his recent visit here, "I have seen a lot of G-E equipment in use, but have yet to see any trouble caused by faulty manufacturing."

Few Repairs



P. B. Yentes A. I. Johnson

PFC A. I. Johnson, formerly employed at the Taylor Street Plant, writes that in her AAF Base Unit in Cincinnati, Ohio, she has seen very few repairs registered in her office on the equipment her former co-workers are turning out. Paul B. Yentes, Taylor Street employee, now has three years' Navy service to his credit.

T/Sgt. Robert J. Rectanus, Bldg. 26-B, recently received the Air Medal for participating in the 6,000-plane blow at Germany's transportation system on February 22. He is an engineer with a Bombardment Group of the Eighth Air Force and participated in 23 daylight bombing assaults against the Nazi war machine in Europe.

Cpl. Thomas W. Carr, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-5, has received the Bronze Star for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from Dec. 30, 1944, to Jan. 24, 1945. He serves under General Patton in Germany.

PFC Charles E. Cain wrote recently from Germany to say he hoped to be back in Indiana before the summer is over and "settle down once more as a civilian."

T/Sgt. V. D. Culbertson is stationed in the Philippines.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Total Of $615 Paid To Employees In Idea Awards

Marcus Duff, Bldg. 4-2, Gets $85 For Best Suggestion Of Week

Fifty-seven employees received awards totalling $615 for new ideas submitted to suggestion committees, according to the list released this week by S. E. Palmer, secretary of the Works Suggestion Committee. Four employees received awards amounting to more than $25, with Marcus W. Duff, Bldg. 4-2, getting the top payment of $85. Mr. Duff's suggestion covered improvements in the method of machining splined coupling holes in pump motor armature shafts.

Lester E. Green, Bldg. 4-4, also ranked near the top of the list with a $75 award for his suggestion to provide welding jigs with bronze rings to reduce the time of cleaning slag "berries," etc., from them.

Kenneth Guisinger, Bldg. 6-2, suggested changing riveting operations on DY81 poles, so that the pin and bar rivet in the poles will be riveted separately, for which he received a $55 award. A $25 payment was made to Herbert G. Cowan, Bldg. 4-3, for his idea on providing a jig for clamp bolt holes in flanges.

Other awards ranging from $5 to $20 were made as follows:

Bldg. 4-1

Robert Charles Winkler, Maurice Humphrey.

Bldg. 4-2

Myrtle Irene Cramer, Raymond H. Christman, Donald R. Coolman.

Bldg. 4-3

Edward D. Fischer, Lee G. Witte.

Bldg. 4-4

Louis J. Hinen, Virgil Alderson, Forest E. Grim, Margaret J. Magsamen, Albert J. Smith, Alfred H. Bierbaum, Waldo J. Stauffer, John W. Bechtol, John F. Wilson, Joe Robach, Charles C. Rupel, Paul G. Hitzeman.

Bldg. 4-5

Lewis W. Strong, Don Edwards, Karl K. Bowman, Mary C. Tobias, Walter Amacher, Wilbur E. Tibbitts.

Bldg. 6-2

Forrest R. Allman, Mary Jane Fry, George H. Hahn, Harold Waters, Lawrence Suter, Cora Bucher, Richard Conrad, Jr., Esley J. Rooks, Max E. Flohr, Arlo Raymond Kissinger, Gertrude T. Markley.

Bldg. 6-1

Lewis E. Lahrman.

Bldg. 6-4

Willard A. Knop.

Winter Street

Hillis R. Zollinger, Joseph J. Horstman, Orville W. Meagher.

Bldg. 26-3

Virgil B. Buchanan.

Bldg. 17-1

Glen M. Buckmaster.

Bldg. 17-3

Millard Newnam.

Bldg. 11-1

James H. Uhrick.

Bldg. 10-1

John E. Bendel.

Kokomo

Zelpha M. Turner, Morris C. Gross, Ralph Bischoff.

Suggestors Cash In On Good Ideas



Suggestors who cashed in on their good ideas within recent weeks are, left to right, Kenneth Guisinger, Bldg. 6-2, who was awarded $55; Aleda McWhirter, Bldg. 6-2, $25; Carolyn North, Decatur, $40; Ed Moser, Bldg. 19-4, $25. Inset is Charles Etchason, Kokomo, $35.

Appointments

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from the Georgia School of Technology in 1926. After a period spent on test at Schenectady and Philadelphia, he was assigned to the Sales Training Course in September, 1927. In November of the same year he enrolled for departmental training in design engineering at the Philadelphia Works.

Mr. Burke entered commercial work on August 1, 1928, when he was transferred to the commercial division of the old Automatic Switchboard Department. In July of the following year he joined the Central Station Department at Schenectady and in November was assigned to Central Station sales in the Cleveland local office of the East Central District.

On March 4, 1935, Mr. Burke was appointed District Transformer Specialist for the East Central District, a capacity which he continued to fill until June, 1941, when he was granted a leave of absence from the Company to serve with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at the Aircraft Engine Research laboratory, Cleveland. There he was assistant chief electrical engineer and, later, assistant to the manager in charge of all engineering. Mr. Burke stayed with N.A.C.A. until his return to the Company in 1943 in his present capacity.

While a resident of Fort Wayne, Mr. Burke has been active in local organizations, holding membership in the G-E Squares club, the Fort Wayne Executives club, the Newcomers club and the Artists and Models.

Mr. Roloff began his association with G-E in 1919 when he entered the Apprentice School at the Fort Wayne Works. After his graduation, he was assigned to the Transformer Engineering Division as a design engineer, a position that he held until October, 1928, when he transferred to the Pittsfield Works as a design engineer on distribution transformers.

In June of 1929, Mr. Roloff became associated, commercially, with the Accessory Equipment Sales section. He returned to Fort Wayne in December of the same year as the first application engineer in the newly formed Specialty Transformer Section.

For the past sixteen years Mr. Roloff has had commercial responsibility for various product lines and, at present, heads aircraft transformers and transformers for luminous tube signs and oil burners.

Mr. Roloff is an active member of the G-E Squares club and of the Apprentice Alumnae club, of which he is a former officer. With his wife and three children, he resides at 1909 Florida Drive.

Squares Meeting

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ployees and to devise ways and means for presenting suitable courses of study. In his findings—backed by factual examples repeated time and again in the training of personnel for war work—Dr. Stevenson has exploded the myth that the best time to learn is during undergraduate days. Dr. Stevenson feels that many subjects, particularly those relating to advancement in a chosen field of work, come easier to the man or woman employed in that work than to young students, and are more beneficial because of their timeliness.

In addition to his educational work, Dr. Stevenson has been identified with some of the Company's most important engineering developments. In 1923 he headed up an investigating committee that led to G-E's manufacture of household refrigeration equipment at Fort Wayne. He also encouraged the building of the first G-E room coolers, and in the development of the Company's domestic oil burners, which work aided in the eventual formation of the Air Conditioning Department. His engineering talents and advice were also utilized in the developmental stages of the heat pump and of the Disposall.

A prolific worker, Dr. Stevenson is associated with so many committees both in and out of the Company that his biography would take up several paragraphs. He is past president of the Private Fliers Club (having learned to fly while an officer with the Army Air Forces in World War I); past president of the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers; chairman of the Board of Trustees of Brown School; member of the Board and of the Executive Committee of ASME; chairman of the committee on relations with industry of the Society For The Promotion of Engineering Education, and a past member of the Executive Committee of the Engineers Council for Professional Development—to mention a few of his extra-curricular activities. He was also a member of the first Jet Propulsion Sub-committee of NACA and is, at present, on the Civilian Advisory Council of the Military Training Division of the Army Ordnance Department.

All dinner reservations must be made with contact men by Saturday noon, May 26. An informal social session is planned following the dinner and talk.

Prisoners Freed

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Pvt. Macke had been a prisoner since October 13, 1944, when he was captured in Italy. He has notified his parents that he will be home soon. A prisoner at Stalag VII-A, he was freed April 29. S/Sgt. Guebard has been liberated from Stalag Luft 4, where he had been held since August 13, 1944. He has been overseas since March, 1944. Lt. Carr was liberated from Stalag Luft 1, after sixteen months as a German prisoner. He has been overseas since June, 1943, and was on his twenty-fifth mission when he was shot down.

New Electrode Holder Announced By General Electric

A new armor-clad (screw type), fully insulated electrode holder has been announced by the Electric Welding Division of the General Electric Company. Designed from the operator's viewpoint the new holder is recommended for use wherever durability, maximum safety, and minimum operator fatigue are desired.

A feature of the new holder is its head, which is completely enclosed in a sheath of aluminum armor. This armor protects the insulation, resists weld spatter, and eliminates the possibility of accidental contact with the welding circuit. Thus the holder remains clean while in use and lasts considerably longer than insulated holders without armor cladding.

Designed to accommodate electrodes up to and including ¼ inch in diameter, the holder is easy to use, light in weight (15 ounce), and unusually cool in operation. A slight twist of the hand tightens or releases the electrode. While in use, the holder firmly grips the electrode at the proper angle and good current contact is maintained. This keeps the holder cool, tends to prevent overheating of the electrode, and maintains a uniform melting rate clear down to a stub end. The threads of the push-up rod do not carry current. A soldered cable connection also helps the holder to remain cool. The width of the electrode slot limits the size of the electrode which can be inserted, thus preventing overloading, one of the evils which materially shorten the life of electrode holders.

Perfect Safety Record Maintained By Kokomo Plant

Frequency To Date Stands At 5.14; Severity Is .11

The Kokomo Plant of the Fort Wayne Works continues to hold a perfect safety record for the year 1945, according to the monthly safety report issued recently. The report lists a total of twelve lost-time accidents during the month of April, bringing the total for the year to 53. Of the twelve accidents four occurred at the Taylor Street Plant, three in Refrigeration, two in Power Drive, and one each in the Fractional HP Motor Division, Wire Division, and Distribution. Severity for the entire works to date is .11 as compared with .558 for the year 1944. Frequency to date is 5.14.

The standings of the various divisions in the matter of frequency and severity are as follows:

Division	Freq.	Sev.
Kokomo	0.0	.03
Miscellaneous	.77	.05
Motor-Generator	2.80	.03
Series and Sp. Motor..	2.84	.04
Decatur	3.02	.18
Fract. HP Motor	3.14	.17
Transformer	3.23	.04
Tool	3.92	.006
Plastics	4.73	.06
Taylor Street	5.92	.27
Refrigeration	9.65	.18
Power Drive	11.03	.24
General Service	11.52	.09
Wire	17.19	1.41
Insulation	18.73	5.62
Distribution	26.77	.46

Railway Motor Temperatures Discussed In AIEE Paper

The temperature of locomotive electric apparatus is an active economic factor which is continually exerting its influence on the life of the equipment, according to a paper, "Measurement of Railway Motor Temperatures in Service," by J. W. Teker, General Electric engineer, listed on the AIEE Spring Program.

The effect of elevated temperatures on organic insulation materials follows the approximate rule of half the life for each 8 to 12 degree C increase in temperature. Therefore, the author cautions that, wherever loads exceeding the continuous rating are encountered, it is of prime importance to see that the maximum permissible limits are neither exceeded nor maintained over a period of time. To operate in ignorance of the thermal capacity of the motive power under consideration will result in increased maintenance and frequent motor or generator failures.

The resistance method is suggested as the most reliable and accurate means of determining the average motor winding temperature. Based upon the known effect of temperature upon the electrical resistance of a copper conductor, it can be successfully employed by unskilled personnel even under adverse conditions. The method, the equipment and the general procedure, either in the shop or on the road, are described in detail in Mr. Teker's paper.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Things we see every day: Merlin Sweet smoking his awful smelly cigars. . . . Vic Boutwell and Clarence Raney going 'round and 'round over the Cubs and St. Louis Browns. . . Rolly Wickliffe bringing back a bottle of cough medicine from the drug store for someone. . . . Connie Weist buying two packs of Mail Pouch. . . . Bob Hunt wearing out his comb trying to keep his hair (?) in place. . . . Harry Bonewitz buying chocolate milk and candy from the candy wagon. . . . Henry Wittber (financier plus), who boasts that he still has four cents of his first nickel he ever earned, lost much of his prestige and acquired a very red face and must enter a $10 loss in his account book—in very red ink. After cashing his pay check and making a few purchases, he was aware of the fact that he was $10 SHORT. He blushingly admits that some city slicker must have outsmarted him. We think that it will take Hank from five to ten years to get over the shock of this loss. . . . Don Eme spent his vacation at home last week, he says helping his wife with the housework and taking care of the baby. And as we know Don and how the Mrs. has to cut the grass and shovel snow, fire the furnace, etc., we doubt whether Don was much help last week. . . . Velma Meads went up to the lake over the week-end to help clean up the cottage; and, after carrying out the bedding and things for an airing, she drank about five bottles of coke, lay down on the mattress and slept all day. . . . Seen and heard at the transformer foremen's picnic: We hear that Norman Hasty will open doors from here on before trying to go through them. . . . That Bob Hunt went out to direct traffic and got lost. . . . Orval Ellenwood teased the elk and buffalo. Even the papa buffalo didn't like the gleam in Orval's eye when he (Ellenwood) was looking at the baby buffalo, because the old buffalo pushed the young one over to the other side of the pen. What's the matter, Orval? No red points? . . . It was said that Rolly Wickliffe must be slipping. He only got away with a dozen cokes. . . . Lowell Kronmiller had an awful time keeping his cigar lit. Every time he'd turn around Sweet had to light it for him. . . . Old age must be showing up Elmer Paul. We hear that he had to take the steps to the top of the fire tower in relays. . . . Sweet decided after several poor attempts that he wasn't a ball player. . . . Louie Sordelet says from now on, "Keep those buffalo away from me." He doesn't even like the one on the nickels now. . . . Clarence Kempf was married Saturday to Elizabeth Hine of Bldg. 26-4. We wish them good luck and the best of everything. . . . We hope the points will come down on cheese as Clarence Speaker sure loves his limburger and what we mean is plenty of it. . . . Oh, yes, Betty Hawk didn't look so good with the wrong coat on. Better take the second look next time, Betty. . . . Al Miller just cannot get used to factory phones, as he talks to himself and gets no results. . . . Well, it's about time Rolly Wickliffe is getting a new belt as the last notch will not hold any more, or he will have to cut down on his cokes and chicken. . . . We received a letter from Ed Leitz last week from Germany and were glad to know he was gettig along fine. Hurry home, Ed. . . . What kind of cigars does Henry Webster smoke. Boy, oh, boy! He can stand them. He has his wife hold them for him until he gets a good breath. . . . What has become of Lawrence Schuster? He has been awfully quiet lately. Perhaps there isn't any chicken in his lunch pail any more.



A lot of people's good ideas never get any farther than the idea stage. Just the other day, Johnny Jones thought of a way to improve the product he was working on. It was a pretty good idea and he was rather proud to have thought of it. He even told some of his friends about it, and one of them said, "You know what, you ought to send that in to the Suggestion Committee."

"You're kiddin'," answered Johnny, "it's not that good." And it wasn't long before that idea had slipped Johnny's mind. He never thought about it again, till one morning he saw this headline in the WORKS NEWS, "Suggestor Wins $50"—and there was his idea.

A fellow in another shop had had the same idea and had thought enough to tell it to the right people, the Suggestion Committee. So Johnny learned a $50 lesson. You can bet the next idea Johnny has will go down on a Suggestion blank in double quick time.

And that's our moral for this issue—when you get good ideas—don't keep them under your hat—put them on a suggestion blank—today.

Is Zat So?

Veora Habig is still on vacation; so this week we'll do some more choppin' on her column. . . . Patricia Becker, our office booster for North Side, is spending her vacation in the land of Brigham Young. . . . Warren Locker's bond drive display is unique; we hope all the ships reach their goal, as it will mean our quota is reached. . . . Ray Philo, formerly of our group 19x72 and lately of Bldg. 4-6, is leaving for the Merchant Marine Service. . . . Robert Stinerock, formerly of our bond room, was in for a visit. Like all our furloughed boys, he looks fine. . . . John Meyers from the automatic group is starting in Bldg. 8 this week. Orval Harrold will be helping Ed Kronmiller out in Bldg. 4-B, and Perry Gordon will be in the plating section. We're glad they're not too far away and best of luck. . . . We still have several off for sickness, Harry Kessler, Herbert Kellermeier and Roy Donelson. The last report is that each one is progressing nicely. . . . Things we haven't heard, "That we're going to have another section picnic." . . . We haven't been able to figure where Ray Epperson's son John gets his wanderlust; so far he has been helping out in four different sections in as many nights. . . . Ernie Barr and Jim Carey have one thing in common; they both pick poor weather for a vacation. Remember when the rainy weather was blamed on the war in Europe? . . . We are glad to welcome George Roller back for the summer. This is George's third summer and he certainly looks natural in the bond room. . . . A sight in Bldg. 17-1 is the round table discussion. The participants are J. Junk, D. Hoover, "Pappy" Papenbrock, J. Carey, W. Schershel, and J. Cochoit. They sure pick an educational subject every noon. . . . Why does Mary Jane Meyer always try to round up a box of paper hankies before she goes to a sad show? . . . We found out why Ed Brosche came to work with his chest expanded several inches. He is a proud grandfather. . . . The pictures circulated daily of several babies is ample proof of their daddy's pride. This week we have seen one of Ray Stanger's and another of Russ Gibson's trio. Of course they all take after their fathers (?).

Chemical Analysis Of Substances Now Done By X-Rays

Shooting a beam of X-ray through an unknown chemical substance to see how much of the radiation is absorbed is a new and rapid means of identifying the elements of which the material is made. That this method, which can be used with gases, liquids or solids, will find extensive application is indicated by studies in the General Electric Research Laboratory by Dr. Herman A. Liebhafsky and Dr. E. H. Winslow.

"X-rays are intimately related to the inner atom," explained Dr. Liebhafsky, "so they furnish a means of counting the number and indicating the kinds of atoms by which they are being absorbed. To a very good first approximation, the count is unaffected by whether the atoms are free or have combined to form molecules of any sort whatsoever; or by whether the sample is hot or cold, solid, liquid or gaseous. Again to a good approximation, an oxygen atom will have the same absorption for X-rays, be it free or in the oxygen molecule, or in liquid water, ice, or steam, or in sugar or in sand. A tool capable of doing this is bound to be potentially interesting to the chemist."

As Analytical Methods

X-ray absorption as an analytical method is made practicable by a photoelectric X-ray intensity meter developed by another G-E Research Laboratory scientist, H. Millard Smith. The invisible X-rays fall on a fluorescent material, which becomes luminous where they strike. This material, called a phosphor, is painted on the glass envelope of a phototube of the multiplier type.

With such a tube the light from the phosphor falls first on a sensitized surface within the tube, and electrons are emitted from it. These electrons fall on a second surface, from which still more electrons, in larger quantities, are discharged. They fall on a third surface and the yield is still further increased. Then even more stages are used. The electrons are multiplied and those from the last stage result in a small electric current which can be amplified still more with other electron tubes, and measured with an appropriate meter. Amounts of light with energy equal to a ten billionth of a watt can be measured easily and accurately in this way.

Has Wide Range

The photoelectric meter can measure very weak intensity X-rays and also can detect very slight variations in their intensity. For example, if the X-rays are passed through a pile of 100 sheets of paper, the difference in absorption caused by the addition or removal of a single sheet produces a noticeable effect.

In the analytical method developed by Drs. Liebhafsky and Winslow, which has thus far only been set up experimentally, the solid or liquid sample is placed in a glass cell ¾ inch in diameter and 6 inches long. For gases a two-foot cell is employed. The cell is in a vertical position above the X-ray tube and a narrow pencil of the rays is sent upwards through it. The rays then fall on the phosphor around the multiplier phototube, which is enclosed in a lead housing. The current from the phototube is amplified and its intensity read on a meter. Comparisons are made of the absorption of the cell with and without the sample. Filters, made of various metals, can be placed in the X-ray beam to secure radiation of different wavelengths.

Dr. Liebhafsky says that chemical problems vary so greatly that it is difficult to predict the particular applications which this new method of analysis is likely to have. However, enough work has already been done in the General Electric Research Laboratory to show that for certain types of problems it will have clear advantages over older methods. These are now being studied and they will be reported in a later paper.

Here and There
BUILDING 17-4

The reason for the so-proud look about Mike Schmidt last Monday—he has a new heir, and a boy at that. These men in the planning section seem to have a priority on boys. . . . We received two very interesting letters last week, one from Bob Guest, MM 1/c, and the other from M. F. Miller SC 3/c of the Seabees. We're really proud to get letters like these from the boys. Bob told us about some of his narrow escapes, and how they "take care" of the Jap "cans." Mr. Miller put in a good word for the Seabees, and our own G-E equipment. . . . Bill Motz of the AAF paid us a visit last week. We were glad to see you again, Bill. . . . The mystery of the Falling Leaves or The Book that Wouldn't Stay Shut was solved by Dick (Sherlock) Reuter. Now all he needs is a magnifying glass and a cap to go into business. . . . Ed Offenloch sat on a small box in the stockroom, and the poor little box couldn't take it, so Ed ended up on the floor. Very undignified, Ed. . . . Spring sure is here by the open windows on Monday morning. Of course, the lovely weather only led to dreams of vacation. Nice day dreaming. . . . A year has passed since the beginning of the "Keep 'Em Posted Club." In that time, birthday presents, Christmas presents, and cards along with many letters were sent to all our boys in service whose addresses were known. The club wishes to thank everyone for their cooperation in remembering those in the service with these tokens of appreciation for the service these boys are giving their country. . . . Our orchid of the week goes to Mel Azar for his organizing and sponsoring the "500 Club," made up of people who purchased $500 War Bonds. The club boasts 13 members, the president, Otto Proehl, having bought a $1,000 War Bond. A salute to you, Mel, from all of us. . . . Our shy Charlie Schild wouldn't have his picture taken with the "500 Club." . . . In the spotlight of the test section we see: Richard Markle minus the tea-strainer grandfather mustache mentioned before in this column. Al Ray and Les Stauch posing for ye old cameraman of WORKS NEWS—the birdie caused quite a bit of excitement—Lester was seen gleefully jumping with joy—wonder why? Was it due to the fact that the camera didn't break for the first time? . . . Walter Lohm is back from vacationing. Seems as though Lohm had planned on fishing in the Ohio River but the water was so high that the fish couldn't find the river. Oh man!

News From TAYLOR STREET

Nozzle Box

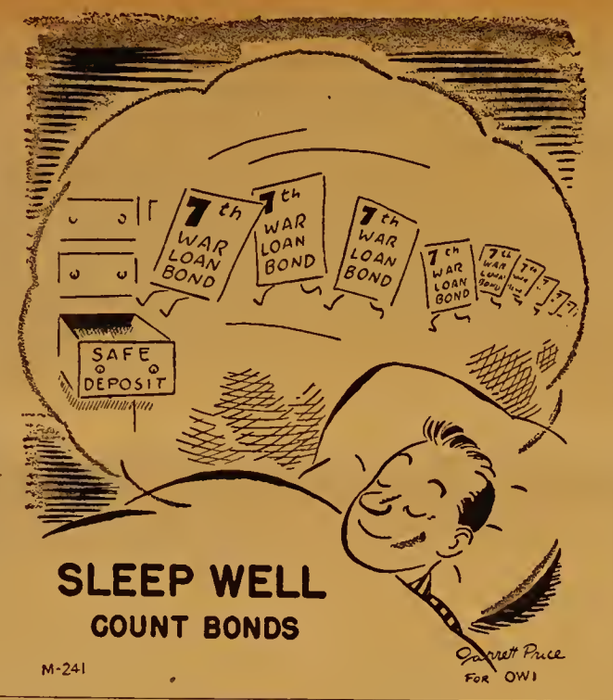
Best of luck go to all those who are leaving both first and second trick. . . . Congratulations go to Bill Easley, who had a birthday on May 2. The second trick gave Bill a nice gift. . . . Mary Williamson and Ethel McCray are both enjoying a spring vacation. . . . Jerry Gilbert is back on second trick again. . . . We are sorry to see Amanda Mills and Rosemary Wolter leave the Nozzlebox section. Harriet Williams is being transferred to Art Smead on second trick and Wimpy Wheeler has been transferred to the Forge Section. . . . The mother-daughter party for the Elex Club had a very good attendance, and everyone enjoyed the party. . . . Jim Hopper, who is now in the Navy, sends his greetings to all of us. Jim used to work on third trick.

Forge

During our absence from the Forge Shop news front, we didn't report a letter from Stan Richards and a photograph, showing that Army life has agreed with him. While Stan didn't disclose his whereabouts, he enclosed a five mark note and we will bet he didn't get it in Ireland. . . .To all you other Forge Shop boys in the service, won't you drop us a line so we can at least report to the folks that you are still "on deck"? . . . Frank Sasser has finally revealed his suppressed desire; he wants to drive in the races at the Indianapolis Speedway some time in the future. . . .We were glad to see Lloyd Jacobs return to work last Saturday after being laid up for almost two weeks. He claims he no longer entertains a desire to own a horse ranch. . . . If any of you are first class carpenters, you might contact Willard Minnick, who is going to need some help about the third week in June. Willard is planning a surburban home. . . . Ralph Whitcomb is also planning to build a home. If he could just find some means of releasing all that potential energy and ability around Orland, it would probably take only an hour or two to build it. . . . Bob Morgan is considered an authority on the proper procedure of exterminating the hated dandelion. It is rumored he has developed a new tool which he plans to put into mass production after the war. . . . Ralph Walker reports that his son, Dale, has transferred to a different branch of the air service in order to get an earlier crack at the Japs. . . . Our sympathy to Edna Garretson, who learned last week that her son was wounded in the Philippines and is in a hospital there. We sincerely hope for an early recovery, Edna, and that he will be home with you soon.

Screw Machine

Geraldine Wetosky is leaving on her vacation next week. . . . Welcome, to first shift: Ardis Crum, Francis Tester, Agnes Jump, Forrest Whonsettler, Robert Keane, William Diss, Phyllis Ducy, and Julius Doster. We hope you like your work and enjoy us like we will you. . . . Maurice Roe is vacationing this week. Hope you are having an enjoyable one and are looking for you back soon. . . . Faye Woodworth, formerly of our section on the big buffer, has been home ill. She is improving but still unable to return to work. We want to wish you a very speedy recovery, Faye, and hope you're back soon. . . . Here's a little more inside dope on our friends away from us. Ayelene Smith is working at Broadway, Bldg. 26-3. She misses us and of course we miss her also. Marie Coomler is our little home body and sends her best. Helen Businger has moved into her new home and sends a hello to everyone. Helen Murray of Broadway, Bldg. 2-3, enjoys her work and also sends a hello. Nice going, girls; we miss every one of you, so let us hear from you. . . . Rita Helmsing has been ill this week. Hope you are feeling better. . . . Here's some real news: Ardis Crum reports it has quit raining. Can we depend on that, Art?



Impeller

Everyone enjoyed Dr. E. Burns Martin's short talk Monday afternoon at the Seventh War Bond meeting. Also, the eight girls who furnished the music were enjoyed very much. . . . Marguerite Erdly returned to work this week from her vacation. She said she would have enjoyed it more, but Tuesday her sister underwent an appendix operation. Sorry to hear of it, Marguerite. Hope she will recover soon. . . . Bob Kinnaman says if it would only rain a little more he could swim to work and save his gas. . . . Bob Mossburg says he is sure glad to see the sunshine again. If it would continue to rain, he and his family would have to move again. Two years ago they had to move out. Well, Bob, hope you can stay in your cozy little home. . . . We were wondering if Thelma Barnes had a big date with her husband after work. Friday night she came in to work with her hair all waved and was all dressed up. Gee, you sure looked "snazzy," Thelma. . . . We are glad to have Susanna Pickett back with us after having been ill for several days. . . . Martha James has our sympathy on her choice of a week to clean house. Oh well, better luck next time, Martha. . . . We wish to extend birthday greetings to Hilda Horstmeyer and hope she has many more of them. . . . We understand Joe Hahn has been doing some real estate transactions lately. Good luck, Joe. How about a house warming one of these days? . . . Bill Shreeves was on his vacation last week. Hope you had a good time, Bill. . . . Bob Bennett likes this place so well he has to come in during his vacation. How about that, Bob? . . . Paul Husted has moved to another part of the town of Hicksville. Paul, we think you must like Hicksville. . . . We hear Lester Andrist is painting now also. He has just about completed his whole house inside. Maybe you were meant to be a painter, Lester. What do you think? . . . Joe Cochoit is back from his vacation. Where is all that nice suntan, Joe? . . . We have a new mill operator, Mary A. Huyghe. How do you like the mills, Mary? . . . The milling machine section surely appreciates how clean their section is kept by Manasseh Garard. He will celebrate his eightieth birthday June 5. He never misses a day's work. That's keeping on the job, isn't it?

Tool Room

With our star reporter on his vacation, our apologies for so little news this week. . . . Roy Huser is needing some help again in mathematics. After figuring for a while, he decided a thousand pennies would be equal to one hundred dollars. How about using paper and pencil after this? . . . Sorry Stanley Putman has left us. . . . Carl Hammond "did it again" this week bowling. Don't be discouraged, Carl. . . . Myrtle Mansfield was on her vacation last week. Ed Kinney is on his this week. . . . George Prince is stationed at Great Lakes, but has no definite assignment yet. . . . Our sympathy to Donald Comer, whose father died last week. . . . Something new in music, we think. Ed Boedeker has been singing! We thought at first he might be sick, but Ed says he just doesn't have his voice trained yet. . . . To date we're happy to announce the Tool Room has 93% of their quota for the Bond Drive. Next week at this time, we hope to be well over the 100%. . . . Gus and Kenny sure rated today. Both received letters from Bob Kasserman W/T 3/c, U. S. N. Bob has been seeing plenty of action, the latest being in Iwo Jima. It's always good to hear from our service men.

Receiving

Pauline Bennett received a letter from Pvt. H. G. Murphy, who is now located in Germany. He sent an arm band and button, both having the swastika design. He has been visiting the night lights of Paris and likes it immensely. He also enclosed a photo of himself and buddies taken in Paris. Well, Herschel, we hope you will soon be back with us, and all of us send you our best wishes. . . . Hobart Friend of the oil house received a letter from his son, Richard, who is in the Navy. He sent along a copy of his ship's paper, which contains some very interesting news of the happenings on board ship and photos of the various activities enjoyed by the personnel. . . . Robert Little (Bob) took his vacation last week. We find that Bob is an excellent painter and paper hanger and can use a spade in his garden. Hope you have a bumper crop, Bob. . . . Clyde Kreigh received a call from his draft board to report at Indianapolis May 18 for examination. Clyde is trying to get in the Marines. He will let you know next week how he came out. . . . Our good friend Overmeyer of the A.A.F. inspection reports, "No more mushrooms." He picked a couple pecks this season. Didn't you know we like mushrooms, Ray? . . . Ernie Chelf is back to work after his vacation. He sowed all the grass seed he could find and is glad he doesn't have to water the yard to start it growing. . . . Hobart Friend is on his vacation this week. We couldn't find out where he expects to spend it, but we figure he will just relax and rest. . . . Frank Fast spent Monday at home with his son, Edward, who is home from the Navy on a short leave. While here Frank escorted him through the Taylor Street Plant and introduced him to all of the girls and boys. A fine looking boy, Frank, and you should be very proud of him. We all hope that he will soon be back home permanently. . . . Brownie almost has his garage built. A little more cement and a roof and then he will have a home for his newly painted auto. Looks like a million dollars now.

Shipping

Buy a bond! A Seventh War Bond is just another bond between the service men and women and us on the home front. Let's get together and strengthen this tie to our limit. Let's all forget our petty differences and get in on this bond drive. After all, the success of the Seventh War Loan is much greater than any individual or any company. We just cannot afford to let it fail. Let's finish our job by being good workers, keeping faith with the kids over there, and as Lincoln once said, "With malice toward none," forget the unpleasant things here at home and bring the kids back home with the job well done. Come on, Americans. Let's go! . . . Charles Fisher is wanting to buy a set of oars for his car. Too much rain. . . . We are not lost but just slightly confused at times. We are in the moving stage. Bob Schulthess says it's like hunting a needle in a haystack. . . . We are very glad to hear that Ruth Faurote's father is improving. . . . Harold Herschey is really doing a swell job on inventory these days. Harold is one of our most faithful workers. . . . Verna Powers recently received some very interesting pictures of army life from one of her sons. . . . Vivian Spindler is very busy these days rearranging the hardware stock in final assembly. Good housekeeping, Vivian; we are proud of you. . . . Any news of your service man or woman will be greatly appreciated. We gladly tell all we know about them so the rest of the folks will know. . . . Ray Foltz is wanting a new blueprint to find his way around in this section. He is finding fences where no fences were yesterday. Don't fence Ray in. . . . We welcome Vesta Whitney to the Shipping Section. We hope that she enjoys working with us as much as we enjoy having her with us. . . . The Shipping gang had a visitor the other day. Frank Fast from Receiving had his son Edward in to see us. Edward is in the United States Navy and was wearing many ribbons. You sure can be proud of that boy, Frank, and we were certainly glad to meet him. Come back again, Ed. . . . Well, all good things must come to an end, and Al Kruse is being transferred to Broadway. It sure has been a pleasure working with Al and we, both as individuals and a group, are going to miss Al a lot. We realize also that our loss is Broadway's gain; so the best of everything in the future, Al. . . . Mr. Long is now taking over Al Kruse's job in Shipping. We know that he will carry on with the same efficiency as he has in the past, and we welcome you to your new assignment and wish you success, R. H.

Thisa and Thata

BUILDING 19-5

We want to welcome Esther Walborn, Pauline Elick, Edna Hergenrader, and Lillie Benz back from their vacations last week. We hope they had a nice time in spite of all the rain we had. . . . The other day Hazel Martz was sitting playing with her scissors and cut a hole in her apron. She's just like a little kid. The next thing we know she'll be trying to cut her hair. . . . Was Serena Slater ever happy when she came to work this week. . . . Her husband arrived back in the States and called her Saturday evening. . . . Mary High finally came back to work after being on the sick list for almost two weeks. . . . Bonnie Mechling sure takes the song, "I'll See You in My Dreams" seriously—so seriously, in fact, that she was caught wearing her glasses to bed several times. We don't blame you, Bonnie; that way you won't miss anything. . . . We certainly are proud of our section for their cooperation during the Seventh War Loan Drive. We went over the top in our quota. Thanks, gang!

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

An incident took place this week which we feel should be recorded. It concerns Bert Hardendorf's act of nonchalantly backing into the tip of a hot soldering iron. He immediately stepped forward with great gusto, no doubt due to experiencing a sensation that would not be described as comfortable. Bert's comments on the subject would probably be interesting but since they were fervently expressed in some type of language that is somewhat foreign to what is generally accepted as the King's English, we do not feel justified in offering them to the press. . . . Some people get more fun out of having their pictures taken—one of them is Myralene Liddy. After an evening spent at Playland she came home with tbree of the most discouraging looking pictures anyone ever saw. . . . Lieutenant Don Carlo, now on the inactive list, is back with us in the commutator section. We are hoping it won't be long until all our boys will be back. . . . Bill Harrison has been showing us a photograph of Bill, Jr., now stationed in Egypt. He is another of our commutator boys in service and sure looks like a "glamor boy" in the picture. . . . Jean Messler's husband, who was a German prisoner for 15 months, has now been returned home and Jeanie is about the happiest person in the state. When he called her long distance last week, she was so excited she was speechless. It was the first time Buss realized that there are times when women can't talk. . . . Congratulations to Fred Bailey on his recent marriage to Ethel Beyerlein. We wish them happiness and good fortune. . . Ever since the day he was working with ply glass, our good friend has been known as Elmer Porcupine Fretz. For a second or so his colleagues thought he was scared, then they realized the drawing properties of ply glass and were afraid that if he didn't soon get out from under, his hair would probably be pulled out by the roots. After a hasty brushing it was returned to its usual well-kept condition but the incident will long be remembered by those who saw it. . . . Mark Brindle has been reading the news diligently hoping to find his name; he thinks it's about time to get his name in print, and we do too.

FENDER BENDERS



Awards For Ideas For Better Ways



Within recent weeks, the employees pictured above were winners of awards for ideas for better ways. Left to right are Lester Green, Bldg. 4-4, who received $75; Herbert G. Cowan, Bldg. 4-3, $25; Marcus Duff, Bldg. 4-2, $85; and Edgar Jenkins, Bldg. 4-5, $55. Inset, Paul Johnson, Winter Street, was awarded $50.

Engine Lathes Recruited For Finishing Operation

Standard engine lathes were recently adapted by tbe Apprentice Division for a finishing operation on small generator mounting flanges at General Electric's Lynn River Works when precision boring and turning machines, or automatic lathes normally employed, were unavailable. The operations involved facing the bolt flange and hub, and finish-turning the rabbet, with a tolerance of +0.002 to inch.

The rabbet diameter sizing cut was considerably simplified by this new method, by mounting the tool in an inverted position in a bridge-type tool holder with a pivoting arrangement for tool adjustment. The holder is attached directly to the carriage of the machine, thus it is not affected by movement of the cross slide.

For facing cuts, gang tools, in the proper relationship to each other, are set in a tool block on the compound. They are controlled in one direction by adjustable stops clamped to the cross ways of the carriage, and in the other direction by a gage block and a standard micrometer stop on the main ways.

The carriage should be located axially against the gage block, between the micro-stop and carriage, when facing the flange and roughing the rabbet. The last few thousandths of movement, which rough the diameter of the rabbet, are taken by hand.

When facing tbe hub and sizing the rabbet, the cross slide is located against the outer stop on the cross ways. The carriage is fed axially until it contacts the micro-stop, without the gage block in between. This obtains a finished diameter on rabbet from the fixed tool attached to the bridge holder. It also sizes the end of the rim adjacent to tbe rabbet, and the end of the hub, by plunge cutting two tools held in the tool block on the compound.

A family of sparrows was blessed with one little albino baby—very white and very pretty—who was the pride and joy of his mother. One day this little albino flew off on a pleasure jaunt and disappeared for hours. His family was frantic, until finally at dusk the little fellow returned, all dusty, bedraggled, and dog-tired.

"Where on earth have you been?" cried his mother.

"Mother," said he, "I've been in the darndest badminton game you ever saw."

Sleuthing In 4-6

We feel that we owe Walter Hahn an apology this week. After running over a dog, falling from his bicycle, tearing his shoe nearly off, and injuring himself painfully, he indignantly wants to know why he didn't "make" the WORKS NEWS. Well, here you are, Walter. Sorry we couldn't get out a blue streak edition for this. . . . Virginia Berning, formerly of the D.C. Motor Section, paid us a visit last week. Virginia's husband, who was held a prisoner in Germany, has been released and is now home on leave. . . . R. D. Jones was a trifle upset, literally, when the paper basket he was sitting on tipped over. However, he sat calmly on the floor and picked up the papers, then nonchalantly resumed his seat and went on with his dictation. . . . Ray Philo reported last Tuesday to Chicago, to enlist in the Merchant Marines. The best of luck to you, Ray. . . . Bet Dorothy Dunkelburg will know better than to lean on a drafting board again. . . . It turns out that Millie Rian has some queer ideas about fish ladders, to help the salmon get upstream. It seems they won't work, Millie. Truthfully, the only kind of ladders your reporter knows anything about is the kind you wash walls or pick cherries with. . . . It looks as though the girls in FHP Motor Sales got spring fever and had their furniture all moved around. The view seems to be much the same from any angle, but you know these women. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Singleton on the arrival of James Fredrick, weight 7½ pounds. . . . Georgia Garrett celebrated her birthday by acquiring a bad cold in the head. Ironically she received a lot of sweet smelling perfume and powder, which she can't appreciate until her cold is better. . . . The supernatural seems to hold sway among the girls in the File Room as these anxious lassies are consulting the oracle, Ouija, in an effort to find out when the boys are coming home. . . . Our newest member of the Drafting Section is Dorothy Dunkelberg, who hails from the Taylor Street Plant. Welcome to Bldg. 4-6, Dorothy. . . . We are saying Aloha to June Swander this week, who will soon be leaving for Hawaii. Lucky girl! We wish you the best of luck, June, and a swell trip, but we're sure going to miss you. . . . Some interesting facts were uncovered last week concerning one of our draftsmen. It seems that Carl Leitch, of the Aircraft Section, leads an orchestra for dancing at the Lake of the Woods pavilion near Kendallville. Maestro Leitch reveals that he has played in orchestras since he was sixteen, and though he plays various instruments, his present forte is the banjo and the drums. . . . Thelma Winebrenner suggests that anyone wanting a sandwich see Patty Newlin. She carries a bun with her all of the time, as you have probably observed.

Night Owls . . . . OF 26-3

Well, here we are. . Yes, we've finally made our debut into the WORKS NEWS. It seems quite right that we-uns should put our two-cents-worth in too, so we hope you'll stick with us and read our chit-chattings. . . . It seems good to see N-bench together again now that Frieda, better known as Freddy, is back with us after her ten-day vacation. We can continue our "happy birthday song" again as we do every night. . . . The Elex members and their mothers attended and enjoyed the party at the Club last Thursday. They especially enjoyed their nice gifts. . . . Dorothy Barbeau is back to work again wearing a band ring and the title of Mrs. Good luck, Dorothy. . . . Next time that Sophie is lucky, she's going to buy our suppers; isn't that right, Sophie? . . . Well, if Dick Yant isn't our stock man again. He was gone for so long that we thought maybe the Army had grabbed onto him. Mal Squires took his place while he was gone. . . . Soon Gladys W. is going to get some different anklets and slacks. . . . Louella is back again after a three months' absence. . . . Now that one of the girls up here has gone into the cat-raising business, we probably will be getting quite a bit of dope on it, won't we, Rosie? . . . We'll bave to sign off for this time because we want this to be like a good newspaper article and that calls for three things: print it where everyone can see it, write it so everyone can read it, and stop before people get tired of reading it; so we'll continue next week with the hopes that finals and winding section will give us a little of their news too. So until then, we'll be waiting.

The school child most likely to get hurt is a seventh grader in a street or sidewalk accident not involving a motor vehicle during the month of May, reports the National Safety Council. These facts are based on the Council's annual survey of student accidents.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

The attraction of the week was Bill Kayser's "German field glasses!" The crude, wooden affair was a pretty good imitation, Bill, but not good enough. There are quite a few "gullible suckers," aren't there? . . . Signs of Spring: Dolly Miller arrived with the warm weather this week. Glad to have you back! . . . We miss Betty Kraemer (formerly Betty Baumgartner), who has gone to Chicago to live with her husband. Bill is attending a Marine School there. Our best wishes go to both of you! . . . The other morning Ray Moore rushed in the office to get a portable grinder which was lying on his desk. Much to his surprise it wouldn't budge. Maybe it was because it was wired to his desk. (Who's the culprit??) . . . Mattie Fancher was seen rushing out of the office, her face a lovely shade of green, resulting from a certain gruesome tale told in her vicinity. . . . Betty Eisenacher and Alethea Tarr were the envy of the office when they were invited to a STEAK fry for the members of the girls' ball team. . . . Referring to the meat situation, Harry DeVaux brags about eating a couple of pork chops for breakfast! Oh, for the life of a farmer! . . . Mary Thornburg will have to get a bomb-sight in order to hit her target. Lipstick is supposed to go on the mouth, not on the cheek. . . . "Ah, sweet mystery" of the gunny sack on Andy Smith's desk. If only some daring "Jack" would take a peek in that sack. (Hope it isn't corn—we have enough of that around here) . . . All the girls agree that the "heavy dews" we've been having are hard on their dispositions as well as their hair. Ilow Wilson kept her naturally sweet disposition and had pretty curls as well during the rainy season. Wise girl to have a permanent. It does look nice, Ilow. . . . Happy birthday to Pauline Miller, who celebrated on May 17. . . . Thelma Clements was planning on doing her spring housecleaning during her vacation last week. Better wait till spring comes, Honeybelle! . . . May we offer a belated greeting to Jeanice Meyer in the Engineering Section. . . . "You don't have to be crazy to be a draftsman, but it sure helps" was going about the room wben Harold Garrett went to get a drink and unconsciously rang out bis clock card to go home; and Waneta Vanderford tried to get a drink from the clock! We hope the signs indicating which is the clock and which is the drinking fountain, will help. . . . Mark Smith's home workshop is suffering from indecision. Yes, a lathe is a mighty big thing for a snap decision, Mark. Will someone please help him out? . . . All this rain has certainly changed the plans of Frank McInerney when he built a frame for a sandbox (for his youngest), and with all the water it collected, he decided to keep it as a private swimming pool! Not bad, Mac.

A Chinese, walking through the woods, turned around to see a grizzly bear following, smelling of his tracks.

"H'm," said the Chinese, "you likee my tracks. Velly good, I makee some more."

WINTER STREET Rumblings

The following letter was received by Margaret Gabriel from her son:

"April 14, 1944—Commissioning Day in Boston

"April 14, 1945—1 Year Old

"Dear Mom:

"Today is the ——'s first birthday and with it sees us a full-fledged, campaign-hardened, and battle-weary destroyer.

"The censorship regulations have been relaxed to the extent that we can now, after a reasonable period of time, say where we have been and something of what we have done, but we still cannot say where we are, where we are going, what we are doing, or with whom. Below is a very brief summary of some of our activities that we are now permitted to disclose and even with its briefness you can see that we have had no time for play, as the Pacific is really not so pacific these days, and the war has only meant month after month of hard, diligent work by all hands.

"We have visited the following ports: Boston, Massachusetts; Portland, Maine; Norfolk, Virginia; Bermuda, British West Indies; Panama, Canal Zone; San Diego, California; Honolulu, T. H.; Eniwetok in the Marshall Islands; and Ulithi atoll in the Western Carolines. We have participated in the bombardment of the Borodine Islands, and we have supported Air Indo-China, China Coast, the Volcano and Bonin Islands, Tokyo, and for the support of Leyte, Mindoro and Luzon Islands campaigns in the Philippines and for Iwo Jima in the Volcanos. We have been under many Japanese air attacks, but we have never been hit by the enemy nor have we suffered a single casualty.

"We all became honorary members of the 'Order of the Golden Dragon' when we crossed the International Date Line. We have picked up many of our downed aviators, and we have successfully ridden out some of the worst typhoons on record.

"These are our activities, so far as the censor will allow. There are probably many questions you'd like to ask—and if I can't answer them now, I'll save them with many other incidents to tell when I get home.

"I am well and there is nothing to be worried about. We are all proud of the ——, and will write you more of our doings as time and the rules permit.

"Your son,

"Richard"

"April, 1945

"Hello, Everybody:

"Received your letter of April 12, with the 'Letter From Home.' I surely enjoy reading them, also the WORKS NEWS.

"I wrote several of the boys in the shop, but seems they are busy figuring ration points and so forth in their spare time, so the WORKS NEWS is about all the word I get about the shop.

"Any letter I could write for your column would hardly be interesting, as censorship on a 'combat vessel' is very strict, and that is the type I am on. We have 'gobs and gobs' of good ole G-E equipment, and at times we really put it 'through its paces.'

"My own personal 'naval career' has been short, though I can't say so sweet. I enlisted March 1, 1944, and was in action the middle of October and have been ever since. We started at Leyte and have made every 'performance' so far in this theater; in some we even have 'curtain calls,' though I can't say they were enjoyed.

"This side of the world has the most beautiful sunrises and sunsets, and the islands we've seen from a distance don't seem to hold cruelty and ill feeling and hate on them. But they do, even with all their beauty.

"Tell the gang in the Tool Room I said hello.

"Sincerely,

"Myron Freeland MM 2/c"

North Calhoun Street

For the latest in styles and designs of ladies' hats, see Ann Rosswurm and Leona Voirol, our assemblers, and they will give you the last word on the models being worn these days. . . . We wish to welcome Leroy Straley to our midst. Leroy was transferred from Floyd Seitz's section, and we hope you like us. . . . Helen Buck, our silver-solderer, has left us to take up the full-time duties of a housewife. We will miss you, Helen, and please come back to see us sometime. . . . William Hoover is spending his vacation visiting his father and mother in Missouri. We certainly hope you have a most enjoyable vacation. . . . Helen Liechty of Field Returns has moved into her new home. We all wish you a lot of happiness, Helen, and hope that you like it. . . . Dick Marks of Field Returns has a most unusual hobby. He is a collector of recordings of theme songs of all the orchestras and top bands of the nation. A most enjoyable hobby, Dick, and we all wish that you get all the recordings that you want. . . . We have a "Connie Mack" in our midst. For the latest dope of baseball and softball, see Harold Tucker, and he will supply you the latest information. . . . Chancey Theobald says that his home town of Andrews, Indiana, will be gone if it keeps on raining. He says he will have to use a rowboat instead of an automobile to get to work. . . . Elden Miller says that if anyone has a spare tire that he is not using, he will be more than glad to accept same. . . . Kenneth Comparette is our new weather forecaster. He predicted snow for one day this month and much to his amazement it really did snow. Don Brighton says that he will relinquish his post as weather forecaster as all his predictions have been bad, and it has been raining too much. . . . Let us all get behind the Seventh War Loan and put it all over the top. Bye! Bye! Buy Bonds!!

Production

Synopsis of story in last week's issue. Ray Jennings grew a mustache, and few people liked it. Continuation of story: He shaved it off. . . . Helen Mackes has a new way of making a couple of pies all from the same lemon! From Florida she brought back some lemons which are about 6 inches in diameter. . . . We liked the bouquet Evelyn Ladd had in her vase. No, it wasn't flowers—it was two red, juicy-looking apples. . . . "Oh Where, oh Where, Can That Order Card Be," sings Shorty Redding, and finally remembers exactly where he put it—in the wrong place.

Order and Stores

One way to stop McMyler's craving for a T-bone steak is for him to have his teeth cleaned. His gums get so sore that even that steak doesn't appeal to him—even if he had the points. . . . If anyone wants to know how to spell "competitive," just ask Otto Dobler—it took only three people five minutes to explain it to him. . . . Wishful thinking—to know where Betty Capin gets the bananas she eats every morning.

Station 38

G. Gudakunst has a long story to tell about where he is getting all this money he is saving. . . . Mel Walchle, Russell Butler, Fred Feber and Bob Gass prefer "Andy Over" to all other types of sports. Fred thinks a periscope would be just the thing for this game. . . . Bernice Klembek is the new inspector in "38."

SPORTS

Golf

After being very wet all spring so the fellows could not play golf, the weather man waited until the league started and then came along with a small flood. The league was rained out last Wednesday but will attempt to start this Wednesday, weather permitting. One golf course, Fairview, was partly under water from the downpour. Others were plenty wet, but some of the fellows were able to get in a round or two over the week-end. No especially low scores were reported.

Machine Shop

When Evelyn Kilgus entered the Machine Shop last Saturday, she created quite a sensation. Evelyn, where did you get that red dress? . . . There are a number of cases of spring fever around the Machine Shop. . . . Bill Franke is back from his vacation, but no sun tan!

Miscellaneous

F/O Art Longsworth of Carlsbad, New Mexico, en route to the West Coast, visited Winter Street friends. Art was employed in Recoil Section.

Oil Pump and Air Compressor

Delores Wonderly and Russel Harrison are on vacation this week, Delores in Mark Center and Russel right here in Fort Wayne. . . . Sam Bireley has gone into the advertising business, judging from the signs and posters that have appeared on his back in recent weeks. . . . Joe Carrier is back to work after a week's vacation, during which time he acquired a new daughter-in-law. . . . Blanch Ridenour also is back after a two weeks' vacation. . . . Alice Oberlin spent part of her vacation last week in the "Windy City." . . . Frank Wynkoop is just like a little boy; he just can't wait till the fishing season opens. In the meantime he is trying to find out where the real Izaak Waltons caught the big ones last year. . . . Tillie Lantz wishes to thank everyone who remembered her birthday. . . . Mayme Carney, who underwent an operation last week, went home from the hospital Monday. We wish you a speedy recovery, Mayme. . . . Whitey Thornton is back to work all full of pep after his vacation. . . . Roger Niblick is a new man in the section. Greetings, Roger! Hope you like us.

Cost

Ella Grote almost went on a meatless diet. Better watch those ration books, Ella.

The famous matador was fighting in the bull ring of a Mexican border town where many of the spectators were seeing their first bull fight, among them an old cow hand. The fight had reached the stage where the matador, armed with only a cape, was taunting the bull to charge him, avoiding the animal's horns by fractions of an inch, and flipping the cape aside as the bull charged past. At last the old cow hand could stand it no longer. He arose and shouted, "Buddy, he ain't never gonna run into that sack unless you hold it still!"



New Electronic Health Aid



Special Products Division develops device to "smell" lethal mercury vapor. It "sniffs" by drawing in suspected air and exposing it to ultra-violet light.

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G-E Develops Parallel Generator Operation For Large Bombers

Parallel operation of 400-cycle a-c aircraft generators under conditions simulating combat emergencies has been demonstrated successfully to AAF representatives at General Electric's Schenectady Works, according to a War Department-sanctioned announcement by the Company's engineers. Developed at the request of the AAF for the electric power systems of large bombers, the parallel operation principle is expected to contribute materially to their effectiveness.

G-E engineers responsible for the new parallel arrangement say that it will prevent any of the remotely controlled machine gun turrets from being knocked out of action due to loss of an engine. In effect, paralleling permits the plane's generators to come to the rescue of one another instantaneously and automatically. Thus, power supply to all of the electrically operated turrets is continuous even though part of the system is put out of commission.

Shifting the power supply from one engine generator to another may be accomplished without parallel operation. But even though an alert Flight Engineer can throw the necessary switches in a matter of seconds, the momentary loss of power to a gun turret shooting at a fast-closing fighter might be disastrous.

According to G-E engineers, parallel operation of the generators required the development of a new high-speed governor capable of holding frequency and dividing the power load equally among engines operating at different speeds. The new governor is described as an electromagnetically actuated pilot valve operating a hydraulic servo mechanism.

Success of the parallel generator operation is regarded as another important step in completely electrifying large military aircraft. It permits the use of an alternating-current system throughout the plane, thus contributing to good performance of electric equipment at high altitude. Problems of commutation and brush wear at high altitudes are minimized with the a-c system.

In the successful demonstration of the parallel principle at Schenectady, General Electric engineers used two 400-cycle, 30-kw, 40 kva aircraft alternators. Each alternator was driven by a 450-hp aircraft engine through sundstrand variable ratio drives governed to maintain synchronism and equal load division in spite of imposed variations in engine speed. A special air cap over the exciter end of each alternator provided cooling air for the ground test, substituting for rammed air. A gear box arrangement was used to simulate the step-up gear for the accessory drive employed on an actual aircraft engine installation.

A story, which is probably not true, is told of a young Brooklyn soldier who was on maneuvers in Oregon. Having a few minutes to himself after evening chow, he strolled out into the woods and soon came back with a handful of rattlesnake rattles.

"Where in the world did you get them?" gasped his alarmed companion.

"Off'n a woim," replied the lad from Brooklyn.

MAIN OFFICE

Contents

It looks like spring is really here to stay and time to play golf again. Here is a little advice to all golfers who play the Brookwood golf course. For complete instructions on how to play the sixth hole correctly, see Francis L. Richards, Bldg. 18-2. As per Francis, the best procedure is to face the green as you normally would, then hit the ball directly back toward the No. 4 green. This will put you in a better scoring position as you then have only about 17 trees, a hill, and a creek between you and the green. This will assure you a bogey anytime. . . . Sorry to report that E. H. Solnica, Bldg. 18-3, left us to join the Schenectady gang. Here's wishing you lots of "good-luck," Solly. . . . Lt. Verne Adams, former accounting section employee, was recently home on leave and stopped in to see us. . . . Sarah Rainwaters, a former employment office employee, recently entertained the Broadway and Taylor Street employment office gang at the Sears, Roebuck Pavilion with an old-fashioned chicken dinner and all the trimmings. She was presented with a gift from each group for her birthday, and she treated the gang to ice cream and home-made cake. Lots of cards from her many friends decorated her desk. . . . Little Olive Smith came back to work the other day with two boxes under her arm. In case anyone is curious as to why all the girls in the data bureau were wearing gardenias in their hair that afternoon—there's your answer. . . . Virginia Goeglein sported a super corsage on her birthday. She thought she was past the spanking age, but she was convinced (the hard way) that she wasn't. . . . We want to put out the welcome mat for Nancy Myers and Martha Cash, who are two new members of the penthouse staff, and Robert Paul, a transfer from Transformer; Mary Morningstar, transfer from Taylor St.; and Edith Meyer a transfer from Bldg. 16-3, all new members of Bldg. 18-2. . . . Doris Millhouse has given up our company for that sailor husband of hers. We all send to her our best wishes for good-luck and loads of happiness. . . . Edna Gilpin, Bldg. 18-5, slipped off a curb the other day and sprained her ankle. . . . Flash! Vickie Bickis, Bldg. 18-3, fell off her chair on "V-E Day" and Frances Reidenbach, Bldg. 18-3, opened her desk drawer too far and everything fell out. . . . Glad to see Joe Oddou, accounting section, back with us after being on the sick list for several weeks. . . . If there are any of the fairer sex who are in need of a few lessons in respect to the art of playing golf, we have just the person in Bldg. 18-3, Accounting Section, namely, Dorothy Karnap, who could certainly iron out the flaws of any golfer. She was very recently observed on a local golf course hitting those screaming long wood shots that every golfer tosses many a night dreaming about. To be more specific, on the No. 7 tee she drove her wood shot straight down the fairway way up by the No. 4 green. Need we say more?

"The More We Know . . .



THE BETTER." In the above picture a group of Transformer Division planning engineers (top) and a group of Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division foremen (bottom) are learning by the demonstration method.

THE PLANNING ENGINEERS are quite interested in the compressed gas cylinder safety device which Tom Safford, secretary of the Transformer Division Safety Committee, is dismantling for their benefit. Those in the picture are, reading from left to right, Harry Proxmire, Bob Meese, A. Mittermaier, Ed Bangert, John Bastian, Herb Driftmeyr, Wayne Weimer.

THE FOREMEN, who are concentrating on the carbon dioxide fire extinguisher, are Lowell Arnold, Walter Niemeyer, William Mills, Cliff Witham, Lamar Drake, Park Schermerhorn, George Auer, superintendent, Frank Kimble, George Reker, Walter Kryder, Paul Koogle, George App; standing at the rear, O. J. Meyer, Harry Beitel; in the foreground E. Hanauer, Acting Fire Chief, Wm. Skevington, Vern Castle and Henry Carnall.

Mr. Auer, Superintendent of Sections 13 and 14, Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division, arranged similar classes for all of his foremen. The safety classes were conducted for all safety committee groups at the Broadway Plant, and also for the General Works Safety Committee.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

The X-Ray
OF BUILDING 17-2

We wish to welcome Mark Schaf to Group 13x16. . . . Josephine Eme is home cleaning house this week. We could use some help with ours after you get yours done, Jo. . . . Freddie Kukon doesn't want his name in this column, so we'll just leave it out. . . . Anyone noticed Herman Mielke's new hat? It's really classy. . . . William J. Cooper and family spent several days in Dayton and at the lake fishing on his vacation. He modestly said, "I caught a few a foot or so long." Could this be the beginning of our fish story series? . . . Charlie Braden admits his luck wasn't so good while fishing in Michigan last week. . . . That smile on Marjorie Strausser's face might be because she received a $25 war bond. . . . We wish to welcome Carlton Towns and Wilbur Cox to Group 13x40. . . . Marie Bruick is enjoying her vacation this week helping her mother with the housecleaning. . . . We hear a lot about Jeanette Blough's sailor friend. He's chubby, peppy, good-looking and attentive, in spite of the fact he's only 2½ feet tall. Up to now we have all the data but his name. . . . PFC Elbert Fuhrmann recently paid us a visit. He would like to see all of our fellows from Bldg. 17-2 again soon. . . . Vic Hall would appreciate any hints on good cooking because he's planning on doing a little of it before long. . . . We extend our best wishes to Catherine Barclay and Leo Harger on their recent marriage. . . . We're glad to welcome Henry Smith back to work after a serious illness. . . . We wonder if Marjorie Strausser will stay afloat in the water after the coffee table has been moved from under her. We understand she's using that method of learning to swim.

With a grinding of brakes, an officer pulled up to the side of the road.

"Say, sonny," he called to a boy, "have you seen an airplane come down anywhere near here?"

"No, sir," declared the boy, sticking his slingshot in his shirt, "I've only been shooting at a bottle."

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

This ever-changing world! Shades of the past are again upon us! And so we welcome to the much polished chair of "Ye Division Editor" one Evelyn Ausman. All badinage aside, "Eve, we are glad to have you back and taking over the job again. It's now yours, so—good luck!" Thank you, I'll do my best. The following is what I've gleaned in my first week. . . . We were visited by our old friend, Clarence Lockwood, last week. He was just as fit and cheerful as ever. . . . Moine Waggaman blossomed forth with a beautiful red sunburn Monday morning, thanks to that victory garden. . . . If anyone has a shiny new desk that they just can't stand any longer, call on Reed Burdge. He guarantees to pull off the doors and break the drawers. . . . Our sympathy to Louise Goudy, who had a flat tire on the way to work Monday morning. . . . Best wishes to Dick Heflin, now of the U. S. Navy. . . . Also a fond farewell to Polly Deal. . . . Welcome back from vacations to Helen Crist and Ruth Ellsworth. My, how rested you look! If housecleaning does that for you, let's have more housecleaning. Sound silly, don't I! . . . Our deepest sympathy to Joe Reith and family at the loss of their son. . . . A. K. McCollum's little girl, Penny, has convinced some of us again of the fact that "from the mouths of babes . . ." . . . We've heard of people losing their shirts, but we thought we were actually going to see Jimmy Newlon lose his. He got energetic (yawning) and ripped it across the shoulders. . . . Helen Crist said, "No, it isn't a new pink scarf. I just washed it." Hmmm. Wonder if that would help mine? . . . Good luck and best wishes to Mrs. Homer Moffitt, our former Helen Ridenour. . . . Paul Heltzel doesn't pull up to the curb to offer a ride to a friend. He pulls up on the sidewalk. . . . We have seen so many false signs of summer that we're about to give up, but this must be a sign of something. A mama rabbit left her eight baby rabbits on the G-E front lawn the other day. During one of the many rains lately four of them were drowned, so Ernie Brown took the other four home. At last report, Mrs. Brown was feeding them with an eye-dropper and they were getting along fine. . . . Our sympathy to Wilma Kirby, as she is now without her tonsils. . . . Joe Reith's son, Cpl. Joseph Reith of the Marine Corps, is home on leave. . . . The pass-word to get into Joe Hartman's car is "Don't sit on that hat." If you've seen the hat you know it's past the stage where sitting on it would hurt it. . . . The latest club is the one in which, to gain membership, you have to be next in line to get cigarettes when they run out. . . . Betty Gilson hates to shop, so when an advertising folder of dresses came in the mail she knew the fates were finally with her. She looked it over and ordered all of them! How happy she was to think that her summer wardrobe was completed, and her feet were in perfect condition! After looking the dresses over, when they arrived, she decided that there was one that she could keep. It would do for odd jobs around the house, say scrubbing the floor or washing woodwork. Betty is now planning a shopping tour.

WIRE & INSULATION
— Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

John Barnes has joined our proud fathers group and was very glad to announce the arrival of Gloria June, born May 17. Mother and daughter are doing nicely. Congratulations to the happy family. . . . Grace Bedsworth celebrated her birthday recently, and the gang all received some very delicious cake. Many happy returns, Gracie. . . . Red Noyes and George Wirges are sure getting ready for the fishing season, even going so far as to have their hooks forged by a blacksmith and using piano wire leaders for the monsters of the deep they're going to catch. Good luck, fellows. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner is really going to add some class to the senior prom this year, as she has a brand new evening gown. . . . Leo Flanagan really went into the business of raising a mustache and wouldn't give up the idea until it was covered with tar. Then zoom! went the razor. . . . Mary Ringler has gone in for making a rock garden. She would like to have a little help in collecting the stones. Any kind, shape, or size will be appreciated by Mary. We were very pleasantly surprised during the past week by a visit from T/Sgt. Gerry Foerster, formerly of Wire and Insulation Cost Section. Gerry is looking fine and is now stationed in Chicago.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by the grapevine: That Herbe Franke is the latest addition to the membership list of the Dispatchers' Club. Glad to have you with us, Herb. . . . That V. Leakey and H. Keppler of Bldg. 17-1 are running quite a race to see which can finish his pilot's training first. . . . That Harold Frazier, Bldg. 19-5, thought he was getting pretty important when he answered the phone and heard it was a call from one of the executive offices—only to discover that they had the wrong number. . . . You know, fellows, this business of keeping your enthusiasm at a high level is a difficult proposition when you are stuck in a war plant thousands of miles from the scenes of actual war activity. We have no battle sounds to remind us of the urgency of our work. We see no sights that kindle within us a fierce determination to keep up the pace long after we are tired mentally and physically. But, brother, we each contribute to this war in the way we know best, so stay on the job, do your best, and buy those bonds! . . . The Dispatchers' Club meeting held Friday night, May 18, at the Chamber of Commerce was very interesting. Moving pictures of actual invasion combat were shown, which were so realistic that they brought the war to our very doorstep. The next meeting will be held on June 12 at the Chamber of Commerce. We will advise you of the entertainment later.

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

In these days of rationing we are sure there are many mouths that water just thinking about the good old days when you could get any kind of meat at any time. It seems as if Herb Saurer couldn't take it any more because Herbie shot a goat. Now if any of you-all would like to try out some goat-steaks or goat-burgers you know where to go. Personally, we think we'll stick to the waiting in line and hoping that what we wait for is beef or pork. . . . This week we flash our welcome to Roy Meyers from Taylor Street and Clarence Cleveland, who hails from Bldg. 4-1. Glad you're with us, fellows. . . . Quite a few had their vacations lately. Marie Ellert enjoyed hers immensely because her fiance was home on furlough. Edna Butler is eagerly awaiting word from her husband who was liberated from a German prison camp and is on his way home. Rose Ulrey is recuperating from the effects of moving. We don't know what Bonnie Goodrich and Rosie Pfefferkorn planned, but we bet they had a nice time. A few weeks ago El Baker spent two weeks at the lake, but the weather was so windy and cold that Al didn't even get to go fishing once. Too bad, Al, try again next year. . . . We extend our heartiest birthday greetings (even though a bit late) to Vear Brindle, tester on third trick. Hope you have many more, Vear. . . . Marceile Eibling, Group 13x55, is now Mrs. Floyd Anderson. Congratulations, Marceile, and we all wish you the best of everything. Her new husband has just returned from the Aleutian Islands. . . . Irene Richardson, welder, is back with us on second. Glad to see you again, Irene. Simeon Bugo, who was taking her place, has returned to Bldg. 17-2, from whence he came. Goodbye and good luck, Simeon. . . . Al Hanley, wire boy on second, recently went to Indianapolis for his final Navy exam. Good luck, Al. We'll miss you and hope it won't be too long till you can come back. . . . We hope by the time this goes to press that Ethel Gardner's husband will be feeling much better. We miss you, Ethel, so make him well in a hurry so you can come back "to the fold." . . . Ina Archbold, Roy Hart, and Wayne Chrystler were on their vacations last week. Have a nice time, kids. . . . Guess this winds up the news this week. Not a single itsy-bitsy item was in the box this week. . . . We'd certainly like to hear from our boys and girls who are in the services. We'd like to know what you think of our efforts with this column and would appreciate your criticism, favorable or otherwise. We are writing this for your benefit to try to keep you informed about the doings of your friends back here; so why not drop us a line? Just write to "Howdy, Folks" care of Adrian Weaver, Bldg. 4-3. . . . So long.

—Country Cousins

Husband: "I'm glad, dear, that you're impressed by all the explanations I have been giving about banking and currency."

Wife: "Yes, darling, it seemed wonderful that anyone could know as much as you do about money without having any."

Electronic "Smeller" Detects Harmful Mercury Vapor

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Development of an electronic "smeller" whose purpose it is to detect the presence of harmful mercury vapor in areas where these fumes might be injurious to the health of workers was reported recently by the Special Products Division of General Electric. So sensitive it can detect the presence of one part of mercury vapor in 100 million parts of air, this equipment was designed to aid in keeping the concentration of the vapor from arising beyond a value considered safe by various research and standards setting organizations.

The danger of breathing mercury vapor has long been known, and work has been carried on continuously by management and scientists to perfect ways which can avoid harmful concentration of the fumes from forming. General sources from which the vapors originate include mercury spilled upon a bench or floor, mercury vapors arising from open containers, and vapors given off by the exhaust of some types of vacuum pumps.

Ultraviolet Light Used

In detecting the presence of mercury vapor, G-E's automatic "smeller" operates on the principle that ultraviolet light is scattered when it passes through atmosphere containing the toxic fumes. A small blower within the detector draws air from the area under examination into a rubber tube and introduces it into a chamber in which there is a phototube and an ultraviolet lamp. If there is mercury vapor in the air, the amount of ultraviolet light reaching the phototube is decreased, and this causes the phototube to change its voltage and indicate the presence of the vapor on a scale.

Light in weight and provided with shoulder straps so that it can be easily carried from one section of an area to another, G-E's vapor detector is viewed as a valuable instrument for inspecting a laboratory or factory area and protecting the health of the workers. It is felt that it will prove especially useful to manufacturers of electric apparatus, instruments, glass and glassware, fur and felt, to chemical, metal-mining and smelting industries, and to insurance companies and laboratories.

17-3 Newsies

Ida Sinn was seen going down the line at the cafeteria with a tray in each hand and came to find out she didn't have a hand to pick up her silverware with. . . . Everyone thought it was Gwen Monahan's birthday because she received a gift from Bonnie Rehrer. It contained one bone and a bar of flea soap for her dog, who has eleven pups. Gwen thought she should have eleven bones. . . . Betty Geels has left the company to live with her husband. Good luck, Betty. . . . We are wondering why Rosie Hecke has to be so particular about the color of her cakes. Yellow seems to be her favorite. . . . Mary Wright sure enjoys ice cream. As she was trying so hard to get the last drop, her dish slipped, and made enough noise to make everyone look at her. . . . Irene Blank sure is hoping it stops raining, so she won't have any more umbrella troubles. Seems hers gets caught. . . . Did anyone see Margaret Folk climb through a cellar window the other evening when she was locked out? We hope it never happens again, Margaret! . . . Birthday greetings to May Sucher. . . . Mary Vollmer and Linda De Remer went to Washington, D. C., to see the former's brother. . . . The 81 frame line held a potluck for Charley Rice, who is leaving that line and returning to hermetics. Also to welcome Park Schemehorn, who will be the new foreman. Charley was presented a gift from the line. There were loads of good food and fifty-one who enjoyed the potluck, including a guest, Vern Castle. . . . Greetings and best regards to our fighting boys and girls. We will do our best to bring you home to your loved ones soon.

Squares' Speaker



Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr.

Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr., staff assistant to the vice-president in charge of engineering and chairman of the apparatus education committee, will be the featured speaker at the annual dinner for members of the G-E Squares next Tuesday evening.

Three small boys were bragging about the prowess of their dads. The first boy said, "My dad writes out a few short lines, calls it a poem, sends it away and gets ten dollars for it."

"My dad," spoke up the second, "makes some dots on a piece of paper, calls it a song, sends it away and gets twenty-five dollars for it."

"That nothing," declared the third boy. "My father writes out a sermon on a sheet of paper, gets up in the pulpit and reads it and it takes four men to bring in the money."



Decaturites

"Mother Goes to Dinner" was the theme of the Gecode Club party which members, their mothers and guests enjoyed last Thursday. The room was beautifully decorated with lovely spring flowers, and the tables were centered with miniature May poles and lighted candles. Mrs. Dan Weidler and Mrs. Paul Hendricks were awarded prizes for the oldest and youngest mother present. Other prizes were won by Dorothy Schnepf and Mrs. Bernard Hain. Each guest present received a lovely gift. The program consisted of several vocal selections by Carl Sheets and John Moore and two readings by Sue Troutner. Calvir McWhiter of Berne sang several selections and played several piano solos. Music during the dinner was furnished by Betty Frauhiger. Etta Anspaugh was chairman of the program, assisted by Mary Maloney, Rowena Holthouse, Henrietta Augsburger, Esther Brokaw, Kathleen Affolder, Betty Moran, Jeanette Braun, Germaine Geimer, Florence Geimer, Kathryn Fennig, Mary Winteregg and Fern Passwater. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Melchi, who celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on May 20. A gift of dimes was presented to the couple by their co-workers. Both Mr. and Mrs. Melchi are employed in Plant No. 2. . . . June Stauffer was very surprised to get a letter from a soldier who saw the Stauffer trio picture in the WORKS NEWS. His name also happens to be Stauffer and his home is in Pennsylvania. They are trying to trace down the relationship now. . . . Best wishes and congratulations to Ruth Brodbeck and Waldo Eckrote, who were married May 19. . . . S/Sgt. Kenny Gaunt is enjoying a furlough at his home. His mother, Hilda Gaunt, works in Plant No. 1. . . . Paul Chronister, son of Tena Chronister, Plant No. 2, has been advanced to the rank of Sergeant. He is somewhere in Germany. . . . Richard Strickler, S 2/C, has reported to Shoemaker, California, for re-assignment after spending a leave with his mother, Esther Strickler, who works in Plant No. 1. Richard was recently released from Great Lakes Naval hospital. . . . Gladys Stahly received a lovely bouquet of red roses for Mother's Day from her husband somewhere in the Philippines. . . . Beg pardon! We're very sorry to have gotten a name wrong in last week's NEWS. Here is the way it should have read: "Floyd Morrison and Nellie Hawkins were married April 28,"—instead of Floyd Ridenour. . . . The girls in Section 5-56 would like to thank Eva Clingenpeel and Nellie Morrison for the candy bars. . . . Thea Hoblet and Nellie Morrison have left the services of the Company to go back to full-time housekeeping. . . . Joyce Smith and Mary Schumm have left the services of the Company. . . . We know you have to go to school for almost everything these days, but will someone please try to explain to Alyce Mae Ellenbarger that you don't have to go to school to be a cemetery caretaker. . . . Francis Brite was a very happy girl the other evening when she received a telephone call from a friend who has been overseas in the European area for almost three years. He had just arrived in the States. . . . We're happy to tell you that Al Schneider, tool room foreman, is back at work again after a long illness. Good to see you back, Al; hope you feel "up to par" now. . . . Betty Branstetter is a very happy girl. Her fiance, S 2/C Bob Parr, who just finished boot training at Great Lakes, is home. Betty is another member of the sparkler's club now. . . . Attention, all bargain hunters: Sherman Zimmerman is the proud owner of "thoroughbred" bantam chickens. Their beautiful feathers are so outstanding that the small sum of $2.50 per feather seems like an insult to these royal creatures of the fowl kingdom. But here's the real bargain. Sherm says he'll sell the whole chicken for seventy-five cents. . . . Paul Gross now punches his time card in Plant No. 1 instead of Plant No. 2. He's a member of the inspection section. . . . Helen Fairchild's car is the cause of a lot of her worries. For full particulars, see Helen. . . . Ethel Miller served a delicious dinner by candlelight at 6:00 o'clock Tursday evening in honor of Vi Smith, who is having a birthday. We don't know exactly how long this has been going on—she won't tell; therefore, there were no definite number of candles on the cake which Ethel claims to have baked. We wonder!!! Ethel is a grand hostess nevertheless. The evening was spent dancing and playing ping-pong. Those who enjoyed the evening were Vi Smith, Nondus Snyder, Opal McCoy, Betty Bower, and Marcia Martin. . . . Quite a party! The softball and basketball teams coupled up to do some skating at Sunset. Poor Vi Smith spent the majority of the time on the floor and Dan Zeser reported that they have had to put in four feet of new flooring. Leo (Tiny) Hoffman looked as though he was doing a gay nineties proposal when he fell on his knees. Never a dull moment! Everyone had a grand time. . . . Ray Ballard is vacationing this week. . . . Jake Eady is proudly showing a picture of his son Jack and his B-24 bomber crew, absolutely the last word in bomber crews. Jake also has a son Ted in the Navy. . . . Cal Amick is back again on the job. . . . Shorty Morgan has left second shift to join the day crew. . . . Joan Hitchcock has come to do some winding for us. . . . Sgt. Paul Lord of the army is home on furlough from Washington. He is a son of our own Sol Lord. Paul will be remembered as a former employee. . . . Those scenes that Mary M. Longenbereger has of the Hawaiian Isles are sure something to look at. They came from her brother. . . . The singing and music is splendid, but, girls, surely you know more than one song—referring, of course, to the swing shift chorus in the cafeteria. . . . Doc Rawley has a typical family. If you don't believe it, let her show you some photos.



Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Want to see a red face? Ask Soap Summers to tell you about the boner he made in a chess game the other noon. . . . For your information, Elmer Botteron is the man who has a lot of chickens and egg on his farm. . . . Wayne Pribble was in his height of glory the other noon. He had one coat folded up as a pillow under his head, another over his shoulders and a big sign on his desk lamp reading "Do not Disturb—Men at Work." . . . Ever know a man who could smoke more cigars than Clarence Coe? . . . "Our girl Friday" is the new name given to Louise Stephenson, who brings that little blue envelope around every Friday, bless her little heart. . . . Did you notice Charlie Harris' tan summer suit yet? He looks soooo nice in it. . . . Where there are pink gumdrops you'll find Phyllis Guillot; she really has a liking for them. . . . Ben Banulis is back from a week's vacation. . . . With all this rain and everything, Lois Yanney tore her umbrella. She tried to fix it with scotch tape but with no results. She is now totin' her ma's. . . . Everybody dug out their best bibs and tuckers to wear Tuesday noon to luncheon for Roseanne Roemer and Sumner Tinkham. "Tink," as you probably already know, is leaving the first of June for a job in the east. . . . We were happy to see how well everyone responded to the Seventh War Loan Drive, and know that you will all continue to do as well until the job is finished. . . . Bye 'till next week.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Dorothy Bacon wishes her husband had enough points so he could come home from the Army. Don't give up, Dot; he will be home soon. . . We've gone over the hundred per cent goal in the Seventh War Loan Drive with one hundred and twenty per cent so far. Keep up the good work, girls. . . . Grisella Wrageman has been transferred to the cafeteria. We will miss her, but hope she likes her new job. . . . We're glad to see Anna Hart back to work after visiting her husband.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

We all wish George Schoeph and his wife congratulations on their forty-fifth wedding anniversary. May you have many more years of wedded bliss. . . . We all have stiff arms from patting ourselves on the back. Third trick went over the top in the Seventh War Loan, 152%. . . What is there about spring housecleaning that makes a person want to move? Freada is apartment hunting again, and Edith Roselius has moved to Fort Wayne.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Irma Poisel's sister Mable has joined our group. . . . The most famous saying on second trick is, "Did you get a letter today?" . . . Cecil is back after a nice vacation. . . . Mary Ognenoff is taking her vacation this week. . . . Have you heard that new song, "Stuff Like That There?" If not, have Marian Roy sing it Betty Hutton style. . . . Have you noticed Mary Grace's lagging step? Is it the weather, Mary? . . . Sorry to see Eugene Diehm going on first shift. But we're glad to get Bill Scott on second. . . . Cheer up, Dick Shultz, warm weather is just around the corner.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We hope Ellen Gerber, Margie Comte, Susie Jones, and Jane Goulden are having nice vacations. By the way, Jane is getting married this week. Congratulations, Jane. . . . We all welcome Mary Will, Martha Becher, and Clara Ringenberg to our section and hope they like it here. . . . The packing section would like to dedicate the song, "Oh, what a Beautiful Morning," to Joe Lothamer, especially on Sunday. . . . We are all sorry to see Leota Ward leave us but hope you like the farm, Leota. . . . We are also sorry to hear Lou Pettit has been ill. Hope you'll be back soon, Lou. . . . For your new recipes, see Jeannette Timmons. Her specialty is a combination of apples and potatoes used as a salad. . . . We are all glad Lt. Jack Humbrecht has been liberated from a prison camp in Germany. . . . We all welcome Margaret Scheumann to first trick . . . Glad to hear you had a nice vacation, Ruth Shoup. . . . See you next week.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Joe Eifrid has changed his mind since last week about that bald spot. Now he's going to make a slide out of it for the mosquitoes when he goes after those crappies this summer. . . . Jessie Mills likes to stack brushholder tubes on the pin boards. He says he can make awfully cute designs....Jerry Pierce planted some horseradish seed and when they came up they were scattered all over. Jerry told the wife he must have raked too deeply, but the truth is he just sowed the seed and let it fall where it might and then raked it all over. Tsk! Tsk! Jerry, shame on you. . . . Lennie Hutson's feet get sore when he has his shoes on too long. It's easy, though, for Lennie to explain. Where he came from they never wear shoes except to go to church or to be buried in. . . . Lil Burns had a birthday creep up on her last week but not slowly enough for her co-workers, who furnished Lil with two birthday cakes, one for each half of her existence. . . . Robinson's dog should be gaining weight very rapidly now since everybody is saving their leftovers for him. . . . Tarney is now going out for pitching ball on Surface's softball team. . . . False alarm! It isn't a fire; just Ray Hout dyed his red (and we do mean red) shirt. . . . Si High, we believe, is going through her boot training for the WACS and she sure has the marching part down pat. . . . Walt Bauermeister planted tomato plants and carefully covered them with fruit jars. After a week, old Jack Frost crawled under the edges and did his dirty work. If at first you don't succeed, try again, Walt. . . . Now so long for now; see you next week, same time, same 17-1.



"NOW AREN'T YOU SORRY YOU DIDN'T TAKE BETTER CARE OF YOUR CAR?"

The Second Baseman

By Frank Eakin

One of Manager Charlie Braden's new ballplayers is Carroll Seiple, who covers the right side of the keystone bag with the greatest of ease and also comfort for the Club's pitchers.

Carroll is a little fellow standing about five feet eight inches with about 140 pounds to carry around. Some people around his home town of Defiance, Ohio, call him "the runt," as he has a twin brother over six feet and two hundred pounds. Carroll starred in football, basketball, and baseball at Defiance High School and was on all of the "all" teams.

He has worked at our Winter Street Plant for the past few years and has played basketball and baseball around the city during that period.

He is very fast and covers plenty of ground to cut off "sure" hits. He is not a very heavy hitter, but when he does he is usually able to get the most out of them by using his speed.

All in all, this shy little youngster with the ready smile and slightly freckled face should prove to be a very welcome and capable newcomer to the club as Manager Braden can afford to sacrifice a few hits for such a dependable fielder who will cut off "hits" to equal the average of a very good slugger.



Carroll Seiple

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Herb (Blackie) Ort says the recent rains have made his beard grow unusually fast and he will have to shave twice a day instead of once. Once will be enough, Blackie. . . . Bob Till has been carrying fried chicken in his lunch quite frequently, so his suspicious neighbor, Kenney Crabill, clipped the wings on all of his chickens. . . . The staccato rhythm of Etta Everly's winding machine in the service section makes Mildred Reinhart's feet jive. . . . Norman Biddle left the service section with a hungry look on his face after watching a quartet in the aforementioned section consume a quart of ice cream. . . . Si (Frosty) Alspaugh is searching for a pair of dumbbells. He says he wants to harden his muscles. . . . We were wondering what was the cause of the tool-makers walking around with their tongues hanging out, but soon found out it was the nice fish that George Hosek was eating. . . . Leo Zuber says those egg sandwiches he eats every day are to build him up for the Army. . . . We wish to welcome to our section Irene Hinds. . . . Clara Adams must have had a very urgent job waiting on her at home, and to help save a precious moment, she was seen wearing her work apron home. . . . Orvill Robinson's famous saying is, "I believe the sun will shine tomorrow." . . . We hope that on the first bright, sunny day Dale Irwin doesn't decide to polish his car again, because the last time he did it we had rain for two weeks after. . . . After walking through the rain so many times, Dorthy Golden became so attached to the water that she decided to take swimming lessons at the Y. W. C. A.

Bldg. 6-4 South End

We in Bldg. 6-4 lived by Kathryn Erwin's horoscope. How will we ever get through the days now that she is working in Bldg. 4-4? . . . Herb Habig has been nursing a touchy hip for some days, but because of the recent rains, we would have surmised that was the proper golf stance. . . . Norm Griffin is trying to solve the mystery of "The Disappearing Overshoe." Maybe it was ambitious and wanted to join the scrap drive, Norm. . . . Christine Eddins was informed Monday, May 21, that her husband had been liberated from a German prison camp on April 27. Christine, your fellow workers are glad for you in your good fortune. . . . Margret Boitet had a worry last week. She was exposed to the chickenpox, and kept on the alert for symptoms. However, none developed, and now Margret is a full-time housekeeper. We miss you, Mrs. Boitet. . . . Our recent spring rains proved to be a headache for Ron Tobias. He is looking for a furnace on pontoons so he can fire it from a rowboat. . . . We thought Helen Miller, Bldg. 4-4, had been looking through the proverbial keyhole; but she said she got something in her eye.

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Mark Harrigan, Mary Ann Rodgers, and Carl Reynolds have come back from their vacations looking like the very picture of health, and just raring to go. Aren't you? . . . We all hope Mr. Fishback's daughter is much better after her operation.

Bldg. 6-3 Packing

Several members of the Bldg. 6-3 packing section enjoyed a skating party at the Riverview Rink, Friday evening. Those attending were Effie Wyatt, Evelyn Shaff, Virginia Martin, June Bowman, Beulah Conrad, and Mildred Orr. A good time was enjoyed by all. Effie did not skate, and she said there wasn't a bit of excitement.

It's A Joke

A grave digger, absorbed in his thoughts, dug the grave so deep he couldn't get out. Came nightfall and the evening chill, his predicament became more and more uncomfortable. He shouted for help and at last attracted the attention of a drunk.

"Get me out of here," he shouted. "I'm cold."

The drunk looked into the grave, and finally distinguished the form of the uncomfortable grave digger.

"No wonder you're cold," he said. "You haven't any dirt on you."

An ocean liner, westward bound for New York, was overtaken by sudden disaster, and in a matter of minutes all that was left on the surface of the sea were two Englishmen.

Not having met formally, they swam about for hours in stony silence. The sun began to sink; darkness crept over the waters. Finally, in desperation one swam toward the other.

"I say, old fellow," he shouted, embarrassed but determined. "I say, dash it all, which way is London?"

Man (leaning out train window) —"Here, boy, take this 50 cents and get me a sandwich; get yourself one with the change."

Boy (returning just as train is pulling out, chewing wildly on a ham-on-white) — "Here's your quarter, mister. They only had one sandwich."

Son: "What does the word 'chauffeur' mean?"

Father: "That is the name given to the driver of a motor car."

Son: (after a moment's thought) —"That was not the name you gave to the driver of the car that nearly ran over you yesterday."

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Von C. Warner (4)*†	R. 2, Claypool, Ind. Coming in on No. 14 through South Whitley, 37 miles out.	4-2	Lavine	7:00- 3:30
Marjorie McDonald (3)*	Huntertown, Indiana	26-2	Hasty	11:00- 6:48
Anna Kocher (4)*	R. 2, Roanoke, Indiana Coming in on No. 24.	19-4	Berlin	3:30-11:48
Richard May (4)*	Waterloo, Ind. Coming in on No. 427 through Auburn.	4-2	Johnson	7:00- 3:06
Gertrude Edwards (4)*†	R. 7, Fort Wayne, Ind. Coming in on Wayne Trace or Tillman Road, 11 miles.	18-4	Vinson	8:00- 5:15

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Howard Mills	Tocsin, Indiana Coming in on No. 224.	6-B	B. Putt	7:00- 3:30
Harriett Lincoln	R. 2, Churubusco, Ind. Living between Churubusco and Huntertown.	26-3	Wilson	3:00-11:00
Marian Miller	R. 1, New Haven, Ind. Lives 5 miles Northeast of New Haven.	26-2	Sordelet	7:00- 3:06
Alice Haney	R. 4, Albion, Ind.	26-4	Lockwood	3:06-11:00

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Girls' Softball Team Plays Bowserettes In Season Opener

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Club Girls' Softball Team will play their first game of the season at 7:45 o'clock tonight at Memorial Park, when they will meet the girls' team from Bowsers.

Quite a few of last year's players are back, and along with some new additions, it looks as though the Club team will turn in a good record this season. The team has lost several good players, three of whom have gone into the services—Flora Gaff, Betty Kahlenbeck, and Edna McGahan.

G-E is losing Helen Forker, well known to women's sports' fans for her tireless efforts to further women's athletics here. Helen is going to California to live with her mother, and we certainly hate to see her go. Looks like California is profiting by our loss.

A few words about our new manager, Charlotte Drewett, better known as "Chuck." She works in Bldg. 26-5 and last year coached Small Motors Softball Team to victory, so she's no novice at the game. We're sure "Chuck" will do her utmost to uphold the fine standards set up by Helen Forker.

All games are free, so come out and root for the team. The girls will appreciate your patronage.

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

By Dale W. McNutt

Team Standings

	W.	L.
Tool Room	4	0
D.H.K.'s	3	1
Aluminum Parts	3	1
Laboratory	2	2
Developmental	2	2
B-29's	2	2
Production	1	3
Giants	1	3
Ramblers	1	3
Screw Balls	1	3

Summary

Tool Room won from Giants 214-251
B-29's won from Screw Balls 210-222
Alum. Parts won from Production 199-209
D.H.K.'s won from Ramblers 202-206
Developmental won from Lab. ..... by forfeit

After a postponement because of inclement weather, the league swung back into action last Monday evening. I won't say that it was necessarily wet the previous week, but it was the first time I ever witnessed the game actually played with water wings. However, no lives were lost in the swim back to the clubhouse, and all players voiced a desire for the following League night to be different. It was quite a bit different, but no better. Laboratory team, failing to brave the extreme chilly air, had to forfeit their match to Developmental.

Tool Room won easily from the Giants. However one of the Giants salvaged a new individual league record on the back nine with a (?). He wouldn't like to have his name or his score mentioned. Screw Balls were defeated by 12 strokes by the B-29's and the D. H. K.'s won a close four stroke victory from the Ramblers. Production, again their steady self, suffered another setback at the hands of the Aluminum Parts aggregation.

Tool Room is still undefeated, and the D.H.K.'s and Aluminum Parts are in a tie for second—just one game behind the leaders.

Herb Hill led the low scoring by posting a 42 on the front nine, and Bobay scored a 43 for low count on the home nine.

Note: Golf Etiquette Hint of the Week: At the start of the game, take the honor without consulting your opponents. Should they speak for it first, select the best spot on the tee and set your ball up, indicating your enthusiasm to get started. (Oh, yeah?)



By Frank Eakin

On the strong right arm of Manager Charlie Braden's seventeen-year-old pitching find, Parnell Hisner, the G-E Club posted its season's first win in beating a good Lockbourne Army Air Base team 6 to 2 at Dwenger Park last Sunday.

The game was well-pitched by both Hisner and Bobby Wagner, the Lockbourne right-hander. Hisner spread his five hits over the distance in a rationing of one per inning. He was in trouble in the seventh with runners on second and third; however, he and Seiple, who played a great defensive game, threw out the last two batters. Lockbourne broke the spell with two runs in the ninth on two walks, a fielder's choice that failed, and a single by Johnny Minski. With two on the paths, Hisner struck out the next two batters. Parnell walked three and struck out six.

The Club's offense was none too potent, although they did manage to score three times in the third. After one out, Brann walked, Kenny Wattier hit a blooper to left that fell safely, and Mel Kestner was passed intentionally after Wagner had thrown the ball into center field in an attempt to pick off Brann. Chuck Bobilya obliged the Lockbourne team by hitting a perfect double play ball to Swartz at third; however, the fact that Chuck had obliged probably was too much for him, and Swartz threw the ball past the second baseman into right field, allowing Brann and Wattier to score. Mel scored a moment later on Ernie Young's infield out which just missed being a double play.

Chuck Bobilya and Ernie Young collaborated with consecutive doubles in the fifth to score one run. Ernie doubled in the seventh with Mel Kestner and Chuck Bobilya on base to drive in the last two runs.

NEW BLOODS DO IT

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Lockbourne	AB	R	H
Barnett,ss	4	0	0	Herrick,ss	4	0	1
Brann,cf	3	1	0	Cranford,2b	4	0	0
Wattler,3b	3	1	1	Marcel,cf	4	0	0
Kestner,rf	3	2	1	Ruchser,1b	2	1	1
Bobilya,1b	3	2	1	Drazic,rf	3	1	1
Young,lf	4	0	2	Swartz,3b	2	0	0
Selpie,2b	4	0	0	Minskl,lf	4	0	2
Bush,c	4	0	1	Harden,c	4	0	0
Hisner,p	3	0	0	Wagner,p	3	0	0
				Scbevler,p	0	0	0
				Jones,rf	1	0	0
				Telford,p	1	0	0
Totals	31	6	6	Totals	32	2	5

New Girls' Chorus Elects Officers

A new girls' chorus, composed of G-E employees, has been organized and recently met to elect officers. Phyllis Trump will head the organization, and Ruth Richardson will act as secretary-treasurer. Rosemary Broxon will serve as librarian, and Wilma Butler is pianist. The music committee consists of Doris McAdams, Ester Kling, and Ruth Holderman. Publicity will be under the direction of Martha Ruhl and Rosella Houser.

Other members of the chorus are Frances Bringham, Ruby Butz, Betty Crawford, Sylvia Dirig, Jean Fogwell, Marion Fortriede, Rosemary Frick, Josephine Gaby, Margaret Hart, Joanette Heminger, Irma Hine, Wava Joseph, Jean Keirn, Vivian Koontz, Janice Lenz, Blanche McDonald, Dorothy McKee, Elaine Wesing, Mildred Stonebreaker, and Marie Valentine.

The chorus is under the direction of Wilbur Wright.



Manager Braden's belief that Parnell Hisner would be a capable replacement for the departed Hugh Orphan was proved beyond a doubt during last Sunday's game with the Lockbourne Air Base team. Parnell pitched a very good game, although at times he was wild (he was charged with three wild pitches). With this game under his belt, Parnell should be a very dependable starter.

Carroll Seiple played a very nice game at second to assure Braden that he did not make a mistake in switching him and Kenny Wattier. Carroll handled seven attempts flawlessly, and they were not all easy ones.

This boy Lon Ruchser of Lockbourne is just about as good as any we have seen around the first base area. His ability to stretch was directly responsible for three putouts. He also was pretty fair with the stick.

With the transfer to Schenectady of Emil Solnica, this column loses its one known reader, and the team loses a very loyal fan. However, we feel that the club's fame will really be spread up and down the east coast.

G-E Club Team To Play Muncie Keeners Sunday

In Third Game Of Season At Dwenger Park May 27

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club will play its third game of the very young season this coming Sunday afternoon at Dwenger Park with the Muncie Keeners being the opposition; game time is at 2:30.

The Club's record now stands at one win and one loss and Manager Braden feels confident that the win column will be increased with the Muncie Keeners being the number two win. Braden is satisfied with the changes made in his line-up for defensive purposes; however, a little more hitting power would help.

The Muncie Keeners are representing the city of Muncie in the semi-pro field this year. Because of the fact that they, too, like the Club, are just starting the season, their strength is unknown; however, they do have a line-up of good ball players who should give a good account of themselves and make a name for the Muncie Keeners. The Keeners' pitcher for the game will be Jack Jett, who pitched for the Citizens in their heyday.

G-E Club Softball Team Captures Two Major League Games

Defeat City Light And Harvester In Main Auto Circuit

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club softball team in the Main Auto Major League got off to an auspicious start Monday at Memorial Park by pounding out a 12 to 1 victory over City Light. The Club played errorless ball and did a good job with the bat, getting 13 hits, including 2 doubles.

The pitching of Feldheiser, who went the route for the Club, was airtight and his support was very good. The City Light team was very weak in the field, making 7 errors that accounted for 4 runs. A double play was made by each team.

G-E Club	AB	R	H	E	PO	A
Stanski,ss	3	2	0	0	0	2
Esterline,2b	3	1	0	0	4	1
Hilgemann,sf	4	3	3	0	3	1
Snyder,rf	2	2	2	0	0	0
Rarick,rf	1	1	1	0	0	0
Hess,lf	2	2	2	0	0	0
Anderson,lf	1	0	0	0	1	0
Allen,cf-1b	4	1	1	0	3	0
Steuernagel,1b	3	0	1	0	4	0
Scherer,cf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Krieg,c	3	0	0	0	3	0
Lindenberg,3b	2	0	1	0	1	0
Feldheiser,p	4	0	1	0	1	2
Totals	33	12	13	0	21	11

City Light	AB	R	H	E	PO	A
Arnold,ss	2	1	0	1	2	0
Disler,1b	1	0	0	2	6	0
Ellenwood,1b	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCormick,c	3	0	0	0	7	0
Reed,3b	2	0	0	2	1	3
Lee,2b	3	0	1	0	0	0
Wolf,cf	3	0	1	0	2	1
Meyers,lf	3	0	2	2	1	0
Brunkhart,p	2	0	0	0	1	0
VanWay,p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon,sf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Plumb,sf	1	0	0	0	1	0
Carpino,rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	23	1	4	7	21	4

Two-base hits—Hilgemann, Snyder.
Double play—Lindenberg to Hilgemann to Steuernagel; Reed to Disler.
Base on balls—Off Brunkhart 6; off Feldheiser 4.
Sacrifice hit—Esterline.
Hits—Off Brunkhart, 9 in 6 innings; off VanWay, 4 in 1 inning.
Losing pitcher—Brunkhart.

In the second game of the young season, the G-E Club defeated the Harvester 2 to 0 in a close game. It was a pitching duel between Bob Starkel for the Club and Nahrwold for Harvester with Bob allowing only two hits while G-E garnered five hits off Nahrwald.

G-E Club	AB	R	H	E	PO	A
Stanski,ss	3	0	0	0	0	2
Esterline,2b	3	0	0	0	2	0
Hilgemann,sf	3	0	0	0	2	0
Snyder,rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rarick,rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Steuernagel,1b	3	1	1	0	8	0
Anderson,lf	2	0	0	0	1	0
Allen,cf	2	0	1	0	1	0
Scherer,cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lindenberg,3b	2	1	1	0	2	1
Bobde,c	3	0	1	0	5	0
Starkel,p	2	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	26	2	5	1	21	4

Harvester	AB	R	H	E	PO	A
Stephenson,cf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Stoppenhagen,sf	2	0	0	0	1	0
White,ss	3	0	1	0	1	0
Augestine,1b	2	0	1	0	5	0
Fensler,c	2	0	0	0	7	1
Nahrwold,p	2	0	0	0	0	2
Elwood,3b	2	0	0	2	2	5
Hertig,2b	2	0	0	0	3	0
Saalfrank,rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Bail,lf	2	0	0	0	1	0
*Smelsey	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	23	0	2	2	21	8

*Batted for Stoppenbagen in the seventh.
Sacrifice Hit—Anderson.
Base on Balls—Off Nahrwold 2.

Next week's schedule is as follows:

Monday, May 28, Memorial Park
6:45—G-E Club vs. Moose

Tuesday, May 29, Beach
8:30—G-E Club vs. Bowser

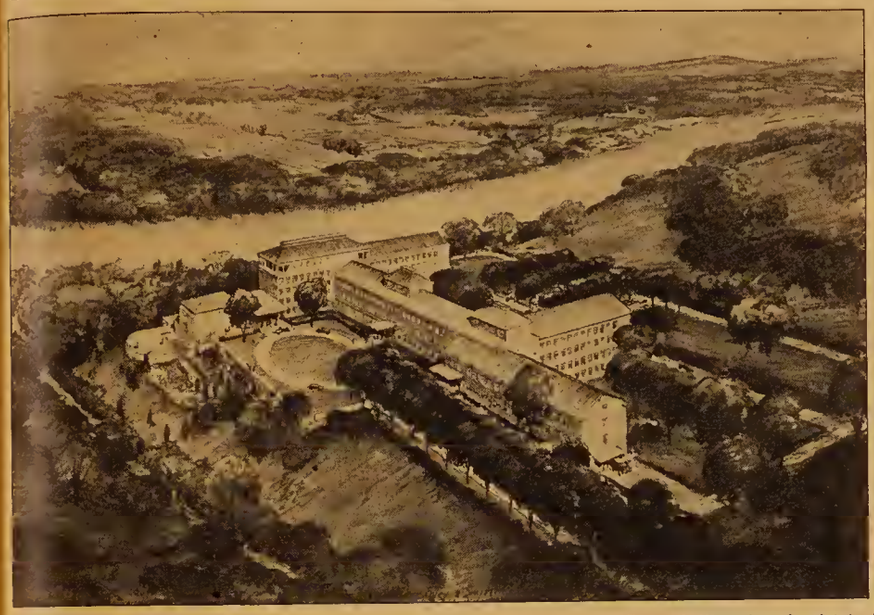
Matron, after sitting on a suitcase, asks luggage salesman: "Haven't you something a little more comfortable? I'm planning quite a long trip!"

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Great G-E Research Laboratory Of Future . . . .



Above is artist's sketch of buildings at Schenectady to be center of General Electric scientists' pioneer activities in post-war era. President Wilson says construction will begin on WPB approval.

G-E to Build 8 Million Dollar Research Lab

Wilson, In Statement, Looks to Greatly Expanded Scientific Activity

A new building for the General Electric Company's Research Laboratory, which will afford some 50 per cent more space than present facilities provide, will be erected near Schenectady at a cost of $8,000,000, it was announced today by President Charles E. Wilson. Construction will begin as soon as WPB approval can be obtained.

The site has been a private estate known as "The Knolls," and includes 219 acres. It is in suburban Niskayuna, about 4½ miles from the main plant and offices in Schenectady. Overlooking the Mohawk River, it is on a rocky cliff which will afford an excellent and solid foundation for the laboratory buildings. The river at this point forms part of the New York State Barge Canal, and the Troy Branch of the New York Central runs along the bank, so there will be ample water and rail transportation available. In addition the river will afford a good supply of water for laboratory use.

Space Lacking Now

"The two buildings now occupied by the Laboratory were built in 1914 and 1922," said Dr. C. G. Suits, G-E Vice President and Director of Research, "and while they were the last word in laboratory construction then, this is no longer true. For some time we have been cramped for space and this condition has been aggravated in the past few years, when all our facilities have been devoted to war work. We have a very much expanded program for the post-war years, which will increase our staff from its present 540 to about 800.

"We must look ahead even 15 or 20 years beyond this, when still further expansion may be required.

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Twenty-One Get $475 In Awards For Suggestions

Edison A. Martin, Bldg. 4-4, Heads List With $250

Edison A. Martin, Bldg. 4-4, topped all suggestors this week with a $250 award for his idea on changes to the stator locator on two-pole winding machines so that the locator will be manually operated, thereby getting the benefit of a "human feel" in locating the stator in the machine. Only one other award of this value has been made this year.

A total of $475 was paid this week to 21 suggestors, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, secretary of the Works Suggestion Committee. Two others received high awards for suggestions involving better methods. Louis Hinen, Bldg. 4-4, received $40 for his suggestion on use of yellow scotch tape in masking conduit box and base holes on stator in varnish dip. William J. Willig, Bldg. 31-2, received a $25

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Employees Of Fort Wayne Works Go Over Top In Seventh War Loan

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works went over the top in the Seventh War Loan Drive here on Memorial Day, when pledges for cash purchases of bonds climbed above the $340,000 quota set for the Broadway, Winter Street, Taylor Street, Decatur, and Kokomo Plants. As the WORKS NEWS went to press, the total pledged stood at $341,517, slightly more than 100% of the goal.

Some of the divisions of the plant have not as yet achieved their goal, and others have reported that they will still further increase their subscriptions. Because of this fact, the Seventh War Loan will not close officially until June 30. All cash sales of bonds during the next month will be credited toward the total raised during the present drive.

Employees who have subscribed for bonds but who have not purchased them as yet are asked to call at the Cashier's Office in Bldg. 18-1, where facilities have been provided for the issuance of bonds. They are asked to call for their bonds as soon as possible so that final tabulations for the Seventh War Loan Drive may be completed at an early date. The facilities in Bldg. 18-1, where bonds can be issued on the premises without delay, are also available for those employees who may decide later to purchase bonds.

Final results by divisions will be published in an early issue of the WORKS NEWS.

Plant Is Visited By Executive Committee Members

Tour Local Works Wednesday and Thursday

Members of the Apparatus Department Executive Committee visited the Fort Wayne Works Wednesday and Thursday to view operations and manufacturing methods in the plants. This is the first time the Executive Committee has come to the Fort Wayne Works as a group since the reorganization of the Apparatus Department the first part of this year. Vice President R. C. Muir, general manager of the Apparatus Department, is chairman of the committee.

Other members of the committee who were here during the two-day tour included Commercial Vice President H. V. Erben, assistant manager of the department; Vice President C. H. Lang, manager of sales; Vice President H. A. Winne, manager of engineering; Neil Currie, Jr., manager of manufacturing; G. S. Hyatt, assistant comptroller in charge of accounting; W. W. Jenkins, counsel; and John Anderson,

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CASUALTIES

PFC Fredrick R. Shaw, Jr., Bldg. 19-5, died in Germany on May 3.

Sgt. Albert Kammeyer, Bldg. 19-2, was wounded recently in Europe.

Elex Schedules Father-Daughter Party For June 13

To Be Held At Fort Wayne Athletic Club Wednesday Evening

The Elex Club has announced that it will hold its annual Father-Daughter Party on the night of Wednesday, June 13, at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club. Beginning at 8 P.M., the meeting will continue until 11:45. Those planning to attend are asked to use the Barr Street entrance.

The program for the evening will include entertainment by the "Midwestern Harmonizers," and a Dutch lunch—and all that goes with it—will be served. During the course of the party, each father will be presented with a gift.

Tickets are $1.25 each, and reservations must be made with Elex contact girls on or before June 9. Any Elex member who is bringing her father must purchase two tickets. All Elex members are invited to attend, even if their fathers will not be able to be present.

Bazooka Proves Wonder Weapon Of Present War

New Aluminum Model "The Latest In Rocket Guns"

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North Africa! 1942! And the "Desert Fox," Field Marshal Rommel, was on the march toward Alexandria, threatening to cut the Allies' life line to the Far East. His legions were pummeling the British Imperial forces. The Germans were sweeping through Russia toward Stalingrad and the rich oil fields of the Caucasus. Suddenly the war had a new word—a word called "bazooka." That's what we called it. The Russians called it the "Katusha."

"What is the bazooka?" everyone was asking. But the answer came slowly, because it was one of the truly secret weapons of the war. It took the Germans by surprise—and they never really recovered the initiative after the first stunning blows struck by this weapon, which has been called "the most important ordnance development of the war."

The story of how General Electric workers who formerly made electrical household appliances accomplished one of the speediest production jobs of the war when they turned out the first lot of bazookas was later revealed to the world.

Back in 1942 one of General Electric's factories received from Army Ordnance a handmade model of the now famous rocket gun. Within 30

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Less Time To Die

Bob Hope can really be serious about one thing—that's the war. He has been out there with our lads on nearly every front, and here is his message to us. "Let's spend more time on our jobs here at home so that our boys at the front will have less time to die."

Absolute Minimum

Most Americans are blissfully unconcerned about our ability to beat the Japs quickly now that the Germans are out of the way. The truth is that over-all military plans are based on the assumption that it may take years to defeat Japan. One and a half to two years after the Nazi downfall is considered absolute minimum! Let's think it over and stick to our jobs.

Prepare To Advance

Do you have the skill to do a better job? Are you ready for greater responsibility when the opportunity comes?

You can have what it takes to handle a better job only if you prepare for it. Do your present job well. At the same time, learn all you can about the job you are aiming for. Show that you are dependable, yet eager to improve your skill.

Then, when the chance comes, you will have the confidence as well as the qualifications to fill a bigger job.

Striking Power

An officer just returned from the Philippines said recently: "We have met less than a million Japs so far in the Pacific campaigns. They have three times that many waiting for us in their homeland and in China. They are dug in, well equipped, confident, and determined. To overcome strength like this, we need more help from the U.S.A. Production power from our war workers is what gives us striking power at the front!

And Now Japan

"Now with the hosts of evil and barbarism vanquished in Europe, we must turn our full attention to the Far East. There we still have a powerful enemy, who boasts that he is willing and ready to fight on for 100 years if necessary. We assure him it will not take that long. Still he has powerful legions of troops in his home islands and on the coast of China, perhaps seven million of them. Although the vast circumference of his empire has been shrunk by our assaults, his naval power destroyed and his air forces crippled, we have a long road to travel before victory.

"Japan must be beaten into defeat, into unconditional surrender. The reconquest of the Philippines was a step in that direction. The remaining steps must and will be taken. We have no intention of relaxing until the eastern barbarian shares the fate of his partner. We have not forgotten Pearl Harbor. We know that the American people, with equal devotion and sacrifice, will support their sons and brothers, who will be fighting our savage enemies in the far Pacific until the final victory is won."—Fleet Admiral William D. Leahy, USN, Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy.

VISION OF THE FUTURE



One of the satisfactions of working for General Electric is that it is a young organization in a field that is almost brand-new. Mankind is always finding new things to do with electricity and the research men and application engineers are continually discovering and making usable their share of these new things.

As new products are developed and judged to have a future, General Electric lays its plans to mass-produce and market them. One can see its confidence in the future by the new operating departments it has created within the last three years to take care of just such business.

There have been three in this short period: the Electronics Department, to develop further the great field of radio, F-M, television and electronics; the Chemical Department, to explore and turn to new uses the fascinating realm of plastics and other chemical products. And now the Air Conditioning Department has been formed to carry forward the banner of more healthful air for mankind.

That's the kind of an organization General Electric is.

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Do metal airplanes in flight pick up a charge of electricity?

A. It is true that metal airplanes, and planes with metal parts, do pick up electricity; but, as a rule, when the plane lands the electricity is discharged to the ground. When it becomes excessive it manifests itself by the phenomenon known as "St. Elmo's fire." This is a form of brush discharge and consists of short streamers of light appearing at the ends of pointed objects, especially on mountains. The static electricity can largely be corrected by connecting the various metal parts of the plane together with fire so that the charges can be equalized. This process is called "bonding." Airplanes, by the way, can be bought bonded at the factory.

Q. Why is an automobile radio silenced, while turned on, when driving across a bridge?

A. Car radios are affected by bridges, for the steel acts as a shield and reduces the field strength of any station. Therefor, it is necessary to increase the volume when passing under a bridge.

Q. Why are some substances soluble in a given liquid while other substances are insoluble?

A. Materials which resemble one another chemically tend to dissolve in each other. For example, oils dissolve in oils, but not in water. Materials such as glycerine, which is something like water, will dissolve in water, but not in oils. Alcohol, for instance, tends to dissolve in water, but not in oily materials, until one portion of the alcohol molecules becomes oily-like in nature. Then, of course, it will dissolve.

Q. What are the various gages for sizes of wire?

A. The most commonly used gage for electrical wires, in the United States, is the American wire gage, and the most common one for steel wires is the Birmingham wire gage, or Stub's wire gage. There is no legal standard wire gage in the United States. There is a growing tendency, however, to abandon gage numbers entirely and specify wire sizes by diameters in mills; that is, thousandths of an inch. The American wire gage also is known as the Brown and Sharpe gage. The measurement of wire diameters may be accomplished in three ways: first, by means of a micrometer caliper; second, by means of a conventional wire gage and, third, by means of a V-gage. The most accurate is the micrometer caliper.

Q. In what directions do sound waves in radio transmission and light waves travel?

A. Sound waves are not transmitted as such in radio. Radio waves, called carrier waves, are electromagnetic waves like light, only much longer. At the transmitting station the sound sent into the microphones modulates the carrier wave, and in the receiving set the modulations are utilized to produce currents in the loudspeakers which reproduce the original sound. Radio waves, like light, may travel through empty space. Sound waves require matter, either solid, liquid or gas, for transmission.

On the basis of previous experience, upwards of 10 per cent of all cars to be checked in the Nationwide Brake Emphasis Program will fail to meet requirements, reports the National Safety Council.

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NEWS FROM THE SERVICES



In Western Pacific

Western Pacific
May 10, 1945

Dear Editor:

At the present time I am in the Western Pacific and the Army, of course. Have been in England, Africa, Sicily, Italy, France, and Okinawa, and expect to see Tokyo before I get back. But it doesn't make any difference as long as it's for a better America.

We see quite a bit of G-E equipment where I am; it seems as though it never wears out. So all I can say is, keep it coming; we can use it here. Tell the gang in Bldg. 26-2 I'm thinking of them and hope to be with them all soon. That's as soon as we have these animals under our thumbs.

A friend of Bldg. 26-2,
Pvt. Loren (Whitey) Sparks

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Building Hospitals

France
May 4, 1945

Dear Editor:

I suppose by now you are wondering where I am and what I am doing. . . . I'm in a new outfit now. I was with the 26th Division, known as the Yankee Division, a very good outfit too. I am in the engineers now, and I like it very much. We are building hospitals for wounded soldiers.

I came off the front lines in November and went to the hospital in England till March 18. I also was put in limited service. I'm serving it with the engineers now.

I hope by the time you receive this letter the war over here will be over. It's only a matter of days now. I will really be glad when we all can come home again to our loved ones and the friends that we have left.

I have seen a lot of G-E equipment in use since I've been over here. I think it is swell the way you and the folks back home are working hard day and night to help win this war. Hope to see you all soon. Keep up the good work, and this war will be over before you know it. Bye now.

Pvt. Ambrose Haley, Jr.

First Lt. Richard A. Miller, formerly employed as a G-E apprentice tool and die maker, recently was awarded the Air Medal and one Oak Leaf Cluster in a formal ceremony held at a Twelfth Air Force base in Italy. Lt. Miller is a pilot of the veteran 60th Troop Carrier Group, which staged the first Allied airborne invasion in history at Oran, Algeria, in 1942. His awards have been given in recognition of his meritorious work in dropping, by parachute at night, vital war supplies to Allied partisan forces operating behind enemy lines in the Balkans, and in evacuating their wounded and Allied airmen who had been forced down behind the lines. He has been overseas since May, 1944, and is now authorized to wear three battle stars on his European Theatre ribbon, covering the Southern France, Northern Italy, and Balkan Air Combat campaigns.

S/Sgt. James E. Yaney recently received the Air Medal. As tail gunner aboard the Liberator "Ginya Mac," Sgt. Yaney has participated in bombing Magdeburg, Hanover, Coblenz, and Frankfort.

Best There Is



C. W. Kotterman M. Van Skyock

Corp. Cecil W. Kotterman, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-1, recently visited his friends in the plant. He said, "In all the places I've been, at home as well as abroad, it's a noted fact that all G-E equipment is the best there is." Marvin Van Skyock, M.M. 3/c, Bldg. 19-2, said on a recent visit here, "I was on a destroyer, and we had a big G-E generator in our engine room, as well as other G-E equipment. They made me feel rather secure, as I know G-E puts out the best. You people are sure doing a fine job."

V-E Day

Somewhere in Germany
May 8, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I suppose that today, the 8th day of May, Fort Wayne is having a big celebration. I wish that I could be there to make my little bit of noise, but that is quite impossible.

Will try to bring you up to date since I left the good old U.S.A. Since arriving overseas, I have fought on three different army fronts. My first assignment was with the Seventh U. S. Army in the battle for Saarbrucken. It was there that the Siegfried line was cracked. From there we were sent to the Third Army, and after a short time there, we were sent to the First Army to clean out the Ruhr pocket. After completing that mission, we were sent back to the Third Army and remained with it until this long-looked-forward-to V-E day. Now that the guns are silenced, though, I shall no longer have to mangle myself in mad dashes into cellars, foxholes, under vehicles, etc. We were just under the wire in having credited ourselves with an enemy plane too. It is a great thrill to watch them come spinning down and burst into flames. It landed only a short distance from our position. Again tonight a German plane flew over, which found my men scrambling to their guns, but they suddenly realized that the war was over before firing.

Now that this great mission over here has been completed, everyone is wondering what is in store for us in the future. However, we are all sitting quiet and waiting. Will bring this to a close for now, hoping to see and work with that old gang in Bldg. 4-5 again soon.

1st Sgt. Franke R. Soule

PFC John H. Malcolm has completed two years of duty overseas, according to a recent announcement from his unit headquarters. He is working as a switchboard operator in the signal section of a headquarters and base services squadron of the Fifteenth Air Force Service Command.

First Lt. Robert J. Blossom, former G-E apprentice, recently destroyed a Heinkel 111 and damaged another He 111 and a Messerschmidt 109 when he and other Eighth Air Force P-51 Mustang pilots strafed a Nazi airfield near Brandenburg, Germany. His fighter group left 51 German planes burning on the ground, to boost their total score to over 545 Nazi aircraft destroyed in two years' operations. Sixty to seventy planes of all types were parked on the German field when the group swept down to attack. The Mustang pilots made pass after pass over the field, and after several attacks, smoke from burning planes was so thick that some pilots had to use instruments (normally for flying through clouds or fog) to fly through it. Lt. Blossom wears the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

In The Philippines

Dear Editor:

I am now stationed in the Philippine Islands, and it sure is a wonderful feeling to be back in civilization again after having spent about two years in the jungles. My previous station was in Bougainville, and it certainly was a great day for me when our ship pulled out of Empress Augusta Bay.

Here the Filipinos are really a friendly, happy, and very sociable class of people. The only "kick" I have coming at the present time is the terribly high prices the restaurants have for food. I'm only hoping that they will become more reasonable after a time.

When I first arrived here, I saw plenty of destroyed Japanese aircraft, trucks, trains, ships, guns, and the like. But now I've noticed that much of this debris has been cleared away by the engineers.

The majority of the Filipinos are Catholic, so I have no trouble at all in attending church services on Sunday. Many of the churches have been destroyed by shell-fire and bombing or were burned by the Japanese before retreating. However, there are several near our camp that are in fairly good condition.

So long for now,
T/4 George P. Reiz

Robert A. Schott, Rdm 3/c, now at the Atlantic Fleet's Amphibious Training Base, Camp Bradford, Va., is preparing for duty aboard an LCT (land craft tank). Schott served aboard an LCT during the invasions of North Africa, Sicily, and Southern France.

Seen In Operation



G. L. Smith G. L. Jones

"Keep up the good work and we'll do our part," says Pvt. Gordon L. Smith, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-4, and now in the infantry. He reports that he has seen little electrical equipment in his own branch, but that he has seen in operation much G-E built equipment, "and it looks like a pretty good deal all around." G. Lee Jones, Fire Controlman 3/c, Bldg. 26-2, has spent two and one-half years in the Pacific, with 59 continuous operations. On his recent visit to the plant, he said, "I have used a lot of G-E equipment, some of it that I helped make. It holds up very well and is a credit to you on the home front."

May 9, 1945

Hello, Gang:

Have been here in Africa for some time now and like it fine. It is rather hot here, as I'm only five degrees off the equator. Have a nice beach close by and go for a swim most every day.

Everywhere I have been stationed, we have had a large percentage of G-E equipment. Glad to say it rates far above all others.

I am assigned to a radio teletype station here. My work hours are six out of every thirty. I never had it so good. Want to say "hello" to Carl, my foreman at the Taylor Street Tool Section. Also a hearty "hello" to all the fellows I worked with. . . .

Would appreciate hearing from any and all of you.

PFC Homer H. Huser

The Air Medal has been awarded to First Lt. Kenneth G. Oswald, recently promoted to his present rank. He has completed 24 missions as pilot of a B-24 Liberator since November, 1944, when he was sent overseas.

A Good Job



R. J. Burton W. I. Burton

"I think the G-E is doing a fine job and hope they keep it up. The Armed Forces need all the equipment they can produce," says Wallace Burton, former Taylor Street Plant employee. Pvt. Roger Burton, Taylor Street, with the cavalry at Ft. Riley, Kansas, said recently, "Keep building 'em; we'll fight with 'em."

Bazooka

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days several thousand bazookas had been delivered to the armed forces.

When word got around to the factory workers that the weapon they were working on was a secret rocket gun vitally needed to stop our enemies' tanks, enthusiasm ran so high that many men remained on the job two and three shifts, refusing to take time off to eat or sleep. The 30-day production record was made in spite of several engineering changes, each of which added to the efficiency of the gun.

Transportation of materials was another problem. A supply of steel was flown in from Pittsburgh, and additional steel was trucked across the country from steel mills to the bazooka factory by crews of drivers who worked in relays around the clock.

While speeding to the factory with a car full of gun stocks, an Army Ordnance officer was stopped by state police for speeding. When told what the material was for, the police provided an escort to help speed the shipment to the production line. Excluding development work, actual production of the first shipments of bazookas took only 7 days.

That first steel model was the forerunner of the present aluminum bazooka—the seventh basic design of the weapon. This little heavyweight, far more accurate than its older brothers and weighing 10½ pounds, represents several years of research by G-E and the War Department. The standard model now in use by the Army's ground forces is made from steel, but the wall thickness of the aluminum bazooka is greater than the steel one.

The first bazooka model had a single-piece barrel with a permanent rear sight, similar to an ordinary gun's.

Next came a streamlined take-apart model, commonly known as the folding bazooka, and designed for use by paratroopers and infantrymen fighting in jungles and thick underbrush. The advantage here was the easier handling, less chance of snagging the weapon on vines and impeding the progress of an attack. This model had no sights on the barrel. It was equipped with a collapsible, single-element bar sight mounted on the side of the bazooka. When not in use the sight was folded against the side of the barrel.

The latest design has an optical sight on a folding unit. The design and construction of the sight provides unrestricted vision when leading fast-moving targets such as tanks. An elevation adjustment eliminates the conventional sights used on Army rifles. This sight has increased the accuracy of the bazooka to such an extent that now an infantryman may qualify as a "bazooka sharpshooter," for which he is awarded a sharpshooter's medal upon which is mounted a replica of the weapon.

Optical sights are not a new development. But their application on the bazooka required special study and unique application on the part of engineers. The sight consists of a high-grade glass lens in which are concentric lines and a bull's-eye center, similar to gun targets, enabling a bazookaman to pinpoint the vulnerable part of an enemy tank or pillbox.

Another development includes the replacement of dry-cell batteries with impulse generators for firing the rocket launcher.

The standard shoulder stock in use today for the launcher is also an improvement over the old model. The present model is equipped with a two-position stock for firing when standing or kneeling, and lying down.

A Strange Sort Of Prayer



Well, God here we are.

You up there. Me down here, with a burning sun, a mess of insects, too much ocean, and other buddies just as lonely as me.

Oh, God, how nice it must be back home, with Germany licked, and the folks humming, and some of the boys all finished with the fighting.

But I guess that wasn't meant for me, was it? And tomorrow and tomorrow I'll still be dodging bullets, still feeling lost in the middle of the night.

Well, no hard feelings.

I'll go wherever You say, and do whatever You want me to. For You know what's best for me.

But say, will You still be with the people back home, still give them the strength to keep bearing down, as they've been doing? Then they'll still send us their blood, still stay on the job, still keep making the stuff we need.

You see, God, I'd like to get home, too.

Laboratory

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We will probably need to build smaller structures for special purposes, for example a pilot plant for a new chemical process. All this requires not only a building that is immediately suitable, but one to which we can add and with ample grounds around it for the other buildings.

"Lack of space adjacent to the Schenectady Works, as a result of wartime construction, which has utilized all prospective building sites, has forced a consideration of other locations. The one selected, in Niskayuna, and the laboratory building that we are planning, will meet these needs ideally. Every new and modern feature will be incorporated and I feel confident that we will have one of the finest and most complete research institutions in the world."

To Be "T"-Shaped

The new building, in the general shape of the letter T, will vary from 2 to 5 stories in height and will include 200,000 square feet of laboratory working space in addition to an auditorium seating 300, a dining room, conference rooms, etc. One-third of the laboratory space will be devoted to service facilities, machine shops and specialty shops such as glass blowers, all in a convenient central location.

Walls between rooms will be movable, capable of being placed at 18-inch intervals so that rooms may easily be made large or small as desired. Benches and all furnishings will be standardized so that they can easily be shifted from place to place as the need arises. The building will be air-conditioned throughout. Wires and pipes carrying various kinds and voltages of electricity, compressed air, suction, illuminating gas, hydrogen, oxygen, etc., will interlace the building when they can be brought into any room.

The high elevation of the site above the river will afford many advantages, for example in experiments with radar, high frequency, and jet engines. The rocky cliff foundation will be useful in conducting experiments with X-rays. These are being produced at 100 million volts in the present laboratory, and further increases are expected.

Suggestions

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award for his idea involving changes to drafting vault orders.

Other awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were made to the following:

Bldg. 4-2

Eva Hoover, Aaron M. Soellinger, Harold A. Corson.

Bldg. 4-4

Mary M. Smith, V. LaVon Miller.

Bldg. 4-5

Paul W. Arnold.

Bldg. 4-6

W. W. Potter.

Name Assistants To G-E Vice-President Elmer D. Spicer

J. W. Burnison and L. H. Means have been named as assistants to E. D. Spicer, Vice President in charge of employee relations of the General Electric Company, according to an announcement by Mr. Spicer, this week. Their headquarters will be in Schenectady, N. Y.

Mr. Burnison began his affiliations with General Electric as a member of the apprentice training course in the wiring and supply department, after graduating from State College in Albany as a qualified instructor in industrial school work. During the following years he held various positions in the radio department, of which he became superintendent in 1925.

In 1930 he became manager of manufacturing for the R. C. A. Manufacturing Co., in Camden, N. J., which made radios, and in 1935 he was made vice president in charge of manufacturing for that company. In 1937 he joined Samson United Corporation, Rochester, N. Y., as vice president in charge of manufacturing, purchasing and engineering. He was formerly president of the Camden County Chamber of Commerce.

In May, 1940, Mr. Burnison became superintendent of the industrial heating and welding division of General Electric's Schenectady Works and in the same year superintendent of the aeronautics section. In 1941 he was named an assistant to the manager of that works. Recently he joined the general office in the executive department to work in employee relations under Vice President Spicer.

After being graduated from Kansas State College in 1923 with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering, Mr. Means entered General Electric as a student engineer in the testing division, Schenectady Works. In 1926 he transferred to work in the industrial service section on the recruiting of student engineers. Ten years later he was put in charge of employee service section of the Schenectady Works personnel division. In 1941, Mr. Means became assistant supervisor of personnel, Schenectady Works, where he remained until just recently, when he was transferred to the executive department to work on employee relations under Vice President Spicer.

Bldg. 6-B

Clarence Roth.

Bldg. 17-1

Edward V. Brosche, James Carey, William L. Fisher, Kurt Hartz, Ruby A. McBride, Bernard P. Kramer.

Bldg. 12-2

Ercil C. Steward.

Taylor Street

Victor F. Feipel.

Decatur

Noah Roth.



G-E Foremen's Club Completes Plans For Annual Picnic

With the promise that this year's G-E Foremen's Picnic will exceed all others, William Walt, general chairman of arrangements, has announced final plans for the event Saturday at the Fraternal Order of Police Grounds on the St. Joe Road.

A softball and a tug of war tournament have been arranged, Mr. Walt said, to begin as soon as possible after 3:30 P.M., the announced "starting time" of this year's outing.

Russell Gibson is chairman of the softball tournament, with Ernest Hanauer and Edward Klomp slated as umpires. The following were team captains: Ronald Tobias, East Side; F. E. Seip, West Side; John Schwartz, Winter Street and Decatur; and H. J. Nahrwold, Taylor Street and Decatur.

N. A. Bender is chairman of the tug of war contests, and participating teams and captains are: Robert Hatfield, East Side; Joe Mougin, West Side; W. J. Stoppenhagen, Winter Street; W. H. Charleston, Taylor Street; and C. H. Smith, Decatur.

Other chairmen include: Ed Kronmiller, horseshoe; C. Steinbacker, games; J. V. Johnson, horse racing; F. F. Brown, rifle range; and Ray Soughan, safety. Vic Boutwell, Harold Smith, George Ellison, and William Kelsey are in charge of refreshments for the all-day affair.

The G-E Foremen's Picnic has been conducted annually as the highlight of the group's entertainment year and has always been well attended.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 & 12

Romie Baumgartner thought he had quite an ideal parking spot last Saturday morning. . . . Congratulations to LaVerne Peters, who celebrated her birthday on May 27. . . . We wish the best of luck to Helen Phillips, who is leaving this week for Memphis, Tennessee, where she will join her husband, who is serving in the U. S. Navy. Let us hear from you, Helen. . . . We want to wish a speedy recovery to John Klejnot, Raymond Aker, Edna Fahlsing, Evelyn Hewes, and Enola Crabill, who have all been home sick for quite some time. . . . Cpl. Earl Rickey, Jr., spent a few days last week at home with his parents. He left Monday for Fort Knox, Kentucky, where he is stationed as an instructor in an armored division. He is the son of Earl Rickey, Bldg. 8-2. . . . Evelyn Arnold is now our little "suntan babe." She returned last Monday from a vacation in Jacksonville, Florida. "Evey" says the sun really does things to you down there, and to prove it she brought back a real coat of tan. . . . Congratulations to Bud Skees, of the die room, who had a birthday last Monday. . . . Max Lawrence became the proud father of a baby girl last week. Congratulations, Max. . . . The beautiful ring sparkling on Mary Brown's third finger, left hand, means one sure thing—her engagement. So accept our congratulations, Mary! . . . Edward Brinkman has returned from his vacation spent with his son home on furlough. From all reports they had a fine time, even if they did knock out a piston on their car. . . . Elenore Plock has been an employee for thirty-nine years now and that probably sets a record in our section. Has the place changed much, Elenore? . . . Margaret Witte spent the last week-end in Toledo, and did she have fun! She really saw the sights! . . . We were told to pass this along to Hans Muller—that the question always comes before the answer; as it seems, Hans can do vice versa and answer first. . . . Russel LeBeau is a very conscientious worker, and the other day saw small unexplained pieces of steel in his work. Upon closer examination he discovered he had slowly been cutting off the end of his steel rule! . . . The odd squeaking sounds here lately are just Dorothey Gideon's muscles relaxing after some exercises the other night, playing softball. Hope you don't get a "Charley horse," Dot.

PROF.—"A fool can ask more questions than a wise man can answer."

STUDENT — "No wonder so many of us flunked in our exams."

Inspection QUALITY Test

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CUSTOMER REJECTION



QUALITY BUILT INTO APPARATUS PREVENTS CUSTOMER REJECTIONS AND RETURNS

BUILD QUALITY
TEST FOR QUALITY
INSPECT FOR QUALITY

REDUCE RETURNS

Consultant For Apparatus Medical Work Is Named

Dr. B. L. Vosburgh has joined the general staff of the Apparatus Manufacturing Division in order that he may devote such time as is necessary to study the medical work and health problems at each of the several Apparatus works. according to an announcement this week by Neil Currie, Jr., Manager of Manufacturing. The change has been made by agreement with J. M. Howell, Manager of the Schenectady Works. Dr. Vosburgh will act as a consultant in coordinating this work in all the Apparatus divisions. He will continue as physician of the Schenectady Works.

Dr. Vosburgh was born at Nelliston, N. Y., attended the public schools of Johnstown, N. Y., and was graduated from the Johnstown High School in 1914. He was graduated from Union College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1918 and entered Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1922.

After an internship in Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, he joined the medical staff of General Electric's Schenectady Works in 1923 and took charge of the medical department in 1928. At about the same time, he became chairman of the Company's Medical Committee, its policy-guiding and co-ordinating group.

Under his guidance the facilities of the Schenectady Works Hospital were considerably expanded in 1930. As Works Physician he has empasized the public health aspect of industrial medicine. In this connection the routine Wassermann and lung X-rays have been instituted.

He is a Director of the American Society of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons and a member of the American Standards Association's Committee on Toxic Hazards.

Customer: "What do you do when a person forgets his change?"

Clerk: "I always tap on the counter with a dollar bill!"

SANDY SAYS

"Too many cooks spoil the broth," Sandy, Jr., read out o' a book. "What does that mean, Dad?"

"Weel," I answered, "right noo it could mean thot broth's all we can oxpect, wi food shortages and all, but it really means thot a lot o' cooks, getting in each other's way, are a nuisance. No two would cook it the same way, and what one did, another would undo."

"Why? Is there more than one way tae cook broth?"

"Yus—as many ways as there are cooks."

"Heck, Dad, no standardization, eh, wot?"

"Noo—yere right—noo, if there were only one kind o' broth—think how simple thot would be—and how monotonous."

. . . . But in some things, monotony is better than constant change. Take, for instance, motors, or transformers, or diesel-electric locomotives. If we "custom built" every one we built—it certainly would be a "strange custom." Just suppose, for instance, thot Mrs. Murphy washes for her 10 kids, herself, and Mr. Murphy, whereas, Mrs. Pipdyke's wash is for Mr. and Mrs. P.D. and a blanket or two for Charlemagne III,* the poodle. Yet, both may have the same, identical model o' motor on their washing machines.

How silly it would be for us tae make a special motor for each washing machine. Yet we may be doing things just as silly, instead o' STANDARDIZING.

Standardization is helping us win the war. We hai standardized on one or two rifles, one or two bazookas, several types o' planes, three or four types o' tanks, etc., etc. (Just suppose we had tried tae make a special gun, or plane, or tank, for each type o' terrain, or weather condition, or size o' soldier, or each distance o' target, etc., etc.)

Standardization is going tae help us (The General Electric Co.) keep our place and improve our position in the peace, afterwards.

Because, in both cases, standardization steps up the production of vital, necessary goods.

Because, in both cases, standardization means C.R.**

Because, in both cases, standardization means more goods for more people at less cost.

*Any resemblance between the name used herein, and that of any dog, living or dead, is purely coincidental.

**COST REDUCTION.

Visitors

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secretary of the Executive Committee.

The group visited many of the divisions of the Fort Wayne Works and were taken on inspection tours of the factory during both days of their visit.

Beginning in May an average of 1,000 persons lose their lives each month through drowning in the United States, the National Safety Council says. This monthly average continues through August.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS



The first two items this week would usually be under the title of "Kiddie Sayings" or "Babies' First Words," but when one grows up they call such mutterings "Intelligent Deductions." Our first intelligent deduction comes from Stu Monroe. Upon seeing a girl walking with the aid of crutches, he decided that she must have had an accident. The second: The guard's phone kept ringing, but when Durr would answer, the trickster would hang up. Imogene Brunk says, "I'll bet that's someone trying to be smart." . . . Ada Lytle received a telegram that her husband, Bob Lytle, a former employee, is on his way home after several months overseas. We see happy days ahead. . . . Janet Grant is back hale and hearty from her vacation. . . . Nobody missed noticing Lew Gossman's new tie last week. (They would have to be blind, if they did). . . . Welcome, Frances Aeschliman and Maxine Prater, to the Coil Placing section. . . . When I asked Cliff Harmes for a story about John Kaade, Cliff informed me that John had been doing nothing to write about lately. Not that! Anything but that!! . . . Our sincerest apologies to Mary Stodgell, whose name is really "Marg." . . . Lavohn Merriman has a passion for coconut pie. That is, when her "friends" don't eat it all and forget about her. . . . Don McAleece discovered what an attraction he has for girls. Rosie Lovegrove was walking by Don's desk, and in her friendly fashion she spoke and immediately fell flat on her face. Remind me to stay away from Don. . . . Andy Richards is trying to learn if he can have strep throat in his foot. . . . Welcome to Maxine Mundell to the Final Assembly Section. . . . Welcome also to Margaret Ross and Pat Kelley in the Shipping Section. . . . On May 25, Bob Taylor of Planning reminded us that it is just seven months until Christmas. Isn't that just like a planner! Just think, I haven't even started my Christmas shopping yet. . . Ray Tilley is back from an interlude in the hospital. Glad to see you back and feeling fine, Ray. . . . Paul Deal certainly wields a mean hand on the calculating machine. At odd moments the machine will go out of commission and it sounds like a P-38 in a dive. (Have you ever seen a P-38 in a "dive?") . . . Several girls in the Stator Winding Section have had letters from Pauline Baker, a former employee, who now lives in San Francisco. She is working for the Navy and likes it fine. . . . We caught George Knight reading "Little Red Riding Hood" the other day. We can't decide if it's his second or third childhood. . . . Now it comes out! Homer and Ruth Adams and Harold Wirick went fishing once upon a time. Harold pulled a big fat worm out of the can and dangled it in front of Ruth saying, "Boy, he looks good enough to eat." Harold was putting the worm on the hook, and, as good fishermen do, he pulled the worm in two. This was an exceptionally fat and strong worm, because when Harold pulled on him, the worm broke, flipped, and hit Harold right in the face where his mouth was open. Harold said the worm didn't taste as good as he looked. . . . The same Mr. and Mrs. Adams have recently become grandmother and grandfather. Congrats. . . . If you have anything you want fixed, Bob "Fixut" Alexander can break it for you. While pounding on his badge with a sledge hammer, he broke the pin off it (imagine that!). While trying to bend the hook, he broke the end off his eversharp. . . . Happy birthday to Grant Garritson. He was presented with a kite and two cigars. . . . Reed Burdge has an invention for cleaning off cluttered desks. (This is what we have been waiting for all these years). Open the drawers and make a clean sweep, everything piling into the drawers in a not neat heap. . . . According to latest reports the cigarette situation is still a situation. . . . John Pearce decided that with meat rationing the way it is, he'll take chickens, dead or alive. . . . Mary Critchley looks as healthy as ever after a session of housecleaning. . . . Don't forget that the Seventh War Loan Drive is not over yet. Keep buying those bonds.

Headliners Examine Headliner



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Camera catches two headliners, Evelyn Wyckoff, star of "Oklahoma!" and Sgt. William Lemassena, examining the sight of the headliner aluminum bazooka manufactured by General Electric for the Army.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Well, our own little Fern Bermes is back inspecting on second trick again. Now we begin to realize how much we really missed her smiling countenance while she was hobnobbing with the first trickers. . . . One thing the euchre players would certainly miss is Elmer Mourning's hollering, "Poke! Poke!" every time one of them is euchred. . . . Ernie Lawyer was sorely missed while he was on his vacation. Ernie says he was pretty sore too, because he spent the entire time insulating his home. . . . Mr. Grubb's two good friends, Whitcomb and G. Humbarger, decided to help him with his house painting. We understand that they did help some, but what we can't quite figure out is how they got any paint on the house when they had themselves so well covered. . . . Cornelius Farrell is transferred across the street to Bldg. 19-4. . . . Fisherman Pierce can hardly wait until the fishing season opens. He already has his gear packed in the car, the tank full of gas, and quite a number of needles and pins to sit on and wait for June 16. . . . Brother Shelper decided to play first base on Surface's softball team. We couldn't understand why until we saw him play. The reason is that he doesn't have to run any, just stands still and lets the other fellows throw the ball to him. Nice going, Oscar. . . . You should see Joe Eifrid in a sailor hat. . . . Art Rose has finally convinced a few around here what the reason is for raising a mustache, if that's what it is. Because of the food shortage, he doesn't want to see how little he has to put in his mouth; so by looking straight ahead, the thing on his upper lip conceals what is going under it. . . . O. Schelper sent brother Humbarger on a secret mission to get Schelper a package of cigarettes, but when Humbarger got them they had the Humbarger brand; so poor little Schelper got none. . . . So long until next week, same time, same 17-1.

A deaf woman entered a church with an ear trumpet. Soon after she had seated herself, an usher tiptoed over and whispered, "One toot, and out you go."

In the 21 years from 1923 to 1944 the motor vehicle death rate for school age children (5 to 14 years) has dropped 35 per cent under the impact of organized safety effort in the schools, according to the National Safety Council.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Henry Wittber was seen digging deep into his pockets, but it was all for naught, as he waited like a lost boy until proper identification permitted him a substitute for his much-sought-after badge. . . . Gus Kruse is sporting a new cap that would make the Duke of Windsor sit up and take notice. . . . When cowboy Bill Richardson goes to the country for a swiss steak dinner, he gets so wild that he thinks he can lead a calf with two fingers in the calf's nose. He found out that the calf pulled as hard as he did, and we have a picture to prove it. . . . Clifford Dunten has really found out how to play euchre after taking a few lessons from L. Boxell and R. Truelove the other noon. Ask Cliff how he came out. . . . "Joe College" Brenner was sporting a flashy new bow tie last week. We wonder if we will see a zoot suit next. . . . The Sports Spotlight turns with pride to the new Club Girls' Softball Manager, who is none other than Charlotte (Chuck, M.C.R.) Drewett. We are also honored to have Loretta Wyneken, one of the Club's "star" players. . . . Russell Mavis proved all over again that the easiest way to find a gasoline leak in your car is with a lighted match. He will look better with new eyebrows, too, as singeing is very good for their growth. . . . Russell Kensill was seen recently eating peanut butter sandwiches. What's the matter, Russ? Are your red points all gone?

Marge: "What's the difference between dancing and marching?"

Sarge: "I dunno."

Marge: "I thought so."

17-3 Newsies

The screaming you heard the other day was furnished by Ruth Stone and Pauline Chapman. Seems there was a bolt of gray tape rolled down the table, and these girls thought it was a mouse. . . . Congratulations to our new grandmother, Lillian Smith, who is spending her vacation visiting the new boy. . . . Henry Myers has been unhappy this past week because his friend, Jessie Beck, is on his vacation. Cheer up, Henry; they don't come often. . . . A group of oldtimers gathered at the cottage of Vern Castle for their annual weekend get-together. There were forty-six present who enjoyed the sports and food. . . . Our best wishes to Wandean Hile, who is to be married, and to Emma Eibling Martin, who was married a short time ago. . . . Welcome to the new boys and girls who have come on our floor. . . . Wonder what was the cause for Marilyn Chaney and Katie Deloff walking to Huntington the other day? Maybe they were ambitious or didn't have the gas. . . . Seems that groups 13x26 and 27 were arguing about what a water hydrant was. Group 27 thought it had to do with a sink and faucets being plugged, causing you to use the one outside the house. And 26 was thinking that you'd have to use the city fire plug to clean it out. Still, if the city doesn't mind, it might be all right. You have both sides of the hydrant question, so you be the judge in this debate. . . . We hope Gertie Wheat's husband gets better soon. . . . Greetings and prayers for our service men and women all over the world. Join us whenever you are home. Good luck!

2-3 Office

Hello, everybody. Like Yukie, I'm back, with a brand-new column. Hope you like it. . . . Harry Beitel always thought he had borderline anemia, until he went through the Bluffton clinic. There it was found that he was so disgustingly healthy that the doctors were a little peeved at him for taking up their time. . . . Paul Koogle has a victory garden in the south end of town. Did I say garden? Perhaps I should have said island. Never mind, Paul; I have a pair of hip boots you can borrow when you gather your corn. . . . Get a load of George Auer proudly displaying the first picture of his infant son, and in his bathinette too. I'll bet if he could talk, this is about what he would be saying, "Can't a guy have any privacy?" . . . Our friend, Mr. Petz, is leaving us to spend his remaining years on the east coast beaches. Some people have all of the luck, but we are happy for you anyway, Mr. Petz. . . . Luella Franke, who is leaving soon to be married, was honored with a dinner at the Terrace Gardens this week. She was presented with a gift and a corsage. Those present were Audrey Hickernell, Irene Deik, Ida Witte, Belle Buchan, Irene Stier, Leone Stauffer, Phyllis Rabus, Edna Grossman, Janet Ogden, Theodora Kautras, Sylvia Depew, Edna Hassinger, Ruthmary Glenn, Rosemary Lenihan, Zoa Didier, Dorothy Crosbie, Roberta Martin, Delores Stolte, and the guest of honor. . . . More next week.

Sunbeam Sal

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its operations.

We No Longer Laugh At The Inventor



The industrial engineering laboratory, the workshop of the inventors of our day, and the industrial research laboratory, experimenting in the field of pure science, have helped to build the modern world.

STRANGE as it may seem to us now, inventors once had a hard struggle convincing people to buy and use their new devices. But fifty or sixty years ago, most people, including many who should have known better, were inclined to greet the accomplishments of inventors with ridicule.

Perhaps the public took this attitude then because the people just couldn't believe that men could ever succeed in doing what the inventors claimed they had done. And this feeling persisted even after the inventors had given repeated demonstrations of the way their inventions worked. The people were curious about the early inventions from the very start but only gradually did they become interested in trying out the "new-fangled methods" themselves. Time was necessary apparently to show them that the new inventions could serve them in a thousand practical and useful ways.

We know now, of course, that the inventions which once looked foolish to so many people are among the things we use every day. Many of the old prejudices against the inventor and invention, naturally, are gone now. In fact, inventing has become just as much part of our way of doing business as manufacturing and selling.

Factory and "Lab" Now Work Together

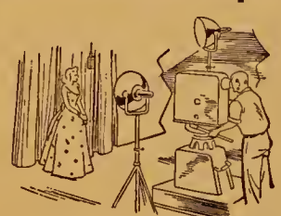
The reason why many American industrial concerns today have engineering and research laboratories in their factories is that they now recognize the tremendous importance of keeping men with new ideas—the inventors and scientists of our times—close to the production line.

We have learned much from the inventor. By example, he showed us how to apply the facts of science to make the things that we need. He taught us also that inventions can provide jobs and raise our standard of living. We can only admire the inventor of the old days who stuck to his ideas when nearly everyone else thought those ideas didn't make much sense and who continued his experiments despite heartbreaking discouragements.

It is easy for us here at General Electric to see the connection between science and invention and industrial progress. General Electric was one of the first of the big companies to establish a research "lab," to institute the "Suggestion System," and in other ways to encourage people to come forward with their ideas on how to improve old products and to create new ones.

When American industry placed the engineering development laboratory close to the workbenches in the factories to take advantage of the new facts of science, it opened up a whole new field of possibility. We are crossing a new frontier and we have far yet to go. Like the pioneers of old, who braved the hazards of the primitive West in search of fame and fortune, we today must also have the courage and imagination to seek out the new both in and out of the laboratory, both in and out of the factory, in whatever way our talents and skills permit. The future is full of promise here in America if only we take advantage of the freedom that is ours to make the most of our opportunities.

Modern Examples of Progress Under Free Enterprise



A list of the items that have been created by the research men, engineers, and others in the laboratories and factories of our great industries would be long indeed. But those of us who are connected with General Electric have some idea of what products could be included on the list. For years, the Company has turned out a steady flow of new products. That is how the Company has grown and provided employment for so many thousands of people.

Among the more recent developments of General Electric are air conditioning units, electric blankets, gas turbines, television, plastics, garbage grinders, germicidal lamps, silicone rubber, aircraft instruments, fluorescent lamps, and industrial electronic control devices.

Many other products developed as the result of wartime research will also help the Company to expand further and to provide additional job opportunities for its employees after the war. Research and engineering developments will also affect other companies in the country in the same way. And, of course, every job in the factory creates others outside. The American living standards which have always been high are destined to rise even higher.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"May 13, 1945

"Somewhere in the Pacific

"Dear Editor:

"Just a short letter to let you know my change of address. I have been on a ship in the Pacific, and I don't have very much time to write. I'm sorry I haven't written before.

"I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly and enjoy reading it very much. It keeps me posted on what is going on back home.

"I can't say very much where I've been, but we can mention some of the places.

"We were at Pearl Harbor for a couple of weeks, and I enjoyed swimming at Waikiki Beach. Some sailors probably heard of it. We stopped at a few islands, but there isn't much to say about them.

"We were at Leyte for a month and it rained most of the time. We found the people very sociable.

"Well, I guess I'd better close for now and hope to be back soon.

"So long,

"Charles G. Krause S 1/c"

Receiving—Hi Bay

Does Ellinger ever like his candy! He bought a box to pass, as he claims his dog had pups.

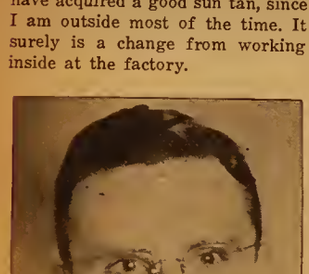
"May 3, 1945

"Dear Editor:

"Your welcomed letter of February 21 finally caught up with me. I have been covering a lot of miles and seeing many interesting sights.

"Since I left the States, I haven't received the WORKS NEWS. They may catch up with me also as your letter did.

"At present I am on an island base somewhere in the Pacific. I have acquired a good sun tan, since I am outside most of the time. It surely is a change from working inside at the factory.



"The scenery is beautiful and a change from the flat country around Fort Wayne. It is also interesting to see how the natives live out here.

"I have witnessed how necessary all the equipment that can be produced is needed to end the war with the Japs sooner. I only wish all could see their particular equipment in action, and they would be proud of its performance.

"Since I worked in Power Drive Division I have been wondering how everyone is? I suppose there have been changes and improvements made. I hope to be seeing the place some time in the future.

"As ever,

"Bob Bienz, S 2/c"

SPORTS NEWS

Golf

The golf league finally got started at Brookwood last Wednesday; and, outside of the fact that the dandelions were still pretty bad, everything went smoothly.

Hal Staley had the best score of the evening, a 45, which is very good for this early in the season. The scores ranged up into the 80's with some of the fellows liking the traps and rough better than the fairways.

Team No. 1, captained by Arnold Benecke, defeated team No. 2 in the closest match of the evening. Only one point separated the final score, 244 to 245. Team No. 3, captained by Staley, defeated team No. 4, 245 to 262. Team No. 5, captained by Glen Macy, defeated team No. 6, 209 to 221. After another week of practice, the fellows all hope to get their scores down a few points.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Lyle Wray reports for duty at Fort Benjamin Harrison May 31. He is now a private in Uncle Sam's Army. . . . Lawrence Magsamen, inventor of the lightning play, and Bob Lasch, inventor of the "delayed action" play, have some interesting battles at the noon euchre games. . . . Lawrence Lord, plant guard, has been notified that his son, Tech. Sgt. Lawrence Lord, has been liberated after being in a German prison camp for nineteen months.

Winter Street Firemen

A steak dinner was enjoyed by the Volunteer Firemen of the Winter Street Plant on May 17 at 6:30 P.M. at the Colonial Cafe. After the dinner smokes were passed, and a short meeting was held. The officers for the coming year were announced, C. Hueber, president; H. Bennigan, vice-president; A. Hume, treasurer; and G. Haggenjos, secretary. The guests present included F. Duryee, E. Hanauer, A. Haycox, P. Snyder and E. F. Badger, each giving a short, interesting talk about the Volunteer Fire Department, how it should function, and the maintenance of equipment. F. Duryee presented pictures and spoke on the origin of the Fire Department in 1895. Mr. Badger spoke on the urgent need of a Volunteer Fire Department in every plant and the good being done by them. A. Haycox is the Winter Street Plant engineer, and P. Snyder is Plant Protection and Fire Chief. Members of the V.F.D. present at the dinner were C. Hueber, H. Bennigan, A. Hume, L. Magsamen, M. Blomenberg, E. Geller, T. Pond, M. Poole, H. Reiter, E. Gallmeier, A. Lash, G. Jackson, E. Gilbert, F. Ahlersmeyer, C. Hees, D. Proxmire, G. Castle, W. Stoddard, G. Haggenjos and J. Schwartz.

Production

Jim Duff believes in safe-guarding the stationery key, because he forgets and leaves it in his vest pocket. . . . Charlie Lammiman is doing his part toward the mustache fad, here in the Production Section. He has a duke's mixture of colors in the cookie-duster; but, if you'll overlook the shagginess of it, you'll see that it's red. . . . Eileen Kagey can't seem to tell the difference between the odor of cologne and that of bananas. It isn't that bad, is it, Eileen? . . . Don Lichty is wearing his specs no more. He's decided to put 'em on the shelf for a while.

Accounting and Payroll

Marguerite Fisher has been walking around in a daze the last few weeks. Her "Howdy" is on his way home from the Pacific. There will be wedding bells ringing in June for Marguerite and "Howdy." . . . Ann Hudson is very proud of her powder box she received from India, and rightfully so, as it is hand carved of pure ivory. We all wish we had one.

Machine Shop

We wish to extend our sympathy to James Eddy in the loss of his daughter. . . . Earl Galland injured his eye last week and has been unable to work. Hope to see you back soon, Earl. . . . The gang surprised V. Thomas by presenting him with a billfold on his birthday. . . . R. McKeefer (Mac) is going around with his head bandaged. It seems the garage door didn't want to cooperate. . . . Saturday was Larry Stoppenhagen's last day in the shop. We'll all miss you, Larry, and the best of luck to you. . . . Jean Sheets, our time clerk, spent an enjoyable week-end in Chicago. . . . Bob Bauch is back on the job after his vacation.

Planning

Two men were on the vacationing list last week, Dana Paff and Ray Dumford. From the latest report Ray spent his time gardening and fixing his car. . . . A swell time was reported by Madonna Ferguson on her visit to Chicago. Chinatown was one of the many places she visited, and she brought back chopsticks to prove it. We think we still prefer a knife, fork and spoon. . . . Leroy Maxheimer was having trouble keeping his hair slicked down the other day. This seems to happen every time it's washed, and he just can't do a thing with it.

Dustproof Room

We all hope Harriet Modezjewski had a very good time on her vacation last week. . . . The girls in the Room want to wish Ruth Kittridge loads of success at her new job. We are all sorry to see Ruth leave. . . . Betty Sickafoose has been all smiles and looks so energetic since she got her new job. . . . It seems that Lucille Johnson didn't have enough light, or her eyes weren't open the other morning. It seems she got two different hose on. She had better rise earlier. . . . We of the Dustproof Room extend our deepest sympathy to Ida Belle Rockwell in the loss of her brother. . . . Since Mrs. Colvin is leaving on a visit, we are warning Mr. Colvin to watch his diet.

Order and Stores

If anyone ever offers Loretta Soldner a ride, be sure to take your hat off. She doesn't recognize fellow-workers with hats on. . . . When Tom quits wearing his sleeveless sweater, you can bet for sure summer is here.

Oil Pump and Compressor

Ted Pemberton was all smiles the other day and with a good reason. His son, who was a German prisoner, is on his way home and is in quite good health. We are all glad too, Ted. . . . Al Ervin is in Michigan this week trying to get that big walleye that got away last year. Ray Reugamer is in charge of the section for the week. . . . Gertrude is waiting for the weather to clear so she can put her porch swing up. . . . The dance floor at the 901 Club is getting slicker. If you don't think so, ask Londy.

Factory Office

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Marcella Chevillot, who recently underwent an operation at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Cost

Walter Strasser was seen next to the curb with a motorcycle cop at his side—Walter states it was a friendly chat—but we have our doubts.

Miscellaneous

We wish to extend sincere sympathy to Marguerite Leighty in the death of her son, Lt. Ralph Leighty, in Holland on V-E day on his twenty-first birthday.

Is Zat So?

It sure has been a pleasure to write this column during Veora's vacation, so we will dig right in and give you the latest dirt. . . . Betty Kaufman came to work the other day dressed for spring, and a little later on in the day she was surprised to see it snowing. Now Betty has her red flannels on again, in hopes she won't have to wear them too much longer. . . . We wish to congratulate O. Surface's softball team on the nice exhibition they put on while playing. We are proud to have such a swell bunch of fellows represent us. The only thing they need now is rooters. . . . We have been wondering if Mel Kestner and Ernie Riley have the same publicity agent. If so, we better watch out in '48. We'll have a couple more senators on this floor. . . . Everyone knows when Ann West is through spring housecleaning, because she is the happiest little thing at work now. She said everything at home was peaceful again, and now she feels like really cleaning up around here! . . . Norb Meyers sure has a honey of a sweater. It is the latest style. It always hangs on the back of his chair. To appreciate it you will have to see it. . . . Ernie Barr is retiring, after being with the G-E since 1912. We are sorry to see you go, Ernie, and wish you many years of happiness. . . . Mrs. Pipkin has a system of her own to make Johnny spade up their victory garden. John is an ardent fisherman, so she told him the back yard was full of worms, and he really worked to get them. . . . Virginia Haviland was a very welcome visitor. She reports all is well within the WAVES and herself. Be sure to drop in to see us again, Ginny, only we hope it will be home for good. . . . Did you see that extra big smile on Raymond Smith this morning? You see, he is the proud father of a 7½ pound baby girl. Congratulations, "Pappy." . . . Happy birthday to Richard Stults, Harold Fisher, and Norman Gardner. . . . Ernest Riley, who is an old-timer with the General Electric, is also an old stand-by for the News-Sentinel. The picture in the paper was swell, Ernie. . . . If anyone is interested in learning how to ride a horse, be sure to contact Ralph Berman. Only take our advice and make sure the barn door is big enough for horse and yourself.

Suggestion Pays Off



Louis Hinen, Bldg. 4-4, received a $40 suggestion award for his idea to use yellow scotch tape in masking conduit boxes and base holes on stators in varnish dip.

"Old Faithful" Goes On Furlough

On May 2, the Mountain View (Cal.) Police Department's table model radio burned out a tube but Chief A. H. Excell wasn't mad about it. The General Electric set had been in continuous 24-hour-a-day operation since December 12, 1941.

"All I regret about the deal is the fact that its war service didn't quite last until V-E Day. Even so the set's service record was 3 years, 4 months and 20 days, representing 29,640 hours of constant service. I guess old faithful was entitled to a furlough," Chief Excell said.

The tube has been replaced in the set and the radio has resumed operation even though its record was broken, Chief Excell related.

News From TAYLOR STREET

Receiving

Adeline Muzzilo of the Receiving Inspection Section is back at work after taking a week's vacation. She tells us she spent most of the week in bed with the flu. Glad you are rested and back again. . . . Clyde Kreigh spent last Friday in Indianapolis being examined for the service. Clyde says as far as he knows they found nothing physically wrong. . . . We are losing Mr. Long this week, as he is moving his desk to the Shipping Section. We hope you like it there, Mr. Long. . . Bill Elick spent a couple of days last week in Chicago taking a test for the Merchant Marines. He failed to pass, so is back in the harness. We would have hated to lose you, Bill. . . We missed Hobart Friend last week, he took his vacation. He at least had one nice day to work in his victory garden. . . . The Seventh War Loan Drive is not over yet, so let's get that extra bond. The various Sections are making a good showing. It is the best way we know to save money, and by saving we help lick the Japs. . . . We are losing three of the girls in Receiving Inspection this week. Lizzie Markley, Bernice Lord and Adeline Muzzillo are leaving the G-E. We will miss them. Come back and see us, girls. . . . Jim Brittin, our correspondent from Shipping, celebrated May 26, having passed another milestone. Jim won't tell us just how old he is, but he says he is past the draft age. We wish you many returns of the day. . . . Frank Fast received word that his son Edward, who called on us recently, left for overseas.

Shipping

Al Muller is a very busy man these days. In addition to his other duties, he has a moving project to help keep him busy. . . . Bob Zimmerman is now on first shift after a two weeks' vacation. . . . Charles Fisher is really planning in a big way for his vacation next week. South Whitley will never be the same after Charles has his vacation. . . . Ernie Schafer, our second shift dispatcher, has transferred to the production office. Good going, Ernie. Do you still get your peanuts? . . . Bob Schulthess, our chipped potato expert, is looking for bigger and better sacks of chipped potatoes. . . . Verna Powers showed us some realistic pictures of destruction. Her son sent them from Italy. . . . Our dreams are getting better all the time, with the war effort on the home front still backing up the boys on the fighting front, our efforts all on knocking out Japan and the Seventh Bond Drive going forward to a fine grand total. It is great to be an American. Let's all keep pitching until final victory. . . . Our "victory girl" team is being separated. Verna Powers is transferring to Van Horn's Section. Vesta Whitney is leaving the organization to resume her duties as housewife, and, last but not least, Vivian Spindler is still making progress in the hardware. . . . Ruth Faurote is the girl who really keeps us happy back here. She is always kidding someone and causes a smile to replace a frown on someone's face every day.

Apprentice Alumni See "Kiss And Tell"



Members of the Apprentice Alumni Association recently saw a special presentation of the Civic Theatre presentation of "Kiss and Tell." Pictured above is a group view of part of those attending.

Plant Service

F. I. B. might spell the word fib, but in this case they are the initials of Franklin I. Bryan, and it's no fib that he and Mrs. Bryan have adopted a new baby boy—welcome, Franklin Miles Bryan. . . . If you happen to have a spare jack in your car, and you would like to give it away or sell it, see Otto Hans. He certainly could have used one Tuesday morning. That half-a-mile hike to borrow one is good for your figure, Ott. . . . Have you seen our 100% banner for the Seventh War Loan Drive? It's up a little bit high, but it's there, 100%. . . . W. Grush, H. Jensen, and R. Wells are taking their vacations this week. . . . Fred Shank and Ed Walt have returned to the Taylor Street carpenter shop after helping the Broadway carpenters out for the past two weeks. Walter Rosselot spent last weekend in Chicago at the Barber Shop Quartet contest of the Midwestern Semifinals. . . . Luther Childers has returned after taking a week of vacation in this nice, cold May weather. . . . Whitey VanAuken and Phil Phillips went fishing last week at Kalkaska, Michigan. They said the fish weren't biting, but I think it was a little too cold for them to get out and see. Temperature was around 40°, wasn't it, boys? . . . Bob Fox wishes he were at the lake these nice, warm days, trying to catch the big fish that got away last year. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Walter MacGinnitie have a new baby girl in their family—welcome, Nancy Ellen. . . . We have been wondering how P. Traub got the honor of wearing one of the firemen's shirts the other day. Couldn't have been that oil you got into? Those firemen certainly come to the rescue.

Nozzle Box

Highlights of the week: Margaret Puryear received good news. Her son Sgt. Roy Puryear, who has been a prisoner of the Germans at Stalag No. 17 for the past 13 months, was liberated on V-E Day by the Russians. Roy said that at present he is in Austria but was expecting to get home soon and that Margaret should get ready for a big celebration. . . . Dolly Kizer has received word from her brother Wayne, who is now serving with the Army in the Philippines. Wayne, or "Bud" as he was called, worked on the second trick. . . . Congratulations go to Atley Prough, who had a birthday on May 14. Atley got a licking from the gang. . . . Ann Lemmel said that she saw Amanda Mills the other day and that Amanda is not working; she is going to take it easy for a while. . . . Florence Lea received word that her brother, who has been a prisoner for five years in Germany, has been liberated. When last heard of, he was in Austria. . . . We had Jerry Gilbert back on first trick for a day. Speaking of Jerry, congratulations to him, on his birthday, May 23. He received a nice gift from the gang on second trick. . . . Esther Schrader is taking her vacation this week. . . . Oh boy—that yellow shirt! Yes, it's Art Smead, trying to keep up with the season's color. . . . Harriet Williams is now working on the second trick. Welcome, Harriet, and we hope that you will have a nice vacation next week. . . . Congratulations go to Ann Lemmel, who had a birthday May 25. . . . Sure seems like the vacation bug is biting rather early this year. Grace Smith of the inspection section has returned from her vacation, as well as our foreman, Don Leiter. When it comes to picking a vacation to obtain rest and stay indoors all day, Don sure can pick them. He had rain on every day of his vacation, but now and then the sun was out for an hour or so. . . . We regret very much the absence of Dolene Palmer because of illness but hope it will be of short duration and that she will soon be well. . . . Speaking of vacations, Charles Purner took his vacation this week; he will return on June 4. He told us that he was going to seek some good weather and look for it in Detroit, Michigan, and also Chicago. His mother lives in Chicago. . . . Olive Adams has a new granddaughter, Linda Lou, born May 18. The parents of the little glamor girl are Mr. and Mrs. Max Decker. Also on that day Olive's youngest daughter, Doris Hoffman, was crowned "Queen of Central's Prom." . . . First Lt. George W. Dicks, son of Cleo Dicks, is home on a thirty-day leave, from the Eighth Air Force. He finished his missions over Germany and the Nazi-held countries on April 3.

Impeller

The Impeller Section is very proud of the banner they received in the Seventh War Loan Drive. Thanks to all of you, both to the solicitors and to those of you who bought bonds. . . . We all wish we were in Ben Pickett's place this week, for Ben is taking his vacation. Don't sleep too late, Ben. Hope you have a good time. . . . Joe Hahn and Hilda Horstmeyer are enjoying vacations this week too. Hilda is cleaning house, and we hope Joe isn't working too hard on his new home. . . . Connie Kumfer celebrated her birthday Thursday, May 24. The cup cakes she brought for the girls were very delicious. Everyone enjoyed them. The girls all gave her hankies and cards. We all hope you have many more birthdays, Connie. . . . Hugh Tigges is now learning to set up the automatic mills. How do you like them, Hugh? . . . Mary A. Huyghe celebrated her birthday May 22. We all wished her a very happy birthday and many more of them. . . . You know you never should wear a white dress out on the farm, especially out in the pig pen, as Mary Huyghe found out. It seems as though Mary was out on her father's farm, all dressed up. A pig must have gotten excited, for around the corner it came, slipped, and fell. Too bad Mary was right there, and the outcome was—not a white dress—but a black one. So—never wear white on the farm.

Tool Room

Woody Woodard has been on his vacation for the past week. . . . Fred Johnson is again a member of the "I Forgot My Badge" Club. . . . Bids are being taken for a new news-reporter for the Grinding Section. Let's keep the service men partly informed about what goes on back home. . . . I wonder what the tool room will be like without us girls, Edith Spencer, Annettia Hill, Myrtle Mansfield, Alice Anderson, Gladys Marker, Dorothy Young, and Helen Tritch. We'll miss the little pleasantries we have had for over two years, too. . . . The Tool Room is proud of the banner we received for going over the 100% quota in the Seventh Bond Drive. . . . Well, gang, this last week we lost a wonderful friend and a swell reporter. We all miss Helen Tritch and wish her the best of luck on her next job. So long Helen, and keep that smile making the world brighter.

Decaturites

Gladys Stahly and Opal McCoy spent their vacations in Chicago; Leah and Marie Rash spent their vacation at home in Portland. . . . Mary Fuhrman has been on the sick list. . . . Annabelle Doan spent her vacation visiting with a friend recently returned after three years in the Pacific. . . . Mary Wolpert of Plant No. 1 office is spending part of her vacation in Dayton, Ohio, where she will meet a friend who has just returned to the U. S. after spending the past three years in the Pacific area. . . . Norma Bower's swell gift from Italy is the keenest kind of souvenir. . . . Hazel Brunner has left the swing shift for an extended sick leave. . . . Billy Dixon, hubby of Pauline Dixon, is home on a fifteen-day furlough. . . . Tom Rhodes, who had a birthday last week, is off this week for an operation. He received many birthday presents from the gang. . . . Card of thanks: Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Egly wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their thoughtfulness. . . . It is not all propaganda we hear and read in the newspapers about the atrocities in Germany. According to the letter Bill Hunt received from his son in that country, everything is so. . . . Showers of flowers to Lorena Keller for being a fine feller and sending in the Decaturites. . . . Julie went away in May, and we hope it is for a short stay. . . . Let's all support the new safety director, Phil Dolby, by watching our feet and our eyes. . . . Clara (Pat) Girod is back with us again on the second shift. Pat was formerly on Plant No. 2 swing shift. . . . First signs of sunburn—Old Sol surely kissed Micky McDougal on the forehead. . . . Charlie Andrews of the die cast has returned after an absence of several weeks because of sickness. . . . Even Ed Shaffer has birthdays. Happy birthday, Ed, and many more of them. . . . Charles Gable wishes to express his sincere appreciation and thanks to Jerry Kohne and Section 5-56 for their generous donation for a hair cut. . . . The second shift Gecode Club girls, together with their mothers and guests, were entertained with a lovely party on Thursday at the Masonic home. A dinner and theater party were enjoyed. The committee in charge: Martha Rawley, Kathleen Ryan, Bessie Baker, Eleanor Snyder and Juanita Buckey.

Eighteen Complete Twenty-Five Years' Service



Eighteen employees of the Fort Wayne Works have completed twenty-five years of continuous service with the Company within recent weeks. Left to right, they are: top row, L. Buckmaster, Bldg. 12-3; Emmet Simpson, Bldg. 6-1; Edward Lallak, Bldg. 6-B; Arthur Jenne, Bldg. 26-5; Ray Kierspe, Bldg. 8-2; and William R. Kizer, Bldg. 19-1. Second row, Edward Schotter, Bldg. 19-5; E. N. Matson, Taylor Street; Chester Steinbarger, Bldg. 12-B; Ray Soest, Bldg. 19-4; Gerald Moore, Bldg. 26-1; Henry Schwehn, Bldg. 1 Bottom row, Lawrence G. Gardt, Bldg. 12-B; Lazern Hopkins, Bldg. 12-B; Willia Gallmeyer, Bldg. 19-5; Alfred Nicholson, Bldg. 8-2; Bernie Gausepohl, Taylor Stree and B. J. Spitler, Bldg. 26-5. Employees who have completed twenty-five years' co tinuous service are eligible for membership in the Quarter-Century Club.

G-E Control Makes Warplane Pilot's Job More Simple

New System Used In Connection With Turbo-Supercharged Engine

General Electric with the permission of the War Department, recently disclosed details of an "automatic engineer" for aircraft power plants, which, by combining three separate and important engine control operations into one, greatly simplifies the pilot's job in a warplane and allows him more time for fighting. Primary function of this unit is to maintain that power output previously selected by the pilot, regardless of changes in altitude.

In accomplishing automatic regulation of engine power, the G-E control makes use of a number of mechanical and electrical devices. This system, used in connection with the aircraft turbosupercharged engine, sets of its own accord the throttle, engine speed control and the manifold pressure regulator, thereby relieving the pilot from making these adjustments separately, as he formerly had to do.

General Electric engineers pointed out that an airplane engine will not maintain constant power output as the plane continues to climb, since the air which the engines "breathe" grows proportionately thinner as the plane ascends. For this reason, turbosuperchargers are today used by the Army Air Forces on almost all highflying fighter planes and large bombers to compress the surrounding air and supply it to the engines in the proper pressures. Thus employed, turbos make it possible for the engines of a plane flying at 30,000 feet to utilize 100 per cent of their rated sea level power, while, at the same altitude, an engine not supercharged could develop only 30 per cent of its rated sea level power.

G-E's automatic engineer, in compensating for the decreasing density of the upper atmosphere, regulates the turbosupercharger to increase the amount of air compression. Once the pilot establishes a setting for the power output he wants to maintain, the turbo adjustments require no further attention until the pilot desires to effect a change in his power plant output. Previously, the same adjustments which are automatically performed by the G-E control each required individual performance on the part of the pilot. With the control, however, a single lever in the cockpit enables the pilot to provide the correct power plant regulation with one movement and then pay no more attention to it.

Besides simplifying the pilot's job, the unit also reduces the human equation by employing mechanical means to assure constant power maintenance. This results in smoother, more uniform and efficient performance of the turbo power plant. At extremely high altitudes or when necessary because of battle damage, the unit also limits the maximum operating speed of the turbosupercharger to a safe value, thus preventing damage to it and insuring its continuous performance.

Sometime during the thick of battle, extra power output from the turbo power plant is required. When this is the case, "war emergency power," as this additional output is called, is immediately provided for by the automatic engine control whenever it is called upon to supply it. Furthermore, by reducing the amount of control linkage and cables that would otherwise be required from the power plant to the cockpit, the engine control reduces lost motion and provides more positive, faster and smoother response from the power plant. When necessary during long flights, the pilot may take control away from the automatic engineer and regulate manifold pressure and engine speed separately. This enables the plane to take full advantage of its fuel and make the most miles per gallon of gasoline.

Though but newly announced, G-E's automatic engine control has been under development for several years. Dr. Sanford A. Moss, General Electric engineer, who is famous for his pioneer work on the aircraft supercharger itself, worked with the G-E regulator division and the Army Air Forces on this development. Designed primarily for use on military planes, the automatic engine control, according to company engineers, may likewise prove of major benefit for future commercial and private aircraft as well.

Three G-E Soldiers Liberated In Germany

The total of former G-E em ployees who have been liberate from German prison camps ha risen with the announcement of th freeing of three more men. The are Lt. James R. Pequignot, Bldg 12-2, PFC Richard T. Pemberto Bldg. 17-3, and PFC Carl Rash Bldg. 18-B.

Lt. Pequignot has informed hi family that he was released fro Stalag Luft VII-A near Mooseburg Germany, on April 30. He had bee a prisoner since the B-24 Liberato bomber on which he served as firs pilot made a forced landing in Po land on September 13, 1944. PF Pemberton, who had been a pris oner for eight months, was als freed from Stalag VII-A, on Apri 29, and is now on his way hom PFC Rash, who had been a prisone of the Germans since October 1 was liberated on April 29. He i expected to return to the United States in the near future.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Wier Anderson made a valiant effort to prove his skill in the art of changing diapers last week on the stage at the Hoosier Hop; but our hero proved not so deft with the safety pins as he is with the drafting tools, and so went down to defeat. However, even the pain of losing was worth one carton of precious cigarettes to him. . . . It looks as though the handy sponge that Carl Brandt has provides the answer to Walter Whonsetler's problem, and he can now wash the kitchen walls without the water trickling down his arms. . . . Karl Feiertag is back with us again, after having worked first in Bldg. 19-5 and then at the Taylor Street Plant. We are sure both his old and new friends are glad to have him here. . . Wally Clayton arrived at work the other morning in his usual sleepy state, carrying a pair of glasses in his hand. The sad part was that the glasses belonged to his wife and he had picked them up by mistake as he left. Maybe now Wally can see things from his wife's point of view. . . . Hendricks Love, of the D.C. section, will soon be wearing the khaki, and he says if they once get him angry the war won't last much longer. Here's wishing you luck, Hendricks; we're going to miss you a lot. . . . At this writing, Walter Hahn is still looking for recruits for his roofing gang. Incidentally, Walter is going to direct operations from a safe place on the ground. Measuring the roof was just about all he could stand. He climbed to the top of the ladder and then bravely turned around and looked back whence he had come, but he got so dizzy he had to lie down on the roof for 15 minutes and muster enough courage to start down. Upon reaching the ground he angrily reproached himself for being such a coward. So he moved the ladder to the porch roof and started up again. (This time he removed his shoes so he wouldn't slip on the roof). "This will be a cinch," Walter must have said to himself. But when he reached the porch roof his head once more began to whirl, and poor Walter lay down again to get his bearings. So that's why he needs plenty of courageous hands to see this thing through. . . . Congratulations and best wishes to Wade Tyler and Mildred Franke, who were married May 19 at the Lutheran Church in Monroeville, Ind. . . . By the way, doesn't Henry Reehling look gay when he wears that little flower in his buttonhole?

FENDER BENDERS



Twin G-E Jets Power This Trainer



This is how the Bell P-59A propellerless Army Air Forces trainer, powered by twin G-E Jet engines, appears at close range from the front. The openings on each side of the forward fuselage are air vents, through which air rams to compressors in the G-E Jets. That air whips them to combustion chambers, where kerosene or other fuel burns fiercely, increasing the velocity. The air and blazing gases pass through a turbine and out the jet exhaust, releasing the reactive forward power that drives the plane at lightning-like speed.

Night Owls . . . . OF 26-3

Here we are back again with more news for you all. . . . Orvel Puryear returned to his "winding" after a week's vacation. . . . Katie Somners came back to work after a week's vacation. She claims she worked so-o-o hard at home that she came back to get rested up. . . . Gladys Weaver spent a couple of nights last week in Chicago paying tribute to the Brown Derby, "Gay Nineties" et al. The strange part of it is that she had her hair fixed in Chicago and the beauty operator told her that she looked like Lauren Bacall. . . . And, oh yes, Sam was in such a hurry to get to work one night he wasn't completely dressed. He must "love his work." . . . Helen Hiet spent a week-end in Kentucky recently. . . . N bench enjoyed a special kind of coffee from one of the girl's thermos bottle one night last week. It turned out to be so strong that they named it their "G-E Special." . . . We'll have to change our tune now when we're calling for our stock boy. Now that Dick has left, we'll have to start in on "Oh, Johnny." . . . It seems that Arthur Murray has a new customer from Bldg. 26-3. What is it that you're learning to do, Lonnie, the rhumba? ? ? . . . It looks as if we've given you the high spots in the news for the past week so we'll stop now, hoping that you'll tear through the paper trying to find our column first again.

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

We'll start off this week with a hearty welcome to lots of people. Helen Kaiser joined Group 18x58, coming from Taylor Street, and Edna Parker, Group 13x54, from Winter Street. Both are on second. William Hutchinson, Group 13x58; Ethel Koontz, 13x56 from Taylor Street; Mary Connett, 13x56, Taylor Street; and Kathryn Huston, Group 13x57. They are among the early risers who work days. Basil Bear is working third trick in Group 13x13. He hails from Bldg. 6-2. Kenneth Todoran puts in his bit in the two-pole winding section on second, coming from small lot on first trick. We're glad to have all of you folks with us and hope you like working with the Bldg. 4-3 gang. . . . After a Wednesday night dance, Clara Nahrwold has learned to look at the face belonging to the hand she's holding. Seems as if she thought she had her sister's hand, only to find out it was a man's. Was she embarrassed! . . . Belated greetings to Clyde Andrews, Nina Growcock, and Bonnie Goodrich, who recently celebrated birthdays. Hope you have many more of them. Nina and Bonnie were presented gifts from their sections at a potluck supper in their honor and also for Mrs. Floyd Anderson, formerly Marceile Eibling of Group 13x55. Marceile received a beautiful Roseville Pottery console set. She is with her husband in Miami for two weeks at the present time. Oh yes, thanks for the candy, Marceile; it was very good. . . . Wayne Chrystler had lovely weather on his vacation. Rain, rain, and more rain. And he likes to move in the rain, too. . . . Gerald McCoy, final test, had his vacation last week. We hope you had a nice time, "Mac." . . . Our wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to the wife of Dolan Furney. We hope she's well on the way to recovery by the time this is printed, Dolan. . . . Marjorie Ann Huge is leaving the company to live with her husband, who has just returned from overseas. Sorry to see you leave, Margie, but the reason's O.K., so we'll let you go. (Just as if you wouldn't go anyway). Good luck! . . . We offer our deepest sympathy to Ruth Jacobs on the untimely loss of her mother. Words seldom express feelings as they really are at times like these. . . . Ray Quandt is back on second for a few weeks while repairs are being made to his "pride and joy," the new machine he has been running on days. Glad to see you again, Ray. . . . Arlene Gaskill is getting along very nicely and hopes to be back to work soon. Sure hope so, Arlene, because we miss you. . . . That's all for this week, folks. How about some notes in our little box?

So long,

—Country Cousins



DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

What's news, did someone say? Well, Pete Eberhard has decided the proper way to celebrate a birthday is two months later—at least he did it properly as far as his associates are concerned. . . . Mildred Fettinger and Morrie Cox might be twins, both celebrated their birthday the same day (so it says here). . . . Norma Williams recently told the girls that she thought she would spend her vacation at Niagara Falls—she did like Colorado. . . . Norm Craig celebrated a birthday Saturday. Really, was a card of sympathy necessary? —birthdays can't be that bad. . . . Vacations are more and more coming to the light, as we find Snuffy Smith taking a week now to enjoy that lovely new home—maybe there's more than enjoying to be done. . . . Then Bernice Krauskopf is giving herself a rest too. . . . What is that wondreful smell? Oh, just a whiff of Nellie Clark wearing some wonderful perfume from her husband in Paris. Mighty nice smelling stuff. . . . We wish to welcome back Gretchen Bear, who has been teaching school at Churubusco. . . . While Dick Herrod was away on vacation, he left his car with Joe Uttal, but when he returned he found little foot marks all over the finish. Some rodent must have been at work. . . . O. Kiltie proved himself a handy man to have around the other noon, when Johnny Carr found himself unfortunate enough to be locked out of the office. . . . Now Jim Voirol takes pictures on the side at weddings. Well, he attempts to, at least. Something happened or rather didn't happen at Vern Boyer's wedding. Now the happy groom will never know how he looked coming down the aisle. . . . Did you know Leonard Harsch has a snake named Oscar which lives in a basket in the garage and eats live chickens? . . . Now it can be told, Eileen Schulien will exchange wedding vows with Norman Burns June 16 at 6:30 p. m. in the West Creighton Avenue Church. . . . Note to Harriet Basford—the moon does shine around Fort Wayne, even if it doesn't come out in your locality. If you open your eyes wide, you'll see it, we promise. . . . We extend our sympathy to Bill Shuler, whose mother passed away this last week. . . . Tuesday night a farewell dinner party was given for Clarence Burke by the members of the Sales Section at the Fort Wayne Country Club. The group presented Clarence — Mr. Burke—with a gift as a token of their esteem and very best wishes. As an added note, Clarence, we will miss your ever ready laugh and stories, and we wish you continued success as Manager of the Distribution Transformer Section at Pittsfield. Congratulations to our associate, Del Roloff, who will assume his duties of Assistant Sales Manager today.

Hoping to get a rise out of a farmer hoeing in a field by the road, a city smarty called:

"Hey Rube, did you see a wagonload of monkeys go by here?"

"Nope," replied the farmer, "did you fall off?"

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by the grapevine: That the plans for a dispatchers' directory are being given new impetus, and the unforeseen obstacles which the first attempt encountered have all been overcome. . . . That Herb Franke was the first dispatcher in the Fort Wayne Works. Is that correct? Any comments? . . . That Gerald Brown, Bldg. 19-3, has been awarded the fleece-lined shaving mug for introducing more new members to the Dispatchers' Club than any other floor representative. Good work, Brownie! . . . That a Dispatchers' Club family picnic is being planned for some time in July or August. All those dispatchers who have been proudly displaying photographs of their sons and daughters will have their chance to exhibit them in person. . . . One of the most difficult tasks for the most of us is to think. By this we do not mean just simple perception, not just the automatic use of mental equipment we acquire in our formal education, but the ability to let an idea revolve in one's mind until we consider all angles of it, to exercise all our judgment upon it, and then to determine by reflection what we conclude to be the truth. Of course, our best efforts with this formula may sometimes lead us to erroneous conclusions because we may not always have correct or sufficient information with which to work. But the Grapevine will challenge to a duel (cream puffs at ten paces) anyone who will not agree, after an honest trial, that this is not a better method of formulating our ideas than simply allowing our prejudices and preconceived opinions to speak for us. . . . Oh, well, it's a small world until you have to chase your hat down the street on a windy day. . . . Keep your chin up.

Your Grapevine Editor

MAIN OFFICE Contents

The Telegraph Section girls, Bldg. 18-4, celebrated Carolyn Levy's and Faye Alexander's birthdays with a wiener bake at McMillen Park. Everyone had a fine time, even though it did pour rain. . . . Marilyn Miller left the Production Division to join the ranks of the Bldg. 18-3 Cost Section this week. The Production Division girls gave a theatre party for Marilyn this week. Lots of luck, Marilyn, and come up and see us some time! . . . The golf story of the week—Phil Singleton's, Bldg. 18-3, long putt of 40 feet on the first green. . . . Oh, yes, we would also like to introduce the captain of the "rough riders" golf team, none other than Fred Prange, Bldg. 18-3, who we understand is one of Fort Wayne's outstanding non-professional golfers. He even has ideas like trying to see how far he could hit a ball from the office window with the putter. But then I guess most geniuses have ideas like that. . . . Congratulations are in line for Francis L. Richards, Bldg. 18-2, who is the proud father of a bouncing baby girl. . . . Sorry to bid farewell to Margaret Bostic Anderson, Bldg. 18-3, who is leaving us to join her husband in Texas. We'll miss you lots, Margaret. . . . We would also like to express our deepest sympathy to Forrest Leighty and his family, who recently received word that their son was killed in a plane crash over Holland on V-E day.

"You've got a lot of pep for a man nearly 100 years old. How did you manage to live so long?"

"Well, son, I ain't decided yet. I'm dickering with several different cereal companies for my endorsement."

Suggestion Pays Off



William J. Willig, Bldg. 31-2, was awarded a $25 suggestion award for his idea for changes to drafting vault orders.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

Hello! . . . Summer must be here now. Ruth Nelson and Alice Parquet have been swimming several times—brr, brr. The water is too cold for us yet. . . . Martha Zoll has been spending a few days with her son, who is home on a short furlough before returning to the Pacific area. . . . Opportunity that passed in the night—there was Charlie Menefee leaning over the window sill—and us without a board! . . . Danny Adams is planning on cleaning her cottage while vacationing this week. Don't work too hard, Danny. . . . Vivian Cearbaugh, Teddy Walker, Ruth Nelson and Marj. Kimball have started a "cigarette smokers club." Is it exclusive, girls, or can we join, too? . . . If you don't care to live any longer, just—walk up behind Johnny Sowers and tickle him in the ribs; call Edith Roselius "honey" or "dear"—she says she has a name; or after six forty-five ask Dorothy Merrilat, "Is it too late to order gloves?" . . . Remember the night we went to the bond rally? What a pourdown! Now do you remember the night we bought our bonds? That was the kind of a night lovers dream about. . . . Edith Roselius celebrated her ninth wedding anniversary this week. Stick to it, Edith, and on your golden wedding anniversary we'll throw a party for you. . . . Vera Johnson has received news that her husband is on the way home before being transferred to the Pacific Area. . . . That's all for now. See you all next week.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Estella Morrolf on the death of her sister, Altha Lettie Carmony. . . . We hope that Joy Stuckey is feeling better and is back to work soon. . . . Our birthday wishes this week go to Katie Parrish. Happy birthday, Katie; we hope you have many more. . . . We wish to welcome Chloe Conner to the Plastics Division. Hope you like working here, Chloe. . . . Lucky girls on their vacations are Nora Dudgeon, Maxine Johnson, and Rosalie Todd. . . . Bye for now—see you all next week.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Want to know how some of our fellas and gals spend their spare time? Lois Yanney listens to dozens of records she has in her collection. Bob Karasek puts in his time in his victory garden. Charlie Harris plays golf and more golf. Ben Banulis entertains his sixteen-months-old son, Richard. . . . A combination shower for Roseanne Roemer and birthday party for Lois Yanney, Roseanne, and Betty Beaman was held Tuesday night at the English Terrace. The same evening we stopped in to see Lily Reuille, who was a former Plastics employee. She asked us to say hello to everyone. . . . Did you know that Richard Kelly was a seaman before coming up here and that he's been almost any place you can name? . . . Carl Saaf is still the high man in the golf tourney. . . . With all this nice weather and everything, it reminds us of the vacations we have been looking forward to. . . . Bye till next week.

Teacher: "How many sexes are there?"

Little boy: "Three."

Teacher: "What are they?"

Little boy: "The male sex, the female sex, and the insects."

Suggestion Pays Off



An idea for changes to stator locators on two-pole winding machines so as to be manually operated, thereby getting the benefit of human feel in locating stators in the machines, brought a suggestion award of $250 to Edison A. Martin, Bldg. 4-4, above.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

The Regional Warehouse Association recently held its annual election-banquet at the Chamber of Commerce. Fifty-one members attended the event, with Gilbert Bond and ex-President Jim Craw presiding. It seems that only 45 servings of chicken were "contracted" for, and due to unexpected happenings during the day (mainly political stumping by the candidates via typewritten speeches adorning the bulletin boards), more attended the affair. This necessitated a hasty departure of the Entertainment Committee, the treasurer, and Bill Fryer from the banquet table to a West Main Street "beanery." The group soon returned to the banquet hall and made their debut singing in "bowery" style. Later in the evening Jim Craw rapped the gavel forcefully for order—more songs prevailed—but finally Jim's gavel tapping could be heard between choruses and order was restored. The election was under way. Ballots were distributed by Margaret Rectanus, Carmen Sordelet, and Virginia Bissell, who then withdrew to make the count. Gillie Plummer was elected new president; Ann Schlotzhauer, secretary, and Jack Fox was re-elected treasurer. Members elected to the Board of Directors were Gloria Minger, Sadie Isaac, and Dick Goetz. Each of the new officers "retaliated" with acceptance speeches. Gillie made a handsome inaugural address inspiring the association with all the V's—vim, vig, and victory. Little Ann made the shortest and probably the cutest speech in the history of this association—or any other association. A short business meeting followed the election, and although nobody came to blows, a steering committee was formed to iron out the rough spots in the Association. Emmett Mills was appointed chairman of this committee. A fine, spirited social gathering followed, and all went home, we hope, with the feeling that a good time was had by all.

Yours truly,

The Entertainment Committee

Tiger Joe, Who Wants To Be A Cowboy, Stars On Fighting AAF Show

"Tiger Joe," four year old Chinese boy adopted by fliers of the Fourteenth Air Force, and Lt. Robert C. Little, who shot down the last Nazi plane over Europe, were stars of the Army Air Forces "Fighting AAF" show on the Blue Network recently.

The electronic G-E magnetic wire recorder recorded an interview with Air Corps personnel who found the young Chinese boy wandering on a road in China. Brought back to the base, he was nicknamed "Tiger Joe," fitted out with a uniform and made "assistant first sergeant." "Tiger Joe's" contribution to the program was a remark that some day he wanted to grow up to be a cowboy in America.

Lt. Robert C. Little, Kansas City, described via wire recorder in Europe the last combat mission over that continent the evening of May 8. He shot down one of five die-hard Nazi F-W's which attacked him over the Danube River. Later it was confirmed that this was the last German plane shot down over Europe.

The "Fighting AAF" show is a weekly feature on the Blue Network. Recordings are made on General Electric wire recorders in war theatres throughout the world, flown back to the United States, and played back on the AAF program.

reedom Of Research raised By Dr. Whitney

Declaring that "one of the great- oral injuries Hitler did to the an nation" was to suppress freedom of fundamental re- h, Dr. Willis R. Whitney, der of General Electric's Re- h Laboratory at Schenectady its one-time director, said in a Science Forum address that fundamental research, which e most important kind, the ntists need a fifth freedom d to the Atlantic Charter—the dom of scientific inquiry."

Dr. Whitney, one of the "triumte of General Electric research," e on the ninth birthday anni- sary of the Science Forum. The r two members of the famed umvirate"—Dr. Irving Lang- ir, associate director of the G-E earch Laboratory and Nobel e winner, and Dr. William D. lidge, second director of the ratory and now retired—were speakers.

They described fundamental re- h as "strictly pioneering in an own land, where a man has his own scientific imagination ide him."

"There can never be too much damental research, which should a major activity in our universi- ," Dr. Langmuir asserted, "for, e from its laying the founda- for new technologies and new stries, it supplies the only ade- te kind of training for research for all the fields where they needed.

Government grants for aid to damental research in universi- would be the best of invest- ts, provided the allocation of ds is in the hands of a national ntific body, free from political ence, and the funds themselves e no strings attached. The fact t the Research Board for Na- al Security is under the direc- of the National Academy of ences is a particularly hopeful for its future success."

Dr. Coolidge warned that "we st not let the nation slip back the technological unprepared- for war in which each World r has found us."

"We all hope that a strong inter- ional organization for the en- ement of peace is forthcoming," Coolidge continued, "but until has proved its strength to meet rnational crises, we must con- e military research so that no ion with secret aggressive in- tions can again steal a march on as Hitler did.

Military research, for obvious sons, must be a governmental onsibility."

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on: "Dad, what is experience?"

Dad: "Generally speaking, my , experience is what you have t after you've lost everything e."



According To Webster



"QUALIFIED" is defined as "HAVING COMPLIED WITH REQUIREMENTS OR CONDITIONS FOR AN OFFICE OR OTHER EMPLOYMENT" and being "COMPETENT—FIT." Therefore, when JOHN DOE, industrial truck operator, merits the badge and card shown in the above photo, YOU and I as pedestrians immediately become interested from the standpoint of personal safety. This does not mean, however, that we can now wander around and "dare him to hit us;" it means that if we do our part as pedestrians, he not only has the DESIRE but also the SKILL and ABILITY, to avoid hitting us.

In the above photo F. C. Graffe, truck diver foreman FHP Motor Division, is shown with a representative group of his truck operators, who, with all other drivers in this division, recently received the card and badge. Those in the picture are: first row, left to right, Lester Durbin, Joseph Atkinson, William Tracey; back row, Jessie Overmeyer, Henry Strain, Ed Lallak, Clarence Caseldine, Frank Graffe, and Elmer Hart.

This division is the first one to complete the recently inaugurated industrial truck training and identification program.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Transmission Photometer Analyzes Composition Of Metals

An electric device that analyzes the composition of metals by "reading" a photographic plate of the metals' spectrum, thus indicating the alloys' strength or resilience, has just been reported by General Electric. Such analysis is of great value to engineers for telling them the maximum endurance of metals used in various kinds of equipment, and the G-E process is considered an important step in the manufacture of a great deal of war material.

Analysis of metals is made by the new G-E device—called the transmission photometer—in combination with a spectrograph. In the process the spectrograph takes a picture of the spectrum of the metal, the resulting image showing the wave lengths of the components arranged as a series of lines. Measuring the densities of these lines to determine the concentration of materials in the metal is where the transmission photometer makes its contribution.

Analyzes Tungsten Carbide

One of the newest and most important applications of G-E's transmission photometer is in analyzing the cemented tungsten carbide core of a recently developed armor-piercing projectile. This shell, so effective it has penetrated with a single hit the heavy steel shield of German tanks at ranges up to 3000 yards, is produced by mixing metallic powders together, then fusing them under extreme temperatures and pressure. Function of the photometer in this process is to make certain the cemented tungsten carbide, considered the hardest metal made by man, contains the proper proportion of components.

Since the areas involved in reading a spectrograph are extremely small and the variations in density very minute, even the most careful and experienced operators are unable to read the plate density directly, as the transmission photometer does. The photometer reads the spectrographic plate by measuring the intensity of the light transmitted through the plate. In this way it determines the concentration of materials in an alloy with great accuracy and much more quickly than was previously possible.

"Well, we finally found out what became of those pieces of chicken that have been disappearing," the head chef reported to the restaurant owner.

"Fine! What hapened to them?"

"That new green cook has been using them to make chicken salad."

Electric Gage Checks Thickness Of Bomber Window Material

Areas of uneven thickness in the plastic material used in gunner's windows or "blisters" on bombers can now be located before the windows are cut from large sheets by means of a special electric thickness gage recently announced by General Electric. This instrument is one of three measuring gages which have a wide range of application and sensitivity in measuring thickness of nonmagnetic materials.

Utilizing a magnetic head which resembles an electric shaver and which is operated in much the same fashion, G-E's measuring device solves the problem of detecting thickness variations which prevent proper fitting of the windows to the bomber window frames. The windows are cut and formed from flat sheets of plastic which must be kept within an extremely well regulated range of thickness to assure proper installation.

The electric thickness gage not only reaches areas in the middle of large sheets which are out of the range of mechanical measuring devices, but also detects thickness variations in the plastic material before the windows are formed, thereby saving great amounts of time and expense.

Each sheet of plastic destined to become a "blister" is placed upon a flat steel plate. The magnetic head of the gage is then pressed against the plastic sheet, and the magnetic "flux" created between the head and the metal sheet below is registered in terms of thickness on an instrument which is a part of the gage equipment. As the gage head is moved over the material, its distance from the steel plate is controlled by the thickness of the material. If this thickness changes, the magnetic "flux" from the gage head and consequently the instrument indication changes in a corresponding manner. Thus the gage indicates areas where the material thickness is outside the tolerance limits and the degree of variation.

This measuring gage, which can detect variations in thickness from three to seventy-five hundredths of an inch in any flat, nonmagnetic and nonmetallic material, is now serving manufacturers in a variety of applications.

The two other thickness measuring instruments are applicable in tests involving both metallic and nonmetallic coatings on magnetic metal surfaces. Much more sensitive than the gage used in testing plastic bomber windows, one of the other devices is able to detect thickness variations as small as .00005 of an inch.

The two other more sensitive gages are used in testing paint thicknesses on refrigerators, automobiles, washing machines, and many other commercial products in addition to war materials.

CORRECTION

Sgt. Walter Richard Duhn, Jr., Winter Street, was incorrectly listed in last week's Memorial list as PFC Walter H. Duhn. Sgt. Duhn died April 8 of wounds received in Germany.

G-E Softball Team Loses To Moose Five To Three

By Ernie Spaulding

The Moose softball team was a little too tough for the G-E Club Monday night, winning their encounter five to three. Bob Starkel was off form and was touched for twelve hits, which included a home run by Feichter and a two-bagger, while the best G-E could do was seven hits. A home run by Esterline accounted for all three G-E runs.

The form of Starkel was reflected in the play of the whole team, as they committed five errors, more than enough to afford the breaks the other team needed to win. With this game out of their system the team feels that they may look forward to playing their usual brand of ball.

Summary:

Moose	AB.	R.	H.	E.	PO.	A.	SH.
Neuman, sf	2	2	1	0	2	0	0
Blankensblp, ss	3	0	2	0	3	2	1
Cowan, 2b	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Feichter, lf	4	1	2	1	0	0	0
Hawkins, 1b	4	0	0	0	5	0	0
Foster, 3b	3	1	3	0	1	3	0
Carpenter, rf	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
Hostetler, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
Bollier, c	3	0	1	0	8	0	0
Stage, p	3	0	1	0	1	0	0
Totals	31	5	12	1	21	5	1

G-E Club	AB.	R.	H.	E.	PO.	A.	SH.
Stanski, ss	4	1	1	1	2	3	0
Esterline, 2b	4	1	3	0	0	0	0
Hilgemann, sf	3	0	0	1	3	0	0
Snyder, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hess, lf	3	0	1	0	3	0	0
Steuernagel, lb	3	0	1	0	6	0	0
Anderson, cf	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
Krieg, c	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bobde, c	1	0	0	1	4	0	0
Lindenberg, 3b	2	0	0	2	0	1	0
Allen, 3b	1	0	0	0	1	2	0
Starkel, p	3	1	1	0	1	2	0
Total	32	3	7	5	21	9	0

Home runs—Feichter, Esterline. 2-Base hit—Foster. Base on Balls—Neuman and Cowan.

Owl Softball

By R. James

G-E CLUB OWLS WIN OPENER

The Owls started off in defense of their YMCA Industrial Owl Championship, which they won last year by stopping Harvester cold with a 9-1 win.

Bill Edmunds was on the mound for the Owls, scattering 6 hits and striking out 6 to win his first game. He was helped out considerably by his mates, who gathered 10 hits, four of them for extra bases, one of which was Bill Hildinger's long home run.

After being idle on Memorial day, the next game will be played June 6, with Magnavox providing the opposition. So, come out, fans, and back up your ball team.

Summary:

G-E Club	AB	R	H
Beber,3b	4	0	0
Crosley,cf	3	2	2
Vorndran,lf	3	1	1
Hildinger,c	4	1	2
Edmunds,p	4	1	1
Glrodot,2b	1	1	1
Boober,1b	2	1	1
Stiver,sf	1	0	0
Borror,ss	2	0	0
Hensler,rf	2	1	0
Tucker,sf	2	0	2
Platner,2b	1	1	0
Relder,ss	1	0	0
Rlngwalt,rf	1	0	0
Scbuman,cf	1	0	0
Totals	32	9	10

Harvester	AB	R	H
Marritaic,c	4	1	0
Caccamo,p	3	0	1
Brown,1b	3	0	2
Wolfe,2b	3	0	1
Sarrazln,ss	3	0	0
Raidy,sf	2	0	0
Kumber,3b	3	0	0
King,lf	3	0	0
Joker,cf	3	0	2
Swink,rf	1	0	0
Parrisb,rf	2	0	0
Totals	30	1	6

Home Run—Hildinger. Two-base Hits—Crosley, Hildinger, Tucker, Joker. Struck Out—By Edmunds, 6; by Caccamo, 1. Walks—By Edmunds, 1; by Caccamo, 3. Winning Pitcher—Edmunds. Losing Pitcher—Caccamo. Umpire—Richendollar.

An old Indian, who for years had been selling huckleberries for 50 cents a bucket, upped the price to a dollar. A previous customer asked why.

"Heap big war somewhere!"

Baseball Team Opens Heavy Schedule

G-E Club Baseball Team Shuts Out Keener Meats

Final Score Is Five And Nothing

By Frank Eakin

Emil Bildilli and Scott Carey combined their efforts and shut out the Muncie Keener Meats with just two hits, as the G-E Club finally found its batting eye to make ten hits good for five runs. A fair-sized crowd saw the Keeners steal the show for spectacular plays at Dwenger Park last Sunday afternoon.

The Club scored in the first inning on Odie Barnett's double to left, Roy Brann's walk, and two infield outs. The second inning produced two runs when, after Wattier had grounded out, Carroll Seiple, the popular little speedster, laid down a perfect bunt for a hit. He stole second and scored on a double by Perry Bush, who later scored on a single to right by Barnett. All was quiet for two innings, and then in the fifth a walk to Brann—his second of three in a row—an error by Joris on Young's grounder, and Chuck Bobilya's double produced the fourth run.

Singles by Bildilli and Bobilya were wasted in the sixth and seventh. However, in the eighth, Carroll Seiple doubled to right, moved up on Scott Carey's single, and scored after Bill Frazier made a nice running catch of Barnett's fly ball. Roy Brann followed with a single but was left on base with Carey when Joris speared Bobby Winter's liner.

In pitching the seven innings, Bildilli was touched for a single by Joris in the first inning and a double by Cornwell in the seventh. He walked two batters, made three strike-outs, and was never in trouble. Scott Carey had seven batters in his two innings and struck out two while walking one.

Summary:

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Muncie	AB	R	H
Barnett,ss	5	1	2	Dick,2b	3	0	0
Brann,cf	2	1	1	Joris,3b	4	0	1
Winter,lf	5	0	0	Dick,lf	4	0	0
Young,rf	4	0	0	Frazier,rf	4	0	0
Bobilya,1b	4	0	2	Cornwell,ss	3	0	1
Wattier,3b	4	0	0	Webber,1b	3	0	0
Seiple,2b	4	2	2	Albrigbt,cf	2	0	0
Bush,c	4	1	1	Smitb,c	2	0	0
Bildilli,p	3	0	1	Jett,p	3	0	0
Carey,p	1	0	1				
Totals	36	5	10	Totals	28	0	2

Score by innings— R. H.

Muncie	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	2
G-E Club	1 2 0 0 1 0 0 1 *	5	10

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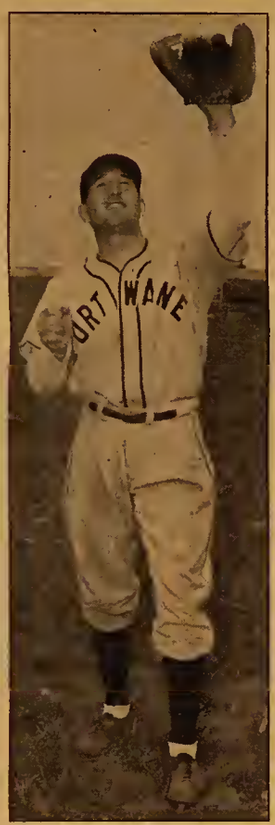
All G-E girls, including those at Taylor Street and Winter Street, interested in playing inter-division softball should attend an organization meeting next Tuesday, June 5, at 5:15 in the G-E gym.

If there are enough girls to make up four teams, awards will be given for the league championship. If there are enough for six teams, jackets will be given as prizes.

So, girls, if you'd like to keep that waistline down and have a lot of fun besides, be at the G-E gym next Tuesday night.

Alice Dahman
Bldg. 4-1, Ph. 2259

Some New Blood



Ernie Young

By Frank Eakin

When Charlie Braden was seeking new blood for the G-E Club during the past winter, his first efforts were spent in acquiring the handsome coach of Salem Center High School, Ernie Young. Ernie is a big boy with one hundred and eighty pounds on his five-foot-eleven-inch frame. He developed his powerful arms and wrists by doing what he calls a few chores on his farm.

Ernie played three years at Purdue and was always very potent with the stick, winning the batting honors of the Big Ten during his last year. He is not what you would call a long ball hitter who wins games with a long triple or homer; however, he does get an unusual number of doubles from his line drives. At the next game, when you see a line drive going into the outfield, chances are it will have been hit by Ernie, who is making good in his first year with the Club.

Owl Softball League Gets Under Way

By Bob Crosley

The softball season of the Inter-Division Owl League got under way last Thursday, with last year's champions, Bldg. 4-4, getting off to a poor start, losing by forfeit to the Firemen.

Motor-Generator, always one of the better teams of the league, showed they are going to be hard to beat by drubbing Bldg. 17-1 twenty-one to four in five innings.

Anyone on the second or third shifts wishing to play in the league should contact Russell James, Bldg. 26-2, or Bob Crosley, Bldg. 4-4.

G-E Club Girls Lose To Bowser Four To One

Will Play Uhligs Tonight At 7

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Club girls lost their first game of the season last Friday night to the Bowserettes. Led by the excellent pitching of Deleot, who allowed only five hits and fanned out fourteen, they conquered the G-E lassies four to one.

The Club team ran into a lot of trouble during the first three innings. Several costly errors were responsible for the four runs garnered in this period. June Getty was on the mound for the G-E, and then she was replaced by "Butch" Whiteleather in the fourth inning. The girls settled down and played good defensive ball the rest of the game, but the Club's offensive was poor. Although they had players on base several times, they just couldn't seem to hit at the right time. The one run was made by Tommy Williams in the seventh. She got a walk, then stole second, third, and home to score.

The girls didn't look too bad for the little workout they've had so far. They need a lot of practice, batting particularly. If the weather stays nice, they can get it in.

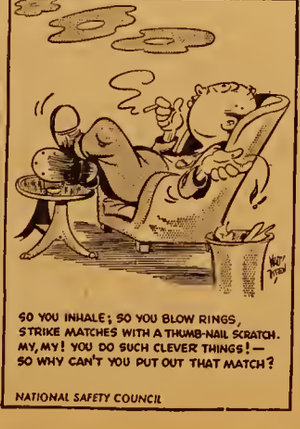
For the interest of the fans, here is the tentative line-up: Playing the infield are Whiteleather, Getty, Varner, Fitch, Fleckenstein, and Dahman. Holding up the outfield are Wyneken, Williams, Evers, Cronkhite, and Emenhiser. This line-up is not definite, and anyone wishing to try out for the team should call Alice Dahman, phone 2259, for further information.

The next game is tonight, matching the G-E team against Uhlig's Machine Shop. The game is at 7:00 and will be played at Hamilton Park. The girls are out to make a better showing than they did last week.

Chaplain: "How can you have the heart to swindle people who trusted in you?"

Prisoner: "But, parson, people who don't trust you cannot be swindled."

VICTORY VERSES



Will Play Three Games Per Week



Will Meet Memphis Red Sox, Lafayette Red Sox, And Gary Sportsmen

By Frank Eakin

Manager Charlie Braden was very much elated over the way the Club looked in last Sunday's game against Muncie. The team looked very good defensively, with Seiple, playing his right spot, handling five chances without an error; one was a leaping, one-hand stab of Marion Dick's liner. Even Kenny Wattier looks better on third, where it is "either you do or you don't" on those hot smashes. The team has added a little "pepper" which is paying off.

Bobby Winter, the new left fielder, hails from Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and prior to his service career, three years, he was on his way up. He went zero for five, but hit the ball hard, unfortunately right at somebody. He is a good boy and will give Braden that long-sought for left fielder.

After getting off to a poor start, Roy Brann has sharpened his batting eye and walked three straight times against Muncie. Last year Roy had more walks than hits.

Just a word to you baseball fans and also to those who might not be baseball fans. Without a doubt, if you have a boy or boys in their teens, they are playing baseball somewhere in an empty lot or maybe even in the street. Why don't you send them out to Wayne Scott and George Collyer, the popular and without a doubt capable coaches of South Side High School, who conduct a baseball program second only to that of Sam Breaden's St. Louis Cardinals' "kid school"? At Dwenger Park, the youngsters are placed on organized teams sponsored by business houses (the Club sponsors several) and are coached by competent men. The amount of good baseball talent to be developed by this program is unknown, but this much is certain: Your boy will be at a nice park, have good supervision, and above all learn to play baseball.

Department Leaders

Batting: Carey, 1000; Bobilya, .363; Kestner, .286.
R.B.I.: Young, 4; Barnett, 2.
Runs: Bobilya, 2; Kestner, 2; Seiple, 2; Brann, 2.
Hits: Bobilya, 4; Seiple, 3; Wattier, 3.
Singles: Wattier, 3; Bobilya, 2; Seiple, 2.
Doubles: Bobilya, 2; Young, 2.
Triples: None.
Home Runs: None.
Total Bases: Bobilya, 6; Young, Bush and Seiple, 4 each.
Walks: Brann, 4.
Strike Outs: Bobilya, Bush, Brann and Hisner, 2 each.
Pitching: Hisner, 1-0; Bildilli, 1-1.

Little Willie had gone to bring the kittens in. His father, hearing a shrill meowing, called out:

"Don't hurt the kittens, Willie!"

"Oh, no," said Willie, "I'm carrying them very carefully by the stems."

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Everett Murray (2)*	108 S. Bennett, Bluffton	18-5	Fagan	3:30-11:30
Harold Anspach (4)*	R. 4, Tri Lakes, Col. C.	6-2	Hartman	7:00-4:00

Coming in No. 33 through Churubusco, Ind.

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Irene Rust	R. 8, Fort Wayne	31-1	Bohn	8:00-5:00
	Lower Huntington Road.			
James W. Smith	442 Grayston, Huntington	17-3	Rice	3:30-11:30

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Completes Fifty Years Of Service



Next Tuesday, June 12, will mark the completion of fifty years of service with the General Electric Company for William N. Wehrs, Bldg. 18-1, above. Mr. Wehrs, known to hundreds throughout the plant as "Billy," is general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works.

William N. Wehrs Ends Fifty Years Of Service

Will Observe Golden Anniversary On June 12

William N. Wehrs, general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works, will complete fifty years of service with the General Electric Company next Tuesday, June 12. Mr. Wehrs is the fourth Fort Wayne man to achieve this distinction, the other three being Charles Becker, Harry Prange, and James Rehrer.

Mr. Wehrs was first employed in 1895, at the age of 14, in Bldg. 2-3, where he worked on the building of street lamps. In 1896 he was transferred as a machinist apprentice to old Bldg. 3-1, which was located on the site of present Bldg. 4. Following completion of his machinist training, he went to Bldg. 8. He was appointed the first foreman in Bldg. 17-2 upon construction of that building, and when crane motors were moved here from Madison, Wisconsin, he had charge of their manufacture on that floor.

When the Induction Motor Department was moved to Fort Wayne from Schenectady, Mr. Wehrs was assigned to lay out this department in Bldg. 19-1, -2, and -3, and was appointed general foreman. In 1926, when the Induction Motor Department was transferred back to Schenectady, Mr. Wehrs was made superintendent of the A.C. and D.C. Apparatus Division; this was the first divisional superintendent appointment made by Assistant Manager C. H. Matson, who was

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Ninety-Eight Suggestors Get $920 In Awards

Earl L. Greenlee, Bldg. 4-4, Heads List With $100 For Idea

Ninety-eight awards totalling $920 were paid this week to employees by suggestion committees of the Fort Wayne Works for ideas on better methods, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Earl L. Greenlee, Bldg. 4-4, headed the list of suggestion award winners with a $100 award for his idea involving changes in KC60 and 70 frame mechanisms by adding links and lengthening rivets to suit, to reduce wear and eliminate noise. Walter Cornelius, Bldg. 19-B, suggested the salvaging, use, and sale of certain tubular-type terminals,

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CASUALTIES

Robert G. Sternberger, Bldg. 19-2, died April 12 in the sinking of the destroyer Mannert L. Abele in action off Okinawa Island.

Pvt. Owen Rush, Bldg. 6-B, has been reported missing in action on Okinawa.

Final Tabulation For Seventh War Loan Given

Per Capita Subscription Of Employees Higher Than Fifth Or Sixth

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works subscribed a total of $344,748, or 101% of the campaign quota of $340,000, in the Seventh War Loan Drive, according to the final tabulation released this week. The per capita subscription in the current drive was $21.86, which is 9% higher than the per capita purchase of the Sixth and 6% higher than the purchases in the Fifth. The lower total percentage in the Seventh War Loan Drive is due to the fact that the quota for the Fort Wayne Works was raised considerably over that of any previous drive.

J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, expressed himself as well pleased with the results. He pointed out that the drive was unusual in the number of bonds of the larger denominations which were bought by employees. In addition to the bonds bought by the "500 Club" in Bldg. 17-4, a large number of $500 bonds and bonds of larger denominations were sold.

"I wish to express my personal thanks to the employees who bought bonds," said Mr. Crise, "to our speaker—Dr. E. Burns Martin, to all solicitors, to supervisors and division heads, to our musicians, and any others who helped in any way during the Seventh War Loan Drive. We can all take pride in the team work which helped put the campaign 'over the top.'

"I am sure that G-E men and women in the service are proud of

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Father-Daughter Party Wednesday

The annual Elex Father-Daughter party will be held next Wednesday, June 13, at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club, beginning at 8 P. M. The program will include entertainment by the "Midwestern Harmonizers," a Dutch lunch, and refreshments. Each father will be presented with a gift.

Tickets are $1.25 each, and reservations must be made by tomorrow. Any Elex member who is bringing her father must purchase two tickets. All members are invited to attend, even though their fathers will not be able to attend.

Guests are asked to use the Barr Street entrance of the Athletic Club.

Four Employees Are Freed From German Prisons

Sgt. Lloyd Stoller, PFC Joseph A. Hine, Pvt. David A. Chambers, And Pvt. Bernard E. Walss Released

News has been received of the release of four more G-E employees from German prison camps. They are Sgt. Lloyd D. Stoller, Bldg. 6-2, PFC Joseph A. Hine, Bldg. 8-1, Pvt. David A. Chambers, Bldg. 17-2, and Pvt. Bernard E. Walsh, Bldg. 6-2.

Sgt. Stoller was a top turret gunner on a B-17 when he was reported missing after a raid over Germany. He had been a prisoner since May 12. PFC Hine was released by Stalag VII-A on April 29. He was captured October 4, 1944, in Holland, after being overseas since May, 1944. Pvt. Chambers had been a prisoner since December, 1944, when he was captured in France, after being overseas since October, 1944. He was released from Stalag IV-B. Pvt. Walsh, who was released from Stammlager IV-B, had been a prisoner since November 26, 1944. He is now in France and has been overseas since August, 1944.

Retire On Pension



Ernest J. Barr



Willis Foster

Two employees of the Fort Wayne Works, Ernest J. Barr and Willis Foster, have retired on pension. Mr. Barr, an employee of FHP Section 19, has a continuous service record of almost thirty-three years with the Company. Mr. Foster is employed in the AC/CR Division at the Winter Street Plant. He has a continuous service record of twenty-six and one-half years.

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Let Us Think Twice

Raising his voice publicly in opposition to the murmuring voices which are constantly heard criticising our Allies, Philip D. Reed, Board Chairman of General Electric, has written an article in the American Magazine for July under the title, "Suspicion—Greatest Enemy of the Allies." The tendency of such criticism, he says, "is to breach the unity of the Allies, raise the hopes of our enemies, disillusion our soldiers fighting in the front lines."

Much of Mr. Reed's article is a vigorous defense of the British, and he is particularly well qualified to speak of them, because, until recently, when he resumed his G-E Chairmanship, he was serving in London as chief of the United States Mission for Economic Affairs. From offices in the American embassy, he dealt with lend-lease and reverse lend-lease problems for Foreign Economic Administration and acted as representative of the several Washington departments and Anglo-American combined boards responsible for war production, shipping, food and petroleum.

The article is strictly impartial. There are, it appears to him, sinners against Allied unity in both America and England. "A common practice of late, on both sides of the Atlantic, has been to charge the other fellow with pulling a fast one in the field of international economic operations. A British newspaper reporter claims that American Red Cross workers in Paris are not Red Cross workers at all, but American businessmen. A congressman believes he discovers that the British are using lend-lease to promote their foreign trade. A respected English weekly editorializes that the British must stop appeasing the United States.

RUSSIANS LIBELLED, TOO

"At the same time, completely unfounded rumors are spread that the Russians are using our lend-lease butter to polish their boots, and are also transshipping American lend-lease planes to the Japanese in exchange for rubber. And so on, whether to defend or attack, the verbal battle rages on, often stealing the din and thunder of the real battle—the winning of the war. . . .

"Confidence and understanding among the Allies must be achieved if we are to meet successfully the manifold problems of waging peace. Hasty and ill-considered charges and countercharges will injure, not aid, this ultimate objective. . . . One very naturally asks why responsible Americans would publish or circulate untrue statements about the British. Two reasons would seem to cover most of the cases. First, a politically motivated endeavor to discredit or embarrass the administration and particularly its lend-lease policies. Second, an outcropping of that ancient and now, I believe, rapidly dying inferiority complex which for generations has led Americans to believe that their government is incapable of holding its own in any international deal with the British.

"I make no comment on the first reason except to say that I know of no period in our history when we could less afford to risk public misunderstanding of the facts in order to attain political objectives. And so far as lend-lease is concerned, its enormous usefulness to America has been demonstrated beyond question.

"JUST PLAIN SILLY"

"The second reason has no more substance than the first. It is just plain silly today for us to feel that we cannot protect our interests and work out fair and mutually advantageous economic arrangements with the British. Mind you, I do not belittle their trading ability nor their experience. They have much of both. So have we. They also have character, and their standards of decency and fair play are fully equal to our own."

One of the many charges which Mr. Reed demolishes is "that the American taxpayer is footing the bill for a foreign policy in which the British are seizing, with practically no resistance on our part . . . every conceivable sort of advantage in present and postwar trade, and that we are getting practically nothing. The British are described as having played us for 'suckers' in lend-lease transactions—oil, shipping, air lines, and various trade agreements, to mention a few."

Here, in brief, is Mr. Reed's answer—Britain must import much of her food to live. America has been furnishing about 10 per cent of it, but a vital part, because it fills out deficiencies in proteins. Britain found it much more practicable to distribute a part of this small fraction of the total through regular controlled trade channels, that is, to sell it to wholesale distributors, than to segregate this part of its supply and give it away.

"And what of it?" he says. "If the British government had delivered all of its lend-lease food to its army, navy and air force, or to workers . . . , no question would have been raised, although the British government would have thus been saved the expense of buying the food required by those branches of the service. . . .

"Having decided, and rightly, that it is to our own war interest to lend-lease foodstuffs to the British people, should we not be glad to see them distribute it in a manner best suited to their wartime system and with the least diversion of manpower from the war effort? This is precisely what they have done."

All of the most dangerous of these rumors are dissected and dispatched by the article, and in conclusion Mr. Reed recommends that the U. S. President and British Prime Minister appoint a combined economic information board, with Washington and London offices which would "release . . . information on . . . trade or other economic activities . . . respond to inquiries concerning the accuracy of any reported action by either government or its nationals in the economic field and would issue . . . statements correcting misinformation circulated by others. . . .

"If the nations can't get together amicably, they will start scrambling among themselves for trade privileges, and the world will soon be back to brawling, after the war. . . . Above all, let us remember that the war is still on and that war is not a game, but a matter of life and death for soldiers, civilians and nations. Let us think twice before we speak critically of our Allies, particularly in matters that concern who is going to make a profit after the war is over."

WATCH YOUR STEP!



During a month packed with world news that will ring through the centuries, a purely G-E announcement of historic importance went by, almost like a ship that passes in the night—the Schenectady Works passed its third year without a fatal accident. That meant more than 310 million man-hours without an accidental death in Schenectady's huge shops and offices.

That meant that thousands of new employees, some of them unskilled in safety technique, have been trained to think and live safety while at work. It meant years of study by safety engineers, loyal and intelligent cooperation by those whose lives they sought to save.

The same kind of effort, always successful to an amazing degree, is going on in every other G-E town. It is a thing to thrill over, in contrast to the vast slaughter of the war. There is only one false note, and that is the unfavorable national record for non-industrial accidents, in which General Electric people share. New efforts are necessary to make progress in this direction.

"Never Too Old To Learn"

(Because of the great interest shown in a recent address by Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr., the WORKS NEWS is reprinting it in installments with the thought that many employees will find material of value in it).

In the introduction to his talk, "Never Too Old to Learn," Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr., chairman of the apparatus education committee, discussed engineering societies and their relation to the profession. He went on to say that there is a "tendency for the engineering profession to disintegrate into a host of narrow specialties." Dr. Stevenson feels that it is wise to have a broad general background before specialization in any particular field is undertaken. In bringing out this point, he said:

"To be really successful a young man must have much more than a narrow technical education. A technical education has to do with 'things.' The people at the bottom of any organization deal with 'things.' The people at the top have to deal with 'people.'

"Professor J. Duncan Spaeth, who was both coach of the crew and professor of English at Princeton, was a real leader. He founded rowing at Princeton and was a real leader in this field of sports. In 1923 he gave a talk entitled 'Law For Man and Law For Thing.' He pointed out that after an engineer has built a bridge it would be foolish for him to pat the bridge and say, 'Dear Bridge, for my sake stand firm when the floods come.' The bridge is a 'thing' and does not respond to emotional appeals but only to hard, cold logic.

"One of the precepts which we use in our Human Relations classes is that in dealing with people it is not sufficient to be right, one must also persuade. This is of great importance, particularly to the young engineer whose education has largely dealt with 'things.'

"This is a material civilization and, therefore, anyone who is going to succeed in it should know about material things and be able to argue logically. He may be right but he cannot accomplish much unless he can persuade others to follow his leadership.

"In the period preceding this present war, apparently there was a lack of leadership in this country and in the world. It was lack of business leadership which permitted the depression, and lack of government leadership which prevented the normal recovery from this depression. The war was brought on by a failure of statesmanship.

"It is obvious that military organizations require leaders. They make a profession of developing them. It may be that one of the benefits of this war will be the leaders who have been developed by their military experiences, and who will come back and apply their leadership ability in civilian life.

"Incidentally, you cannot separate leadership from education. Every army officer is an educator and every executive must be an educator, too.

"We have not gone far enough, however, if we only teach our engineers the art of persuasion. A leader who can persuade others to follow him is very dangerous unless he leads them in the right direction. Hitler is a good example of this.

"If engineers are going to step out of their technical fields and furnish leadership in the broader affairs of the nation, they must have more than technical leadership."

(Continued next week)



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES



Somewhere in India
May 21, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . At this time I am stationed in India, but if everything runs true to form, there is an ill wind in store for us boys. Eight months in a country like this will really give you a life-long suntan. Today one of the fellows put a thermometer outside the tent and within a short time, it popped up to 140°. Inside the tent it only registered 101°, so if possible, we try to stay inside.

My work is very interesting and consists of acting as personnel manager of half a thousand coolies, driving a truck, and trying new ways of doing away with the dreaded malaria mosquito. I could write a book about the civilization of the Indians, their habits, dress, and the like, but my work is calling, so until later, thanks a million for the NEWS and say hello to all of the owl shift in Bldg. 17-4.

Yours,

T/Sgt. Urban Meese

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

May 28, 1945

Dear Editor:

Just a few words to say hello and to give you my new address. Since I last wrote you a few lines, I have returned to these wonderful 48 States. There's not a strip of land in the whole world that would compare with our country.

I was wounded last December 9 in Germany, and so far I am still here in a hospital. I am at Billings General Hospital, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. I was very lucky to get this close to home. When I was home on furlough, I stopped at the plant and said hello to a few of my friends, and it was so wonderful to be able to talk to them in person.

Everything looked about the same—a few changes were made but all in all, it was about the way as when I left.

Our food is very good here, the best I have eaten since I became a son of Uncle Sam. This place is plenty large, everything is quite clean and new, and our treatment is good.

. . . I am up and around and feeling pretty good. I will be back to normal some day. In closing, I will say thanks again for all you have done for me, and I will say hello again to all my friends.

A fellow worker,

PFC Harold Ponsot

Germany
April 29, 1945

Dear Friends:

I am now in Germany; have been here for a while. Have seen lots of country, but none of it is as good as the good old United States. I have been in England, France, Luxembourg, Belgium, and Germany.

Tell all the gang in Bldg. 4-2 I said hello and hope to be back with them soon.

T/5 Johnnie A. Cox

Somewhere in Czechoslovakia
May 2, 1945

Dear Editor:

I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly. It has been coming through the hospital, but I am now back with my outfit at my old address.

We have been on the move almost continuously for over a month, and I haven't had much time for letter writing. It looks like the end is in sight over here. I hope it won't be too long before I am back there again.

Sincerely,

PFC Lloyd E. Mason

Well Represented



R. A. Miller B. F. Meyers

First Lieutenant Richard A. Miller has received the Air Medal in recognition of the successful completion of landing missions behind enemy lines. The presentation was made in a formal ceremony at his base in Italy. Before entering the army in February, 1943, he was employed here as an apprentice tool and die maker. He has been overseas since May, 1944, and is now authorizd to wear three battle stars on his European Theatre ribbon, covering the Southern France, Northern Italy, and Balkan air combat campaigns.

Bernie F. Meyers, MM 3/c, has written the following letter:

In Port, May 5, 1945

Dear Editor:

I noticed in a recent issue of the WORKS NEWS that a buddy from good old Bldg. 4-2 likes the service, and he mentioned the service they receive from any product of G-E. Well, I can say G-E is well represented in the engine room, where I have my duty, and can say it works just like the Company wants it to work, and that's perfect at all times. I've always been proud to mention being a former employee, and am anxiously looking forward to the time when all the boys may return again to their work there.

Since being transferred from Newfoundland last Summer, I've visited quite a few places in the Pacific. I've been in Panama, Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Hawaii, Ulithi in the Western Carolines, Saipan, invasion of Iwo Jima, Samar, Leyte in the Philippines, and also the invasion of Okinawa, and can say I've experienced a lot throughout.

Well, it's about chow time now, so "hello" to Billy Wehrs in Bldg. 18-1 and Ed Sonday and all the gang in Bldg. 4-2. Hoping to see you all after Tokyo goes bush, as our slogan is "Tokyo or Bush." So "cheerio" all.

Bernie F. Meyers, M.M. 3/c

Dear Gang and Editor:

It's been quite some time since I have written to you, so here goes. How is the Taylor Street gang anyway? O.K., I hope.

I am receiving my copy of the WORKS NEWS every week, and I am very glad to get it so I can keep up on the news from the old gang. One time I got a copy while I was right at the front lines. I am driving an ambulance now and helping to evacuate the wounded back to the hospitals.

While I was in Manila, I met a man who was the G-E representative in Manila before the war, and he was very glad to meet another G-E employee. Right now I am close to the top of a mountain, and sometimes the clouds are all around us like fog. It is nice and cool up here, though. Keep up the good work at home, and we will do our best over here. I'll close now, hoping to be back with you soon.

Best wishes,

Pvt. Warren R. Thomas

May 11, 1945

Dear Sir:

We are now in Metz, France. I just arrived back to my outfit after passing through France, Belgium, Germany, and Luxembourg on detached service. In France there is some reconstruction going on, while the towns in Germany are a mess. The amount of points for discharge were announced today (85) and me, here I sit with only 50. See you all in about two years' time, or until the Japs are licked.

Yours truly,

Sgt. Dan Bishop

From January to May, 1945, Lt. Robert Frederick was wounded for the second time, decorated for gallantry in action, and given a battlefield commission. He was wounded July 27, 1944, in France and again on January 15, and was awarded the Silver Star for heroic leadership during an attack when his platoon leader was killed.

First Lt. Robert W. Wiehe has received the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal. He served as liaison officer with an artillery division in Germany.

The promotion of George E. Wralstad from the rank of first lieutenant to captain was announced recently. Capt. Wralstad, squadron engineering officer at his B-17 Flying Fortress base, formerly worked at the Taylor Street Plant.

PFC Warren W. Spurling, Bldg. 4-5, recently received the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in action. A medical technician, Pvt. Spurling won the Star for action near Germany on March 5. His citation stated that under a heavy enemy artillery barrage, he went to a wounded comrade, administered first aid, and carried him to safety.

PFC Louis J. Bardey has been awarded the Purple Heart Medal for wounds received Sept. 14, 1944, in Holland. He was hospitalized in Paris five weeks before returning to action.

S/Sgt. Francis W. Zuber, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-2, has been discharged from the Army. He was stationed at Camp Atterbury.

Overseas



A. A. Schnedler R. E. Farrell

Now serving as a tactical air controller with an armored division in the ground forces is First Lt. Albert A. Schnedler, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-B, who completed a tour of combat duty flying a P-47 Thunderbolt fighter-bomber with the famed "Thunder Bums" squadron. Lt. Schnedler is pictured here at a Ninth Air Force base in Germany before taking off on one of the last missions he flew with the squadron. He has participated in attacks on the German Wehrmacht from the air since the Normandy break-through and has dive-bombed and strafed German resistance in Austria and Bohemia. He flew more than 100 combat missions.

Rdm. 2/c Robert E. Farrell has written the following letter:

Majuro Atoll, Marshall Islands
May 14, 1945

Dear Editor:

It has been quite a long time since my last letter to your desk back there in the finest city in the United States, where we all wish many times each day that we could be.

I receive the G-E WORKS NEWS regularly out here, and always turn to the 17-3 Newsies to see if any of my former fellow workers are still doing their daily work. Many new names appear that I do not recognize, but say hello to all who are still around.

We have a daily morning newspaper out here on our island paradise and receive the news from all parts of this small world of ours. Since last writing you nearly a year ago, I would like you to know and pass the good word along about how our equipment made by G-E has held up every day on the go for twenty-four hours with a twelve hour shutdown per week for minor adjustments, and tbe equipment is going strong. I know that tbere are many more just such units giving similar performances all over this vast Pacific area.

Ole Mother Nature sure has plenty tricks up her sleeve, and she sure turned loose many of her unheard of ones out here, but G-E foresight certainly did stop the corrosion and rusting of various metals used in our gear by their plating and treatment. It sure is a satisfying feeling to know that at one time I had a part in the making of these parts. . . .

Tell my friends in Bldg. 17-3 I said hello, especially Paul Koogle, Baldy DeBolt, Eugene Wheeler, Fuzz Meyers, etc. If anyone wants further news of my adventures, send them to my dad in Bldg. 19-4.

Yours truly,

Robert E. Farrell, Rdm. 2/c

Wayne O. Staley, M. M. 2/c, has been in the Philippines for over a month, according to a recent letter received from him.

Suggestions

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and received a $75 award. Mary C. Tobias, Bldg. 4-5, also ranked high on the list with a $65 award for her idea on improvements in the method of cleaning soldering flux from DY81 brushes and brush terminals, making use of a wet scrub brush arrangement instead of wiping with a damp rag.

All other awards ranged from $5 to $20 and were made to the following:

Bldg. 4-1

Richard Polston, Alfred A. Doan, Oliver Wendell Meyers, Don E. Krick.

Bldg. 4-2

Paul J. Kennerk, Jack L. Boyce. Louis H. Hoffman, L. T. Johnson, Cecil E. Tarney, Marcus W. Duff, Howard Barrick, Ida Marie Trenary, Harold Mason, George Swallow, Weldon H. Hart.

Bldg. 4-4

Earl E. Mossberg, Martha Jane Arnold, Virgil J. Hammons.

Bldg. 4-5

Eva Ellen Hall, Earl G. Blass, Everett E. Moring, Herbert E. Cook, Alice M. Norris, Ross E. Fahl, Herbert A. Landstoffer, Walter R. Amacher, Joe V. Jinks, John W. Young, Evelyn M. Barrand, Harry A. Schmidt, Dorothy G. Weiler, Henry H. Troutman.

Bldg. 6-2

Edward J. Johnson, Robert C. Johnson, Wilda Knelanger, Willie Mae Tate, Doyle E. Espich, Mary J. Sitko, Charles Strebig, Vivian E. Dotts, Henry E. Kulesza, Forrest R. Allman, Carl B. Plattner, Raymond J. Hoffman, Mary E. Richey, Lloyd Miller.

Bldg. 8-1

Murray M. DeArmond, Charles Orval Wisel.

Bldg. 8-2

Carl T. Pettigrew, Helen C. Smead, Amel D. Beck.

Bldg. 9-1

Carl F. Hankel.

Bldg. 19-1

Fred B. Lahrman, Milroy W. Ploughe, Elmer D. Woodward, Grant F. Woodward.

Bldg. 19-2

G. K. Buchan.

Bldg. 19-4

Clyde L. Boyce, Clestie Mae Lambright, Earl Michael Kummer, Nelson Snell, Raymond C. Soest, Helen R. Stackhouse, Jerry T. McKown, Thomas Arrington.

Bldg. 19-5

Ed. P. Saxton, Ralph F. Shoaff, Harry P. Hyndman.

Winter Street

Georgia Lulu Adams, Don R. Hammon, Harold R. Evans, George C. Haggenjos.

Taylor Street

A. M. Mulholland, Lyle Cox, Earsal H. McPeak, Cecil L. Ray.

Decatur

Alvin Hawkins, Omer A. McManama.

Bldg. 22

Harry Prumm, Vernon O. Miller.

Bldg. 26-2

Henry S. Johnson, Harold D. Walters, Clarabelle C. Castle, Charles E. Campbell.



A manufacturing machine today will do a job that is as good or as bad as our advance planning. Down to the last 1/1000th of an inch, the machine will transfer every detail of our thinking on the job into finished work.

But, if we have forgotten a portion of the piece that should be specially treated, the machine will forget; if we have forgotten a 25-degree angle at the base, the machine will forget—and the horrible part about the machine's forgetting is that it forgets, not just once, but four or five hundred times an hour—with every piece it makes, it forgets—it forgets as fast as it can go. In no time at all it has piled up several thousand pieces which have no 25-degree angle at the base and no specially treated portion in the center. Right now, let's stop the infernal thing—and in the future let's plan its activities with the greatest of care. Let's be sure we're right before we press the starting button.

William Wehrs

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then general superintendent. Later the Switchgear and Meter Divisions were consolidated with the Apparatus Division, and Mr. Wehrs remained as superintendent of the combined divisions.

In 1936 Mr. Wehrs was appointed superintendent of the Winter Street Plant, following the retirement of Max Holz. He remained there until 1938, when he was named superintendent of the General Purpose Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, including the magneto section. In 1942, Mr. Wehrs was made general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works, which position he holds at the present time.

During his fifty years of service, Mr. Wehrs has seen the Fort Wayne Works grow almost from infancy, for when he came to the Company there were three buildings in the entire plant layout—Bldg. 2, Bldg. 3, and the old general office building where Bldg. 17 now stands. He watched the development of the Fort Wayne Works into the large modern plant it now has become with the erection of Bldgs. 16, 8, 10, 20, 12, 17, 18, 19, 21, 26, 4, 6, 28, and 31.

Mr. Wehrs paid high tribute to August E. Kayser, famous Fort Wayne G-E pioneer, who took an interest in the fifteen-year-old machinist apprentice in Bldg. 3-1 back in 1896. At that time Mr. Kayser was assistant foreman in the section where Mr. Wehrs was employed. "He was like a father to me," Mr. Wehrs said. "He taught me a lot of tricks about the machinist trade." The close association between the two continued for forty years, until Mr. Kayser's death in 1935.

In honor of Mr. Wehrs' fiftieth anniversary, members of his office force arranged a party for him last Sunday.

Mr. Wehrs was married in 1908 to the former Louise Hitzeman and now resides east of the city on the Maysville Road. He is well-known throughout the plant for stories about his famous Buick.

New Arc-Welding Electrode For Low Alloy

A new heavily covered arc-welding electrode for welding low-alloy, high-tensile steels has been announced by the Electric Welding Division of the General Electric Company. Specially designed for use on carbon-molybdenum steel in the high-pressure piping industry, this electrode may also be applied to vessels (fittings) and structural weldments of innumerable kinds.

Known as Type W-56, the new electrode operates satisfactorily on either alternating current, or direct current, reverse polarity, and its range of current is sufficiently broad to cover a wide range of plate thicknesses. A medium-long arc is recommended for best results with this electrode. It can be used in the flat, vertical, and overhead positions. Moreover, it produces a relatively flat deposit, particularly in the vertical position.

Features of the new electrode include a stable spray-type arc, deep penetration, and excellent creep-resisting qualities. In addition, the covering used produces an easily removed, light, friable slag, which sets up fast, thus facilitating proper manipulation of the electrode. Available in sizes ⅛, 5/32, and 3/16 inch in diameter, the new electrode meets the requirements of AWS Classes E7010/E7011 and complies with tbe Navy Bureau of Ships specifications 46E2.

Bond Drive

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the fine support given the Seventh War Loan Drive by the employees of the Fort Wayne Works. It is a very small thing we can do to support our boys, and each bond purchased will bring closer the day when they can come home."

Facilities for the issuance of bonds have been provided in Bldg. 18-1, and employees who have not as yet redeemed their pledges a asked to get their bonds at th Cashier's Office on that floor. Al cash sales of bonds during the cur rent month will be credited toward the total raised during the present drive.

Following is a complete table showing the standings of the vari ous sections and divisions:

Division	Quota	Subscribed	%
Specialty FHP	$ 15,237	$ 21,943	144
4-6 Office	3,599	3,675	102
Section 13	23,890	24,646	103
Section 14	10,203	13,219	130
Section 15	33,908	35,975	106
Subcontract	310	206	67
Section 19	9,522	10,331	109
Section 20	4,609	5,175	112
Motor Devel.	4,294	7,988	186
FHP Engineers } FHP Drafting }	6,448	5,656	88
Spec. Trans.	37,237	41,341	111
Spec. Trans. Eng.	1,444	2,140	148
Spec. Trans. Draft.	249	281	113
Mot. Gen.	35,905	30,587	85
Mot. Gen. Eng.	1,623	2,119	131
Mot. Gen. Draft.	1,235	2,981	241
Wire	3,771	3,863	102
Wire Eng.	116	150	129
Insulation	1,503	2,044	136
Specialist Train.	963	975	101
Salvage	716	263	36
Power Plant	951	2,100	220
Gen. Tool	6,725	5,906	88
Plant Protection	1,469	2,062	140
Gen. Service	13,479	7,956	59
Plant Eng.	3,768	3,206	85
Gen. Insp. and Test.	301	713	237
Central Wage Rate	237	356	150
Rec. & Gen. Stores	1,850	1,875	101
Distribution	4,292	1,838	43
Reg. Pts. Whse.	1,478	1,631	110
Leased Whse.	487	881	181
Order & Stores	1,176	1,219	104
Prod. Service	1,718	1,725	100
G-E Club	385	506	131
Employees Store	19	75	394
Restaurant	1,283	1,313	102
Dispensary	278	319	115
Personnel	945	1,563	165
Wks. Acc. Off.	913	963	105
Payroll	1,573	2,962	189
Accounting	1,157	1,238	107
Clerical Train.	166	169	101
Wks. Lab.	1,611	2,288	142
Data Bureau	427	450	105
Draft. Bpr. & Photo	1,173	1,294	110
Asst. Mgr. Off.	674	1,275	189
Manager's Off.	1,364	3,018	221
Plastics	4,265	4,800	112
Total Broadway	$250,946	$269,259	107
Taylor Street	26,091	22,467	86
Power Drive	5,077	4,313	85
AC/CRD	20,207	16,775	83
Decatur	23,027	25,484	110
Kokomo	14,652	6,450	44
Total	$340,000	$344,748	101

Utilization Of Four-Spindle Drill Presses

By reversing two idle spindles on four-spindle drill presses and building auxiliary tables, a permanent standard line was maintained and a second high production line established in the Aircraft Generator Section of General Electric's Lynn River Works.

Originally four operations were performed on two four-spindle drill presses, utilizing only two spindles on each press. The drilling was done on number one and three spindles on the first machine, and the countersinking on one and three of the second machine. The first machine required one operator for both spindles while two operators, one for each spindle, were required for the countersinking. Because there was insufficient space for setting up jigs on the table under each spindle, tbere were two idle gooseknecks on each press.

The new metbod provides room for fixturing and operating, utilizes all four spindles on each drill press, increasing capacity and efficiency, and entirely eliminates the continuous changing of jig and fixture setups.

Bridge Fiend: "Does your husband kick about getting his dinner so late?"

Other B. F.: "No, he just kicks about having to get it."

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE *Spotlight*

"Step Right Up and See the Greatest Ball Game in Years! 'Pop' Quinn's 'Old Men' vs. the 'All-Star' Engineers!" Yes, it's all over now—the greatest softball game Bldg. 20-2 ever had. Because of Herb Holt, Mac Hoverter, Vaughn Paynter and Dick Mann's quick-action playing, the test engineers now hold the Bldg. 20-2 trophy which is on display in the engineering room. The engineers had to work for the trophy, as the opposing team really put up a fight. "Hoot" Gibson, Oscar Rodenbeck, and Walt Muehlenbruch really made the competition keen for the engineers. Erven Huth, star of the "old men's team," was taken out of the game in the first inning because of a cramp in his leg. As soon as he and the rest of the team recuperate, another game will be played to decide whether or not the engineers keep the trophy. . . Besides playing ball, the gang in Bldg. 20-2 have been busy at the game of bowling. Approximately forty people have been coming out to these bowling meets and have been having a good time—thanks to Wiley Shockney who has been making all arrangements. The next bowling contest is scheduled for June 15. . . . Welcome greetings are extended to Ruth Heckman and Dorothy Leininger in the General Service Division and to Hugh Hackett, Arnold Fankhouser, and Charles Harrod in the Plant Engineering Division. . . . Farewell greetings to Herb Holt, who is now on his way to sunny California. . . . Congratulations to Bill Allen, who recently celebrated another birthday. . . . Sgt. Bob Waldrop recently paid a surprise visit to Bldg. 20. Bob was posted as missing for some time and then as a war prisoner. It was really good to see him, and we welcome him back to the United States.

WIRE & INSULATION — *Ravelings*

Bldg. 8 and 12

Pearl Volkert of the Die Room went last week-end in Mundelein, Illinois, visiting with her aunt. . . . That imaginary little man that we have heard Herb Thompson mention so often has been a busy little fellow recently. Herb says that sometimes he actually works all night sharpening his tools so he can do a good job next day. . . . Joan Best was awarded The Catherine Scholarship. She is the daughter of Isidore Best of our Wire Insulating Section, Bldg. 8-2. . . . The office gang of Bldg. 8-2 wishes to say hello to Charles Fisher and "Jake" Littleton, who are both serving overseas. Let us hear from you soon, boys. . . . We are glad to have Evelyn Hewes back with us again. Evelyn has been home for the past month recuperating from an appendicitis operation. . . . Lawrence Gardt sure did plan a nice surprise for his wife's birthday and says it was worth all the work, for she was so pleased. . . . We want to wish a very happy birthday to two of the gang. They are Olga Nickler and Marjorie Degitz. . . . The section has a new mascot and a dog license and all—but then it was tied on her apron and she answers to the name of "Dotty" Baumgartner. . . . Well, June is here and it always incites us to poetry, so here's a note: "What is so peaceful as a day in June, unless it's Fred Zehendner napping at noon?" How about it, Fred? . . . It seems Dorothy Baumgartner has been up in the air lately, several times. From airplanes to rats in Bldg. 12-B. . . . Cleon "Red" Noyes has a new nickname for his father. You're kinda mixed up—calling him "Sonny Boy." . . . This past week three members of the Gang have joined the Quarter-Century Club. There are Chester Steinbarger, Lazern Hopkins, and Lawrence Gardt. Any extra copies of last week's WORKS NEWS will be appreciated by them. . . . The third floor gang enjoyed a potluck at noon. Isn't it nice to have the girls fix up a lunch, fellows? . . . Evelyn Flory is collecting little knick-knacks for on her whatnot shelves. Cups and saucers so far have been contributed. Can anyone else help her out?

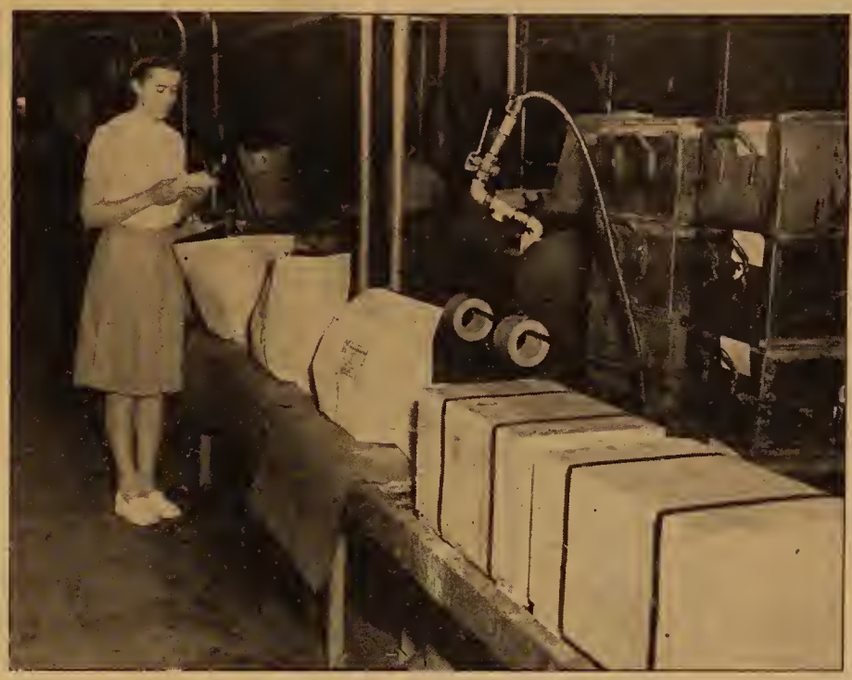
Records of 23 states show that motor vehicles with unsafe brakes were involved in up to 11 per cent of the fatal traffic accidents, the National Safety Council reports.

Inspection QUALITY Test

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INSPECTION OF PACKING



- THE FINAL STEP IN QUALITY MANUFACTURING
- THE CUSTOMER'S ASSURANCE OF UNDAMAGED DELIVERIES
- THE COMPANY'S ASSURANCE OF ITS CUSTOMER'S GOOD WILL

BE SURE OF QUALITY PACKING BY GOOD PACKING INSPECTION

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We have it on good authority that the war will be over in two months. A dispatcher tells us that his brother-in-law has signed up to work for the duration, and he never keeps a job longer than two months. . . . Don't forget the Dispatchers' Club meeting Tuesday evening, June 12, at the Chamber of Commerce. An interesting evening has been planned by the program committee. . . . Kleeman Milholland mentioned to a waiter that he noticed a sign that said tips were forbidden in that restaurant. The waiter replied, "Bless you, sir, so were apples in the Garden of Eden." . . . Before a painter puts a brush to his canvas he sees his picture mentally. It is this mental concept that he externalizes with the help of paint and canvas. If you think of your self in terms of painting, what do you see? How do you appear to yourself? Is the picture one you think worth painting? You are what you think you are. You create yourself in the image you hold in your mind. What you are advertises what you think. You want to do a better job? Then think in the terms of a better job. Do you want a better, happier existence? What can you give in exchange for them? What new plans must be made? How much extra work must be done? Only out of real thought can come the magic you need to accomplish important things in life. . . . Well, if things don't go right, just be philosophical about it. You know, a philosopher is a person who says he doesn't care which side his bread is buttered on because he eats both sides anyway. . . . Bought your bond yet?

Your Grapevine Editor

Honor William Wehrs

Honoring William N. Wehrs on the occasion of his completion of fifty years of service with the Company, members of his office force arranged a dinner and social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clark on Purdue Drive last Sunday. Mr. Wehrs was presented with a gift from those attending, who were Mr. and Mrs. Terry King, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Garringer, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Bond, Mrs. Esther Sears, June Ricketts, and Mr. and Mrs. Clark.



"Why do they call this row o' whistles, 'Pipes of Pan'?" I quizzed Sandy Jr. as we looked at a picture book together.

"I guess that's because you hold them up to your pan when you blow them," he wise-cracked back.

"Now, see here, Sprout, one punster in the family is enough. Ye should be panning the pun instead o' punning Pan."

. . . . Weel, after "preaching" STANDARDIZATION in last week's column, I hope ye gentle readers don't think I've even tried tae standardize on one type o' joke in my family—the pun. Standardization is no joke, however, and tho a lot o' us are not in position tae inflence standardization in what we build, we CAN at least help tae standardize in HOW we build it.

STANDARDIZATION O' METHOD—or modus operandi—as I would say if I were getting paid by the word tae write this—if I were getting paid at all—is something we all can work on.

One thing we can all help tae standardize is parts—nuts, bolts, plating, cable, treatments, etc., etc. I know it's hard tae change some o' these things now, but when we get back tae 100% civilian goods again, let's talk it up—let's write it up—on suggestion blanks.

Speaking o' talking reminds me o' Uncle Angus, who doesn't talk much, and never did, even when he wasn't a farmer. "Uncle Angus," I asked him, "why did ye give up barbering?"

"Weel, I got too tired."

"What wore out, your arms?"

"No, me jaws."

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

We extend a welcome to Gene Sucher and his daily "knapsack" to group 13x16. The lunch usually consists of apples, raw carrots and cheese sandwiches. Those bright eyes of Marie Hilton and Betty Lupton give good accountability for the carrots. . . . Phil Miller of group 13x40 has been home all week on account of illness. We miss you, Phil. Hurry back! . . . We're glad to report that Herb Bolinger's son Jimmy is much improved after a severe attack of flu. . . . John Stark's doctor solved the red ration stamp problem that most of us are faced with these days by putting him on a diet that excludes all meat. . . . Ina Krouse is off this week to be with her son, who underwent a serious operation. . . . Charlie Francis of the Tool Room is vacationing this week. . . . Ben and Ruth Gifford went to Chicago last week-end to visit their daughter-in-law and their new grandson, Douglas Bruce. Their son is in the Navy. . . . Bill Cooper is having red ration point trouble. He says they just don't have enough rubber in them. . . . John Williams bought poppies last week. He wore one in his shirt and one on his cap. . . . We went over the top in the Seventh War Loan. Everybody happy? . . . See you next week, folks!

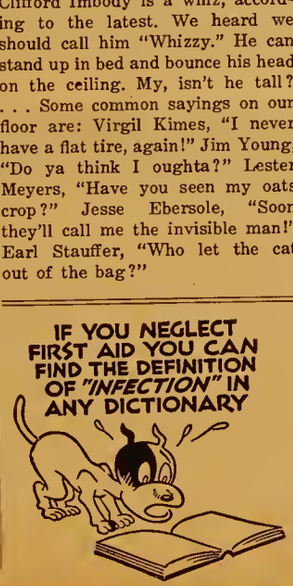
Executive Committee Members Tour Fort Wayne Works



Members of the Apparatus Department Executive Committee toured the Fort Wayne Works Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Guests included Vice-President R. C. Muir, general manager of the Apparatus Department; Commercial Vice-President H. V. Erben, assistant manager of the department; Vice-President C. H. Lang, manager of sales; Vice-President H. A. Winne, manager of engineering; Neil Currie, Jr., manager of manufacturing; G. S. Hyatt, assistant comptroller in charge of accounting; W. W. Second row, left, Bldg. 19-4, Mr. Erben, J. H. Staak, A. W. Bartling, and W. W. Warner. Center, Decatur, R. J. Houser, Mr. Lang, Mr. Staak, Mr. Currie, J. Globig, and Mr. Erben. Right, Decatur, G. Harvey, Mr. Winne, Mr. Erben, and C. C. Langston. Third row, left, Bldg. 26-2, R. H. Johnson, Mr. W. E. J. Thomas, and O. Kiltie. Center, Bldg. 26-3, J. H. Gargett, Mr. Muir, H. R. Korte, and Mr. Ande Right, Bldg. 26-1, Mr. Erben, P. M. Staehle, C. F. Tagtmeyer, L. R. Brown of Pittsfield, Carl Runkle Schenectady, and Clarence Burke. Bottom row, left, Bldg. 19-1, P. A. McTerney of Schenectady, W

Here and There
BUILDING 17-4

Our spring-like weather has in-eed a biological urge on the gang general—Turning our test room o a biology class room into one analysis, we find: Anatomy: es: Classmate Heller has decided preserve his blinkers by donning new pair of "specs." Professor der did a fancy paint job on his, ems like a few drops of white int hit him on the specs and right the window he was looking rough. Teeth: These fangs can ve a body a heckling case of hirling whoolies. The question is, o will soon be chewing on new ories before long? Answer—best luck and painless X-traction, on Kruse! Vertebrae: Clem Miller s been X-ercising his, washing wn his humble abode—imagine e calories burned! Feet: and wet es too! The Bldg. 17-4 "Rough-s" opened the golf season Tues-y night with an unofficial dress hearsal and wading party. Norb se drew honors as "chief wader," ving two balls in the "lake" at e same time. Captain Heller owed unique retrieving by re-oving only one shoe and using e hop-scotch method. This week is learning to walk on his hands. ring water is too cold for his et. . . . Time out for a class re-rt, entitled "Blessed Bit of Grow-g Humanity." The Paul Locks are oud to announce that Bobby Leo, ow at the tender age of 10 months, eighs 26 pounds. The Lawrence ellinger's David Paul is a hand-me young fellow of seven months. e extend our get-well wishes to onnie Lee Hoagland, two-month-d heir of LeRoy Hoagland, who is at the present. Congratulations Henry Roemke and John Di-ond on the additions to their fam-ies. Henry is boasting a lovely ttle lady, and John has a prize ghter. . . . And now we will ave some Botany: Posies: Poppies ere in full bloom Friday—every an was right on the beam when e bought his pretty poppy. Rela-ive Humidity: Our developmental umidity room is back in condish or more experiments, so send us me sick specimen, dear old fac-lty. . . . The biology class ad-ourned till next Friday. We re-eived a nice fat, newsy epistle rom Harold Cagey, who is located n Okinawa; gives one's corpus-les a bumping chase throughout he intricate tribulations of the unt, to think what brave soldiers ur fellow workers are—Right? Right! And write, write 'em often. . . Did you know that robins like trawberries? Charley Haberkorn as some in his back yard. He was watching them daily to see when e could pick his first mess. The obins were watching too and got here first and Hobby was cheated ut of a nice strawberry shortcake. . . Mike Lowe sure is a flashy dresser. He came to work all dressed up on Saturday afternoon, and you should see the tie, some tie. . . . Cy Seymour is on the sick list. Hope you will soon be back on the job and put your shingles on the house. . . . The second shift has one member on the sick list this week. We hope he will be back soon, for it is George Patterson. I hope you take lots of time to rest and get well, George. It's one of those things we know you can lick, so we're rooting for you. The gang. . . . Now we find that James Kelley isn't such a bad driver after all; his car looks just like new. Oh, yes, he hit a low 57, golfing the other day. We won't tell about the other fellows' scores though. . . . We were wrong last week because Gerty Mailand doesn't like to sing "Candy." It's "My Dreams Are Getting Better all the Time." Sorry, Gerty, a little birdie told us. . . . You should ask Joe Quinlan where he lives sometimes. It's a big place. He would like to be fire chief. . . . Clifford Imbody is a whiz, according to the latest. We heard we should call him "Whizzy." He can stand up in bed and bounce his head on the ceiling. My, isn't he tall? . . . Some common sayings on our floor are: Virgil Kimes, "I never have a flat tire, again!" Jim Young, "Do ya think I oughta?" Lester Meyers, "Have you seen my oats crop?" Jesse Ebersole, "Soon they'll call me the invisible man!" Earl Stauffer, "Who let the cat out of the bag?"



Addresses Squares Club



Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr., staff assistant to the vice-president in charge of engineering and chairman of the apparatus education committee, was the featured speaker at the annual dinner for members of the G-E Squares recently. Dr. Stevenson is shown above addressing the gathering. Seated, left to right, R. F. Hertel, Bldg. 31-2, president of the organization; H. D. Kelsey, Bldg. 18-2, director; and A. M. Krakower, Bldg. 26-2, secretary. Because of the great interest aroused by Dr. Stevenson's address, it will be printed in the WORKS NEWS, the first installment appearing this week on Page 2.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Frank Dubanowich is getting acquainted with some of the sorrows of the victory gardener. He was just on the verge of bragging about the abundant growth of peas in his garden, when he went out to gloat over them one morning and found most of them trimmed neatly to the ground. Our friends, the bunnies, must have found them quite tasty. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Motter, who are the proud parents of a baby girl named Susan Paulette. . . . Jane Winebrenner is beginning to think that calamity follows her around. This time she really got her foot in it, for someone had broken a fresh jar of mayonnaise right in her path, and she had to go into the nearest restaurant and borrow a towel to clean her shoes. Better stick to kicking over spittoons, Jane. . . . We're all mighty glad to see Clarence Kelley back in our drafting section. . . . Best wishes to Mary Woodford, who left rather suddenly last week to join her sailor husband in Portland, Oregon. . . . If you should see anyone holding hands with Dorothy Dunkelberg, don't be alarmed; she is only telling fortunes. She can tell you your past, present, and future, all by the lines in the palm of your hand, and believe me, some shocking things are being revealed.

Is Zat So?

Sincere thanks and appreciation to the reporters who so ably handled this column while I enjoyed a vacation. I hope that we can count on your continued cooperation to get news items for this column. . . . We will miss Molly Martin, who is now working in Bldg. 17-3. We hope she will still remember us with some of her lovely flowers. We are indebted to Roxie Miller for the beautiful roses from her flower garden. . . . Believe it or not, but Mel Kestner was passing out bananas and gum the other day. Page Mr. Ripley! . . . We learned that Ed Brosche really could blush. He got the oil lines mixed on the bench lathes and when one of the operators discovered it, poor Ed's face turned crimson. That's OK, Ed; we all make mistakes once in a while. . . . The baseball season is in full swing now, and so is the old feud between Heinie Wichern and Loyal Decker. They have us all wondering which is the better team, the Pirates or the Cards. Time will tell! . . . This isn't a little Audrey joke. According to Audrey Roy, it is not even an excuse, but just the plain honest to goodness truth. Audrey was late to work Saturday morning and arrived with a story about how she was locked upstairs and couldn't get to work on time. It's sure a comical tale to all but Audrey. Get her to tell you the details. They are really funny! . . . Naomi Zimmerman returned from her vacation looking full of vim and vigor! . . . Edwin "Butch" Bueker received a rush job, especially for him. We wonder if the operations were completed in time. . . . Famous last words of "Pat" Eichhorn, "I think I'll go home now." We thought Garbo said that! . . . Two of our old timers pass another milestone this week and add another year to their service records. Marion "Curly" Sprague and Clyde Crabill have a total of fifty-three years' service. Not bad for two young guys, eh? . . . Birthday congratulations to Frank Gitter, Art Rose, Clyde Hemrick, Orlando Surface, Fred Zimmerman, Colman Bouse, Mary Beth Kauffman, and Hugh Price.

17-3 Newsies

Can you imagine Betty Geary saying she had a "dish of tea?" I say, old fellow, you must think you are in London. In America we say "cup of tea." . . . We were wondering why Marie Johanns had so many black and blue marks on her arms. Well, we found out that Marie's sister had just waxed the floors when the door-bell rang, and poor Marie started to run across the floor but went down sledding. . . . Lost, one box of oil-cloth arrows. Anyone finding them please return to Bessie Yoder. . . . Seems Katherine Weigel has given Marian Capport and Marcella Bug life sentences for taking a nickel cake. My! Would she ever make a wonderful judge. . . . We are sorry to be leaving Bldg. 17-3 this week, but we hope to see you in the future. As your reporter, I have had a fine group to work with, and I'll miss you all. To our fighting girls and boys, our greetings and farewells. We hope we helped you in some small way to pass the long hours.

Four Fourums

A very impressive ceremony was witnessed by the employees of Section 14 in which the new war memorial was unveiled on Memorial Day. Mr. Roark first introduced the posting of the colors. He next presented Melvin D. Warner, who led us in prayer. Following this, words of thanks for the wholehearted co-operation on the production line and the unveiling of the war memorial was inspiration enough to spur us to even greater efforts. Special thanks to Bob Till and Delos Martin for their efforts in co-ordinating the making and dedication of this Memorial, and all those who participated in its completion. Look it over folks, these are the faces that look to you for material support; these are the faces we must face when they return, for we are "the men behind the men behind the guns." If we fail them, we fail ourselves. The ceremony ended by the retiring of the colors. We wish to thank the General Electric World War I Veterans color guard, namely, Carl Rehling and Arthur Stute, and the bugler, T. R. Weaver, for their services in making this unveiling a very impressive ceremony. . . . Another one has joined the "I Forgot My Badge Club," and it is none other than Neva Waikle. . . . Wilma Rodocker was wearing an identification ticket. Her latest saying it, "You never miss it till you've lost it." Oh, where is my badge? . . . Tony Sowers also showed up with a forgotten-badge pass. . . . Mariane Schaaf was pleasantly surprised with a shower given by a group of girls including Irma Augsburger, LaVon Disler, Betty Gaff, Maxine Drabentot, Dorthy Golden and Katherine Norr. Mattie Pitts was unable to be present but sent a gift. Mariane will soon marry George Mannisco. . . . We extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Irwin in the recent death of Mrs. Irwin's father. . . . Theron Kitchen learned a lesson last week—that is, not to forget his cheese on his bench and then call in for Carl Kloepper to bring it home. . . . Howard Poorman brought a rose to work, and Ray Christlieb was also seen with a bouquet of scented posies. We shall have to do a bit of sleuthing. . . . His honor, Ray Bowers, is going to wear a white shirt and tie to work now. He was recently elected Mayor of Highland Forest Park, Inc.

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

The official sign that it is time to start spring cleaning was given by Dale Irwin and Ted Slough. They were going down the aisle with the tools it takes, broom and dustpan. . . . We wish to welcome Viola Baumgartner and Mildred Schlosser to our 14x3B Section. . . . We know Wilma Rodocker takes her afternoon nap just before coming to work, as one day she came to work still wearing her bedroom slippers. . . . LaVon Disler found out the first thing you have to do to start up a winding machine is to turn on the switch. . . . Myrtle Barfell was pleasantly surprised last Monday to find it didn't rain. Oh, what happy wash day. . . . Al Schonheinz must be preparing to have some more work done on his cottage. It appears that Ray Bowers is to be the victim this time

Decaturites

The Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team defeated the International Harvester team 14 to 4. Billy Kohn stole two bases to account for one run, and looks good in the field. This is Billy's first season with the team. Butcher did the pitching for Decatur while Bower did the catching. M. Miller pitched for International Harvester with Duncan doing the catching. This is the second Fort Wayne league game won by Decatur, as they defeated the CYO of Fort Wayne 4 to 1 last week. Back your home team by coming to the game next Tuesday night, June 12, at Worthman Field. The girls are playing International Harvester. . . . Harriet Striker, of plant one, is wearing a big smile; she is happy to have her big brother, Cpl. Richard Striker home on furlough after spending three years in the South Pacific. . . . Miriam Moore returned to work Monday morning all smiles; she reports that the weather didn't put a damper on her vacation. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence "Butch" Schroeder, who are the parents of a baby girl born Wednesday, May 30. Butch is employed in Plant No. 1. . . . Congratulations are also in order for Mr. and Mrs. Arden Schilling of Wren, Ohio, who are the parents of a daughter, Carolyn Sue, born May 10. Mr. Schilling was Madeline Martin. . . . Section 5-56 welcomes newcomers Edna Warthman, Helen Owens, and Rita Wellman, Hermenia Huffman, Bonnie Roop, and Mary Pollock. . . . June Stauffer received a dozen American Beauty roses from her fiance, the occasion being her birthday. . . . Congratulations to the newlyweds: Beatrice Mathys and Chester Isch, who were married May 25; Edward Hammond and Kathryn Vogelwede, Saturday, June 2; and Maxine Bierly and Lt. Eugene Smith, who were married Saturday, May 19. . . . Decatur really has at least one patriotic American. We won't mention any names but his initials are Harry Stultz, fire chief on the swing shift. Harry is raising lettuce on his front lawn, although it really isn't intentional. It seems Harry bought some grass seed from a fellow employee which was guaranteed not to have any weeds in it. After planting the seed, the first thing Harry got was a nice crop of lettuce. Maybe you can sell some lettuce to someone who isn't fortunate enough to have a victory garden, Harry. . . . Leo Ulman, foreman in Plant No. 1, is convalescing at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. He is recovering nicely and hopes to return to Decatur soon. . . . Frank Gillig, Linus Beard, Thomas Rhoades, Etta Anspaugh, Jack August, Fred Busse, Harold Dellinger, Omer McManama and Nora Smitley are on the sick list. We wish them a speedy recovery. . . . Hilda Gaunt, Mina Lampy, Mary Miller, Rosalie Thatcher, Mildred Wagoner, Madge Jones, and Lorena Keller, employees of Plant No. 1, and former employees, Audrey Sprunger, Nilah Meil, and Martha Sommer visited with Mary Wolf at Bluffton. Mary has left the services of the company to assume fulltime duties as a housewife. . . . Flora Marie Spahr is on vacation this week. . . . Swing and Sway the Foremah way—miracles still do happen. Decatur's most promising STAR is none other than Mr. Daniel Foreman. Accompanied by "The Islanders," Mr. Foreman, in a most versatile manner presented a hula-hula dance which won for him first prize in a contest sponsored by the Honolulu Conservatory of Music at the Shrine Theatre, May 20, 1945. Congratulations, Dan. Please don't forget us when you're in the Hall of Fame, or perhaps this is one for Ripley. (Editor's note: Dan is wearing a larger hat now). . . . The Aeolian Choir closed its current season with a banquet and dance at the Portland Country Club on June 1. The evening was spent informally, and guests enjoyed the French fried chicken dinner, the rolling lawn, and dancing to the sweet music of Don Smith's Serenaders of Rossburg, Ohio. Nearly all the choir members, their guests, and members of the G-E Club Committee were present. Dave Embler, choir director, gave the welcoming speech to the 100 guests and introduced Daniel Foreman, president of the choir. Mr. Foreman presented the new committees for the coming year as follows: membership, Robert Striker and Emma Goldner; social, Ruth Christen and John Moore; publicity, Betty Melchi; librarian, Janet Goldner; and business manager, secretary and treasurer, Phillip Dolby. Highlights of the evening, as seen by the watchful bystanders and evidenced by the camera of Cecil Melchi, included Paul Hancher decked out with roses over both ears. Jerry Leitz carried the "out of gas" gag too far and his carload arrived barely in time for dessert. The proudest couple there was Kathleen Affolder and her husband, Rolland, who just returned from overseas. The orchestra was smooth and sweet. Several of the guests were prospective choir members, and we hope they liked the group enough to join the ranks. A drive is in process to enlarge the choir to 60 voices by fall, and anyone interested is requested to contact Mr. Embler, Mr. Foreman or Mr. Dolby. Happy vacation, choir members, and we'll be seeing you in the fall, full of enthusiasm for another successful season.

Nation Interested In G-E Jet Developments



This mass of clippings from daily newspapers and magazines deals specifically with General Electric jet propulsion and gas turbine developments and production for the armed forces. They show clearly the widespread interest manifested by the public in this vitally important war work in which G-E has world leadership. Engineers at River Works in Lynn, Massachusetts, developed the first jet engine produced in the United States. The most powerful aircraft engine in the world, which now drives the Lockheed P-80 for the Army Air Forces faster than any other plane will fly, then was designed by G-E engineers and now is being produced at the company's wartime plants in Syracuse and River Works.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Ray Moore started a riot when he learned, the hard way, that his lunch bucket was fastened to his file basket. Down came basket, welding rods, papers, and all! Of course, one would have to see Ray leave at night to really appreciate this. Just call him "Flash" Moore! . . . There were four broken hearts in the Production Section because Mansfield, Ohio, was so far away that Jini Hartman, Jean Ewing, Ruth Cyr, and Ruth Kespohl couldn't make the Bacall-Bogart wedding on their two gallons of gas! Tough luck, girls! . . . Bill Wiebke was seen ballet dancing one night at the Union Hall. Also seen there was Bob Blomker, wandering around as if in a daze (he had lost his glasses). . . . We're glad to have two "casualties" back and both looking fine! Boyd Fisher has recovered from his automobile accident, and Marcile Oetting had her tonsils removed. . . . Congratulations to Vivian Kimmell and Bill Kayser, who were married last Saturday evening! Congratulations are also due Irene Robison, who was married to Alton E. Rust on Saturday. Best of wishes go to both of you! . . . Don't speak to Georgia Eikenberry very early in the morning—she may not be quite awake yet. We assure you she is wide awake by noon and really can carry on a very intelligent conversation! . . . Bert Spencer celebrated a birthday May 25! Many happy returns! We hear that "Pappy" Archbold sprang out of bed early one morning and then proceeded to arouse the whole family, only to find out later that it was Sunday! Habit-forming, isn't it, Pappy? . . . The poor, absent-minded Dawsons! One Sunday a.m. in church they "awoke" their little boy, Carl, and told him to go to the car to get ready to go home. After they had gathered up their clan, they also agreed to take some of the neighbor's children. Much to their horror, they discovered little Carl was missing after they arrived home. They hadn't counted noses! Back they rushed, fearing he was sound asleep in the locked church. Much to their relief they found him outside the church, safe and sound! Next time they should take inventory of their offspring. . . . We wonder if it takes particular telegrams to inspire Bill Shuherk to the extent of placing both feet in the waste-basket. What "added attractions" could his telegrams have that the others don't? . . . It is believed that the "May frosts" cracked the glass in Joe Neal's left-front car door. Frosty side, eh, Joe? . . . It's really strange the way inventions are originated. For instance, Harold Garrett has a new way to make an "egg-shell" ceiling, simply by putting the eggs on the stove to cook and forgetting about them. Eventually the eggs will explode (as Garrett's did) and, presto, you have an "egg-shell" ceiling! (Or am I revealing a secret patent?) . . . Anyone seeing Curly Mannan suffering from "beanitis" don't be alarmed, for Curly claims that he is going to eat all the beans that come up in his garden. (Note, he only bought two pounds of seed for his two by two foot garden!) . . . Speaking of gardens, Joe Formanek is beginning to take orders for the strawberries he hopes to get. . . . Gardening has really become the rage—Charlie Atkinson has even gone so far as to buy a garden tractor, and he offered to plow all the gardens in the neighborhood. Nice work if you can get it! . . . We were sorry to lose Ethel Wheeler last week. Ethel plans on just staying home, relaxing, and taking care of her garden. Could be we are a little envious, too.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Jimmie Paxton says there is one thing that he cannot be fooled on and that is the smell of fish. Jimmie claims he can smell them a mile away. We don't doubt his word, but we would like to have him prove it. Can do, Jimmie? . . . Virgil Beck decided to sell his outboard motor and to date he has no offers. It seems everyone knows that Virgil has used it for everything else, and they are afraid to take a chance. . . . Well, Lottie Moore now walks right on through Bldg. 17-1 to go to her new work in Bldg. 17-3. Good luck, Lottie. . . . Hoy Bastian has a new bell to contend with. Every time someone rings the bell for a blueprint, Hoy answers the telephone. Rather confusing, eh, Hoy? . . . Keith Brickley returned from his vacation thinking he was all ready for a new start in the euchre game. Just to prove to him that he wasn't, the boys handed him a skunk. Keith still claimed it was just luck until the next night they handed him another. Is it luck? . . . Everyone should be ambitious, and we should always be trying to advance ourselves; but one of our group found out that to sit in the foreman's chair takes years of practice. Ask Bob Hawk—he sat in the chair that wasn't there. . . . Gerry Humbarger claims it can be very dangerous to be in crowds, especially if the person who says, "Don't crowd me too much," happens to be about three times your size. . . . Don't forget, Sunday, June 10, the big party for Ernie Barr at his cottage at Lake James. . . . Ray Howe, our stock room boy, was married Saturday, June 2. Congratulations. . . . Fred Crickmore should get a medal for endurance or a book on how to be a detective, so that he could figure out why there is an empty seat on a crowded bus. We understood Fred finally solved the mystery. . . . And now Marvel Daub, our bond room girl, is making a change and going on days. We'll miss you a lot, Marvel, but good luck to you. . . . Mrs. Charles Westfall is a patient at the St. Joseph Hospital. . . . Si High is still absent on account of illness. . . . Frank Alderman and Andy Degler joined the skunk club one night last week. . . . Every time someone yells, "Hutson, do this," or "Hutson, do that," Lennie thinks they are yelling at him. The other evening someone yelled for Hutson, and Lennie was very much surprised to have a young lady say, "Out of my way, bud! My name is Hutson." Next time Len says he is going to duck when he hears the name called. . . . Our display window has been very interesting for quite some time. . . . Well, so long, folks; see you next week, same time, same 17-1.

McWhirter: "Johnson says he is in close touch with the heads of several big concerns."

McWhimson: "Yes, he's a barber."

News From TAYLOR STREET

Receiving

We came back to work Monday ... rested up from our Saturday's ...tion. We really did some paint-...g at home; Red got half of his ...orch painted; he just hit the high ... so friend wife would take ...e hint and do the low part. . . . ...t is rather lonesome in the Re-...ving Inspection Section this ...eek; we miss Lizzie, Adeline, and Madge. . . . Cliff Wolfe takes his ...ation this week. We will miss ...Cliff, but we will try and carry ...on. Hope you get rested up, Cliff. ... Stoiche is still looking for ...ne for his wall; anyone having ...oo many in their victory gardens ...tify Jim. He will come and get ...m. . . . We are glad to welcome ...e girls from the bucket section ...ck here in the Receiving Inspec-...n. Hope you like it here, girls. ... Mary Ambler of the Receiving ...nspection Section is taking her ...acation this week. . . . Anyone ...ishing to buy a mulch to use in ...is victory garden, see Red Rhodes, ...as Red is quitting farming. He will ...ell it cheap. . . . Thursday of this ...eek was Ruth Penrod's last day ...ith the G-E. We will miss Ruth ...ery much.

Shipping

Charles Fisher is enjoying a ...eek's vacation at his home in South Whitley. . . . Ruth Faurote ...isited with her aunt in Indianapolis ...ast week-end. Ruth reports a very ...ood time. . . . Verna Powers has ...ransferred to Van Horn's crew. ...She likes the work and the hours. ...Good luck, Verna. . . . Service men ...rom any fighting front will all ...ell you of the important part that ...E products are playing in this ...ar. When they depend upon a G-E ...roduct, they are depending upon ...s. Let's keep them proud of us. ... We missed Fred West, who was ...away from work a few days last ...eek because of illness. We are ...lad that you are better and able to ...be back with us. . . . Alice Zent's ...other was home on furlough the ...ther day from the army. We ...now that it was a happy reunion, ...since the boy has been away from ...me a long time. . . . We miss ...esta Whitney a lot. Vesta is now ...at her home in Kendallville, making ...a full time job of housekeeping. ...Best of luck to you, Vesta. . . . We ...have a newcomer in the Shipping ...Section. She is Verna Powers. We ...are happy to have her with us ...and will sure try to make her wel-...come on her new job. . . . Vic ...Bobbe has quit walking. He bought ...an automobile the other day and we ...all hope to get a ride in it soon. . . . ...Have you decided what you are ...going to do and where you are ...going on your vacation? It won't be ...long now.

Punch Press

Paul Hunnicutt has left us to ...join the Army. Good luck, Paul; we ...will miss you, but we know the war ...will be over sooner with you in ...there to help. . . . Russell Gerardot ...and Bill Hixon are on their vaca-...tions. Have a good time, boys. . . . ...Mabel Haines from the Punch Press ...is taking a beauty course. Anyone wishing to have your hair done, please call Mabel. We know she will fix us up looking our best, so please call for an appointment. . . . Betty Hoagland lost her lipstick. Anyone having any extra, please bring it in for Betty.

Rotor

Repair section has gained, but welded wheel has lost. Almetta Smith has been transferred; sorry to see you leave us, Smitty. . . . Has anyone got sore eyes? They should have, after taking one look at Margaret Middaugh's sparkler on her left hand. Congratulations, Margaret. . . . Helen Bradley is taking her vacation this week. Don't get too suntanned, Helen! . . . Congratulations go to Delores Veazey who soon will be Mrs. Thadus Parker; her fiance has been overseas for 26 months, serving in the Navy. . . . Belated birthday greetings go to Charlie Shidler on his (censored) birthday.

Forge

The forge shop unites in saying "so long" to Ward Meese, who left for Navy service this week. We wish him a speedy return. . . . Johnny Ruhl made good use of his vacation by journeying to Virginia to attend graduation exercises for his son, Jack, who is now an assistant chaplain in the Navy. We'll have to wait till later in the summer for John's fish stories. . . . Shades of Bobby Jones! Did you see that score card of Willard Minnick's last Wednesday? It looks like we will soon have a professional golfer to team up with Dobson, who, it is rumored, is also turning professional. . . . Walt Doenges, who still has his first work day to miss, is enjoying his vacation this week. . . . We welcome three new members, Alice Anderson, Malinda Wahrer, and Anna Lehman. . . . There is one man that no one could accuse of being a clock watcher. Arthur Judy worked right through his lunch period last week 'cause he didn't hear the quitting whistle. . . . Birthday greetings to Lloyd Jacobs, who celebrated his sixteenth plus birthday on June 5. . . . George Kumfer says he needs another week's vacation to rest up from all the farm work he did while "vacationing" last week. . . . If you happen to notice Oswin Amstutz looking longingly at the crane, he will be remembering when he used to sit up there and watch Ralph Walker work in heat treat.

Decatur Choir Attends Banquet



Following the close of its first season, the Aeolian Choir of the Decatur Plant met at the Portland Country Club on June 1 for a social evening. The group first enjoyed a banquet, and spent the remainder of the evening in dancing. Plans for the resumption of activities in the fall were discussed.

Impeller

Ardella Wyatt is on her vacation this week. She is spending it with her mother in Huntertown. Have a nice time, Ardella. . . . How would you like to plant radishes one day and have radishes the next? Ask Joe Cochoit. He says it can be done, but we don't believe it. You can't really, can you, Joe? . . . Since Roland Anselman's wife has her housecleaning done, he decided to take his vacation last week. Hope you had a good time and enjoyed the nice, clean house, Roland. . . . Bob Kinnaman is on a two weeks' vacation. We hear that he is going to work around the house. Hope you don't come back with another sunburn, Bob. . . . Ben Prickett says in case you don't know it, it's the Rotor Section moving in with us.

Plant Service

Vacation time is here and some of the boys ars already going places. Jerry Christie was visiting in Colorado. Judging from the pictures he brought back, he saw lots of beautiful country. How did you ever manage to come back to Indiana, Jerry? . . . Paul Gallmeyer took quite a trip on his vacation to visit in Norfolk, Va. He reports seeing them build some big ships and to top it all he saw the launching of an aircraft carrier. I'd say judging from some of the pictures he sent back, he had quite a time. . . . All of the gang in the Sheet Metal Shop and field would like to say "hello" to their old buddy, Jack Motherwell, and to tell him to hurry back. . . . I've been checking on the bowling league with our team captain, Harley Shaffer, and he tells me their standing is way down near the bottom. When reports reach me that Otto Hans on Thursday night rolls his first ball in the right alley and the second ball in the left alley, I can understand. . . . Joe Weber spent his vacation at Wesley Lake last week building a cottage. Good luck, Joe; we'll have to have a house warming. . . . Bob Fox's son, Lt. Robert J. Fox, is in the United States after being a prisoner of war in Germany. . . . Clifford Potts of the U. S. Navy, was here to visit his old pals again after nine weeks of boot training at Great Lakes. Good to see you again, Cliff. . . . Rudy Kaiser hurt his foot and was off a few days. Glad you're back, Rudy. . . . Walter Rosselot was very happy to get a telegram from his son James stating he had returned to the States and would very soon arrive home for a furlough. He has been a 3/c torpedoman somewhere in the South Pacific. He has returned to take advanced training in a torpedo school in Newport, Rhode Island, at the end of his furlough. . . . George Dehnert has been off ill this past week. Hurry back, George.

Tool Room

Hiya gang! Did you hear of the latest? No? Well, I did, so here goes. A good old "southern hospitality" invitation was given to Robert Todd the past week by our machinist farmer, Harold Bowman. Mr. Todd was wined and dined to a turn—and then worked to a frazzle. Bob found out that plowing sure gets a man's "Sunday best" dirty in quick time. Harold makes a good "farm boss," though. He just showed Bob how to do it, then he disappeared for several hours. Bob came to work the next day with an "over the corn row" stride, and still jiggling like a tractor. . . . We received a letter from Private Lyle Clapham and are glad to hear he is in fine health and enjoying himself. He tells us that he is having a fine time and tries to build up our back home morale by telling us that their principal diet is venison and wine. Sometimes in place of cognac they have to drink beer—the poor fellow. The surrounding country is mostly farms and woods. They are not allowed to talk to anyone. . . . Dale Romey was shocked the other day upon finding that he was somewhat alone. Seems everyone had gone to lunch—must put in a louder lunch bell.

Screw Machine

We have some very important news which we believe will make headlines this week. Francis Tester played his first game of golf Thursday afternoon. We hear that he did very well and is in line for the championship. . . . Forest Stinson is on his vacation this week. We hear he is just going to rest and take life easy for a whole week. . . . We saw Dorothea Webster this week, and her husband will be home Saturday. He was recently freed from a prison camp in Germany. . . . Beatrice Michael wishes us to state that she and Agnes Jump are now floating operators. . . . Lois Frauhiger will be on her vacation next week. I suppose we'll miss you, but not for long, as a week goes by pretty fast. . . . Maurie Roe was seen Friday noon on the horseshoe court. He plays a much better game of horseshoe than he does golf. That is what his opponents think anyway. . . . Red Doster is back in ST6 as leader. . . . Ralph Dunlap sure talks a good game of golf. Could it be that he can't count very well? . . . Anyone knowing of a horse for sale, please notify Harley Springer, as he is interested in buying one so that it doesn't take him so long to get home from the lake.

We are very glad to see Elsie Brecheisen back with us after being on the sick list most of the week. . . . Geraldine Wetoskey has decided to leave us and work closer to home. We will sure miss you, Jerry, but maybe we can drop in some evening for a sandwich and a cup of coffee, as we hear you are going to be in the restaurant business. Good luck from all the gang. . . . Last Saturday a party of Dale Feick's friends gathered in the cafeteria to show their friendship by having a potluck lunch. We were sorry, Dale, we didn't let you know in time to prepare your appetite and take a nerve tablet, but we wanted to surprise you. He was presented a handsome brief case as a farewell gift. We sure have enjoyed working with you, Dale, and we know you will have a host of friends wherever you go. The gang all wishes you the best of luck. . . . William Growcock was in to visit us last week. We were sure glad to see you, and you look fine, Bill. That Texas sun sure agreed with you. . . . It seems one of our gang who left us to go to Broadway had to get a transfer before she could forget her badge. Helen Murray did it the first morning. . . . We are glad to welcome Frieda Buuck back after a few weeks' vacation. . . . Well, Ardis Crum, you seem to be a very good weather prophet. We think you should exchange places with the weather man, as he's been bringing too much rain. . . . One of the girls received a letter from Twylo Elzey, saying she wishes to say hello to everybody. She is employed in Bluffton at present.

G-E Foremen's Club Holds Annual Picnic



Members of the G-E Foremen's Association entertained themselves at a picnic at the FOP last Saturday. Pictured upper left are Otto Rodenbeck, Richard Madden, and Harold Price at the rifle range. Center is the champion softball team. Right, talking over the war are Frank Brown, Carl Moser, Ed Schafenacker, and Ed Steward. Center row, left, food was under the capable direction of William Charleston, Vic Boutwell, Harold Clayton Smith, and George Ellison. Center, Ernie Hanauer, Richard Madden, and Fred Seip play ball. Right, presentation of the trophy to the West Side softball team. Bottom left, Robert Hatfield, Elmer Mesing, Eric Hellweg, George Ellison, and Elmer Gault enjoy a joke. Second picture, Bill Walt aims for a homer. Third picture, M. Walchle tosses a horseshoe. Right, watching the ball game.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers: The headlines should read—Two Blessed Events. The Bill Nickersons have a baby girl, whom they are calling Barbara Lee. The Jack Schutzs have a baby boy, weight seven pounds and one-tenth ounce, named J. Raymond Schutz, III. Congratulations to both families. . . . Although Ruth Hosler was on vacation last week the gang in Wage Rate didn't forget her birthday. In fact, a dinner party was held after which found the girls all at Dorothy Reichel's for a tete-a-tete. . . . Chicago again became the week-end destination of Ruth Gebhardt, Rosanna Weston and Doris Bushman. From all reports a fine time was had. Oh, for longer week-ends though. . . . Marie Long has a theory that vacations were meant for rest. . . . Margaret Hoffman has just received her pilot's license from Smith Field. She is the youngest licensed pilot in Fort Wayne—just 18 years old. There is a story told about her first solo to the effect that Margaret didn't know how to change her course of flight, which happened to be the same as the TWA transport. Inasmuch as her flight coincided with that of the transport, she was chased all the way to Van Wert. . . . In the Engineering Section, we are seeing some changes made. You'll now find Snuffy Smith sitting near Chuck Kronmiller's gang, since he has become a part of it. Dick Herrod exchanged desks with Snuffy, in case you look for the lonely man. We claim he is lonely because the little woman is still visiting in the deep south. Then there is Wendell Hughes who assumed his new duties working with Dorsey Merchant on Monday. . . . In addition to these, Dennis Jennings has left O. Kiltie's group to become one of Mr. Kronmiller's staff on ballasts. . . . Bob Rowe predicts the Transformer and Squares softball score as 8-3 in favor of the Squares. He'll take any of your bets—self-confident guy, eh. . . . Both teams for the Transformer Golf tournament have won two games in a row. A record thus far—keep up the good work, boys. . . . The Squares held a potluck on Friday night. The food was good and plentiful, claims our representative Aaron Krakower. Krakower's wife also was present along with E. J. Thomas and wife. A little auction followed the evening's games. . . . Joe Uttal is another of the boys who rates his name on a new blotter each month. . . . Jean and Bob Altevogt enjoyed an evening at Hamilton Lake dancing Saturday night. . . . Congratulations to Bob Smith, who celebrated a birthday on Tuesday.

2-3 Office

If you should hear long, low whistles from the direction of Chicago this week, it will probably be the Navy wolves paging our own Bonnie Rarick, who is vacationing there. . . . Birthday congratulations are in order this week for Edna Grossman, Janet Ogden and Teddy Kautras. . . . Oh, yes, and congratulations to Maxine Murphy too, on that diamond on the third finger, left hand. . . . Paging Alexander Graham Bell: If that gentleman could have seen what Helen Burnham did to his pet invention the other day, he would never have finished it. . . . LaDonna Ayers, who left this week for Ball State College, was honored with a dinner by the girls of her group. She was given a lovely manicure kit as a going away gift. Those present were Myrtle Rauner, Helen Merkey, Ella Cox, Dorothy Saalfrank, Bonnie Rarick, Virginia Buhr, Mary Geise, Bonnie Ervin, and the honored guest. . . . And speaking of parties, well, you haven't heard anything yet, and since this was a stag affair, and me being a mere woman, I can only give you a second hand account of it. First, it seems that George Auer isn't the excellent cook he has always led us to believe; he might be able to boil water without burning it, but he sure can't fry chickens without burning them. And shades of Izaak Walton! What were Frank Gamec and Al Konow doing out there in the lake, looking for Davey Jones' locker, or just playing hide-and-seek with the fish? Anyway it is a good thing Vern Castle keeps plenty of overalls at his cottage. Russel Fry says that next year when the Playboys hold their annual stag, he is going to see to it that they don't expect him to furnish the fresh fish. Is that why Gene Wheeler fell down the hill, trying to carry Russ's private stock of fish? . . . More next time. —Sunbeam Sal.

World War Veterans Observe Memorial Day



Under the sponsorship of the World War Veterans' Association, solemn commemorative services were held on Memorial Day in the plot east of Bldg. 19. Top left shows posting of the colors. Center, E. A. Barnes, retired general superintendent, addresses the gathering. Right, L. C. Swager, supervisor of personnel, represented management. Bottom left, Chaplain J. D. Foster of Baer Field delivered the Memorial Day address. Center, placing the wreath at the World War II Memorial. Right, the firing squad from American Legion Post 47 fires the salute.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"Somewhere in the Pacific,
May 18, 1945.

"Dear Editor:

"It has been a long time since I have written to you and the people at the G-E. I want to again extend my sincere thanks for sending me the WORKS NEWS. I would also like to notify you of my change of address.

"We have traveled on our LST from one ocean to another. One thing I never thought I would see was the Panama Canal. I have seen other places that I cannot mention as yet. The places that I can write about are Cuba and Panama. Those are two places where we stopped before going through the Canal.

"We also use a lot of G-E equipment aboard our ship. So far as I know, and as long as I have been on the ship, the equipment is flawless. Some parts wear out eventually, but that can't be helped.

"It took us about three times as long to get where we are as would most all other ships, so you can get an idea how slow the LST is. But you have to give them credit for the cargo they carry. They really carry a lot of material for their size.

"Well, I can't think of anything else to say except keep things rolling back at the plant.

"A former employee,
"Howard H. Schmidt, S 1/c."

North Calhoun Street

According to reliable information, Leona Voirol, our assembler, is quite a fisherman. She caught one so big last Sunday that it pulled her right into the water. Is that the one that got away, Leona? . . . LeRoy Straley, of the Disposall Section, is enjoying his vacation this week. . . . Helen Liechty, of Field Returns, is quite a singer. She is a combination of Connie Boswell and Betty Hutton. We like it, though. . . . William Hoover returned to work after spending three enjoyable weeks in Arkansas. He informs the writer that he was in Arkansas instead of Missouri. Sorry we made the error, Bill. . . . Anna Rosswurm, of Assembly, says she is the best lawn mower in town and that is how she keeps in trim. Anybody want their lawn mowed—the line forms to the right for appointments. . . . Signing off now, see you next week. Remember to Buy Bonds, now!

Cost

Charlie Hooley created quite a sensation in the office when he sported his new coiffure. He just discovered that by parting his hair on the other side it is naturally wavy. Purty nice, kid!

Production

Not to be outdone by the fad situation, most of the girls wore pigtails with ribbons! All shapes, sizes and forms were displayed. . . . Nelda McClain is the new girl you have been seeing in the Production Office. She previously worked in Receiving. . . . Herman Rockhill has come to the conclusion that his feet are too big. He keeps removing (quite by accident) the plug for the duplicator, by tripping gaily (and daily) over it. . . . Frances Miller's shoe came up missing the other day—and she claimed that a shoe can't just walk off, unless there's a foot in it.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Another new man in the Tool Room—this time it's Harold Bohde from the Power Drive. While with the Power Drive he worked for our old buddy, Charley Kensill.

Sports News

Golf

The second round of play has been completed in the Winter Street Golf League, and Team 5 now heads the standings with a record of two victories and no defeats. They defeated Team 4 by a score of 220-235. Team 5 won from Team 3, 214-241. Team 1 and Team 6 played a 209 tie, so they had a play-off last Friday night. Team 6 won 193-200.

Don Lynch and Win Kirke had low scores of 47 on the regular scheduled night but during the play-off Friday night a couple of the players really got hot. Tom Piepenbrink had a 40 and Don Lynch a 42. Piepenbrink had a chance for a one over par 37 coming into the last hole, but he blew his chances with a disastrous 8. Lynch also took an extra stroke on the last hole when he hung a putt on the lip of the cup that refused to drop.

Machine Shop

O. Etzler, J. Caudill and J. Stayer were transferred from the Machine Shop last week. The best of luck, boys. We'll miss you. . . . L. Kittridge, K. Koorsen, C. Figel and J. Elzey are all back on the job with flying colors after their vacations. . . . There are several on the vacation list this week: J. Eddy, who intends to get that garden in A-1 condition; A. Berryman, H. Schnepp, and O. Bowers. Ora's son is home on furlough. . . . We wish to welcome Dale Treesh from Power Drive (he started in the crankcase line this week) and H. Fuhrman, transferred from the oil pump and compressor section. . . . Bill Franke journeyed to Oklahoma to attend the marriage of his daughter. How do you like Oklahoma, Bill? . . . Ethel Birt has been vacationing while her son is home on furlough.

Factory Office

Virginia Erne is a newcomer in the factory office as a time clerk. It's just a little different from I. U., but interesting. . . . Welcome, Alice Oberlin, to time clerk section. Alice hails from Reese's section in turret compressors. . . .



Delbert Thornburg, M. M. 2/c, of the Seabees, is posing with his truck in the Philippines. He formerly worked in the Production section.

Refrigerator Assembly

Glen Courtney is still among the ill. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Glen. . . . H. Faus, Jr., enjoyed a vacation last week. . . . Wm. Stahl is back in the compressor room; glad to see you back, Bill. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Clarence Miller in the death of his brother.

A husband weeping loudly over the bed of his dying wife said, "Don't leave me, don't leave me."

The wife raised her head and said, "Well come on then, go along."

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Another week is gone and time once again to knock out another column to let you know who's where and why in Bldg. 4-3. . . . Fred Yant has really been conscious of the meat shortage. He's even so desperate that he brings awfully odd things to fill his sandwiches with. One night he had a sandwich filled with an apron string and another night a rubber band substituted for the meat that used to be used in sandwiches in bygone days. We agree with you, Fred, they have been playing tricks on you, and we wouldn't hold you responsible for any accident that should happen to befall the originator of these plots. . . . Irene Cline, Clarence Cleveland, Lulu Heckman, Tom Goodenaugh, and Peter Hellenthal recently had their vacations. Hope you all had a swell time, folks. . . . Katie Winter decided she was very, very hungry for an ice cream cone, so she had one of the girls bring her one when they came back from supper. All went well until Katie was ready to bite into the ice cream, when all of a sudden both dips landed on the floor. Poor, poor Katie. The next night she was more successful, though, and even got to eat one. . . . Omar Fey has joined Group 13x58 on third trick, and Charles Pasina is also coming in on the "grapeyard shift" but works in 13x15. Marion Clark came in from Bldg. 19 to Group 13x56 on second, and Alice Snyder is working in 13x55, also on second. Glad to have you folks join our gang and hope you like us too. . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to Ted Weber, packing section, whose father died recently. . . . Arlene Gaskill was in last Friday to report she won't be back to work for a few weeks more. We're sorry to hear that but anyway have a nice rest. Come to see us again sometime, Arlene. . . . Alice Pflueger is very happy these days. Her husband is back home after being overseas many months. We're glad for you, Alice. . . . Mrs. Floyd Andrews (nee Marceile Eibling) wrote Kate Winter from Miami that she is having a wonderful time and it is very beautiful down there. Glad to hear it, Marceile. . . . Ann Coleman really gave Rose Ulrey a shock the other day when she dangled a very life-like spider in front of her. Rose let out a scream that could be heard for quite a ways. You shouldn't do such things, Ann. Someone might have a weak heart. . . . Last but not least we wish to say goodbye to Al Baker, second shift maintenance man, who is retiring. Lots of good luck, Al, and enjoy yourself. You've earned it. . . . The column is getting to be all second shift news, but honestly, we can't help it because our little box has been oh! so empty, lately. Has the sewing club dropped out of existence along with all the interesting things that used to happen on the first trick? We're beginning to wonder. How about some news? . . . So long.

—Country Cousins

Overheard in a local swank spot: "Consumme, bouillon, hors-d'oevres, fricassee poulet, pommes d'terre au grautin, demitasse, des glaces, and tell that mug in the corner to keep his lamps offa me moll, see!"



The current carnival is providing thrills for a number of people. Butch Biscboff and Bob Dressell were up on the very top of the ferris wheel when it ran out of gasoline and left them hanging up there for fifteen or twenty minutes. . . . Wayne Johnson and Kenny Williams came in last Monday sporting tomato-red sunburns after spending the week-end wielding hoes in their victory gardens. . . . Welcome to Sadie Fields and Dick Gerhart to the assembly section. . . . Courtland Eylenberg went strolling out into the factory and was curious when he saw everyone leaving. Wheen he asked someone if there was a special meeting of some kind, he was informed that it was the lunch hour. To think, if it hadn't been for his curiosity, he would have missed his lunch! . . . Ed Ricketts was seen sporting an earring on his ear. On him it looks good! . . . Charlie O'Neil received a letter from Pfc. Joe Newton, who used to work in the motor-generator stockroom, Joe is out in the Pacific Area. He said that he had seen lots of G-E products out tbere. . . . Glad to see Wilma Kirby's bright and shining face around here after having those tonsils removed. Kirby says she doesn't miss them a bit. . . . Glad to see Vaughn Grant back after being in close contact with a cast for several weeks. Vaughn doesn't miss that cast, either. . . . Welcome, Joan Ruckman and Rebecca Valentine, to stator winding. . . . Ada Lytle is seeing the sights in San Francisco. . . . The ball team has been getting in some practicing this fine weather. Howard Weliver is the manager, Ralph Trott is the field captain, and John Margerum is going to be pitcher. We hear Margerum is pretty good. The team played the American Legion and Y. M. C. A. last week. Those new uniforms certainly help tbe morale. Charlie Evans wants to wear his to work. . . . We saw Ralph Trott making shadow animals by holding his hands in a patch of sunlight. That makes him about three years old. . . . The bouquets of flowers on the various tables makes the place brigbt and cheerful. . . . Our apologies to Mary Lou Landis, because we laughed when she fell down. . . . Ancil Black sports a new photo of his baby on his desk. Looks just likes its papa. . . . Welcome to Mary Sweet to the spring section. . . . Along with hen's teeth and horse feathers, on Helen Crist's list of oddities is rabbit eggs. We want to wish Helen the best of luck and good wishes since she passed the examination for the WAVES last week. (Ed. note: My main ambition is to be a private in the WAVES.) . . . Homer Adams lost his lunch and didn't know where to find it. Leave it alone and it'll come home, only it was four o'clock and too late to do him much good at lunch time. . . . Glad to see Glen Reel back after a brief illness. . . . George Dove Cooper has a sharp fitting shop coat. . . . Welcome to the new mail girl, Lenice Broyles. . . . Welcome to Coleen Williams, who works out in the Lab. Coleen is the daughter of our supervisor of inspection, Kenneth Williams. . . . Claude Haley has gone into the chicken raising business. He expects to start taking orders around the middle of July. . . . Joe McConnell's new nickname, "Kokomo Kid," seems to be sticking. Ralph Dennison called him "Kokomo Kid" in perfect innocence, but that's the way nicknames get started. . . . Russ Blackburn's car pool members were left waiting the other morning while he snatched an extra forty winks. . . . Charles Hollingsworth is complaining that he's getting flat feet from standing in cigarette lines. (Ed. note: A lot of us are walking on our ankles now.) . . . You aren't dreaming if you hear Pat Kelly say she's hungry. We hear her say it after having two candy bars during the morning, and four sandwiches, chocolate milk, a banana, a peach and another candy bar for lunch. . . . Welcome to Donna Jean Eaton to the shipping section. . . . Reed Burdgebrains and Louise Goudy are having a contest to see who can write the smaller. Reed cheated when he bought a magnifying glass. . . . Welcome, William Brunk, Bernard Richardson, and Jim Butcher, to the sbaft section. . . . A. K. McCollum brought $56 in pennies and nickels during our recent bond drive. (Ed. note: It's a good thing someone around here can count.) . . . LOST STRAYED OR STOLEN: One black and white spotted dog. Value: 25c. Return to Walter P. Green of the shipping section. . . . Lew Gossman is to be congratulated on his golfing. The other evening he sunk one on the number three tee from across the width of the green. Harold Wirick called it a beautiful punt. . . . Charlie Griffith and Charlie Dick have bought two hogs. They have figured how many hogs they will have at the end of three years. This meat rationing must have them at their wit's end. . . . Al Carlington paid us a visit last week. . . . Mark Bartz also spent a day with us. . . . We didn't know Phil Samuels was so strong until we found he had lifted the kitchen stove and refrigerator in order to lay a new linoleum. . . . Mary Gullion is finally established in her new house. . . . Cliff Harmes says he has a new invention on his car. He says that after a few miles, instead of the gasoline getting lower, it causes the tank to start running over. I wonder if Cliff is trying to start something? . . . John Kaade's dog chewed up the kitchen linoleum and door. The linoleum was replaced, but the door presents a larger problem. (Ed. note: What about a new dog, too?).

Strength Of Many Men . . .



JUST BY PULLING ONE LITTLE ROPE. That looks easy, but there is more to it than you may think, as the Safety Instructions for the Operation of Electric Cranes and Hoists emphasize:

1—Never operate a crane unless authorized by your foreman and properly instructed.

2—Before moving crane carriage, make sure tracks are clear.

3—Know the approximate weight of load to be lifted, crane capacity, and use proper slings for the job. (Consult sling and weight chart herewith). Never exceed capacity of crane or slings. When in doubt about load to be lifted, call foreman.

4—Place pads on sharp corners where ropes or slings might be cut.

5—Keep all slings, chains, and other special lifting devices on racks when not in use. If broken, notify your foreman. (Repairs not to be made in division).

6—Before starting hoist, place block directly over load to avoid swinging. Side pulls must not be made. Carry load approximately waist high as much as possible.

7—Always keep crane speeds under control and keep hand in easy reach of "stop" control rope or switch.

8—Start hoist slowly and inspect sling to see that load is held securely. Make sure all parts of load are secure.

9—Test hoist brake frequently (and on all maximum loads) by throwing controls to "OFF" position after the load has been lifted a few inches.

10—Sudden starting or stopping of cranes or load should be avoided.

11—Limit switch should not be used as a stop.

12—If crane is not working properly, notify your foreman.

13—NEVER CARRY LOAD OVER HUMAN BEINGS OR PERMIT THEM TO STAND UNDER LOAD. CRANE OPERATOR SHOULD ALWAYS KEEP HANDS AND ARMS FROM UNDERNEATH THE LOAD AND STAND OR WALK A SAFE DISTANCE AWAY. THIS RULE APPLIES TO MINIMUM AS WELL AS MAXIMUM LOADS.

The above safety instructions mean a lot to Dick Robertson, secretary of the Safety Committee in the Receiving and Distribution Division, shown in the above picture, and his committeemen.

The 1945 Safety Committee in this Division is as follows: C. F. Wm. Oberwitte, chairman; Richard Robertson, secretary; Clarence Stier, Ira Jones, Ralph Farrell, Paul Hoffman, John Doenges, John Poinsatte, Cletus Ternet, Wayne Fawley, Franklin Jacobs, James Adams, and Edward Gruber.

H. L. SMITH,
Safety Engineer

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Art Kruckeberg just had a birthday, and he really took a spanking. But it was worth it, Art, with those nice presents you received. . . . Mattie Lou Brunner received the Purple Heart from her husband in Italy. We are all proud with her. . . . Velma Sitler bought a head of cabbage, but where, oh where, did it go? Well, Velma, finally did find it in the garbage can. Better luck next time. . . . Paul Vance was auctioning off transformers. He didn't do bad except for a few watching him—got him kind of nervous. Better get in the business, Paul. . . . Anyone wanting a magic garden, get in touch with Velma Meads. She plants tomatoes one week and gets nice green onions the next week. . . . What do you know about a man that buys two dozen fresh eggs and when he gets home they seem to be all boiled eggs. That's what Mack Dunscombe says. . . . Goldie Mentzer should find out what kind of flowers she planted around the cottage at the lake. She says she has petunias where she planted zinnias and zinnias where she planted petunias. Velma Meads says they are both "wild lillies—the edible variety." . . . Seems as if Connie Feist and Harry Bonewitz are both a little absent-minded. Connie couldn't find his shoes, and Harry had an awful time keeping his watch. . . We received another letter from Charles Felts, who is still confined at the Kennedy Gen Hospital in Memphis, Tennes Charles has spent eleven mont down there, and last week he h to have another operation on h leg. Sorry to hear this, Charley, b we wish you good luck and a spee recovery. Hope you're up a around and can get home soon. . Have you beard about the five gir who went to Blue Lake last wee end to swim, but decorated th beach instead? Ask Leila Hur Jennie Brewer, LaVon Piepenbrin Doris Hill, or Catherine Armstron about it. . . . We wish to expre our sincere sympathy to Agn Schall on the death of her brothe Anthony Schall. He served in th infantry in Germany until Dece ber, 1944. . . . Welcome home, Ric ard Lothamer. Gee, you're sur looking keen in that uniform. Lo of luck to you when you get t Camp Meade. . . . If anyone doesn think Armilla Conrad can coo just ask Irma Heyn, Jeanne Bowe Jean Weist, Helen Rodgers, Mar Shockley, Wilma Butler, or Bet Haines. It was three chicken wasn't it, Armilla? They ate s much that it took a ball game t get them back into shape for th rest of the entertainment for th evening. The girls did save on drumstick for Bill Bender to hav the next day. (Surprised you, didn they, Bill?) . . . Wilma Butler too a week's vacation to get rested u so she could spade the back yar

Thisa and Thata

BUILDING 19-5

Veva Healy spent last week wit her son Mike, who is home on furlough for ninety days. . . . Wee before last, Hazel Herron, Flor Gilmore, and Core Rice were on week's vacation! We're glad they al enjoyed their vacation. . . . Rosi Vogeding went on a picnic las Sunday at the park with som friends. While they were there they got company. Was Rosie eve happy. . . . Lee Fish went to se her husband, who is in the hospita at Battle Creek, Michigan. He wa just returned to the States from the European Theater of War. . . Can you imagine Lucile Schriener getting up at 4:15 in the morning to get ready to go to work? After finding out what time it was, after she was ready, Lucile went back to bed. . . . Helen Engle and Mary Dodne celebrated a birthday last week. We wish you both many more of them. . . . Mary Dodne, who is still on the sick list, brought a cake up and treated the night gang. We'll sure be glad to see Mary back to work with us, and we hope soon. . . . Glenn Bentz is home on a furlough now. . . . Harold Robinson, who is stationed close to Manila, said hello to the gang in 1x29. Good to hear from you Harold. . . . Margaret Hilgemann forgot her badge one day last week. Did you have to wait long, Margaret, before the boss came after you at the gate? . . . Seems like we have a lot of forgetful people. Rosie Vogeding forgot her key to the house Saturday night and had to stay at her sister-in-law's all night. . . . We are glad to have Jerry Kraft transferred back to our section. Jerry left us a couple of months ago, but I guess we just can't get along without him.

G-E Club Beats Gary Easily, 15 To 3

Hisner Is Winner With Home Run

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club won rather easily from a supposed-to-be-good Gary Sportsmen team in a "hit fest" for the Club last Tuesday night by a score of 15-3.

Manager Braden employed a trio of hurlers in letting the Gary nine down with four hits, all in one inning off Emil Bildilli. Parnell Hisner started the game, and, of the twelve men he faced, he struck out eight and personally threw out three others. Seiple threw out the twelfth man.

Bildilli replaced Hisner in the fifth and was touched for a long home run by Walt Ogiego to start the seventh. A walk and three singles gave Gary the other two markers. Max Miller pitched good ball in his two-inning stint. He walked one of the seven men he faced.

Kenny Wattier and Carroll Seiple led the Club's eighteen-hit attack with three hits each. Hisner hit a home run to right field which should have been cut off as a single except for some poor fielding.

The summary:

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Gary	AB	R	H
Barnett,ss	6	3	2	Damlan,2	4	0	0
Brann, cf	2	2	0	Ogiego,rf	4	1	1
Winter,lf	4	0	2	Valencia,1	3	0	0
Young,rf	4	2	2	Szabo,lf	4	1	0
Sabilya,1b	6	1	1	Rowe,ss	4	0	0
Wattier,3b	6	1	3	Sum,3	4	1	1
Seiple,2b	6	1	2	Lakomak,cf	3	0	1
Bush,c	6	2	2	Laterzo,c	2	0	1
Hisner,p	3	1	2	Milosevich,p	3	0	0
Bildilli,p	1	1	1				
Miller,p	1	0	0				
Hestner,cf	1	1	0				
Carey,lf	1	0	0				
Totals	43	16	18	Totals	31	3	4

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

By Dale W. McNutt

Team Standings

	W.	L.
Tool Room	6	0
Aluminum Parts	4	2
B-29's	4	2
DHK's	3	3
Developmental	3	3
Laboratory	3	3
Giants	3	3
Screw Balls	2	4
Production	1	6
Ramblers	1	6

Summary

Tool Room won from Developmental 204-226
Screw Balls won from Alum. Parts 183-187
Laboratory won from DHK's 206-210
B-29's won from Ramblers 203-212
Giants won from Production (By forfeit)

The Tool Room still remained undefeated by swamping the Developmental Swingers by several strokes. In the evening's best match, the Screw Balls took the Aluminum Parts quartet into camp by a score of 183-187. Laboratory edged the DHK's by four strokes, and the Ramblers fell prey to the B-29's by a matter of nine strokes. Production, being unable to play, forfeited to the Giants.

Bobay shot a 41 for low score in the first nine and Taylor, with a 46, came in with low total on the home drive. No league records, good or bad, were set; however, several tree stumps were removed, and three groundhogs were made homeless by some wild swinging.

No doubt, when good weather comes (if it does), several Byron Nelsons will be uncovered.

Wife (inspecting new home): "How many closets are there, dear?"

Husband: "I've counted five."

Wife: "Oh dear, that isn't enough. You'll want one for your things, don't you?"

Former Prisoner Visits Plant



Sgt. Robert Waldrop, who was a German prisoner of war from February 4, 1944, until April of this year, was a recent visitor at the plant. He is shown above being greeted by B. H. Rohrbaugh, Bldg. 20-2. Sgt. Waldrop was imprisoned at Stalag Luft IV in Germany.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1, Second Shift

Sorry to see you leave us, Dorothy Johnson. . . . Hope you've had a swell vacation this week, Marie Peters. Ours will roll around soon, we hope. . . . How's the ranching business now, Jim F.? . . . Girls, we hear that if Bill Scott can get one hundred pounds of fish when he goes to Michigan, we will get an invitation to a fish fry out at Fleming's ranch. Here's happy landings, Bill. . . . Where's that tie you were supposed to start wearing, Cecil Young? Would you ever really think Cecil and Byron were brothers? Not us. . . . Who has been hiding Cecil's and Dick's gloves? That's the $64 question, and we think we know the answer. How about collecting, Cecil and Dick?

Bldg. 12-1, Third Shift

Hello, June already, and our coal piles are still dwindling! Will summer never come? . . . A hearty welcome to Helen Royer, Clara Danhey, and Gertrude Bolinger. Hope you like it here with us. . . . We are going to miss Leazenith Dellinger, who is leaving us to take care of her grandchildren this summer. . . . That sure was good candy George Schoeph brought in to celebrate his wedding anniversary. And thanks, George and Anna, for the cute cards. . . . We like the flowers on the inspector's desk and the sign above the water fountain. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Martha Zoll on the death of her father-in-law. . . . Was my face red? Vera, as she took compound out of a cup that was already light; Art, when he tried to lift that mold out without unbolting it; and Freada when she found she had made a mistake in her news report last week. My apologies to Teddy Walker for putting her in the smoking club and to Alice Parquet for omitting her. . . . Bye now, see you all again next week.

Bldg. 12-1, First Shift

Since warm weather has caught up with us, Clarence Favourite is sure sporting some fancy T-shirts. He says they're cool. . . . Edie Yoder and Violet Kellams are always arguing about which town is better. Violet is from Harlan and Edie from Grabill. May the best gal win. . . . Walt Freehill caused some commotion on the molding floor this week with an innocent-looking jar of face cream. On opening the jar, a snake jumped out, and brave men quivered. . . . Bayless Swift learned the hard way that glass is breakable. He tried to throw a light bulb into the wastepaper basket but missed, causing a loud shatter.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

We were surprised and very glad to see our friend, Major Bill Bach, who recently paid us a visit. . . . If you hear someone beckoning Oliver Jones, don't be misled, as it is Wayne Prible's new moniker. . . . The engineering section of the office just doesn't look the same any more. A housecleaning session was held, but we all agree that it looks much better now than it did.

Bldg. 12-3, Second Shift

Louise Swenson is on her vacation this week, so here's hoping she has a swell time. . . . If Lena Paple didn't know the difference, she would think she was still at Taylor Street. Every day one more girl comes to our section who worked at Taylor Street with her. We want to say howdy, girls, and hope you like it here. . . . Bettie Cobb, Vonnie Sponhauer, and Lillian Cobb are all so happy because they are expecting visitors.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

Frank Guillot, who is being retired, was guest at a dinner given by the inspectors in honor of his birthday. A decorated cake centered the table and was surrounded by more good things to eat. He received a farewell gift and best wishes from those present, who included Jess Stoller, William Griffith, Vier Johnson, Norma Krueckeberg, Jack Boyce, Mildred English, Margaret Sampson, Virginia Free, Audrey Shuler, Mamie Allen, Virginia Hosler, Betty Feasby, Eleanor Miller, Jean Reynolds, Elmer Darwachter, Elizabeth Snyder, Virginia Neilsen, Frank Shidler, Charles Penn, and Robert Duras. . . . Virginia Ormiston was guest of honor at a surprise party Saturday evening, May 19, at the home of Estella Pettibone in honor of her twenty-first birthday. She received many nice gifts and a most enjoyable evening of games was spent, after which refreshments were served to the guests, who were Trella Mae Geiger, Marian Garen, Tillie Shultz, Cathleen Cairns and Helen Smith. . . . Andy Lee celebrated his birthday in the usual way last week. On his desk he found a cake with the correct number of burning candles and a gift package—a handy shaving kit. When he opened the box he found, not a razor, but a very ineffective knife and a couple of blocks of wood. He generously shared the cake and is willing to lend the shaving kit to anyone who has spare time to while away. . . . Charlie Gatton has been using so many big words lately the boys are wondering if he has been reading Joe Trentadue's dictionary. . . . If you haven't already noticed it, be sure to take a look at that cute mustache Bob Kukla is wearing. It certainly gives him an air.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

It seems the Bldg. 4-5 floor has been without a news column for quite some time now, so we are going to see what can be done about it. There is going to be an attempt made to start another column, but it cannot be maintained if everyone doesn't cooperate by submitting news items to various contact people on the floor. We're open for any suggestions concerning the column and also for a new title. Come on now, how about showing some enthusiasm and interest and have the suggestions literally pouring in! . . . The west end of the Bldg. 4-5 front office has certainly had its sweet tooth satisfied during the past couple weeks. There have been boxes 'n' boxes of candy floating all over the place, not to mention all the cigars. It seems that Norma "Dimples" Werling and Irma Snyder celebrated their birthdays and THE big event—Walter Gusching is "papa" to 6½ pound Thomas Walter Gusching, who arrived in the wee hours of the morning May 28, 1945. When Walt arrived at his desk the following morning he seemed rather red around the ears to see a miniature clothesline strung across his desk with little baby clothes hung on it. . . . Congratulations can also be extended to George Morton as he, too, has a new son. . . . Here's a new slant. Ed Lehman passed out candy for his first grandchild—a boy. I guess we'll all have to dub him "Grandpa." . . . Have you noticed all the roses on the girls' desk, pinned to their dresses, in their hair, etc.; and we have even noticed some in the fellows' coat lapels? George Langenberg seems to be the "lord bountiful" when it comes to all these flowers. His hobby and pride and joy are flowers, especially roses, and we hear he certainly has a beautiful yard just filled with them. . . . One would think Elaine Sutter had turned detective on us the way you see her peering through her magnifying glass. The truth of it is that Evelyn Swaim, Doris Taylor, and she have been anxiously scanning the map of Germany in search of the towns where their husbands are now located. Lots of our wives, mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, and sweethearts are just bubbling over with information since the letters from the boys in Europe are now coming through uncensored. When you see the girls frantically adding up figures on their scratch pads you can be sure they are adding up the points to see if their "one and only" will have enough points to be discharged from the service. . . . Jo Merrill was pleasantly surprised the other noon when she returned to her table and found that the gang had it all gaily decorated in honor of her birthday. . . . If you see Ben Franklin flourishing a knife around the office, don't be frightened as it is only his Jap souvenir that his son-in-law sent him after the invasion on Leyte in the Philippines. It really is a curio. . . . Seen in Bldg. 4-5 office: "Artie" Hoffman, Bldg. 6-2, pulling teeth out of his pocket. No, not his! They are souvenir Japanese teeth brought by a Marine buddie of his. . . . We will have a newcomer in the planning section of the office soon. Johnny Gitter is moving. We also welcome Mr. O. Winifer into our office group. He formerly worked on the night shift. Then there is Margaret Graft, who is a brand newcomer transferred here from Taylor Street and who is now working the small lot section. . . . Ruby Heazlit has returned to work after visiting her fiance in sunny California. Bet she had a wonderful time! . . . Ruth Laymon and Alice Neimeyer were on their vacations last week, and we sure missed them. . . . S/Sgt. Albert Giordano visited group 15-60 last week after a year overseas. Sgt. Giordano had 50 missions over Germany, three Oak Leaf Clusters, two bronze battle stars, and the Presidential citation. While with the G-E, he worked in the assembly group for Bob Morris. . . . Eva Hall of group 15-D62 certainly had a surprise to sweep her off her feet last Friday night when she went home. Her husband had returned home after being on duty in the South Pacific in the Navy. I'm sure all of us would like to hear more news like that. . . . We close this bird's-eye view of Bldg. 4-5 for this week and promise to be back next week IF all of you are interested enough to see that some news is reported.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

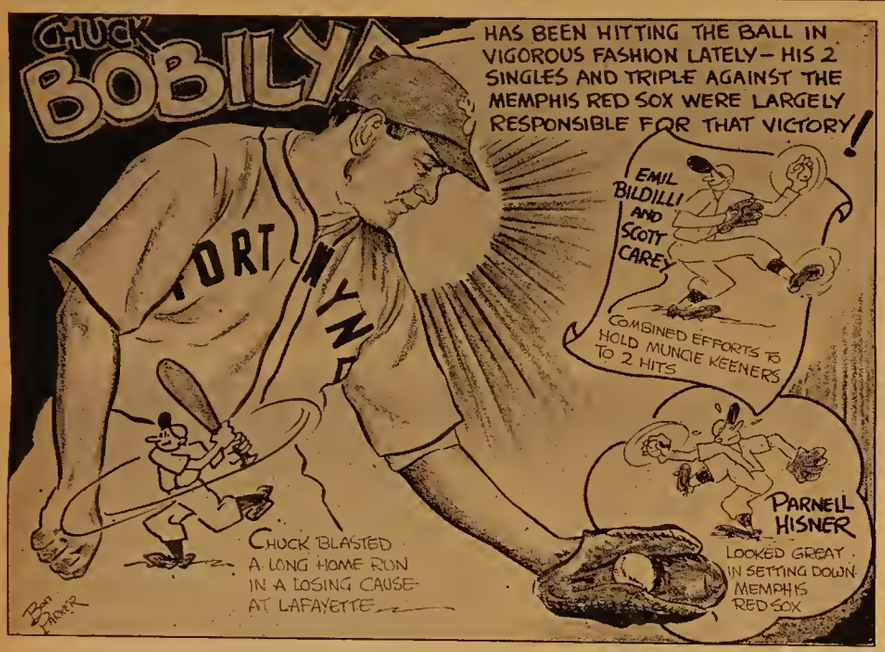
Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Paul Neal (1)*	741 Dowling, Kendallville Coming In on No. 3 through Avilla, LaOtto, Huntertown.	4-1	Sornsen	3:06-11:06
Joseph H. Atkinson (4)*	346 Pleasant, Van Wert Coming In on No. 30.	17-4	Kelley	3:30-11:48
Elton Shoopman (2)*	R. 2, Woodburn Coming In on No. 24.	4-5	Walker	7:00- 3:30
Lamar J. Alwine (2)*	R. 1, Churubusco. Coming In on No. 33, through Churubusco, 6 miles north.	10-1	Altekruse	7:00- 3:30
Anna G. Kocher (2)*	R. 2, Roanoke, Ind. Coming In on No. 24.	19-B	Gordon	7:00- 3:30
Earl Elliott (2)*	R. 1, Ray, Ind. Coming through Angola, Waterloo, Auburn.	6-3	Dempsy	3:00-12:13
Gerald Briggs (6)*	St. Joe, Ind. Coming on No. 1, through Spencerville.	6-4	Swartzel	3:30-11:48
Keith Brickley (2)*	Uniondale, Ind. Coming In on No. 1.	17-1	Shelper	3:06-11:00

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Gladys Fuhrman	R. 10, Fort Wayne Coming In on No. 27—9 miles out.	26-4	Ehrman	7:00- 3:01
John Treece	Latty, Ohio	17-4	Elder	7:00- 3:30

G-E Club Schedules Three More Games Will Play Tonight, Sunday And Tuesday



Baseball Team Edges Memphis In Tenth Inning

By Frank Eakin

With the aid of Chuck Bobilya's booming bat and the brilliant five-hit pitching by Parnell Hisner, the G-E Club edged the Memphis Red Sox in the tenth inning 4 to 3.

In the tenth, after Mel Kestner had grounded out, Chuck Bobilya slammed the team's first triple of the season to the foul line in left field. With Kenny Wattier at bat and the squeeze play on, Chuck tore for the plate, causing Verdell Mathis to balk in order to make a quick throw for the putout. Umpire Glen Lamb ruled the play a clean balk, thus ending a game of many exciting moments.

In this game, Parnell Hisner proved beyond a doubt that he has everything needed to make a pitcher. The seventeen-year-old righthander was working under a definite handicap inasmuch as the grounds were rather damp and not conducive to good fielding, although his teammates did come up with two sparkling double plays. He pitched one-hit ball up to the eighth inning. A run was scored in the second when, after Langley led off with a walk and advanced on Canaday's hit, Hisner had Canaday picked off first base in a beautifully executed fake toward second, only to make a wide throw to Bobilya, who slipped in an effort to knock the ball down, allowing Langley to score from second, and the relay from Kestner to Bobilya to Bush catching Canaday at the plate.

Hisner showed his fighting spirit in the sixth when, with the bases full as a result of two walks, an error, and one out, he forced Langley and Ford, two good clutch hitters, to pop out.

Memphis scored two big runs in the eighth on a single, a double, an error, and on the run down by Seiple between first and second of Bankhead, Bubber Hyde beat the throw to the plate after the putout.

The Club collected ten hits during the game with eight coming in the last five innings when they had plenty of scoring opportunities. Both hits prior to the sixth were washed up in double plays. In the sixth, two hits, singles by Bush and Barnett, and two errors scored the tying run. Bobilya and Wattier greeted Mathis, who replaced Ligons in the seventh, with singles, and moved up on Seiple's sacrifice but were left stranded as Bush and Hisner were easy outs.

The Club tied the score with two in the eighth by virtue of a bit of wildness by Mathis as he walked Barnett and Brann to start the inning. Both runners advanced on a double steal and scored on Chuck Bobilya's terrific smash through the box. The Club could have won in the ninth, as they had the bases loaded on a walk and two short singles. However, Mathis retired Brann and Winter, setting the stage for Bobilya in the tenth.

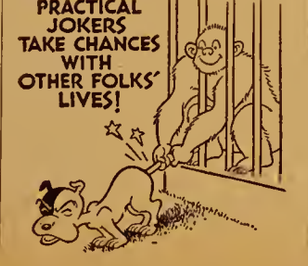
Hisner pitched a game identical to the Lockbourne Air Base game. He allowed five hits, good for three runs (two in Lockbourne), walked three, and struck out six.

The summary:

NICE JOB, PARNELL!

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Memphis	AB	R	H
Barnett,ss	4	1	2	Hyde,lf	5	1	1
Brann,cf	4	1	1	Bankhead,2b	4	0	0
Winter, lf	5	0	0	Robinson,ss	4	0	1
Kestner,rf	5	0	0	Langley,c	4	1	0
Bobilya,1b	5	1	3	Ford,3b	3	0	0
Wattier,3b	4	0	1	Canaday,1b	4	0	1
Seiple,2b	2	0	1	Brown,cf	3	0	0
Bush,c	4	1	1	Brown,rf	4	0	0
Hisner,p	4	0	1	Ligons,p	1	0	0
				Mathis,p	2	1	2
Totals	37	4	10	Totals	34	3	5

										R.	H.
Memphis	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0—	3	5
G-E Club	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1—	4	10



Club Softball Team Defeats Bowser Ten

By Ernie Spaulding

Bud Feldheiser of the G-E Club and Sharp of Bowser's tangled in a pitching duel at the beach Tuesday, May 29.

Feldheiser allowed 2 hits and no runs, while Sharp allowed 4 hits and one run.

The winning and only run came in the seventh on a hit by Hess, who then proceeded to steal second and took third on a wild pitch. After Allen struck out and Bohde flied out, Anderson came up with a hit scoring Hess with the winning run.

Peculiar features of this game were the facts that the Bowser outfield had no fielding chances and the Bowser third baseman had five of the six assists made by his team.

The summary:

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Bowser	AB	R	H
Stanski,ss	3	0	0	Harman,c	2	0	1
Esterline,2b	3	0	0	Hill,ss	3	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	2	0	0	Fromm,3b	3	0	0
Snyder,rf	3	0	1	Alsbaugh,1b	2	0	0
Hess,lf	3	1	1	Hartman,cf	2	0	0
Scherer,cf	2	0	0	R.Meyers,sf	2	0	0
*Allen	1	0	0	Miller,2b	2	0	0
Bohde,c	2	0	0	McCartney,lf	2	0	1
Anderson,sf	3	0	1	Marchand,rf	2	0	0
Lindenb'g,3b	1	0	1	Sharp,p	2	0	0
Feldheiser,p	2	0	0				
Totals	26	1	4	Totals	22	0	2

G-E Club Wins Another

Good pitching and snappy fielding won over Clark's Grill 3 to 1 in the game Monday, June 4, at Memorial Park.

G-E garnered 6 hits while Clark's Grill got only 3 off Starkel. The first run of the game came in the first inning by Clark's Grill for their only run of the game. The G-E obtained 1 run in the fourth, sixth and seventh for their three runs.

The summary follows:

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Clark's Grill	AB	R	H
Stanski,ss	2	1	1	Ness,3b	2	1	0
Esterline,2b	3	0	0	Hollman,cf	3	0	0
Hilgema'n,sf	3	1	1	Ueber,sf	3	0	2
Hess,lf	3	0	1	Berry,lf	3	0	1
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	0	0	Kostoff,1b	3	0	0
Anderson,cf	3	1	2	Vorrich,c	2	0	0
Allen,rf	1	0	0	Rombke,ss	2	0	0
Bobde,c	1	0	0	Schonherr,rf	2	0	0
Lindenb'g,3b	3	0	0	Zuber,2b	2	0	0
Starkel,p	2	0	1	Johnson,p	2	0	0
Totals	26	3	5	Totals	24	1	3

G-E Club Baseball Team Loses To Red Sox, 11 To 10

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club lost a baseball game to the always "mean" Lafayette Red Sox at Lafayette, Indiana, last Sunday evening by the score of 11-10. The game was played in weather ideal for football, although this is June. The "true blood" fans of the Red Sox came to the game prepared for nothing less than a blizzard with overcoats, scarves, and blankets being standard equipment.

During the game five pitchers were used by both teams, and—needless to say—they had their troubles. The batters were so intent upon getting warm that they hit the ball all over the lot in order that they might run the bases. Some brave souls actually waited the pitchers out and were rewarded with a cold walk to first on seven occasions. In a futile effort to hit something, twelve batters fanned the wind, which was already doing all right.

The Club started right off with three runs, thanks to Chuck Bobilya's long homer with one on. Lafayette went one up in their half also by the home run method. They added two more in the second to be three up. The Club cut the lead by one in the fourth and then added two in each of the fifth and sixth to go two up. This was too good to last, and in the bottom half of the sixth the Red Sox went one up. The Club came back with a vengeance in the seventh and scored two while leaving some runner stranded. The bottom of the seventh saw the score tied again, and then in the eighth, with runners on first and third and two outs, Max Miller let his "snowball" go and instead of going toward the plate it took off for the "no man's land" between Bush and the screen. The winning run scored standing up, and Delion, the second Red Sox hurler, was so elated that he went out and threw his "snowball" past the half-frozen Seiple, Bush and Kestner.

G-E Club	AB	R	H	Lafayette	AB	R	H
Barnett,ss	5	1	2	Kosy,rf	4	4	3
Brann,cf	3	1	1	Desiderato,3b	4	1	1
Winter,lf	4	2	2	Dooley,lf	5	1	1
Young,rf	5	1	3	Laske,cf	3	2	3
Bobilya,1b	4	1	1	Cannizo,2b	4	0	0
Wattier,3b	4	1	1	Monahan,1b	3	1	1
Seiple,2b	5	1	1	Williams,ss	4	0	1
Bush,c	5	2	3	V'nAntw'rp,c	4	1	0
Bildilli,p	1	0	0	Davis,p	2	0	0
Carey,p	1	0	0	Delion,p	2	1	1
Miller,p	0	0	0				
Kestner	1	0	0				
Totals	38	10	14	Totals	35	11	11



To Meet Detroit Royal Clothiers, Benton Harbor, and Notre Dame

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club baseball team wi continue its three-games-a-wee schedule, with the Detroit Roy Clothiers being here tonight Dwenger Park starting at 8:1 The team travels to Benton Harbo Michigan, for an afternoon gam on Sunday starting at 2:45. O next Tuesday evening, Notre Dam comes to Dwenger Park for a gam starting at 8:15.

The Royal Clothiers played her last season and gave the Club tw tough games with each one goin over the limit before the Clu edged the win. They are the leadin semi-pro team in the Detroit are and have such stars as Tony Bucko wich, Bert Fodor, and Frank Sack Buckowich hurled both games la year and was plenty good. Fodo is the pitcher who beat Great Lake last year, allowing just two hit Sacka played a lot of the first ba and hit some long balls which sen chills down Bildilli's back.

The Benton Harbor team is ne on the schedule and not too muc is known about their strength, a though they are reported to have good ball club. Regardless of thei strength, the game will give th Club that needed work.

The Notre Dame team is having a very successful season, being th only team to knock off the high flying Bunker Hill Patriots wh have reeled off eleven straight sinc that defeat, including in their lis the G-E Club and Great Lake Bluejackets. Coach Kline has great array of stars including Dic Hassett, younger brother of Budd Hassett, the former Yankee firs baseman.

Owl Softball

By Bob Crosley

Bldg. 27 won their second straight game in the Owl League by swamping Bldg. 4-4, 15-2.

Bldg. 4's usually tight defens fell apart, allowing Bldg. 27 t score almost as they pleased. Hopp featured for the winners with long home run in the sixth inning Max Leichty allowed Bldg. 4 only 4 hits.

Score	R.	H.
Bldg. 4 .....1010000—	2	4
Bldg. 27 .....5306 10*—15	8	

Batteries—Lecoque, Stanek an Plattner; Leichty and Bauman.

Transformer made a very im pressive start in the league by de feating the Firemen 6 to 2, behin Bill Edmonds who pitched a six-hi ball game. Dick Hinsley got th longest hit of the game, a triple i the third inning. Bldg. 26 touche Spresbach for 10 hits.

Score	R.	H.
Bldg. 26 .....1021200—	6	10
Firemen .....0002000—	2	6

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G-E To Establish Base For Flying Laboratories

C. G. Talbot Named Manager Of New Flight Test Division

A base for flying laboratories designed to speed through scientific and mechanical test new military and civilian aerial developments, such as the actual harnessing of jet engine and gas turbine power for new-type planes, will be established at Schenectady County Airport by General Electric Company, it was announced this week by D. C. Prince, vice president in charge of the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory.

C. G. Talbot has been appointed manager of the new Flight Test Division of General Electric, which will have control of this test headquarters, where many new aerial advancements will receive their in-

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New Factory To Be Operated By Fort Wayne Works

Announcement Made By Works Manager M. E. Lord

In connection with the announcement of the opening of a new factory to be operated by the Fort Wayne Works, M. E. Lord, works manager, has made the following statement:

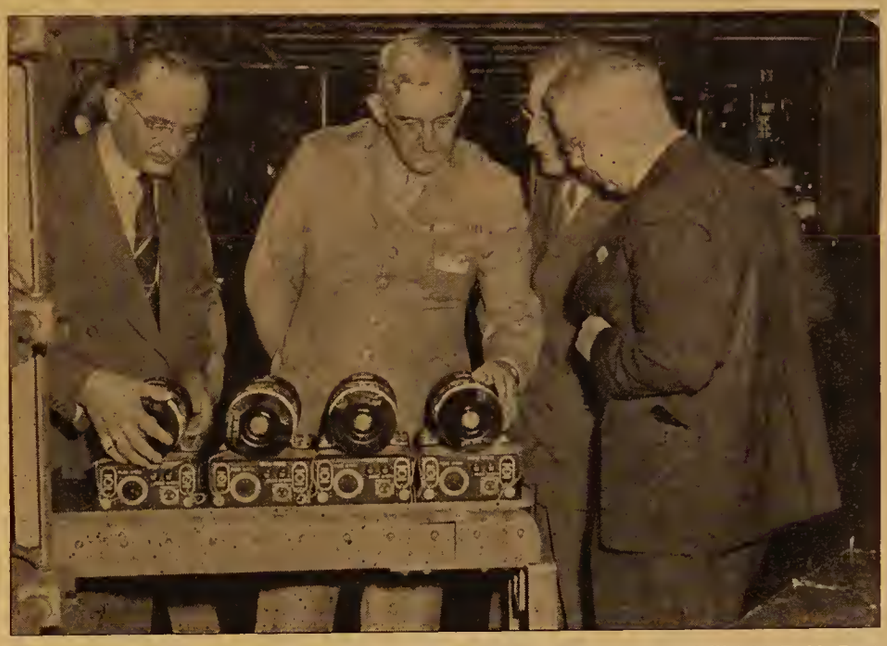
"One of the most difficult problems facing industry today is that of maintaining a constant production of combat items required for successful prosecution of the Japanese War and at the same time producing items for the use of other industries as they are converted to the production of peacetime goods, thereby keeping at a minimum the unemployment that we all dread. This places a particularly heavy responsibility on the electrical industry because electrical products are vital to the operation of both war and peacetime equipment. Just the fractional horsepower motors are a critical component of such combat items as planes, landing craft, etc., so they are equally important in refrigerators, washing machines, etc.

"Faced with a war demand for fractional horsepower motors and specialty transformers for an indefinite period, we must at the same time move as rapidly as possible to furnish other manufacturers, whose war demands have lessened, with electrical equipment that will enable them to start production of their peacetime products.

"The older employees of the Fort Wayne Works have long observed

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Fort Wayne Works Host To Major-General



The Fort Wayne Works was host last week to Major-General R. B. Colton of Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. General Colton, air communications officer of the Air Technical Service Command Branch of the Army Air Forces, made a general tour of inspection of the local plants.

Pictured above with General Colton in Section 15 are H. G. Siebold, section superintendent; Robert Wylie, superintendent of the FHP Motor Division, and C. H. Matson, assistant manager.

Germicidal Lamps Being Used In School Experiment

Study Control Of Epidemics Of Children's Diseases

Control of epidemics of measles, chickenpox, and mumps by the installation of germ-killing General Electric ultraviolet ray lamps in classrooms is being tried on an experimental basis by the New York State Department of Health, under the direction of Dr. James E. Perkins, director of the Division of Communicable Diseases, and Dr. Anne Bahlke, medical consultant of the division.

Chosen as proving ground for the experiment were the Cato-Meridian and Port Byron Schools, Cayuga County, and the Mexico School, Oswego County. The decision to begin the study with some of the large central rural schools was based on the fact that schools of this type, which are a relatively recent development, have been found to play a major role in rural areas in the spread of the communicable diseases of childhood. In such localities, in contrast with cities, children have relatively little contact with each other except in school.

All three schools were constructed recently and on the same general plan. All have similar ventilating systems circulating the same amount of air per pupil. Each school has a full-time nurse and the health records for the past several years are reported to be good. The student populations are comparable with respect to size and come from homes of similar social and economic standing. The schools are not close to a large city and no large war industry has been introduced in their midst which might cause an influx of workers, disrupting conditions.

All rooms of the Cato-Meridian School in regular use have been fitted with G-E ultraviolet lights. In the Port Byron School the usual places of common congregation and half of the grades (there are two rooms for each grade) through the eighth have been similarly equipped. The remaining sections of these grades have not been provided with ultraviolet lighting and will be used as controls. No installations have been made in the Mexico School, but health and ventilation records, similar to those of the other two schools, are being kept for purposes of comparison.

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CASUALTIES

Pvt. Owen Rush, Bldg. 6-B, who was formerly reported missing in action, was wounded on Okinawa and has returned to his outfit.

Ernest Laverne Kitchen, AO 2/c, of the Decatur Plant, has been reported missing in action.

G-E Voltage Stabilizer Aids Color Printing At Ansco

Maintenance of constant color temperature during printing operations is substantially aided by use of a General Electric voltage stabilizer at Ansco's San Francisco Laboratories, and is regarded by photographic experts there as the most efficient means for eliminating one of the most disturbing variables in the processing of color transparencies and color prints.

The stabilizer—a compact, automatic device—is conveniently and readily installed closely adjacent to the load. By simply plugging it into any 115-volt outlet, a constant power supply is made available for powering the filament of the photo-enlarger lamp, regardless of line voltage fluctuations up to ± 15 per cent.

Technicians at the Ansco laboratories point out that constant voltage must be maintained for accu-

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New G-E Director

Alexander C. Nagle, president of the First National Bank of the City of New York, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the General Electric Company, it has just been announced.

Mr. Nagle is also a director of several other large manufacturing, railroad and insurance companies.

Seventy-Five Suggestors Get $560 In Awards

Harold L. Frazier, Bldg. 19-5, Heads List With $50

A total of $560 was paid to Fort Wayne suggestors during the one-week period covered by the latest award list released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Suggestion Committee. The largest award in the seventy-five issued went to Harold L. Frazier, Bldg. 19-5, who received $50.00 for his idea for making FHP motor shafts in two piece construction and on P & W's instead of handmill screw machines. His present award is in addition to $20.00 previously issued.

Two other large awards were also issued. The first went to E. J. Stroud, Bldg. 20-2, who was awarded $40.00 for his suggestion for recovering addressograph print-

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Post-War Future Of Industrial Research Discussed

Dr. Hawkins Addresses Canadian Association Of Manufacturers

Industrial research will be greatly expanded in the post-war years, Dr. Laurence A. Hawkins, consultant of the General Electric Research Laboratory, declared recently in an address to the Canadian Association of Manufacturers in Toronto.

Comparing the condition with that after World War I, which resulted in such an expansion since it brought home to the Allied nations how dependent their industries had become on German research laboratories, he said that "the present war is far more mechanized, the scientific and technological problems have been much more complex, a far greater number of research scientists have been engaged and their results have been much more publicized. Now business management, labor, and politicians alike are looking to research to speed reconversion, solve unemployment problems and generally promote and safeguard our peacetime economy. Such hopes, though probably often too rosy, will ensure far more generous support of industrial research than it ever enjoyed before.

Another change in industrial laboratories as a result of the war will be the inclusion of war problems in peace-time research, said Dr. Hawkins, who estimates that

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Vacation, 1945 Model

Vacation time will soon be with us again, and the thought is alluring, now that the skies are beginning to clear and the breezes to blow with that soft touch that means warm weather. In fact, almost before we know it, we shall be reading again of heat prostrations in the big cities.

Wherever vacations are possible in this world of war-born toil, it is well to take them. There is no necessity to quote some celebrated physician; it is better to say, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." The question is not whether to take a vacation, but how to spend it.

There will be a little more gasoline, but the pre-war cross-country race with the scrambled scenery and a lottery ticket in the hospital sweepstakes is completely out this year. So also is the excursion to Canada. And so should be the rail trip with the family to Uncle Horace's farm, where beckons home-killed, unrationed beef.

For there are soldiers who need those coach seats, brother, some of them going soon to another Okinawa. Under-Secretary Patterson is not kidding when he asks us to lay off the trains. There is plenty of fun to be had at the lake if it is near enough; if not, there is the day in the country every now and then.

There seems to be no O.P.A. ceiling on a vacation for mother, by the way. A little help for her in the house and a clarion call for simple meals during the period—maybe a few dinners out, too—would give her the illusion of rest.

The main thing is to relax, and few of us have to be coerced into doing that.

Big News For G-E

General Electric released recently its big news of 1945, the plan to build a new Research Laboratory, with all the facilities and gadgets which a modern scientist's heart could desire. Construction will begin, says President Wilson, as soon as WPB approval can be obtained.

Everyone connected with the Company will rejoice at the tidings. They mean that G-E is not content with its present high position in the research field; there are further heights to scale, and we shall be up and at it with the best climbing equipment we know how to procure.

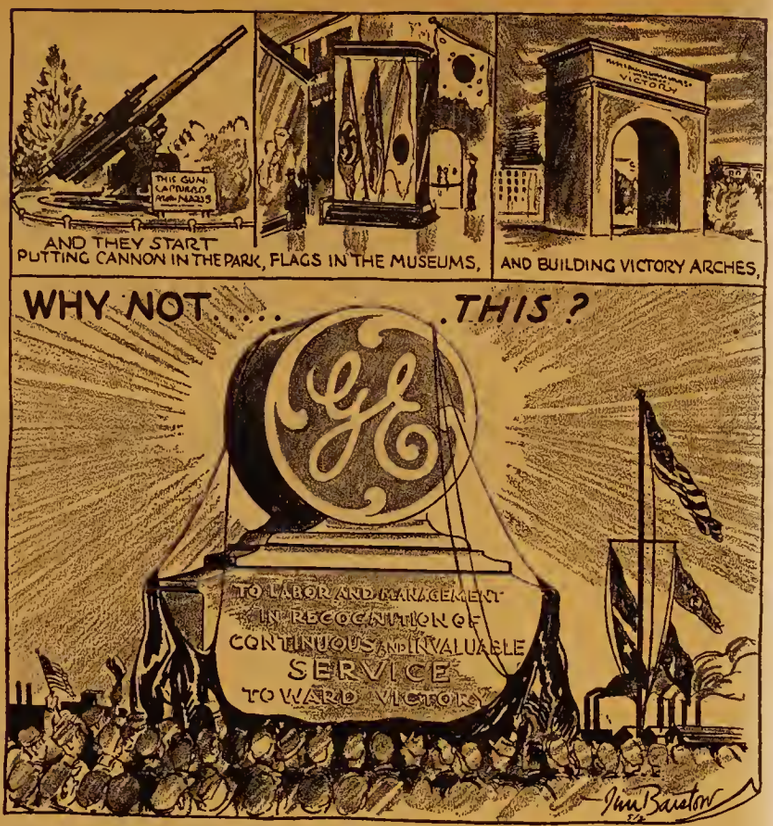
But the reaction is far beyond the matter of prestige, which is important enough in itself. The new Research Laboratory has a direct relationship to jobs, for there is where new jobs for G-E people will be conceived, to be born later on the drafting boards of the application engineers.

The inventive American mind will never shut itself within the four walls of any laboratory or laboratories; it will still labor in cellar, garret and garage. But some of the greatest developments of the future will require millions for experiment and years of trial and error. These are only for the men of the great laboratories, backed by the dollars of hundreds of thousands of plain people, the investors.

President Wilson recently pointed out the grave defense task confronting America: That of having the best and latest machines of war so as never to be caught off stride. Without cordial cooperation between government and industry in developing these things, we might lose a next war. So the new lab will be significant for defense, too.

A major achievement for G-E!

WHEN IT'S ALL OVER....



We cannot be accused of taking time out of the war effort if we pause a bit mentally to survey the beautiful job of loyalty to the cause of liberty and the astonishing record of war production shown by the men and women of General Electric.

Without the spur of imminent battle or the desire to be brave in order to prove to one's self that one is not a coward—with every temptation in the world to take one's earnings and tear the town apart—our people have, almost to a man and woman, stuck grimly by their pledges to keep up the fight at home.

This was strikingly proved on V-E Day, when the reports of absenteeism were almost all to the good. Production went right on, without a hitch. Soldiers don't do any better than this. The idea of a monument, of course, is that of a monument in the hearts of Americans, and where could there be a better? Who wants to be frozen in stone, anyway?

But meanwhile—it isn't "all over"—yet.

"Never Too Old To Learn"

(This is the second installment of an address recently given in Fort Wayne by Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr.)

"You have all probably heard rumors of how the engineering colleges are at the present time trying to graft the humanities onto the technological stem of education. You may wonder what the humanities are. The word means just what it says. A book is a great piece of literature if it truly reflects human nature. A book is trash if it is simply an exciting story intended to pass the time away but does not truly and clearly reflect real human nature. The man who wants to really understand human nature will be immeasurably helped by the study of great literature. If you are going to spend a few hours reading, would it not be better to read books which have been worth while for hundreds and thousands of years than to read a best seller which has been written in the last year which may or may not be worth reading?

"It is certainly advisable that anyone who is going to help guide the affairs of the nation be a student of history. There is the old saying, 'There is nothing new under the sun.' Most government experiences have been tried again and again. If they failed in the past we ought not to repeat them in the future unless we have some reason to believe that something different has been included which will overcome the first failure.

"By way of analogy I might mention that Professor Elihu Thompson and Dr. Steinmetz developed capacitor motors forty or fifty years ago. They were a failure because there were no good capacitors in production at that time. Within the last twenty years the capacitor motor has been revived at Fort Wayne and is now a great success because there are good capacitors in production. It would have been foolish to revive the capacitor motor if there had not been better capacitors than were available to Thompson and Steinmetz.

"In the exact sciences it is possible to prove rather conclusively whether something is true or false. In politics and economics it is very much more difficult to prove what is good and bad.

"President Hutchins of Chicago has pointed out that within the last twenty years some of our citizens returning from Italy have come back with the idea that Mussolini was doing a very good job. The crime rate was low and the prosperity of Italy was improved. Based on a short time experiment of something less than twenty years one might have come to the erroneous conclusion that the principles of Mussolini's government were good and should be emulated. Sometimes it takes more than twenty years to show the fallacy. Today we all realize that Mussolini's regime was not based on good principles and it has brought horror, suffering and almost destruction to the Italian people. If one had been a sufficient student of history, however, one should have been able to recognize that his principles were wrong and doomed to failure without waiting for the conspicuous failure which has now occurred."

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THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

At The Top



N. J. Gaskill F. A. Tomkins

"Everywhere you go, you see lots of G-E equipment that really takes a beating, but always comes out at the top of the list," says Ensign Forrest A. Tomkins, Taylor Street. He is stationed at San Diego, California. Norma J. Gaskill, Taylor Street, is a member of the WAVES.

Sgt. Robert Waldron, released after 14 months as a German prisoner, is home on a 60-day leave.

S/Sgt. Dailey E. Bausser, formerly employed in the Transformer Division, recently was presented with the fifth Bronze Battle Star, significant of service in five major campaigns in the E.T.O. He is with a troop carrier group which operated in Northern France, Southern France, Normandy, Rome-Arno, and Germany.

F/O Harry E. Rhodes is stationed at Columbus, Mississippi.

PFC Monroe B. Fuhrman, stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, recently sent his regards, and hopes that everything is all right in Fort Wayne and G-E."

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Gets Silver Star

Sgt. Max E. High, Bldg. 26-1, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in the vicinity of Bullingen, Belgium, from December 20 to 22, 1944. The citation reads in part: "Given the mission of supporting the infantry troops during a bitter engagement with the enemy, Sgt. High, commander of a tank destroyer, repeatedly exposed himself to a hostile barrage and skillfully maneuvered the armored vehicle to positions from which effective fire was directed upon the foe and a number of German tanks were destroyed. Sgt. High's gallant actions and initiative exemplify the finest traditions of the service."

Czechoslovakia
May 7, 1945

Dear Editor:

I have been going to write to the Company for quite some time, but I just can't seem to find time. I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS very well. I read and enjoy every copy. It is like being back home again when you can read what is going on in the various departments. It has been quite some time since I last visited the shop. I am hoping it won't be as long before I will be back to work again. I want to compliment the General Electric on the fine job they are doing. I use G-E equipment every day, and there is none better. In my work it is the quality that counts. I am proud to say I worked for General Electric.

I want to say hello to all the fellows and girls I worked with in Bldg. 4-4. Keep up the good work, and the boys will all be coming home in the near future. I am hoping I will again be employed at the Broadway Plant. Until total victory, keep the equipment coming. Best of luck to everyone.

A former employee,
T/5 Donald N. Cochren

Czechoslovakia
May 25, 1945

Dear Editor:

I want to take this opportunity to say hello to my friends in the Impeller Section. I am now in Czechoslovakia. I am very happy now that the war is over over here. . . . I have made some very good friends over here, but will sure be glad when I can get home and see all the old gang again. . . . I hope to see everyone very soon.

Yours truly,
Pvt. Victor P. Bryie

Looks Good



J. R. Monroe H. D. Eloph

"It sure looks good to see G-E equipment out in the battle areas. It's just like seeing someone from home. We can use lots more equipment on any of the fronts," says Harris D. Eloph, S 1/c, who was formerly employed in Bldg. 4-2. PFC James R. Monroe, Bldg. 26-5, was a recent visitor there when he was home on furlough. He is in the transportation corps and is stationed at Angel Island, California. Jim says he was glad to see the boys doing such a swell job so they can all be back on their own jobs as soon as they can get this war over.

First Lt. David Martin Snyder, Bldg. 19-2, has been promoted to that rank.

The third cluster to the Air Medal awarded to Sgt. William J. Ryan, missing in action since June 18, 1944, was presented to his mother at Baer Field recently. Sgt. Ryan, nose gunner on a B-24, had finished 17 missions in the South Pacific. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 19-4.

In The Fight



F. M. Siebert A. F. Bowers

Members of the armed forces are Pvt. Florence M. Siebert, Bldg. 19-4, who is in the medical corps, and Arnold F. Bowers, Bldg. 31-1, a member of the Merchant Marine. Mr. Bowers has a service record of fifteen years with the Company.

From Germany

Germany
May 2, 1945

Hello, G-E:

. . . Things sure do happen fast around here. It has just been one mad chase the last two months, but from the way it looks at the present our efforts haven't been fruitless, for what we have been chasing we now have cornered, and so maybe it will all be over soon.

I wanted to say hello to the gang in the west end of Bldg. 19-2, to Lee Anderson, Ernie Allmandinger, and all the rest of the gang. I suppose during the hunting season Ernie had a good story every day about how many squirrels, rabbits, and pheasants he got. Well, I have it on him there, for I can brag about some deer, of which there are plenty over here. . . .

PFC Bob Harrod

June 4, 1945

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines to let you know I am still getting the WORKS NEWS and enjoy every part of it, knowing what my friends are doing, back home. Things are coming pretty hot and heavy right now, but you still see the good old G-E label nearly every place you look. We fellows here can thank all you folks back home for doing such a wonderful job of keeping our supplies coming. I am proud to have been in the employ of G-E and sure hope it will be soon that we can all come back to our jobs and loved ones. Sure would love to hear from some of the old gang at Taylor Street. Will close now with the best of luck to everyone from an old friend.

Cpl. Carl Henline

Barbara P. Polka, H. A. 2/c, has been transferred from Hunter College, New York, to Shoemaker, California, where she is stationed in WAVE Quarters.

Okinawa
May 22, 1945

Dear Editor and Friends:

It really has been quite a long time since I dropped a line to the WORKS NEWS, and I have really travelled since I left. At the present time I am on Okinawa—just a stepping stone to Japan itself. The island itself is pretty nice, the climate is cool and at night cold. The Japs have been fighting a rough battle, but nevertheless a losing one.

I have had quite a lot of experience with the G-E equipment, and it sure has come in handy lots of times. I want to take this opportunity to say hello to the gang I used to work with in Bldg. 4-3. There is a lot I would like to write about, but I cannot. All I can say is keep up the good work. Hope to see you all soon.

Pvt. Richard K. Shinn

Capt. Richard W. Fruechtenicht, Bldg. 18-3, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. He also holds the Air Medal with six clusters and has two destroyed enemy aircraft to his credit.

Staff Sgt. Richard O. Lawrence, Winter Street, recently received an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" while participating in Eighth Air Force attacks on vital industrial targets and enemy-held installations in Germany.

Prisoner Visits



M. L. Biberstine W. G. Brown

S/Sgt. Warren G. Brown, Bldg. 26-2, who was a German prisoner of war, was a visitor at the plant recently. "I want to thank the employees of the General Electric for the fine job they are doing in turning out war products. I got a chance to see some of these things in Russia, after the Russians had released me from a German prison camp; and it sure looked swell to see that ole G-E sign again." Pvt. Morris L. Biberstine, Bldgs. 4-6 and 16-1, is a member of the cavalry. He is stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas.

PFC Nora Williams is somewhere overseas.

First Lt. Bernard S. Kain was recently promoted to that rank and holds the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 20-2.

Cpl. Richard D. Muckley and PFC Walter John Langley, armorers, were among men honored at a special review commemorating the service of those who have supported the 445th Bombardment Group in the course of 280 bombing missions during the past 17 months in England.

A. L. Steigmeyer, A. M. 3/c, writes that he is now going to a Navy PB4Y (B-24) school. He says it's pretty good duty and will last about two months.

First Lt. Jack E. Burlage has been decorated with two clusters to the Air Medal. Overseas since December, 1944, as a B-24 pilot in Italy, he is now home on a 30-day leave.

Robert J. Workman, boatswain's mate, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received March 1. He was employed at the Taylor Street Plant.

John M. Kuhlman, machinist's mate second class, Bldg. 17-4, has been serving for the last sixteen months on a flagship with the amphibious forces.



Honor William N. Wehrs On Fiftieth Anniversary





In honor of William N. Wehrs on the occasion of his completion of fifty years of service with the Company, hundreds of friends called to offer their congratulations. Left, Mr. Wehrs is shown with some of the gifts he received. Right, Works Manager M. E. Lord presents the diamond Quarter-Century pin to Mr. Wehrs. Seated left is E. L. Simpson, president of the Q-C Club. Mr. Wehrs began his long period of service in 1895 at the age of fourteen.

Germicidal Lamps

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All fixtures with the exception of those in halls are of the same metal "trough" design and are fastened to the wall about seven feet from the floor. The hall fixtures are similar in design but are located in the center suspended from the ceiling. The lamps are made of a special kind of glass which permits the ultraviolet bactericidal wave lengths to pass through. The trough fixtures protect the children from the direct rays so they will not become "sun burned." The trough fixtures also result in direct radiation of only the upper part of the room above the heads of the pupils. Disinfection of air depends upon circulation of air into this upper irradiated section.

Tests to determine the bacterial contamination of the air in representative rooms with and without ultraviolet lights will be made. The ultraviolet light intensity and bactericidal activity of the lamps will also be studied periodically.

Data to be kept over a period of several years will include the occurrence of measles, chickenpox and mumps among the school populations and confirmation of the diagnosis; determination of the source of infection in the initial case, and exact date of onset; determination of whether or not school children were exposed to the patient in classrooms or school buses and a study of secondary attacks occurring among those exposed. Detail data will also be kept concerning the operation of the ventilation systems, relative humidity, cleaning and replacement of the lights, and other conditions.

Begun January 3 of this year, the experiment has not yet been in operation long enough to make possible the drawing of any conclusions as to results.

Suggestions

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ing machine rollers with discarded typewriter platten rubber. The second, an award for $25.00, went to Paul Gressley, Bldg. 26-4, for his idea to use special sideboards in winding coils.

Winners of awards ranging from $5.00 to $20.00 are as follows:

Bldg. 20

Robert E. Gable, Edmund L. Krock, John A. Birchmeyer.

Bldg. 26-1

Everett D. Hamilton, James Lillich and Doyle C. Shady, Arthur E. Harris, Clarence L. Hay and Lawrence E. Hosack.

Bldg. 26-2

Mervin B. Marquart, Ernest A. Kern, George Corell, Lee F. Isenbarger, Robert R. Hersha, Arthur F. Pequignot, Clark Essig, William Braun, Rosemary Furry.

Bldg. 26-B

Charles Druce, John H. Schoppman, Harry C. Ribel.

Bldg. 4-4

Christian D. Delagrange.

Bldg. 10

Phillipp Vorholzer, Louis D. Hopper, Edwin J. Meyer.

Bldg. 17-4

Cecil G. Stair, Earl D. Stauffer, Albert B. Ray, Marjorie L. Michalowski, James B. Willauer, Charles Hayden, Walter M. Lohm, Eldon L. Swaidner.

Decatur

Ralph Lloyd Egley, Grant J. Fry, Patricia I. Garner.

Bldg. 26-3

Vera Stemmler, A. Berniece Schneider, Fred Bender.

Bldg. 4-2

Howard Barrick, Louis H. Hoffman, L. T. Johnson, Walter F. Hinrichs, Raymond H. Christman, Marie Kissinger, Orin M. Clark, Virgil J. Bowers.

Bldg. 26-4

Henry S. Johnson.

Bldg. 9

Blanche P. Patton, F. E. Fisher.

Bldg. 17-3

Eunice Zehr, Franklin E. Dalzell, Lillian M. Sinn.

Bldg. 17-2

Marcella A. Bowers.

Bldg. 4-3

Lucile King, Harry R. Parker, Edward D. Fischer, Clarence A. Kopp, Lawrence T. Ankenbruck.

Bldg. 2-2

Lawrence Carl Jentzsch, Gratina M. Patterson, Lucille L. Roesener, Brice Martin.

Bldg. 17-1

Charles A. Dauer, Richard E. Stults.

Bldg. 26-1

Lawrence Smith.

Bldg. 6-B

Walter Sollberger and Thomas H. Harding.

Flying Bases

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itial operations in flight. N. F. Frischhertz, now stationed in Brownsville, Texas, where General Electric has tested many aviation developments now being used by the armed forces, is the assistant manager.

Work on a big hangar and ground laboratory will begin immediately at the airport, Mr. Talbot said. This hangar and laboratory will be 160 feet wide, 180 feet deep and 45 feet high in the center. Two floors of laboratories, work rooms and offices will run down one side. In front will be a high control tower with all of the latest electronic and mechanical equipment.

New York state has an electrical generating capacity of 6,000,000 kilowatts, 67 per cent by steam and 33 per cent by Niagara Falls and other water resources.

New Factory

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the year by year increasing demand for fractional horsepower motors for such appliances as refrigerators, washing machines, etc., and have seen Fort Wayne facilities expanded year by year until they have overrun the areas available for production. The growth in fluorescent ballast production has been even more rapid.

"The pent-up demand created by the war is now superimposed on the normal growth of these lines so that the Company is faced with even larger expansions of capacity to meet the demand.

"As a first move in this direction the Company has selected a site at Tiffin, Ohio, for a factory and is in the process of selecting another site for a factory, both to be operated under the management of the Fort Wayne Works for the manufacture of Fractional Horsepower motors and fluorescent ballasts. Buildings will be designed, equipment ordered, and construction started as quickly as it is possible to do so.

"In addition to serving the more immediate purpose outlined above, these new plants will also provide facilities for the manufacture of the increased quantities of these high-quality General Electric products that, we believe, will be demanded in large volumes for many years following the Japanese War. Even with these new facilities, it is expected that postwar employment by General Electric in Fort Wayne will be in excess of the prewar levels."

Post-War Future

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such work may engage as much as 10 per cent of the activities of the G-E laboratory.

"Today the United States is firmly resolved to do its part in establishing and maintaining an international organization strong enough to suppress aggression and maintain lasting peace," he said, "but until that organization has demonstrated its adequacy in meeting crises, the United States is also resolved to maintain its own military force at as high efficiency as applied science and technology can reach. Plans have been formulated and preliminary arangements made for active continuation, after the war, of research and development on projects designed to increase the potential fighting power of the nation. Those plans include the farming out to industry, on developmental contracts, of projects adapted to their experience and facilities."

Radar he cited as an outstanding example of a war-time development which will have peace-time applications, in insuring safety in navigation in fog and blind flying. He also referred to the smoke generator, developed in the General Electric laboratory and used so effectively during the war in Europe, which may provide a highly effective means for distributing insecticides for agriculture.

Color Printing

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rate printing of color values, and that the color content of the lamps used in exposing and printing will vary with changes in voltage. Use of the voltage stabilizer to help provide illumination of unvarying brightness was introduced as a part of their research to simplify color printing to the point where it can be done by photographers in their own dark rooms. Ansco has postwar plans for general distribution of two new color products.

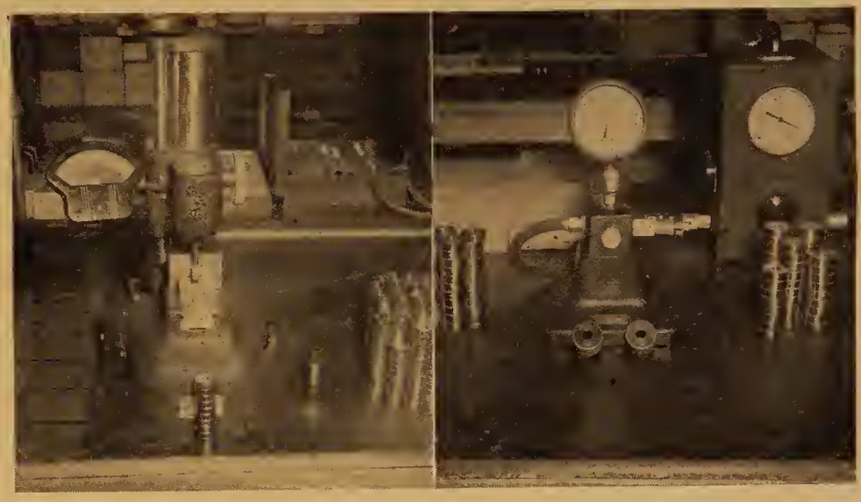
KOKOMO KEY NOTES

The column starts out with a bang this week. Three bangs, in fact. Corine Griffith fell off her chair her first day here, as did Pat Bixler. Ye editor has an advantage over these girls when it comes to falling off chairs. She doesn't have to worry about breaking into print. Pat Bixler is the daughter of Lloyd Bixler of Planning and Corine Griffith is the daughter of Charlie Griffith, foreman. Welcome to payroll, girls. . . . The assembly line wants to say "hello" to Sadie. . . . The fire department almost had a rush call to the Production Section. Phil Samuels had a fire in his waste basket. With the aid of a bucket brigade, it was put out. . . . Mundie Mundell says she likes to walk in the rain of a morning. (Ed. note: rain surely doesn't do to her hair what it does to mine). . . . Welcome back to Polly Deal. . . . Paul Adams is glad to get back on the wheels again. While his car was being overhauled he had to walk. . . . The ball team seems to have hit a streak of bad luck, and no excuses have been offered, which is unusual. They lost to the American Legion and the YMCA. . . . Charlie O'Neil was sick last week. . . . Bob Taylor is about ready to give euchre lessons. He tried four lones and made six points for the opposing two. . . We all had a rest the few days that Howard Weliver's cold was so bad he had no voice. Seriously, glad it's better, Howard. . . . During a discussion of "Caesar," Brutus' line was quoted, "I killed him to save him." Norma Currens says, "I hated that." Let it be known that Norma is mourning for Caesar at this late date. . . . Zelpha Turner is going to Rock Island, Illinois, for her vacation. She is going to do some shopping in Chicago, also. . . . Twenty-two traveled to Fort Wayne to the Plant Protection picnic last Sunday. . . . Harmes really had to scrape the bottom of the barrel to get a pistol team together. John Kaade said Harmes didn't want a good team because Harmes didn't ask him (Kaade). . . . Helen Smith must have danced out her shoes the other night, because she walked home barefooted. She said the shoes were new and they hurt and the best way to solve the problem was to take them off, so she did. . . . Oma Kaade found some flowers on sale, cheap, so she bought a lot. Now husband John has to build flower boxes. Oh, vicious circle!! . . . The next time Edna Young is sick she demands a bouquet of roses. Let's hope roses are in season. . . . We have to make some more apologies. We laughed when Dora Hullinger fell over her chair. . . . A fond farewell to Ruth Ellsworth. We'll miss her. . . . Glad to see Thelma Johnson back after a brief illness. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Copeland, who are now mama and papa. They are the proud parents of the new Darlene Copeland. . . . Helen Crist was left stranded the other day for the want of a cash register repairman—the first person who couldn't take the people's money, even when they were ready to give it. . . .Welcome to Wilma Kennedy and Naomi Bogue. . . . Eileen Sailors Barnhart, formerly of the shipping section, is here from Schenectady, visiting. Her many friends were glad to see her. . . . Orville Stodgell has been trying to get some help in painting his house. He was seen cleaning out the paint brush. Evidently he got no help. Charlie Evans wants to borrow the brush now. He has decided to paint his house since he learned Stodgell knows how. . . . We wonder how Don McAleece can put forth any effort after making his way to work every morning on his bicycle. He rode his bicycle to Greentown to get a malt. We didn't know malts were so scarce. . . . Charlie Hollingsworth does not have much faith in the new war baby carriages. He bought one for his baby and the thing folded up, endangering the baby's life and limb. He is now looking for another perambulator. . . . Fran Sosbe and Marg Stodgell are back from California, just full of exciting stories about the trip. . . . Kenny McIntosh is looking for help in laying a brick sidewalk. (Ed. Note: Pardon me, while I make myself scarce). . . . Mason Vint has finally been induced to take an interest in softball. Tryouts anytime, Mason. . . . Evelyn Broadlick wanted to rest her foot on something, so she used Rosie Lovegroove's purse. She says the thought it was the doorstep.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

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BALL BEARING GAGING



The requirements of selective assembly make it necessary to gage both the inside and outside diameters of ball bearings and sort them and mark them for size.

Accuracies down to one ten-thousandth of an inch are specified, so gages with a high degree of amplification must be used.

Shown above at the left is a high pressure pneumatic gage with an amplification of 2500 to 1 being used to gage the inside diameter of ball bearings.

Shown above at the right is an electrolimit gage with an amplification of 2800 to 1 being used to gage the outside diameter of ball bearings.

KNOW YOUR GAGES

USE THEM INTELLIGENTLY

Night Owls . . . . OF 26-3

What's news, did someone say? Well, first of all, Sam has offered to get Bertie a scooter to use on her many trips from finals out to preliminaries and then back again. . . . Yes, and June Crane has come back after being sick for the past week. . . . Our new stock boy, Vern Doehrman, who has only been with us a week, certainly knows his stuff already; the only thing worrying him is the window-proposition; he can't quite keep up with the girls in closing and then opening them again. . . . Freddy is having quite a time with her year-old daughter, Dixie. Isn't there anything you can do for her, Freddy? . . . Well, Jane is back "stacking" again for J bench after spending a few days recuperating from her trip to the dentist. Now for a flashy smile, Jane! . . . It seems that the tester on N bench has ways and means of keeping the fan in running order lately. . . . And Lonnie has a couple more of her rhumba lessons from Arthur Murray to take yet—then we'll see some fine stuff on the floor won't we? . . . Virginia Miller has come back to "join the fold" again after spending the winter attending Bible School. Glad to have you back, Virginia. . . . It looks like the population of "winding" is increasing again now that they've taken on some new girls and also a new stock-boy. . . . Last week, we told you about a certain "Lauren Bacall" we had on the bench; well this week, we wish to inform you that we also have a "Wallie Simpson." . . . Looks like we have some "celebrities in the news" up here in Bldg. 26-3. . . . Susie, the G bench tester, was graduated last week from high school. Congrats, Susie! . . . Be back with you next week again.

2-3 Office

When Junior Niswander retires, sometime in the dim future, he is going to Chicago and go in business for himself. Oh yes, he has his plans all made; well it's nice work, Junior, if you can get it. . . . All of us in the office would like to take this way to tell Mary LaTurner that we are very sorry to hear about her husband's being in the army hospital, and we sincerely hope that he will soon recover. . . . Our birthday congratulations this week go to Helen Merkey, who received a lot of nice gifts from her co-workers. . . . If anyone saw two long legs with a body attached, floating down the aisle in the office, it was only Pres Slack who was just celebrating. . . . Katie Hendricks is seriously thinking of setting up a soft drink stand just outside of the east gate house; she might even serve sandwiches, that is if the guards don't object too much. . . . More next time.

Sunbeam Sal

To describe a perfect male, he should look like a man and behave like a gentleman.

She was only an usher's daughter —but could she put a fellow in his place!

SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon! How things hai changed! Last year German soldiers raised one hand in salute tae Hitler. This year they raised both hands tae the Allies. Which proves thot even they think twice as much o' us as they did o' him. (Or, maybe they think twice as much o' their necks as they did o' their fuehrer). And the map o' Germany! How it is being cut doon! Remember the expression—"a face thot is the map o' Ireland?" Noo, a mon wi' a face like the map o' Germany will probably be called, "Little Face."

But things are changing over here, too. We have been getting more and more used tae war production—and will probably have plenty o' time, before V-J day, tae take advontage o' this knowledge.

We hai learned a lot about doing things accurately, tae meet Government inspection, (tae say nothing of our own tightened inspection).

We hai learned a lot about doing things on a big scale, wi' lots o' tools and fixtures, tae make things faster and better at the same time.

We hai learned a lot about "changing in midstream." Quick, necessary changes, due to new information from battle damage, or due to lack o' some materials, causing changes in Government specifications, countless TEI's, mixups, heartbreaks, etc., etc., but we hai managed tae come thru every time.

Now, we HOPE this experience has taught the German soldier something about true and false values. And we surely have learned something, too. (I know we're smarter than he).

But what we LEARN doesn't do us much good if we don't PRACTICE it. KNOWING something doesn't pay off like DOING something. Just knowing how tae made a gude C. R.* suggestion won't bring in the check if ye don't DO something about it.

As we work into civlian goods, more and more, as the next few months or years roll by, we will hai a chance tae apply all this "war goods" knowledge tae civilian goods production. And, if we apply this knowledge wisely and well, the next few years may prove tae be the best years o' our lives.

Which reminds me o' Cousin Colin's favorite saying about women. He says thot the ten best years o' a woman's life is between the ages o' 29 and 30.

*COST REDUCTION.

Plant Protection Celebrates Fiftieth Anniversary



The G-E Plant Protection Section celebrated its fiftieth anniversary last Sunday with its annual stag picnic at the FOP Country Club. Top left, E. A. Barnes, founder of the section in 1895, addresses the gathering. Second picture, Captain Custer Dunifon, city traffic department, was a guest. Third picture, Fred Duryee, supervisor of plant protection, addressed the group. To Mr. Duryee's right is an exhibit by the Fire Department. Top right, a few of the old-timers talk things over. Second row, some of those attending enjoyed baseball. Center, demonstration of carbon dioxide by Biff Long. Right, Harry Underwood, veteran member of the Volunteer Fire Department; Jay Greer, general service superintendent; Mr. Barnes; Dr. H. W. Garton; Mr. Duryee; and Police Chief Butch Vegalues were among those present. Third row, left, buttons were presented by Mr. Greer to those members of the Volunteer Fire Department who had completed ten years of service. Center, card games were enjoyed by many. Right, the trap shoot. Fourth row, left, demonstration of pyrene on magnesium by Biff Long. Center, the champion pistol team, Broadway third trick, consisting of George Earl, Ellery Flaugh, Harold Martin, Dennis Eldridge. Right is Range Officer Ray Soughan. Right, the chow line. Bottom left, trap range officers Ellery Flaugh and John Gutermuth. Center, Ernie Hanauer, acting fire chief, at the microphone. Bottom right, on the pistol range.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Could it be that spring is a little late this year, and these few balmy days are bringing out all the bow ties, bright shirts, roses, etc.? Speaking of bow ties, how did you like the brown and orange one Paul Berghorn was sporting with that brown shirt? Cecil Allen certainly brightened up the A.C. section Saturday with his red shirt. Denton Manecke, not to be outdone, wore his shirt in a new style, or could it be that it is much cooler that way? . . . Is that a mustache Bob Sharrow is growing? Getting ready for a screen test, Bob? . . . What was Ruth English thinking about when she stumbled over that rock in the Fairfield parking lot, then "calmly" walked on leaving one shoe caught on the rock. Luckily Marian Menze noticed Ruth had one shoe missing before she got too far, and with shoes rationed too! . . . Anyone seeing that beam in Elsie Forschner's eyes doesn't need three guesses to know that she received a long distance call from her Navy husband. . . . The aircraft section said good-by to two of their fellow employees last week. Ruth Kramer is taking up medicine at Northwestern, and Barney Hartough was transferred to Decatur. Best wishes to both of you. . . . We didn't believe it at first glance either, but on closer observation we found that Pet Newlin's fingernails really are green. We knew grass turned green in spring, but this is the first we ever heard of fingernails turning green. Guess that's a problem for Ripley. . . . Could it be that the high altitude affected Walter Hahn when he measured his roof? If not, why does he hand in drawing cards to be filed and fills out all the card but the drawing number! . . . Anyone wishing to engage a trio try Carl Brandt, Paul Berghorn, and Bob Sharrow. With a little practice they should do all right.

A teacher of grammar wishing to impress upon her pupils the importance of using good English said to little Tommy: "Thomas, repeat in your own words these sentences: "I see a cow. The cow is pretty. The cow can run."

Tommy replies: "Lamp de cow. Ain't she a beaut? An' say baby, she sure can step."

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Our birthday wishes go to M Hullinger and Helen Wyss. Man more happy birthdays, girls. . . Yes, Jane Goulden, now Mrs. Camp bell, is back at work. She seems t be very happy. . . . Our congratu lations go to Mr. and Mrs. Harol Lothamer. Mrs. Lothamer was th former Rose Sorg. . . . Our con gratulations also go to Sgt. an Mrs. John Weiant. Mrs. Weiant wa the former Jean Barve. . . . W hope you are having a good time o your vacation, Leola Leitch. Hurr back. . . . Ruth Ann Coonrad i leaving this week for Texas to visi her husband. . . . Well, Marge Com is quitting. We will all miss you Marge, and hope you think of u once in a while. . . . We are sorry still to have Joy Stuckey on ou sick list. Come back, Joy; we mis you. . . . Bye for now; see you al next week.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

It's good to see Frank Auer back with us. . . . Cecil Young has be come a nursemaid to some baby chicks. He was really disgusted with them, since they are more than a week old and no eggs yet. Could be they are all roosters, Cecil. . . . Remember Father's Day is Sunday . . . Glad to see you back, Marie P You look swell after a nice vaca tion. . . . Irma P., how do you ex pect the girls to retain their girlish figures when you bring in such good things to eat? Shame on you. . . . Have you noticed anyone using their right foot instead of their left one on the new drinking foun tain?

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

Hello; not much happening here on third this week. We have a re quest from Vivian Cearbaugh for a pair of rose-colored glasses. She wants them for a gift. . . . Wonder why Will Osmun drives around in the daytime with his headlights on. . . . We are sorry to hear that Celia Stabler won't be working for a few weeks. Celia was in an auto mobile accident. . . . We of third shift extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schaefer on the death of their daughter. . . . It's sure good to see Marie Hull around again. . . .We'll bet Edith Roselius is about the happiest per son in the world right now. Edith is in Baltimore spending a few days with her husband. . . . That's all for now. See you all again next week with more news, we hope.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Did you notice Irene Bultemeier's cute pigtails this week? . . . Happy vacationing to Charlie Harris. . . . Richard Kelly is still the chess champion. . . . Loretta Mulligan is sporting a new pair of white ear rings, so pretty. . . . It's a happy occasion for Soap Summers when his favorite magazine arrives each month. . . . Clarence Lallow has switched songs. First it was "And Her Tears Flowed Like Wine," and now its "Bell Bottom Trousers." . . . Carl Saaf leads in the golf tournament. . . . The gals in the office have taken a liking to detective stories, and when a few spare moments are at hand they catch up on all the latest ones. . . . When telling a joke to Bob Karasek, it's best to draw a diagram, 'cause he says he just can't get them. . . . Bye till next week.

Your Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Oh, what is so rare as a HOT day in June. . . . Now, a reporter's report to a reporter with what space I have: Rose season will soon be over and we found out, Oh, death where is thy sting. Virgil Snyder should be back next week with an abundance of good solid muscles. Hurl, have you any corn borers yet? Famous last words: "You may get away with something for a while, but you cannot get away with everything at all." . . . The service section had a pleasant surprise last week by a visit from Russell (Russ) DeVeny, all dressed up in his civilian clothes. We hope to have him back working with us soon. . . . Mildred Reinhart is of the opinion that certain paper bags have a mysterious way of disappearing. . . . Si (Frosty) Alspaugh says he wouldn't carry his lunch if Herb (Blackie) Ort didn't. But it makes Frosty hungry watching Blackie enjoy his lunch. . . . Lottie McFarland had the choice of either slipping from the curb and spraining her ankle or breaking some newly purchased records, so she sprained her ankle. She figured the records could not be glued together. . . . Wilton Crain is another one who never misses it until it is gone, for he was seen wearing that little white identification ticket as a result of losing his badge. . . . Katherine Byanski Miller has left us to join her husband, who has returned from overseas duty and is stationed in Chicago. . . . Charlie Rupel's radishes exceed the late Luther Burbank's fondest hopes. Charlie planted them around the strawstack and when he went out to get some straw he found the radishes had grown so big he couldn't find the strawstack. (So he says).

Picnic and Reunion Bldg. 6-4

Come one, come all, to the shindig on June 24, at the Log Cabin. This includes all who have worked in Bldg. 6-4 at any time in our DC section. If you have not received an invitation, let this be your invitation and be there. The picnic starts at 1:30 p.m. and runs until? Potluck dinner at 5:00 p.m. This is a family affair, so bring the wife and kiddies. If any of Bldg. 6-4's service men or women are on furlough at this time, we heartily wish that they will attend as our honored guests. There will be a program, contests for the children, and many other features and entertainment. Be sure to be there. Contact Walt Tiemeyer or Jim Crockett for further details.

Bldg. 4-4 Office Gossip

Nan Hoppe could never work in the Service Section; she spent a short time in the Section last week, and the tapping of a hammer made her jump. . . . Our office force again bids adieu to a very fine fellow-worker. Mary Ann Rodgers is entering a new field of work; she has been a fine and cooperative kid, and we want to wish her "a farm of luck." . . . Honestly, these girls are beyond me; I can't keep up with them. Our "Zorina" of Bldg. 4-4, namely Betty Brown, is lightly tripping to the altar this month. It's been nice knowing you, Betty. . . . A farewell party was given by the girls of the office for our little Betty Brown, who prefers Arthur Wedler to working, so she's getting married this month. Nan Hoppe was a sparkling, gracious hostess at her home at a lawn party, where she entertained a group of hungry girls. Virginia Plummer tried to make a good impression by making an entrance so late that she was waited on nobly by everyone who already had too much to eat. Potato salad is good anytime, Ginny! No gathering is complete without the good ole barbershop quartet, and Minstrel Dippon does a neat job of harmonizing. Mary K. Johnston was cutting the well known rug (what on the lawn? there must be some mistake it, sounds more like cutting the grass). Oh yes, Helen Camp was there, and say is she happy. As a summary of the party, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the informal affair, and from all reports another party of this nature is in store. If you would have been present you probably would have chatted with people like: Imo Mick, Hilda Dippon, Marjorie Ostermeyer, Lucille Currie, Polly Brown, Mary Ann Rodgers, Mary Jane Adams, Mary Hakes, Dorothy Parker, Mary K. Johnston, Ruth Doty, Helen Camp, Elizabeth Karolyi, the hostess, Nan Hoppe, and the honored guest, Betty Brown.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Anyone who enjoys good entertainment should see Bill Rohe make one of his famous dives from a spring board out on the avenue. But some folks seem to think that if Bill wants to do such fancy diving he should be attired in a colorful bathing suit. . . . Unique photographs seem to be all the rage this month; everyone has been trying to out-do everyone else by showing off their favorite snapshots. First Ray Kierspe proudly showed a picture of his younger days, in a glamorous skating costume, and so far he and Ray Snyder are in the lead. Those boys have actually gone way back to their childhood days, digging up some of their baby pictures and displaying them with great pride. . . . The old gang in Bldg. 8-2 office wants to say hello, and wish the best of luck to Bob Phelps, who is serving somewhere in the Pacific. . . . Howard Smith celebrated his birthday on June 5 with a treat of cake and coffee. Congratulations, "Smitty." . . . We wish to welcome to our office in Bldg. 8-2 several newcomers. They are Rosemary Frick, Betty Wagner, Doris Kayser and Ruth Fry. . . . Russell LeBeau has all the traits of a musician even if he does play on a paper-piccolo. It sounds pretty good and is fine luncheon music. . . . Russell Flaugh would sure like to have flowers in his yard instead of all those trees. All you have to do is use an axe, Slim! . . . Eva Creigh has joined the "I Forgot My Badge" Club. That's all right, Eva; we've a lot of members. . . . Donna Jean Wagoner is a real good driver and just to prove it she can stall her car on the street car tracks and then zoom away two feet ahead of the trolley. People lose their fenders that way, Donna. . . . This is a plea not to call Dorothy Baumgartner "Junior" or "Minor"—Gosh, she's a big girl now! . . . Was the reason for Mary Ringler's smiling face due to that wilted, little rosebud? . . . It seems Cleon "Red" Noyes is doing a lot of overtime work. On Sunday he spends his time building up his lawn. Where did you get those stones, Red? . . . Gerhardt Harbarth says that you are supposed to close your eyes when kissing a young lady. At least it happened that way at his brother's wedding when Gerhardt, best man, kissed the bride. . . . The gang wants to wish the following a very happy birthday: Harry Ward, Mary Wolf, Lazern Hopkins, Harry Limbach, Claude Curley, and Elenore Plock. They all had birthdays this week.

Wins Suggestion Award



Marie Tobias, Bldg. 4-5, above, recently received a $65 suggestion award for her idea on improvements in the method of cleaning soldering flux from brushes and brush terminals.

Thisa and Thata

BUILDING 19-5

We want to congratulate Phyllis Brumbaugh and Helen Hogle on the birthdays they had last week. We wish them many more. We are wondering what Helen Hogle is going to do with all the ash trays she got for her birthday. . . . Sorry to lose Lee Fish, who is visiting her husband in the hospital at Battle Creek, Michigan. . . . Was Flora Crawford ever happy Saturday. She got a telegram from her husband, who is back in the States from the European Theater of war. . . . We made a little mistake last week. Instead of Margaret Hilgemann forgetting her badge, it was Margaret Doctor. . . . We hope Phyllis Alles enjoyed her vacation last week. . . . Serene Slater took her vacation last week, too. Her husband is home on furlough. . . . It's good to see Irma Kasner back at work with us again. Irma was visiting her husband in California for several weeks.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

Has anyone seen the Bldg. 20-2 softball trophy? It doesn't seem to be in the engineer's room. What's that? The test engineers don't have it any more? Yes, it's true. Pop Quinn's team won the trophy a week ago last Tuesday when they defeated the test engineers in the most thrilling game they have played this season. The test men were a hard team to beat; however, Pop's team were out to get victory and the trophy. Don Stoneman, catcher for the test engineers, had tough luck when he fell over home plate and ended up with a broken leg. Everyone wishes him a speedy recovery and hopes that he'll be back to work soon. . . . Approximately forty people from Bldg. 20-2 spent last evening at Kessen's bowling. Prizes were given to the two people and team with the highest score for the evening. . . . Welcome greetings are extended to Marilyn Gregg and Myron Cole. . . . If you've been wondering who the new mail girl in Bldg. 20-2 is, cease wondering. She is the daughter of Walter McKinney, foreman in Bldg. 10-1. . . . Congratulations to Ginny Waymire, who recently celebrated her twenty-first birthday. . . . If anyone hasn't been in Bldg. 20-2 for the past few weeks, don't be alarmed the next time you pay us a visit. As every spring, the fellows in the office got the urge to rearrange. A guidance directory can be purchased in the outer hall for a package of cigarettes.

Is Zat So?

Many of the employees of Bldg. 17-1 have at some time or other worked either with or for Mr. Wehrs. So it was with deepest sincerity that we wished him many happy returns on his fiftieth anniversary. . . . Wonder what happened to Mel Kestner and his crossword puzzles? . . . Mary Jane Meyer wants to know what kind of flower grows the best in a rose garden. . . . If you wish to get the particulars on how to celebrate the arrival of a new baby, ask Kenny Dwyer. Congratulations, Kenny! . . . Introducing the new office girl who is working with Henry Gollmer: meet Julia Hoopingarner. . . . That office gang really gets around. Pat Becker just returned from a vacation in Utah. Wally McKay is vacationing in Arkansas. Other vacationists are Johnny Miles, Nina and Earl Clifton, Mike Kramer, Don Cobb, Lewis Haycox, Bill Adler, and Jim Stafford. . . . We bid farewell to Charley Lauer this week, as Charley is leaving for the armed services. Good luck, Charley. . . . We extend our sympathy to Frank Hickman on the death of his father-in-law, and to Johnny Miles, whose sister-in-law died suddenly. . . . About fifty co-workers of Ernie Barr enjoyed a party Sunday at the Barr cottage at Lake James in honor of Ernie's retiring on pension. Some of the highlights of the party included Russel Gibson's dressing the part of a ball player. That cap sure made the rounds. Russell had a little tough luck. He started out for the lake with his car loaded to the roof, backed out of the drive and punctured his gas tank. He lost about all of his gas and had a time trying to keep it out of the sewer for fear of blowing up the neighborhood. He then hitched a ride with Dick Evans, so the refreshments and Russell arrived O.K. Elmer Jockel sat around sleeping until time for him to carve the roast pig. He sure did a good job, too! "Sap" Quinn was doing pretty well at the card games but some thoughtful person made him a little rake so that he could reach the center of the table. Clyde Crabill liked to argue with Ernie Riley about the necessity of ice. Wonder what they needed ice for? Dan Hoover proved to be an old night owl who sleeps in the daytime. He had a good time though. Ray Epperson said that he really enjoyed himself and that he could at least stay awake. Wonder who he is kidding? Jake Trautman, another pensioner living at Lake James, was a welcome guest. So was Marine Cpl. George Salsbury, who came with Clyde Crabill. Carl Fisher and Jimmie Paxton are in need of a road map. They got lost on the way home! Bill Franke and Russell Gibson presented Ernie Barr with a large lounge chair on behalf of his former co-workers. . . . We wonder how Pat Eichhorn thinks he can get his wiring done if he sleeps all the time. Oh, well, wiring a house has its troubles. If it isn't some shorts, it's a misplaced wire. . . . Harry Kessler says it's now 25 plus one year that he has been at the good old G-E. . . . Birthday greetings to John Meyers, Ann West, enry Warner, Veora Habig, and John Miles.

News From TAYLOR STREET

Rotor

A group of friends gathered in the cafeteria to show their friendship by presenting Roland Parker with a handsome pen set. We sure have enjoyed working with you, Roland, and know you will have a host of friends wherever you go. Good luck in the armed forces and speedy return; also Lowell Burnsworth who has gone for induction in the armed forces. . . . Sammy Keller is now enjoying his vacation. . . . Roger Andrews is a proud father of a baby girl. She was born on V-E Day and also Roger's birthday—a double celebration and congratulations. . . . Clifford Knepper was also a proud pappy of a baby girl. Mother and daughter are doing fine. Congratulations! . . . Our sympathy goes to Mel Fuelling in the death of his sister. . . . Helen Butler has returned to work after being ill. Glad to see you back, Helen. . . . Bing Crosby and Clyde Mounsey are back from their vacations in the "pink" of condition. . . . We hear that Cleota Squires took a few lessons in playing softball. But oh, the next day! . . . Mary Bryant also had a nice vacation. . . . Anyone wanting to take lessons in "up-sweep hair do's," see Mary Martone. . . . Bob Griffin, Mary Johns, Helen Johnson are on their vacations this week; hope they are enjoying themselves. . . . Anybody wanting to take daily exercises, see Walter Wiehe. . . . We are leaving our old camping ground for a new camping site, but it will be the same old Rotor section. . . . Belated birthday wishes go to Lucy Alexander; she was presented with flowers, cards, and handkerchiefs.

Tool Room

Seen at the gate last week was our former grinder, Helen Tritch, greeting old friends. She tells us she is at Bldg. 26-4 now. Come out often Helen. Good luck, keed. . . . If Harold Bowman invites you out to his farm, you can feel free to go now. He's got his corn all planted—of course, there is always a chance he might find you something else to do. . . . We have a game every noon hour at our horseshoe courts. L. Dasher, C. Hammond, Harley Ridenour and C. Wiebke are at it daily. . . . Ralph Meyers just walked by, looking suspiciously at your reporter, and said, "I didn't do anything!" Hmmm—could be. There's one fellow I fail to get anything on for print, so if Ralph steps out of line, will you please let your reporter in on the dope? Thanks. . . . Logan Sumpter left for Pearl Harbor last week on a heat treat assignment under civil service. He will take a vital place in the work of ship repair there for the duration. Logan's wife will follow shortly to make it "home" for him in the Pacific. . . . Don Comer goes for his service exam June 21. Good luck from all, Don. . . . Speaking of June 21, reminds me I'd better get that wedding anniversary gift for the Mrs. DeBard. She has put up with your reporter for seven years on that date—poor gal. . . .

Taylor Women's Bowling Champions



Pictured left to right above are members of the Taylor Street Women's Bowling League championship team, the Knock Outs, receiving the trophy from Joe Dickerson of the Taylor Street Athletic Committee. Left to right are Jean Saint, Helen Lassen, Mildred Mullen, Mildred Snyder, and Betty Thiele. Knock Outs, first half winners, became grand champions by defeating the Flying Pins, second half winners.

Final team standings are: Flying Pins, won 31, lost 17; Pin Hitters, won 27, lost 21; Knock Outs won 25, lost 23; Head Pins, won 23, lost 25; Whizz Bangs, won 21, lost 27; Lucky Five, won 17, lost 31.

League records made include: Team high series—Knock Outs, 2238; team high single—Knock Outs, 784; individual high series—Esther Walda, 530; individual high single—Esther Fuller, 209. The individual average winner for the season was Esther Walda with a nice average of 142.6 pins, closely followed by Martha Wendel with 141.7 and Mildred Mullen with 141.2.

Clarence Wiebke is in the midst of house painting. He admits that he isn't doing it according to Hoyle, but he claims when he starts at the bottom, that way he gets used to the height gradually. Well, mebbe so. . . . Al Disler's boy is home on furlough, which makes Al a happy man. We're glad, too, Al! . . . Helen Tritch and sister Lois report a swell time horseback riding two weeks ago, and are just now getting able to eat their meals from the table again instead of the mantel.

Forge

Walter Wheeler was a guest of Uncle Sam last Wednesday at Indianapolis and is now awaiting a visit from the mail man to give him the good news. . . . Jean Pappert is enjoying, we hope, her vacation this week and plans to spend part of it in Chicago admiring the skyscrapers. . . . Walter Wood has also received his invitation from Uncle Sam to visit the first city of Indiana. . . . We understand that Paul Rugman, not to be outdone by our other professional entertainers, has taken up—of all things—ballet dancing. . . . Edna Garretson returned from her vacation this week looking fit as a fiddle. . . . Ralph Whitcomb reports that they are now "harvesting" their second "crop" of ice up around Orland and are expecting a very short summer. . . . Will somebody please convince Gene Fair that "quitting" is actually spelled with two t's even if it doesn't look just right? . . . Johhny Ruhl returned from his vacation trip to Norfolk, where he had the privilege of going on board a battleship which was one of the ships sunk by the Japs at Pearl Harbor.

Screw Machine

A couple of our gang are taking their vacations this week. Alma Bangert is taking a much needed rest and expects to take the rest by doing her spring house cleaning. . . . Fred Sanders, his wife, and daughter Linda are spending his vacation in Milwaukee and Racine, Wisconsin. We hope you catch a lot of fish and have some real honest fish stories to tell when you return. . . . We are very sorry to lose Francis Tester, who leaves for the service soon. . . . Elsie Brecheisen is having a tonsillectomy this week. We wish you a speedy recovery and hope you may soon be back with us. . . . We hear this is Frieda Buuck's birthday. Many happy returns of the day, Frieda, and we hope you have many more. . . . We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Gladys Surface, who received word Tuesday that her husband had been killed in the Luzon Area on the Philippines on May 20, after killing 19 Japs in a rice field. . . . We are all happy to hear that Jerry Roehling's daughter is coming home from the hospital. She had an operation for appendicitis and had chickenpox at the same time. . . . Kenny Drew is back to work after a week's illness of influenza. . . . Floyd Garland and Charlie Rose are two of our greatest golf enthusiasts. They talk very much of playing a game against each other, but so far they can't agree on who should spot who how many strokes. . . . The Screw Machine gang received a letter from Floyd Null the other day. In it he said in part: "There isn't much news over here that I can write about. I hope I will see you all soon and work with you again. I am willing to work any part of the day or night. Tell the gang not to say anything about working the second or third shift. Over here, we go out any time of the day or night and in all kinds of weather. We drive without lights anywhere we go. So I guess shop work isn't so bad after all."

Shipping

Harold Hirschy is collecting match book covers as a new hobby. Check the smoking areas, Harold, and help out your collection. . . . Charles Fisher reports his vacation as spending most of his time separating his sheep from the goats. He says he sheared the sheep, but we cannot find out what happened to the goats. . . . Bob Zimmerman is very anxious for the fishing season to open. He is telling us of the big ones that will not get away this time. . . . Welcome to all you Fractional men and women. We are glad you are here and our close neighbors. . . . It costs money to drive a car these days, doesn't it, George Dehnert? . . . Dick Wolff sends his best to everyone in the Shipping section, and says that if any of the gang is ever down to Monroeville, they should stop in and see him. . . . Ray Fultz, one of our truck drivers, had a welcome visitor at his home the other day. His son, Bob, who is a Sergeant in the Air Corps, was home on furlough. Ray has two boys in the service and is doing a swell job himself toward whipping Japan. . . . We received a letter from Marshall Fisher last week. He is now a first class cook in the Navy, stationed in Oregon. Marshall says that letters are always welcome and he would enjoy hearing from any of his former co-workers. His new address is available from R. H. Long. . . . We welcome Ruth Faurote to the shipping section from shipp stock. Hope you will like be with us, Ruth. . . . Remember you have any news for this colum be sure to see Earl Cochran or J Brittin, and they will see that is turned in.

Nozzle Box

Cleo Dicks and Blaine Bailey turned from their vacations th week. . . . Charles Golliver left the nozzle box welding lin Good luck, Charlie. . . . Dai Rickford has returned to wor after being off due to illness; is good to see you back on the jo Daisy. . . . The Nozzle Box Sectio sent flowers to the following peopl during the past month: Willa Durben, Ruth Ort, Mrs. Hube Figel and Mrs. J. Robert Bake also to William Hutchinso Flowers were also sent in th memory of Warren Hunt, husba of Grace Hunt. Our sincere sym pathy goes to you Grace. . . . Zel Sonner celebrated her birthda June 5. . . . Olive Adams cel brated her birthday on June 12. Mr. and Mrs. John Laux are th proud parents of a daughter, bor June 8. John says they have nam her "Arilla Ann." . . . Dan Pa has been taking Ab Grover's pla while Ab is on vacation. . . . W are glad to welcome Dee Linn John Mullaney to second trick. Hubert (Butch) Figel left for Armed Service this week, we a all going to miss him very mu and our best wishes go with y Butch. . . . Margaret Puryear a proud grandma again; the ne grandchild has been named Ma garet. . . . Now let us see what happening in the Inspection Se tion of the Nozzle Box Section. O yes—Dan Cupid has used his da and not only aimed it but score a direct hit on our own Clara Ru Prior, who on Saturday, June was a bride and is now the wife Gerhard F. Hemsoth, a New Have man in the Armed Forces. Ma their future be a life of happines This is the wish of all of us. Congratulations are in order fo Charles Purner, who had a birt day on May 25, on which day h was on his vacation, and Grac Smith, whose birthday was on Ma 30. Also Grace must have been very proud parent this week. H daughter graduated this year a is now about to enter classes f a higher education.

Receiving

Clyde Kreigh, our checker, got birthday present from Uncle S last Saturday. Sunday being birthday and he being thirty ye old, he had already taken examination for service, and Unc Sam notified him that he w past thirty and too old for th draft!! "Oh Happy Birthday Clyde was all set to go and really a little disappointed, as wanted a few Nips for souveni We are glad for you, Clyde. Jim says he has all the stone h wants for his wall. He bought pile and has them home. Now h will accept voluntary labor to hel build it. . . . You may all bra about your victory gardens, bu Red Rhodes has planted some pri pumpkin seed that is guaranteed raise 300 pound pumpkins. Red sa he will cut a pumpkin if anyo wants only 100 pounds instead of

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...ews From — AYLOR STREET

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...ole one. . . . It is mighty lone-...e around here this week. We ...ss Cliff and hope he gets all ...g painting done so he will be ...th us next week. . . . We have ...nd out why Brownie seems so ...ppy this week. His son-in-law is ...e on furlough from the Euro-...n war area, and Brownie is ...ping him celebrate. . . . Faye ...rk quit work last Wednesday. ... and her husband bought a ...very store in Huntington and ...l go in business. We wish them ...kinds of success. Come back and ...s, Faye. . . . Red Rhodes was ...nsferred last week to the ship-...g section back to his old job. ... Mr. Obermeyer, A. A. F. In-...ctor, has moved his desk and ...s into the receiving office. . . . ... Chelf has started his victory ...rden. We said "started," not ...ished! . . . Gus is still mourning ...e loss of a season baseball ticket. ... thinks he should have won the ...ize by naming the team The ...rt Wayne Daisies.

Punch Press

...Sherman Keener is on his vaca-...n this week. . . . Garnet Borne ...ent last week at her mother's in ...sian. Her mother has been ill. ...pe she is feeling better, Gar-... . . . Ruth Hyser, formerly of ...s section, is ill at the Lutheran ...spital. We miss you, Ruth, and ...pe you will be feeling better ...n. . . . Wayne Brewer will be ... his vacation for the next two ...eks. Have a good time, Wayne. ... Elva Johnston wears a new ...ond engagement ring. Looks ... she may be a June bride. Good ...k to you, Elva. . . .Fred Ginzel ...nt the week-end at his mansion ... the hill, polishing things up ... preparing to sink his fangs ... a mess of lake fish. . . . Ted ...llen's ambition soared to new ...ghts. He was caught polishing ... his car and on closer observa-... he was found to be singing ... the same time. Mighty sus-...ous character, that Ted. . . . ...ke Poorman allows as how it's ...g to rain, as his boy scouts are ... out in the wide open spaces. ...ybe that's the reason he's been ...tting the moisture drops all ...k on the pipes. That boy is ...y a weather prophet.

Plant Service

...We want to welcome to Taylor ...eet James Swyhart and Charles ..., steel workers, also Alton Bau-..., George Coplen and Carl ...yer, welders, who have been ...nsferred temporarily from ...adway to help out. . . . Did you ...p long enough to look over the ...ny things at the safety exhibit ... outside the cafeteria? It was ... worth the time spent to see ... various articles that are used ...protect our employees. We should ...e a lot more thought about ...king safely and appreciate the ...orts put forth to promote safety. ... Long, our safety engineer, ...erves a lot of credit for his ...orts in putting on the exhibit. ... We had a visitor on Thursday ... this week. Jack Motherwell ...pped in to say hello to all the ..., and says he sure hopes to ... back on the job real soon.

Suggestion Pays Off



Walter Cornelius, Bldg. 19-B, who suggested the salvaging, use, and sale of tubular-type terminals, received a $75 award for his idea.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

Accounting and Payroll

A party was held at the Victory Club last week in honor of Marguerite Fisher, bride-elect, and Marie Leemuis, who is leaving Winter Street. Gifts and corsages were presented the two honored guests. Those attending were Frances Bouse, Hortense Stevenson, Dorothy Scherschel, Anna Lee Hudson, Martha Greider, and Rita Palone. . . . Marguerite Fisher had to be tied to her chair Friday, and Hortense Stevenson obliged. Marguerite received a telegram from her husband-to-be, and nearly jumped through the roof. Lots of best wishes, Marguerite. . . . Marie, we all hate to see you leave; we'll miss you a lot. We'll miss your laugh and your sunny disposition. Loads of luck! . . . We wish to welcome two new girls in our section, Helen Stauffer and Charlotte Christian.

Productions

Ralph Schlup, John Quaintance and Don Lichty went to the skating party held last week, but were hesitant in putting on skates, because "they hadn't skated for years." . . . Ray Barrick boasts of being able to buy two suits in the shortest time known. He holds the record so far—because he walked into the store just three minutes before closing time. . . . Evelyn Ladd was on the vacation list last week. . . . Shorty Redding, who was a year older recently, claims that he was tricked at the party for his birthday. Seems as though someone slipped him a super deluxe cracker sandwich with a shaving soap filling. After spittin' and sputterin' he arrived at the conclusion that cheese is much better—even if it doesn't smell so purdy. . . . Among the vacationers last week was Phil Rockefeller.

Planning

Harvey Petty spent his vacation cleaning house and playing golf. . . . The question of the week is, "Did Kenny Allway get that piano?" . . . Was Leroy Maxheimer hunting something or doing his daily dozen? He stood for quite some time at the file cabinet opening and closing the doors. Was it fun, Max? . . . From the reports buzzing around the office, a wonderful time was had by all who attended the stag party at Mr. Peden's home. Those who enjoyed themselves were Kenny Allway, Glen Macy, Russel Ade, Herb Adamske, Ray Dumford, Harvey Petty, Amede Alie, Ray Klotz, and of course Cloyce Peden.

SPORTS

Golf

Tom Piepenbrink and Hal Staley tied for low score of 45 each as the third week of golf was played at Brookwood in the Winter Street Golf League. Bill O'Neill was a close second with 46. Most all the players brought their scores down somewhat from the first two weeks.

The race for team leadership is still wide open. Team 2 defeated team 5 by a single point, 219-220. Team 4 defeated team 1 212-240, and team 3 defeated team 6 201-210.

Tool Room and Maintenance

Dick Haskins was inducted into the armed forces at Indianapolis recently and is now awaiting call.

Order and Stores

The Cubs will be really hitting next week because Dick Ashton will be there to cheer them on. Here's hoping you have a good time in Chicago, Dick. . . . Helen Cook adopted a little cocker spaniel dog she calls "Rusty." Now what she would like to know is what to do with his ears so they don't get mixed up in his food. Any suggestions?

Cost

While on vacation last week, Lucille McGahey entertained the girls of the Cost Section with a delicious home-cooked dinner. Those present were Ella Grote, Florence Brown, Justine Luyben, Ireta Huffman, Bernie Yeranko, and Lucille's mother, who was visiting here from West Virginia. . . . Ella Grote is back to work after a scrubbing good time on her week's vacation. Yes, house cleaning was the main event.

Oil Pump and Compressor

A lot of faces have disappeared from the section, as Alice Oberlin and Helen Stauffer are now working in the office, and Gertrude Shimer, Yolonde Gigli, and Anita Brown have been transferred to Broadway. . . . John Thomas and Dorothy Boren have returned to work after a week's vacation. . . . The first trick welcomes Fred Hines and Harold Hite, who were transferred from second trick. . . . Fred Hines took advantage of the food shortage last Sunday at the Plant Protection Picnic as he ate thirteen sandwiches, three plates of beans and drank four cokes, six pops, and one cup of coffee.

Engineering and Drafting

An insignificant lid to an ink bottle was the cause of Hercules Lynch's embarrassment last week. Our hero struggled in vain to remove it, but it took the touch of a woman's hands (Margaret Morgan) to turn the trick. Maybe you should take up typing rather than golf, Don. . . . We wish to welcome Hal Staley, a new member to the Air Conditioning Drafting Section. Hal is a fugitive from Power Drive.

"June 5, 1945

"The Ole Recoil Gang:

"Since my last letter the censorship ban has slightly been lifted and it is now permissible to relate to you my experiences of the past year.

"First I will take you back to last April when we left for parts unknown.

"Our first stop was in England; there we saw the destruction that the Germans had dealt the English people; there again you feel thankful that your loved ones are safe from the horrors of war and the



disaster these people underwent. Their churches and public buildings, stores, restaurants, and private homes were laid to the ground. Empty cellars are now in view where once stood beautiful buildings. Here rationing is even worse than in most places we visited; stamps are required for even a handkerchief.

"We then moved on to Scotland, where we enjoyed a short liberty. The bombings here were not as recent or severe, but the clothing and food shortage is very great. Everywhere we went we found the American uniform and the renowned American jeep.

"We next went to Ireland; this is truly a beautiful place. The liberty here was very good, and the Yanks got a hearty welcome here.

"After the invasion of Normandy we went through the Straits of Gibraltar into the Mediterranean. We next stopped in Oran, North Africa. This was like all the African ports; the beach here was excellent for swimming and the site of many interesting ball games.

"Then on to Algiers. This port was a little better than Oran, and that is where we were the day Paris was liberated. What a celebration the French had. The tri-colors were run up on all the buildings along with the American and British flags. The streets were swarmed with the joyous liberated mob. You could feel the happiness as the liberated mob carried on their celebration. The ships in the harbor fired their guns and blew their whistles. Once again the American uniform and equipment was in view as the Free French soldiers embarked for France to carry on the fight, where the Yanks and Tommies left off.

"The poorest of us are much better off than their richest. A thousand francs are worth twenty dollars in American money. Here food is very hard to get, and the black bread of World War I is quite ordinary. The water is impure, and wine and beer are consumed most of all.

"We next went to Bizerte. From there we moved to a small island off the coast of Italy, where we participated in the invasion of Southern France. We then went to Corsica, where I saw the birthplace of Napoleon. There the stores were empty and windows smashed. The Red Cross was the only place of amusement where we could get a coke and possibly a sandwich.

"We next went back to Oran, where we started to the Pacific. We stopped at the Virgin Islands for a good liberty, then on through the Canal. It is one of the greatest feats of engineering I ever hope to see. Here at the Canal I saw much General Electric equipment in use.

"We then moved on to Pearl Harbor; here in Hawaii those well-known hula-hula girls you see in the movies just aren't to be seen.

"We stopped at Eniwetok in the Marshalls and then on to an undisclosed island and from there to Guam for a few days and back to the restricted island. Now here I must leave you, and our adventures once more go into the secretive movements of the Navy.

I'm now Gunner Third Class, and I enjoy my work very much.

"We have received two commendations on our excellent work in the invasions of Northern and Southern France.

"Yours truly,

"Dallas Lee Thompson, GM 3/c"

A medical officer at Honolulu listened, by radio, to the heartbeats of a sailor unconscious on a small vessel far out in the Pacific, diagnosed the case and gave instructions to insure recovery. .

Fort Wayne Host To Major General



When Major General R. B. Colton visited the Fort Wayne Works last week, he was taken on a plant tour. Top left is a picture of the group in Section 15. Assistant Manager C. H. Matson, General Colton, and H. G. Siebold, section superintendent, are pictured with members of the general's party. Top right are Works Engineer H. D. Kelsey, Major H. E. Schuler, resident Army Air Forces representative, General Colton, Mr. Siebold, and Robert Wylie, superintendent of the FHP Motor Division. Bottom left, E. J. Thomas, Colonel N. L. Winter, formerly of Bldg. 4-6, and A. F. Vinson, assistant production manager, showing the party a display in the Transformer Division. Bottom right, L. F. Hemphill and A. R. Hall in Bldg. 4-5 with members of General Colton's party.

26-5 TOOL BITS

We have heard stories of people crashing gates to get into shows or parties, but this is the first time we've ever seen a fellow with so much vim, vigor and ambition that he crashes the elevator gate just to go to work. How about that, Steinacker? . . . Don Welbaum returned from his vacation this week and claims to have had a swell time. Vacation! Did I say vacation? He painted his house last week and likes to paint so well that he says he would like to go into the business. There's your chance; all you fellows that need some painting done, just call Don "Painter" Welbaum. . . . All the fellows in Bldg. 26-5 are wishing Frank Hoffman a very pleasant vacation, and hope that he starts to feel better real soon. . . . After having endured many years of his playing sour notes on his clarinet, music lovers have revolted and hid silver-suckers (Carey Baker's) instrument. P.S. He thinks someone stole it. . . . Chet Reynolds never knew when he got his first bath, but he knows when he got one. His wife said that on the day of his wedding he fell into a frog pond, wedding suit and all. P.S. Many more happy anniversaries, Chet and the Mrs. . . . Glenn Kline is a propositional man—for a little consideration he will grant you a weekend stay at his lakeside cottage "with Kline included, of course." Don't rush, fellows. . . . "Grandpa Willy" Garman, the grand old man of the softball era, after one vigorous evening at the catching position of the Tool Room team, not only soaked in hot water, creaked, trying to limber up with exercises, walked backwards down the steps "to avoid jar," carried the aroma of "horse liniment," but is now bargaining for a cane. Wot punishment! . . . It took Kurt Martin about a week to catch up with the culprit who ran off with his coat, but with quite a lot of embarrassment, Lloyd Welbaum, "the culprit," surrendered the coat to Kurt. . . . Our General Tool Division softball team has lost two close games so far this season (16-4 and 18-3). Our two great pitchers, "Ace" Foelber and "Fireball" Mesing, both pitched good games. In fact, Catcher Garman said that they're the toughest pitchers in the league. . . . Joe (Kiddy Kar) Hartman was seen riding the merry-go-around, etc., at West Swinney Park and was quite disturbed when he was told that he couldn't ride the automobiles, as they were for children only. O my! That second childhood! . . . DeWayne Schele, who is going to sing for the Father-Daughter Banquet that the Elex Girls are giving, won't know if he is complimented or insulted until he finds out what the Dutch Lunch consists of. The invitation reads, "Dutch Lunch and All that Goes With It. Price $1.25." . . . John Hensler, "the bargain buyer," recently made a deal which he is just a little concerned over. John bought a supermongrel from Bob Trumbower for the sale price of one dollar, sight-unseen. Bob forgot to inform John that the said dog had chewed up shoes, torn down curtains and blinds, dug holes in the kitchen floor, and even showed his new master "John" how he could throw a dog fit on his first arrival. Hm-m, seems like Trumbower bested you, John, ol' boy. . . . The bachelors' club lost another member last Saturday when John Brown and Maxine O'Leary took the leap into the sea of matrimony. . . . Mart Walsh and Walter Elliott are getting in tiptop shape for the fall rodeo when it comes to town. They are going to enter the steer bulldogging contest, but up to now a little calf can give them both all they can handle, especially on a muddy track. . . . William Buesking of the Grinder Group met with an untimely automobile accidental death and will be missed greatly by his many friends of the Tool Division. "Bill," as he was known to all of us, was a faithful and devoted workman, always on the job, willing to help anyone when asked, highly skilled in his line of work, and was hardly ever without a smile and cheery greeting. He was also proud of his family and especially of his son, who served in General Patton's army and is now doing a creditable job in occupation duty. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his family in their great loss.

DOTS AND DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again! As a review of the news for the week, we note the following: A dinner party was given for the bride-to-be, Eilleen Schulien, at the English Terrace last Thursday night by sixteen girls of the Cost Section. . . . Warren Wyckoff and Morrie Archbold finally came through in support of Bret Young's latest fad of bow ties. Morrie blossomed forth in a flowery lookin' job and has the Bobby Sox Brigade swooning. It was overheard said by Howard Ropa that Warren looks like he is wearing somebody's overseas ribbons. . . . Edna Pinkham is planning to do a little gardening if someone will give her some corn plants, to start her gardening. . . . A letter was recently received from Bob Gies, formerly of the Planning Section, who is now a midshipman. Bob is having more schooling at this point in New York. . . . J. E. Hutcheson, "Hutch," is with us again after spending two weeks and two days at the Apparatus Specialists Refresher course in Schenectady, Pittsfield, West Lynn, Lynn River, Plainville, Bridgeport, Philadelphia, and Baltimore. . . . Larry Schuster gave Ann Rastetter a ham sandwich one day, and if you think Annie made the mistake of eating it, you are wrong. At least, she took the proof home that there is such a thing as meat, before she indulged in the delicacy. . . . Andy O'Dwyer's suit is the loudest noise around here. . . . Del Roloff is an expert at catching trains running against all obstacles—trains leaving earlier than expected, forgotten coats, et cetera. . . . Kronmiller's section has dwindled to almost nothing this week, with Bob Rowe on vacation and West Brooks home on the sick list. . . . Bob Rowe greatly under-estimated the score for the Transformer and Squares softball game. Unfortunately Joe Uttal also had too much faith in the Transformer boys. . . . Wanted: some place to call home for two nice quiet girls, preferably some place where the water can be turned on after 10:00 P.M. . . . John Bastian has started the season off with his annual outing with the Boy Scouts of America. . . . Bill Crouse is a witness to Howard Ropa's collecting article . . . Our welcome is extended to newcomer William Baker working in the Production Section with J. Steele. . . . Why do they call Do othy Fett Pinky? Even yo snooper doesn't know. . . . That's folks; so long.

Pedestrian Postwar Traffic Control

Pedestrians should get first co sideration when it comes to impro ing postwar traffic control syste according to H. A. Breeding, G eral Electric Illuminating Labo tory engineer. Addressing a mee ing of the International Munici Signal Association at Schenecta recently, Breeding said that "ped trian fatalities constitute tw thirds of all deaths caused by mo vehicles in American cities ov 10,000 population, and about ha of these deaths occur while the vi tim is crossing at an intersectio

"This fact would indicate that substantial proportion of the tro ble is due to improper or no sign ization," he pointed out. "Co-oper tion of the man on foot can only expected if we design our syste with an eye to his desire to ob the signals.

"For instance, where traffic light it seems unreasonable to t average pedestrian to have to w for a light. By shortening the cyc during such periods pedestri obedience — therefore safety — greatly increased. Most pedestri will wait from twenty to thirty s onds, but beyond that with lig traffic they start stepping off t curb. In most cases, the pedestri will follow the rules if he thi they are fair, with his interests co sidered as well as those of the m torist."

Nationwide standardization pedestrian and vehicular signal tion is a must for the postwar e Mr. Breeding contends. With standardized system, strangers w readily recognize the signals thus follow the rules. He lis the following as minimum requi ments for pedestrian needs: de nite walk indication, indication clearance time, indication of periods when pedestrians sho not cross the street, and pro location of signals so they will a tomatically guide the pedestri across the street at the right pla

Someone is injured through accident in the United States e ery three seconds, according to r ports from the National Safe Council.

A man, visiting a house for t first time, found that his host the father of three wild children.

One child was busy ripping th upholstery out of a brand-ne divan. A second lad was drivin nails into an expensive table, an the third was swinging gaily fro a chandelier.

The bewildered guest eyed th youngster who was driving nai into the furniture. He turned his host.

"I say," he said, "don't you fi it rather expensive to let yo children play like that?"

The host smiled proudly.

"Not at all," he replied chee fully. "I get the nails wholesale

G-E Helps British Lay Pipe Line Under Channel

How American productive capacity and technical know-how aided the British government in achieving a modern engineering wonder, the laying of 20 three-inch pipe lines under the English Channel to supply Allied armies with oil soon after they landed on the Normandy coast, was told at Schenectady recently by engineers of General Electric, one of the four American concerns that produced sizable quantities of the pipe for our British ally.

The project of piping oil under the Channel to supply an Allied fighting machine doing battle on another continent was conceived by Lord Louis Mountbatten in April, 1942. Since then the lines have carried an average of 1,000,000 gallons a day, it was revealed in a report from Geoffrey Lloyd, minister of the British Petroleum Warfare Department.

Unusual Difficulties

To American industrial plants which were given the momentous job of adding their great productive capacity to that of Britain, the project presented difficulties never before encountered. Average cables previously manufactured had an internal pressure of from 10 to 15 pounds per square inch; the new line demanded pipes that could stand pressures 12,000 pounds per square inch.

General Electric, because of its technical knowledge and high production standards, was given a contract to manufacture 20 miles of the new pipe line on March 3, 1944, and got into production on the project on June 1. Twelve days later the first shipment was ready to be sent overseas for installation. With more than 25,000 feet of the pipe included in each shipment, G-E produced four shipments of the pipe. The last of these contracted for was completed on July 17 in only ten days, an average of more than 3,000 feet per day. Because the undersea pipe line was designed to withstand tremendous internal pressures, new methods of manufacture had to be set up on a moment's notice.

Separate Shifts

A. C. Hartley, British engineer, who was instrumental in drawing up the original plans, came to America to collaborate with engineers in Schenectady in reconverting their plants and re-training their technicians. Separate shifts worked around the clock, old machinery was reconverted, while production was going on, to do new jobs. Jobs that previously required several weeks to complete were accomplished in a single day.

According to V. A. Sheals, G-E design engineer on the job, a production line more than 400 feet long was finally set up at General Electric. Here workmen and engineers who, because of secrecy orders, did not know what they were working on, aided considerably in accomplishing a miracle that might have turned the tide of the war.

The Corps of Engineers, United States Army, collaborated with G-E and other American firms in manufacturing the heavy-duty pipe.

Blind Man Has Real "Feel" For Work

Preston G. Harrington, a lathe operator in General Electric's Fort Edward plant, is one man who literally has a "feel" for his work.

With micrometer-like precision, his nimble, sensitive fingers can detect the slightest measurement variations in the motor parts he produces. The first sign of dullness on his lathe's cutting edges which, for many other operators is revealed only after a gage check, is immediately discovered by him. Yet Mr. Harrington has never seen a lathe or the parts he machines. He has been blind since birth.

One of two blind workers employed by General Electric at the Fort Edward plant, Mr. Harrington has found that his physical handicap has actually assisted him in tooling the small selsyn motor parts which must be finished to accurate measurements, for nature has compensated for his blindness with an extremely keen sense of touch.

It is not that Mr. Harrington's blindness makes his work a novelty or that he fills a job especially created for a handicapped man, for his co-workers are scarcely aware that he cannot really see the work he is doing. Rather, he is doing work for which he is particularly adapted and which is even facilitated by his highly developed sense of touch.

The task of producing this particular selsyn motor part is a job requiring much patience, but one of great importance since the small stators must be machined down to proportions measured in thousandths of an inch to assure the smooth running of remote control systems and other war applications to which the completed motor is put.

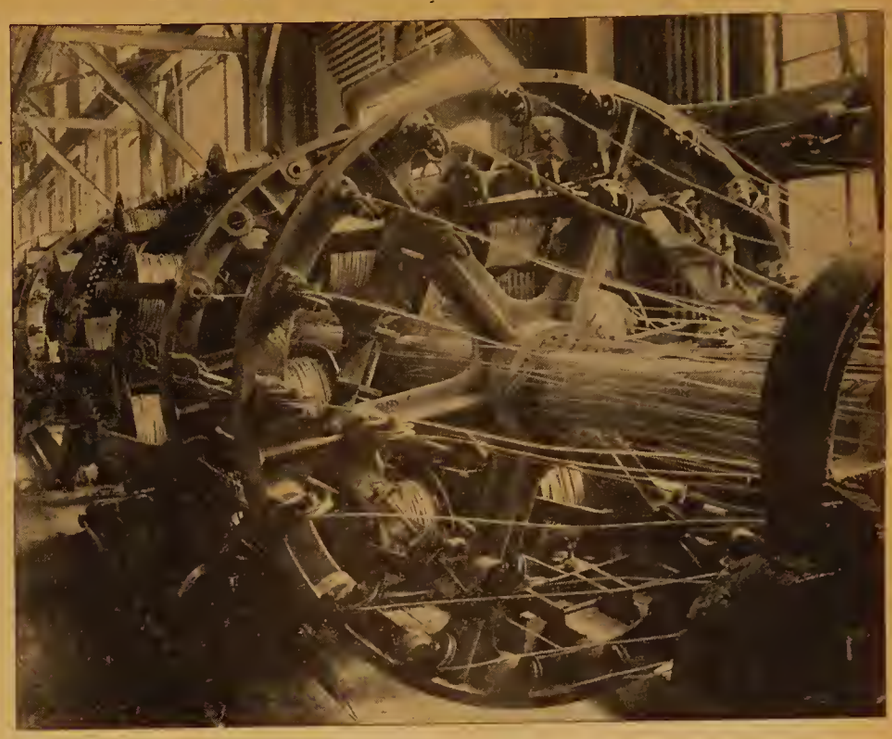
Mr. Harrington's sense of touch, which almost approaches a sixth sense despite his blindness, is a helpful supplement to the gages he employs to check the accuracy of the machined parts. The lathe he uses is semiautomatic and performs three different cutting operations, which in turn necessitates three separate gage checks for the required measurements and diameters.

So intimately does Mr. Harrington know his tools and his lathe, he can remove the piece being machined at just the proper instant for it to meet the gage checks. This keen sense of touch has largely been responsible for his efficient rate of production—one of the highest in the department.

James W. Parkinson, another blind employee at the Fort Edward Plant and a co-worker of Mr. Harrington's, performs a cleaning and buffing operation on the selsyn motor parts in the impregnating room of the plant. Mr. Parkinson, a native of Brooklyn and a graduate of the New York Institute for the Blind, began work for General Electric in February of this year.

Mr. Harrington was born at Warrensburg, New York, and attended the New York State School for the Blind at Batavia.

A Web To Catch Hitler . . . .



General Electric cable machines spin armor of steel wire around 3-inch underseas lead pipe line. Laid under the English Channel by special British cable-laying ships, this and other lines supplied gasoline and oil for our invasion forces after Normandy landing on D-day.

Since last August 120,000,000 gallons of fuel have been pumped to Europe from stations concealed in an ancient English fort, an amusement park and an ice cream factory. The pipe can withstand a pressure of 1,200 pounds per square inch.

The laying job was called "operation Pluto" by a simple British process of taking the initial letters of "pipe line under the ocean." To the German armies, it has now come to mean the beckoning finger of Pluto, god of the Underworld.

Apparatus Specialist With G-E Supply Corp.

James E. Hutcheson, associated for the past five years with the Specialty Transformer Section in Fort Wayne, has accepted an appointment as apparatus specialist with the General Electric Supply Corporation, according to a joint announcement made today by P. M. Staehle, manager sales of the Specialty Transformer Section, and T. M. Jones, manager of apparatus sales for the Supply Corporation. The appointment is effective July 1, and Mr. Hutcheson will be located in the Houston, Texas, district.

Mr. Hutcheson entered test with G-E in July of 1929 after his graduation from Louisiana State University with a BSEE degree. In October, 1930, he accepted an assignment with the Distribution Transformer Engineering Division in Pittsfield, and a short time later joined the commercial group of the Transformer Division as a proposition engineer on distribution transformers.

From 1930 until August of 1940, except for a few months spent with the Central Station Engineering Division in Schenectady, Mr. Hutcheson remained a part of the Transformer Division in Pittsfield, serving successively with the Distribution Transformer Section, the Feeder Regulator Section and the Power Transformer Section. In August, 1940, he was transferred to the Specialty Transformer Section in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hutcheson has been an active member of the G-E Squares during his entire residence here.



James E. Hutcheson

Stepping out of a luxurious car, a middle-aged woman, dressed in expensive furs, approached the sentry and asked if she could speak to her soldier son.

"He is a tall young man," she explained, "rather good-looking, with blue eyes, and called Clarence Montmorency."

The sentry stopped her. "I know," he said. Then, putting his head around the guard-room door, he shouted: "Hey, Stinky, you're wanted."

A gambler died. The funeral was well attended by his professional friends. In the eulogy the speaker asserted:

"Spike is not dead. He only sleeps."

From the rear of the chapel came the interrupting words, "I've got $100 that says he's dead."

Fort Wayne Motor Is "War Criminal"

As Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson prepared his list of German war criminals this week, no inkling was given of the fate of a 25 hp. General Electric motor caught by U. S. invaders while serving General Rommel last year at Chateau Evenbly near Caen at about the time of the great breakthrough. Made at Fort Wayne during the latter part of 1915 or in early 1916, it is thought to have been exported to France at about that time and served honorably until the German invasion of that country.

From then on its loyalty is distinctly suspect, for it unquestionably was connected by the Germans to a waterwheel in an underground stream and used by Rommel as a generator to supply electric current for the "Desert Fox" headquarters, where American GI's later found it still working in ignorance of the defeat of its Nazi masters. At last accounts it was still working, but for the liberated French or their U. S. buddies.

Point is that it was still working, some 30 years after its birth. It proved to be decidedly more durable than General Rommel, by the way. He died of injuries received during the retreat of his troops.

A gentleman in a telephone booth saw a girl's name, "Mabel" and a telephone number after it, marked on the wall.

He called Mabel and a voice said: "Hereafter, save your nickels and buy bonds."

Here and There
BUILDING 17-4

Last week we heard about the robins stealing Hobby's strawberries; this week we have a story of the "wise old bird." Fritz Stauffer had the same trouble Hobby did so he thought, "I'll fool those pesky birds." So he rumaged around and found some lace curtains that Mama Stauffer could not use any more and Fritz thought that was just the thing to cover the berries and keep the birds out, so he takes a lot pains to cover them so they would not get crushed and Fritz was laughing up his sleeve on the good joke he was playing on the birds. But was it? Oh, no, here is where the wise old bird comes in. Fritz looked out his window Saturday morning and lo and behold, friend robin was flying away with his lace curtain. Now Fritz will be minus curtain and berries and to make it easier for the robins, he decided to furnish sugar and cream, also. Big kind hearted Fritz. . . . The Boy Scouts of Anthony Wayne Area held the fourteenth annual camporee at Franke Park, week-end of 9-10. Leaders of our group who attended are Carrol Elder, Charlie Crankshaw, and Richard Markle. . . . Hats off and flying colors to Walter Lohm who passed his physical and soon will be one of Uncle Sam's helpers. . . . We want to welcome Gertrude Shimer and Martha Shull to the stator table. Eleanor Copenhaver is back on the job after her illness. All is quiet at the rotor table. Clara Gehring is on her vacation. . . . It is amazing some of the people we meet right here on our own floor. We have great men such as adventurers, athletes, statesmen, barbers, politicians and engineers. . . . At this time our praise goes to a man on the third shift and those of us, who have become acquainted with him are proud to tell you his life history. His name is Lacey Hearn and he was born March 23, 1881. He entered Purdue University in 1901, was captain of Purdue track team 1903 to 1904. Noted for his fleet feet, he was a star, and won 5 races in the St. Louis Olympics in 1904 and two Olympic intercollegiate races. He was president of Indiana-Kentucky A.A.U. 1927-1928, and now director of National A.A.U., 1945. After graduating from Purdue, he took a position at General Electric plant in Schenectady in 1905. From 1906 to 1910 he was sent to Mexico as a mining engineer and had to flee from there in 1910 because of rebellion. He's a swell guy, so our hats off to Lacey Hearn. . . . We would like to know why Walter Lorenz brings tomato plants to work and what he does with them? . . . That rotor bench lathe is purring again. George Patterson is back. . . . We understand George Mannisto is smiling quite frequently lately. Could it be those wedding bells we heard ringing, George? . . . Something new has been added. Lester Myers, our jive king, came in with a new hair do. . . . Cecil Stair, Bob McCoy, Ralph Thomas have all answered Uncle Sam's call to go for examination. . . . Imagine Mary Mobley walking out of the Oriental Gardens in another lady's coat, then deciding it was too small and returning it for her own. Was her face red. . . . Dorothy Holt has taken up sewing. We hear she is good. . . . Virginia can be called "buckeye" now, since she lives in Ohio. . . . Kelley wants to know how he can get his name in the WORKS NEWS. . . . Raymond Solga bid adieu to us and our fair city to enter the service. Best of luck, Solga. . . . This Sunday is Father's Day. We have many proud fathers in our group, some are proud of their boys and girls who are serving their country, others proud of their little ones. We also have older dads who have boys and girls that are not in service and not little ones anymore. These Dads also are very proud of their children and grandchildren, and here is wishing all the Fathers, young and old, a pleasant and happy Father's Day.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Yes, from all reports we're having California weather this year. . . . Betty Bradtmiller has started a lending library. Interesting reading, too, but mostly classic with a little fiction. . . . Rex Whitcomb took his vacation last week, and we have heard that the community of Orland didn't have a reception committee waiting to receive their country lad who really turned city slicker with his moustache and everything. . . . Milo Brickley bit off more than he could chew the other day, and he said, "Shucks, you just can't tell how hard you bite when you have those imitation ivories." . . . Say, did you know D. Crist is getting heavier? Gets weighed often too. . . . We have more poets in our midst than we ever imagined. The latest entries are Neil Allen and Little Oscar. . . . Of all things, hair might grow on a billiard ball if you leave it out in the sun long enough. Joe Eifrid, since taking up golf and playing without his hat, has a brand new crop of fuzz breaking through what used to be our shining example. . . . Ferne Bermes has so much trouble with pennies when the candy wagon comes! It's not the white ones, either. . . . We want to welcome Bernard Joseph Lauer to our gang. . . . Say, you can forget about V. Best's outboard motor. He's taking lessons on how to ride a scooter. Maybe Russ Gibson will get competition this year. . . . Have you seen the prize-winning photo of Cliff Combes? The one where he is standing by the fountain? We think it's cute. Have him show it to you. . . . Hoy Bastian has really got a tan, so early in the season too. . . . Ginny Fisher, night blueprint girl, has a happy smile just like her pappy. . . . Leonard Runyon came back for a visit after six weeks' boot training at Great Lakes. He looked very snappy in the Navy blue. . . . Rodger Crabill's wife had only just left when he was first heard saying, "Gee I'll miss her! Hope she doesn't stay as long as she's planned." . . . We wish we lived in a town which had sent a governor to the state capitol so that we could talk on even terms with Denver Coolman.

We Are All Interested



IN WHAT JOE IS SAYING, although we may not be WELDERS, TRUCKERS, or otherwise engaged in the use or handling of COMPRESSED GASES. Joe Henry, Works Laboratory, shown in the above picture, has had nearly thirty years' experience in the use and handling of compressed gases as a welder and also as an instructor. We feel that Joe's advice on this subject IS GOOD ADVICE.

He is emphasizing COMPRESSED GASES IN THE BOTTLES, and that is what constitutes the hazard. Sometimes this gas is compressed at pressures exceeding 2,000 pounds per square inch. With so much pressure exerted on the inside of the bottle, it is easy to understand why we must be very careful NOT TO BANG THE BOTTLE AROUND.

IF OUR GAS BOTTLES COULD SPEAK PERHAPS THEY WOULD WARN US—AS THEY ARE DOING IN THE ABOVE SKETCHES—NOT TO ABUSE THEM.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

If you see Henry E. Burch, section 15x61, strutting around with his chest all puffed out, just look closely, and you will see his Quarter-Century pin, which he is proudly wearing. Congratulations, Henry, you deserve them. Henry also saw his son graduate from the eighth grade this last week. He isn't the only proud parent though, as Helen Bunnell had a son graduate from the eighth grade also, and Dick Walker saw his daughter graduate from high school. . . . Violet Henderson received some mighty fine pin-up pictures of her husband recently—you should see them!! She also received an interesting letter from a native of Luzon in the Philippines by the name of Justina Habacon (nicknamed Nena), and she seemed very anxious to correspond with an American girl. . . . Harold McKee, second trick, recently organized a Bldg. 4-5 softball team and is looking for some games. They can play any morning; so, if you are interested, contact either Harold or Johnny Stanek, captain of the team, in Bldg. 6-2. . . . We're glad to hear that Jim Plumley has his son, Byron, home for 30 days. Byron has been in Europe since November 28, 1944, and been on 23 missions, has two bronze major battle stars, the Air Medal and two Oak Leaf Clusters. . . . "Red" Renbarger has been transferred to Taylor Street, and we sure will miss him. . . . We're also going to miss seeing Herb Koch's smiling face, but Uncle Sam's call to the Army comes first. Another one answering the call is Hilmer Dreyer, who left the thirteenth for the Marines. . . . It seems that in announcing some of the new arrivals last week, we forgot to mention Kathryn Lou, Lee Walker's new baby, who blessed their home on May 5. Her grandpa, Walter Amacher, works here too on the second trick. . . . The girls in the office and factory certainly couldn't keep their minds on their work for a while a week ago today. Why? What else but men in uniform! Approximately 20 Army officers went on a tour through the floor. You would have thought they were Frank Sinatras! . . . Speaking of fashions — Barbara Stoops looks like the original pigtail girl. All she needs is some pretty colored ribbons tied to the ends of her pigtails. Just wait until the hot weather, then you will probably see a lot of this hair style. . . . Joe Ray is welcomed to Small Lot, as he replaces Johnny Gitter. . . . Harold Beyer and Peter Horrell are two new packers in Bldg. 4-5. We welcome you to the gang and hope you like us. . . . Does anyone have an extra light bulb to donate? Bill Henninger is having trouble getting out his back door these mornings without falling. Too bad! . . . Ruth Leeuw has been going around with a limp caused from a sore toe. We all hope it will soon be well, Ruth, and you get back to normal. . . . Please take notice: Ray Woods has a new outfit. New trousers, shirt, and tie. Why the sudden change, Ray? . . . Bldg. 4-5 employees had as visitors last week Air Cadet Donald Jenne of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Electricians Mate James Harding U. S. N., Don's friend. Don is the son of L. Jenne, Bldg. 4-5 tester. We are looking forward to seeing them again. . . . Abbie Hartman and Bernadine May were on vacation last week. We missed them and hope they had a nice time.

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS



Vance Burnau, second shift fore man in Bldg. 6-2, has complete more than 35 hours of solo flyin and was granted a private pilot license May 12. Mr. Burnau start his flying career last September. group of well-wishers in Bldg. 6 presented him with a pair of silv wings. Happy landings, Vance.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Everyone we talked to was gla to see "Billy" Wehrs' picture o the front page of the WORKS NEWS His courteous manner and warm smile have made a little warm spo around the hearts of so many of u . . . Jeffrey, the genial sweeper Bldg. 19-5, gives a few tips on ho to cope with the meat shortage Jeffrey says he fills in once in while with "a little ole fish." . . Dagwood Bumstead has a rival. D you ever see Russ Skinner on h way to catch a bus at 5:00 o'clock . . . Jim Crockett says thrift is great virtue—especially in our an cestors. . . . Waldo Greider observe that when a man reaches for telephone, he looks bored—a woma looks for a chair. . . . You know this war has rudely shaken us ou of our provincialism. So many of u had somehow begun to believe tha all important activity stemme from our own little backyard. W now find that we have much t learn from nearly every peopl with whom our soldiers or sailor have come in contact. One of ou fliers who crashed in the interio of China was cared for by Chines of a nearby community for severa months. He was amazed at the hig degree of culture of the peopl there. He reported that he was s much impressed by the gentleness kindness, and consideration these Chinese accorded one another tha he regretted to leave the com munity when rescuers came fo him. Bigotry and racial prejudice among us at home will be given the fishy eye by many of our intel ligent servicemen when they return home. Maybe we should make an honest effort to rid our minds o such excess baggage. . . . Dispatcher Dan says, "He who sings his own praises seldom gets an encore."

Your Grapevine Editor

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

Now that the good kinds of candy e coming back on the candy gon more frequently, Walter ammeyer and Anita Ufheil de- ded to quit eating those little rs of delicious calories. They en have agreed that the first one o forgets and eats candy has pay the other one two bits. We're xiously awaiting the outcome. y the best one win, kids. . . . rma Beach, first shift switch sembly, has gone to the East ast on her vacation. Sure hope u have a nice time, Norma. . . . a Mae Gerdemann, Group 13x59, eived a telephone call from her sband, who dropped anchor on West Coast; so Ida Mae dropped erything and went out there. n't say as we blame her, though. . We certainly hope by this time t Tennis Shideler, flange in- ector on nights, is convalescing pidly. "Shide" underwent an eration at the Lutheran Hospital cently. We miss you, Shide. . . . onnie Diffendorfer, small lot on ys, left us Saturday. Bonnie cided to be a June bride, so we ish you lots of luck and happi- ss, Bonnie. . . . Lossa Wesson, tor assembly line on second shift, s left the company to take up r full-time job at home. Sorry see you leave, Lossa. . . . We saw sailor on our floor the other ternoon, and looking past him we ticed the beaming face of Alice lueger; so we 'spose that the od looking sailor was that hus- nd of hers we've heard so much . No wonder you mention his me so often, Alice. Now we un- rstand. Lots of luck to you both. . We extend our deepest sym- thy to Dolan Furney in the loss his wife. . . . Gaylord Evans lly raises some beautiful roses. e's been bringing a rose in about ery day to put on his desk, and ey are as pretty as pictures. Nice ing, Gaylord, and keep 'em grow- g. . . . George Bartels is taking l Baker's place as second shift intenance man, and we're glad have you. . . . Bldg. 4-3'ers have en moving about lately. Helen ageman finally got moved and ttled out at the farm and says e likes it a lot. Ford Marbach is moving from Bluffton to Decatur, and we hope you like your place too, Ford. . . . Mildred Pfefferkorn recently joined the "Only One Face" Club. She forgot the one that appears on her badge; so she had to wait awhile to get in to work. You should be "two-faced" like the rest of us, Mildred. . . . Guess that's all for this time. So long, folksies.

—Country Cousins

Retires On Pension



Clark F. Essig of the Specialty ransformer Division has retired pension, after completing a con- uous service record of twenty- ght years. Mr. Essig resides at 3 French Avenue.

Multiple Height Gage Simplifies Inspection

A multiple height gage designed by Charles Rohlfs of General Electric's Pittsfield Works inspection department has simplified scribing of gear housings and their inspection after machining, and considerably reduced layout time. Dial indicators can be clamped to the multiple scribers and set to required dimensions to inspect quantities of identical parts.

Relatively simple to make, the gage consists of a center column-rod threaded into the base and secured by a lock nut. The spacers and scribers, hardened and ground, are drilled to slide-fit the column-rod. The spacers are ground to dimensions that will place the scribers correctly for the layout of the required lines for machining. After these are placed on the rod and correctly spaced, the assembly is secured by a cap nut. To compensate for the variations in unmachined castings, the complete assembly of spacers and scribers can be adjusted higher or lower, without disturbing any of the dimensions between the scribers, by loosening the lock nut and screwing the center column-rod in or out of the base, as the case may be.

By using a set of spacers for each drawing, the scribers are easily spaced and secured, and any quantity of identical parts can be rapidly laid out. This new gage eliminates the use of the conventional gage, which had to be set for each line and the reading checked before scribing.

Over The Plate

By Ernie Spaulding

Charlie Wilt's G-E Club softball team is back on the beam after losing a game to the Moose. This game was lost by errors, the team having 5 to their credit. Other than this one game, only 2 errors have been committed; so with this one game out of their system, the team expects to click again.

The hitting department is led by Hess and Rarick each with 500.

In the pitching department, Feldheiser has won 2 and lost none, while Starkel has won one and lost one.

The Club is in third place in the league, one game behind Reserve Club and Moose, who are tied for first place having won 4 and lost none while the Club has won 3 and lost 1.

A game was played with the Ossian Merchants, the result of which was a defeat of the Club 8 to 2. The Club obtained 6 hits while the Merchants obtained 11 hits.

Softball Personalities



Ernie Spaulding

By Jerry Duryee

This is the first of a series of articles to introduce to the G-E softball fans the team personnel. This is our softball sports writer and scorekeeper, Ernie Spaulding, who has been an ardent baseball and softball fan for many years. Many of you will remember him as one of our first umpires in the inter-division softball league back in the days when the sport was new to all of us. He later managed teams in the league and met with good success. He knows the game from everyone's standpoint, umpire, player, manager, and spectator; so he is more than qualified to give our readers a good story of the games.

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

By Dale McNutt

Team Standings

	W.	L.
Tool Room	7	0
B-29's	5	2
Alum. Parts	4	3
Laboratory	4	3
Giants	4	3
D. H. K's	3	4
Developmental	3	4
Production	2	5
Screw-Balls	2	5
Ramblers	1	6

Summary

Giants defeated D. H. K.'s	192-198
Production defeated Dev.	224-235
B-29's defeated Alum. Parts	197-214
Tool Room deefated Ramblers	199-203
Laboratory defeated Screw-Balls	176-198

Tool Room by downing the Ramblers in a close match by four strokes still remain the only undefeated team. All teams are now pointing toward knocking them from their high perch. Production team proved the critics were wrong and downed Developmental by eleven "swings." B-29's moved into undisputed second position by tripping Aluminum Parts aggregation. Giants won from D. H. K.'s by six strokes and have gained momentum after a poor start. Laboratory sunk the Screw-Balls by several strokes and are in a three-way tie for third place.

Paul Gompf scored low score of 45 for the first nine, and low honors for low score on the back nine were shared between Herb Hill and Lieutenant Dow—both scoring 44's.

Etiquette Golf Hint for the Week —After making a poor drive, register surprise and examine your club carefully.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Bldg. 31 is honored to have quite a few lovely June brides in their midst this week! Congratulations to Frieda and Elmer Yordy, who were married May 27, Jerry and Paul Hook, who were married June 9; and Mary and Jerry Kayser, who were married June 10! . . . Charlie McAfee's wife really has one for Ripley! It seems that one Friday morning she wanted to soft-boil an egg, and after leaving it in the prescribed number of minutes, she was surprised when she found it to be "hard-boiled", and then later was even more surprised when she discovered it was one of those she had in the ice box already hard-boiled! Maybe she better crack it open the next time just to make sure it's raw and then just fry it. We're wondering if Charlie got any breakfast. But then an egg is an egg any way it's fixed. . . . "Drat it, I lost my key" was Erna Eley's comment when she couldn't get her desk drawer open the other day. "And all the hair-pins and the office men couldn't get the drawer open again." (P.S. They broke the lock and found her keys inside). . . . Cornelia and Emily in "Our Hearts Were Young And Gay" have nothing on our own Ilow Wilson and Betty Bright when they were getting ready to leave for New York City on their vacation. They finally got off O.K. . . . Another traveler for the week is Lauretta Elliot, who is spending her vacation in Philadelphia visiting relatives. We hope she is having a wonderful time! . . . Welcome to Dorothy Plummer from Bldg. 18-4! Dorothy started her first week off with a "bang" and we do mean "bang!" First she slipped on the floor and fell and broke her glasses, and not to be outdone by that, she fell down in front of Bldg. 19, (who lowered or raised that curbing, anyway?). We all extend our sympathy to you and hope that the jinx is up, and you'll prove to us that you can stay on your feet. . . . A group of 11 girls from Bldg 31-2 hiked out to Kitty Weaver's for wiener bake last Tuesday night. From what we hear, all had a good time. . . . We're glad to see Paul Galloghy back after a two weeks' illness. . . . Welcome to Doris Donaghy, who is the new girl in Bldg. 31-2 service bureau. . . . A surprise dinner party was held Friday night, June 1, at the English Terrace for bride-elect Mary Alice Green. The pink and white theme was carried out with a centerpiece of pink snapdragons and white stalks. The honored guest was presented with a corsage of white carnations and a gift from the office. Those present were: Ilene Abbot, Dorothy Bixby, Betty Bright, Edna Bruns, Wilma Buuck, Betty Cox, Esther Dalman, Helen David, Georgia Eikenberry, Agnes Freiburger, Irene Johnson, Phyllis Kime, Vera McGregor, Martha Moellering, Ruth Schafenacker, Jean Stiver, Fern Thomas, Ilow Wilson, Donnabel Walker, and the honored guest.

A young clergyman appeared at a small Scotch kirk to preach his trial sermon, with the hope of becoming the regular minister of the congregation.

"Are ye a 'paper' minister?" inquired the beadle.

"I usually read my discourse," replied the candidate.

"Aye, that's a' right, then," he observed. "When a mon has a paper we ken he'll end where the paper ends."

"K. P., where've you been all morning?"

"Filling the salt shakers as you told me to, Sarge."

"All the time?"

"Yep, it ain't easy pourin' the salt through those little holes."

Awarded Patent



Ordean Kiltie

Ordean Kiltie, Bldg. 26-3, has been notified that he has been granted a patent, his fifth, by the United States Patent Office. Mr. Kiltie's invention covers a heavy-duty type of vibrator. Previously vibrators of the heavy-duty type were not available for inverter transformers to transfer energy in the high power range from direct current to alternating current. The features of this new vibrator assure in-phase operation of dual vibratory reeds to provide reliable starting and smooth operation with practically no vibration. It is also possible to conduct large load currents with little heating. Because of this design and its use in a special inverter circuit, it was possible to furnish to the Army Air Forces suitable power supplies for the early Flying Fortress bombers when other types of equipment were not satisfactory.

Mr. Kiltie's patent covers six separate claims for the device.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
George Leatherman (2)*	R. 4, Albion, Ind.	17-4	Crowe	7:00- 3:30
Blaine Webster (3)*†	R. 1, Butler, Ind.	19-1	Robinette	3:30-11:45

Coming in on No. 1 or through Harlan.

† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Arlene Munk	713 N. Main, Kendallville	19-2	Egts	3:30-11:45
Mary Hartwig	856 Demond, Huntington	26-4	Ellenwood	7:00- 3:00
Pauline Kaufman	515 Indiana, Auburn	19-5	R. Meyers	8:00- 5:15

Coming through 427.

* Number of riders desired.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

G-E Club Baseball Team Loses Pair By 5 To 4 Count

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club baseball team's fortune took a turn for the worse, as they lost two one-run games over last week-end when Detroit was given the game 5-4 and Benton Harbor took advantage of Bildilli's "Sunday pitches" for another 5-4 win.

The Club's young lefthander, Scott Carey, pitched a beautiful four-hit ball game; however, it was all wasted since his defense was guilty of six errors at very crucial times. Carey pitched hitless ball after the fifth and certainly deserved to win. He did not have much on Don Crist, the little right-hander from Detroit. Don allowed just one hit, a scratch hit by Winter in the eighth, after the fourth. Carey struck out eight, and Crist fanned twelve.

In the game at Benton Harbor, the Club staged a four-run rally in the eighth to take a 4-3 lead. However, in the last of the eighth, Bildilli served his "Sunday pitch" to Snyder, who promptly tied the score with a clout over the fence. After retiring Norris, Bildilli again served his "Sunday pitch" to Leach, who won the game with a longer clout than Snyder's.

The summaries:

"KICKING THE GONG AROUND"

G-E Club	AB.	R.	H.	Detroit	AB.	R.	H.
Barnett,ss	3	2	1	Brombaugb,rf	5	1	0
Brann,cf	3	1	0	Starck,cf	5	3	1
Winter,lf	3	0	2	Tiernan,2b	5	1	1
Young,rf	4	0	0	Sacka,1b	5	0	2
Bobilya,1b	4	0	1	Romas,lf	4	0	0
Wattier,3b	4	0	1	Paul,ss	4	0	0
Seiple,2b	3	0	0	Esper,3b	4	0	0
Bush,c	4	0	0	Manos,c	3	0	0
Carey,p	2	1	1	Crist,p	2	0	0
Kestner	1	0	0				
Bildilli	0	0	0				
Hisner	1	0	0				
Totals	32	4	6	Totals	37	5	4

Score by innings— R. H.

Detroit ..... 1 0 2 0 2 0 0 0 0— 5 4

G-E Club ..... 2 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0— 4 6

"TOO MUCH SUNDAY PITCHING"

G-E Club	AB.	R.	H.	Benton Harbor	AB.	R.	H.
Barnett,ss	4	0	2	Bohn,2b	4	1	1
Brann,cf	3	0	0	Girkle,ss	4	0	2
Winter,lf	5	0	2	Deal,c	2	1	1
Young,rf	3	0	0	Snyder,rf	4	2	2
Bobilya,1b	5	1	0	Norris,cf	4	0	1
Wattier,3b	5	1	0	Leach,3b	4	1	2
Seiple,2b	3	1	1	Sinn,lf	4	0	2
Bush,c	4	0	0	Selby,1b	4	0	0
Bildilli,p	4	0	3	Clupper,p	3	0	0
Kestner,rf	1	1	0	Shumacber,p	0	0	0
Hisner,p	0	0	0				
Totals	37	4	8	Totals	33	5	11

Score by innings— R. H.

G-E Club ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 0— 4 8

Benton Harbor ..... 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 2 *— 5 11

Owl Softball League

By Bob Crosley

Bldg. 27 and Bldg. 26 are still undefeated after three weeks of play in the Owl Softball League. Bldg. 27 had a tough time downing Ivan Parrish's team of Firemen, the score being 8 to 3. Six runs that Bldg. 27 scored in the first inning proved disastrous to the Firemen. Parrish has his gang hustling, and it looks as if they will be hard to beat from now on.

Score by innings— R. H. E.

Bldg. 27 ..... 6 0 0 2 0 0 0— 8 9 0

Firemen ..... 1 0 0 0 2 0 0— 3 8 2

Bldg. 26 kept pace with Bldg. 27 by downing Bldg. 17 by the score of 17 to 3. The Transformer team hits the ball hard, and it looks as if the game this week between this team and Bldg. 27 will really be a dandy. These games are played every Thursday morning at McMillen Park at 10:00 o'clock. Anyone interested is invited to watch.

Score by innings— R. H. E.

Bldg. 25 ..... 0 3 4 4 2 0 4— 17 10 1

Bldg. 17 ..... 0 1 0 0 1 0 1— 3 7 5

Popular Firstbaseman



Chuck Bobilya

By Frank Eakin

One of the most popular members of the G-E Club baseball team is Chuck Bobilya, the big first baseman who works at the Taylor Street Plant. Chuck is one of those big boys who is not especially fleet of foot but who nevertheless are in there trying. He bats in the fourth or fifth slot, and opposing pitchers are always bearing down on him. Being a local boy, he has two strikes on him in everything he does, and this fact alone would make a player of lesser ability quit. But not Chuck; if he fails to connect for a much-needed hit, he shakes it off and comes back the next time with more determination and usually comes through this time.

Chuck is leading the team in hitting this season after finishing with a .328 mark last year. He is a fair fielder around the first base area, and has plenty of "pepper" to help encourage the pitcher and give the team some life.

So, at the ball game tonight, when Chuck takes his turn at bat, get on for a free ride, but remember he has broad shoulders and above all he can take it and still produce as a good ball player should and does.

Owl Softball

By R. James

The G-E Owls clubbed out a 13-2 win over Magnavox, thus keeping a clean slate and moving into a tie with Zollners for first place in the YMCA Industrial Owl League standings.

Edmunds again pitched a nice game, a four-hitter, to post his second win of the season.

The game was close until the fifth inning, and then the Owls cut loose, scoring 9 runs on 4 hits and 5 walks to practically ice the game.

Again the Owls came through with some nice long ball hitting with Crisley, Edmunds, and Tucker getting doubles.

Summary:

G-E Club	AB.	R.	H.	Magnavox	AB.	R.	H.
Beber,ss	2	2	1	Cramer, ss	3	0	0
Crosley,cf	4	2	2	Kelley,sf	3	0	0
Vondran,lf	3	2	1	Boyles,c	2	1	1
Hildinger,c	4	2	1	Walters,p	3	0	1
Edmunds,p	4	1	1	Hendricks,1b	3	1	0
Girardot,2b	2	1	1	Moreland,2b	3	0	0
Booher, 1b	3	0	0	Chamb'rl'd,3b	1	0	0
Tucker,sf	2	1	1	Potts,lf	3	0	2
Hensler,rf	1	1	0	Leyman,cf	2	0	0
Christlieb,3b	2	1	1	Rickers,p	3	0	0
Lecoque,ss	0	0	0				
Reader,2b	0	0	0				
Platner,1b	0	0	0				
Totals	27	13	9	Totals	25	2	4

Two base hits—Crosley, Edmunds, Tucker, Boyles, and Potts. Struck out—By Edmunds 7; by Walters 2. Walks—By Edmunds 3; by Walters 5; by Rickers 3. Winning pitcher—Edmunds. Losing pitcher—Walters. Umpire—Richendollar.



Scott Carey certainly deserved a better shake than he received during the Detroit game. The kid pitched a nice four-hitter, struck out eight, and walked only two; however, he was always in trouble because of the poor fielding of his teammates, who committed no less than six errors. The kid showed the right stuff by shaking them off and continuing to pitch nice ball. Although he did not win that game, he did win a spot on the staff which up to date could use a pitcher like him to good advantage.

This boy Bobby Winter from Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, has started to hit as only he can. He got off to a poor start, going 0 for 10 during the first two games. However, since then he has connected twice in every game, and he has raised his average to a respectable .307. Now watch it climb. He also is a mighty fine fielder, having pulled down several tagged balls, and is looking good all the way around.

Maybe we shouldn't mention it for fear of jinxing him, but Carroll Seiple is certainly doing all right in his first year with the Club. He is fielding good, which was expected; he also is hitting good. At the present time, he is the second hitter on the team with a .311 average. Keep it up, Carroll; we would like to see the same average in September.

Department Leaders

BATTING: Barnett .323; Seiple .311; Winter .307.

R.B.I.: Bobilya 9; Young 8; Winter 5.

RUNS: Barnett 8; Brann 7; Bobilya 6.

HITS: Barnett 11; Bobilya 10; Seiple 9.

SINGLES: Wattier 8; Barnett 9; Seiple 5.

DOUBLES: Bobilya 4; Busb 3; Seiple 3.

TRIPLES. Bobilya.

HOME RUNS: Bobilya.

TOTAL BASES: Bobilya 19; Barnett 13; Seiple 12.

WALKS: Brann 11; Barnett 5.

STRIKE OUTS: Bobilya 8; Busb 6; Kestner 5.

PITCHING: Hisner 3-0; Bildilli 1-2; Miller 0-1; Carey 0-1.

TAYLOR STREET SUMMER Bowling League

Kessen's Bowling Alleys

Results of Matches

Guards won 2 games from Tool Room.
Maintenance won 2 games from Firemen.
Forge Shop won 3 games from Rotor.
Tinners won 2 games from Screw Machine.

First Half Standings

	W.	L.
Screw Machine	19	8
Tool Room	18	9
Guards	15	11
Maintenance	14	13
Firemen	13	14
Tinners	11	15
Forge Shop	9	18
Rotor	8	19

600 Series—R. Hanson—200, 196, 242—638.

200 Games—L. Taylor 237; E. Crabill 210; Shaffer 209; Krugh 207; Kanning 202.

Club To Play Michigan City, Columbus Teams

G-E Club Softball Team Blasts Baer Field, Ten To Two

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club softball team was in a vicious mood Tuesday night and blasted Baer Field into submission at Memorial Park to the tune of 10 to 2. Baer Field's five errors accounted for three of the Club's ten runs and a wild pitch for another.

The Club had no errors. A hit, a sacrifice, a field choice, and two more hits accounted for both Baer Field's runs in the fourth inning. With the bases full, two force outs were made at the plate, stopping a rally on Baer Field's part.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	BAER FIELD	AB.	R.	H.
Stanski,ss	4	0	0	Plaga,rf	3	0	1
Esterline,2b	4	0	1	Lookaba'gh,sf	2	1	0
Hilgema'n,sf	4	1	1	Jurosiwi'z,2b	3	1	0
Anderson,cf	4	0	1	Solek,ss	3	0	1
Hess,lf	3	0	0	Jackson,3b	3	0	1
Allen,lf	1	0	0	V'nAntw'p,cf	3	0	0
Kriegc	3	2	2	Moore,1b	2	0	1
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	1	1	McQuestion,lf	2	0	0
Rarick,rf	1	1	1	Rinehart,c	1	0	0
Scherer,rf	1	1	1	Kirkman,p	0	0	0
Lindenb'g,3b	3	2	0	Woodward,p	2	0	1
Feldheiser,p	3	2	1				
Totals	34	10	9	Totals	24	2	5

Base on balls—Off Feldheiser, Rinehart; off Woodward, Rarick. Struck out—By Feldheiser, Jurosiwiscz; by Woodward, Feldheiser, Esterline, Hess, Allen. Sacrifice hit—Lookabaugh. Two base hits—Rarick, Feldheiser. Three base hit—Kriegc. Left on base—G-E Club 4; Baer Field 3. Losing pitcher—Kirkman.

Score by innings— R. H. E.

G-E Club ..... 0 0 4 1 0 5 0— 10 9 0

Baer Field ..... 0 0 0 2 0 0 0— 2 5 5

Schedule Games For Sunday And Tuesday Evenings

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club's very interesting schedule shows a game to be played at Michigan City against the Michigan City Cubs on Sunday evening starting at 8:15; and then on the following Tuesday evening the Columbus Defenders from Columbus, Ohio, play at Dwenger Park starting at 8:15. The third game of the three-games-a-week schedule was to have been played tonight, however, it had to be moved up to Thursday evening.

Last year the Club was on the short end of the score in an early season game with the Michigan City Cubs at Michigan City. In this game, Braden used all his pitchers, and even some outfielders, with little success. For the game Sunday, Braden has Parnell Hisner ready to go, and the kid should be plenty hard to beat under the lights with his blazing fast ball looking all the more "blazing."

The Columbus Defenders are the leading semi-pro baseball team in Ohio. For years they have won all the honors for semi-pro baseball and again this year they rank as one of the best in the Mid-West. In this game, Braden will start Emil Bildilli, his southpaw hurler.

Girls' Softball Team Wins First Game Of Season

Defeat Baer Field Civilians 24 To 7

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Club Girls' Softball Team came through with their first win of the season last Thursday night, defeating the Baer Field civilians 24 to 7. This was their second game, as they were rained out the week before in the match against Uhligs.

The game turned out to be a slugfest for the Club team. Everyone on the team got at least one hit and the average was two. The closest the opponents ever came to catching up with the G-E girls was in the third inning, when they scored three runs, making the count 8 to 3. Several errors were made by the G-E girls, but they looked fairly good.

"Butch" Whiteleather was on the mound for the Club, with Getty relieving her in the sixth inning. Both girls pitched a good game, allowing only four hits to the Baer Field civilians.

With two games under their belts, one a loss and one a win, the girls are beginning to have a little more confidence in their powers on a ball diamond. The new manager, "Chuck" Drewett, was pleased with the performance of the Club last Thursday night. "Chuck" also acts as coach of the team, with the assistance of "Boots" Puff.

The next game will be held tonight at Memorial Park at 6:30 with the G-E Club facing Essex Wire. So come out and see your girls play ball!

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Jet And Propeller May Team Up In Future



AAF crewmen at Wright Field check jet engine on Bell P-59A propellerless Army Air Forces Trainer, the first jet model made by the U. S. and developed at River Works.

Suggestors Get $735 In New Idea Awards

Wilbur Smith, Bldg. 26-1, Tops Current List Of 99 Winners

Ninety-nine awards totalling $735 were made this week to employees for ideas on better methods by Suggestion Committees of the Fort Wayne Works, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, secretary of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Wilbur M. Smith, Bldg. 26-1, topped the list with an award of $100 for his suggestion on improvements in the method of dipping and draining Type M transformers. His suggestion makes it possible to use less time in cleaning and also improves the product.

Fred L. Sebring, Jr., Bldg. 19-3, also received a $25 award for his suggestion to lengthen Lucas press to allow longer shaft jobs to be pressed in it.

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Night Girls Plan Outing On July 17

Elex Winds Up Summer Affairs At Sears Pavilion

An outing at the Sears, Roebuck pavilion on Tuesday, July 17, will wind up the summer activities of night girls in Elex Club. Although a shelter has been obtained for the event, it promises to be a real outdoor affair, with a treasure hunt, hiking, and outside games scheduled.

The outing is planned for 12 o'clock noon, with a picnic lunch to be served at that time. It has been planned for Elex members only, and tickets may be secured from contact girls for 55 cents. Reservations must be in by July 14.

The Sears pavilion is located on the Bluffton Road. Girls may reach it by taking the No. 4 Broadway street car to the Bluffton Bridge, and then walking about two blocks down the road.

CASUALTIES

PFC Charles V. Stone, Winter Street Plant, was wounded recently on Okinawa in the Ryukyus.

G-E Color Detective Helps Navy Beat Sun

An electronic "color detective" that scientifically selects paint which absorbs the least amount of sun is giving the Navy a victory over discomfort in the tropics, General Electric engineers disclosed at Schenectady recently.

This instrument, more technically known as the photoelectric spectrophotometer, plots an exact curve

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G-E Engineers See New Aircraft Applications

Compact and superpowerful gas turbines driving propellers may have an even wider application than jet propulsion for the big long-range air transport planes of the future, according to two General Electric engineers who have had a prominent part in the development of the jet engines now being supplied by the Company to the AAF.

This prediction, along with a careful analysis of the most attractive applications for several new combinations of aircraft motive power, was made June 14 to engineers attending a meeting of the A.S.M.E. at Los Angeles by S. R. Puffer and J. S. Alford, both of the General Electric Company, in a technical paper titled "The Gas Turbine in Aviation—Its Past and Future."

High-speed jet propulsion, according to the authors, may be relatively more expensive for single flights of much more than 500 miles. For greater distances, the cost becomes still higher but could be justified on the basis of faster service. These conclusions were based on several assumptions, among them the use of a fuel cheaper than high octane gasoline.

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NOTICE!

Operations will be conducted as usual in all divisions of the Fort Wayne Works on Independence Day, Wednesday, July 4th. Individuals not required to work will be so advised.

M. E. Lord, Manager

"Jones And I" Tells Safety Story On Air

A comedy-romance story, "Jones and I," is being featured on a special nationwide radio broadcast from WOWO starting Wednesday, June 20, at 8:30 P.M., Central War Time. The program, sponsored by the National Safety Council, includes a safety limerick contest in which the public may participate. The program is designed to bring safety to the public in an interesting and entertaining manner, and the limerick contest adds humor and an opportunity to share in some worth-while prizes.

Donald K. David Is Elected Director Of G-E And I. G. E.

Is Dean Of Harvard Graduate School Of Business Administration

Donald K. David, dean of Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, has been elected a Director of General Electric and International General Electric Companies, it was announced today.

Long prominent in management and merchandising circles, Mr. David was named Associate Dean in 1941 and became Dean in 1942. Following his graduation from the University of Idaho, he was appointed instructor at the Harvard Business School in 1920 and two years later was named Assistant Dean and Associate Professor of Marketing.

In 1927 he was elected Executive Vice-President of the Royal Baking Powder Company and in 1929 was named President of that Company and a Vice-President of Standard Brands, Inc. In 1930 he became Vice-President of the Great Island Holding Corporation. In 1932 Mr. David became President of American Maize Products Company and since 1941 has been Chairman of its Executive Committee.

He is a Trustee of Radcliffe College, a Director of the Harvard Co-

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Retire On Pension



Robert Ormiston



Gottlob C. Walker

The retirement of two long-service G-E employees under the Company Pension Plan is announced today. Robert Ormiston, an employee in the Motor and Generator Division, has been granted a pension. His continuous service with the company to date of retirement amounted to 35 years and 7 months. Gottlob C. Walker, employed in FHP Motor Section 13, is retiring after 21 years and 10 months service here.

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Measure Up

Maybe there's a man next to you whose work is not quite up to yours. Are you ever tempted to let your workmanship drop to the level of his?

For Quality results workmanship must be measured by what it can be at its best. That's the way others judge your product. That's how you weigh the value of anything you buy. And it's the way to turn out production you can be proud of.

By what standard do you measure your work?

Important Trifles

A cup of coffee or a phone call or a bus ride makes a nickel important. Sometimes we are saved from discomfort or serious inconvenience by a margin of only five cents.

In industry, too, small sums are important. Trifling losses added together may wipe out an entire margin of profit. When that happens, jobs become insecure.

The responsible worker knows that by cutting waste, he helps himself and his fellow workers as well as the company. So he never neglects small savings that may prevent big losses.

The "Silent Service"

Special tribute to the "silent service," the Navy's gallant submarine force, is contained in the annual report of Fleet Admiral King: "No listing of actions with the enemy, however complete, can include the ceaseless and unrelenting depredations of our submarines in the Pacific. In the earlier phases of the war they operated by themselves far beyond the range of any of our surface ships or aircraft. Their constant presence in the westernmost reaches of the Pacific limited the freedom of the enemy's operations. Their frequent and effective attack depleted his logistic as well as his combatant strength. The rapid advance of our other forces, both sea and air, has been due in no small measure to the outstanding success with which our submarine activities have been carried on in waters where nothing but submarines could go. During the current phases of the war, our submarines are not only continuing independent operations, but are also working in concert with the task fleets which are exerting such heavy pressure on the Japanese."

Watch Your Safety Points

Like it or not, we've had it and we will continue to have it. Rationing started at the creation of man.

Fingers and toes—ten of each—for a lifetime. And how they are abused, smashed and hammered, cut and torn. Often they are amputated because of our neglect and carelessness.

Legs, arms, ears—two each. They are better protected, less often lost.

Eyes—only two, but an almost unbelievable loss if taken from us due to neglect or accident.

Of heads, we get only one, and if we cannot use that one, what good would two do?

The most valuable possessions of a man, or woman, as listed here, were rationed by the Creator. Lost or "damaged beyond repair," there is no ration board replacement stamp or order available. There just are no "spare parts" for the human body.

Everyone raises merry h - - - if a few red or blue stamps are lost or stolen. We all are very careful of our ration books. Yet we fail to use our rationed heads to protect our rationed body parts against loss or damage.

In fact, too often we complete the job by the loss of the head itself in some type of thoughtless, fatal accident.

Rationing must be taken into account. We must watch our safety points.

—Erie Works News

BLUEPRINT FOR A BETTER WORLD



The Schenectady Works is in that part of the Mohawk River valley which the geologis call "old," with banks made low and sloping by many millions of years of erosion. But ju downstream the river enters a "new" valley, with high, rocky bluffs. It changed its course few million years ago for reasons not yet clear, and the banks have not had time to becom much eroded.

It is on the edge of this new valley that G. E.'s great eight million dollar Research La oratory will soon be built. There may be something prophetic about this fact. The worl soon to be rid of the bloodiest war in its history, has difficult days ahead. At San Francis it has just begun to cut itself a new valley, toward peace.

General Electric is preparing to help with the job, and the new laboratory will be on of its visible contributions. There some of the world's best scientists will labor to mak lighter the burdens of mankind, to give opportunity to America in peace, and to protect he from the tragedy of war.

Out of these buildings will come many of the jobs of the future—not in a flash, lik rabbits out of a hat—but in good time. The best guarantee that the promise will be fulfille is in the Company's own history.

"Never Too Old To Learn"

(This is the third installment of an address recently given in Fort Wayne by Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr.)

"These remarks may lead some of you to feel that having had a narrow technical education there is no hope for you. Some people have the erroneous idea that youth is the time for all education. That is very wrong and pessimistic. Most successful men will probably tell you that they have learned immensely more since they graduated from college than they ever did in their under-graduate days. This is true in technical fields but it is particularly true in regard to education in the humanities. One can learn the exact sciences in colleges because they require no experience of life for their understanding but the humanities to be properly studied must be illuminated by an experience of life.

"The head of one of the great cultural colleges at the University of Oxford says that men who have had several years in business or in the army between school and university can learn cultural subjects three times as fast and understand them twice as well as the young men who come to the university direct from school with no experience of life.

"I think most of the older engineers will tell you that when they were in college they were not interested in the humanities. They were interested in engineering and the exact sciences. This interest lasted for perhaps ten years out of college. A very few men, like Dr. Steinmetz for instance, maintain a great interest in highly technical things to their dying day but most of them are forced by executive responsibilities to gradually become more interested in people than they are in things.

"You will probably find that the older engineers, ten or twenty years out of college, will not study science and mathematics in their leisure hours but are much interested in history, literature, politics and economics. The exact sciences are, of course, important but the moment that the young engineer begins to take a passionate interest in the broader cultural subjects, he is more likely to get ahead. One must know one's specialty but to a great extent his progress will depend o the other things which he know Unfortunately in this civilization ours we all tend to put a mone value on everything. Some of yo may be wondering, 'How can I g rich by learning these cultural su jects?' I would like to persuad you that you will be better, happi men and more of a force for go in your community if you wi study them. You may accidental get more power, prestige an wealth.

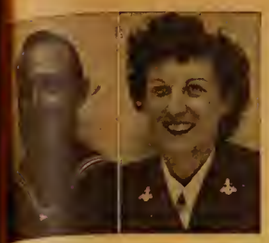
"I have gradually come to th conclusion that the most worth while things in life have to be b products. Any book on the histor of philosophy will indicate that on cannot get happiness by making the chief end in life. The grea trouble with our civilization durin the depression was that we made foolish god of security. Anyone wh makes security his chief aim in li is almost sure to lose it."

(Concluded next week)

More than 500 trains daily ente or leave New York's Grand Centra Terminal, handling in the last yea 60,000,000 passengers. Only electri locomotives are permitted to ente the terminal.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Likes Service



A. Andrews B. A. Fenstermaker

Russell Arthur Andrews, Taylor Street, is a member of the Navy. "G-E motors are used throughout the ship, and most guns are moved by them," he says. Buelta A. Fenstermaker, of the WAVES, was also employed at the Taylor Street plant. "I like the service real well and wouldn't trade it for anything. But Indiana is the state for me." She is stationed at Washington, D. C.

Awards Made

Pvt. Dale W. Sweet has been awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, while fighting with the 38th Division in its battles of Zig Zag Pass in northern Bataan, Zambales Mountains in west-central Luzon, and the present Sierra Madre Mountains campaign northeast of Manila.

Lt. (j.g.) Fred H. King recently received the Presidential Unit Citation in a ceremony at Lake City, Fla., where he is training as a fighter bomber pilot. The award cited him for outstanding performance while engaged in long range reconnaissance and armed patrol assignments. Lt. King was stationed for eight months on a land-based patrol bomber in the Pacific and was awarded four campaign stars. Until he returned to this country in September, 1944, when his unit was disbanded, he served at Apamama Island, Eniwetok Island, and Saipan Island.

Sgt. Eugene W. Belschner, a member of a Twenty-first Bomber Command unit on Saipan, has been awarded the Air Medal for participation in numerous aerial flights and combat missions over Japan. Sgt. Belschner is serving as left gunner on a B-29 and has the Good Conduct Ribbon.

Impressed



W. Hatfield W. D. Growcock

"I had the opportunity to fire the 3-E bazooka, and was quite impressed with the weapon. Give us plenty of them, and we'll send the rest of Tojo's tanks to the trash heap," says Pvt. William D. Growcock, Taylor Street. He is stationed at Fort Ord. Pvt. Rex W. Hatfield was also employed at Taylor Street before entering the infantry.

Atrocity Story

Salzburg, Austria, May 28, 1945.

Dear Editor:

It has been well over a year since I last wrote, so it's about time I was getting down to brass tacks. I am now in Austria and to my estimation it is as much destroyed as Germany. I was in Gruenstadt, Nurnburg, Hassfurt, Bamburg, Shaffenburg, Munich, and Dachau, besides many smaller towns. Most of these big towns have been damaged a lot.

One town I shall never forget is Dachau, a fairly good-sized town. . . . It is about twelve miles from Munich. Anyway, I will try to explain as clearly as possible what I saw there that just doesn't sound real, but it really is true. You have read in newspapers and magazines something like this, I am sure. I don't see how the Nazis could be so cruel to human beings. This is what I saw in Dachau.

One afternoon, my buddy and I went for a bicycle ride. We turned on to a side road that followed a railroad track. We went on down the road for a mile or so. There we saw a long freight train on the siding outside a fence of a concentration camp. In these boxcars there were hundreds of people of different nationalities who had died from starvation. There were still a few living when the Americans arrived, but it was too late to do anything to help them recover. Many of them were lying nude, and they were full of sores and cuts and bruises. Going into the concentration camp made me even weaker yet. Inside the crematory, there were many dead ones being ready to be burned in the big furnaces. These dead were piled up like cordwood.

These camps were under the control of the SS men, who are the cruelest, most hateful persons in the German army. The SS guarded these persons while they worked. They were promised to be released after they did so many months of very good work. After the time came, they were loaded into boxcars and taken to concentration camps. The SS men then threw them into the gas chamber and turned on the gas. They then had other prisoners drag the gassed ones into the crematory. If they weren't quite dead, they were burned anyway, or else the SS men would shoot them. This is just one of the many camps like this in Germany. . . .

This is all I have to say for now,

PFC John Bireley.



Word From Iceland

Dear Editor:

It has been quite some time since I last wrote you. I am still in Iceland. I am living near a large airfield. . . .

My job of repairing telephone equipment is very interesting. I have come across some G-E equipment, and it is always in excellent operating condition. It requires very little maintenance. . . .

There is nothing more to say, except to keep up the good work, and this war shall soon be brought to a victorious end.

T/3 Rudolph A. Wuttke.

Miss Patricia A. Weber, storekeeper, second class, WAVES, has reported for duty in the Hawaiian Islands. She previously was stationed at the Naval Air Station, Olathe, Kansas.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Gottingen, Germany,

Dear Editor: May 22, 1945.

I finally have the time to write you a letter. . . .

I have been in some really hot places over here. March 29 is one day that will never be forgotten by any of the boys in my platoon. That was the day that we tried to take the town of Polsum. It was just a small town, but it seems that the Germans wanted it as bad as we did. We got into the town, but they wouldn't let us stay. I and one other fellow were the only ones out of four tank destroyers' crews that never missed a day of the fight from the time we crossed the Ruhr River until the end. But my destroyer went "kaput" after the fight ended, and I have been in Ordnance ever since.

I will have to say one thing for the Germans, and that is that they are far more advanced than any other country I have been in yet, outside of the good old U.S.A.

Sgt. Max W. Lydy.

End Soon



D. W. Stalter R. R. Hans

"I have been in the Navy for 14 months, and in my time in the service I have run into a lot of G-E equipment. I believe if they keep up the good work here, we will do our part out there, and this war will come to an end soon," says Roy Rudolph Hans, formerly employed in Bldg. 2-2. Dale W. Stalter, Bldg. 4-2, a member of the infantry, is stationed at Louisville, Kentucky.

May 28, 1945

Dear Editor:

Well, I have again made a move. I was supposed to go on a furlough this week and have been transferred to another post. . . . Of course, I wanted a furlough but was glad to leave Belvoir. I have only been here at Dix a few days but like it a lot better than Belvoir.

Tonight I am going to call my wife. I tried to contact her several times last night but did not have any luck. . . .

Sincerely,

PFC Monroe B. Fuhrman

Word was received from Gail M. Satterwaite, Cox. He says he's off to parts unknown after being stationed at New Orleans for about a year and at Bunker Hill for two months. He says, "Hello," to all the gang in Bldgs. 19-4 and 19-5.

She Helps 'Em Fly



Official U. S. Marine Corps Photo

Marine Staff Sergeant Patricia Ann Townley, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-5, wants to make a postwar career of the work she has learned in the Marine Corps—perhaps in South America. She is shown above giving last-minute instructions to Marine Lt. William R. Page.

A Link trainer instructor at Cherry Point, N. C., she has taught Marine pilots since September, 1943. The complicated trainer she operates simulates flying conditions so well that pilots can learn to fly by instrument without leaving the ground.

Many of her students are now in combat overseas. Others have been over and are now back; some write her occasionally. Her work behind the scenes takes on added importance when she hears of their battle experiences.

After "boot" training at Hunter College in New York City, she completed Link trainer instructors' school at Atlanta, Ga., before reporting to Cherry Point for duty.

Fire Chief



Ernest Hanauer

Ernest Hanauer has been named Fire Chief of the Broadway Plant, in an announcement released recently by J. B. Greer, Superintendent of the General Service Division. The appointment became effective June 10. Mr. Hanauer has been serving as acting fire chief of the Broadway Fire Department since September, 1944, when he was named to succeed the late George Doehla. Prior to that, he had been battalion chief and inspector for the department for a number of years.

New Aircraft

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For flights not greatly in excess of 500 miles, the cost of jet-propulsion transport is only slightly higher than that of present-day transport, the authors said.

This appraisal of the influence of jet propulsion on the future of aircraft was only one of a number of significant comments by the authors regarding aircraft prime movers of the future. They made it clear that there were certain factors which favored the present internal combustion engine over the jet engine for some applications, and summed up the most likely fields for the different engines and combinations of engines as follows:

1. For the utmost in speed, disregarding other considerations, jet propulsion is by far the best performer.

2. For operation at extreme ranges, the internal combusion engine compounded with an exhaust gas turbine gives by far the best performance. This compound engine combined with water injection provides a power plant with a tremendous reserve of power at sea level and at all altitudes up to the critical, or the point where the turbine nozzle pressure starts to fall off. This is reflected in a very high rate of climb, surpassing that of any other power plant.

3. The gas-turbine-propeller combination provides a power plant which, on account of its low specific weight, gives a performance approaching that of the jet unit, except at very high speeds, but with much better range.

4. For operation at extreme altitudes, the present internal combustion engine, equipped with a modern turbosupercharger and properly utilizing the exhaust gas through a jet, is nearly equal to the jet-propulsion unit in speed, and far surpasses it in climb.

G-E Announces New 600-HP Locomotive

First production units of a new-type diesel-electric locomotive suitable for both heavy yard duty and road service are nearing completion at General Electric's Erie (Pa.) Works, according to an announcement by G. W. Wilson, manager of the Company's Transportation Divisions. As described by Mr. Wilson, the new locomotive will be rated 600 hp, weigh 70 tons, and have a top speed of 55 mph.

"We believe the new 600-hp unit is the first railroad-type locomotive in the medium-weight class to develop such high horsepower," Mr. Wilson stated. "It will round out the G-E and Alco lines, fitting between the heavier 660- and 1000-hp Alco-GE switchers and the 380-hp 44-ton unit."

Expected to find wide use in yard switching, scheduled road hauls, and transfer work, the new locomotive is adequately powered for passenger-station switching and light-traffic passenger service also. It is said to be particularly adapted for freight and passenger service on railroad lines where roadbed and rail weight require limited axle loadings.

The locomotive is powered by a six-cylinder diesel engine rated 660-hp at 1000 rpm. The four motors and generators making up the electric drive were specifically designed by G-E for the new locomotive on the same basic principles which have been proved in the larger Alco-G.E. units.

Divisional Safety Records Given For Month Of May

During the month of May, employees of the Fort Wayne Works suffered 16 lost-time accidents, according to the monthly Safety Report just released by W. J. Hockett, Supervisor of Safety and Employees Activities. This brings to 81 the total number of lost-time accidents during the year.

The Fort Wayne Works accident frequency rate, year to date, is 5.28 per cent, as compared to 4.63 per cent for the year 1944. Accident severity, year to date, is reported as .196 per cent, which compares to a severity rate of .452 for the year 1944.

Breakdown of the current figures by divisions follows:

	Freq. Rate	Sev. Rate
Kokomo	0.01	.02
Motor and Generator	4.97	.14
Specialty FHP Motor	2.34	.03
Fractional HP Motor	4.10	.15
Specialty Trans.	3.71	.114
Wire	13.89	1.14
Insulation	14.97	4.49
Tool	3.29	.007
General Service	9.22	.07
Distribution	21.98	.38
Decatur	4:12	.16
Power Drive	9.65	.35
Miscellaneous	1.27	.05
Refrigeration	7.84	.15
Plastics	3.87	.05
Taylor Street	6.08	.30
Total	5.28	.196

Elected Director

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operative Society and the Boys' Club of America, and the author of two books, "Retail Store Management Problems" and "Problems in Retailing."

Suggestions

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Other awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were made to the following:

Bldg. 6-2

Alfred F. Oelfke, Nettie A. Huhn, Richard A. Conrad, Jr., Eva G. Motz, Paul R. Castle, Eli Musser, Ralph Reinking, Max E. Flohr, Carl B. Plattner, Forrest R. Allman, Vernon C. Dafforn, Vivian E. Dotts, Francis A. Grim, Esley J. Rooks, Willie Mae Tate, Mary Moser, Helen L. Burns, Edna M. Feaser, Richard J. Young, Ruth M. Mutton, Edward Vachon.

Bldg. 6-3

John S. Poinsette.

Bldg. 6-4

Ezra G. Garringer.

Bldg. 2-1

Lydia R. Roemke.

Bldg. 2-2

Eileen H. Stemmler, Fern Bainbridge, LaFern Mae Bollenbacher.

Bldg. 4-1

Robert C. Winkler, Clarence F. Cleveland.

Bldg. 4-2

Cecil E. Tarney.

Bldg. 4-3

Ella Z. Black, Edwin L. Moodie, Frank David Cox, John Thomas Casey, Earl A. VanZile, Ora Farrell, Charles E. Clayson, James Charles Hoelle.

Bldg. 4-4

Margaret C. Lepper, Louis J. Hinen, Arthur Torbeck, Katherine B. Norr, Donald Gage, J. Payton, Wilbur H. Poehler, Lourelei M. Prior, Charles C. Ruple, Jess Devaux.

Bldg. 4-5

Tom L. Wilkinson, Lewis Strong, Robert Thornburg, Willis K. Dillman, Geo. K. Morton, Everett E. Moring, Glen E. Beer, Walter A. Amacher, Mary E. Evans.

Bldg. 8-2

Mary Coggeshall.

Bldg. 17-1 .

Richard L. Hall, Martin C. Fuelling, Conrad J. Mosshammer.

Bldg. 17-2

William C. Mills.

Bldg. 17-3

Harold C. Kiel, Leon W. Rademaker, Eunice H. Zehr, Ralph D. Fetters.

Bldg. 19-1

Elmer D. Woodward.

Bldg. 19-2

Robert W. Voltz, Elizabeth Clifford.

Bldg. 19-3

Carl C. Conrad.

Bldg. 19-4

James J. Fredricksen.

Bldg. 20-2

Charles F. Martin.

Bldg. 22-1

Harry E. Millisor, Ferrol R. Hill.

Bldg. 26-2

Adolph C. Ferber, Stella M. Parquette.

Bldg. 27-1

Frank A. Fordham, J. Williams.

Bldg. 27-G

Kenneth D. Malott.

New Searchlight Is Announced By Lighting Division

Device Is Operated By Remote Control; Uses Compressed Air

Remotely controlled searchlights which operate by compressed air, have been announced by General Electric's Lighting Division. The control is used primarily with G-E Novalux* searchlights designed principally for shipboard application. The ship's existing air supply is used to operate the searchlight, installed anywhere on deck, by means of a handle located in the pilot house.

The equipment consists of a cast steel gear box on top of which are mounted two piston type reversing air motors. A double shaft, to which the searchlight is bolted, protrudes from the top. Air is fed to the motors through a four-way universal hand-operated valve. Two air pipes leading into each motor are connected to the control valve, which is located in the pilot house and connected to the ship's compressed air line.

The remotely controlled searchlights are available in either the incandescent or mercury-arc type, and are usually furnished in a 24-inch size, though 12- and 18-inch sizes are available. The searchlights can be elevated or depressed while rotating in either direction, following the movement of the control handle. Speed of movement is controlled by the rate of air flow, which is graduated in direct proportion to the handle movement. Only a small amount of air pressure is required to start searchlight movement. During the infrequent intervals when full speed is used, each air motor consumes a maximum of 8.1 cubic feet of free air at a pressure of 100 pounds per square inch.

*Reg. U.S. Pat Off.

Transformer Division Develops New Relay

A new winding-temperature relay, which permits utilization of the maximum permissible emergency-overload capacity of power transformers under all ambient temperature conditions, has been announced by General Electric's Transformer Division.

This equipment, which can be supplied on all new G-E power transformers, operates from a combination of top oil temperature, ambient temperature, and load current, and thus enables winding hot-spot temperatures to be limited to values recommended by industry standards. The relay has three separate contacts, which close in sequence as the winding temperature increases. On a transformer with cooling fans for supplementary rating, the relay can perform the following operations:

1. Start cooling fans as soon as the self-cooled, load-carrying capacity of the transformer is exceeded.

2. Give a warning signal as soon as overload has been on for the permissible length of time.

3. Sound an alarm or trip the circuit breaker, taking the transformer off the circuit when the overload exceeds specified limits.

The relay, which is mounted on the outside of the transformer tank at a convenient working height, can be easily checked in the field without interrupting the load on the transformer. It is self-compensating for ambient temperature, assuring correct maximum loading under all ambient conditions.

Complete information on the new relay is contained in bulletin GEA-4396 available on request to General Electric Company at Schenectady.

Promoted



A. N. Farrell

Announcement has been made of the appointment of A. N. Farrell as general foreman in charge of all night operations in the Motor and Generator manufacturing division. Prior to his present appointment, Mr. Farrell was assistant general foreman in that division and has also served as chief dispatcher and as foreman in the Motor and Generator Division. He is a graduate of the G-E Apprentice School.

Color Detective

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of the amount of light reflected by a paint sample. Though it can track down any color, the color red, a major component of all sunlight, is the particular subject it seeks in this application. Experience has shown that different shades of the same fundamental color will reflect different amounts of red. Two shades of "battleship" gray, for example, may look the same to the naked eye but prove to be quite different when seen by the spectrophotometer. When the G-E "detective" finds the gray which absorbs the least red, it presents this information to technicians, and this is the paint chosen to aid in keeping the ship and crew cool whenever intense heat prevails.

The previous method of selecting paints for ships relied on the human eye as the final criterion. Visual selection, however, proved to be very inaccurate, due to eye fatigue and variations in sight. G-E's spectrophotometer, more observant than the eye, not only selects that paint which best reflects sunlight but also sets a color standard so that all paints used for the same purpose will be of exactly the same shading.

This device, considered a valuable laboratory tool, can also track down colors which are transmitted by an object as well as those which are reflected. In this respect it controls color of such materials as glass, filters or solutions.

Night Owls.... OF 26-3

Just in case you readers don't have a special friend up here, you'd better read our column to get the inside dope" on everything. . . . First of all, in last week's issue in the Kokomo notes, we read of a couple of girls who fell off their chairs, which isn't too awful, but when a girl falls over a chair in front of her, that is awful; at least, that's what Rosemary did in the office the other night. . . . Our hat is off to the most conscientious worker up here—Gladys. She walked several miles to get to work one night last week. It rained so hard, though, that she didn't get to town till late. . . . And speaking of walking, it would be better if Vern would walk home in the morning, instead of taking the street car and going to sleep on it and riding to the end of the line, only to ride back again. . . . Everyone seems to have vacation on his mind around here lately. Bill, the sweeper, had his a week or so ago; Wilma Krebs, from finals, spent hers in Philadelphia last week, and Janice Parker is now on hers. . . . Norma Sprauls has a new interest now; she has taken to fox-hunting. Her party "bagged" one the other day. If you keep it up, Norma, you'll have enough for a coat soon. . . . Oh yes, we can't forget that Ilo Hawkins was on her vacation this week; but we still wonder why she was uptown window-shopping at 9 o'clock one morning when she should have been enjoying a good night's sleep. Can you account for it, Ilo? . . . Jean Kraemer had good intentions when she came to work Friday night, but she got a toothache and had to return home soon afterwards. Our sympathy goes to you, Jean. . . . So now you have the "latest" from Bldg. 26-3 for the week, so we hope you'll be back with us again next week.

2-3 Office

We are happy to welcome Martha Morse to our midst; she is from Bldg. 4-3 office. . . . The three little sisters, Bonnie, Dorothy and Ella, say that they can teach anyone to ride a bicycle, that they know all of the angles, and we do mean angles. . . . Well, shades of Ole Man Barleycorn! I am not seeing pink elephants, but pretty yellow butterflies. And they are all mixed up in a certain necktie in this office. . . . Several members of our office staff have had a letter from "Petz" since he left for the East Coast, and he is having himself a swell time. . . . We were so happy to have as our guest this week, Peggy Herbert, W.A. 1/C, who is home on leave from the Navy Hospital in Portsmouth, Va. The girls of the order section honored her with a dinner. Those present were Helen Merkey, Joyce Brumbaugh, Pauline Line, Dorothy Monroe, Myrtle Rauner, Evelyn Blotkamp, Bonnie Rarick, and Audrey Hickernell.

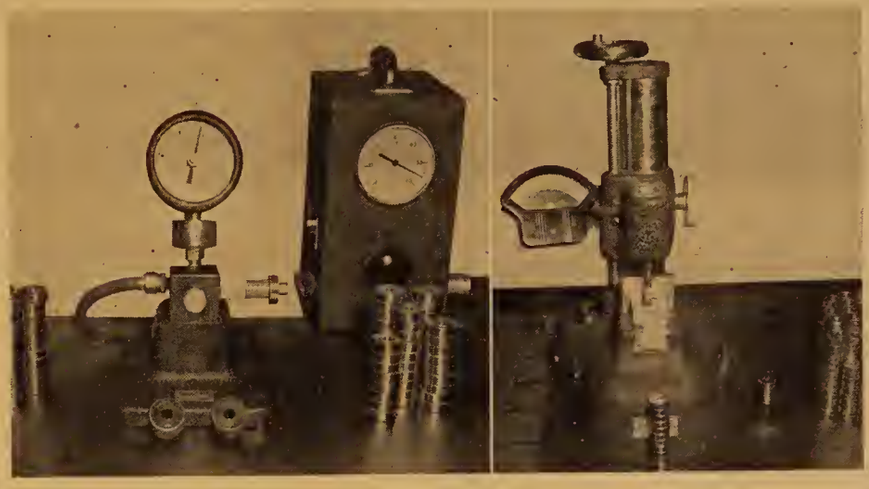
Sunbeam Sal

Fluorescent lamps do not require special house wiring and can be used on regular house-lighting current.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

No. 153 June 22, 1945 W. E. HOLMES. Editor

BALL BEARING GAGING



The requirements of selective assembly make it necessary to gage both the inside and outside diameters of ball bearings and sort them and mark them for size.

Accuracies down to one ten-thousandth of an inch are specified, so gages with a high degree of amplification must be used.

Shown above at the left is a high pressure pneumatic gage with an amplification of 2500 to 1 being used to gage the inside diameter of ball bearings.

Shown above at the right is an electrolimit gage with an amplification of 2800 to 1 being used to gage the outside diameter of ball bearings.

KNOW YOUR GAGES
USE THEM INTELLIGENTLY

CORRECTION

Pictures in the "Quality-Inspection-Test" Article in the Works News of June 15, 1945, were reversed.

Our people know their gages—and told the Editor.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Mike Rebman, Mike Sorgen, and Larry Hart, who were serving at the Pennsylvania Station U. S. O. Sunday morning from 3 until 7 A.M. (what hours!) were greatly surprised to be the reception committee for a former employee of Bldg. 31-1, Howard Welch, who has been with the Seabees, overseas for the past 22 months! We are all happy to have Howard home on furlough and hope it won't be long until he can be back with us again! . . . Our "California" rainy weather and the fact that you have to carry an umbrella has given Mary Banks an idea! She changed the old custom of dropping one's handkerchief to dropping an umbrella. This was illustrated Saturday morning on the street car. . . . "The Navy did it again!" Lola Lump, in the excitement of watching a troop train of sailors, got off the street car and forgot her umbrella. Of course, we know it wasn't the sailors that made you forget, Lola—the sun was shining anyway. . . . Newcomers this week are: Mary Louise Faulks, Doris Lare, Madonna Moritz, Virginia Bagley, Gladys Huguenin, and Rebecca Stevens. We hope you like your new abode. . . . Last Saturday noon a dinner in the form of a shower was held at the Varsity Club for Jerry Fabian Hook, with 12 attending. Jerry was presented with some lovely wedding gifts. . . . Birthday greetings to Doris Olinger. . . . "Send Me One Dozen Roses" must be Mary Louise Falk's theme song. . . . We agree with Betty Eisenacher that hives must be a terrible thing. Glad to see you back again, Betty. . . . Vacationers for the week are: Dwight Myers, Ross Haflich, Lola Lump, Mike Rebman, Betty Jane Smith, and Dale Hurdle. . . . Wayne Jones had better reduce if he intends to make a practice of crawling through car windows! It seems that Wayne parked his car by one of those monstrous curbs and proceeded to lock his car, and later returned only to discover that the only door he could unlock was the one next to the curb. He managed to get the door open enough to reach in and open the window. The only thing left to do was to crawl through the open window, which he did! Evidently he made it with no bad effects. Wayne is on a much-needed vacation this week! . . . We are very sorry to lose Donnabel Walker and Evelyn Bockman, who left us last Saturday. We'll surely miss you both! . . . Did Freddie Haag fall asleep in the barber chair? All he needs is a serial number now. . . . Pat Schnurr and Lois Elzey will know better than to ride on the sky-ride at West Swinney Park again. Last Friday night 12 of the office girls "invaded" the place . . . Betty Bright and Ilow Wilson are back after a wonderful week in New York! We don't blame you for being excited, with all the places you went and the sightseeing you did! . . . Helen Kneubuhler caused quite a commotion in the cafeteria the other day when she poured her bottle of milk over the bottom of her glass before turning it upright. . . . The tear-stained faces of the girls in Bldg. 31 must be the result of Andy Maul's transfer to Schenectady. Lots of luck in your new position! . . . Earl Marrell and Bill Willig have received "Greetings" from Uncle Sam and an invitation to join his staff. They haven't picked their future color yet, but will be leaving shortly to find it. The war won't last long now!!



Hoot Mon! Another letter from Cousin Malcolm!

Somewhere in Europe

Dear Cousin Sandy:

Well, here I am, with over 85 points, but still working for my Uncle. I guess he can't do without me—and a few million others. But I can't kick. I'm sleeping in a real bed now, and eating cooked food. It's good food, too, thanks to the farmers of the U.S.A., from the big ones who farm a county, to the smallest, who raises his own cabbage in a window box. And I mean that, too. Every bit you raise in your own garden means just that much more for us hungry G. I.'s. But the people over here need food, too. It kind of gets me to see so many hungry ones. A lot of people back home ought to see what I've seen. They'd grab that hoe pretty quick. They'd quit knocking these Europeans if they saw them, and saw how hard they are trying to clear out the mine fields, and get them back into grain fields. But it's too late for a crop this year. In fact, it will be several years before they have a normal crop. European soil requires commercial fertilizer, and for six years it hasn't had a shovel full. It may take another six years to get it back.

Cattle, in Holland and Denmark, which used to supply butter and milk products and meat, to all of Europe, have been practically wiped out by the German Armies, for meat and leather. And you don't build up herds in 10 days, either. It takes more like 10 years.

So, ye see, ye auld tightwad, ye hai a gude cause tae preach C. R.* in gardening this year. By the time ye get this, your seeds will be sprouted, and the weeds will be sprouting way ahead of the seeds. Remember the old saying, "Weed 'em and reap." I know none of my relatives will get discouraged, or lazy, because they know that everything they get out of their garden means just that much less they have to get at the store—and pay money for.

Anyway, tell any of my friends, who are not my relatives, to keep at that Victory garden, keep it weeded in the rainy season, and well cultivated in the dry season, and raise a BUMPER crop, or we may go hungry, and to make a bad pun, if we should starve to death when we occupy Germany, would you call it an occupational disease?

Your cousin,

Sgt. Malcolm.

*COST REDUCTION.

Midge: Jim's proposal was so sudden it made me jump.

Madge: At it?

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Yep, folks, it still rains every day. . . . When it comes to raising and disposing of mustaches in a hurry, Jimmy Paxton, Len Hutson, and Garland Meyers are really the champs. . . . Ferne Bernes had a lot of trouble when she spilled her makeup in her pocketbook. . . . Keith Brickley's heart is really in Texas, for he was seen practicing on a lariat the other night. . . . Si High had her fortune told and was she ever thrilled! . . . Walt Bauermeister was on his vacation last week and claims he made enough garden to supply the entire neighborhood. . . . Buchanan is away on vacation this week, and Shanahan is doing his duties for him. . . . Gerry Peirce is such an ardent lover of ice fishing that this last week while he was on his vacation, he kept two icemen busy hauling ice to him so that he could fish through the ice. . . . Marshall Tarney rushes home nearly every night. He says it isn't the running that tires him, but the dodging between the rain drops that really fags him out. . . . With all this rainy weather, D. Crist promises to bring her own umbrella some day. . . . This is the first time we ever saw Paul Reppert without a tie. . . . Come to think of it, we are having summer weather, or are we? . . . Walt Hall is having two weeks' vacation, and we do hope he just gets sunburned at fishing or swimming instead of building a house or barn. . . . Eve Hiatt says her weakness is peanut-jelly sandwiches. . . . If you want any vegetables or strawberries or anything from the farm, just see L. Orr. He has 'em. . . . By the time this paper comes out, we will undoubtedly have heard some pretty good fish stories! So we will keep our ears open for the best ones—that is, if the stories aren't so good that we are forced to send them to the Liar's Club. . . . The longest day of the year comes this week. Let's make it a happy one. . . . Walt Hall has been having a lot of trouble with his poultry. He was complaining all last week about being chased by a goose. . . . So long; see you next week.

A decided benefit to food processors and consumers alike is seen in an announcement by General Electric of the development of a photoelectric crack detector that inspects glass jars and bottles as they pass on a rotary turntable, automatically singling out and rejecting those that contain minute cracks or surface irregularities. Such flaws, if unnoticed, might prevent airtight sealing and result in spoilage of the contents.

"Your methods of cultivation are hopelessly out of date," said the crop advisor to the old farmer. "Why I'd be astonished if you got even 10 pounds of apples from that tree."

"So would I," replied the farmer. "It's a peach tree."

First Rookie: "Looks to me like the war is going to end soon."

Second Same: "Holy smoke, I hope it doesn't end before I get my furlough."

Suggestion Pays Off



Merlin Sweet, general foreman in the Specialty Transformer Division, is shown above congratulating Wilbur M. Smith on the presentation of a $100 suggestion award. Mr. Smith, who topped this week's list of suggestors, suggested improvements in the method of dipping and draining Type M transformers, resulting in less cleaning time and improving the product.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Our birthday wishes go to Esther James. Many more happy birthdays, Esther. Congratulations to Anita Slusher, who celebrated her tenth wedding anniversary. Lots of luck to both of you. . . . Bayless Swift was evasive about his sore jaw, but finally admitted it was a toothache. Hope it gets well soon. . . . Maxine Johnson has returned to work after visiting her sister in Arizona for two weeks. . . . Jean Firks and Mildred Oyer are vacationing at the lakes this week. The gang is looking forward to a fish fry, gals. . . . Dorothy Lebrecht was hostess to a farewell party for Rosalie Todd, who has returned to her home in Montpelier, Ohio, to live. Those attending were Agnes Ryan, Jean Firks, Wanita Schulte, Mildred Oyer, Carolyn Reynolds, Joy Stucky, Jean Snyder, the hostess, Dorothy Lebrecht, and honored guest, Rosalie Todd. We wish you lots of luck. . . . Can you imagine Jean Firks wanting to know if a dogfish barked, had four legs, and a long tail? That's O.K., Jean, we were all green fishermen once. . . . Florence Schmidt passed the candy to the girls at her table, claiming she was married. When the reporter approached her and asked the name of her husband, she replied, "I wanted to see my name in the WORKS NEWS, and I'm always so good. So I tried something different." So as not to disappoint you, here's your name, Florence. Oh, yes, the girls say, "Thanks," for the candy; and you can pass it any time again. . . . Athena Foam has returned to work after visiting her son at Fort Knox, Ky. . . . Arba Kurtz is one of the lucky ones on her vacation. Hope you're having a swell time, Arba. . . . That's all for this time. See you next week.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

That mad rush every day that the girls make when our shift comes on is just the rush to the fans. So look out everyone when second shift comes on. . . . This hot weather has made the girls turn all their attention to their hair. That explains why so many have upsweeps and braids these days.

The X-Ray
OF BUILDING 17-2

The vacation season is in full swing, and with the fishing season open, there will soon be plenty of news. . . . Bertha Witham, Marjorie Strasser, and Jeanette Blough had their vacations last week. All three had special reasons for the week they chose. Bertha's daughter, Irene, was married Saturday evening to Thomas Anderson. Marjorie Strasser's fiance came home unexpectedly on leave, and they were married. Our best wishes are extended to you, Mrs. F. A. Bournes. Jeanette Blough's brother, Marine PFC Richard Blough, came home on a short leave, and she spent her vacation with him. He has been serving on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific. . . . Mildred Pfaller is vacationing this week. . . . Paul Walker certainly has a beautiful flower garden. He has brought several bouquets of peonies to the shop. They cheer up the place, Paul. Thanks! . . . Mrs. Lydy has a new permanent—all prettied up for summer. . . . Iva Krouse and Marie Manley went fishing together, but we do not have a report on their catch. . . . Ed Meyer intended to fish Sunday, too, but he said the poles were wet simply from remaining on the top of the car. Too much rain for him! . . . Our sympathy is extended to Herb Bolinger in the death of his father last week. . . . We extend a welcome to James Wolfe in group 13x40. . . . The coworkers of Jeanette Blough wish her a happy birthday and extend their best wishes for many happy years ahead. . . . The next time Roy Mentzer stops at the grocery to buy syrup for his hot cakes, he is going to read the label on the bottle twice. Seems as if Roy has quite a supply of vanilla on hand. He says, just call me "Vanilla Pete."

An "automatic engineer" for aircraft power plants, developed by General Electric, which in one operation maintains that power output previously selected by the pilot, regardless of changes in altitude, has greatly simplified the pilot's job in a warplane and allows him more time for fighting.

Fluorescent Street Lighting May Be Possible In Future

City streets illuminated by brilliant columns of light and glowing fluorescent bars may be a possibility, but according to engineers of the General Electric Illuminating Laboratory, it will be some time before modern cities assume the spectacular appearance of the pseudo-science writer's dream. The present filament lamps are still the most efficient street lighting source in terms of cost and good lighting.

The possibility of fluorescent street lighting is not being overlooked, however, by General Electric engineers, who are constantly working to overcome the difficulties presented by fluorescent lighting, a method which may have the advantage of neater and more attractive appearance.

Fluorescent lamps offer possibilities for many beautiful as well as spectacular effects, such as luminous pylons like those employed on world's fair roadways. Moreover, with fluorescent lamps it is possible to produce striking color effects without any loss in lighting efficiency such as occurs when colored "gelatins" are placed around ordinary filament lamps.

In spite of the decorative possibilities offered by fluorescent street lighting, the problems before engineers at present are items of cost per dollar of operation in respect to the amount of visibility obtained and factors of public safety.

Though the installation of fluorescent lighting units upon standards now in use and with existing circuits offers no serious difficulties, the drawbacks of such a system outweigh its advantages. First of all, a fluorescent lamp, unlike the filament type, is highly sensitive to weather conditions. Cold temperatures necessitate jacketing of the lamp to prevent losses in light output.

At present, the principal disadvantages of a fluorescent street lighting system lie in the realms of maintenance and operation, for in many cases light efficiency, glare and visibility have no marked difference over the lamps now in use.

The prime consideration in any new type of lighting is the benefit to be received by the public in terms of visibility obtained per dollar of total lighting cost, regardless of the spectacular appearance which a new unit might present. In this respect fluorescent light, as it has been developed thus far, cannot compete with the filament lamps in use today.

G-E's engineers, however, point to the history of lighting progress as illustrative of new developments in illumination. It was no overnight switch from gaslight to arc light illumination, and many years passed before the present filament lamps came into universal use in street lighting systems. Such is the case with fluorescent lighting.

While the tubes of "cold" light are practical for home and industrial applications at present, the modern city will have to wait for its spectacular fantasy of light until the time when engineers have adapted successfully the fluorescent light to meet the requirements of modern street lighting.

WIRE & INSULATION
— Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Old Mr. Stork has been a very busy bird. The past week, "Ernie" Miller became the proud uncle of a 5 pound baby boy, Richard Eugene Miller, and Evelyn Hewes is now the proud aunt of a 7 pound boy, Stephan Alan Hewes. . . . "Evey" Arnold seems to have gone back to her childhood days. She is frequently seen enjoying an all day sucker just as much as she used to. . . . The Old Gang from the Wire Section wishes to say "hello" to Dorothy Boland and Ann McGushin, both serving in the WAVES. Let us hear fom you girls! . . . George Doll learned something new last week—that a drill press needs a motor. When it is hooked up, it will run, won't it George? . . . There seems to be a cigarette shortage, as George Huber is faithfully in line every noon at the Club. . . . Maybe Bill Hattendorf's going to fish for whales, because judging from the clothesline he showed for fishing tackle line, he sure plans to catch some "whoppers." Please leave some of the big ones for the rest of us, Bill. . . . Evelyn Flory certainly must have had an exciting telephone call the other day, because it made her lose the cap of her tooth. Remember dentists are few and far between these days, Evelyn. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner had an embarrassing moment the other day when she opened her purse on the street car to look for her pass. Nothing but scrap paper tubes came rolling out, all over the floor of the street car. . . . We are happy to welcome Edna Fahlsing back to the group. It has been a long time, and we hope you are feeling better. . . . Last Saturday we welcomed the visit of Earl Gebert's son, Richard, home on leave from the Navy. He will return to Vero Beach, Fla., soon. . . . Has anyone noticed Lazern Hopkins on market lately? Well, at least, he bought a chicken, and they are hard to find too. . . . Anyone wishing to handle live bait, just inquire for information from Muriel Wiedeman. She has a good book on "How To Raise Worms." . . . The first history lesson in Bldg. 12-B was on the Russo-Japanese War. Mary Ringler is sure the next lesson need not be on the Battle of Bunker Hill; all of us know about that one.

A diplomat is a person who can tell you to go to the devil so pleasantly that you're rarin' to get started.



War Bonds help to win the war.
They are also useful for
Winning comfort and content
For a lady and/or gent.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Lowell Kronmiller isn't clumsy; he just falls down easily, especially if he doesn't look where he's going, huh, Lowell? . . . When's a shave not a shave? Ask Morris Mastin. He puts the cream on his face, then washes it off; and when he gets to work, he finds out he still has his whiskers. Too bad, Morris. . . . Imogene Welch says she is going to make a date with the hair dresser in the wintertime, so that she'll be sure of a haircut by July. . . What is this we hear about Hank Lantz digging post holes and getting enough bricks out of one or two holes to build a house? . . . There are a few guys around here who should know more about horses, especially those that were supposed to run in the Derby and the Preakness. They said, "We didn't know all the horses were the Bing Crosby type, the also rans." . . If anyone doubts that the cow that belongs to Russell Jewel gives less than 11 gallons a day, he says to come on out. He can prove it. Well now, Russ, is that what you would call a one-cow dairy farm? . . Will the party who borrowed my raincoat last Thursday night from the stockroom please bring it back, as it is not a lend-lease article? It's my personal property—Schuster. . . . We expected to hear a lot of fish stories this week, but they were rained out. . . . A potluck dinner was held in honor of Clark Essig, who retired May 31 after twenty-eight years' service. Mr. Essig will live at his cottage at Lake Gage. Two hundred thirty guests were present, and what eats! Anything you wanted. Mr. Essig sat right in front of a lovely cake with his name on it. Fred Banks and Harry Gargett were guests. Mr. Gargett gave a talk and presented Mr. Essig with a gift from his co-workers. Ceal Romary thought she would get some of her own cake, but not after Lawrence Schuster saw it. Rolly Wickliffe was also sampling the cakes. Other scenes at the party—Golda Mentzer was running around seeing that everyone got all the baked beans he wanted. Loretta Bloom was looking to fill her plate with potato salad, especially the kind Gladys Freeman makes. Bertha Gruber was asking for more pickled eggs. Grace Bolyard was looking for sandwiches. Merlin Sweet had his share of olives. Gladys Freeman was doing all right with everything. Later Clark Essig said, "Gee, I am really full! How did I deserve all this?" That just shows that we all wish you the best of everything, Clark.

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

Don Thomas would like to know which way a horse goes when you say, "Gee." Don had a little difficulty getting the horse's cooperation. He is also in favor of softer tractor seats. . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Morris are the proud parents of a baby girl, Jean Louise. Congratulations, Nola. . . . Don has a big fish story for us already. He caught a bass, and when he cut the head off, another fish came out. Can you top this? . . . Jay came wandering back up here Saturday. Does he love his work that well? . . . It's a mystery how Charlie Schild resisted temptation and worked Saturday. He sure loves to catch (?) those finny beauties. . . . Izzy gives peaches to people when he wants some special work done. They sure are good, too. . . . If you want any information about braiding hair, see Steve Kelker. He spent all day Sunday trying to braid his little girl's and discovered it was quite a job. We've noticed he also has trouble in keeping his desk drawers where they belong.

Floating drydocks, whose electrical equipment is supplied by General Electric, makes it possible for the Navy to make emergency repairs of warships far from their most advanced permanent bases and as near the fighting zone as desired.

Censor Just "Wiped The Wire"



When Guthrie Janssen, NBC correspondent, described surrender of U-Boat off Cape May, N. J., recently, he did it for wire recorder, knowing some of it might be deleted by censor. He was right, but the censor deleted by demagnetizing part of the wire. Rest was relayed from recorder to New York NBC for broadcast.

Crowther Awarded Legion Of Merit

Col. F. D. Crowther, peacetime sales manager of the General Electric Lighting Division, has been awarded the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service." He is serving as a signal officer with the 14th Army Corps on Luzon.

The Legion of Merit, introduced during World War II, is awarded for extraordinary fidelity in essential service in a position of responsibility. It is conferred upon outstanding officers and enlisted men of the United States or of friendly nations. Colonel Crowther, who has been overseas since June, 1943, also holds the Asiatic-Pacific theatre ribbon with campaign star, bronze star medal, and the Philippine liberation ribbon with bronze star for his part in the battle of Manila.

Is Zat So?

We will probably hear fish stories galore in a week or so, as soon as our vacationists return. Ed Pease must be expecting to catch plenty of fish of all sizes, because he was taking orders to see what size and kind we stay-at-homers would like. Other vacationists are Russell Gibson, Loyal Decker, Ray Epperson, and Mabel Lieberenz. . . . Ray Stanger returned from his vacation, which he spent at home working. He said he didn't even get to play a game of golf. No wonder, the weather we've been having. . . . Some of us were wondering if Clarence Doctor liked fairy tales, because we saw Ed Brosche reading a book to him the other day. . . . Anyone desiring a joy-ride that is really a thrill should contact Ernie Riley. It must have been too thrilling for Heinie Wichern, because he got out of the car when it was still in motion. . . . Bill Fisher was seen driving behind a cattle car loaded with steer. Bill really had a gleam in his eye and didn't seem to notice anything but the car ahead. Bet he was dreaming of a nice, juicy steak. . . . We thought for a minute that Warren Locker was a pretty flashy dresser. When he was leaving the other evening, he had on a coat that did not match his trousers. Someone remarked about it, and then Locker discovered he had borrowed Frank Quinn's coat! . . . Loyal Decker is certainly a considerate husband. We hear he had the shears sharpened so his wife could keep the lawn in trim. . . . John Epperson found out who Billy Wehrs was, much to his embarrassment. John says, "No wonder everybody likes him. He's a regular guy." We think so too, John. . . . Alma Kilkinson returned from her vacation feeling rested and happy. . . . Have you noticed some of the girls' new hair-do's. Pretty snitzy! They told us that their hair was fixed with a rat, so Helene Evanoff promptly asked Veora Habig if she had a rat. Veora remarked, "No, but I think we have a mouse in our attic." What next? . . . Only four birthdays this week, so congratulations to Ruth Banter, Ed Bailey, Leland Bixler, and Helene Evanoff.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Some more of our people were vacationing last week, and everyone returned looking rested and refreshed. Among the vacationists were Thelma Purdue, who spent her vacation at home. Thelma was going fishing, but the rain scared her out. . . . Bette Burnett and Olga Kuzeff spent part of their vacations together in Chicago. How was the weather there, kids—windy? Bette said they had a grand time, and I'll bet they did too. . . . Mary Ellen Beltz and Louis Clark enjoyed their vacations. Louie won't be back for another week. . . . The way some people spend their vacations! Arlie Pence just came back from a two-week vacation and said he spent it painting the house. Say, Arlie, when are you going to paint the garage? . . . Glen Bentz paid us a surprise visit last week. Glen was home on furlough from Enid, Okla. Nice seeing you again, Glen. . . . A birthday card shower was held on our boss, John Ormiston, last week. Just have lots more happy birthdays, John. . . . Happy birthday to Viva Healy too. . . . We want to welcome Geneva Menze to our section. Geneva is helping us during the absence of Ruth Tutwiler. . . . Helen Engle received a beautiful hand-carved ivory necklace from India.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Lucille Meehling was the recipient of a beautiful farewell gift purse from the Bldg. 18-2 girls at a farewell party at her home last Thursday evening. Lucille is leaving the General Electric Company to go to Los Angeles, Calif. Guests from Bldg. 18-2 included Martha Schwanz, Helen Gellert, Annette Bauman, Joan Miller, Helen Rider, Lorene Steiner, Jane Schafenacker, Eileen Underwood, Matilda Auman, Margaret Scheiber, Helene Lisius, Leona Nelson, Mary Morningstar, Edith Meyer, Mary Occleston, Irma Tibbet, Emily Guth, and Doris Miller. Other guests were Bonnie Mechling, Mabel Harding, Ruth Chandler, and Ruth Boyd. We're all going to miss you very much, Lucille. . . . Shirley Seward, Bldg. 18-5, is one step ahead of all of us with her beautiful tan. Hear tell she had a wonderful time at the house parties last week. . . . Jeanne Freistroffer and Dolores Gerke, both of the Data Bureau, have had another brain-storm. This time they've painted their shell-rimmed glasses with black fingernail polish. . . . We'd like to wish Olive Smith of the Data Bureau a very, very happy birthday today. . . . Mary Brothers, Pearl Baldwin, Dorothy Kinnaman and Luther Meyer, all from the Accounting Section, just returned from their vacations and from the reports it sounds like they really had a lot of fun. . . . Our best wishes are with Tom Walworth, Bldg 18-3, who left us last week for the armed forces. . . . Something new has been added. Did you know that you can now get a drink from the time clock. Ask Edna Gilpin, Bldg. 18-5, what success she had. . . . Betty Roucci, Bldg 18-4, not only forgot her badge last week but also forgot what she did with the little white tag that was supposed to replace her badge for the day. Guess she can blame it all on her sister's forthcoming wedding though! . . . Sorry to lose Mabel Link from our midst in the Data Bureau, but we hope she will like her new job in Bldg. 26-4. . . . Artie Ulmer, Bldg. 18-5, has devised a new way to bake devil's food cake. It's all done with a twist of the wrist and a dictaphone machine. . . . Another member of the "Forgotten Badge Club" is Regina Sheteron, Bldg. 18-3. . . . Other vacationists from Bldg. 18-1 are Evelyn Rider, who just came back from Montgomery, Ala., without a tan, and Ferne Fisher, who was in Chicago. . . . The T-shirts were very noticeable Memorial Day in Bldg. 18-1. Everyone was seeing stripes. . . . Some of the girls had a party at Ruby Butz's and we know one thing, they sure had fun. . . . Betty Garber and Esther Sommer have quite a number of swell snapshots they took while in the East on their vacations. . . . Girls with feather bobs in Bldg. 18-1—Ann Martin, Esther Spuller, Jane Guise, and Thelma Stone. They seem to be getting quite popular now. . . . Iris Leiter left Payroll to join her husband, stationed at Colorado Springs. Lots of luck, Iris! . . . Melva Wiley, Bldg. 17-3, treated the office on her birthday last week.

Daughters Fete Dads At Annual Elex Party



Shown above are scenes at the Father-Daughter Party, sponsored by Elex Wednesday, June 13, at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club. The group was entertained by the "Midwestern Harmonizers" and enjoyed a Dutch lunch later in the evening. Each father was presented with a gift. C. F. Krudop (see picture third row, right, above), 79 years old, was the oldest father present, and Kenneth Redding (first row, center picture), who is 39 years old, took the prize as the youngest father present. A. H. Kessler traveled 55 miles to attend the party and received a prize for coming the farthest distance. N. A. Tucker was second with his journey of 45 miles. (Both are shown in first row, right). Louis Murray (third row, left), has five daughters working for G-E, which took the prize in that contest. Five of the dads present (second row, right), each had three sons in the service. They were Elmer Bissell, Henry Hartman, H. W. Busse, Lawrence Helmsing, and Joseph Hohman.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Walter Kammeyer was on the receiving end of some fancy railroading Tuesday evening at the Dispatchers Club meeting. Before he realized what had happened, he was elected assistant secretary-treasurer of the club, without a chance to protest. It was all in a spirit of fun, however, and we know Walt will be a beneficial addition to the official staff. . . . Henry Burch, Gerald Brown, Raymond Feller, and Harold Gick each received official commendation from President Walter Doehrman for having done an outstanding job as floor representatives. . . . We were very glad to have Eddie Horstman as a visitor at the last club meeting. Eddie's irrepressible humor provided us all with many hearty laughs during the evening. We wish to advance Eddie a permanent invitation to our club meetings whenever he can come. . . . The Dispatchers Club family picnic has been scheduled for the last Sunday in July, which will be July 29. Details about the time and place will be sent to all members as soon as Fletcher Cumby and his committee have all plans arranged. . . . The business session of any club or organization is usually considered to be a rather dull proceeding to be gotten out of the way as quickly as possible. Not so those of the Dispatchers Club; they usually result in an interesting, heated, and often hilarious discussion. That's good! It's strictly according to our American tradition of giving every man his say. . . . Dispatcher Dan says, "Ninety-nine per cent of personal criticism is based on lack of information. If we say we don't like Bill, it's a good bet we don't know Bill very well." . . . Keep pitching,

Your Grapevine Editor

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Screw Machine

We of this section have lost a swell general foreman in the person of John Deahl. He is going to Broadway. The gang wishes him much success. The Mill, Drill and Thread section also lost a good foreman in the person of Robert Hale. He is also going to Broadway.... There have been a number of changes this week. Bernice Lambert and Marjorie Parmell were moved to the buffing section. . . . The Screw Machine bowling team won the first half of the summer league. . . . I wonder who the cute girls in this section are who are wearing pigtails. . . . Gene Kilty is in a slump on his bowling. He hits the pins right, but they just won't fall. . . . Albert Keller just bought himself a saddle horse. Now he is looking for a ten gallon hat, boots, six-shooter, and what have you.

Nozzle Box

Marry Williamson has a brother, who has been overseas for some time, visiting her this week. . . . Fay Morris says "hello" to all the Nozzle Box gang and would like some of her old friends to give her a ring on the phone. . . . Alma Keller and her husband have returned from their vacation. Alma said all she did was spring house cleaning. . . . Margaret Puryear of the Grind and Finish Section was very happy to hear her son's voice last Tuesday night. He was released from a German prison camp by the Russians on V-E Day. He has been returned to the States and will be home in a few days. . . . Harry Lea tells us that his sister's boy, who has also been a prisoner of war in Germany for over two years, is now at home. . . . This week the Nozzle Box says "so long" to Jerry Hollenbeck and Chester Gensheimer, who are returning to Erie, Pa. Both Jerry and Chet lived in Erie before coming to Fort Wayne. Our best wishes go with you, and it was nice knowing you both. . . . Word has been received from Cornelius Brown, former instructor in the Welding School. "Brownie" tells us he is taking training for the Merchant Marines, at Sheepshead Bay, N. Y. He would like to hear from his old friends at the Taylor Street Plant.

Tool Room

Among our Saturday happy faces is Lloyd Fluke, beaming for an unknown reason. Could be fishing season is opening, or maybe it's because tomorrow is a day of rest? That's the only good news I can think of. . . . A mighty suspicious person is Ivan Lowman. Some good Samaritan offered Ivan a nice piece of apple pie, and Ivan just looked it over closely and said, "No thanks." Later, Richard Miller took a chance on it, and Ivan was a little disappointed when nothing happened to him. . . . Richard Miller also treated himself to a popsickle the other evening after work, and was he surprised upon putting his tongue on it. Seems that dry ice is pretty cold. . . . Harold Hohman left us for a job at Broadway, and we all wish him luck. The foremen gave him a farewell party.

Wins Suggestion Award



E. J. Stroud, Bldg. 20-2, above, recently received a $40 award for his suggestion for recovering addressograph printing machine rollers with discarded typewriter platten rubber.

Punch Press

Margaret Vorhees is on her vacation this week. . . . Wesley Sontag was at the Lutheran Hospital for three days. He had a slight operation on his nose but is back to work again. . . . Ruth Hyser is improving at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Olive Bowman is helping her husband run a filling station in Huntington. Don't forget to stop for some gas. . . . June Harlin, Irene Johnson, and Beatrice Schemehorn are still keeping house. Don't forget to invite us over for dinner sometime.

Rotor

There are a few more vacationing this week. Charlie Shidler, Richard Strock, Lela Ayers, Almetta Smith, and William Trowbridge are at the lake. Could it be that the fishing season is here once again? . . . Belated birthday wishes go to Ed Butler. Hope you have many more of them, Eddie.

Plant Service

That old airplane bug has bit again, and this time its victim is Ralph Snyder. Ralph is planning to take up aviation soon and intends to work for his pilot's license. We already have in our group a licensed pilot, Harley Shaffer. We imagine that in the future when these two get together to talk things over, the air will surely fly. . . . You have doubtless heard the story about "The Man Without a Country." Well, here is a new version of it in the person of Fred Madden, whom we can now dub, "The Fisherman without a Boat." With the fishing season upon us, it seems someone was in need of a boat so he "borrowed" Fred's. . . . The Carpenter Shop was sorry to see Perry Smith leave this week. We all wish him lots of luck. . . . Walter Rosselot was very happy to have his son, James, visit the Taylor Street Plant. . . . Carl Beck will return next week after taking his vacation.

Impeller

Wilbur Anders has left us. We all miss you, Andy, but wish you lots of luck. . . . Birthday greetings go to Delores Stapleton and Kenny Betts. Kenny also had a wedding anniversary the same day he had a birthday. . . . Hilda Horstmeyer attended the Elex Father-Daughter banquet Wednesday evening at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club and said she enjoyed it very much.



Want a business for yourself?
Just a bit of payroll pelf
Put away in Bonds will make
Quite a tidy little stake.

Aluminum Parts

Well! Well! Look who's here. The Aluminum Section reporters have come to life once more. Now that we are back in the groove again, let's stay there. We have a lot of people to be tagged with printer's ink, so if you can supply the material to work with, how about it? . . . Birthday greetings for June go to Reinhold Spenn, Mary Whittecar, Viola Garringer, John Magley, and Luster Roush. May you have many more! . . . Hildra Rupel reports that his wife, who is now in the hospital due to a major operation, is doing nicely. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go to her. . . . Did everyone see that broad smile on Lawrence Garton's face last week? In case you don't know the cause of it, Mr. and Mrs. Garton celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary, and Lawrence received a very handsome pen and pencil set from his wife. All of us take this opportunity to wish them many more anniversaries to come. We also extend our regards to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tribolet, who are celebrating their eighteenth wedding anniversary this month. . . . There are many ways of helping the war effort—buying war bonds, conserving rubber, gas, and oil, or planting victory gardens. Howard Aker has a small spot in which he set out a few tomato plants—something like four acres! That might be a small spot to Howard, but we think that's a mess of tomatoes, and it should help reduce the point value of tomatoes and catsup. We hope you have a good crop, and after they are picked, we will come to see you, Howard. Notice we said after. . . . We are not certain what caused Mildred Balliet to come to work with her house slippers on the other day, but we have reason to believe she is becoming a little forgetful. . . . Loren Shafer returned to work from his vacation with the news that he is the proud father of a five pound, ten ounce baby girl, Judy Kay, born June 11. The mother and baby are doing just fine; however, papa may need another vacation to recuperate. Congratulations, Loren! . . . If you want to bring some sparkle into your eyes, look at the third finger, left hand, of a certain young lady in the Inspection Section. We understand wedding bells will soon tinkle for Mary Tinkle—the big event is to take place on July 5th. . . . We regret the loss of Walter Holloway, general foreman, because of his transfer to Broadway. We feel we are losing not just a foreman, but an old friend. Along with Mr. Holloway, we are also losing our cheerful, smiling office girl, Violet Norris. To both of you we wish the best of luck. . . . One of our old friends, Mary Jane Riggers, was married to Walter E. Guenin, on June 11. Our very best wishes are none too good for you, Mary. . . . Glenna Kesler reports that her son, who has been quite ill, is on the road to recovery. Glad to hear that, Glenna. . . . Martha Warren and Helen Fleischer are back to work after several days of illness. Nice to have you back, girls.

For twenty years after Roentgen discovered the X-ray in 1895, the device was operated by all types of employees. Today's examinations—in medicine as well as industry—are conducted only by trained technicians.

Receiving

Vacations are still in order in our section. Betty Thiele is back to work from a week's much needed rest. Mary Ambler of Receiving Inspection is back from her vacation. Hope you had a grand time, girls. . . . Thelma Martin is spending part of this week in Muncie visiting her brother and family. . . . Well, at last after one and one-half years of planning, Stoiche has his wall built, and it adds much to the appearance of his home. Anyone wishing to have one built, see Cliff Wolfs, "chief engineer" of the Company. . . . Bob Little says batching is not what it is cracked up to be. His wife left Wednesday for a visit in Tennessee, and Bob is lonesome already. . . . Ernie Chelf likes his new job on the dock very much. . . . Sam Heer, of Receiving Inspection, is taking his vacation this week, and Ted Essig is taking over Sam's duties. . . . As the 16th of June drew near, our thoughts were of the lakes. We expect some tall fish stories soon, as Jim Brittin is spending a week at Colon, Mich., on the banks of Palmer Lake, the first part of July. Our bets are placed on Jim. . . . Cliff Wolfe has returned from his vacation and says he feels like a three-year-old. . . . Frank Fast is on his vacation this week, and boy, oh boy, will the little fishies suffer! . . . Jim Stoiche of Material Identification, leaves for his vacation next week. He is undecided whether he will take a trolley to the ball game or an airplane to Florida; good luck, Jim. . . . Cletus Kyle, of the Oil House, says he will rest next week and take his vacation. Hope you enjoy every minute of it, Cletus. . . . Don Winebrenner has been under the weather for a few days but is feeling better now. . . . Begins to look like old times around the Receiving Dock. . . . Who was that hollering for hot weather? Hope you are satisfied. . . . Don't forget the boys and girls across the Pacific. They are doing their part; do yours now. Buy Bonds and More Bonds! . . . It has been suggested that the employees of the Shipping and Receiving Section have a stag party some time soon. Get in touch with Jim Brittin or Jim Stoiche. Let's have your ideas. . . . What is your hobby? Have you a pet one? Tell us about it. See Frank Fast in Receiving or Earl Cochran and Jim Brittin in Shipping. These items should be interesting.

Shipping

We are just wondering if Charles Fisher believes in preparedness or doubts his own ability as a fisherman. He is having his wife furnish fried chicken for his fishing trip to Winona Lake. . . . Jane Brosher paid the section a visit last Saturday. Glad to see you, Jane. . . . Bob Schulthess is heading for the Lake of the Woods and Elkhart for a week's vacation. . . . Final Assembly foremen are planning a week-end at Winona Lake. Mr. Woody is the guest of honor, this being his last week at Taylor Street. . . . Bob Zimmerman is planning on the limit on his first day of fishing. . . . Al Mueller and Monroe Brosius also plan to get in a few hours fishing this week-end. . . . Earl Cochran is willing to settle for a can of sardines. He

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says that is the surest and easiest way to get fish. . . . Harold Herschey is going to buy the largest fish the boys bring back. . . . Next week we will give you all the tall fish stories the boys bring back. We hope they also bring back some fish. . . . Ray, our truck driver, is a very busy man. He is pinch hitting for the Burma Road while that conveyor is being changed. Just call him Burma Road Ray. . . . Did you write that weekly letter to that kid in the service? Remember he is a long way from home. . . . It's "your next move." The boys overseas are doing their bit, so do yours now. Buy bonds and more bonds. . . . John Rhodes is back in the Shipping Section. He is a transfer from the Receiving Section. Glad to have you back with us, "Red." . . . Arlie Shelby is missing from work this week. Yes, you guessed it—he is on his vacation. . . . Verna Powers' son, Max, is home from the Pacific. He is a PFC in the Army and has been away from home a long time. We are all happy, for we know that Powers has looked forward to seeing her son for a long time. . . . Have you noticed the new activity in the area near Shipping? It is the Fractional group from Broadway. We of the Shipping gang welcome our new neighbors. . . . Audrey Smith, of Shipping Office, finally heard from her husband, who is in the Pacific. He has been overseas twenty-two months and is still in the midst of the heavy fighting. We all hope he can come home soon, Audrey.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

Congratulations to Virginia Free and Bob Tielker, who both celebrated birthdays last week. They are wondering if being born the same day and year makes them twins. . . . Edna Metz loves flowers, especially roscs. Last week someone brought her a beautiful bouquet, but it kept disappearing. After tracking it down a few times and always finding it in the same place, she decided that Lois Moore likes roses too. . . . Whenever Jim McGill hears of someone's being honored guest at a party he wishes that somebody would have a party for him. He says be sure not to forget to invite him, though! . . . Verda Gardner was having quite a time with a dog in the stairway the other day. It was hard to decide which one was more frightened, Verda or the dog. . . . Walt Hazelett, who is going on his vacation next week, wishes he could get some film for his camera. He expects the kid to catch some fish and wants to be able to take pictures of them. . . . Betty Feasby has been going around with her head in the clouds lately. . . . The exodus to Taylor Street has begun. We have said good-bye to Elmer Fretz and Ed Klomp, who have already left us, and before long more will follow. We wish them success in their new surroundings and hope they will be able to drop in and visit us occasionally.



When a printer gets bored or mad at his job, he always bangs his finger down all the keys on the left side of the linotype keyboard, making a line of "etaoin shrdlu etaoin shrdlu etaoin," etc. Sometimes it even gets by the proof reader and gets into print. You may have seen it. At any rate, it's just a harmless way of letting off steam. It's too bad that in the factory we can't let off steam as safely.

Safety experts say that they can now protect workers against almost any danger in the plant, except one—the workers themselves. When the human element enters the picture, all logical safety measures might as well be thrown out the window. No one can foresee when some so-called wit is going to pick up a handful of waste and let fly at his neighbor. No one can foresee whether or not the neighbor will be off guard and get knocked into his running machine. And in anybody's book, that ain't funny McGee!

Four Fourums

Irma Augsburger did not realize how nice and refreshing the open air was until one day, while enroute to the park with a group of girls for lunch, she discovered she had left her badge on the floor. She journeyed back alone to enjoy (if you can call it that) her lunch in the warm building. . . . Mary Smith would like to borrow a lead stretcher. Anyone having one, please contact her. . . . LaVon Disler has just returned from spending her vacation in the West, and reports she saw some very beautiful scenery. . . . Again another year has crept upon Winnifred Scheurich, LaVera Wonderly, and Mona Winkle. We hope all three had a happy birthday. . . . Our very best wishes go to Marian Schaaf, who was married Sunday, June 3, to George Mannisto. . . . For your further information, the red and yellow lines are to distinguish the floor layout of each section. . . . Herman Lepper "placed" his ring where he could find it, then spent an hour looking for it. Where did he put it? Why, on his finger, the safest place in the world. . . . Charles (Curly) Knack wasn't put out by the heavy rains prior to the opening fishing day. He said he would make them bite. Do you have some newly discovered bait, Chuck? . . . Black Ort has a new competitor in the heavy eating line. He is none other than Russ DeVeny, recently a U. S. Army man. . . . Frosty Alspaugh is having car trouble. He had to dismantle his Chevrolet this week in order to fix it. Well, one consolation, Frosty, you will know the kind of stuff it is made of.

6-4 Picnic and Reunion

Don't forget the picnic on June 24, at the Log Cabin, one-half mile after you cross the Spring Street bridge. This is a family affair, so bring the whole family. There will be something going on all the time. See you there, I hope, I hope, I hope.

In case of bad weather, inside facilities will be available.

DOTS ● ● ● ● ● AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers: Your Snooper was snoopin' again and came up with the following dope. . . . Jean Swain, of the Engineering Section, is flashing a very pretty engagement ring which she received on Saturday night. Congratulations, Jean. . . . There is one Snuffy Smith, otherwise known as "Weatherman Smith" who has the facts and figures on the rainfall this spring. His last report states rain fell 14 days out of 18 in June, with rain nine days straight. One report read thus: "Cloudy—Looks Like Rain—Did Rain!" . . . "Zip" Wintrode strolling down the street one cloudy day with his golf clubs slung over his shoulder. One question, "Are you moving?" was asked by Johnny Carr. "Zip"—still strolling—came into work one day—late—and the guard handed him an ad for vitamin pills. So what? . . . The favorite comment to Joe Coughlin Saturday morning, "You came back?" Question or surprise, your guess is as good as mine. . . . Latest bulletin on Jim Voirol. He and the little woman took a trip over the week-end to Detroit. Don't go away, that isn't all. This time Jim got caught in a fire in an apartment building where they were visiting. It is said Jim rescued his camera. . . . Scoop—as an "I-witness"—Harriet Basford and Jim Voirol have closed a car sale. After many days of haggling, Harriet will now be the proud possessor of Jim's car, plus all car gadgets. Of course this is as of today and subject to change. . . . Eileen Schulien married Norman Burns Saturday evening in a very pretty ceremony. A reception was held afterward. The couple is honeymooning this week at Lake George. Our best wishes to the happy couple. . . . Morrie Archbold is spending his last week with us before taking a position working with the State Fire Marshal in Indianapolis. Good luck, Morrie, it has been nice knowing you. . . . Just ask Marjorie Steinbacher how she likes bird seed. . . . Andrew J. O'Dwyer's Splash Party was enjoyed by all.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

We wonder if you have ever noticed the beautiful flowers under the plaque in honor of our service men. I think we owe a great big "thank you" to all those people who have been so thoughtful in bringing in these lovely bouquets. . . . Speaking of flowers, Ernie Krumm really had a prize peony to be proud of last week. It was a very delicate pink with a white center and measured six inches across. . . . Katherine Geller and George Langenberg are now running in competition with their flower gardens. Just notice Kate's big bouquets. . . . Jo Ann Manes, former Bldg. 4-5 employee, visited the Aircraft group last week. . . . We're losing Bob Sweiney from the Aircraft Section to the Control Box Section in Bldg. 6-2 and certainly will miss him. At the same time we welcome Don Bender into the Small Lot Section and Audrey Ray, who is taking Jeanne Wetzel's place while she is on vacation. Jeanne was planning on going to Chicago. Hope she enjoyed herself. . . . Clyde Fausnaugh was on vacation this week and promised to bring George Langenberg a great big fish—in fact, so big that George will have to have it mounted instead of eating it! That we want to see! . . . Anyone having difficulties solving puzzles or problems, please consult Professor Joe Taylor in Aircraft. Joe should know all the answers by now. . . . The sun must be getting bright when Dick Stauffer goes around with his sun glasses on all day. . . . On off hours Hildon Larimer now enjoys tearing down windmills at Orland, Ind. Just ask him. . . . New fathers just seem to be everywhere. The latest one is Kenneth Johnston, Inspection Section. Congratulations to Mama and Papa Johnston and David Joe, born on June 10. Wonder what Johnny thinks of his new baby brother. . . . Carl Rush was celebrating his birthday Monday, June 11. . . . Ruth Laymon is looking forward to her husband coming home soon from the service. . . . Bldg. 4-5's own golf team is doing quite well this season. They are leading the league by way of four wins and one loss. Johnny Gitter is the very capable manager of the team, which includes Johnny Young, Cliff Long, Artie Hoffman, Johnny Gitter, Mike Trott, and Ernie Baade. Keep it up, boys, and win the league championship. Other golfers in Bldg. 4-5 are: Don Baumgartner, Carl Zimmerman, Tom Wilkinson, Joe Vesey, Joe Ray, Herb Cook, George Shoner. The rain doesn't bother them a bit either. . . . Elaine Sutter, Marge Young, Ruth Kiep, Helen Bunnell, Irma Snyder, Helen Bell, Barbara Stoops, Norma Werling, Dorothy Stier, Jeanne Bott, Cora Zimmerman, Toni Sandkuhler, Katie Emkow, Elsie Irvine, Madge Ruckman, Marcelle Kimmell, Mary Joe Sites and Betty Weible enjoyed a wiener bake at Foster Park last week in spite of all the rain. Elaine furnished the radio, so there was music and dancing—square dancing too! . . . John Laymon sent the Wage Rate Section a whole package of Japanese money. Everyone seems to have some of it, so don't be surprised to see a lot of people with Jap money in their pockets. Of course, the money will never be of any use to us, because by the time our boys are finished with Japan there won't be any place to spend it. . . . Jean Bartholomew was vacationing last week and sent us a card from Canada. When she takes a vacation she really leaves home. . . . Well, gang, that is all for this week, and I still haven't had any suggestions for a new and different title for this column. Come on now, let's give!

It's A Joke

A gentleman in the optical business was instructing his son in the technique of edging a fair and honest price out of a customer.

He said: "Son, after you have fitted glasses to a customer and the customer asks, 'What's the charge?' you say:

"The charge is ten dollars'."

"Then you pause and watch for the flinch.

"If the customer doesn't flinch, you say: 'That's for the frames; the lenses will be another ten dollars.' Pause again—but this time just slightly—and again you watch for the flinch.

"If the customer doesn't flinch, you say: 'Each'."

A man rushed into the newspaper office and demanded to see the editor. "Sir," he cried as he walked around the room, "your paper has libeled me. You have called me the lightweight champion."

"But that is true," returned the editor. "You are Mr. Fightwell, aren't you?"

"Yes, yes," cried the other, "but it's my brother who is the boxer. I'm a coal merchant."

A proud mother walked into the furniture store, clutching a small monthly payment. She placed it on the counter happily. "Here," she said, "is the last installment on our baby carriage."

"That's fine," said the clerk, "and how is the baby?"

"Oh," said the mother, "he was drafted last month."

WINTER STREET Rumblings

Refrigerator Assembly

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. Cartwright in the death of his father. . . . Lost, one pair of shoes! Harry Woodward has managed to a certain pair of shoes at work for three years, and now they are missing. Will someone try to help Harry find his shoes?

Planning

It seems that we got our stag parties mixed last week, but one thing we know is that everyone enjoyed himself. . . . Jim Hartzell was vacationing last week. . . . Amede Allie and Kenny Allway finally agree that both of them can't make it through the doorway at the same time. They tried it not so long ago and got stuck. Well, boys, as the old saying goes, "Live and Learn."

Shipping

Mary Prezbindowski returned from Florida sporting a beautiful tan. When she came home, she had a wonderful surprise as her two brothers, who have been in England, were home. . . . Madonna Lehman, Marcella Gamble, Doris Polley and Irene Mestemaker are on their vacation this week. Have a good time, kids! . . . We all wish a speedy recovery to Norma Sanger. She is recuperating on a farm near Syracuse, Ind. . . . Two newcomers in our office are Kathleen Koehnger, typist, and Polly Jones, mail girl. . . . Famous expressions: Dorothy Cartwright, "What a low-w-w-w." Alice Minser, "My now." Virginia Watts, "I Don't care." Agnes Manz, "Oh, I Don't know and I Don't Care."

Tool Room and Maintenance

We received a visit last week from Ora Waltz, who formerly worked for John Schwartz as a maintenance man. Ora has been in the Navy almost three years and is a Shipfitter, 1/c, with the transport service. After many months in the Southwest Pacific, his boat docked in San Francisco, and he received a six-day leave. He was able to arrange air transportation each way, so he made the trip home. Ora also has a previous hitch in the Navy to his credit, as he and Don Meeks, also a maintenance man, pulled a hitch together several years ago. . . . Lyne Wray, formerly of the grinding section in the tool room, is now stationed at Great Lakes as an apprentice seaman.

SPORTS

Golf

Tom Piepenbrink continues to dominate the Winter Street Golfing League, as he fired a 41 over the tough back nine at Brookwood. Tom plays a consistently good game, and nobody will be too surprised if he comes in with a par round one of these evenings. Hal Staley and Les Didier also had good rounds, both of them coming in with a 42. Didier put a wood shot 5 inches from the pin on number 18 and has a diagram of the hole to show just what happened.

Team 5, captained by Glen Macy, and Team 3, captained by Hal Staley, are tied for the lead with three wins and one defeat. Both teams won their matches last Wednesday. The other winner for the evening was Team 4, captained by Dorm Kirke.

Production

Ask Mary Joe Suelzer how the vibration through a door sounds. She thought she was going to hear a motor, but heard a crash instead. . . . Nelda McClain gets so enthused when the candy lady has candy bars, that she bumps into the last person in line every time.

Cost

It's too bad that the weatherman didn't give the fishermen a little sunshine for the opening of the fishing season; but I guess that a little thing like that didn't even stop our eager beavers!

Dustproof Room

Lucille Lemish has left the General Electric. . . . Margaret Grossman also has left the room, since she is ill. We hope you get better soon. Marge, Mildred Norton, and Velma Adams also have been off for some time. . . . We hope Lucille Johnson had a nice time on her vacation. . . . Edith Biberich must have been day dreaming when she stumbled in the aisle. Better watch it, Edith. . . . Gladys Smith certainly had a bad spill down the steps. We hope she doesn't have any more. . . . A lucky girl is Edith, who received a diamond from Allen.

Compressor Spare Parts

We were sorry to hear of Charlotte's mother being in St. Joseph's Hospital. We all wish her a speedy recovery. . . . Notice the gleam in Mary Leiter's and Vada Staley's eyes. We know they both had letters. Keep smiling, girls, and we hope the letters keep pouring in. . . . Everyone know about the fish fry being held at Rudy's house? He went fishing yesterday and caught 80 fish. We hope you continue to have luck on your fishing trips, Rudy. Then we can have fish dinners free, ha ha! . . . Ruthie Meyer and her husband spent a pleasant week-end at the lake last week.

Compressor Oil Pump

We hope Louise Barger and Don Clem are enjoying their vacations this week. . . . The time must come when fellow employees must depart, and we are sorry to see John Roberts and Harold Seltenright leave. Good luck, fellas! . . . The gang knew that the absence of Ted Pemberton last Saturday was for a happy cause, and we were all glad to see the day come too, as his son arrived home on furlough after being a prisoner of war. . . . The weather over the week-end prevented many fish from being caught, but it didn't seem to hinder Louie Hay any. He swears he carried fish in a wheelbarrow from the shore—they were washed ashore with the tide.

Hi Bay (Shipping Section)

Kaiser eats chicken on the first day of the fishing season. What's the matter, didn't you get any, Kaiser?

Engineering and Drafting

One of the more intellectual engineers has been developing his literary talents by an avid following of the trials of "Terry and The Pirates." Be careful, Walt, that kind of reading is hard on the fingernails. . . . Good luck to Dorothy Hensel, who has left the Drafting Section for the Sunny South and husband, Bill. . . . FloAnn Brown is again "vacationing" with us this summer. . . . Dorothy Roehm and Mrs. Leighty are the new gals, and here's a hearty welcome to them both. . . . Sgt. Lawrence Lord, son of Lawrence Lord, Sr., guard at the plant, visited here this week. He recently returned to the United States after spending 19 months in a German prison camp.

Order and Stores

Announcement: If anyone needs any sewing or repair work done, see Clark Leips. He boasts of making his own kitchen curtains. . . . Edna Robertson is on the vacation list this week.

Experts Are Needed



to apply compressed gases in manufacturing processes to their maximum efficiency, but any of us can apply the comparatively simple precautions necessary to make these gases safe to use. R. J. Bangert, Supervisor of Welding, Taylor Street, is calling this to our attention in the above picture.

The sketches illustrate how simple some of these precautions are. Each sketch illustrates a safety rule from GEQ-69A—SAFETY FOR GAS WELDING, CUTTING, AND BRAZING OPERATORS (revised copies of this book will be distributed in a few weeks); for example, the top sketch refers to the following rule: "Oxygen combines with oil or other flammable materials with explosive violence. For this reason it is important to keep oxygen cylinders spotlessly clean of oil or other flammables. Workmen shall not handle oxygen cylinders with oily or greasy hands, gloves, or clothing. They shall not be stored in proximity to flammable materials such as gasoline, oils, etc."

As stated here last week, WE ARE ALL INTERESTED IN THIS SUBJECT BECAUSE IF A CYLINDER BURSTS THE FLYING "SHRAPNEL" WILL NOT BE A RESPECTER OF PERSONS.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Sleuthing In 4-6

We regret to announce that our former reporter, Ruth Ehrsam, has left us to take a position in Bldg. 18-5. We send with her our best wishes for happiness and success in her new position. . . . Congratulations to Wade Reed, who has completed 25 years of service with the G-E. Wade was presented with flowers and a poster signed by his co-workers. He is also being presented with a Quarter-Century pin as a gift from his friends in 4-6. . . . We will miss Virginia Sites, formerly of the File Room, who has left us to go to California. . . . We also had to say "Au Revoir" to Dick Weaver, who has left us to enter the service of our country. Dick was given quite a ceremonious send-off in the way of many gifts, and speeches by L. F. Hemphill and G. Grauer. Dick, in turn, gave a farewell speech. He left with the good wishes of all his fellow workers. . . . We hear that Marjorie Young and Ruth Burris celebrated their birthdays on June 11. We wish you many more happy birthdays, girls. . . . If you see Phyllis Hardy wandering around with a "lost" look on her face, that's because things just aren't the same any more. Yes, Phyllis is back and is having quite a time finding her way around, and renewing old acquaintances. Nice to have you back, Phyllis. . . . We were also glad to see Pvt. Max Waterson, who came up last week for a visit with his pals in 4-6. . . . Sure 'nough, the fishing season is in! Dwight Willits was right on the job, too, and got off to a good start with a beautiful big bass. That's the stuff, Dwight—show 'em how it's done! . . . Paper weights seem to be very much in demand since those big new fans have appeared in 4-6. . . .

In Appreciation

My humble "Thank You" to each and every one of my associates who helped me celebrate my fiftieth anniversary with the General Electric Company.

It is a satisfaction to me to know that my years of service have enabled me to be associated with so many fine people.

William N. Wehrs

The rush-around noon hour shoppers certainly have a wonderful time trying to get things accomplished. One of them had these experiences: After having spent a good while around a counter in one of the downtown department stores, he finally became disgusted and decided to shop elsewhere in that same store. As he was leaving the counter, another would-be purchaser approached him and asked him to take care of his purchases. Our hero politely informed the unsuspecting customer that he was not an employee of the store. Then our hero went down to the basement and put in another long wait and finally decided that he could get better service by giving the clerk the money for the article he wanted, getting his change, and then picking up the article on the way out. (The trick worked for him.) Nevertheless, we would like to suggest that Ralph Richards had better wear his G-E badge the next time he goes shopping, so that people will know where he works. . . . After several weeks of hurrying to answer the telephone every time it sounded like an outside call, Marian Menze has at last received a telegram from that certain someone saying he has landed back in the States. . . . Henry Marahrens is sitting on top of the world since the girls in his section presented him with that scrumptious bow tie as a Father's Day gift. Our greatest fear, now that we've seen him wearing it, is that Hollywood will take him away from us. Wally Clayton also received a similar gift; however, Henry isn't a bit jealous because after all Wally's tie is only an ordinary one—not a bow tie. In Henry's opinion it "looks like a faded out barber pole." Now, Henry, is that nice? Never mind, Wally. It's a nice tie, and we like it even if Henry doesn't appreciate it. . . . Of course you've noticed our "Honor Roll" which we are now proudly displaying in 4-6. We feel sure that all will agree with us in saying that it is a beautiful thing. We hereby wish to express our gratitude to Marjorie Young, who is responsible for the art work on it; also to all those who contributed toward it.



NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

Mahala Schindler entertained a group of girls with a potluck supper at her home in Berne. Everyone was quite thrilled with her beautiful rose garden and spring flowers, which are a specialty with Mahala. Loretta Weiland and Bonnie Womack did a jitterbug dance. Doris Shaffer and Treva Rash sang old-time songs. And all participated in games and having a good time. Those present were: Loretta Weiland, Bonnie Womack, Hilda Gaunt, Doris Hitchcock, Beulah and Treva Biberstine, Dorothy Thieme, Marcella Crozier, Leona Fruchte, Doris Shaffer, Lillie Hammond, Treva Rash, Verena Meyer and hostess Mahala Schindler. A beautiful gift was presented to the hostess by her guests. . . . Best wishes to the newlyweds, Mary Wolpert and Cornelius Schirack, who were married June 12—to Annabelle Doan and David Heller, married June 9—and to Neva Harshbarger and Homer Liby, married June 9. . . . Norma Bower has been wondering why we haven't announced her return to work—yes, she's back and looking very well. . . . Anna Grover, wife of our own Dale Grover, has joined us on the Swing Shift. . . . Marg Rhoades, the girl who dishes it out in the cafeteria, celebrated her birthday the 8th by making a pan of nice brown gravy. . . . Norbert Schneider was pleasantly surprised Saturday evening when he was presented a going-away gift by the winding machine section. Norbert is leaving the Company. . . . A speedy recovery to Red Roop, Betty Myers, and Helen Owens. . . . We are glad to have back to work after recent illnesses Fern Passwater, Dolores Bentz, and Irene Heiman. . . . Vacationists last week included Nondus Snyder, who just stayed at home—Waymon Patrick, who took his family to Georgia—Jerry Myers, Beulah Ainsworth, and Ilene Strahm. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald (Jerry) Ross, who are the parents of a baby boy born June 8. He has been named Gary Lynn. Jerry is employed in Plant No. 1. . . . Esther Schueler was all smiles when she arrived at work Saturday morning—the reason: she was wearing a sparkler. The lucky fellow is Bill Meyer. . . . Friday, June 8, the girls' softball team played the Baer Field WACS. Decatur's pitcher, Butcher, went down in softball's hall of fame, as she pitched a perfect game. "Butch" did not allow a batter to touch first base, and struck out 11. Her teammates gave her perfect support, although they had but 10 chances in the field, with the infield making these. Snyder, G. I. shortstop, made a nice catch of a line drive in the last inning to make it a no hitter. Bower behind the plate played one of her best games. G-E found Snyder, Baer Field pitcher, easier to hit than in their last game, but errors kept her in the hole. The final score was 18 to 0 for the girls' fifth straight without a loss. It was also their third league game and they are now in first place, leading the pack of 4 other teams. . . . Thursday, June 14, playing Studebaker, the girls made it six in a row and four league games in a row without a loss. After a shaky first inning in which two runs were scored, Butcher settled down and pitched very good ball, allowing but 2 hits thereafter and striking out 10 Studebaker batters. Heck, Studebaker pitcher, allowed 10 runs on 11 hits and struck out 2. The game was featured by Sprunger's base cleaning double. The girls were all hitting well and fielded well, making but one error on a close play. The final score was: G-E 10, Studebaker 2. . . . We're plenty proud of our girls' team this year and hope they can continue to win. Let's boost the team by attending the game with Essex Wire Tuesday, June 19, at Worthman Field.

G. I. JIVE

Hi Ya Fellows—Isn't this a surprise? It's been a while since we've really written an article especially for you. We hope this won't be too much of a shock to you. Here it is the middle of June and we hardly realize it's summer yet. We've had an awful lot of rain this year. In fact, we're beginning to wonder if there is a sun any more.

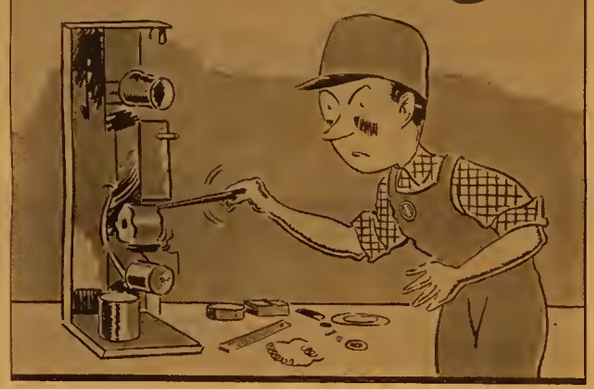
Things are just about the same as usual here. Not much excitement; we're still waiting for the day when you'll all be home to stir up a little excitement. However, while we're waiting, we're still working to back you up.

Now that we've told you about the weather, we'll give you a little dope on "Who's Who with the Service Men."

Bill Kitson returned to Decatur last week. Bill had been a prisoner of the Germans since December 12, 1944. . . . Jack Eady of the Army Air Corps is on his way home from

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DIS-ASSEMBLING LOSES Time!



Finding the spoiled part in a rejected assembly is a very lengthy business.

The final test has told us that the assembly will not function. It has not told us why it will not. This we must find out. To find it out, the assembly must be dismantled—each part in it must be analyzed and considered; individually tested, if possible. This process can take hours of a man's time.

You and I could save these tedious hours for this man easily if we would become more spoiled-part conscious. Let's do this—let's spot spoiled parts all along the line. On our machine, at the inspection bench, in the assembly department, let's get rejection tags put on spoiled parts. Let's make all our assemblies function.

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

TEAM STANDING

	W.	L.
Tool Room	7	1
Aluminum Parts	5	3
B-29's	5	3
Giants	5	3
Laboratory	4	4
D.H.K.'s	4	4
Developmental	4	4
Screw-Balls	3	5
Production	2	6
Ramblers	1	7

SUMMARY

D.H.K.'s defeated Tool Room 191-203
Alum. Parts defeated Laboratory 195-220
Giants defeated Ramblers 204-215
Developmental defeated B-29's 195-196
Screw-Balls defeated Production 173-196

Well, it happened! Yes, sir, the valiant Tool Room sluggers finally were toppled from the undefeated rank as the D.H.K.'s "poured it on" for a twelve-point victory margin. However, they still maintain a full two-game lead over three teams who are tied for second position. Aluminum Parts, Giants, and the Screw-Balls all scored easy victories, while Developmental eked out a win over the B-29's by one stroke.

Garton with a 44 led the boys on the first nine, and Woehr with a 41 scored low on the back nine. Several other golfers turned in commendable scores as their old joints are loosening up a bit. Then, of course, there still remain a few of us who persist in sod slinging and trying to get distance by driving thin air. Not much percentage but lots of fun anyway.

Next week concludes the first round of play so a few of you team captains had better start racking your brains as to how your team can catch the leaders. Good luck and good "swinging."

Golf Etiquette Hint of the Week

Cooperate with the Grounds Committee by glaring at your caddie each time you tear up turf—it probably was his fault anyway.

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

Are we happy! Just lots and lots of things have been happening, and we even had some items in the box. That's what we want, folks, so keep it up. . . . If you want to get a thrill, just go riding with Florence Stanski around some of the curves at Lake James. She wonders how she does it herself sometimes, since she doesn't know too much about driving. Take it easy, "Stanny." . . . Martha Weberus is quitting to be a housewife. Hate to see you leave, Martha, and we'll all miss you. . . . We were happy to see George Green and Herald (Popeye) Patterson back in civilian clothes after they had their discharges. Welcome back, boys. . . . Welcome back, Estelle Pio, who has returned after having an operation. Glad you're with us again, Estelle. . . . Mary Long is a very happy girl now. . . . Mrs. Betty Strohmeier was hostess to the Sewing Club last week at her home. She showed the girls all the souvenirs which her brother sent home from Germany. Betty is also "walking on air" now that her husband T/Sgt. Don Strohmeier is stationed in Illinois and can get home every week-end. . . . Marceile Anderson and Violet Warner recently celebrated their birthdays and received gifts at the potluck Groups 13x55 and 13x56 had for them. . . . Herb Sauer got out his trusty shotgun to shoot some crows. Result: Herb had to be off a couple of days due to a kink in his back, because of the "kick" in said trusty shotgun. Better watch that, Herb. . . . Charlie Winans received a letter from Al Hanley, who is at Great Lakes taking the Navy's boot training. We certainly would like to see you with that crew hair cut. Glad to hear you're getting along all right, and we enjoyed your letter. Let's hear some more from you, Al. . . . Ed Buechner has left Group 13x55, second shift, to take an assembler's job on days in Bldg. 4-5. Sorry to see you leave, Eddie, and good luck on the new job. . . . Jerry Smith turned pioneer on his vacation. Someone spied him with his children, in a horse and buggy, helping some friends move. We bet it was a lot of fun, Jerry. . . . Charlie Heater went to the Kentucky Derby on his vacation and says he had a fine time. Glad to hear it, Charlie. . . . Peter Hellenthal went to Illinois on his vacation, but he didn't like the rain that followed him around. It even came back here when he did. . . . Evelyn Schultz is a very happy and excited girl, waiting for her husband to come home. His last letter said it will be soon. . . . We all hope Florence Chim gets well soon and can be back with us again. . . . A la Fibber McGee, the following appeared in the little box: "Quinten the Quiet, I was known as in those days, Quinten the Quiet, from the queer quirks of Quebec to the qualified quibblings of Queen Victory." What next? . . . Our latchstring was out for several new people this past week. Group 13x54 welcomed Marylou Sephiea, Margaret Merchant, Agnes Parcher, Wanda Sheets, and Margaret Corell (she recently came from Uncle Sam's Army of women, the WAC). Nellie Knepper adds her bit to Group 13x59, and Ethel Ayers is in Group 13x56. Edna Chousse and Robert Sowards have joined the Inspection Section, Edna on mechanical inspection and "Pete" in the flange group. All of these are on second shift. . . . Other folks who added one more year to their age were Marie Hummel of Group 13x59, whose birthday was June 3. Charles (Pat) Monroe celebrated his June 13, Nick Cozmas on the 14th, and our missing tester, Arlene Gaskill, had her birthday on June 16. We hope you all had a grand birthday and hope you have many more. . . . Charlie Winans and "Nick" Nicol were very proud papas who witnessed the graduation of their daughters from the eighth grade. Congratutations, fellows. . . . We are having quite a few June brides. Alice Daily left us June 16 and will be a bride Sunday, June 24. Rosella Pfefferkorn is quitting June 30 and has set her wedding date for July 14. Marjorie Wyss will become Mrs. Donald Borne on June 23. We wish all of you all the luck in the world and continued happiness in the years to come. . . . O. J. (Fuzz) Meyers, Verdine Shields, and Bob Barker were on vacation this week. Hope you all had a nice time. . . . We were all very sorry to learn of the death of Tennis Shidler on June 12. "Shide" has been an inspector for 22 years and was liked by everyone who knew him. To his widow and family we extend our deepest sympathy. . . . Evan Morris and Frank (Bring 'Em Back Alive) Buck have something in common, for "Morrie" brings them back alive too. He and a couple of friends caught a badger one night last week, snared him with a noose

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FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Alfred Fields (2)	1320 S. Cedar, Auburn Coming in on No. 427.	4-3	Smith	3:00-11:30
Michael Wolf (3)*	R. 2, Columbia City Coming in on No. 114 and No. 24.	4-3	Fosnight	7:00- 3:30
Keith Deetz (2)	R. 1, Hudson, Ind. No. 327 to No. 27, through Garrett.	26-B	W. Long	7:00- 3:30
Ella Staver (2)*	106 W. 9th, N. Manchester Coming in on No. 114 and No. 24.	19-3	Micbaels	10:42- 7:12
James Fike (2)*†	R. 1, Corunna, Ind.	19-4	Korte	7:00- 3:30

* Numbers of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

William Balliet	R. 3, Paulding, Ohio Near Ohio No. 111— U. S. No. 24.	10-3	Orr	8:00- 5:30
Dwight Meyers	Wolcottville, Ind.	31-1	Hartigan	8:00- 5:30

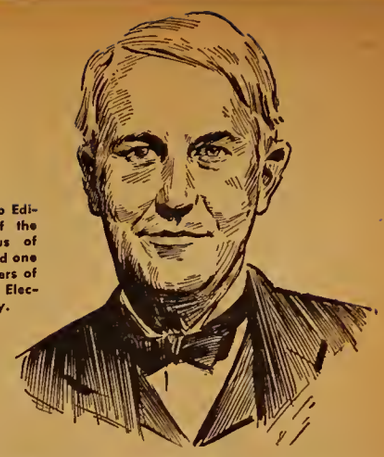
TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Wendell Schwartz	Bluffton, Ind.	Kruse	3:00- 4:30
Robert Hanson	1027 Putnam St., City	Deahl	7:12- 3:30
Waveland Bernardin	R. 7, Fort Wayne	Deahl	7:12- 3:30
Harry Parker	1024 Rivermet, City	Greiner	6:48- 3:30
Geo. Heisel	Hicksville, Ohio	Tam	7:00- 3:30
Don Sollows	Monroeville, Indiana	Langdon	2:48-10:30

G.E. Management Follows in the Footsteps of EDISON

THOMAS EDISON'S fame as an inventor spread long ago to the farthest corners of the earth. What is still not so generally known about him, however, is that he was also a good business man. He was an inventor—and a manufacturer as well—and successful as both. In fact, he was one of the founders of the General Electric Company. Edison always had an eye for business. He was never interested in working on anything except what could be put to practical use. All through his life, too, he kept putting whatever money he earned "back into the business." He never hesitated to risk everything he had to develop some new idea. What were some of Edison's achievements? How did he successfully combine the jobs of inventing, manufacturing and selling?



Thomas Alva Edison, one of the most famous of inventors and one of the founders of the General Electric Company.



A few years after receiving $40,000 for some stock ticker devices he had invented, Edison erected the laboratory of his dreams at Menlo Park, N. J. Edison had always felt the need for a laboratory. Even as a boy, he had had one in the cellar of his Port Huron, Mich., home. When he went to work at the age of 11, selling candy, fruit, and newspapers on the railroad operating between Port Huron and Detroit, he had a "lab" in the baggage car. At other times, he had laboratories at Newark and West Orange, N. J., and even at his home in Florida.



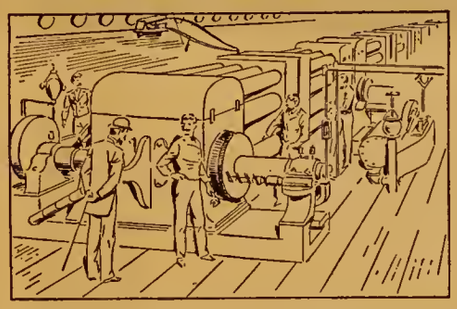
Of all of Edison's laboratories, none became more famous than the one at Menlo Park, New Jersey. It was there that Edison, with the help of associates whom he hired, invented not only the incandescent lamp, but also the carbon transmitter for the telephone, the phonograph, and the Edison dynamo. His success with the incandescent lamp aroused the wonder and curiosity of the entire world. On New Year's Eve, 1879, more than 3000 persons took an excursion train from New York to watch a public demonstration of the incandescent lamp at Menlo Park.



An important business venture for Edison was the formation of the Edison Electric Light Co. And one of the first acts of the new firm was to lease a large mansion at 65 Fifth Avenue in New York City in 1881 so that it could have a showroom in which to display the everyday use of electric lamps to advantage. Edison wired the entire house for incandescent lamps and installed a small generating plant in the basement. For a year, the place was open until 10 p.m. to give the public a chance to see the wonder of the age—the incandescent lamp.



Edison also established the world's first lamp factory at Menlo Park. But it was not long before he moved his Lamp Works into a larger building at Harrison, N. J. To create a market for the lamp, he charged at first 63 per cent less a bulb than what it cost him to make it. However, by "getting up machinery and in changing processes," as Edison said himself, he succeeded in four years in lowering the cost of manufacture down to a point where he could make some money. Edison made up the financial losses of four whole years in a single one.



Edison then formed the Edison Electric Illuminating Company to give the people of New York another demonstration of his lighting system. Anxious to prove that a central station could supply the power for electric lights better and cheaper than small generating plants built to service single buildings, Edison and his new company installed such a station complete with the new Edison dynamo and other equipment on Pearl Street in Manhattan. The station was opened September 4, 1882, supplying a few customers with current for 400 lights.



The Edison Machine Works, which Edison had established originally in a factory on Goerck Street in New York City to make electrical machinery, was moved in 1886 into two buildings at Schenectady, N. Y. The Edison Machine Works became the Edison General Electric Company in 1888 when the Edison Electric Light Company was merged with all the Edison manufacturing companies. The General Electric Company was founded in 1892 when the Thomson-Houston Company was combined with the Edison General Electric Company.

One of the first decisions made by the General Electric Company was to establish a research laboratory and Dr. Willis R. Whitney, a professor of chemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was named to take charge of it. The heads of the Company, realizing, like Edison, that the facts of science could be utilized to create new products for the public, desired a "lab" in which additional facts of science could be discovered. An inventing company from the start, G.E. wanted new ideas for its engineers to develop.

Just as Edison worked together with his associates at Menlo Park, so at General Electric, the engineers work closely with the men of the shops. Inventing is the job of not only the scientists and engineers in our Company. Through the "Suggestion System" every workman is encouraged to come forward with new ideas. It is through invention, applied science, that the G.E. today can—in the Edison manner—manufacture the products our customers want, meet the competition of other companies and provide jobs for us.

News From Decatur

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England. Jack was recently given recognition by General Doolittle for outstanding work. . . . Cleo Painter of the Navy is stationed in the Aleutians. He reports having seen a volcano in action. . . . There are some happy girls around here. One is Sanna Kunkel, who is quite happy because her brother, Fred, who has been a German prisoner, has arrived home safely. . . . Another happy girl is Mary Johnson. Mary's brother, John Spahr, was home on leave. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant at Fort Benning, Ga., just before his arrival home. John is the son of Edna Spahr, who is employed in Plant No. 1, second shift. . . . Julie Baker, who recently left us to join the Navy (by request), is stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., and wishes to say hello to all his friends. . . . Herman Keller has been transferred to Cleveland from Lido Beach. Mrs. Keller is visiting him there. . . . That's about all for this time. Maybe you'll be hearing from us again soon and we'll be hoping to hear from you.

Howdy, Folks:

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and all. When are you going after the big stuff, Morrie? . . . Rose Ulrey showed us some Japanese knives, including a hara kiri knife, which her brother-in-law sent her sister from Okinawa.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Club To Play Great Lakes Thursday

G-E Club Scores 6-2 Win Over Columbus Team

Servicemen Are Upset By Four-Run Rally In Seventh Inning

By Frank Eakin

With Mel Kestner driving in the winning run in the seventh with a pinch single, the G-E Club went on to score a 6-2 win over the Columbus Bright Servicemen. Kestner's hit came in the middle of a four-run rally that drove Benny Williams from the mound. Stewart, the second pitcher, followed to give Odie Barnett a good one which scored two more runs.

The Brightmen had gone ahead in the top of the seventh with a brace of runs on three singles and two walks. These two runs wiped out tbe one-run lead which Bush and Carey had made with their singles in the second inning.

Although Carey was removed for a pinch hitter, Kestner, in the seventh, he received credit for his first win. He allowed six hits, walked three, and struck out eight. His successor, Jack Bowen, pitched hitless ball for the last two innings, striking out three and walking none.

Kenny Wattier made the fielding play of the game as he threw out Warschauer on a squeeze play. He also connected for two hits along with Bobby Winter, Perry Bush, and Scott Carey.

The summary:

"Scott's First"

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	COLUMBUS	AB.	R.	H.
Brann,cf	2	0	1	Snyder,2b	2	0	1
Barnett,ss	3	0	1	Schneider,3b	2	0	1
Wattier,3b	5	0	2	Mahaney,cf	4	0	1
Winter,lf	5	2	2	Phillip,1b	4	0	0
Bobilya,1b	4	0	1	Woods,ss	4	1	1
Young,rf	5	0	0	Warschauer,lf	3	0	0
Seiple,2b	5	1	0	Dixon,rf	4	1	1
Bush,c	4	2	2	Junk,c	4	0	0
Carey,p	3	0	2	Williams,p	3	0	1
Kestner	1	1	1	Stewart,p	0	0	0
Bowen,p	0	0	0	Englander	1	0	0
Totals	37	6	12	Totals	31	2	6

Score by innings— R. H.
Columbus ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0— 2 6
G-E Club ..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 4 1 *— 6 12

Brooklyn Browns Go Down, 8-0, In G-E Club Tilt

By Frank Eakin

With Parnell Hisner, the young fireballer, hurling a four-hit shutout, the G-E Club scored an easy 8-0 victory over the good Brooklyn Brown Dodgers of the new United States League. Hisner spaced the four hits well, with two of the scratch variety coming in the eighth inning. He struck out eleven and walked three in pitching his fourth win of the season against no losses.

Odie Barnett, Carroll Seiple, and Perry Bush were the big guns for the Club. Odie connected for three singles, Seiple a single and a double, and Bush, a single and a homer, driving in four runs.

The Club scored in the first, added four more in the second, and put three more across by virtue of Bush's homer in the fifth. The game saw the end of Bobby Winter's hitting streak, in which he had hit twice in each of the last four games.

The summary:

"Hisner's Specialty"

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	BROOKLYN	AB.	R.	H.
Barnett,ss	5	0	3	Wilkes,cf	4	0	1
Brann,cf	3	1	1	Morton,ss	3	0	1
Wattier,3b	4	0	1	Craig,lf	3	0	0
Winter,lf	4	0	0	Spearmos,3b	4	0	0
Bobilya,1b	4	2	1	Baker,rf	4	0	1
Young,rf-c	3	1	1	Glenn,c	4	0	0
Seiple,2b	4	2	2	Felder,2b	3	0	0
Bush,c	3	2	2	Brown,1b	4	0	0
Hisner,p	2	0	1	Gibbons,p	1	0	0
Kestner,rf	0	0	0	Roberts,p	2	0	1
Totals	32	8	12	Totals	32	0	4

Score by innings— R. H.
Brooklyn ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 4
G-E Club ..... 1 4 0 0 3 0 0 0 *— 8 12

Dust Off Home Plate



Jerry Duryee, Softball Coach

By Ernie Spaulding

This is Jerry's first year as coach for the G-E Club softball team in the Major League. After missing the first two games, due to illness, he has been on the job ever since.

Jerry is one of the boys who helped bring softball into prominence. He played softball in the old Interdepartment League before softball was organized on its present scale.

Jerry played baseball and was on the track team at Purdue. He has also played semi-pro baseball. Another athletic interest of his is volleyball, in which he plays and referees.

With his experience in the various fields of athletics, Jerry should make a capable coach at third base; and many runs should cross the plate due to his coaching.

Softball Notice

All girls interested in playing inter-department softball, please report to Lawton Park Wednesday, June 27, at 6 P.M. If there are any questions, call me, A-60743.

Charlotte Drewett, Manager



Manager Braden was forced to drop Emil Bildilli to the inactive list last week. Emil has been bothered by a sore arm all spring, and when it failed to respond to treatments, Braden was forced to make the mighty tough decision. Last year Emil was a great pitcher, having an 18-4 record, with three weeks being spent on the bench with a similar sore arm. Just who will replace him is hard to say.

Braden has Parnell Hisner and Scott Carey, two very promising youngsters, and together with Max Miller, they may be able to carry the load. However, an older pitcher who can still fool the batters is needed for that necessary balance.

Odie Barnett continues to lead the team in hitting with a nice .352 mark. Carroll Seiple, the likable little speedster, is second with a .333 mark. These two boys are certainly teaming up well around the keystone bag both afield and at bat. Odie is a good .300 hitter any time, whereas Seiple is, or should we say, was supposed to be a little on the light side of a .300 hitter. Maybe the coaching given by some of the older boys is paying off, thus making him a normal .300 hitter. Anyway, let's hope so. The Club can sure use it.

Department Leaders

BATTING: Barnett .352; Seiple .333.
R.B.I.: Bobilya 9; Young 8; Bush 8.
RUNS: Barnett 8; Brann 8; Bobilya 8.
HITS: Barnett 14; Seiple and Bobilya 11.
SINGLES: Barnett 12; Wattier 9; Seiple 7.
DOUBLES: Bobilya and Seiple 4; Bush 3.
TRIPLES: Bobilya and Brann 1.
HOME RUNS: Bobilya, Hisner, Bush 1.
TOTAL BASES: Bobilya 20; Bush and Barnett 16; Seiple 15.
WALKS: Brann 13; Barnett 5.
STRIKE OUTS: Bobilya 8; Bush 7; Kestner 5.
PITCHING: Hisner 4-0; Bildilli 1-2; Carey 0-1; Miller 0-1.

Seven turbines at Boulder Dam convert water into 800,000 horsepower of electrical energy to serve all types of industries.

Games Also Scheduled Tonight And Tuesday

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club baseball team has again been chosen to play the Great Lakes Bluejackets, under the tutelage of Bullet Bobby Feller, the former Cleveland Indian fireball artist. This game is scheduled for next Thursday evening at 8:15 o'clock at Dwenger Park.

The proceeds from this game will go to the Navy Relief Fund, and Fort Wayne has always supported this game whole-heartedly and has gained national reputation by doing so.

The Bluejackets beat the Club last year, but not without a struggle, as the Club showed brilliance afield and at bat, but were no match for the powerful Navy nine. The personnel of the team has changed completely, with players of Major League experience, such as Feller, Gorsica, Galehouse, Keltner, Higgins, Walker Cooper, and many others, giving the Bluejackets a star-studded line-up. Just who will do the hurling for the Bluejackets in this game has not been announced yet, but undoubtedly it will be a former Major Leaguer.

Manager Braden has been pointing for this game, and with the game tonight at Dwenger Park against the Lafayette Red Sox and next Tuesday, again at Dwenger, against the Chicago American Giants, he will be readying his team for the big game of the year.

Lafayette scored an 11-10 win over the Club at Lafayette in weather suitable for football rather than baseball. In an effort to stop the Red Sox, Braden is going to use his ace righthander, Parnell Hisner, who has a 4-0 record for the season.

Against the Chicago American Giants, Braden will use Scott Carey, the little left hander. The Giants are one of the leading Negro teams of the American and National Negro Leagues. They were to play here earlier in the season, but wet grounds prohibited playing the game.

G-E Club Softball Team Drops Game To Harvester, 1-0

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club softball team came out on the small end of a 1-0 game with Harvester at the Beach Thursday, June 14. The game went 8 innings before a decision was reached.

The weather was decidedly better than for any previous game and was reflected in the playing of both teams. The loss of this game knocked the Club out of a tie for first place.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	HARVESTER	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	1	0	0	T.Smith,3b	3	0	0
Esterlin, 2b	2	0	0	Stop'nh'g'n,sf	3	0	0
Hess,lf	3	0	0	Hertig,lf	3	0	1
Hilgema'n,sf	3	0	0	Augustine,1b	3	0	1
Rarick,rf	3	0	1	White,ss	3	0	0
Scherer,rf	0	0	0	Fensler,c	2	0	0
Anderson,cf	3	0	0	Nahrwold,p	3	1	1
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	0	0	Elward,2b	3	0	0
Stanski,ss	3	0	1	Stephenson,cf	3	0	2
Bohde,c	2	0	1	E.Smith,rf	3	0	0
Krieg,c	1	0	0				
Starkel,p	1	0	0				
Feldheiser,p	0	0	0				
Totals	25	0	3	Totals	29	1	6

Error—Lindenberg. Struck out—By Starkel, Stopenhagen, Augustine; by Nahrwold, Esterline, Hess, Hilgemann (2), Rarick (2), Steuernagel, Bohde, Krieg. Base on balls—Off Feldheiser, Fensler; off Nahrwold 6, Lindenberg (2). 2 base hit—Rarick. 3 base hit—Stephenson. Losing pitcher—Feldheiser. Sacrifice hits—Esterline, Starkel.

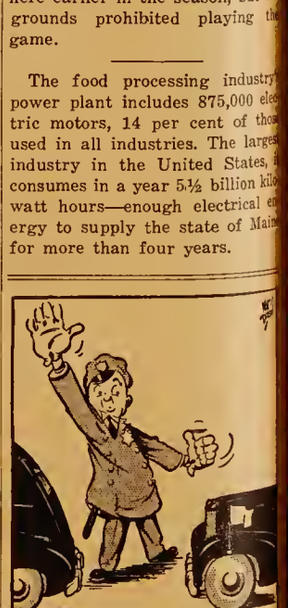
Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
Harvester ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—	1	5	0
G-E Club ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	3	1

Next week's schedule:

Monday, June 18, G-E Club vs. City Light at Memorial.

Thursday, June 21, G-E Club vs. Moose at Beach.

The food processing industry's power plant includes 875,000 electric motors, 14 per cent of those used in all industries. The largest industry in the United States, it consumes in a year 5½ billion kilowatt hours—enough electrical energy to supply the state of Maine for more than four years.



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Family Reunion By Radio



Shown above listening to PFC Richard Tobias (see inset) being interviewed from a hospital in the Pacific are members of his family. From left to right are Mrs. William Moring, his grandmother; Mardo Tobias, father; Mrs. Richard Tobias, wife; Bonny Sales, niece; Mrs. Leo Sales, sister; and Mrs. Mardo Tobias, mother. (See story below).

Few Gaps In G-E Company's Overall Business - - Wilson

Employees Released On Most Cancelled Contracts Go On Other Jobs

Termination of war contracts held by the General Electric Company, while proceeding at a substantial rate, has left few gaps in the Company's overall business because of the large volume of new orders that has been received, Charles E. Wilson, President of the Company, announced this week. At the same time, little relief in a tight labor situation has been afforded.

In 1944, G-E war contracts, held either as a prime contractor or as a subcontractor, were terminated by cancellations or cutbacks at an average rate of $32,000,000 a month. In the first five months of 1945 the monthly average of terminations has been only $23,000,000, with March and May up to last year's average and the other three months substantially below it.

Mr. Wilson pointed out that orders received in 1944, largely for war products, totalled $1,609,636,000, and that orders for the first five months of 1945 total $598,481,000. In each period, the new orders have exceeded the billing for the period, and thus for the Company as a whole have filled the gaps left by cancellations and cutbacks. In some departments the volume of unfilled orders has been substantially reduced by the shipment of completed war goods, combined with the termination of incomplete orders.

Offered Other Jobs

During the past 12 months there have been several large termina-

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Company Sets Up $400,000 Student Fund

Scholarship Support Will Honor Former President Swope

To assist in higher education and fundamental research work in scientific and industrial fields, a fund of $400,000 has been set aside by the directors of the General Electric Company to be known as the Gerard Swope Foundation, it was announced this week. Mr. Swope served as President of General Electric for more than 19 years, from May, 1922, until the close of 1939, and for an additional two years in 1942-44 he returned to head the Company when C. E. Wilson, now President, was acting as executive vice-chairman of the War Production Board. When he re-

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C. E. Wilson Is Safety Council Trustee

G-E's President Charles E. Wilson is included among the trustees of the National Safety Council for 1945.

Through its trustees, the National Safety Council enjoys the leadership of a group of business men and industrialists of national standing and influence. It has been largely through these trustees, un-

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Tobias Family Tunes In To Hear PFC 'Toby'

It isn't every day that a family gets to listen to one of its members being interviewed from a hospital base in the Pacific, so it was a big day for the family of PFC Richard (Toby) Tobias when they heard his voice again Tuesday night after a year's separation.

Toby was a G-E apprentice at the time of his induction nearly two years ago, and it seems that he was born into a genuine G-E family. At least, that's what his father claims. Mardo Tobias, his father, works in the Specialty FHP Motor Section and Toby's wife, Mary, works in Bldg. 4-5. "Both our daughters worked at G-E, both sons-in-law, one of my brothers did work here, and one, Ronald, is still working for G-E," Mr. Tobias said in proof of his claim.

Bonny Sales, Toby's little niece, hasn't yet met the age require-

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Death Claims Show 15 Per Cent Were Members One Year

Payments To Fort Wayne Survivors Totalled $12,825 Last Month

Fifteen per cent of deaths of G-E group-insured employees in the various Works of the Apparatus Department last month were among those who were in their first year of insurance plan membership, according to figures released by the Company last week, and old timers under the Plan continued to point out the advantages of joining, particularly for those eligible after a year of continuous service. Ages at time of death ranged from 20 to 67.

Death claims were paid during the month to beneficiaries of 64

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Seventy-One Get $765 In Latest Suggestion Awards

Merle Chiddister, Taylor Street Plant, Heads List With $125 Idea

A total of $765 was awarded this week to 71 employees, according to S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee. Merle Chiddister, Taylor Street, was at the top of the list with $125 for his idea suggesting partial immersion of certain diaphragms in water during welding operations.

Five others received large awards. Bernhardt W. Stiegler, Taylor Street, won $50 for his idea for conversion of surplus impeller pallets into tote box inserts for pumps and bearings. John Beery, Plant No. 1, Decatur, received $30 for his suggestion of machining

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CASUALTIES

PFC James C. Dafforn, Bldg. 19-3, was wounded on Luzon.

Raymond J. Miller, Bldg. 27, was wounded April 12 off the coast of Okinawa.

Air Conditioning And Industrial Control Plans Announced By Wilson

Manufacture of air conditioning equipment will occupy completely the Bloomfield, N. J., Works of the General Electric Company, it was announced today by Charles E. Wilson, President of the Company. Simultaneously, he made the announcement that the engineering and manufacturing activities of the Industrial Control Division, which have occupied about half the facilities of the plant, will be transferred to Schenectady.

It is expected that the various moves involved will require about two and one-half years for completion, and plans call for minimum disturbance of employee assignment. Engineering personnel in the Industrial Control Division will be most likely candidates for transfer. Operating and manufacturing employees are least subject to change, since much additional manpower will be required for the manufacture of Air Conditioning Department products. Before the war, automatic heating, air conditioning, and commercial refrigeration products occupied about half the plant

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NOTICE !

Operations will be conducted as usual in all divisions of the Fort Wayne Works on Independence Day, Wednesday, July 4th. Individuals not required to work will be so advised.

M. E. Lord, Manager

NOTICE !

The Employees' Store will be closed for quarterly inventory Monday, July 2.

Regular store hours will be resumed at 12 o'clock Noon Tuesday, July 3.

The store will be open July 4.

H. R. Shepherd
Employees' Store,
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Jimmy--Or Tillie ?

Jimmy, the Cricket, bought a War Bond in 1945 during the Seventh War Loan campaign. It wasn't a very big bond, only $18.75, but Jimmy went everywhere showing off his investment. He was proud of that legal piece of paper showing that he would receive $25 in 1955 for having loaned $18.75 to the United States in wartime.

Tillie, the Ant, also bought a War Bond during the Seventh War Loan. And that wasn't a very big bond either, only $18.75. Tillie was proud of her investment, too, because she had worked hard to get that money.

Jimmy enjoyed being a sport and spending money freely. Nobody ever knew how he happened to invest that $18.75 in a War Bond, but almost everybody suspected Tillie of influencing him.

Anyway, both Jimmy and Tillie were proud of their War Bonds, but while Jimmy went all over showing off his patriotism, Tillie just put her bond away in a strong box during the Seventh War Loan. She even bought an extra bond for cash and said nothing about it to Jimmy.

So week after week they kept on just as they started—Jimmy bragging about his one lone War Bond, and Tillie buying more and more War Bonds through payroll deductions, and working hard every day.

Finally the war ended, just as everybody knew it would some day. There was a lot of cheering and celebrating on V-J Day, and right in the middle of the crowd, making just as much noise as anybody else, were Jimmy, the Cricket, and Tillie, the Ant. They were having a grand time.

When things quieted down, Tillie invited Jimmy to her house for dinner—"Just to celebrate again." And she brought out her strong box to show off, for the first time, the War Bonds she had bought during the various War Loan campaigns.

"You still got those things?" asked Jimmy. "Gosh, I cashed mine in 62 days after I bought it."

Well—you remember the story of the Cricket and the Ant, and how the Cricket shivered in the cold of the winter because he had played all summer.

When this war is over, let us have no regrets that we did not save when we had the opportunity to SAVE. During 1955, Bonds bought in 1945 will become due and payable. THIS MONTHLY INCOME will come in handy, and you will thank your lucky stars you saved. Take some good advice—buy an extra bond for cash NOW.

Development Electronically

An ever-widening field of electronic applications is revealed by a survey of 796 companies, representing virtually every type of industry. This group is served by 16,805 electronic devices, the basic applications of which include heating, control, power conversion, counting, sorting, weighing, inspection, molecular vibration, measurement, analysis and safety.

Independence Day 1945 . . . .



This Independence Day, let us renew again our pledges to push to a quick finish this fight for the American principles of liberty that we have always taken for granted. Let us read again the Bill of Rights so that we may more clearly understand the things for which we fight, the cause for which some of our boys are dying.

There is an absence of Fourth of July color on the home front (where everyone is too busy to miss it anyway), but the little men of Japan will have good reason to remember it as our block-busters fall on their factories to bring the war with Japan to a quick, victorious conclusion.

While an occasional cheer is not amiss for the victories already won in Europe, we will not forget that the American working man is not laying down his tools of war until the fighting man has put down his—in victory.

"Never Too Old To Learn"

(This Is the concluding installment of an address recently given in Fort Wayne by Dr. A. R. Stevenson, Jr.)

"The man in the Bible who took his one talent and wrapped it in a napkin and buried it in the ground to keep it safe had it taken away from him. The man who took his five talents and adventured with them in the business world doubled his money. The trouble in the depression was that everyone was trying to save his money. If more companies had done like the Pennsylvania Railroad who borrowed money in order to electrify, the whole business world would have been healthier.

"The French built a Maginot line and thought that they had security and it was probably partly the resulting complacency which made them an easy prey to the Germans. There was an emperor of China who built a wall in the interest of security and China rather went to sleep for a couple of thousand years. That same emperor tried a good many social security experiments which might be interesting for some of you to read. You might also be interested to read how one of the Roman emperors, Diocletian, fixed the prices of 700 different articles, carved them on tables of stone and set them up in the market places. Deviation was punishable by death. He told the farmers what they could do and what they could not do and he told the transportation industry how much they could charge for riding someone on a mule. It was too much trouble to do business under these regulations. The shopkeepers closed the stores and the farmers left the land. Free men did not want to farm. It was the beginning of serfdom. Many people were tied to the land. Incidentally, these experiments were followed by the dark ages.

"Friendship is a valuable thing but you have to be careful about not trying to make friends for your own selfish desires. If you do you may be called a 'bootlicker' or a 'social climber.'

"It is obvious that in invention one is interested in by-products. The really great inventions are unexpected. Someone tries to do one thing and accidentally does something else. . . .

"Shortly after the First World War I heard psychologists say that tests on the soldiers show that men reach the peak of intelligence at 24 years of age and go downward thereafter. I do not know how reliable his remarks were. There is a chance that his statement is true because so many people stop studying about that time. The mind is like a tool and if one stops using it, it will grow dull and rusty. On the other hand, we all know

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NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Keep It Up



J. R. Collins Nellie Lattimore

"I was glad to talk to the few ...ls left of the old gang in Bldg. ...2," PFC Nellie C. Lattimore, for...erly employed in Bldgs. 4-2 and ...2, said on her recent visit here. ...e is enroute to band instrument ...air school. "Keep up the good ...ork," she said, "the boys need ...our equipment." Joe R. Collins, ...dg. 17-1, is now in the Navy and ...ited the plant recently.

Inflation In China

China, May 23, 1945.

...ar Editor:

... Yes, inflation is really bad. ...r cook just recently bought a ...air of stockings. They cost him ...0 Chinese dollars, or nearly three ...onths pay for him. So now I can ...asily see why a gift of a pair of ...xtra socks or a shirt means so ...uch to a houseboy. Prices are so ...ad air to anyone in the Chinese ...rmy, as they are paid so little, ...out 400 to 500 Chinese dollars a ...onth. Yet all over the streets you ...an see little kids with bills in their ...ands up to and including $100 bills. ...A pot of hot water for tea costs ...20; a cup full of peanuts, $100; ...mall apricots, $5 apiece. If only ...people back home could realize what ...nflation can bring and how savings ...ould be wiped out in a day. . . .

By now all of us are really get...ng along with chopsticks; and ...en if we could use knives and ...rks, we don't bother with them ...all.

... I've been getting the WORKS ...EWS right along. Sure appreciate ...too. . . . How is everything back ...the G-E? Now that the scrap ...over in Europe, I imagine they'll ...soon swinging partially over to ...vilian supplics, may possibly cut ...wn the required guard details al... Please give my regards to all ...e fellows I worked with.

Robert J. Neale, MM 1/c

Raymond Miller, Bldg. 27-1, who ...as wounded in the Pacific area, is ...ow back in the United States.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Use G-E Equipment



W. W. Anderson L. W. Runyon

"Although I've been in the service only a short time, I have already encountered several pieces of G-E Equipment, so keep the equipment coming and Japan can't last long," said **Leonard W. Runyon, F 2/c**, on his recent visit here. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 17-1. **William Wayne Anderson, S 1/c**, Bldg. 18-B, said on his visit here, "It sure was swell to see the old gang. You keep building 'em; we'll keep sailing 'em."

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines to let you know that I am still receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly. . . . Although almost four years have passed since I had to leave the Company, I still find many names appearing in it that I know.

S/Sgt. Paul H. Koldewey

Air Corps Men



Richard Druhot J. A. Marks

Recent visitors to the plant were **Lt. John A. Marks**, formerly employed in Bldg. 26-3, and **Lt. Richard Druhot**, also employed in Bldg. 26-3. Both men are in the Army Air Corps.

R...J. Ward, S 1/c, reports that he has been receiving the G-E WORKS NEWS for almost three years now, and that he gets a lot of pleasure from reading what is going on in Bldg. 4-4 and from seeing several of his old friends' names in the paper.

Word has been received from **Flora Gaff, S 2/c**, that she is now attending Spar Radio Technical school in Philadelphia. There are only 16 attending, and she says she was chosen because of the work she did while employed at the G-E. She feels that she will be much better equipped to work for the company after the war, due to this training. She says they work with G-E equipment, and that her instructors speak very highly of it.

Equipment Is Tops



Walter E. Pohler

Major Walter E. Pohler, Inspector General on duty with the Air Corps,' visited here recently. He said, "In the past year I have traveled mostly by air. Each plane I fly in has some G-E apparatus installed. It has always functioned perfectly."

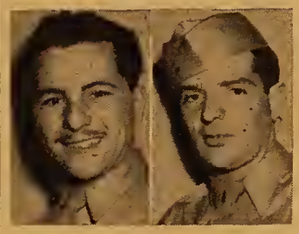
Dear Editor:

Little did I ever dream sailors would be driving through Europe, but alas, it was true; and what a ride! A Model "T" would have been a pleasure to ride in. . . . We went by open trucks from Ostend, Belgium, through Ghent-Antwerp, into Holland. We finally arrived in Bremerhaven, which is now our new home. The city has proof of the precision of the Allied bombing strategy. About 70 per cent has been destroyed—and I do mean completely. . . .

All I care about is the finishing of the Pacific phase of this war and returning to my "Home in Indiana," where I hope I can become associated with your swell company once more. Please give my sincerest regards to Bldgs. 10-1 and 20-2.

Arthur G. Crayton, C.M. 2/c

In Enemy Territory

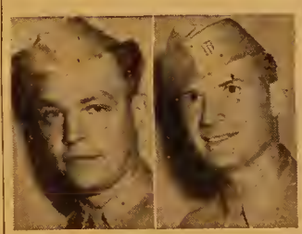


A. J. Giordano H. L. Hastings

"I flew 50 missions over enemy-held territory as a gunner on a B-24 from Italy," said S/Sgt. **Albert J. Giordano** on his visit to the plant recently. "I feel very lucky and happy to be back, so I don't care to tell of the close calls I've had. I've flown every mission with an 'electric' suit made by G-E and never had one fail me. It's good to know that we have the best electric equipment, as otherwise, it may mean coming back from a mission with frostbite. I send my regards to not only the one floor I worked on, Bldg. 4-5, but to all G-E workers, as the work they put out is far better than that the enemy uses." **Pvt. Harold L. Hastings**, formerly employed in Bldg. 26-3, visited here recently.

PFC **Frederick R. Bishop** says "hello" to the gang in the Tool Supply. He says he was in Pelsen, Czechoslovakia, on V-E Day and will be home soon.

Nice To Be Back



Louis Webster Chester Feaser

S/Sgt. **Chester A. Feaser**, formerly employed in Bldg. 22, said on his recent visit here, "It's mighty nice to be back and see the shop mates who have produced the much-needed war materials used in bringing our foes to their knees. The G-E emblem is seen in so much of our Air Forces planes and shall long be remembered as the best." PFC **Louis H. Webster**, now in the Infantry, visited his former coworkers in Bldg. 19-4 recently.

In Navy Service



Robert J. Rose R. A. Winans

Robert J. Rose, former Bldg. 26-4 employee, visited here recently. **R. A. Winans, Chief Electricians Mate**, has participated in the Africa, Sicily, Italy, Normandy, and Southern France invasions. Formerly employed in Bldg. 20, he said, "We have thanked G-E products and workmanship many times, when an electrical failure on a control or motor would mean disaster instead of success."

Fought In Germany

Bad Wildungen, Germany
May 27, 1945.

Dear Editor:

I receive the WORKS NEWS regularly, and I enjoy reading it very much. Good to know how everything is there in Fort Wayne at the G-E. There is a fellow in the rifle company I am with that is also from Fort Wayne, and used to work at the G-E. . . .

I have seen a lot of country over here since leaving the states last October. Spent a month in England. We entered combat on Dec. 13 and held the line at the north end of the "Bulge" during December and the first part of January. The first of February we broke through the Siegfried Line and captured the large dams on the Ruhr. We had the honor of being the first infantry regiment to cross the Rhine on the Remagen bridge.

The last combat our division was in was cleaning out the Ruhr pocket. It was there that I saw one P.W. cage with 100,000 Jerries in it—really quite a sight. . . .

G-E equipment is seen everywhere over here, especially the bazooka. We G.I.'s realize the value of good equipment, and know it will hasten victory in the Pacific, as it did here. The sound power telephone and radio equipment that G-E makes is really an essential item of equipment to the infantry. Many times I have taken the sound power phone apart and found that parts were made in the Plastics Division there in Fort Wayne.

T/5 Joseph B. Zeigler



THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Three Retire On Pension



George Prince



LeRoy Briggs



F. J. Guillot

Three G-E employees, with a combined service record of 88 years and 1 month, are retiring under the Company Pension Plan, it was announced today. George N. Prince, general foreman in the Motor and Generator Division since 1941, has been granted a pension and has service amounting to 38 years and 3 months. LeRoy Briggs, employed in FHP Motor Section 14, retires with 22 years of Company service. Francis J. Guillot, employed in FHP Motor Section 15, is retiring after 27 years and 10 months of service with the General Electric Company.

Air Conditioning

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facilities at Bloomfield; and demands for these products are expected to increase by at least three times in the immediate postwar years, it is estimated by George R. Prout, General Manager of the Company's Air Conditioning Department.

Officials Making Plans

Although deeply involved in production of war materials, General Electric officials have been giving serious thought to postwar manufacturing problems for some months, according to Works Manager H. E. Perkins. Various proposals have been discussed from time to time as shifting conditions suggested needs for changes in plans. Among the possibilities mentioned most prominently was that of devoting the entire Bloomfield Works to the needs of the Industrial Control Division, and finding one or more entirely new locations for the manufacture of various products of the Air Conditioning Department. Recent developments, however, have made it feasible to consolidate the Bloomfield Industrial Control operation with a similar and somewhat larger activity having headquarters in Schenectady, and to devote Bloomfield exclusively to air conditioning.

Conversion Planned

As changes in requirements of the armed forces permit, facilities at Bloomfield now devoted to war products and industrial control devices will be converted to the manufacture of automatic heating equipment, air conditioning apparatus, and commercial and industrial refrigeration products for civilian use, Mr. Prout said. Manufacture of marine refrigeration and air conditioning equipment similar to that supplied in large quantities to the Navy and the Maritime Commission is expected to continue for civilian shipping requirements; and much industrial-type refrigeration apparatus now available to war plants will be needed by peacetime industry. Reconversion in these lines will, therefore, be comparatively simple.

Major changes are planned in facilities for the manufacture of domestic heating equipment and for products in the "comfort cooling" class. This includes devices designated as room air conditioners, to be produced in large volume, in addition to the larger equipment for installation in stores, offices, theatres, restaurants, hotels, and hospitals, as well as in private homes.

Large Force Expected

It is expected that by the end of 1947 a force as large as was ever employed pre-war by General Electric in Bloomfield will be occupied in the production of a greatly expanded output of air conditioning products. This will be in addition to a sizable factory, the Department's Winter Street Works, in Fort Wayne, Ind., which will continue to be devoted to manufacture of refrigerant condensing units and certain types of packaged cooling equipment for commercial use, such as water coolers, beverage coolers, and refrigerated display cases.

It seems probable, according to Mr. Prout, that the change will result in an over-all improvement from the standpoint of the community, since total value of manufactured products is likely to rise noticeably as the contemplated changes approach completion.

Tiny tubes developed for war implements will make possible a 20 to 40 per cent reduction in the size of postwar radio receivers, according to electrical manufacturers.



Buying War Bonds as you oughter
Is like bread upon the water
Which returns from whence it went
—Plus some 33 per cent.

Scholarship Fund

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signed at the close of 1944, Mr. Swope had also served as a director of the Company for more than 22 years.

The directors announced that the new foundation was created "as an expression of appreciation of Mr. Swope's great contribution as the leader and inspiration of the General Electric Company for so many years, and as a means of making this appreciation of enduring and constructive benefit to the Company and to the electrical industry."

Uses Of Fund

It is proposed to utilize the income of the foundation in the following ways:

In granting loans or scholarships to employees and to the children of present or former employees of the Company and its affiliated companies, to help them pursue their work in any field of study and in any approved university, college, or technical school in the United States that they may select;

In granting graduate fellowships to the same classifications of individuals to be used by the recipient for graduate work in industrial management, engineering, the physical sciences, and in any other scientific or industrial field;

In granting loans, scholarships, or fellowships in any of the above fields to any other person that may be deemed worthy of assistance;

And finally, in granting graduate fellowships, to make contributions to the university, college, or technical school to help in defraying the cost of equipment and material, especially needed in connection with a research project.

Character Considered

Applicants for loans, scholarships, and fellowships will be considered not only from the standpoint of academic attainment and financial needs, but also as to character and personal qualifications for deriving the greatest good from the continuation of their studies. The grants will be made without regard to sex, color, creed, or national origin.

It is planned to make a statement of awards under the foundation in each of the Company's annual reports. Details of administration will be announced later.

New Device Measures Shock Accelerations

A small, lightweight instrument that measures an important effect encountered in battle when a shell strikes a ship or tank has been developed by General Electric and is presently being employed to major advantage in war jobs for the protection of human life as well as for the building of shock-resisting equipment, G-E engineers disclosed today.

This device, called the accelerometer, measures shock accelerations which occur in structures as the result of explosions or impact of rapidly-moving bodies. Acceleration, or change of velocity, is an essential factor in determining the effect of a shell and is necessary to know in designing protective armor and long-lasting instruments. G-E's device is considered a valuable aid to securing such data as it can measure the acceleration caused by the impact of almost any shell ever developed, covering a range of from one to 5,000 times gravity.

Heart of the G-E accelerometer is a small quartz crystal, one-tenth of an inch thick and three-fourths of an inch in diameter. Two of these crystals are included in a detector, which is attached to the equipment whose acceleration is to be measured. When an impact occurs, the quartz crystals are distorted, and a voltage is generated. This voltage is directly proportional to the amount of acceleration, and, after being amplified approximately 1,000 times, it causes a wave "picture" of the acceleration to appear on a screen of a cathode ray for a fraction of a second. This wave is recorded for interpretation and further study by a high-speed camera, synchronized so that the camera is set in motion just previous to the impact.

Other ways in which this shock measuring equipment can be applied, according to G-E engineers, include its use in testing the shock acceleration received by an airplane's undercarriage when the plane lands, determining the forces produced when two freight cars collide and the forces resulting from a dynamite charge or other high explosives.

Tune In To Toby

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ments, but she probably has her eye on the General Electric Company right now.

The family heard the broadcast on the Dick Haymes show, "Everything For The Boys," first at 6:30 o'clock over NBC and then a later recorded program over WGL at 8 P. M. The family listened to both broadcasts, of course. Arrangements had been made with Toby's wife early last week, and a telegram was received from Dick Haymes Monday telling the family that "he was eagerly looking forward to the trans-oceanic talk with Richard" and that his sponsor would send them a recording of the program shortly afterwards.

In the interview, both Dick Haymes and Helen Forrest, vocalist on the program, talked to Toby, who, incidentally, behaved like a veteran radio performer.

"I'm speaking from a place with clean sheets," Toby said when first contacted, "and it's not a laundry, Dick; it's a hospital."

Toby then went on to explain that his story happened a hundred times a day on Okinawa and told how he and his group landed on Okinawa on D-Day.

"On D-Day plus 5," Toby said, "the tanks were told to move up, and six of my buddies and myself crawled ahead of the tanks and removed anti-tank and anti-personnel mines so that the tanks wouldn't be knocked out."

He added that the Japs killed two of the group and wounded him and one other infantryman. Toby was hit in the legs and crawled behind a tank for protection, but when the tank pulled out, he lay there about 15 minutes exposed to Jap fire. Stretcher bearers came up under fire and carried him back to a hospital station.

Dick Haymes sang "How Much Do I Love You," for Toby and Mary, and Toby signed off from his hospital broadcasting station by saying, "Thanks, Dick and Helen, give my love to Mom and Dad and my wife, Mary, in Fort Wayne. So long, and keep pitching in there, America."

Wilson Appointed

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der the chairmanship of William A. Irvin, member, executive committee, United States Steel Corporation, that the Council has obtained the necessary recognition and financial support to mobilize the most powerful influence in the country behind the safety movement.

Never Too Old

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older men of ability whose minds are as keen as razors, mainly because they have kept them sharpened by strenuous use. . . ."

Insurance Claims

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employes and pensioners throughout the General Electric organization. The total paid amounted to $148,070. Of this, $47,070 represented Company Insurance, and $101,000 represented Additional Insurance.

Payments were made to survivors of Schenectady Works employees and pensioners for a total of $20,800; to beneficiaries of Bloomfield policy holders for a total of $2,000; Erie, $12,700; Fort Wayne, $12,825; Philadelphia, $4,150; Pittsfield, $10,500; West Lynn, $6,515; Syracuse, $1,150; River, $17,145; Appliance and Merchandise Department, $3,150. Payments brought the grand total of death and disability claims paid since the plans were started in 1920 to $23,380,860.88.

The hummingbird has a normal pulse rate of 615 heartbeats a minute and a maximum rate exceeding 1,000, according to experiments in which an extremely sensitive electrical device, the cardio-vibrameter, was used. These rates are many times those of human beings.

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...n an "invitational challenge" ...tball game last Sunday, a ...long team composed of Ar... ...ld Konow, Jack Younger, Nor... ...an Totten, Roy Beck, Ted Butz, ...and Fred Prange defeated a game ...t willing team composed of Ar... ...old White, Karl Ryder, Kemper ...Burton, Charlie Gnau, Howard ...Boyle, and Al Woods. The mound ...uty for the winners was handled ... Jack Younger and Fred Prange, ...with no-error fielding by their ...teammates. For the losers Karl ...yder pitched a good brand of ball. ...The medal of honor "for service ...performed far above and beyond ...e call of duty" goes to Arnie ...hite, who searched diligently in ...his territory for a ball that was ...ost through no fault of his. How...ever, Arnie reinstated himself in ...the eyes of everyone by his invita...tion, which was accepted, for re...freshments at his home following ...e game. . . . A surprise birthday ...arty was given for Opal Sale at ...Maxine Hauth's home. Those at...tending from Bldg. 18-1 were ...Laura Moore, Evelyn Rider, Vir...ginia Gutermuth, and Maxine ...Hauth. . . . Pauline Sinnegan, Bldg. ...-1, spent a pleasant week in Chi...cago. . . . Congratulations go to ...e June bride—Virginia Till Pul...er, Bldg. 18-1, who was married ...Saturday morning. . . . Frieda ...Wahli, Katherine Sauer, Gertrude ...Kasimier, Jean Barkley, Esther ...Wemmer, Thelma Stone, and Nancy ...Woodhull, all from Bldg. 18-1, had ...a grand time at a wiener bake at ...Franke Park the other evening. ...Even the rain didn't scare them ...away. . . . The object of everyone's ...eyes last Saturday was Fred ...Prange's, Bldg. 18-3, bright "Chi...nese red" tie. Seriously though, ...Fred, several of the fellows would ...like to get one like it. . . . Phyllis ...Thompson just returned from her ...vacation, which she spent at Ham...mon Lake. . . . This week the wel...come mat is put out to Teresa ...Keller, who is a new member of ...the Accounting Section. . . . The ...girls from Order and Stores had a ...wiener bake at Foster Park last ...Wednesday night, and their guest ...of honor was Dorothy Gerig, who ...was presented with a farewell gift. ...She is leaving for Georgia to be ...with her husband. Lots of luck, ...Dorothy, and we'll sure miss you. ...Our Penthouse Bldg. 18-5 lost ...another of its employees. Jenny ...Babcoke left to get lots of health, ...fresh air, and sunshine. We hope ...you'll be feeling better real soon, ...Jenny. . . . Phyllis Kammeyer, Ed ...Hagadorn, and Don Fagg put their ...hearts and souls into proving that ...they were descendants of Indians. ...Ah! Such healthy tomato complex...ions. . . . The Production Manager's ...Office held a dinner last week at ...the Fort Wayne Athletic Club hon...oring Bob Lymangrover and Jim ...Wilson. Bob left G-E to go into ...business for himself, and Jim has ...been transferred to Order and ...Stores. Jim was not only guest of ...honor, but also provided the enter...tainment. If you are interested, ...just ask Jim about his college days ...in the South; believe me, what will ...follow will be priceless!!! Best ...dressed man at the dinner was A. ...E. Leider. Don't worry, Mr. Leider, ...we won't give you away. Another rare treat was community singing, enjoyed by all. . . . Every year a group of G-E men take a Sunday off and go to Chicago to see a baseball game. This year the event took place on June 17, with 13 of the fellows attending. Your reporter, being a little off the beam, neglected to give you the highlights, so here they are better late than never. Those present and accounted for were: Messrs. Bond, Gerhard, Reidenbach, and Woodward from Regional Warehouse, and Messrs. Vinson, Leider, Kellermeier, Norr, Brown, Stoner, Staugger, and Spencer from Bldg. 18-4, and M. P. J. Minter from the Chicago Office. . . . Employees of Bldg. 18-4 would like to extend their sympathy to Louise Buesking on the death of her father.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE
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DIELECTRIC TESTS



Apparatus is frequently subjected to high peak voltages caused by switching or by the effects of lightning.

Dielectric tests are made to determine the ability of the insulation in the apparatus to withstand these high voltages.

The specified dielectric test voltage, applied for the length of time specified, is another measure contributing to a Quality Product.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Our congratulations go to Mytal Jones, Mabel Harding, and Elbert Niswonder on the birthdays they had last week. Their birthdays were all on the same day. We hope they'll have many more happy ones. . . . Maude Ehrhardt also had a birthday week before last. Hope she also has many more. . . . We want to welcome Gertrude Bender and Eleanor Gligor to our section. Gertrude and Eleanor were transferred from other divisions. . . . Fayne Houser, a former employee of 1x29, received word last week that her husband arrived in the States from the European Theater of war. . . . Bertha Click claims she got up one morning last week and couldn't find matching stockings so she put on two different kinds. Oh, for the return of nylons. . . . Glad to see Hazel Herron and Hazel Staufer back with us this week. We know they both enjoyed their vacations. Lucille Schreiner also enjoyed a vacation a week ago. . . . Janet Sunday is on the sick list for two weeks. Janet took her vacation last week and is unable to come back to work. Hope you get better and come back to work soon.

Women's faults are many,
Men have only two:
Everything they say,
And everything they do.

SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon! Next Wednesday is the 4th—the day we celebrate our Independence. No other Nation can make thot statement!

Our country fought tae get thot Independence—and we are still fighting, tae liberate parts o' the world from the dictators, so they can hai an independence o' their own. In fact, we are going tae work on the 4th o' July, like we did last year, and like farmers do right along.

Much as I dislike tae work on a holiday, if Uncle Sam needs me on Independence Day, I'll be there. In fact, most o' the things we enjoy in this country, as a result o' our Independence, are also the result o' work, work—AND C.R.* It is with free, highly-paid workers, working for free industry, in free competition wi' each other, that has brought us the good things we enjoy. And only with C.R.* has this free system been able tae make us âll the things we have, at a price we can afford.

But, with great privileges, we must assume obligations, or we may lose the privileges. One o' these obligations is tae work for more and more C.R.* With it, we will prosper. Without it, I, a Scotsman, would hate tae think what would happen.

In countries without free enterprise, ye won't find common people like me, driving automobiles, or "close" relatives, like my Cousin Colin, driving Model T's. Pairhops walking is healthier, but think o' the vibration treatment ye get in Colin's Model T.

But, getting back tae the subject o' working on the 4th. It certainly would be bad if everybody played hookey thot day. It would be terrible for our Fighting Men in the Pacific tae catch us with our plants down!

*COST REDUCTION.

Carver Club To Aid Wheatley Carnival

The Carver Club will participate in the Wheatley Center Carnival Friday and Saturday, June 29 and 30, which will raise funds for the child recreation center, by operating one of the booths at the Carnival. Baked beans, hot dogs, and candy will be sold at the Carver Club booth. Many other organizations will aid the money-raising affair by handling booths at the Carnival. Booths will be open from 7 to 10 o'clock during both nights. The Wheatley Center building is located on East Douglas Avenue.

Credit Union Closing

The Credit Union office will be closed Independence Day, July 4. Regular office hours will be resumed on Thursday, July 5.

The Credit Union Committee will meet this month on Tuesday evening, July 3, according to Lee Cupp, treasurer of the association.

...THEN WAR IS NOT WAR... THEY DIDN'T HE...

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Anyone wishing pointers on the technique of feeding popsickles to a two-year-old boy, please see Noah Kuntz. The last we saw of Noah and his small son, Kenny, they were searching for a towel. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kammeyer on the birth of a fine baby daughter. Harold Gick reports that Walter has popped all the buttons off his shirt. . . . Russ Skinner reported that the Dispatchers Club has received applications from four new members the past week. We are happy to welcome Donald Williams, Bldg. 17-3, Wayne Stair, Bldg. 4-3, R. M. O'Neill, Bldg. 4-3, and Evan Morris, Bldg. 4-3, into the fold. We detect the good work of Harold Gick, representative from Section 13, in the submission of the applications. . . . Plans for the Dispatchers Club family picnic July 29 are progressing nicely. Don't let your wife make any other plans for that Sunday. We want to see all the members and their families present. . . . Incidentally, have you dispatchers been reading the reprint of Dr. A. R. Stevenson's address, "Never Too Old To Learn," in the WORKS NEWS? If you haven't, please look for the back issues of June 8, 15, and 22 and the concluding article in today's issue. Dr. Stevenson's remarks about the fact that we live by by-products of all our activities will start a train of thought that will lead us to explore anew the ideas we live by and for. Congratulations to the editor for printing such an interesting series of articles by a man who thinks so clearly and says so lucidly what he thinks. . . . Dispatcher Dan says, "Don't be too critical of your relatives. They had no choice in the matter either." . . . Keep up the good work,

Your Grapevine Editor

26-5 TOOL BITS

Having gone down town several lunch periods during the last two weeks to add to his extensive collection of artificial baits and lures, your editor, Bob Brodrick, is taking this week to test them all in the depths of Lake George while your associate editor struggles through this column. . . . John (Jack) Hofer and LeVon Schnepp were most recent visitors from Uncle Sam's Navy for a short visit. . . . Ross Vaughn is the latest transfer from the lathe to the rotor bench section. . . . A warning to all car owners who have radios in their autos: Keep your cars locked when you are not around or Glenn Ramsey is liable to be found sitting in your car with the radio on. Glenn unintentionally took advantage of some stranger in this manner one noon hour last week. It was all a mistake, though; he thought it was Mart Walsh's car. . . . John Vaupel was so anxious to return to work after two weeks' vacation that he hurried to work Monday without taking time to get his badge out of storage. Result: The watchman at the gate gave him time to remember as he stood on the outside looking in while his friends welcomed him back on their way to work.

Mail Brings Smiles In Foxhole



A Marine in a front line foxhole on Iwo Jima, rifle close by for instant use, reads a stack of just-received letters.—Official U. S. Navy Photograph.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

"And what is so rare as a day in June"—when it rains. . . . We welcome Marvel Daub back to second trick. . . . Clyde Harter has left G-E. Good luck, Harter. . . . Harold Orr followed the machines from Bldgs. 17-1 to 2-1, but he's still one of us. . . . The barometer in the Tool Crib is a big attraction and George Mosshammer says it works every time. . . . Florence Purdy, our Tool Crib girl, has the latest method of alighting from a car down perfect. One starts out as usual, then goes up, and then comes down—thump! According to Florence, the going up part is easy. It's the coming down that's hard. . . . We wonder what goes on between Hutson and Brickley. At least, we saw Leonard shining Keith's shoes. . . . Bud Ulrick said they had wonderful luck fishing opening day. . . . Dorothy Crist was literally carried away from the fountain. The girls were afraid she was drinking too much cold water. . . . Betty Bradtmiller and Ferne Bermes were seen waving at some returning soldiers. Our morale builders! . . . Incidentally, the watchman reports that Ferne showed her street car pass instead of her identification badge, but it worked, because she was wearing the badge anyway. . . . Jimmy Paxton wants to thank his group for the lovely billfold given him—also the poem. Good luck, Jimmy. . . . Tarney is now on the Bldg. 17-1 automatics. . . . Alfred Woods will be on vacation this week at Lake George. Watch for a big fish story soon. . . . Hugh Price will return Monday with a good tan and some real fish stories. . . . Dudley Price is taking care of the house, he reports, while his wife is visiting in Virginia. . . . If you want to know how it feels to have "butterflies in the tummy," ask Ferne Bermes. . . . Elinor Glass had a birthday last week. Thanks for the cake. . . . Grumeraux has turned out to be the champ of the euchre players. Last week he even threw trump into the discard pile. . . . And so long for now.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

It was a week ago last Tuesday that the Bldg. 20-2 engineers again bowed to "Pop Quinn's Old Men" at Foster Park in the third and deciding game of the series played between the two teams. Jay Greer made his debut by banging out a two-base hit for the engineers, and Jack Hinman also made himself known by getting four hits. Both Paynter, who played with the engineers, and Hoot Gibson, on the winning team, pitched very good ball. However, the game was "tough" due to a slight rain. "Pop's Men" have promised to give the defeated team another chance for the trophy in the near future. In the meantime, the cup reposes in the General Service room, Bldg. 20-2. After the game, a wiener bake was held in one of the pavilions at Foster Park. Approximately 86 persons attended the affair, which by the way, was the largest attendance we've ever had at a Bldg. 20-2 affair. Thanks go to Helen Campbell and all the others who arranged the wiener bake and helped make it a success. . . . Congratulations to John Manecke, who recently celebrated his birthday. . . . Norma Jean Sprunger came back to work last Monday after a week's vacation at the lake. She said she didn't mind the rain as she intended to get "wet" anyway. . . . Frank Kilkoin also returned back to work after two weeks' vacation. Frank spent his time in Schenectady and New York City. Regardless of the rain and the cold he acquired, Frank says he had a very good time

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

The employees of Bldg. 17-4 had a nice surprise last week—Lt. John Gerding, (jg), dropped in for a chat with the gang. John worked here in '36 and now is stationed at Corpus Christi. . . . Latest report on Walter Lohm is this headliner: "Merchant Marines, here I come!" The job sounds super deluxe, Lohm, so congrats and salutates! . . . Larry Mellinger, or a reasonable facsimile thereof, is back from his vacation this week and is displaying his tan to full advantage. 'Bout time he came home and left a few fish in the lake for us! . . . Things I wouldn't miss for the world: Kozy's romantic California tales. Walter Beeth's woes of victory gardening. Don Kruse's fish stories. Heller without a golf story. Leona Scheumann's cheerful "good morning." . . . When Cal Langhour gets really interested in telling a story, his hands go faster than he talks. The question is, how to make use of all this power. . . . Do your shoes hurt? Would you like to give your feet ease? Well, Hobby sure did the other day when his shoes hurt; he just up and sold them. If you are interested in a pair of shoes, see Hobby.





We're all glad to see Roy Jahn back in his place in the Planning Section after being off sick several weeks. . . . Stodgell, Haley, and Myers plan on fishing Sunday if they have to fish through the ice. Well, we know Indiana weather. . . . Our sympathy to Walter Buesking, who lost his father last week. . . . There may be a cigarette shortage, but Paul Adams still doesn't like "Smoke Gets in My Eyes." . . . Bob Taylor seems to be the one responsible for all the recent rain. He wanted it for his raspberries. All we gotta say is those raspberries had better be good. . . . Need golf balls? George Cooper knows where to buy Grade A golf ball seeds. . . . Bob Alexander has been hearing the advantages of farm life and has decided to leave the city life for the green pastures. All he has to do now is find a farm for sale. . . . Welcome to Dorothy McCauley, Elsie Massalla, and Corine Griffith to the Production Section. . . . Marilyn Miller has returned from a very eventful trip to California. . . . Ada Lytle entertained Aldine Boyer, Katherine Parr, and Thelma Johnson at her home recently. . . . "Pop" Spahr was surprised by an attractive display of baby clothes for his new baby at noon in the Cafeteria. The new baby weighed 7 pounds and 15 ounces and was named Sarah Angeline. Congrats Mr. and Mrs. Spahr. . . . Harmes tried so hard to convince Kaade that he really caught some fish the last time he went fishing that he finally invited Kaade to dinner to help eat them. Confidentially Kaade said it tasted like steak and looked like steak, but Harmes insisted it was fish. . . . George Luttrell says his wife is now sewing patches on the patches of his trousers. The war, you know. . . . Jo Hartman received several birthday cards last week when he celebrated his twenty-second birthday. . . . The Harold Wiricks are spending their vacation at the Adams cottage at Nyona Lake. Harold energetically rowed out into the middle of the lake and waited and waited for a bite. Mrs. Wirick walked out on the end of the pier and landed the first one. . . . The Flange Section beat Weliver's All-Stars last week in a super-duper ball game. They say the score was 50-0. . . . Best wishes to Martha Stoke, who is being married soon. . . . Welcome to Virginia Rudolph and Betty Lou Hahnert to the Order Service Section. . . . We're glad to hear that Margaret Moser's baby is better and back from the hospital. . . . Claude Haley has planted a half acre watermelon patch. We'll see you later this summer, Claude. . . . I found out for sure that someone reads this column. Walter P. Green recovered his lost dog through the notice that appeared last week. Somebody said, "It pays to advertise."

Electrical manufacturers report that water disinfection by germicidal lamps now is well established as a scientific process. They expect wider use of this method by cities after the war.

Is Zat So?

Some of our servicemen returned ...r visit with us last week. We were ...ppy to see Tom Kirkorffer, Mer...ant Marine; Jim Merchant, ...avy; and Ed (Slugger) Dolsen, ...avy. . . . Evidently, the time ...sses quickly for Herscher Fore...an, because he was looking for ...e WORKS NEWS on Thursday! . . . The biggest laugh of the week was ...rnished by Dewey Lieberenz. He ...as repairing a pair of handcuffs ...hen some playful soul clamped ...e cuff around his wrist. When the ...cksmith could not release him, he ...ad to visit the City jail to have ...e cuff removed. Dewey was ...retty embarrassed, especially ...hen he discovered that he was ...lso wearing a sign saying "Public ...nemy No. 1." . . . We bid fare...ell to Bill Adler and Don Cobb, as ...oth boys are leaving soon for the ...rmed services. . . . We hear that ...harley Lauer is still stationed at ...e Camp Atterbury distribution ...enter. . . . Clinton Stove, who is ...recise about most things, made a ...istake recently. He was enjoying ...is ride home on the bus by laugh...ng and joking with some fellow ...assengers, and he forgot to get off ...t his regular stop. When someone ...alled it to his attention, he ...thought they were just kidding ...im; consequently, he had to walk ...ack. . . . Hank Enyeart lived out ...f town and drove to work every ...ay without being late. He recently ...oved to the city, within walking ...istance of the G-E, and was late ...he first week. Tie that one. . . . ...he new blueprint girl in the bond ...oom is Virginia Meyers. Welcome ...o the gang, Virginia. . . . Joe ...Eifrid is working with the first ...hift gang again for a while. . . . ...We wonder if Frank Garard is the ...fficial escort for all the returning ...ervicemen? . . . Vacationists this ...week are Mel Kestner, Howard ...Eastman, Ben Fleek, Walt Hall, ...Don Hoover, Red Gitter, and Cur...ey Sprague: . . . We extend our ...sympathy to Poppy and George ...Mosshammer on the death of their ...brother. We were sorry to hear of ...the death of Violet Richardson, ...one of our former co-workers. . . . ...Now we know why Mike Kramer ...has been making hay in his "east ...forty." This hay is food for the ...new pony he recently purchased ...from Argend Denney. From the ...size of the stable, the pony must ...be very small. . . . Birthday greet...ings to Berneda Rohrback, Mahlon ...Grubbs, Eleanor Glass, and Arthur ...Bear.



Eastern America Sees The Superfortress



B-29's, with fire control, more than 150 motors, and much other equipment made by G-E, are now being shown to delighted crowds. Here is one of the giants being inspected at Schenectady airport.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Lois Yanney is now wearing S/Sgt. Tom Weedman's ring on her third finger, left hand. We think it's swell, Lois. . . . We lost our Donne Morrison to the armed forces. A farewell party was held at the Egyptian Coffee Shop, and Donne was presented with a sterling identification bracelet and a box of stationery (just so he doesn't forget to write). . . . Ernie Summers had good luck on his fishing trip the other Sunday. . . . Ernie Comte is back from his vacation this week. He spent part of the time at the lake and part of the time playing golf. . . . We were all glad that Lt. Jack Humbrecht paid us a visit. . . . That's all for now.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Did you notice that all the gals had roses in their hair last week—donation by Mary Ognenaoff. . . . Again it was a lucky week for treats—Dick Shulz had a birthday and Myrtle Wooten had a new grandson.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

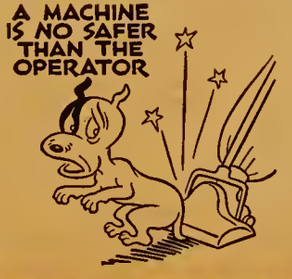
Bettie Cobb was surprised by a visit from a friend who has been overseas for 18 months. . . . Agnes Vaughn was off work for a couple of days to attend the wedding of her son in Evansville. Congratulations on having a new daughter-in-law, Agnes. . . . Lena Pappele is spending her vacation in Chicago this week. . . . Anna Hart is back to work after visiting her husband in Louisiana. Glad to have you back, Anna.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift Cleaning

Lillian Mallo is back from her vacation and says she isn't rested up, but had a nice time. . . . We are all saving our ration stamps to buy lard to fry fish, because when Colette Buck returns from the lake after spending this week's vacation there, we plan to have a fish fry. Come on Colette, and don't disappoint us. . . . The song hit of the week is "Bell Bottom Trousers," sung by Norma Long and Esther James. The same tune, but their own words. . . . A letter was received from Ruth Ann Coonrad, who is visiting her husband in Texas. She reports the weather is plenty warm, but is having a swell time. . . . Jean Firks and Mildred Oyer have returned from the lakes and report that fishing is swell. Jean says she isn't the amateur fisherman any more because she can even bait her own hook. . . . Mary Will is spending a week's vacation in Michigan. The gang bopes the fish are hungry, Mary. . . . Anniversary greetings to Wanetta Schulte. Best wishes and may you have many more happy ones. . . . Can you imagine Katie Parrish trying to hang her lunch sack on a coat hanger instead of her coat? She says ber mind definitely wasn't on her work. . . . Glad to have Carolyn Reynolds back to work after being ill. . . . Arba Kurtz has returned to work and says she enjoyed ber vacation immensely.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

Hello, back again after a week's illness, and I find a few changes. There are new faces—Rose Rutledge, Anna Parisot, and Alma Bales. Welcome, girls, hope you like it with us. . . . Art Beebe is working on first trick for a few weeks. All we ask is that you be good to him; he's a right guy. . . . We are sorry to say "so long" to Genevieve Eamick. Genevieve left us to start training in the WAVES. . . . Can you imagine anyone getting so engrossed in their work they forget to go to lunch? Helen Royer and Alma Bales both did this week. . . . Johnny Sowers plans on taking his daughter and some of her friends to the lake on his vacation. . . . By way of the grapevine—Glen (Junior) Clifton, now in the Navy, paid his friends in Plastics a visit. Nice seeing you again, "Junior." . . . Mary Capage is visiting with her brother, now home from Europe. . . . Vivian Cearbaugh sure is the lucky one. Her husband is home on a 21-day furlough. . . . 'Sall for now. Keep your eyes and ears open, and if you know anything I don't, now's the time to tell.



G-E Meter Proves 'Ike' Is A Hero

New York last week hailed a conquering hero, General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, with a gusto that at one time approximated the noise of 3,000 loud peals of thunder sounding at the same time.

That bedlam, the maximum roar that greeted America's hero of the hour throughout his 37-mile tour of the city, occurred at New York's City Hall after General Eisenhower addressed a gathered throng, and it was scientifically measured by a General Electric "noise meter" which was taking readings of crowd noise at various points along the route.

According to G-E technicians who used the sound indicator in a novel experiment of noise control on city streets, a tumult that measured 95 decibels was created when General "Ike" stepped from his special plane at La Guardia field. That noise is about equal to the sound a person would hear if 30 police whistles were blown a few feet from his ear.

Measurements with the G-E meter showed that the average sound level created as the victory caravan drove through the solidly-flanked streets was about equivalent to that of 1,000 radios being played together at considerable volume.

Sidney Weinberg And John Cowles Elected To Board Of Directors

John Cowles, president of the Minneapolis Star Journal and Tribune Company, and Sidney J. Weinberg, senior partner of Goldman, Sachs and Company, investment brokers, were elected last week Directors of both the General Electric Company and the International General Electric Company at the regular meeting of the boards of the two companies.

Mr. Cowles, who has been widely associated with newspapers and magazines since his graduation from Harvard in 1920, is the first publisher ever to serve on the G-E Board. Mr. Weinberg, a native of New York City, began his association with Goldman, Sachs in 1907, and has been a partner since 1927.

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Vacation time and lots of sunshine is putting a nice tan on some of our gang. Norma Beach got her gorgeous tan while visiting her brother and his wife in Atlantic City, N. J., on her vacation. Mildred Smith reports that she had a wonderful time in Texas and that she acquired a tan from that Texas sunshine. Even though we haven't had a lot of hot weather yet, Del Reiter really got a sunburn at the lake. Don McKim's back was lobster-red one day (so he said), and he was kept busy dodging all the well-meaning back patters. . . . Anita Ufheil and Walter Kammeyer are still going strong on their off-candy diet. Walt says he wanted some peanuts and he couldn't help it if they were dipped in chocolate. Anita said that "twasn't fair." We agree with you, Anita. . . . Martha Morse has left us for the Bldg. 2-3 office. Sorry to see you leave, Martha. . . . Ray Eastes came back from a two-week vacation looking just fine and dandy, so we guess he enjoyed himself. . . . Group 13x54 had a potluck in honor of Rosella Pfefferkorn and Marjorie Wyss. They were presented with beautiful console sets to help begin housekeeping. Congratulations and good luck to you both. . . . Charlie Winans says he challenges anybody on the variety of roses he has. The bouquet he brought in last week was really beautiful, and every one was a different kind. . . . The Sewing Club had a surprise kitchen shower on Evelyn Schultz at her new home. Mary Jane Young acted as hostess for the evening, and Mrs. Edwin Steppet, the former Mickie Gardenour, was a guest. Evelyn is waiting for her husband to return home soon, so here's hoping he gets here before too long. Mickie was the house guest of Florence Stanski over the week-end. She expects to return to California in the near future to be with her husband, who is in Uncle Sam's Navy. . . . Alberta Wilson, Mabel Humbert, Wayne Stair, Clyde Anderson, Mary Lukas, Rose Ulrey, and Henry Dickison were on vacation last week. We hope you all had a very nice time. . . . Helen Hageman passed the cake when she celebrated her birthday on the 21st. Hope you have many more happy birthdays, Helen. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Vear Brindle on the loss of his mother. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kammeyer are the proud parents of a baby girl. Congratulations, Walt. . . . Arlene Gaskill recently paid us a visit, and we were all glad to see her. She hopes to be back to work soon, and we hope so too, Arlene. . . . Quinten Romary has returned after spending two weeks at the Kokomo plant. Glad you're back, Quinten. . . . Have you noticed Ann Coleman's series of rainbow-colored shoes? Red ones, yellow ones, and pink ones. Looks nice and summer-ish, doesn't it? . . . Guess that's all for this week, folks. So long, and keep items coming in.

—Country Cousins

Seventy-four thousand turns of wire, smaller than a strand of human hair, are used on certain coils for telephone switchboard relays.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Impeller

Hal Stewart is leaving us this week. He's going back to Chicago. Good luck on your new job, Hal. We will miss you. . . . Joe Cochoit really knows his horses. He can pick a winner most every time. How do you do it, Joe? . . . We like our new neighbors, the Rotor Section. We hope they like it next to us. . . . Hazel Moore spent her vacation in Frankfort, Ind. She was visiting her sister. Hope you enjoyed your vacation, Hazel. . . Birthday greetings go to Harold Wilcox, who had a birthday June 24. . . . What's this about Joe Hahn playing horseshoe before coming into work in the mornings. Do you need the exercise, Joe, or the practice? . . . It seems that Bernie Gausepohl needs a pair of roller skates now. Well, Bernie, you won't have to go on a soup diet now to get thin! . . . Robert Bennett has been transferred to Broadway. We are all going to miss you, Bob. You have our sincere best wishes for all the luck in the world. Don't forget to look us up sometime.

Aluminum Parts

None other than Mr. and Mrs. William Zieroff were seen at Bell's Skating Rink last Saturday night. They got along very nicely, with the exception that Bill got a little tired and stretched out on the floor once or twice for a rest. There was only one small mishap when he didn't make the turn at the organ stand and tried to take a part of it with him. Fortunately the organist saw him coming and ducked for cover. Kenneth Rupp was there also. . . . Two more of our friends left us last week. Charley Tribolet was transferred to Broadway, Bldg. 26-3. The writer is confident you'll like your new gang, Charley, for he has several friends on that floor, so treat them well. Lester Rousch also went to Broadway, Bldg. 26-4. We will miss both of you boys, especially Lester's fish stories. Our sincere wish for the best of luck to you both in your new work. . . . Esther Harder returned to work after visiting with her brother, who is home on furlough from Italy. He has been overseas for the last year and a half. Esther has another brother who is stationed somewhere in Germany. May both of these boys be home to stay soon. . . . Louis Barrand leaves us on June 27 to join the mighty throng of Uncle Sam's armed forces. We hope to see you back with us again soon. Meanwhile, the best of luck to you. . . . Hildra Rupel has been transferred to Punch Press, second trick. Stop around and see us occasionally, Hill. . . . According to stories coming in, the rainy fishing season has dampened some of our fishermen but not their enthusiasm. Charles Bobilya reported a very wet condition as a result of one of his fishing trips last week, but he was rewarded with a nice catch, a part of which was one bass at three pounds and one that weighed four pounds. Of course the biggest one got away as usual. It weigbed exactly five pounds; that does it. Now you can ait down, Chuck!



In a dingy restaurant on the highway just outside New York City there's an ancient slot machine that stands in the corner.

One day a seedy looking old gentleman wandered in and ordered just a cup of coffee and $1.00 worth of nickels. Then he began to play the slot machine. Time after time he dropped a nickel in, pulled the lever, and waited hopefully. No luck. Finally all his money was gone. The sympathetic waitress could see he could ill afford to gamble, but his faith convinced her. She tapped him on the shoulder and said—"Here, use your coffee nickel—it's on me."

And Lady Luck smiled. The old man's last coin hit the jackpot—won every coin in the box.

Now we're certainly not urging you to play the slot machine. The chances are you'd never hit the jackpot, but the G-E Suggestion box offers you much better odds—almost a 50-50 chance of winning. Out of 45,000 suggestions turned in in a year, over 20,000 were adopted and paid for.

Yes, turning in a good suggestion is about the surest gamble you'll ever make. Aside from the big returns you get, it's not really a gamble at all. If you have a good idea, it's a sure thing it will be accepted.

Screw Machine

Well here it is NEWS time again and not many news items. Won't everyone please cooperate and send in your want ads and special news bulletins to your reporter? Thank you. . . . We hear Bernice Lambert took a driver's test. She must have passed, because she bought a car and expects to chauffeur it herself. Good luck, Bernie. . . . Forrest Stinson and Dick Golden are doing very well with their horseshoe lately. With a little more patience and practice, you may be able to enter the city tournament. . . . We wish to welcome Nettie Locke, Almeda Fairchild, and Juliana Vebert to our section. . . . Margie Parnell received news from her husband, Tom. He expects to be home from Germany by September. We hope it is true, Margie. . . . Maurice Roe expects to spend a part of his vacation next week in Three Rivers, Mich. We hope the fish bite good, Maurice. . . . Leona Scott and Zelma Wood also take their vacations next week. . . . Ardia Crum, our dependable weather man, says this wonderful weather should be reported. We enjoy it too, Ardis. . . . Fred Sanders returned from his vacation looking well. . . . Gladys Sudface returned this week. Gee, Gladys, we're glad to have you back. Gladys wishes to thank all the girls for their cards and the kindness shown her after the death of her husband, killed in the Philippines. . . . Jo Gaby's sister is home on leave from Parkland Hospital, Dallas, Texas, where she is stationed as a cadet. . . . I see where most of the fellows in this section sure have that old "bug" called fishing, and the stories flying around are really something to hear. . . . We're sorry to hear that Mort Stillpass's son, Edmund, was wounded in action. . . . Bob Gale received a going-away present from the gang. . . . Joe Bernardin got sick this week and was sent home. We hope you get well soon. . . .

Maintenance

Ed Walt and Nelson McClurg will report back to work next week after spending their week of vacation. . . . Gust Acker will take his vacation next week. He intends to visit Gary, Ind., and from there he will go to Lake Tomahawk in Wisconsin. . . . Clarence Pickett and Walter Rosselot visited Blue Lake last night for a good evening of fishing. I guess the fish were pretty quiet, as Clarence and Walter have no fish stories.

Receiving

Frank Fast, our reporter, was on his vacation last week. From all reports, fishing was good. Look out for those fish stories when he gets back. . . . Ernie Chelf built a rose arbor at home. Now his wife will do her bit on the job by painting it. . . . R. H. Long, Betty Thiele, and Pauline Bennett are now located in their new Receiving Office. Pauline celebrated her birthday on the 27th. Best wishes, Pauline, and may you have many more of them. . . . Brownie now has three sides and a roof on his garage; he expects to complete it by winter. . . . Sam Heer returned from his vacation and reports everything O.K. —including his victory garden and chickens. . . . Finally the stone wall in front of Stoiche's house has been completed, and, Jim, it surely improves the looks of the front yard. . . . Cletus Kyle is on his vacation this week and is going to visit a little, fish a little, make garden a little, and work in his garden a little. Added all together you will have your hands full, Cletus. . . . Bob Little is collecting mice and bugs, for some unknown reason. Send them along, Bob will appreciate it. . . . What's your hobby; have you any? If so, our reporter, Frank Fast, would be glad to hear about it. See him, and he will be glad to have an item in the WORKS NEWS. You may hear from those having a similar hobby. . . . Ted Essig says, "Did you ever hear about the traveling man who missed the train? Well, he was too late." . . . Kreigh seems to be in deep thought lately. Wonder if he is worrying about his next year's income tax. . . . Mary McGuire is having a wonderful time this week. You guessed it, she is on her vacation. . . . Thelma Martin's vacation was almost "rained out." And we're sorry. . . . Ruth Penrod had a vacation last week too. . . . The girls from the bucket area like it in their new location, the receiving inspection area; plenty of fresh air. Jean Saint is back again with us after a couple days of illness. . . . Sam Heer is nursing a bad cold. How about the old-fashioned remedy, Sam, pure cod liver oil—good if you like it.

Tool Room

We suffered the loss of a wonderful friend and nice guy, Adrian Libbing, who was transferred to Bldg. 26-5. So long, Adrian, and the best of luck on your new job. Tell Ray Mutton we still miss him out here, and say "hello" to Bob Grogg. . . . Paul Winkleman is also bidding us goodbye and is leaving for work at the Puget Sound Navy Yard June 29. So long, pal, and good luck. Hope you like it. . . . Don Baker is figuring on putting casters on his tool box so he can move from one machine to another more easily. He's been getting plenty of exercise in that manner lately. . . . Favorite sayings department. Ed Boedeker—"Same one? Gee!" Carl Hammond—"It don't bother me. (Not much.)"

Joe: I want to change my name, your honor.

Judge: What is your name?

Joe: Joe Stinx.

Judge: I don't blame you. What do you want to change it to?

Joe: Charlie.

Nozzle Box

Theron Hanes, brother of Ma... Williamson, returned home aft... being stationed in England. Wh... home, he got acquainted with h... two-year-old daughter. After ... days he goes back for reassignme... . . . Helen Langfeldt attended h... cousin's wedding Thursday nigh... . . . Mary Williamson had luncheo... with Shirley Hollins and his wi... Thursday, and Mary says she ha... a wonderful time. . . . Alta R... dolph's youngest son gets marrie... on Saturday night. . . . Dorot... Franklin has been off work for ... couple of days. Her little daughte... has had a tonsillectomy, but ... getting along fine, and Dorothy wi... return to work Monday. . . . Ma... garet Puryear's son, Roy, is hom... He says it is surely wonderful t... be home after being a prisoner o... war for 13 months. Sgt. Puryea... has a 60-day leave, and then he ... to report to Florida for reassign... ment. . . . Dolly Kizer celebrate... her birthday on June 23. Congratu... lations, Dolly. . . . Did you kno... that Bill Easley's young son work... in the Nozzle Box Section on firs... trick. . . . Fred Thompson has bee... out in his back yard hunting fis... worms for over a week. Fred ha... tried everything under the sun, bu... the worms just won't come out. . .. Our congratulations go to Margare... Middaugh of the Rotor, who wi... become a bride on the 1st of July... Margaret will make her home in... Peoria, Ill. We all wish you muc... happiness. . . . Fred Thompso... said he hopes that no one will mov... a certain stone from the parkin... lot, because Herman Bittler woul... never be able to find his car. He... man, as you know, works in th... Rotor Section.

Rotor

It seems there has been quie... a few who are aware of the fish... ing season; anyway, they are takin... a week off for a badly needed... vacation. Among the vacationers... are Helen Baker, Melvin Fuelling... Martha Juillerat, and Elizabeth... Saylor. Hope you enjoy yourselves... and don't catch too many fish. . .. Everyone has to get a year older... regardless of the time of year. I... the past week those who had birth... days are: Lois Forst, Martha Juil... lerat, and Helen Bradley. Hop... you have many more happy birth... days, girls. . . . There are som... who are leaving us for Broadway... Tom Cowan is leaving from Roto... Assembly, Howard Anderson i... leaving from Wheel Machining, an... Jesse Hahn, Bob Griffin, and Ken... neth Hyman are also going to... Broadway. May you meet many... new friends and teach them as you... have taught us. Good luck on your... new jobs; we'll aure miss your... cheery smiles. . . . Congratulations... go to our new grandfather, Che... Carey, who is proud to have a new... grandson. . . . Has everyone noticed... how bright Ray Smith (Smitty... Jr.) has been looking lately? He... has been returned to hia old job as... assistant general foreman of the... Rotor Section. . . . Irmgard Gross... nickle, Audrey Kelsey, Dorothy... Wehmeyer, and Mary Beaman are... leaving us for parts unknown. Keep... smiling, girls; we'll remember you... always.

News From TAYLOR STREET

Punch Press

Marguerite Hemlinger is on her vacation this week. Hope you got your house painted. We'll have to look it over soon to see if you did a good job. . . . Margaret Voorhees is back from her vacation. Her son, who is home, will get to spend the 4th of July with her. . . . Betty Hoagland is spending this week-end at Adams Lake near Kendallville. Hope you bring back lots of bluegills. . . . Oh yes, the birthdays for the month of June are Carrie Leisure, June Harland, and Bearnice Schenhoun. Happy birthday to each of you.

Shipping

Vivian claims she is buying it for her son, Jack, but we think she is wanting it for her vacation. Jack wants a pup tent, so now Vivian is shopping for said pup tent. . . . Bob Schulthess is now on vacation. . . . Harold Hirschey is planning to spend next week at home to enjoy his vacation. . . . As a fisherman, Charles Fisher did not live up to his name. He ate fried chicken instead. . . . Bob Zimmerman refuses to brag about his fishing luck on the first day of the season. . . . Al Muller is trying to figure out a wig wag system with us since he moved his office. We suggested a walkie-talkie.

Four Fourums

Myrtle Barfell informed us she enjoyed her vacation regardless of all the rain. . . . Orville Robinson is really taking advantage of the few bright sunny days to paint his house. . . . Irma Augsburger, our ambitious farmerette, is seeking information on how to raise rice, for these daily rains have kept their lowland flooded, an ideal condition for raising rice. . . . It seems like old times again, for we have back with us Arlo Hawk, Fred Vogt, Gerald Briggs, Albert (Smitty) Smith, and Al McKeen. Welcome back, boys. . . . Jerry Briggs went fishing on the opening day and fell off the pier into the lake. Nothing like getting close to your work, Jerry. . . . Ted (Squire) Warner likes Lake Webster so well that he is trying to buy more property around the lake. . . . We are anxious to hear Howard Poorman's fish stories when he returns from his vacation. He always comes back with a good one. . . . We had a pleasant surprise this week with a visit from Lt. Jack Leindecker, who just returned from the battlefields of Italy, where he was a pilot on a B-24 bomber. . . . One of the many things that Russ DeVeny learned in the army was: Necessity is the mother of invention. So when he ran out of lighter fluid, he used soft coal. A little smoky, but it served the purpose. . . . Kenny (Helldiver) Crabill passed his final flying test with a three-point solo landing. He is now sporting a huge pair of aluminum wings. . . . Bill Shoemaker would like to know the trick of feeding a Great Dane pup in an economical way. That, Mr. Shoemaker, is a project, not a trick.

An Ounce Of Prevention



IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE. We doubt if there are many people who realize this better than Ed Witte, who is shown in the above picture. Ed has handled accident compensation and accident statistics for over 25 years. His SINCERE CONSIDERATION for those "WHO GET HURT" prompts him to work closely with the safety committee in applying "THE PREVENTION."

The sketches are the last of a series on Compressed Gas hazards. As stated before, these sketches illustrate specific safety rules in safety rule booklet GEQ-69A—Safety for Gas Welding, Cutting, and Brazing Operators. Like all other safety rule books, the one on Compressed Gases is largely based on accident experiences. MANY A SAFETY RULE IS IN EXISTENCE TODAY BECAUSE OF A FATAL ACCIDENT.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

STATION 38 BROADCASTING

It seems that it has been a century since you have heard from Station 38. Speaking of centuries, the gang got together to help Frank Mitzner celebrate his 25 years of continued service with the Company. Congratulations, Frank. The party was to take place in the back yard of Frank's home, but the weatherman said "no," so into the house we went. Bob Gass and George Graue were the promoters of the party, and the gang consisted of Ed Gambrell, Fred Fiber, Frank Hedges, Ernie Gilbert, Russell Butler, Joe Stock, Wilbur Scott, Nick Derloshon, Bob Bachman, Roland Ross, Crates Mays, Frank Lair, Sam McAfee, and the honored guest, Frank Mitzner. Bob Bachman presented a gift to the host from the gang—a shirt, necktie, and handkerchief. Someone must have guessed wrong on size because it looked as if the shirt was large enough for two ordinary men, especially around the neck. Lunch was served and enjoyed by all. Apparently the party was a big success, because we saw several men laughing so hard at times that they were practically shedding tears. On leaving, the whole gang shook hands with Frank and wished him the best of luck—and we meant it.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Joe and Walt say that it is too quiet in the forge shop this week and wish that Eddie would hurry back from his vacation and help the chatter again. . . . Dick Haskins of the tool room recently joined the Merchant Marines and has left for active duty.

SPORTS

GOLF

No one seems able to beat Tom Piepenbrink in the Winter Street Golf League. Tom shot a 43 on the first nine last week to lead the scoring again. He also has the lowest average for the league, a nice 43.4. Hal Staley is close behind with an average of 44. Les Didier has 47.2 for third place, Don Lynch is in fourth with 47.3, and Win Kirke is fifth with 48.3.

Last week Team 6 shot the best team score, 201. They defeated Team 2 by 10 strokes. Team 1 defeated Team 3, 214-232. Team 5 defeated Team 4 by 2 strokes, 226-288, and thereby took the league lead with four victories and one defeat.

DUSTPROOF ROOM

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Myrtle Carpenter in the death of her father. . . . Bert Foulks and Jeanette Schuckel are vacationing. We hope they're enjoying themselves.

COST

Harold Hartman is back to work after a week of vacationing with a real sunburn. He sez he caught his share of fish, and off shore at that. Nice going!

SHIPPING

We think that from now on Dorothy Cartwright will not row a boat in a bathing suit. That sunburn really looks nice, but we wouldn't want to share the agony with her. . . . Alice Minser is vacationing at Adams Lake, and we all miss her sunny smile. . . . Several girls received cards from Doris Polley, who is vacationing in North Carolina. . . . Joyse Ayers is the new girl in our section. She is a typist. . . . Madonna Lehman is back after a week's vacation. She was having a nice time at Big Long Lake until the mosquitoes took over, so Madonna came home. Anyway, she has a nice tan.

ACCOUNTING

Betty Smith is the new girl in the office. . . . Rita Pallone was the center of attraction last Friday when she received a beautiful, huge orchid from her husband for her birthday.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

Frank Lemish, his wife, and daughter have returned home from a visit in Gulfport, Miss., with their son who is in the Navy. Ask Frank to demonstrate his Southern drawl.

PRODUCTION

A note on Bill Stockwell's desk informed him to call M. T. Graves at his first opportunity. Bill, very business-like, called the number. The telephone conversation ran something like this. Bill: "M. T. Graves?" Other end: "Sure! We've got 7,000 of them." You see, the number he called happened to be the Lindenwood Cemetery.

COMPRESSOR SPARE PARTS

We are glad to see Lucille Orr back after a week's illness. . . . Say, gang, the nylon hose Charlotte Midler has been wearing turned out to be leg makeup. . . . Anyone wishing advice on bringing up children, just ask Ruthie Jones, as she has a brand new grandson. . . . Ruthie Meyer and her husband are going to Minnesota for a week's vacation. . . . Wonder if Rudy Galmeyer or Louie Ehrman would take first prize in growing a mustache. . . . Has everyone seen the new hairdo Vivian has been wearing? It's nice, Vivian. . . . We all can see that summer is here by the bright dresses LaVon has been stepping out in. We think they are cute.



"OH, YES, I KNOW ALL ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT'S DON'T TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS, BUT THIS CONTRACT IS REALLY VITAL."

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Loyd Ahr, Chalmer Knittle, Evelyn Plasterer, and Helene Colchin have returned to work after enjoying a week's vacation. . . . Vacationists this week are Genieve August, Lenore Lyons, and Ada Owens. . . . Alice Ulman is displaying a beautiful sunburn which she acquired while driving a tractor on her father's farm. . . . Mary Johnson is enjoying a vacation in California. . . . Alice Poling received a diamond from Keith Smitley. . . . Congratulations to Kathryn Heller and Bill Brunner, who were married on Sunday, June 24. . . . Ethel Schlickman received a dozen beautiful red roses from her sailor husband recently. The occasion was her birthday. . . . Flora Marie Spahr received a beautiful orchid for her second wedding anniversary on June 22. Her husband, Yeoman Bill Spahr, is serving on a repair ship in the Pacific. . . . Phil Dolby spent the past week visiting with relatives in Maryland. . . . June Stauffer has joined the 5-56 gang. Welcome to the line, June. . . . Nora Smitley returned to work Monday morning after being on sick leave the past month. . . . Harry King has a novel way of advertising popcorn. . . . Anyone having a horse and buggy for sale, please notify Dowell Singer immediately. . . . Hez Cochran is vacationing at Barbee Lake. . . . R. J. Koldewey spent his vacation breaking in his two-year-old colt on the art of jumping hurdles. Keep up the good work, Ronnie Boy. Some day the mare will make the top jump. . . . The mystery of why Ralph Schnepp's milk bucket was bone dry every morning was finally solved when Ralph caught the four-legged culprit in the act. For the finale of this tale, see Ralph. . . . According to Orval Fisher, he would here and after like to be known as Robin Fisher. He claims that he is as good or better at catching worms than the proverbial bird. . . . Betty Roop, a newcomer to the swing shift, already has her ambitions. Her biggest desire is to drive a jeep. . . . While you are reading this article, our own Mr. Sol Lord is celebrating his birthday. Here's many more, Mr. Lord. . . . Bob Gerber, U. S. Maritime Service, visited in the plant last week. . . . The Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team made it five in a row in their league game at Fort Wayne by defeating the Inca team, 7-3. The first two innings were pretty rough with Inca in the lead 2-0. In the third inning G-E went into the lead and stayed there the rest of the game. Catcher Betty Bower celebrated her birthday by catching two high foul balls to make two out for Inca. Verna Sprunger, covering third base, went into the stands to make a beautiful catch of a foul ball to make another out for Inca. Butcher pitched for Decatur, and Bower did the catching. Grenzenbach was on the mound for Inca, with Bailie doing the catching. On July 3, the girls will play the Baer Field Civilians at Worthman Field. So see you there. . . . Our sincerest sympathy goes to Ruth McCristy in the loss of her husband, Buryl, Electricians Mate, 3/c, who was killed in action on an aircraft carrier in the South Pacific.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

You find Indians in India, Italians in Italy, Frenchmen in France, and, as surprising as it may seem to Marilyn Denny, you will find Mexicans in Mexico. Marilyn went to Texas on her vacation and while there decided to go over into Mexico. She didn't stay very long and when asked why, she said, "There were too many Mexicans." We're wondering just what she was expecting to find in Mexico! . . . There was a car coming down Fairfield and Madge Ruckman coming down the sidewalk when the two almost met, and both applied brakes. It seems that Madge applied hers so snddenly and effectively that she nosed over. That's what you call good brakes, even if it is hard on shoe leather. . . . Cpl. George W. Denner, Marine, paid the office group a visit last week. George has been in the Pacific for approximately three years, and we were certainly glad to see him again. . . . PFC Clarence (Billy) Bade also paid us a visit. He just recently returned from Germany, where he was a prisoner of war for several months. . . . We welcome Wilbur Eickels, ex-serviceman, now back working in test. He was with the Army Air Forces in England for some time. . . . Glen Beers left for the Army last week, and the Aircraft gang presented him with a very nice gift. . . . Judging from the humorous bits of literature being passed between Jean Bartholomew and Abbie Hartman, there could be some real literary talent going to waste. Jean wrote a play describing the condition Abbie's desk would be in when she returned from her vacation and the consequences. Upon Abbie's return to work, she wrote a sequel to it. . . . We wonder if Mary Tobias is all over her thrills and chills by now. Mary had been contacted by Dick Haymes, the singing radio star, to tell her that her husband would be on his radio program Tuesday night, June 26. We're glad for you, Mary. . . . The euchre session in Bldg. 4-5 office at noon is getting almost dull to watch with Larry Simmons and Dick Stauffer taking most of the games and Gene Berg and Mike Trott getting euchred on their wild mountain loners. . . . Vacations are in full swing right now. Ray Karr spent his vacation at the lake this past week and Miriam Funderburg was in Buffalo, N. Y. Kate Geller, Nola Zimmerman, and Hildon Larimer spent their vacations fishing at the Michigan lakes. I wonder if they caught any fish? Irene Habecker was afraid we didn't miss her because we forgot to mention she was on a vacation, too! Now you know better than that. Some others we missed around here last week were Evelyn Swaim and Cora Zimmerman. Next week Helen Bell is going to get tanned—by the sun on her week of leisure at the lake. Don Baumgardner and Carl Zimmerman are taking their wives to Muskegon, Mich. We wonder who'll catch the most fish—if any. We'll bet on the women. Ben Franklin was on his vacation this past week. From what we hear, though, we imagine his granddaughter kept him on his toes. . . . Kate Geller was the recipient of many lovely gifts from her co-workers for her first year of wedded life. Many more happy years, Kate. . . . Bldg. 4-1 had a cat in the office recently, but they haven't anything on us as we had a cute little black pup visiting us last week. From what we hear, Frona Witsche decided she would like to keep him and proceeded to take him home with her on the street car. Upon reaching her backyard, the dog gave one "woof" and disappeared and still hasn't returned. Anyone find a stray dog? . . . By the way Betty Krausz received a lovely diamond several weeks ago from Kenny Erne, Marine. . . . We close now with a thought for the day. No one is perfect. The only people who don't make any mistakes are the ones who don't do anything.

To insure greater safety and efficency on A.A.F. planes, including the B-29, electric power is conveyed to the most vital controls by two or more wires connected in parallel but separately fused and located apart. Thus, if one wire is cut by gunfire, service is not affected.

Suggestions Pay Off



Merle Chiddister, Taylor Street, is shown upper left above being congratulated by his foreman, George Ellison, on the presentation of a $125 suggestion award. Mr. Chiddister suggested the partial immersion of certain diaphragms in water during welding operations. Bernhardt Stiegler, Taylor Street, upper right, received a $50 award for his suggestion on conversion of surplus impeller pallets into tote box inserts for pumps and bearings. Paul Gressley, Bldg. 26-4, lower left picture above, received a $25 suggestion award for his idea to use special sideboards in winding coils. Shown in the lower right photo is Harold L. Frazier, Bldg. 19-5, who received $50 for his suggestion on making FHP motor shafts in two-piece construction and on P & W's instead of handmill screw machines. The award was made in addition to $20 previously awarded.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

Fishing seems to be one of the most popular topics of conversation before and after vacations, so most of the stories coming to our ears are in some way related to that sport. One of our vacation stories is a gripe from Johnny Imel, who had his vacation the same week as Arnie Johnson. He says he wants someone to keep him from ever taking another fishing trip with Arnie because he had to row the boat, bait Johnson's hook, and clean the fish. Now we'll have to get Johnson's side of the story. . . . It has been suggested to Jean Herrman, who with her family has moved to a farm near Columbia City, that she put up a stand to sell fish bait as a side line. Jean thought it would be a good idea herself and named several popular types of bait but omitted horse weed worms because, says Jean, "We don't have any horses." . . . Ed McKering says being short has its advantages. When he goes fishing, he really wouldn't need a fishing license, he says, because when the game warden sees him from a distance he thinks he's just a small boy, too young to require a license.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Moving days are here—for Bldg. 31-1 anyway. This accounts for the people wandering around with puzzled looks on their faces. If you are looking for anyone, better get a guide. . . . Bonnie Taylor is enjoying a delightful vacation in Solomons, Md., visiting her husband, who is stationed there in the Navy. . . . We are glad to have Helen Barry back with us in Blueprint. She has been with her husband for some time now and has just returned, as he left for overseas duty. . . . Has Lois Elzey reverted back to her childhood days? It was a cute doll, we must admit. . . . We are glad to see all the tanned faces of the vacationers back with us, also some red-faced ones, such as Herman Bobay. Mildred Baughman has a nice (?) case of sunburn too. . . . A former messenger boy, Ralph Jacobs, visited us last week. Ralph has just returned home from overseas duty. We wish him the best of luck. . . . Congratulations to Mary Alice Green of our Production Section who was married June 24 to Mark A. Munk at the First Methodist Church in Kendallville. Esther Dalman, Wilma Buuck, Vera McGregor, Fern Thomas, Ruth Schafenacker, Betty Cox, and Jean Stiver attended the wedding. We'll miss Mary Alice and wish her happiness in her married life. . . . Pat Schnurr's "dreams are getting better all the time." . . . LaVerne Englebrecht was greatly disappointed when she found out that a woman's touch isn't all it's cracked up to be when she tried to fix the no-draft on the car in which she rides to work. . . . Welcome to "Sammy" Bradtmiller, who has been transferred from Bldg. 19 to our Cost Section. . . . The "bedraggled" look on the faces of the men in Bldg. 31-2 last Friday morning was the result of the party given Thursday night for three members of the drafting room who are leaving—Floyd Pitsenbarger, who is moving to California, and Earl Marrell and Bill Willig, who are leaving for the armed services. The party was a great success with all the hidden musical talents of several draftsmen and engineers coming into the light—Bill Bright showing how the violin should really be played, Eric Gawehn, Johnny Remmers, and Mox Reichter giving out with vocal renditions, and McInerney taking honors on the piano. . . . "Doc" Bloomenberg is beginning to lose his faith in the intelligence of animals, but when it comes to squirrels, we still don't think they are so dumb. Last week when Doc was coming to work, two squirrels must have liked his looks for they kept following him and biting at his heels. Doc says things are tough all over now-a-days, but who ever heard of squirrels resorting to shoe-leather? . . . Happy birthday to Cora Morrison and Edna Bruns!

Doctor: How's the patient this morning?

Nurse: I think he's regaining consciousness. He tried to blow the foam off his medicine.

2-3 Office

We have as a welcome new member in our midst, Bob Shire, who is just out of service. . . . Well, well, we are going to have summer now for sure, and Fuzz Meyer says it's because he has all of his house painting done. . . . I'm not going to mention any names, but boy, oh boy, of all the fish tales that are going around this week, I don't see how the supply is going to last the rest of the season. . . . We wish in this manner to extend our sympathies to Herb Bolinger, whose father died last week. . . . I'd never be forgiven if I forgot to mention the cute little pin-up girl that made her appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spahr in Kokomo last week. . . . The vacationers from the office this week are Leone Stauffer, Helen Burnham, Rosy Linahan, Louie Shattuck, Paul Glendenen and yours truly. Look out, little fishies, here we come.

Sunbeam Sal.

Sleuthing In 4-6

We offer a hearty welcome to R. F. Shoaff, formerly of Bldg. 19-5, who is now in charge of the Data girls in the Production Section. . . . We also welcome Alice Schuhler back after an absence of eight weeks. Alice spent those weeks in California with her husband while he was stationed there, and she had a very pleasant time visiting in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Diego. . . . Cpl. George Clenner, who has been all over the Pacific in his service as a Marine, received a welcome from his friends in the Raw Material Section when he paid them a visit on June 18. . . . We are sorry to hear of the illness of Paul Horstmeyer, and hope that he will soon be well and back on the job again. . . . They tell us that Joy Hale is recovering quite nicely from her recent appendectomy, so we are looking forward to having her back with us in the near future. . . Our wishes for "many happy returns" go to Nina Andress and also to Carol Norris, who celebrated their birthdays last week. The girls were lamenting because Carol wouldn't tell them how old she is. That's right, Carol, keep 'em guessing! . . . Eileen Hess has returned from a very enjoyable visit in New London, Conn. She tells us that she saw so many sailors there, that she almost expected to see her husband walk up to her at any minute. Sorry it couldn't have happened that way, Eileen. . . . Cecil Allen has left us to take up his abode in Los Angeles. A farewell "stag" party was given in his honor last week at the G-E Squares Hall, where he was presented with a Gladstone bag and a poster made by Marjorie Young and singned by his Bldg. 4-6 pals. A presentation speech given by Charlie Koomjohn; and he really did a good job of it, in spite of the heckling of Ray Jones. Mr. Allen was also the guest of nine girls of his section at a party at the English Terrace on Tuesday noon last week. He will now be able to tell you how Abbott and Costello felt when they were "Lost in a Harem." . . . The gang had all they could do to keep Elsie Forschner down to earth last Saturday after she got that phone call from her husband in San Francisco. Elsie is leaving us in a few days to join her husband in Chicago, when he returns for a 30-day furlough. We wish both of them lots of luck and happiness. . . We likewise wish the best of everything to Lou Ann Engleman, who is also leaving us this week. . . Denver Druesedow is giving "Jack and the Beanstalk" stiff competition. Judging by the progress of those soy beans planted in his clip bowl, we would not be surprised to see Denver posting a "Soy Beans For Sale" sign any day now. . . . Spcaking of gardens, Frank Dubanowich has a new problem to worry about every day If it's not rabbits, it's bugs; and if it's not bugs, it's the young 'uns racing through his garden. Yes, Frank, such is the life of a gardener! . . . The girls of the Aircraft Engineering Section are beginning to realize the dire results produced by their generosity in giving Father's Day ties to Henry Marahrens and Wally Clayton. They are sadly watching Gladden Grauer going around nursing a broken (or at least badly splintered) heart because he got no tie. And he would have been absolutely irresistible in a cute bow tie, too! But listen to this—a couple of the other fellows have decided to come to work two days each week, minus their shirts, in the hope that these soft-hearted females will take pity on them and buy them a shirt. Now, wouldn't someone like a nice new suit? . . . Wade Tyler is now just another of those "old married men." He celebrated his "anniversary" last week —exactly one month of married life! Yes, Wade, before you know it, you'll be celebrating your Golden Wedding Anniversary.

She Wears A German Jacket



Miss Betty Jo Isnogle, Bldg. 19-5 Field Section, is shown above displaying a captured German soldier's combat jacket, a souvenir she received from Cpl. George McClain, who is now serving overseas with General Patton's Third Army. The jacket is white fur, unlined, and came to her, Betty Jo said, quite dirty. She had it cleaned, and then was ready to smile for our photographer.

Night fell and the two tramps began to look around for a place to lay their heads.

"What yer going to use as a pillow?" asked Willie.

"This bit of drain-pipe," said Tim.

"Drain-pipe?" echocd his comjanion. "Won't that be a bit hard?"

"Course not," said Tim. "I'm going to stuff it with some straw."

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

It was an unexpected pleasure to see Marine Walt Braun, formerly of our Wire Production Section, walk in last week. Walt is home on a 15-day furlough before reporting to his new location in Camp Lejeune, N. C. . . . The fishermen arc in their glory now that the season is open again, and we can expect to hear tall tales all Summer. . . . The Skinner and Wisner families have been vacationing at Jimmerson Lake. Bill, no doubt, had last-minute rehearsing of stories to do when Dewey prepared to return to the city, since Bill stayed on another week. . . . Harold Parkison and Harold Barrick recently caught their limit while fishing at Walden Lake. . . . James A. Lee has gone to Lansing, Mich., this week and hopes to catch a few fish. . . . From all accounts, Loretta Gerardot, Guy Oberlin, and Vaughn Sheets enjoyed their week's vacation. Guy was at his lake cottage; Loretta spent a part of the time at the lake, and Vaughn was in Detroit. . . . See Herb Thompson about any optical illusions. . . . Saturday afternoons are always a joy for Elsie Bockelman, because after she's cleaned her machine, she gets the polish and finishes her job completely. . . . Mary Brown has a request to make: If anyone has a spare broom, please give it to her, for she loves to sweep. . . . If you would like to make an impression on Dorothy Gideon, just mention her collection of popular records and watch "Pee Wee" grin. . . . Have you all noticed Leo Flanagan lately? He must be taking vitamin pills; just watch the way he totes those boxes around. . . . Marjorie Degitz is back after two grand weeks spent in Philadelphia; but believe it or not, she's glad to be back because a steady diet of sea food isn't so good and Philadelphia has lots of that. . . . Jay Paulus is the proud father of an 8 pound baby boy. Congratulations, Jay! . . . It seems Lazern Hopkins and Chester Steinbarger will need a few fish worms for their vacations at the lake. Can anyone help out? . . . Donna Jean Wagoner always believes in arriving in a hurry. She believes now that banging her head against the coat rack just isn't worth it, however. . . . Lucky people on vacations last week were Alta Lee, Bill Hattendorg, Joe Kramer, Muriel Wiedeman, and George Doll. Have you heard all their tales? Just remember folks, our day is coming.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

Once there was a pig, just a little pig, that likcd to go visiting. In fact, he visited Yvonne Lydy so often that the owner said, "If that little 'porky' likes your home so well, you can have him." That's the way Mrs. Lydy came into possession of a pet pig. "Porky" was in the garden the othcr day and ate all of the lettuce; and we're afraid if that little pig isn't careful, he's going to become barbecued pork before long; and that's when we'll all be out to see you, Lydy! . . . Group 13x16 had a potluck dinner this week, honoring Nellie Williams. Her birthday was the occasion. That fried cbicken looked "powerful" good—boy! . . . Freddie Fenner took Herb Bolinger's place while Herb was on vacation last week. . . . Beverly Spiegel is anxiously awaiting her vacation. She's going home to New York City. . . . We welcome a new inspector on the hermetic line, Group 13x41. June Conner is her name. . . . We sent out a roving reporter to listen to all the fish stories last week; and after comparing all of them, we decided the fish story award of the week goes to Bob Rehrer. . . . Iva Krouse visited her son in Chicago over the week-end. . . . We wonder if Archie Boren's supply of peanut butter and crackers has been exhausted. We haven't seen a sign of a cracker for a month. How about it, Archie? . . . Herman Wiegman has been wearing some pretty T-shirts—first green, then yellow. We're looking for the red one next, Herman. . . . We were worried about Ruth Gifford a few days last week. She didn't have a potato in the house, but she finally landed five pounds so she could cook again. . . . Charlie Francies cheered up his place the other day with some roses he brought from here. . . . Paul Bender is looking for a home for their little kitten. His little daughter, Bonnie, locked it in a dresser drawer the other day and nearly snuffed out all of its nine lives at once. . . . That's all, folks; see you next week with bigger and better fish stories. So get busy, fellows!

They were out at sea, the boat was rolling and rocking something awful . . . one sailor got pretty sick and was leaning over the rail. A Captain comes along and says: "Hey! you can't be sick here."

The sailor replied, "Watch."



THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Shop's Fable—
JOE BAJERKY from ALBUQUERQUE



Once there was a guy named Joe Bajerky from Albuquerque. Now this Bajerky was an all-right guy—he was OK see? But he had one awful yen to be a big-time baseball star. All he ever had on his mind, such as it was, added up to nuthin but baseball.



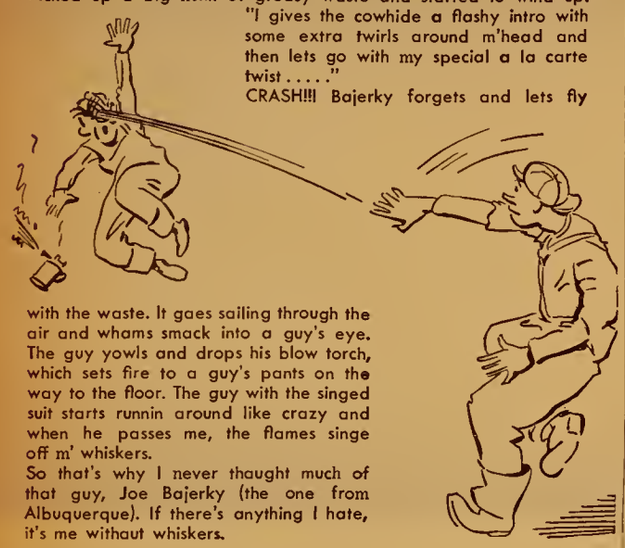
This Joe Bajerky (the guy from Albuquerque), came to town and started wark down in our shop. He wasn't terrific at the job, but he wasn't bad. He stuck to his work, see? He joined the shop baseball team, natcherly, and spent a lot of evenings practicing with the outfit. His whole heart and soul was in the game, you could see that easy. He was bats about it, see?

Whenever Bajerky opens his mouth during work, it's always to spaut about how some day he's gonna be the best pitcher in these here parts and how he is gonna make the big-time stuff. To hear him talk, you'd think he'd already played some pretty hot baseball. Well, one day he gets kinda het up when he's tellin us about one of his excitingest games, and he starts shouting real loud. "There I wuz, the bases loaded, and comin up to bat was a leather-battin buzzard that would knack the stitches out of any pill that came within three feet of him. Now wuz the chance for my super speedy whizzer-dizzer ball." Bajerky's voice was getting louder, and he picked up a big hunk of greasy waste and started to wind up.

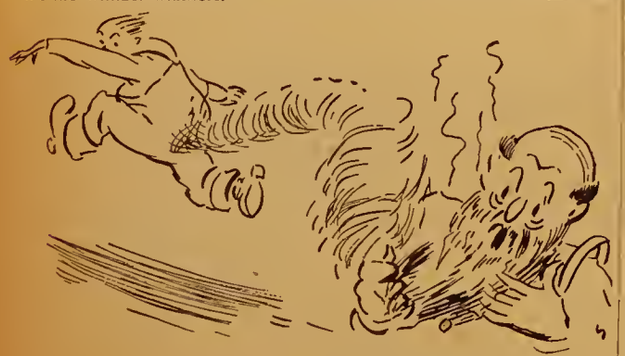


"I gives the cowhide a flashy intro with some extra twirls around m'head and then lets go with my special a la carte twist....."

CRASH!!! Bajerky forgets and lets fly with the waste. It gaes sailing through the air and whams smack into a guy's eye. The guy yowls and drops his blow torch, which sets fire to a guy's pants on the way to the floor. The guy with the singed suit starts runnin around like crazy and when he passes me, the flames singe off m' whiskers.



So that's why I never thaught much of that guy, Joe Bajerky (the one from Albuquerque). If there's anything I hate, it's me withaut whiskers.



Moral: Baseball is a great game, but when you play it, play it in the sandlot.

Magic Of Wire Recording Gives John Q. Public Battle Scenes

You can go on a bombing mission over Tokyo . . . participate in the sea rescue of a downed airman . . . trace the flow of blood plasma from the veins of a Brooklyn donor to a wounded infantryman in combat . . . meet Chennault's flyers in China . . . without leaving the safety of your home.

The magic that gives you these experiences, and many more, is a spool of thread-thin wire attached to a compact but intricate machine the size of a portable phonograph.

Wire recording, it is called, and with it there is nowhere radio cannot go.

On Fighting AAF

Credit for the utilization on a large scale of this unique General Electric device goes to the men of the "Fighting AAF," who every Saturday at 1:30 p.m. over the Blue Network take radio listeners, via wire recording, across the Pacific, into China, over Tokyo.

Gen. Henry H. Arnold called for this new, different radio program to bring to the American people full realization of the job being done by the air force. How best to accomplish that end? On-the-spot broadcasts seemed the answer. But to set up actual broadcasting equipment (large and complicated) or the alternate transcription machinery (also large and with breakable records) would so limit the scope of the programs as to make them hardly worthwhile. So the AAF turned to General Electric for wire recorders to turn the trick.

Instrument Is Compact

Picture a small black box with a handle on top. The front opens to disclose an instrument board with two spools, each about 4 inches wide. From one to the other runs 2 miles of fine highly sensitized wire, enough for an hour of broadcasting. On this wire are recorded sounds just as on a conventional wax phonograph record. The machine, which only weighs about 35 pounds, records, plays back, and erases. In the back is a small hand microphone on a long cord, to be plugged in to the instrument panel. For work in extremely limited spaces, such as fighter planes, models half the size and weight of this one are used. And they're tough. Aerial maneuvers leave them unharmed.

Taken Into Combat

So along on a combat mission, say, goes the wire recorder. Stowed away in the plane, it records the conversations of pilot and crew, the sounds of enemy ack-ack and machine-gun fire. Returned to base, their little black boxes cover the disconnected and sent to New York. There it and the wire of other recorded actions are combined and edited into the excellent and exciting 30-minute show you hear.

To get these Johnny-on-the-spot recordings requires 10 three-man teams overseas. Each team is composed of an AAF announcer, recorder, and technician. They and their little black boxes cover the globe to let you hear for yourself what the "Fighting AAF" is doing.

Passenger: "Give me a round-trip ticket."

Agent: "Where to?"

Passenger: "Back here, of course!"

Suggestions

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certain bronze collars on a one-inch Acme Automatic instead of on a Warner and Swasey machine. This award was in addition to $10 previously awarded. Anne E. Redmond, Plant No. 1, Decatur, received $30 for suggesting improvements in issuing drawing bulletins. Hugh A. Holthouse, Plant No. 2, Decatur, suggested providing a combination tool holder for machining brake discs and was awarded $30. Andrew N. Hilton, Plant No. 1, Decatur, was awarded $25 for his idea involving die casting letters on pulley end of rotor for balancing purposes.

Other awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were as follows:

Bldg. 4-1

Robert C. Winkler, Geraldine Crandall, Kenneth F. Bergman, Leo M. Ebert.

Bdlg. 4-4

Wilbur H. Poehler, Carl H. Heemsoth, Lewis H. Botteron, William E. Shumaker, Robert J. Till, Emil Albert Bertsch, Sidney W. Borton, Delos Martin.

Bldg. 4-5

Stanley C. Marshall, Walter Amacher, Arthur C. Bashelier, Paul C. Knight, Dorothy C. Weiler.

Bldg. 6-2

Louis Claiborne, Max E. Flohr, Alice A. Klingel, Glenn Lewis, Friedrich Hofacker, Denelda E. Dotterer.

Bldg. 17-1

Martin C. Fuelling, Conrad J. Mosshammer, James J. Carey.

Bldg. 17-4

Albert E. Scheiner, Earl D. Stauffer, George N. Patterson.

Bldg. 26-B

James E. Yaney, Silas B. Arick, Joseph M. Collis.

Bldg. 26-1

Lawrence E. Hosack, Donald C. Ford, Joseph C. Gallmeyer.

Bldg. 26-2

Adrian G. Tustison, R. L. Armstrong, Louella D. Lahmeyer, Donald E. McAfee.

Bldg. 26-3

Kenneth P. Fisher, Alice M. Snyder.

Bldg. 26-4

Charles A. Timmerman, George McIntire, Eldon M. Walker.

Bldg. 26-5

Joseph J. Hartman, Kenneth H. Doell, John P. Lauer, Carl H. Einsiedel.

Taylor Street

Kenneth V. Crosbie, Harold B. Koogle, Frederick H. Sanders, Kenneth S. Drew, Paul W. Gintz, Clifford Potts.

Decatur Plant No. 1

Harry R. Frauhiger, William H. Huston, Loren B. Troutner.

Decatur Plant No. 2

Cedric Fisher, Dorothy Mae Schnepf, Russel Melcbi, Arthur Zchr.

More than 700 warcraft, equipped with 48,000 telephones, were used in a recent Pacific landing operation.

Carver Club Meeting Set For July 1

The monthly meeting of the Carver Club will be Sunday, July 1, at Helen Babb's home, 1815 Winter Street, at 4:45 P.M. All members are urged to be present, as an attendance prize will be given at the meeting.

Few Business Gaps

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tions, Mr. Wilson said, and most of the employees who have been working on these and other terminated contracts were offered jobs on continuing contracts, so that only a relatively small number were actually laid off for lack of work.

Most of the shrinkage of employment since the peak in December 31, 1943, when 175,290 were employed on G-E war work, has been due to employees entering military service or leaving for personal reasons, and has not been caused by terminations of contracts resulting in lay-offs. The employment figure for March 31 of this year was 153,685.

Mr. Wilson pointed out that the effect of cancellations and cutbacks to date has not been to relieve critical labor shortages at General Electric, particularly with regard to the more highly trained engineers, technicians, designers and skilled workmen, such as toolmakers and all-around mechanics. Common labor also is still almost impossible to obtain.

New Demands For Labor

New contracts in many communities have created demands for labor that is not available from cutbacks and cancellations of contracts for products no longer needed in such great quantities. Typical is the situation at Syracuse, where General Electric's second largest war plant is located and where new contracts have been placed for products that require more labor than those that were cancelled.

Even cancellations received by other employers in the community have failed to provide an adequate supply of properly qualified help. Much labor that is released as a result of cancellations leaves the labor market and returns to the home or to pre-war pursuits, G-E surveys disclose. Many released workers are unwilling to work night shifts. Yet this is absolutely essential, because there are not enough manufacturing facilities to meet the requirements of the armed forces on one shift.



Get this, you folk who want to soak
The Axis on the button,
The Bonds you keep help out a heap
—The Bonds you cash do nuttin'!

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

Nothing New Under Moon', Say G-E Men In Surveying Night Baseball

Athletically speaking, there may not be anything new under the sun. Men have frolicked in broad daylight since the beginning of time. But, recently, sports activities held during the dim hours of the night have been promoted to good advantage. And now comes word from lighting specialists of General Electric that, so far as nocturnal athletics are concerned, there's not much new under the moon, either.

Digging into their record books, G-E engineers have come up with some startling facts regarding night-time baseball, one of the major sports experiencing a tremendous attendance boom since the introduction of efficient sports floodlighting. They found, for example, that night games of America's number one sport are not a particularly modern departure—having been tried out at Fort Wayne, Ind., in 1883; again at Cincinnati in 1909, and at Comiskey Park, Chicago, in 1919. Though the tests at all three cities were failures because of inadequate illumination, the idea lingered on.

And then came one of those freak occurrences that many times prove the difference between scientific failure and triumph. G-E, one of the pioneers in the floodlighting field, was setting up lights in 1923 on the company's athletic field at Lynn, Mass., for its opening celebration. While work was going on, some youngsters began a baseball game on the field and found so little trouble in following the ball that they came back the next night to play again. To G-E engineers who happened to be looking on, here was encouragement. Convinced now of the practical possibilities of night baseball, they began new experiments in earnest.

The first full-length game played under lights embodying new developments was staged at Lynn. Composed of 72 floodlights, the battery of illumination was described as being "brighter than 500 full moons." The sports world, watching with amused interest and no little disbelief, scarcely realized that in but a few years they would be attending contests where the playing fields are lighted by more than 8 times that many floodlights.

Developments continued, and by 1927 the executive of a leading minor league predicted that within 5 years ball clubs would be playing night games under regular schedules. His forecast was long by two years, for in 1930 baseball tradition was torn into shreds in Des Moines by the lighting there of the first professional ball park. Within 5 years after this historic date, more than 100 ballfields had been lighted, including the first major league field. And today approximately 250 major and minor nines, plus numerous semiprofessionals, cavort regularly under the floodlights.

By scientific development and careful planning practically all the disadvantages encountered in sports lighting during the early days of the venture have in recent years been overcome. And, because of this, nocturnally-held events in other sports fields are being used. High school, college, and professional football already are widely popular night games, and indications are that there will be a great expansion in night harness and dog racing. In view of such considerations it is not unreasonable to consider that the future of sports which exhibit a mass spectator appeal may lie under the stars instead of under the sun.

Girls' Softball Team Has 2-2 Record In City League

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Girls' Softball team won last Friday night by forfeit from Wheatly Center, who has dropped out of the City League, so a practice game was held with the Bob Inn "B" girls, with the G-E coming off second best, 3-1.

Three costly errors in the first inning accounted for the three runs, and from then on the Club settled down. Butch Whiteleather and June Getty were on the mound for the G-E, each one giving up only one hit. Phyllis Miller pitched good ball for Bob Inn, giving up only one hit, with Wyneken connecting on that one to help score the one run made by the G-E Club.

A rained-out game was played last Monday against Uhlig's. With Sis Arnold pitching a no-hit, no-run game, the G-E Club was handed an overwhelming defeat with a 10-0 score. The Club Team used their new pitcher, Barbara Platt, who pitched a nice game; but lacked the much-needed support of her teammates. There were six errors committed and for the fourth game of the season, that's not very good. Uhlig's scored runs in every inning, hitting the jackpot in the second with six runs crossing home plate. The game was called in the fifth when ten runs had been made.

So far this season the Club team has won two games and lost two in the league. They will meet Old Crown tonight at 9 o'clock at Memorial Park. Monday night, another rained-out game against Essex Wire will be played off at 8:30 o'clock at Hamilton Park.

Over The Plate

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E softball team in the Main Auto Major League has a total of nine games under their belt as of June 25 and have won seven of these.

Aside from the two losses suffered, in which several mental lapses and errors did considerable damage, the team has been on its toes.

A 13-inning thriller was lost to the Warsaw Merchants by a score of 4-3, the Club had 9 hits and Warsaw the same.

Runs batted in—Schere 5, Esterline 4.

Runs—Hilgemann 8, Lindenberg 6.

Hits—Hess 8, Hilgemann 8, Esterline 6, Scherer 6, Stanski 6.

Doubles—Hilgemann 2, Scherer 2.

Triples—Steuernagel, Starkel.

Home runs—Hilgemann, Scherer.

Pitchers—Feldheiser 4-1, 3-1.

Dust Off Home Plate



Dick Bohde



Dohr Krieg

By Ernie Spaulding

Shown above are two capable catchers on the G-E Club Softball team.

This is Dick's third year as catcher for the Club team. He is one of the hardest working receivers in the League, always full of pep and ginger.

His rotund stature (he is called "the little round man") makes him an ideal target to pitch to.

He is a good clutch hitter and usually comes through when a hit is needed.

He shares the catching spot with Dohr Krieg, who is having his second year in the catcher's spot. He is a very capable receiver with a rifle arm with which no one takes liberties.

He is no stranger to G-E sports fans, having played G-E Club basketball for three or four years.

In addition to catching, Dohr can be used in almost any other position; and while his hitting is not up to his standard, we expect him to be among the top hitters when the season closes.

The catching department with Dohr and Dick is as good or better than any in the league.

G-E Club Owls Down Zollner And Tokheim

By R. James

The G-E Club Owls showed they could play under pressure when they won two close games in the Y. M. C. A. Industrial Owl League, Wednesday, June 20, and Friday, June 22, by the scores of 5-4 and 4-3.

Edmunds again pitched both games, beating Zollner 5-4 and allowing 3 hits. He then went on to win from Tokheim 4-3, allowing 6 hits.

The team as a whole is improving week by week, and Bud Christlieb at third and Loren Booher at first look especially good. The rest of the fellows are also playing heads up ball, and providing injuries and vacations don't catch up with them, they will win their share of the remaining games.

Summaries:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	ZOLLNER	AB.	R.	H.
Vondran,lf	3	1	1	Lill,2b	4	0	1
Crosley,of	3	0	0	Noll,rf	3	0	0
Tucker,sf	1	0	0	Davis,cf	4	0	0
Hildinger,c	2	0	0	VanRyan,ss	3	0	0
James,ss	3	1	1	Dickmeyer,p	3	1	1
Girardot,2b	2	1	0	Borgenst'n,3b	0	1	0
Christlieb,3b	3	1	1	Christ,1b	1	0	0
Edmunds,p	3	1	2	Vollker,sf	3	0	0
Booher,lb	1	0	0	Vose,rf	2	1	0
Hensler,rf	1	0	0	Ducbet'le,lf	3	1	1
Plattner,lb	0	0	0				
Stiver,rf	1	0	0				
Totals	23	6	5	Totals	26	4	3

Score by Innings— R. H. E.
Zollner ..... 0 0 1 2 0 0 1— 4 3 2
G-E Club ..... 3 1 0 1 0 0 *— 6 6 3

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	TOKHEIM	AB.	R.	H.
Vondran,if	3	0	0	Quac'nbusb,sf	3	0	1
Crosley,ss	3	0	0	Bauman,p	2	0	0
Tucker,sf	3	0	1	Burns,1b	2	1	0
Hildinger,c	1	1	1	Grotrain,cf	3	0	1
Girardot,2b	1	1	1	Grabill,c	2	1	1
Stiver,cf	3	1	1	Gottschalk,ss	1	1	1
Edmunds,p	3	0	2	Grotrain,3b	3	0	1
Christlieb,3b	3	0	0	Putt,lf	3	0	1
Booher,1b	3	1	1	LaVaver,2b	2	0	0
Hensler,rf	3	0	1	Pranger,rf	3	0	0
Ringwalt,2b	0	0	0	Rahrer,2b	1	0	0
Plattner,1b	0	0	0				
Totals	26	4	8	Totals	25	3	5

Warsaw Defeats G-E Club Team In Thirteenth

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club softball team journeyed to Warsaw last Friday and were taken into camp by the score of 4-3. The game required 13 innings when Warsaw tied the score in the ninth inning.

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	WARSAW	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	4	0	1	Caywood,1b	6	1	0
Esterlin,2b	6	0	1	Gilliam,3b	6	0	0
Hilgeman,sf	6	0	1	A.Sbively,ss	6	1	2
Hess,lf	6	0	0	M.Sbively,2b	5	1	1
Rarick,rf	2	0	0	Slayb'b,cf-rf	6	0	1
Feldheiser,rf	2	0	0	Heckman,c-lf	6	1	2
Ste'rnagel,1b	4	2	2	Fisher,lf-cf	6	0	1
Bobde, c	4	1	3	Sisk,rf	1	0	0
Anderson,cf	6	0	1	Piper,c	3	0	1
Stanski,ss	6	0	0	Fresbour,sf	3	0	0
Starkel,p	5	0	0	Robbins,sf	2	0	0
				Konkel,p	3	0	1
				Wulferman,p	2	0	0
Totals	47	3	9	Totals	52	4	9

Score by innings— R. H. E.
G-E Club ..... 010 002 000 000 0—6 9 7
Warsaw ..... 000 001 002 000 1—4 9 0

G-E Club Softball Team Captures Two Wins In City Games

Bowser And Moose Teams Go Down 3-0 And 18-0

By Ernie Spaulding

The Club Softball team defeated the Bowser team by the score of 3-0, behind the two-hit pitching of Starkel and Leakey, in an interesting game Monday, June 25 at Memorial Park.

The Club obtained one run in the second on a hit by Hess, a sacrifice by Anderson, and a hit by Stanski, and two runs in the fifth on a walk to Lindenberg, a sacrifice by Esterline, and a home run by Scherer.

Schedule for postponed games will be given later.

The Summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	BOWSER	AB.	R.	H.
Lind'berg,3b	2	1	0	Horman,rf	3	0	0
Esterline,2b	2	0	0	Hill,ss	2	0	0
Hilgeman,sf	2	0	1	Aispaugb,3b	3	0	0
Scberer,cf	3	1	1	Miller,1b	3	0	2
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	0	0	Scbott,c	3	0	0
Hess,lf	3	1	2	Stager,cf	3	0	0
Anderson,rf	2	0	0	Lefler,lf	2	0	0
Rarick,rf	0	0	0	Crogan,sf	2	0	0
Krieg,c	3	0	1	Saylor,2b	2	0	0
Bobde,c	0	0	0	Sbarp,p	2	0	0
Stanski,ss	2	0	1				
Starkel,p	2	0	0				
Leakey,p	1	0	0				
Totals	25	3	6	Totals	25	0	2

Score by innings— R. H. E.
C-E Club ..... 0 1 0 0 2 0 0— 3 6 0
Bowser ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 2 1

The G-E softball team let itself go Thursday night, June 21, and tore the Moose team apart, winning by the one-sided score of 18-0. Feldheiser allowed only two hits in five innings and then turned the job over to Ross Leakey, who allowed no hits in two innings. Leakey has been a prisoner of war in Germany, and this was his first trial at pitching since his return.

The Moose team was way off the beam, making seven errors besides numerous passed balls that accounted for runs.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	MOOSE	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	4	2	1	Foster,3b	2	0	1
Esterline,2b	4	3	2	Carpenter,lf	3	0	0
Scberer,rf-cf	6	3	3	Hawkins,1b	3	0	0
Hilgeman,sf	4	3	2	Muli,1b	0	0	0
Hess,lf	4	1	1	Cowan,c-2b	3	0	1
Rarick,lf	1	0	0	Hostetler,ss	2	0	0
Krieg,c	4	1	0	Smoia,cf	3	0	0
Bobde,c	1	0	0	Rogers,2b	0	0	0
Anderson,cf	2	0	1	Boller,c	2	0	0
Leakey,p	1	1	1	Johnson,p-rf	2	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	4	0	1	Leath'man,rf	1	0	0
Stanski,ss	4	2	2	Stage,p	1	0	0
Feldb's'r,p rf	4	2	2	Ladig,sf	2	0	0
Totals	42	18	16	Totals	24	0	2

Score by innings— R. H. E.
G-E Club ..... 3 6 2 1 3 1 2—18 16 2
Moose ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 2 6

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Walter Esterline (2)*	R. 4, Tri Lakes, Col. City—17-1 Coming In on No. 102 - No. 33 - 30.		Hall	7:00- 3:30
Derbard Marbach (4)*†	1921 N. Fifth, Decatur	4-3	Arnold	3:30-11:48

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can excbange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Elton Shoopman	R. 2, Woodburn, Ind.	4-6	Waiker	7:00- 3:30
William Trumbower	R. 1, Yoder, Ind. Coming over No. 1 or Smith Rd. to No. 3.	26-5	Hoffman	7:00- 4:00

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Lucllie Hedgiln	Hudson, Indiana	Bunner	3:30-12:00
Rutb Lauer	120 Higb (East) Kendallville	Bunner	3:30-12:00

Employees Seeking Riders

Edward Crabill	2916 South Anthony, City	Barney	6:42- 3:12
Fred Karst	Bluffton Rd., Waynedale Vicinity	H. Smith	3:12-11:12
Paul Scber	Huntington, Indiana	Greiner	6:48- 3:18
Frank Wolters	Markle, Indiana	H. Smith	7:12- 3:12

Club Drops Game To Chicago For Week's Third Loss

Hitting Power Lambasts G-E Hurlers In Crushing 11-5 Loss To Giants

By Frank Eakin

The Chicago American Giants, one of the top contenders for their league championship, showed the more than 1,000 fans Thursday night some of their vaunted hitting power by lambasting three of the G-E Club's hurlers for 19 hits, good for an 11-5 win. This defeat ran the Club's losing streak to three straight.

Parnell Hisner, who was inducted last Wednesday, started and had trouble from the very beginning. The Giants scored three in the first on four hits. They added two in the third, another in the fifth, three in the sixth, and the last pair in the seventh. Johnny Bissant went five for five to lead the attack. Art Pennington, the classy first sacker, had four for four.

The Club had two bright spots. One was Perry Bush's long triple with two on. He was thrown out at the plate trying for a home run. The other was Chuck Bobilya's tremendous clout high over the left-field fence. Kenny Wattier and Max Miller were the only hitters able to connect more than once. Kenny had three, all singles, and Max a triple and single.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	CHICAGO	AB.	R.	H.
Brann,cf	2	0	0	Crutchf'd,cf	6	1	2
Barnett,ss	5	1	0	Bissant,lf	5	2	5
Wattier,3b	5	1	3	Smith,rf	5	2	2
Busb,lf	2	0	1	Penn'gton,1b	4	3	4
Winter,lf	3	0	0	Douglas,3b	4	2	2
Bobllya,1b	4	1	1	King,2b	5	0	3
Kestner,rf	S	0	1	Dukes,c	2	0	0
Seiple,2b	2	0	1	Barnhill,c	3	0	0
Young,c	4	0	0	McNeal,ss	2	0	0
Hisner,p	1	1	0	Nelson,ss	3	0	0
Carey,p	0	0	0	McCoy,p	1	0	0
Miller,p	2	1	2	McKinnis,p	3	1	1
Totals	33	5	9	Totals	43	11	19

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

By Alan Muller

TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.
Tool Room	7	2
Aluminum Parts	5	3
B.29's	5	3
Giants	5	4
Developmental	4	4
Laboratory	4	5
D. H. K.'s	4	5
Screwballs	4	5
Production	3	6
Ramblers	1	8

SUMMARY

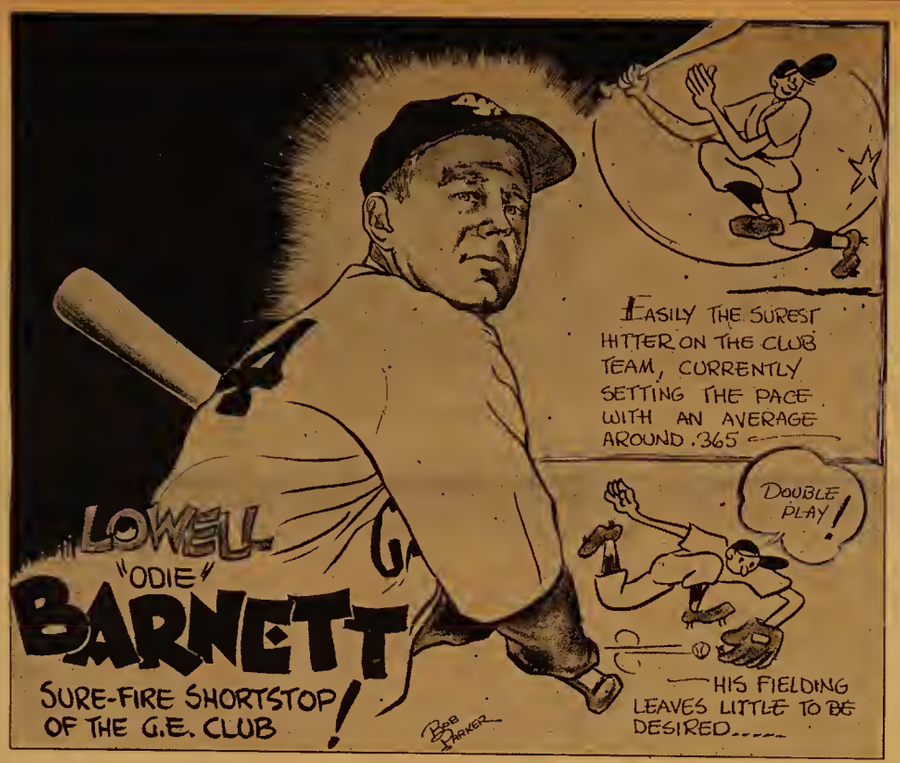
Screwballs won from Ramblers 195-200
B-29's won from Tool Room 196-185
Production won from Laboratory....222-225
Developmental won from Giants.....Play-off
Alum. Parts won from D. H. K.'s....199-209

Tool Room is still leading the field by one game. They were nosed out in their last game by the rough and ready B-29's. Let's watch those B-29's; they are climbing up fast. Screwballs again came through with another victory, winning from the Ramblers. The Giants lost a tough match to the mighty Developmental team. Both teams were tied at the end of nine holes. In the play-off Developmental forged ahead with a three-stroke margin. Believe it or not, the Production team came through with another one of those victories, nosing out the Laboratory.

Some mighty fine scores were shot Monday night. Smith shot a 40 for the first nine and Hart with a 42 came in low for the back nine.

Etiquette Golf Hint of the Week

Be sure to express sympathy for an opponent on his poor play by saying casually at every opportunity: "So sorry, you'll do better next year."



Bradenmen Lose Two Tough Ones To Opponents Early In Week

Michigan City Downs Club 5-3 In Hitting Duel

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club suffered another defeat at the hands of the Michigan City Cubs last Sunday evening by the score of 5-3. Roy Henshaw, former Chicago Cub hurler, pitched and although he was touched for 11 hits, he was very effective with men on base.

Jack Bowen, the Wright Field product, pitched creditable ball after the first inning, when the Cubs scored four big runs with the aid of a tremendous home run over the right field fence by big Ted Kluszewski, a product of Indiana University and owned by the New York Yankees. After this inning, he settled down and pitched six hit, one run ball.

Odie Barnett and Bobby Winter continued their heavy hitting by connecting with two softies each, with one being a long double. Everybody in the lineup connected at least once except Bowen and two pinch hitters. Ted Kluszewski went three for three to lead the Cubs attack and drove in four of the five runs.

The summary:

C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	MICHICAN CITY	AB.	R.	H.
Brann,cf	5	0	1	Hunter,ss	4	0	1
Barnett,ss	4	1	2	Cears,cf	4	1	1
Wattier,3b	5	0	1	Costello,3b	2	1	1
Winter,lf	4	0	2	Kluszewski,lf	S	2	3
Bobilya,1b	4	1	1	Blaemire,rf	3	1	1
Kestner,rf	8	0	1	Janls,2b	4	0	2
Seiple,2b	4	0	1	Dottlick,1b	4	0	2
Busb,c	4	0	1	Eufeme,c	4	0	0
Powen,p	8	0	0	Henshaw,p	4	0	0
Young	1	0	0				
Hisner	1	1	0				
Totals	38	S	10	Totals	32	5	11

Score by Innings—

										R.	H.
C-E Club	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1—	3	
Micblgan City	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	*—	5	

An analysis of the availability of railroad locomotives discloses that a steam locomotive can be used 80 per cent of the time, a diesel-electric 90 per cent and an all-electric 95 per cent of the time.

Lafayette Red Sox Scores Wild 8-7 Victory

By Frank Eakin

The last-ditch rally of the G-E Club baseball team fell short by just one run with the bases loaded in the ninth, and the Lafayette Red Sox scored another wild and wooly victory over their rivals by an 8-7 score Friday night. The Club had seen its two-run lead vanish into thin air in the top half of the ninth when the sky fell on Parnell Hisner.

Hisner had had trouble at various spots in the early parts of the game, but had gone into the ninth after pitching four scoreless and hitless innings. Two singles, his own error, and it was a real one, and a walk produced one run and left the bases loaded with none out. At this point, Jack Bowen replaced him and gave one hit, good for two runs, and then retired the next three on fly balls, on which one more run was scored after the catch.

Chuck Bobilya scored one run in the ninth-inning rally; and then with the bases loaded, Odie Barnett hit a Texas leaguer to center, which was caught by Laske, playing in very close with the thought of keeping the runner on second from scoring on a short single.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	LAFAYETTE	AB.	R.	H.
Brann,cf	4	2	2	Kosy,rf	4	3	2
Barnett,ss	5	2	3	D'elderato,8,p	4	2	1
Wattier,3b	5	1	3	Dooley,lf	3	1	2
Winter,lf	4	1	2	Laske,cf	4	0	1
Bobilya,1b	5	1	2	Cannlzo,2b	5	0	1
Young,rf	3	0	1	Monahan,1b	5	0	0
Selple,2b	4	0	0	Williams,ss	4	0	0
Busb,c	5	0	1	V'Antwerp,c	3	0	0
Hlsner,p	4	0	0	Davis,p	2	1	1
Bowen	1	0	1	Lowery,3b	1	1	1
Carey	0	0	0				
Kestner	1	0	0				
Totals	41	7	15	Totals	85	8	9

Score by innings—

										R.	H.
Lafayette	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	4	—	8	9
C-E Club	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1—	7	15



By FRANK EAKIN

The fortunes of the G-E Club's baseball team reached their lowest point this week with the departure of Parnell Hisner, the young twirler, who was inducted into the armed forces last Wednesday. They were in the midst of a bad slump in the win column. Their hitting has been good, their fielding has been up to par, and their pitching has been just fair. However, they have not been very successful in coming out on the long end of the score. Just who will replace Hisner is hard to say. He was the team's only consistent winner and with more pitching experience should develop into a mighty fine hurler some day. Good luck, Parnell.

Odie Barnett has raised his batting average to a .385 figure, which is plenty good, and we don't care in what league you are playing. Odie has not been stopped since the first two games of the season. His hitting and fielding have been among the bright spots of the season. Kenny Wattier has taken over second place in the race for batting honors with a .319 mark. He has a long way to go to catch the high-flying Barnett and thus retain his batting championship. Bobby Winter's .308 is good for third place in the standings.

Roy Brann has a good chance to beat his record of 33 walks received during the last season. So far, he has received 18 and at that pace should far surpass his old mark. He has made less than a half-dozen hits, but his walks are just as good. It's getting on base that counts, and that is exactly what Roy specializes in doing.

Department Leaders

BATTING: Barnett .385; Wattier .319; Winter .308.

R.B.I.: Bobilya 9; Winter 9; Bush 8; Young 8.

RUNS: Barnett 10; Brann 10; Bobilya 9.

HITS: Barnett 18; Bobilya 14; Bush 18.

SINGLES: Barnett 16; Wattier 14.

DOUBLES: Bobilya 5; Busb and Selple 3.

TRIPLES: Bobilya and Brann.

HOME RUNS: Bobilya, Busb and Hisner.

TOTAL BASES: Bobilya 24; Barnett 20

Bush 19.

WALKS: Brann 18; Barnett 7.

STRIKE OUTS: Bobilya 9; Bush 8.

PITCHINC: Hisner 4-1; Bildlll 1-0

Carey 1-1; Miller 0-1.

Bunker Hill And Lafayette Meet Club Next Week

G-E Baseball Team Is Out to Avenge Previous Defeats

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club will be after re venge this coming week, and in m small way. Sunday evening the play the Lafayette Red Sox a Lafayette for the third time thi season. The Red Sox have wo both games to date, the latest be ing the 8-7 thriller of two week ago. Next Tuesday, the Bunker Hill Patriots come to Dwenge Park for a return engagement. Th Sailors administered a 6-0 shut out in the Club's season opener.

At the present time the Club i in the midst of a very bad slump not being able to get a winning streak beyond the number tw stage. By scoring wins over thes two teams, they can go a long ways toward preparing themselve for the hard grind of the Stat Semi-Pro Tourney later in July Both of these teams will in a probability be in the tourney; and if the Club cannot beat them now they do not have much of a chance to do so in the tourney.

Against Lafayette, Braden plans to use Scott Carey, the little left hander; and Jack Bowen will try t stop the rampaging Bunker Hil Patriots. Johnny DeLion will prob ably do the hurling for John Ras ser's Red Sox while Dick Hoove or Al Piechota will be used by Jim Scroggins.

Owl Softball League

By Bob Cresley

The postponed games of the in ter-division league were played last Thursday with Bldg. 17 de feating the Firemen, 11-10, and Bldg. 26 defeating Bldg. 4-4 by an identical score.

Bldg. 17 won their first game of the year by staging a fifth-inning rally, which was good for six runs. Sweet pitched a good game for the losers. He allowed Bldg. 17 eight hits, but six errors allowed Bldg. 17 to come through a winner. The Firemen got 14 hits off Al Middaugh.

Score by innings— R. H.

Firemen	1	0	4	0	3	2	0	—10	14	
Bldg. 17	1	4	0	0	6	0	*	—11	8	

Bldg. 4 lost a hard-fought ball game to Bldg. 26. Bldg. 26 scored five runs in the fifth and sixth innings to pull the game out of the fire. Last year's champs had a chance to tie it up in the last inning, but George Hosek overran third base and tagged out before he could get back. Carl Plattner and Royce Schwartzwalder hit long home runs, in succession, in the fourth inning for the losers.

Score by Innings— R. H.

Bldg. 4	6	0	0	2	0	1	1	—10	12	
Bldg. 25	2	0	3	1	3	2	*	—11	15	

Stanek and Hosek; Boober, Edmunds and James.

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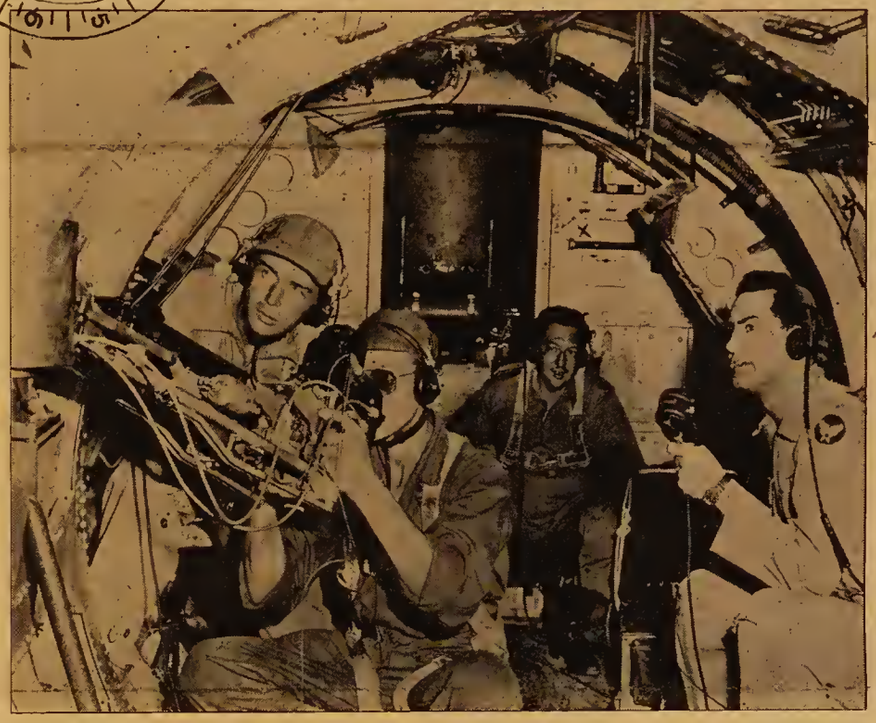
Louise Claiborne, Bldg. 6-2, Heads This Week's List

Thirty-one awards which totalled $308 were made this week to employees for suggestions on better methods, according to the list submitted by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Louise Claiborne, Bldg. 6-2, headed the list with her suggestion for improvements in tools and method of broaching DY81 brush holders, for an award of $55. Mary Moser, Bldg. 6-2, received a $40 suggestion award for her idea on improvements in tools and methods of burring on six rivets. An award

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Wire Recorder In Action



General Electric wire recorders are responsible for the sprightly interviews and on-the-scene action broadcasts that are making the Blue Network show, "The Fighting AAF," heard each Saturday afternoon from 1:30 to 2 P.M. EWT, one of the outstanding service programs on the air. Recently an AAF reporter team flew in a B-17 near Laredo, Texas, to describe the workings of the Air Forces newly-developed frangible training bullets. On the right is Lt. Jack Anger, announcer, and in the rear is engineer Cpl. Syd Samuels monitoring the broadcast through a G-E recorder. At the left are an instructor and student of the AAF Flexible Gunnery School, Laredo. Wire recorders have brought listening audiences an actual air-sea rescue from the North Atlantic, accounts of B-29 raids over Tokyo, and air evacuation stories from all theaters of the war.

—Official U. S. Army Air Forces Photo.

Elex Will Have Summer Outing On July 17

Night Girls Must Place Reservations By Saturday, July 14

Night girls are urged to get their reservations in to their contact girls for the Summer Outing, Tuesday, July 17, which will wind up the activities of night girls in Elex Club for the Summer.

The affair is scheduled at the Sears, Roebuck pavilion on the Bluffton Road, and a treasure hunt, hiking, and outside games will feature the outing. The outing is planned for 12 o'clock Noon, with a picnic lunch to be served at that time. It has been planned for Elex members only, and tickets may be purchased from contact girls now

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G-E Review And Aero-Digest Carry Article By L. L. Ray

L. L. Ray, design engineer in the Fractional HP Motor Engineering Division, has published an article on B-29 Gun Fire Control Power" in the May issue of the *General Electric Review* and the June 1 issue of *Aero-Digest*.

In this article he describes the design and operation of the 400-cycle dynamotor that is a part of the B-29 gun fire control system. The purpose of the dynamotor is to convert 24 volt direct current to 115 volt, 400 cycle alternating current.

Mr. Ray explains the various types of equipment used to convert direct current to alternating current and points out the reasons for selecting 400 cycle as the most desirable frequency. The dynamotor was selected because of its light weight and, since four dynamotors are used on each B-29 plane, it was thus possible to save several pounds.

Lt. Waldo Page Is Back In United States

News has been received that Lt. Waldo Page, formerly employed in Bldg. 26-1, has landed in the United States after being liberated from a German prison camp. He was released on June 8.

Lt. Page reports that he has gained 20 pounds since his liberation and he is gradually regaining his strength. He appreciated receiving letters while in camp from two former G-E co-workers.

CASUALTIES

PFC Samuel Warren, Winter Street Plant, died in Belgium, June 15, as a result of gunshot wounds

Second Lt. Paul C. Frick, Bldg. 4-5, has been missing in action near Iwo Jima since June 1, 1945.

Henry Reehling Leaves Record Of 41 Years With Small Motors

(See pictures on Page 4)

Henry Reehling, one of the men closely tied in with the development and growth of the FHP Motor Division in Fort Wayne, closed his desk for good last Saturday when he accepted retirement under the Company's Pension Plan—nearly two years, incidentally, after he had been "officially retired."

Mr. Reehling was retired Nov. 23, 1943, on his seventieth birthday, but elected to stay on to aid the war effort, when the Company rule on compulsory retirement at 70 was lifted during the emergency. Mr. Reehling's service began with the Company (again officially) back in 1904, when he signed an engagement card on Sept. 15 as a tool engineer for the Fort Wayne Works.

Today Mr. Reehling's employment folder stands unique among the thousands of thick, well-thumbed files in the Employment Office, for his file contains that one engagement card signed 41 years ago. In other words, he was never

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Safety Minded?

Wire Recorder Aids Shop Safety Programs

The General Electric magnetic wire recorder, veteran of virtually all war theatres as a combat on-the-spot reporter, has found another application—aiding safety measures in the factory.

This was learned in a report made public by the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York. The company borrowed a wire recorder from the Kansas City offices of the G-E Electronics Department for a trial in safety work and took the machine to several factories in Arkansas for actual experience along these lines.

At one company, the wire recorder was set up on a small portable cart and rolled along from one manufacturing operation to another in the three plants of the company. Workers recorded their suggestions to improve the accident prevention program. These suggestions were played back to the

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H. B. Carter Is Named A. C. Section Engineer

Harold B. Carter has been appointed Section Engineer of the A. C. Motor Section of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, by P. O. Noble, Division Engineer.

Mr. Carter was graduated from Kansas State University, receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1927. After graduation Mr. Carter spent approximately one year on the test engineers' course at the Schenectady Works and entered the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division in February of 1928. Since that time he has been a Design Engineer, Section Engineer in charge of the Magneto Section and, until his present appointment, Supervising Engineer in charge of hermetic motor parts.

Mr. Carter is a member of both the Fort Wayne Engineers Club and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.



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Customer's Money's Worth

When you buy a product and it fails to give service, how do you feel?

Do you get "hot under the collar"? Of course you do! So does every other person who puts out his good money and then feels that he has been cheated because the product didn't give service.

When you "get stung" on a poor product, you don't go back to the same place to spend your money the next time. Furthermore, you tell others about it. You knock the product and the company who made it. Or, you take the inferior product back and demand a replacement or your money back. In any event, the company that delivered you a poor product has lost your good will.

The people who buy the product you help to make feel just the same as you do when they don't get their money's worth. They knock your product and your company. They prevent the growth of your sales. They write letters of complaint.

Uncle Sam, too, is a very exacting customer. When you make a product for the government, Uncle Sam is your customer; and he sets very strict quality standards for you to meet. If your product does not come up to those standards, your company does not get paid.

No matter who the customer is, he wants to get his money's worth. Customers really dictate your quality standards.

A reputation for turning out a good product is a tremendous asset for any company. The way your company wins a good reputation is to deliver a good product or an efficient service. It is very easy to lose a good reputation unless quality standards are maintained.

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Rules Of The Game

In every sport certain rules are necessary. Without them a game would turn into "free-for-all."

In the plant, Company policies and regulations are your guide. They allow people to work together in large numbers with the least possible confusion. Be sure you know the policies and regulations.

Read any printed information the Company gives you. Look over the bulletin board every day. If you have a question, ask your foreman.

Knowing the rules is part of knowing your job.

Think Through To Think Up

There are reasons for doing each part of your work the way it is done now. Try to **think them through.** This will show up some places where you can suggest improvements.

Start with the simple changes. Right on the job you can often make a better arrangement of supplies, or provide a holder for tools, or develop some knack that makes the operation safer, less tiring, and more efficient.

Every successful improvement of this type will make it easier to get others accepted. Begin now to help yourself.

HERE'S A BETTER TUNE



Few of us have failed to meet the "wise" guy who knows the "real inside" on lend-lease or Burma, or Trieste, or anything you want to listen to. He usually has a pet peeve. Mostly it is England, which is supposed to be chasing us into the fire to pull out chestnuts. But some of these mental wizards specialize on "Uncle Joe Stalin," whom they picture as licking his chops preparatory to swallowing up a helpless, trusting America.

These people may think they are patriots, but they are doing the war effort no end of harm and the cause of peace a grave injustice by indulging in such gossip. As Board Chairman Philip D. Reed says, the tendency of such criticism "is to breach the unity of the Allies, raise the hopes of our enemies, disillusion our soldiers fighting in the front lines."

The danger is not grave, but there was enough of this jackass talk so that Hitler and Company believed to the last V-bomb that they could split the Allies apart and beat us one by one. The Japs are probably fooling themselves in like manner. England and Russia, and France and China, too, are our world neighbors, and we must live understandingly with them. We must, as Ben Franklin said, hang together, or most assuredly we shall all hang separately.

For another world war would finish civilization.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

WASHING RULES FOR RAYON CARE

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

The fact tags attached to rayon merchandise sold today are the guide to the first rule for successful rayon care, says Ruby G. Littlefield, Director, Home Laundry Section, General Electric Consumers Institute. They tell you whether the fabric will wash, or whether dry cleaning by a reputable dry cleaner is recommended.

IF They Wash

If garments are recommended for washing, Ruby G. Littlefield advises that special items such as dresses and slack suits be washed separately.

Examine garments carefully and remove stains before washing; badly soiled places such as which might occur on children's clothing should also be treated before washing by rubbing the dampened area with soap and removing as much of the excess soil as possible.

For all fine fabrics, including rayon, a long soaking before washing is not recommended, but a "mechanical soak" will be helpful. Fill the washer with cool or tepid water to the water line, start the activator, insert the clothes, and run the activator for 3 to 5 minutes. Then spin or wring and drain water from the tub.

Water Temperatures and Soap

Use lukewarm, not hot, water for washing rayons. Hot water is usually the cause of shrinkage in fabrics: silks, woolens, cottons, as well as rayons.

Water at too high a temperature is also bad for colored fabrics, for even though colors may not fade, hot water may cause them to run or "bleed" and they will become dull.

A pure, mild soap should always be used for washing fine fabrics. Soap should also be thoroughly dissolved before clothes are inserted.

Short Washing Periods

For more sturdy fabrics a 6 to 8 or 12 to 15 minute mechanical washing is recommended, but for fine fabrics such as silk, laces or rayon only a 3 to 5 minute washing period is sufficient. Long washing periods are responsible for seam ravelings.

If your rayon fabric is dull-finish and becomes creased or cracked when run through the wringer, avoid this by hanging the garment up while still soaking wet and allow it to dry.

Drying Rayons

Wherever possible rayon garments should be dried in the shade, never in the hot sun.

Those delicate rayons such as taffetas and shears may be rolled in a Turkish towel for about 20 minutes to take up excess moisture, then ironed with a warm iron while damp-dry.



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Lauds Personnel



Alva E. Knox R. E. Gehert

Alva E. Knox, A/S V-12, said, "I think the work the Personnel Division is doing in welcoming the boys back is a really fine service," upon his recent visit to the Taylor Street plant. Richard E. Gebert, Aviation Radio Technician 2/c, formerly employed in Bldg. 2-1, says he is always glad to run across G-E equipment.

Staff Sgt. Arthur J. Bleekman, Jr., has been awarded the Bronze Star for going to the aid of a wounded man, despite an intense enemy mortar attack, near Quintan, Negros, Philippine Islands. The citation accompanying the award reads in part: "Sergeant Bleekman, while assisting the company aid man in caring for a casualty, himself was seriously wounded by fragments of an enemy mortar shell."

Second Lt. Donald F. Hoffman has received the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy." Lt. Hoffman wears the European-African-Middle East Theater Ribbon with three battle stars.

First Lt. Robert J. Blossom received the third and fourth Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal. He flies with the 78th Fighter Group, which escorted heavy bombers and strafed Nazi communications and supply lines. It had destroyed more than 660 German planes.

Germany, May 2, 1945.

Dear Editor:

My G-E NEWS is coming through fine now. You would be surprised how much pleasure I derive from the "work sheet." . . .

These Germans really had the tools and machines. I've seen hundreds of nice lathes, mills, boring mills, and what not that hadn't even been uncrated. . . .

There is a little too much firing going on so I'll have to check. The best to all the fellows.

M. L. Rupe

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Germany
June 10, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . You know, it would really be a morale booster if I knew that I was coming back to work for good old G-E in the next few weeks. Seeing all my old friends and getting back into the swing of things would be something to look forward to. . . . In closing I would like to say "hello" to my wife in Bldg. 26-3 and also to my grandfather, who always reads the WORKS NEWS. I wish to extend my best regards to the following people: Frank Mathews, Mart Einsiedel, Ed Yahne, Leo Ellward, Whitey Ponset, and Bob Link. I would really appreciate hearing from all my friends at G-E.

Cpl. Walt Mertz

Can't Stay Away



G. E. Wralstad Don Steinhauer

Second Lt. Don Steinhauer, Taylor Street, and Capt. G. E. Wralstad, also from Taylor Street, made a recent visit to the plant to see their friends.

June 9, 1945

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines to let you know I'm still among the living. At the present I'm recovering from an operation over here in Germany. . . . Things over here are quite a wreck. In some towns, there's not a building left standing. If the people don't learn a lesson this time, then I give up.

I hope to be back soon to see all the gang in Bldg. 17-1. I liked to work for the Company. Keep them rolling till the Japs are licked, and I don't think it will be long now.

PFC Elroy D. Miller

First Lt. Bernard S. Kain has received the Distinguished Flying Cross for meritorious service. He is the pilot of a heavy bomber crew with the 15th Army Air Forces in Italy. In addition to the DFC, he holds the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

Wins Air Medal

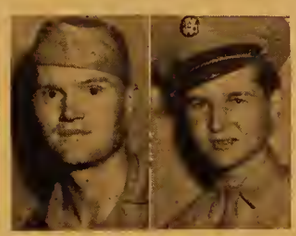


Col. T. Alan Bennett (right above), commanding officer of the Fourteenth Air Force's hard-hitting Chinese-American Composite Wing, pins the Air Medal on Second Lt. Charles L. Griffis, formerly employed in Bldg. 2-3. Lt. Griffis received the award for having flown 150 hours over China in a transport-type aircraft. A C-47 pilot, he also received Chinese Air Force wings at the ceremony, which took place at an advanced air base in China.

T/5 John E. Cook has been awarded the Silver Star in France. He has previously received two presidential citations, a medical valor medal, and the Purple Heart for wounds received in battle. He was wounded twice and is now in a mountain camp in France, where he is resting and recuperating.

Harry W. Liby, S 2 /c, Decatur, has reported aboard a destroyer of the Atlantic Fleet. He stands watches in the handling room of one of the destroyer's main battery guns and alternates on the bridge as a surface lookout. When the crew mans battle stations, Liby is an ammunition passer in one of the forward gun handling rooms.

Army Visitors



Eugene Stewart Gail G. Gordon

PFC Gail G. Gordon, Infantry, visited his friends in Bldg. 4-2 recently. Eugene Stewart also visited here in Bldg. 17-2.

Okinawa Shima, Ryukyus

Dear Editor:

. . . This island is very interesting, and looks much like some of the country back in the states, except for the villages and the people. . . . There are many large coral tombs, built into the sides of hills, which make some nice defenses. . . . We now have a radio station which uses as its slogan, "Stone's Throw from Tokyo."

. . . We sure have a lot of that good old G-E equipment over here. The war news certainly is much better, and I am very glad that the struggle in Europe is over. It may bring some of us home sooner. Say "hello" to everyone for me, and write when you can.

PFC Maurice E. Snyder

Swell To Be Back



Ernest G. Reed T. G. DeSaughter

Ernest G. Reed, Seahees, a former guard, said, "It's swell to be back and see the old gang," when he returned for a visit. T. Gerald DeSaughter in the Navy says that he learned to do his wash in a 5-gallon pail and his ironing under a bunk mattress.

PFC Warren W. Schueller reports from Oahu in the Hawaiian Islands that he can really appreciate what the G-E dynamotors are doing. He says that hardly a day goes by that he doesn't work on at least one job that is powered by one of our little "pets," and they are doing a swell job.

Corporal Ronald D. Ramsey is a member of the 31st Infantry Division Band which has been awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque by its commanding general for outstanding devotion to duty. In its 16 months overseas, besides playing hundreds of concerts, entertaining troops in the field, and furnishing labor details, the band has been used constantly during tactical operations as a part of the division's perimeter defense.

Aboard An L.S.T.



V. L. Bacon E. M. Rosswurm

E. M. Rosswurm, Mo.MM 2/c Bldg. 4-6, said on a visit here, "After 21 months aboard an L.S.T. in the Pacific, it's great to be home and visit all my friends in the G-E. Being in the engineering division, I fully realize the great work G-E equipment is doing in winning the war. Keep up the good work back here and we'll do the rest." Ensign Vincent L. Bacon, U.S.N., returned to see the gang in Bldg. 6-4.

Florennes, Belgium
May 23, 1945

Dear Editor:

It has been a long time and I have come a long way (literally) since I last wrote to you. . . .

I have seen a lot of different people and heard a lot of different languages; but as fascinating as they were, I'll still take "shop talk" there in the U. S. I read the G-E NEWS regularly and note all the testimonials the boys in all the theaters of war have to say about G-E products, and they are but the pure and simple truths. You people are doing a fine job and should share equally in the glory of finished battle here in Europe.

In case any of you are complaining of the stiffening of rationing, let me tell you what I've seen. I've seen people, especially little tykes, so weak from hunger that they couldn't walk. I've seen people sit down to the table, day in and day out, without anything more to eat than a few boiled vegetables. I know it is hard to see our American way of living lowered by increased rationing; but when you think it is saving the lives of little children and helpless oldsters, I don't think you will mind it too much. Everyone I see in the WORKS NEWS looks healthy and reasonably happy, quite a contrast to the people here, I assure you. . . .

I'd like to go more into detail but haven't the time. How about some of the gang in Bldg. 12-1 writing to a former fellow-worker?

Pvt. D. H. Duff



THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

He Knew G-E "When" . . . .



Henry Reehling, mechanical design engineer in the FHP Motor Engineering Division, is shown above looking at the original engagement card signed Sept. 15, 1904, when he was hired by the Company as a tool engineer. Mr. Reehling left the Company Saturday, June 30, after 41 years of service. In the picture, lower right, are his co-workers in the Tool and Maintenance Department of the original Fort Wayne Electric Works. The nine men made up the entire department—which contrasts strangely with the organizations of these two divisions today. In the bottom row, from left to right, are Joe Schwartzkoppf, who is retired on Company pension; Mr. Reehling; Fritz Blibtrue, deceased; John Littlejohn, now starting his fiftieth year of service in the Tool Division; Charlie Meyer, deceased. Top row, William Wurtle, deceased; Paul Wood, deceased; Al Miller, deceased; and Otto Morrell, who left the employ of the Company.

Thunderbolt Fighters Now Fly To Combat With G-E Auto-Pilot

Swift and powerful long-range Thunderbolt fighters now are being equipped by the Army Air Forces with General Electric auto-pilots for combat missions against the Japanese homeland areas, it was announced this week with approval of the War Department.

Installation of this advanced system for the first time in AAF fighters primarily is to ease the strain on pilots, trimming their fatigue to a minimum, during long missions.

Used On Escort Missions

On missions such as escorting the B-29 Superfortresses in their devastating attacks on the nerve centers of Japan, the pilot of the Thunderbolt now can fly hundreds of miles from his advanced island base and still reach the combat zone in top physical efficiency.

This is done by the simple procedure of turning the job of flying the fighter over to the smoothly functioning auto-pilot. Then, even in the relatively cramped quarters of the fighter's cockpit, the pilot can relax during the time he is flying over the long water hops to the areas defended by Japanese fighters.

Makes Occasional Checks

While the auto-pilot is in control, the lone pilot in the Thunderbolt makes occasional checks to see that his compass and gyroscope are in precise coordination. The combination electric and hydraulic systems of the G-E auto-pilot does the rest of the job. The plane follows its set course with exactness.

The AAF pilot, by turning a valve and a switch, can resume control of the plane. Then, after completing operations in the enemy-defended zone, the pilot can chart his course back to his base, turn to auto-pilot flying, and relax again. On reaching his base, he takes the controls and lands.

The heart and brain of the G-E auto-pilot, electrical directional and bank-and-climb gyroscopes, gives off electric signals, which are amplified and then transmitted to the hydraulic control units. These electric gyroscopes, which were developed and produced at the West Lynn Works of General Electric, have established outstanding performance characteristics that conform particularly to operational demands in a fighter plane.

Henry Reehling

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transferred, never laid off, and never off for an extended illness.

"Gosh, I must be a tough bird," was Mr. Reehling's only comment when reminded of that record.

What the official records didn't show, however, was that Mr. Reehling started with the old Fort Wayne Electric Works, forerunner of G-E in Fort Wayne, as a toolmaker apprentice in 1895. In 1899 he left and accepted employment at several other manufacturing companies before returning to the General Electric Company in 1904.

In 1907 he became foreman of the Type "C" Meter Department and later in the year organized the Tool Department for meter gages and tools. He also served as foreman of Type "K" and Prepayment Meter Department and then as general foreman of several FHP Motor departments, including the Experimental Department. In 1915 he was transferred to the Engineering Division, where he has remained until a week ago.

"His job at the time he left is nearest described as mechanical design engineering in the Development Section," Mr. Milo Schmidt, his section engineer said, "but his experience was so broad that his job for us is really irreplaceable."

G-E Establishes New Unit Equipment Division

New Crane Hoist Drive Announced By General Electric

A new hoist drive for cranes, known as the Maxspeed system, has been announced by the Industrial Engineering Division of the General Electric Company.

The new drive, which automatically "measures" the load so that it is hoisted and lowered at the maximum safe speed yet prevents the handling of dangerous overloads, is designed for use on either indoor overhead, slow-speed cranes, or high-speed cranes of the type used in outdoor construction. The drive is particularly desirable for use on these cranes where accurate hoisting and lowering operation is of utmost importance.

The drive operates from either a-c or d-c incoming power. If used with a-c, the drive consists of a generator, an unusually constructed cross-flux exciter, an ordinary constant-voltage exciter—all driven by an induction motor, and a d-c hoist motor similar to the type used in crane-hoist installations, except that its main field is designed for a variable separate excitation.

If used with d-c, a shunt-wound d-c motor drives the generator and cross-flux exciter instead of an induction motor, and the constant-voltage exciter may be eliminated. Regardless of the type of power used, it is the special construction of the cross-flux exciter and the way in which it is connected to the other components of the drive that produces the unusual characteristics.

In operation, heavy loads are both hoisted and lowered at slow speeds, and light loads or the empty hook are hoisted and lowered at high speeds. Intermediate loads are handled at intermediate speeds, depending on the weight of the load. These speed changes are inherent in the drive and do not depend on the functioning of the control devices. All braking is accomplished electrically, the power being returned to the supply system instead of being dissipated in resistors. A solenoid brake holds the load when at rest.

Safety Minded?

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control-policy committee of the management, who remarked that "this was the most remarkable manner to obtain the trend of thought of the employees ever presented."

At a second company, each foreman recorded brief remarks concerning the hazards of his department, and their voices were played back over the public address system to the working employees. Approximately 900 workers heard the safety comments.

Many Naval flight crews are being trained in a grounded electronic imitation of the Martin Mariner, twin-motored flying boat. The dummy plane duplicates all types of flying conditions.

Effective June 1, the Unit Equipment Division of General Electric Central Station Divisions was established with M. B. Elliot appointed manager, as announced by W. V. O'Brien, Manager of the Company's Central Station Divisions. This new division will be responsible for the development, promotion, and sales of complete electric equipment, such as unit substations and mobile units.

Mr. Elliot came to General Electric following his graduation from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1920. After the usual training in the Test Department, he joined the Regulator and Capacitor Section from which he was transferred to Cleveland in 1926 as District Transformer Specialist. This post he held until 1942, when he became Manager of Sales of the Unit Equipment Section in Schenectady.

The Unit Equipment Division will consist of two sections. The Unit Substation Section, with D. [illegible] Craig in charge, will handle master, load center, mobile, explosion-proof, network, mining, etc., types of unit substations, while the Unit Generating Section, with W. [illegible] Oberly in charge, will handle mobile, floating and all other types of complete generating plants.

Elex Outing

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to July 14 for 55 cents each. No reservations will be accepted after Saturday, July 14.

Girls may reach the pavilion by taking the No. 4 Broadway street car to the Bluffton Bridge, and then walking about two blocks down the road.

Suggestions

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of $25 was made to Irene Barrand Bldg. 6-2, for her suggestion changing dimensions of mechanism plates so as to permit a freer [illegible] in the case. This award was in addition to $30 previously won.

Additional awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were made to the following employees:

Bldg. 2-2

Brice Martin, Ruth Julia Lauer, Lucille L. Roesener, Nina E. Newcomb.

Bldg. 4-1

Ralph J. Begue.

Bldg. 4-2

L. T. Johnson.

Bldg. 4-3

Claude E. Warner.

Bldg. 4-4

Sidney W. Borton, Cletus R. Edmond, Donald V. Gage.

Bldg. 4-6

Helen G. Karolyi.

Bldg. 6-2

Eva G. Motz, Antoinette Lauser, Lula Schwartz, Melvin R. Cook, Nettie Sellers, Vernelle Zurbrick, Doyle E. Espich, Esther J. Fox.

Bldg. 8-1

Lynn A. Wilson, Vern J. Davis, Charles R. Mossburg, Charles O. Wisel.

Bldg. 8-2

Harold V. Barrick.

Bldg. 17-3

William A. Sivits.

Winter Street Plant

Joseph J. Horstman, Lawrence W. Magsamen.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE
No. 155 July 6, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

SANDY SAYS

Another one from Cousin Malcolm!

Somewhere in Europe.

Dear Sandy: I got your letter today, also one from Cousin Colin, that I got as soon as I paid the postage due—3¢. The mails are getting better all the time, so perhaps you'll get this for a 4th of July greeting. People send Christmas, New Year's, and birthday greetings, so why not one on the birthday of our country?

I'm going to be lonesomer than usual over here on that day, after what I've seen. This whole continent is the same—nobody HAS anything. I've checked up, and it isn't just because they lost everything in the war, either. They didn't have anything BEFORE the war. If the average American family had to get along with what the average European family has—they'd REALLY gripe. The average European family could put all their worldly goods on a two-wheeled cart, lead a cow or two goats, and they'd be ready to pick up and go. But most of them never went—until the war forced them to move. Most of them lived and died in one place, and probably never got over 20 miles away, ever.

I don't know why they are so poor, unless they spend all their lives getting over one war or getting ready to fight another one.

But at any rate, they have never had the freedom of enterprise and the open competition we have, and of course, ye auld Scotch nickel-nabber, they didn't have C.R.*, OUR kind of C.R.*, where big machines and smart workmen to run them make it possible for the average American family to fill a moving van or two, plus a car or two along behind—and with a telephone and bath tub (how I miss bathtubs over here!) waiting for them at their new house.

And, of course, we G.I.'s are expecting newer and better things to work on when we get back, so get your C.R.* going full blast, so good old G-E will still be in business, so I can still have a job, and so I can still afford to buy some of the good things we'll make.

Well, time to close, and here's one to close on. A G.I. said to me, "Malcolm, you're a little corpulent," and I said to him, "I am not, I'm a sergeant."

Your Cousin,

Malcolm

*COST REDUCTION.

VISITORS



Philadelphia Quarter Masters Depot representatives meet with General Electric representatives to review Fort Wayne Works Product Quality Data. Are you using Product Rejection Data to

- **Lower Rejections?**
- **Reduce Manufacturing Losses?**
- **Improve Quality?**

Shown in the meeting, from left to right, are Keith Ross, Product Quality Division, Capt. F. A. Beebee, Lt. J. G. Maack, Chester Lichtenberg, Administrator of Product Quality, Lt. Col. A. E. Dennis, Capt. E. M. Fineberg, and R. J. Hoffman, General Supervisor, Testing.

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Just a slight error in a birthday announcement. Sol Lord's birthday was Saturday, June 30, instead of the 29th. Also, Ralph Rabbitt had a birthday on the same day, and incidentally, both are the same age. Twin brudders, eh? . . . Iva Teeple did a week on days in the corner grill. Glad to have you back on second, Iva. . . . Mr. Koldewey thought it was lamplighting time when he got through battling with a tractor. . . . Bert Stump and her sister, Jo Voglewede, are back on the job after a week's vacation. . . . Our smiling Doris Paxson of the second shift winders has cast her lot with the first shift. Sorry, Doris, to see you go, and we hope you will return to us some day. . . . Phillip Courtney celebrated his birthday July 1. Happy birthday, Cort. . . . Hank Lichtenstiger is subbing for Lloyd Conrad, who is on vacation. . . . When it comes to photography, Jake Eady really has something to display from his boy, Ted, who is in Europe. He has good pictures showing enemy targets, a ship being shot down, etc. You have to see them to appreciate them. . . . Margy Rhoades of the cafeteria is forced to leave us because of sickness. So sorry, Margy. Hurry back. . . . Some of these fish stories the boys bring back after their vacations would make Izaak Walton turn over in his grave. . . . We are sorry to report that Anne Murtaugh has not been feeling so well the past few days. We extend our best wishes and hope that she will be feeling better soon. . . . Our very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fosnaugh, who were recently married. Mrs. Fosnaugh was formerly Bessie Ward of Plant 1. . . . Irene Ewell is spending her vacation in St. Louis. . . . PFC Donald Hoffman is home for a 30-day furlough after serving overseas for the past two years. . . . Congratulations to S/Sgt. and Mrs. Louis Webert, who are the parents of a baby boy born June 28. Sgt. Webert was formerly manager of the G-E Club Rooms, and Mrs. Webert was employed in Plant 1 office. . . . Notice that the Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team has won six in a row to lead the Fort Wayne league. There's a writeup on the sports page.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

Well, Summertime has finally come knocking at the door of the General Service Division, Building 20-2, and has gained admittance. The complaints have now turned to the heat rather than the cold. And, with the hot weather upon us, we notice an abundance of upsweeps and pigtails—big ones, little ones, long ones, short ones—any kind you wish to see. . . . Building 20-2, and especially the Drafting Room, had an interesting visitor last week when Lt. Bernard Kain favored us with a visit. Lt. Kain is a pilot in our U. S. Army, and he now has 26 missions to his credit. . . . Don Stoneman, our softball hero who recently broke his ankle in one of our 20-2 softball games, is now spending part of his extended vacation in his home in Wisconsin. We hope that your ankle will be healed soon and that you will soon be back, Don. . . . Congratulations to Fred Duryee, Supervisor of Plant Protection, who recently celebrated his forty-fourth year of service by retiring. We wish him the best! . . . Welcome greetings to Velda Oppenlander, who recently joined our group. Velda is here working so that the rest of us may have a vacation. After vacation time is past, Velda will return to Kentucky, where she is attending college. . . . Ye Olde Office seems to be lacking something these days when so many of our number are gone for a few days' vacation. Last week Helen Campbell and Helen Adler were both gone from the center office, and Dick Mann was gone from the engineering office. . . . Jap Davis, Bldg. 20-1, turned his gang of fish hounds loose last week on the shores of Lake James. Leo Neuman, Everett Zink, and Dave Telbert, along with their leader, had a nice collection of fish after making a complete trip around the lake. Jap insists that his group dived for them, as they did not carry any fishing equipment, not even a hook. Now, fellows. . . . We would like to congratulate our own "Broccoli" Bill Allen for his efforts to help relieve the food shortage. Bill is no doubt one of the most serious Victory Gardeners in our group.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

A lovely dinner party was held at the G-E Restaurant for Frieda Winters Yordy, a recent bride. The honored guest was presented with a corsage. . . . We are proud of Vera McGregor, who, with her partner, took second place in the state roller skating contest held at Indianapolis last Wednesday! This entitles them to enter the Regional Contest, which will be held next week at Detroit, Mich. Best of luck to you then! . . . "Something new has been added." Larry Hart has returned from his vacation not only with a nice coat of tan, but also with a bow tie. . . . George Murray says these are the "days of days!" What's the trouble, George? . . . If anyone wants any canning done, see Mike Sorgen. He should be in practice after picking, pitting, and canning 20 quarts of cherries. Put your appointment in early! . . . Bill Shuherk, who is on his vacation, says he is going to catch the big fish that "got away" last year. Maybe he can fool it this year. . . . Russell Dryer has discovered a new brand of cigarettes (take note, gentlemen), not even touched by human hands. Must be a scarce brand, Russell. . . . Speaking of cigarettes, we are beginning to think that Hitler is either dead or in a cigarette line. . . . Come on out and back up the Motor-Generator softball team, which is managed by Mike Sorgen. They play every Wednesday night at McMillen Park. . . . We are sorry to hear of Jean Ewing's illness and hope she will be back soon. . . . Dorothea Gitter's smiling face greets us from the Cost Section now! We're glad to see you back, Toddy. . . . Lt. Bob Hawkins of the Signal Corps, a former employee here, visited the office last week. Bob is home on a 15-day furlough from New Jersey! . . . Helen Stahl had a birthday last week. Congratulations and many more! . . . Ruth Messerschmidt had a very enjoyable vacation last week. She and her husband moved into their new home! That should call for a "housewarming." . . . Anne Baurmeister was blushing from the roots last week when she ran two blocks for the bus she takes to work and pounded like mad on the closed door, only to find the car full of German prisoners! They were quite amused, but Annie didn't think it was funny. . . . Sarah Jane Makey is leaving us to further her engineering education at Purdue. We hate to see you go, Sarah, but hope to see you again soon. . . . Cliff Zieg is doing nicely in the St. Joseph hospital and expects to resume his duties shortly. . . . It's really a shame that "Chuggy" Mungovan didn't have any firecrackers to celebrate his birthday this fourth of July. After all, everyone can't stay 36 for ten years.

The first radio broadcasting patent in the United States was granted to Edison in 1871. "Signalling between distant points can be carried on by induction without the use of wires connecting such distant points," his application stated.

And Now It's Television . . .



Designed for the postwar home, the new General Electric large-screen television receiver was shown for the first time recently to the press and to stars of opera, concert stage, motion pictures, and radio in New York. The screen, through which the image is projected, is 22 inches wide and 16 inches high. Many innovations developed by General Electric produce a picture with a new brilliance, which assures a maximum of comfort to the viewer. Picture above shows dancer Beatrice Kraft as she appeared in a special television program to demonstrate the operation of the set. Model shows ease of operation. (See story on this page).

Television Demonstrated For Postwar Homes

Two new General Electric electronic developments for the post-war home—a large screen television receiver and a radio-phonograph incorporating the new G-E electronic reproducer—were demonstrated in New York recently by Company officials at a meeting for the press and celebrated musical artists of stage, screen, and radio at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

Engineering by G-E for the armed forces aided in the development of a large-screen television receiver. It produces a picture on a screen 16x22 inches and has several exclusively G-E features which give the picture a brilliance and contrast not obtained by pre-war receivers. The receiver was demonstrated by picking up a special program from the New York television station WNBT. The audience was cautioned not to interpret the receiver as the final postwar product because, it was explained, additional improvements may be developed by the time peacetime manufacture can be resumed.

The second development demonstrated—a new electronic reproducing system—was said by General Electric to be one of the most important developments in the reproduction of recorded music since the application of electronics to the phonograph. The company will use the new system in its post-war radio-phonograph receivers to produce a realism never before obtained in recorded music, officials added. Although technical details of the system were not disclosed at the meeting, it was said the superior performance is accomplished by improvement of all elements of the phonograph system, from pickup head to loudspeaker.

This has resulted in record reproduction incredibly free from chatter, needle radiation and scratch prevalent in former systems, record wear is reduced, and the quality of tone greatly improved. Moreover, perfect tonal balance is achieved at both low and high volume. This system will not be confined to high-priced models, but will be used in every G-E automatic radio-phonograph.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

Ruth McCoy was a guest at "The Toppers" for a birthday dinner given in her honor Tuesday, June 26. Doris Barker, Annabelle Mills, Ruth Henry, Bonnie Timme, Jean Herrman, Idell Taylor, Marjorie Koeble, and Della Stemmler all were there. The girls presented her with a corsage of pink carnations and a gift. . . . Bert Hardendorf, who had such poor luck on his fishing trip last year, seems to be slated for not much better luck on his vacation this week. When questioned on Wednesday, he said he hadn't even been out. . . . Carl Metker was going around the other day with a "service for one" of silver in his hip pocket. When questioned by Mark Brindle for the reason, he explained that he wanted to be prepared to accept any and all invitations for food at any time. . . . Mabel Didrick, who is leaving to be married on July 14, was honored guest at a potluck dinner Saturday given by the girls in the Commutator Section, at which time she also received a gift. Those attending were Beatrice Roach, Imogene Koontz, Lois Larmore, Lorraine Brown, Evelyn Hull, Ruth Mills, Alverna Crowell, and Mamie Allen.

Is Zat So?

This week we celebrated the Fourth of July in a manner befitting a nation at war. We worked this Independence Day with determination and a prayer that soon again we will all be reunited with our loved ones and enjoy the holidays in a peaceful manner. . . . Lt. William Decker was a welcome visitor this week. . . . The pretty little lady in blue was none other than Olive Love, a former floor inspector. Olive is leaving to join her husband, who will be stationed at a Navy school in Washington, D.C. Our good wishes go with you, Olive. . . . We hear that Joe Adamski, who was one of our first co-workers to leave for the armed services, has now received an honorable discharge through the point system and will soon be in to see us. Joe has quite a distinguished service record, and we are looking forward to welcoming him home. . . . The weather has been so humid lately that the barometer in the tool crib has been running over the top. Better put on an extension, George. . . . Eve Hiatt is working with the first shift gang for a while. . . . Returning vacationists Monday morning were Roxanna Miller, Bill Grimm, and Ernie Riley. Those enjoying a week of rest this week are Bill Hodges, Goldie Taylor, Mary Pete, Betty Gunning, and Victor Leakey. . . . Birthday congratulations to Lewis Haycox, Arthur Ternet, Ted Brockmeyer, Nina Clifton, and Fred Reed. . . . Cliff Coombs spent an evening painting the top of his car. He was very careful to do a nice smooth job. Was he chagrined when he discovered the next morning that the gnats had used his car top for a landing field. . . . We are certainly going to miss the "Songbird of Bldg. 17-1." Elmer Jockel went with his machine to Bldg. 2-1A. Best of luck, Elmer.

Plastics

Colette Buck is back to work after a week's vacation at the lake. She says fishing was good. . . . We were sorry to see Margaret Kaminsky leave us. She went to her home in New York. Lots of luck, Margaret. . . . Ruth Lange is on vacation this week. Have a nice time, Ruth, and get all rested up for next week. . . . Jean Snyder said she didn't think making hay agreed with her. She was home sick for a few days. Glad you are better, Jean. . . . We are glad to see Maxine Johnson back after several days' illness. . . . Anniversary greetings to Katie Parrish. . . . Lucky gals on vacations are Agnes Ryan and Elda Griebel. Hope you're having lots of fun, girls. . . . Now we understand why Effie Yinger has that certain gleam in her eye. Her brother has returned from the European Theater. . . . Mary Will has returned to work and says the weather was awfully chilly, but fishing and "catching" were fine. . . . Leona Henry is vacationing in Kentucky with her sailor son. Have a nice time, Leona. . . . Sorry to see Rosa Lothamer leave us, but she is resuming the duties of a farmer's wife. We wish you lots of luck, Rosa.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

We enjoyed a letter from Willie Taylor, S 2/c, last week. Quite a large group wrote notes to him in reply. Willie worked in Group 13x40. So—you servicemen of ours that are scattered all over the world, why not drop us a line letting us know where you are; and we'll write to you. We're just as happy to hear about you as you are about the news around here. So how about it? Come on, fellows! . . . We didn't hear so many fish stories this week, but Cloyd Eloph and Leo Harges went frog hunting and were successful too. They brought back several frogs and a turtle. . . . Freddie Fenner and Archie Boren are vacationing this week. . . . Roy Mintzer is spending his vacation working on his cottage at Lake Gage. . . . Joan Hastings has changed jobs. . . . Marjorie Strasser Bournes has been ill. We hope you will soon be back with us, Marjorie. . . . John Williams vacationed last week. . . . We didn't know the age limit had been changed for the Army, but the Draft Board apparently got a little mixed up. Walter McCormick had been called to report for his physical. Walter passed his fiftieth birthday a few years ago. Don't worry about him, though. The error has been corrected now. . . . Charlie Sherland visited us last week. He's looking fine and has a beautiful tan, and the doctor says he may come back to work one of these days—soon, we hope.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Another July and another 4th. And we are all celebrating it the safe, sane, and best way by sticking to our jobs, so we can really celebrate. . . . We are all missing Joe Eifrid and his nice smile, but we know it isn't for long. . . . Marlin and Sterling are back with us again. . . . We wonder if Walt Hall is getting any fish. He should after working so hard on his tackle. . . . It's really funny to see Neil Allen pushing a great big wagon around. That's one way of developing muscles. . . . We're very sorry to know that Bud Ulrich is leaving for a short time because of illness. . . . It seems like old times to see Kenny Martin back with us. Glad to see you, Kenny. . . . We have two added to our gang from third shift—Dallas Cook and Orlando Surface. Glad to have you, boys. . . . Gladys Groh should never be late now. She's purchased a new alarm clock. . . . We all wondered why Keith Brickley was carrying a red banana around, and here the peeling was to be used on Andy Degler's poison ivy. Wonder if a yellow one would do the same trick? . . . Marvel Daub says Jerry Humbarger can't outdo her, so she purchased a new car. Take it easy, Marvel—they're sometimes powerful. . . . Jean Swaim, one of our old gang, visited us the otber night. She's wearing a beautiful diamond. . . . Boedeker of plating is vacationing this week. . . . And now last but not least, Violet High has joined the poets. . . . Did you hear about Jerry H. and L. Hutson going frog hunting? They buzzed right along going out; but coming back they didn't do so good on two rims and two tires. Now Jerry's going to have a new model—or at least that's what he says. He bas four wheels with no rubber. Better frog hunting next time, boys. . . . Hoy Bastian is back after a week's vacation. . . . Fred Nute's son returned home after many months overseas. . . . Lee Bixler wonders where the reporters get all their news. And Mary Carr, your name is in the column too this week. . . . Ernie Lawer's speed shoes finally got too fast for him. They have taken him away for a few weeks. Don't get too lonesome for us, Ernie. . . . Joe Eifrid worked days so long that last Monday morning, Joe rose early and left for work. When the street car turned onto Broadway, Joe finally woke up to the fact that now he was on second trick. P.S. Joe went back home and to bed again. . . . And so another week, another column. So long.

...T SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

By E. A. Miller

Last week the Regional Parts ...arehouse Association sponsored a ...luck supper in the pavilion at ...est Sweeney Park for members, ...workers, and their families. . . . ...ur congenial president, Gillie ...ummer, was chief chef for the ...casion, and served the hot dogs ...th the pride of a Coney Island ...linary expert. He was assisted ...y two of the neatest cake cutters ... the lot—Marylinn Bullerman ...d Yvonne Klaehn. Oh yes, Tom... Fox, radio engineer, furnished ...e music for the supper, and ...ours truly" served the pop like ... veteran worker should. . . . "Who ...ered the potato salad," seemed ...o be the question in everyone's ...ind. The vendor was told the ...umber of persons to be served; ...t was not told that we were deli...te hot-summer-eaters and do not ...ossess the appetites of ranch ...nds. . . . Some were still eating ...e enjoying their after-meal smoke, ...hen behold, riding past on the ...ttle steam train was Vernie Cra...ll with something like a package ...nder his arm, which proved to be ...is little boy. Vern carried the ...miles; his boy just hung on. After ...e duet's tenth round trip, Jim ...raw, sitting on the sidelines, was ...ishing his son was a year older ...o that he (Jim) could have an ...cuse to ride the thriller. . . . Others, especially the fair sex, ...rried off for wilder amusements ...an Vern's. Betty Lochner, Joyce ...rchbold, Marian Amsden, Vir...inia Linville, Marjorie Pressler, ...nd Coleen Johnson took to the air. ...hey read and heard a lot about the ...ir forces, so now was their chance. ...hen they descended, applause ...ent up from Margaret Lissner, ...lda Mertz, and Betty Kyvik. The ...praves" stepped off their planes, ...ith the potato salad still whirl...ng, they said, and now the Army ...nd Navy Air Force heroes are ap...reciated more than ever by this ...extette. . . . Martha Crothers and ...etty Raile appreciated the "dark ...retzel" affair, as did Marjorie ...eyers. . . . Gil Bond, "yours ...ruly," and a dozen girls on one ...ccasion took over the auto dodger. ...f we had anything to say, Thelma ...levenger and Florence Calkins ...ould never receive driver licenses ...n this or any other state. . . . ...erry Kunberger moved slowly ...ast the Phrenology Booth several ...imes, debating an entry to seek ...he day and hour her Lt. Hubby ...ack would return from England. ... Betty Stemmler and Elnora ...iller took a 30-minute one-ride ...rip on the ferris wheel. Later in ...he evening they expressed their ...esire to return for the second ride, ...ut withdrew their decision for fear ...f spending the night aloft if the ...perator suddenly went home. . . . ...ester Root and Betty Meyers took ...o the ponies; that is, their two ...ute little daughters, Judy and ...obbie, did. . . . Fred Gerhard was ...aught wandering in the dark with ...is wife and son. You see, he was ...earching for his little "Olds." . . . ...o that's about all, folks. Hope you ...njoyed yourselves and thanks to ...ny helpers, including Robert (Archie) Archibald.

With her entire hull electrically ...arc-welded, the first rivetless cargo ...vessel was launched in 1930.

The Sling Shot



WAS USED TO KILL. A RAPIDLY ROTATING GRINDING WHEEL CAN BE EQUALLY AS DESTRUCTIVE IF IT BREAKS WHILE RUNNING. DEATH, BLINDNESS, and many other serious injuries have been caused by this hazard. We, therefore, submit the following information and advice, with the assistance of Paul Berlien, Foreman Tool Cribs and Non-Durable Tool Maintenance. Paul has made an extensive study of grinding operations and grinding wheels, therefore, we respect his advice on this subject from the standpoint of safety.

1—Before using grinding machine, be sure arbors, bearings, adaptors, guards, machine rigidity and machine parts are in a safe working condition. When operating internal grinders, adjust guard to completely cover wheel at idle position.

2—Know the maximum size of grinding wheel permissible on machine you are using. (This is especially important on high-speed portable grinders).

3—Make sure grinding wheel is properly mounted. Never use makeshift washers. Use proper flanges. Inspect wheel and test for cracks by tapping gently with a screw driver handle or wooden mallet before mounting. Do not accept any wheel from tool crib which is chipped or otherwise defective.

4—When grinding, always wear goggles if wheel is not adequately guarded.

5—When starting machine, stand clear of wheel, then apply work gradually. Avoid overheating of wheel when applying work.

6—Grinding on flat side of straight wheels or inside of cup wheels is dangerous, and will throw wheel out of balance.

7—Keep tool rest adjusted as close to wheel as possible. Rest should not be adjusted while wheel is in motion.

MOUNTING WHEEL

8—Diameter of flange should not be less than one-third the diameter of wheel. Example: If diameter of wheel is 6 inches, the diameter of flange should not be less than 2 inches.

9—Over-all strength of flange should increase as diameter of flange increases. Example: Thickness of flanges for 1 inch diameter wheel being not less than 1/16 inch and for a 6 inch diameter wheel ⅜ inch.

10—Both flanges in contact with wheel must be the same diameter.

11—All flanges must be recessed 1/16 inch on side next to wheel.

12—Wheel should fit freely on spindle or retaining screw, but not too loose.

13—Washers of compressible material, such as thin blotting paper, shall be fitted between the wheel and its flanges. Washers shall not be smaller than diameter of flanges. (Obtain these from tool cribs).

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

You should have seen Rosie Vogeding when she came into work Monday morning. She looked like a red beet. Don't you know, Rosie, that you can't stand the sun? . . . Our sympathy goes to Geneva Worden, whose mother died last week. . . . Congratulations, Evelyn McClain, on the birthday you had last week. We hope you have many more. . . . Clara Krudop was on a week's vacation last week. We know you had a nice time. Also Geneva Worden was on a vacation too. . . . We are wondering why Thelma Purdue doesn't go fishing much any more. Is it because she has run out of fish stories to tell?

Parasites, kept dormant in special refrigeration rooms by the U. S. Plant Quarantine Service, are released to combat destructive insects when they make their seasonal appearance.

26-5 TOOL BITS

The Check Room celebrated a remarkable occasion Monday, marking the beginning of the fiftieth year of service for John G. Littlejohn. He was presented with a gift of flowers and all wished him luck and success during his fiftieth year. John has been an employee of the Tool Room during all his service. . . . Charles Abbott doesn't usually "show his wares," (term denoting abilities), but can that boy ever solder a lady's handbag when occasion and bag are drastically in need. No small wonder he gets all his chewing gum via the baggage train route. . . . Now we know why Maurice Sordelet gets his jobs out on time. People show their appreciation in the craziest ways. . . . When it rains, it pours! Water runs off a duck's back, but not crepe dresses—just ask Frieda Lewis. . . . B. Byanski believes in going prepared when he takes his son fishing. They have nine reels to take along and would like to have one more. So anyone having an extra, see Bernie. Look out, Bernie, or you are not going to get all of that stuff in your car. . . . Don Alcott came back to work after one week's vacation all tanned. Don says outside work really does the trick. . . . Congratulations are in order for Pvt. and Mrs. Woodrow Hursh on the arrival of a little daughter on Sunday, June 24. Pvt. Hursh, or Woodie, as he was known in the Tool Room, is now serving overseas with the Marine Corps. . . . We're all glad to see Loyal Holden back to work after recuperating from an operation for a few weeks. . . . Jack Schemehorn took his wife fishing last Sunday, and the way we heard it she caught all the fish. He started home without her, it's said—he was that unhappy.

TRANSFORMER *— Clippings*

The winders and tap-pullers of Bldg. 26-4 gave a farewell party at the Elsie Hoffman farm, honoring Mrs. Paul Gressley, who left the section recently. They presented her with a sapphire pin and earring set. A wiener bake was enjoyed by all, and dancing formed the entertainment of the evening. Those attending the party were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gressley, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hirschfelder, Mr. and Mrs. Art Krickenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Mathieu, Mr. and Mrs. Gick, Lucille Reinking, Gertrude Wolf, Bonnie Wolf, Betty Hagg, Gwen Wynkoop, Virginia Mileski, Elsie Hoffman, Margie Tempel, Lois Walker, Katie Briggs, Tubby, Flora Jordan, Johnnie Hauck, Jeannette Girardot, Ruth Mayo, Wanneta Bolyard, Frieda Heiderhoist, Birnelle Giant, Del Gable, Wayne Winter, Dick Baade, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Carlye Hanson, and Jack Schreck.

The material of which diamonds are formed is used in telephone transmitters in granular form. Diamonds are pure carbon, hardest substance known.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Plant Service

Carol Rose is the name of the baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Christie on Tuesday, June 26. Congratulations, Jerry. . . . . Robert and Fred Madden are spending two weeks fishing at Indian River. . . . Layton High is on the second week of his vacation. He and his brother are batching it and spending their leisure hours fishing. . . . Herman Rosenhahn is also one of those lucky people spending his vacation this week. He is working at home. . . . Guy (Dutch) Gaskill is starting on his vacation this week. . . . Of course we hope to have a much better report for you later on about these vacations and about the fishing, but for the present we will say, "Have a good time, fellows, and we hope you enjoy every minute of your well-earned vacations." . . . Red Smola, machinist, ran into some bees recently—as you can see by his swollen face. . . . Walter Rosselot's son reports back to the Navy, July 3. . . . Fred Shank's son, who has been overseas for the past 19 months, is spending a 28-day leave at home. . . . Whitey VanAuken and Keith Wolfe are leaving Sunday morning for a week's fishing in Michigan. Sure hope you have a better fish story to tell than about the big ones that got away. . . . Rudy Kaiser was in for a little while this week. Glad to see you, Rudy. Hope to see you back in good health soon. . . . George Arend is taking his vacation this week.

Aluminum Parts

Our birthday greetings for July go to William Lantz, John Scott, Hildra Rupel, and James Streeter. . . . Anyone having information as to the direction highways No. 24 and 224 run through Wabash and Huntington, please advise Homer Miller and Jedah Webber. We are anxious to see this dispute settled. It has been pending for a week now. . . . Georgianna Serry was transferred from our section to Rotor Inspection. We hope you like your new work. Stop off and see us, Georgianna. . . . Delwood Bucher and Lewis Guenther have returned from their vacations, and so far we haven't heard one fish story from either of them. We hope you had a pleasant vacation. . . . We understand Frederick Brubaker has passed his physical examination and is waiting his call into the armed forces. We'll hate to see him leave. . . . Violet Jackson has been absent the past week. We understand she is quite ill and hope she recovers and is able to return to work soon. You are missed at the bench, Violet. . . . Lawrence Garton took one day off last week-end to visit with his brother, who is home from England on a 30-day furlough after spending one year overseas. It sure is grand to see those boys come back to us even for a short time. . . . We bring this week's news to a close thinking of one of our old friends from second trick, Edna McClain. She has received word that her son has been killed in action while serving his country in the armed forces. Our expression of sympathy seems so little, Edna. We wish we could do more than just try to console you in your hour of sorrow and grief.

On To Tokyo!



General Douglas MacArthur points to our ultimate destination in the Pacific. Give him and our army your fullest support in accomplishing this objective as soon as possible.

—Official Signal Corps Photograph.

Tool Room

Looks like another quiet week here in Ye Olde Tool Room, just too hot to make much news it seems. . . . First a little fashion news for you society hounds: It was Bob Kerr last week who created a sensation by wearing a pink tinted apron. It was a knee length affair with just a small amount of ruffle in spots (or was it just frayed?) Anyway, it was cute on Bob. . . . On our "Service Men's" page several weeks ago, we were glad to see a letter from our old pal, PFC Homer Huser. Homer, your letter sounded like you were enjoying yourself, and we're glad to hear it. The gang wanted me to say "hello" for all of them and wish you luck and continued good fortune. Thanks for the letter. . . . Harry Bowman, a former employee of the Tool Room, is going on a U.S.O. tour overseas with his wife. They are billed as the "Whirlwinds." . . . An urgent appeal is being made by our Farmer-Machinist, Harold Bowman, for some help and advice. It seems the corn he planted has a considerable amount of weeds as field mates. He claims he only planted the corn, but these foreign plants are taking charge of the field fast. A smile lights his face when he says the corn grew three inches last week; then his face becomes clouded, and he says, "But the weeds grew four." Some of his advisers told him last Saturday that is why they put handles on hoes, so he could clear out the pests.

Screw Machine

Rita Helmsing intends to spend the week at the lake. Hope you have a swell time, Rita. . . . Josephine is enjoying a week's vacation visiting with her sister, who is home on furlough from the U. S. Army. . . . Ardis Crum is anticipating a week of absolute rest next week, as he is taking his vacation. However, if he accomplishes all he says he has to do, we think he'll have a very busy week. How about it, Ardis? Oh, yes. We hear he's on the Uniondale town council, too. . . . Elsie Brecheisen, forelady in Burring Section, returned to work Monday after two weeks' absence due to illness. . . . Frieda Buuck is suffering from a bad case of poison ivy on her hands and arms. We hope it won't last too long, and, Frieda, be sure to stay away from that poison vine in the future. . . . Agnes Jump, a buffer in our section, reports her husband is feeling some better after a fall from a tree a few weeks ago. . . . Bernice Lambert, Marjorie Parnell, and Lois Frauhiger have been absent a part of the week. . . . Juliana Vebert was seen giving a helping hand to some girls from Broadway to assist them in opening their combination locks. . . . Dick Golden returned to work after seven days' vacation, and according to cards received from him in this section, he must have had a grand time. He looks rested. . . . Employees of work station, St. 7, are hoping Maurice Roe had a good fishing week at Three Rivers, Mich., as they are looking forward to an invitation to a fish fry on his return. . . . Several from Taylor Street office saw Dale Feick, Monday morning. He seems to have fully recovered from his illness of a few weeks ago and reports his new work moving along fine. Our best wishes, Dale, and lots of good luck. We miss you in Screw Machine Section. . . . Betty Gallaher and Jo Gaby are vacationing this week. Hope you have fisherman's luck, girls. . . . The girls from Screw Machine Inspection had a potluck dinner in honor of Leanna Rhodes, Mary Louise Metzger, and Melberta Grace, who are leaving the Company. We sure will miss you, girls. . . . The gang from this section, especially the Grinding Section, lost a good friend, Robert Cross, who used to run an internal grinder. . . . Ed (Curly) Clark had a birthday this week. Congratulations, Ed, and many more of them. . . . Floyd Garland really mopped up the bowling alley Tuesday night. The alleys must have been slick, as he fell down twice. . . . Jim Weikart and Mort Stillpass have vacations this week. . . . The Screw Machine bowling team certainly has a good time—even if they don't get many pins. . . . Joe Bernardin's car really is bright since he painted it. You can spot it a mile away. Well, almost.

Impeller

Bob Mossburg had a nice time on his vacation. Are you ready for another one, Bob? . . . If anyone wants to know where Bob Kinnaman has been lately, just go look at his new cabinet, and you will see him sitting there. He is so proud of it, he can't get away from it. . . . What do we need here in the office? Why a pair of roller skates. Anyone wishing to donate a pair will be gladly received in the office at any hour of the day. . . . It seems as though Gertrude Bartaway has been here two and one-half years and still gets lost. But we'll overlook that, Gertrude, as we realize the place has changed considerably. . . . Mary Zartman and Delores Stapleton also had vacations. Delores spent hers at Lake James. We all like fish so well. Here's hoping for a fish fry, Delores.

Punch Press

We have with us two girls from the Rotor Section—Mary Johns and Deloris Parker. Hope you will like your new jobs, girls. . . . Garnet Borne will be on her vacation next week. Have a good time. She is going to spend most of the week in Cleveland, Ohio. . . . Ruth Hyser is still at the Lutheran Hospital. Let's all send her a card; we know it's lonesome, and cards help a lot. . . . Ina Harrison is now working in the Forge Shop.

Eager Beaver



Receiving

Herbert Wilding received a ve interesting letter this week fr Robert Whittern, one of our bo who is now in Arak, Iran. He te us the climate there is grand, though farther south in Iran t temperature at times reached 1 to 180 degrees. He would like hear from all of us. His addre may be obtained from Herb. . We miss the office force sin they have moved to their new loc tion. We are glad they like the new home. . . . Let's have yo hobby ideas and see how many ne ones we can get. Bob Little start to collect bugs and mice, but th came a little too large and Bo gave it up. . . . We are well pleas with our new working schedule, it gives a little extra time in th evening to work in that victor garden. . . . Brownie was off wor last week. His father-in-law wa taken to the hospital very sic We sure hope he recovers quickl . . . We understand Joyce Ini one of the former inspection girl has gone to California for visit. We hope she has a wonderf time. Joyce has been employed the Broadway Plant since leavin here. . . . The Seventh War Loa Drive ended, and we are please with the way our employees re sponded. Let's not stop loaning ou money for the boys. Each bon bought after the drive helps ju as much. Let's go. . . . Paulin Bennett not only celebrated he birthday on June 27 but also t her vacation. . . . Jim Stoiche spe his vacation last week visiti various relatives and dolling up h yard and victory garden. . . . G Uhlig received a letter from Pau last week and is exhibiting it all the boys. It was from Jim, wh is in Paris on part of his vacation . . . New faces appear every day and all seem happy to be trans ferred to our factory. Welcome, al Fractional people. . . . Cletus Kyl of the Oil House returned from hi vacation and reports fishing excel lent, although he showed us nothing to prove his claim.

Shipping

The Shipping Section misses Va Horn, its leader, who is now on vacation for a couple of weeks. He is spending his time in Cadillac Mich., where we know the fish will surely have to be on the alert or find themselves in the skillet We hope Van is enjoying the much needed rest. . . . Alice Zent returned to work this week after spending her vacation at Lake George. We understand that Alice is quite capable with the rod and reel too. . . . We were all very happy to have Herman Lartz, of the Army inspec tion force, pay us a visit the other day. Herman has been in the hospital. Glad you are better now Herman. . . . Ask Vic Robbe and Al Braun how they like riding the Sky Ride at Swinney Park. We un derstand they were quite brave. . . . Did you buy that bond for the "Mighty Seventh?" . . . Vivian Spindler celebrated a birthday last Monday. The nature of the cele bration was just another good day's work. . . . Harold Hirschey is en joying a week's vacation. Harold deserves a good rest, as he is one of our most faithful workers. . . . Bob Zimmerman is doing a real job in the stock room. Have you

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News From TAYLOR STREET

...ticed the neat arrangement of ...s stock? . . . Al Muller reports ...at his mother is showing great ...provement in health after going ... a different climate. . . . Charles ...isher has his ups and downs while ...arold is on vacation. He says the ...ps and downs consist of the stair-...ay or the conveyor. . . . Did you ...rite that kid in the service?

Assembly

After a rather long absence, we ...re again back in the news. Many ...hanges have occurred since we ...ade our last appearance. . . . ...verett Harris showed us a very ...ood picture of his family. Everett ... well justified in being proud of ...at family. . . . Speaking of pic-...res, Bethel Heersche was showing ...s a picture of a real he-man. Yes, ...u guessed it—one of her sons. ...eth has two in the service. . . . ...e are very curious to learn more ...f Mary Nebehy's trip to Markle. ...id you really go swimming, Mary? ... Esther Wise, Edith Carlson, and ...ey Henney are ill this week. . . . ...arieta Goeltzenleuchter is enjoy-...g a vacation. . . . Glen Magnuson ... back on the job after a week's ...cation. . . . Jo Meschberger is ...oking forward to a vacation so ...e can go horseback riding. Jo ... busy practicing eating her meals ...hile standing. . . . Jo Bastian and ...ommy Williams are taking their ...cations this week. Jo is planning ... move to a new apartment when ...e returns. Is that a way to end ... vacation? . . . Gladys Payne had ... wonderful vacation last week, ...e reports.

Rotor

Those fortunate enough to have ...eir vacations scheduled for this ...eek are Wanda Foulk, George ...eltzleichter, and Lily Spillers. . . . ...id everyone notice those buttons ...op off Archie Evans' shirt the ...her morning. Yes, he is the proud ...ther of a son. . . . We lost an-...her member of the Welded Wheel ...ne this week. Lots of good luck ...n your new job, Jim Gibson. . . . ...unch Press gained two girls from ...s, Mary Johns from Wheel As-...embly and Deloris Parker from ...-Ray. Lots of good luck, girls. ... We bid a fond farewell to John ...olloway, who was transferred to ...roadway, Bldg. 26-2. . . . We hope ...o see Nellie Todd back on her feet ...gain soon after having an opera-...on at the St. Joseph's Hospital ...hursday. Keep smiling, Nellie. We ...ope to see you back soon. . . . It ...ems there was a certain man that ...rgot his wedding anniversary ...ntil his wife reminded him of it ...e next morning. How about that, ...erman? Congratulations, Mr. and ...rs. Dickey, on your 10 years of ...ppiness. . . . Has everyone noticed ...w happy Norene Grubb has been ...e past week. Yes, it's true. Her ...sband is coming home on a 30-day ...rlough from Germany. . . . Zeke ...lexander left this week, and we'll ...re miss him. . . . Anna Lee and ...irginia Graham are journeying to ...incinnati to spend the week-end. ...ope you don't get lost, girls. . . . ...oes anyone care to have Charlie ...hidler on his softball team? It ...ems he is a pretty good batter.



Picturing a saw as a wild beast ready to take a chunk out of you if you get too near isn't just an artist's imagination at work. It's pretty close to the truth. Long is the list of accidents to those who have happened to get too near to the teeth of a sharp saw.

That's the reason G-E provides guards for those saws. Guards that will keep you from ever having a finger or a hand chopped off—if you will use them.

For some reason that no one has been able to figure out, sensible men, experienced men, who know the dangers well, will work at an unprotected machine. Sometimes they're lucky, and nothing happens. Just about as often, they get careless and in a split second—become life-long cripples. No company will deliberately make the job harder for a man. It's poor business. No, those guards are there for a very good reason and we all know what it is. So keep the guards on—do fence that saw in!

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

FROM OVERSEAS

Guam
June 20, 1945

Dear Editor:

It has been quite some time since I have written, but our time here is pretty well taken care of. We are kept very busy! I wanted to let you know that my APO number has been changed so that I can keep on receiving the WORKS NEWS. I am a former employee of Winter Street, and although I did not know many who work there, I still enjoy reading the NEWS.

It's good to read about the things going on back home and the progress that the General Electric Company is making. There isn't much I can say about what I am doing, but I do have the satisfaction of knowing it has plenty to do with the destruction of Japan.

It's hard for me to write this type of letter, so I will close. I want to say hello to my old friends at Winter Street and hope everyone will keep up the good work they have been doing.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Robert Friend

SHIPPING

June 28 was almost a flower day in our office. Fourth wedding anniversaries were celebrated by Jane Schwise and Marcella Gamble. Both were presented with a corsage of baby carnations from Marcella Koehn and each had a lovely bouquet from members of her family. . . . Doris Polley has returned after a vacation spent in North Carolina. We are very glad to see her back. . . . Dorothy Cartwright was absent from work for a few days, because of a sunburn. We missed you, Dorothy.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Capt. Robert Lester, son of Carl Lester, Maintenance Section, has recently been promoted to that rank while in the European Theater. A P-51 Mustang Fighter Pilot, Capt. Lester has shot six enemy aircraft out of the skies and destroyed several on the ground. He also holds several decorations. He is expected home on leave in the near future.

ENGINEERING AND DRAFTING

Clark Winchester had no fish stories to tell after his vacation, due to the fact that Michigan's fishing season didn't start until a week later. At least that was his story. . . . Roman Warneke and Burney Tomson are our other vacationers. . . . Dorman Kirke proved the old adage and took to the air for his vacation by flying to Texas to see his son, Jim, a navigator in the Air Force.

DUST PROOF ROOM

Bessie and Gilbert Sickafoose are taking their vacations this week. We hope they are having a pleasant one. . . . Paul Cron is leaving to go back to his old job. . . . We hope Hilda's husband has a speedy recovery from his appendectomy. . . . Velma Adams also is recovering from an appendectomy. . . . Another vacationer is Hilda Vachon.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

The following employees are enjoying vacations this week: Victor Cartwright, Gust Herbst, Ed Hauke, George Goings, and H. Reiter. . . . Jack Herney had some real fish stories after spending a week at Crooked Lake. He has Clark Sheid to back him up. We believe you, Jack. . . . Emil Nord is very busy building brooder houses, as he says he is going in for chicken raising. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to J. Warnement in the death of his wife.

OIL PUMP AND COMPRESSOR

J. Kendricks, Harry Bell, and Ted Perberton have resumed work after a week's vacation. . . . D. Clem, W. Ebert, and their families enjoyed themselves on vacation last week at Pretty Lake. . . . Lillian Ayers left the Burring Section last Friday to assume her household duties again. Sorry to see you go, Lillian. . . . Carl Timme has changed from first trick to third. Keep those eyes open, Carl.

MACHINE SHOP

John Cline's son, in the U. S. Army, visited the plant last week. He is enjoying a well-earned furlough after spending some time in a German prison camp. . . . Welcome to the new employees in our section from Taylor Street and Power Drive. . . . Anyone having items for the WORKS NEWS for this section, please contact Leona Franke.

PLANNING

They're off! Who? Why Glen Macy and Russell Ade. All we've been hearing lately is about the fish they're going to catch. Well, boys, seeing is believing. . . . Mr. Mueller spent his vacation at Little Long Lake. . . . Summer has finally come! And to prove it, Joe Gruber is sporting a new straw hat.

"You, in the back of the room, what was the date of the signing of the Magna Charta?"

"I dunno."

"Well then, can you tell me what the Tennis Court Oath was?"

"I dunno."

"You don't! I assigned this stuff last Friday. What were you doing last night?"

"I was out drinking beer with some friends."

"You were! What audacity to stand there and tell a thing like that! How do you ever expect to pass this course?"

"Well, I don't, mister. Ye see, I just came in to fix the radiator."

Alco-G-E Completes Delivery On Diesel Electric Locomotives

The last of a fleet of 16 Alco-G-E diesel-electric locomotives, just recently delivered to the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad, makes it the first all-diesel-electric, Class I road in the country. The 16 diesel-electric units are capable of handling considerably more freight and passenger traffic, on faster schedules, than was possible with the 32 steam locomotives which they replace. With complete dieselization, the Susquehanna is now prepared to handle postwar traffic most efficiently and economically.

The first of these diesel-electric units, delivered to Susquehanna in 1941 after a motive-power survey of its operations by Alco-G-E representatives, showed that the installation of eight 1,000-hp diesel-electrics would reduce operating costs approximately $130,000 a year. In service, however, they exceeded expectations and in 1944 a second survey was requested. As a result, eight more units were ordered and plans were made to release the balance of the steamers, both passenger and freight. The few steam locomotives temporarily retained will be retired as soon as present traffic peaks ease off.

Based on actual costs in 1944, conversion to all-diesel-electric operation is producing savings at the rate of more than $400,000 a year. This estimated annual savings amounts to more than one-quarter the cost of the diesel-electrics, or approximately a 29 per cent return on the Susquehanna's investment. Maintenance and depreciation on 75 coal cars no longer required, and maintenance of ways and structures—allowing for new diesel-electric facilities—have been eliminated at a saving of approximately $19,000 a year.

The operating cost of the new units on passenger runs is 49 cents per locomotive-mile as compared to $1 per locomotive-mile for the steamers. In addition, in 1945 the 16 units will handle an estimated 113,000,000 freight-ton-miles at an operating cost of 60 cents per locomotive-mile against $1.14 per locomotive-mile for steamers. Performing 6,575 hours of yard service annually, the diesel-electrics are saving more than $20,000 a year over the operating cost of steamers in this service.

For The All-Diesel Electric Line



Last of a fleet of 16 fast freight and passenger locomotives has just been delivered to the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad. Developed by G-E and American Locomotive Company, they handle more traffic at estimated savings of $400,000 a year than 32 old-style "steamers" formerly used. (See story above).

Suggestion Pays Off



Irene Barrand, Bldg. 6-2, received a $25 suggestion award for her idea to change dimensions of mechanism plates so as to permit a freer fit in the case. This award was made in addition to $30 previously awarded.

Sleuthing In 4-6

It seems that Ralph Guenther and Wilton Raney are always trying to outdo each other, even to kidding about who would catch the most fish on his vacation. Ralph was taking individual orders for fish, while Wilton was going to catch so many he'd have to sell them wholesale. Wasn't tbat counting your fish before they were caught, fellows? You might ask Harold Carter how he hooked tbat "big" one, or could this be another fish story? . . . We wonder if Ardenelle (Cowan) Morrison bas tried churning butter from buttermilk yet. The way we "heared" it was, Ardenelle didn't know how butter was made, so someone told her it was churned from buttermilk. What we would like to know is, if butter is churned from buttermilk, where does the buttermilk come from, Ardenelle? We'd like to add that Ardenelle's husband was transferred from Baer Field, which fact bas absolutely nothing to do with churning butter. . . . Elsie Forschner arrived at work the otber morning and announced that she had received a telephone call from her sailor husband on Monday nigbt asking her to come to California, so she was on ber way by Wednesday morning. How's that for speed! . . . We're sure Eileen Hess didn't waste much time getting to New London, Conn., either. Her husband, a Petty Officer 1/c, was to meet her there upon his return from about a year and a half overseas. Eileen was to meet him tbere on her vacation, but his plans were cbanged, so she visited her sister in New London on her vacation and had no more than returned to Fort Wayne, wben she heard from her husband asking her to meet him in New London. . . . Some of tbe Production girls are planning a shopping trip in Paris. Why? Haven't you heard? They are joining their husbands in Europe when the government allows wives to be with their husbands overseas. . . . The Engineering Division is going to miss Henry Reehling, who is retiring after nearly 41 years service; however, Henry assures us he'll keep in touch with all his old friends. . . . Lucile Bowman and Dorothy Dunkelberg left Bldg. 4-6 too. Dorothy's husband returned from overseas, and Lucile's husband was transferred from Baer Field to another base. Happy landings to both of you. . . . We were very happy to see Rosemary Suelzer again. She paid us a visit last Friday and assures us it is much hotter in Pennsylvania than it is in Fort Wayne. We hope this will help to cheer you up the next time you are tempted to complain about the hot weather we've been having. . . . Rosemary Pond says it seems quite natural to be back to work again. Rosemary left last fall to go to Indiana University. . . . We hear Joe Gardt is quite a juggler. Anyone doubting this should have seen him the other morning when the bottle of milk he was carrying slipped from his hand, and Joe reached around and caught it in back of him. Nice trick, Joe. . . . Congratulations to Devona Sherwood, Harold Smith, and Arlein Yates on the birthdays they celebrated recently. The candy and cake were delicious. Need we say we wish you many more happy birthdays? . . . Thelma Winebrenner bid farewell to the file room last week. She was transferred to the factory in Bldg. 17-3. . . . If you thought that was a new dance Catberine O'Connor was doing in the Aircraft Section the other day, you're mistaken. Catherine explains that the floor was just too slick. I'm sure some of us know what you mean.

Two veteran marines were bragging about their respective outfits. "When we presented arms," said one, "all you could hear was slap, slap, click."

"With us, it was slap, slap, jingle," said the other.

"Jingle? What was that?"

"Our medals."

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

The absent-minded professor of the week is Robert Morris. He drove his car to work one day last week, then proceeded to walk home. After he got home he thought of bis car back in the parking lot and had to walk back after it. Just tell us the next time you drive, Bob, and we'll remind you to drive home. . . . Say, girls, do you know we might have some competition! "Frosty" Monroe recently won a leg-show for men only. We understand that the Moose Lodge had a contest for the men to see who had the best looking legs, and "Frosty" walked away with the honors. Some stuff! . . . Louise Muzzillo's brother, Ralph, surprised them last week and came home on a furlough after being gone for a year. He is in the Ferry Command. . . . PFC Max Potter, former employee of Bldg. 4-5, was a visitor on the floor last week. Max was wounded on Luzon and has been awarded the Purple Heart. Sure was nice to see you again, Max. . . . Forgetful Ruth Leeuw came to work without her badge and had to go home after it. Will someone please remind Ruth that she needs that little picture to get through the gate. . . . Harold Whitmer got hit by a car while riding his bicycle to work last week, but he doesn't seem any the worse for the accident, as he is still working. Want to watch that, Harold, as those cars are bigger than you and your bike. . . . We offer our apologies to Marty Boyle for not wishing her a hearty welcome back after an absence of six weeks following an appendectomy. We really didn't mean to forget you, Marty. . . . Art Bottom came back from his vacation this week sporting a nice tan and also some whoppin' big fish stories. Fish stories being what they are, we wonder if we can believe them. . . . Does anyone have a nice, heavy chain they don't want? The girls are going to chain Mariam Breemler's Eversharp around her neck so she won't lose it. She is forever misplacing her pencil, then accusing the girls of borrowing it, only to find it a little later in a tote box or some similar place where she left it herself. . . . Bill Holsworth and Dick Walker have returned from their vacations. Dick visited his home town, London, Ontario, Canada. Looks like Dick will stick with the good old U. S., as he claims his home town just doesn't seem the same ole place to him. . . . Alice Niemeyer just turned 19 and sported corsages for two days in celebration of same. . . . Joe Brunns and Joe Vesey both go on their vacations next week at Clear Lake. Wonder what kind of fantastic tales they will come back with? . . . The height of laziness is typified by Cliff Long wearing his glasses out on the end of his nose. He claims in that way he doesn't have to tip his head over in order to look down but just cast his eyes downward without moving his head at all. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Earl Souers and Frank Labreto are some more returned vacationers. Hope you had a nice time, folks. . . . The salaried group in Bldg. 4-5 is planning to have a picnic right after work Thursday, July 19, at the Policemen's Park. There is a lot of fun in store for everyone, and we hope you can all plan to come. Further plans are to be announced later, but in the meanwhile see Marge Young, Mike Trott, or Toni Sandkuhler for any desired information . . . Bldg. 4-5 wishes to extend sympathy to Herb Cook and family on the death of his father last week.



It took only one day of this strange, new hot weather to get the girls' hair up on top of their heads. One day, and the next morning all the girls blossomed out with up-dos. . . . Joe Hartman was telling one the girls to use warm olive oil on her new patent shoes so they wouldn't crack. Now we're curious. . . . Welcome to Mary Spencer to Assembly. . . . Seen: A. K. McCollum riding the kiddie planes at the carnival. Also seen: His wife trying to coax him off. . . . Mary Ryan's brother is home on furlough. . . . Glad to hear that Rosemary Tucker's husband is recuperating after a major operation. . . . Martha Griffin received bruises and black and blue marks from a recent fall down the stairs. Our sympathy, Martha. . . . Muriel Woods celebrated her birthday by spending the week-end in Cincinnati. . . . A party from the Stator Winding Section went to the carnival. From some of the stories we've heard, they braved everything from the loop-o-plane to the rocket. Yeh, I was sick once, too. . . . Our sympathy to Dorothy Donelson, whose aunt died last week. . . . Welcome to Mary Humphrey to Stator Winding. . . . Mary Landis spent a comfortable vacation fishing at Flambo, Wis. . . . Welcome back, Bill Loop. Bill was reported as missing in action and was in a German prison camp for four months. We're glad to have you back with us, Bill. . . . Charlie Griffith gets first place at the wailing wall this week. Most people can find the tires but haven't the certificates it takes to get them. Charlie has a certificate but can't find the tires. Charlie, I know where there's a rubber tree. . . . Welcome to Chester Cox to the Shaft Section. . . . Paul Heltzel and Dick Heflin have created a new sport—catching flies. I mean flies that fly. . . . Mason Vint is the new "Wonder-Boy-At-Bat." He hit four out of four the other evening. . . . Charlie Myers needs some big landing nets to land those two pound bass he has a knack for catching. . . . Claude is in the market for some calves. Since he went to farming, he wants to buy anything and everything. . . . Don Mitchell returned from his vacation with a beau-u-u-u-utiful tan and tales of long days spent in his victory garden. . . . Jim Tooley was elected president of the L. A. S. at their last meeting.

It's A Joke

Lady customer in shoe store: "Of course, I want them comfortable but at the same time good looking and attractive."

Clerk: "Yes, madam, I understand—large inside and small outside."

Boy: "We're going to have a swell time tonight, honey. I have three tickets for the movies."

Girl: "But why three tickets?"

Boy: "One for your father, one for your mother and one for your kid sister."

Horace: "If you loved me, why did you refuse me at first?"

Edith: "Just to see what you would do."

Horace: "But I might have rushed off without waiting for an explanation."

Edith: "Hardly. I had the door locked."

Slappin' The Japs



Mary Moser, Bldg. 6-2, who suggested improvements in tools and methods of burring on six rivets, has received a $40 suggestion award.

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

We had a visitor this week—and a very welcome one he was, too. Clarence Lesh, who formerly worked in the Magneto section, came up to visit his friends on our floor. He was with General Patton's Third Army and wears the Purple Heart. He was on leave from Camp Atterbury. You certainly looked fine, Clarence, and we were glad to see you. . . . Mary Longenecker, now Mrs. Carl Gardner, is very happy now that both she and her husband are home to stay. He got a discharge from the Army through the point system. Mary is coming back to the fold on July 9 to work on K Placing on days. Welcome back, Mary. . . . Ruth Woods was up to say goodbye to us. She begins her schooling in the WAVES July 14 at Hunter College, N. Y., and hopes to be a Hospital Technician. Goodbye and good luck, Ruthie. . . . Clarence Cleveland likes the looks of his new store teeth. Says he: "Come on over and I'll show you my new teeth. They're in my tool box." Now, Clarence, just what good do they do there?' . . . Tom Goodenaugh, Ed Stoner and A. Ragen left us for Bldg. 4-1. Sorry to see you go, fellows. We also said goodbye to Marion Clark, Group 13x56 Second Trick, who is leaving the Company. . . . Now that Loraine Starline's husband is home for 60 days, we're hoping she will get out of the hospital and get well real soon. . . . Bertha Albrecht really picked a good week to spend her vacation at the lake. Wish we were there. . . . Peter Paul Karolyi celebrated his birthday by passing cake, potato chips, and pretzels. Many happy returns, Pete, and thanks for the food. . . . We hear that Florence Stanski had a good time over the week-end at Hamilton Lake, even if she did suffer a casualty by dancing in toeless shoes. . . . Hestor Seidel had a group of the girls from the floor at her home for a make-up demonstration, and from all reports it was very interesting. . . . Paul Bowman attended the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention at Indianapolis the other Saturday. . . . Wayne Blair of the office gang is going back to barbering. We would like to know what the special attraction is in the barbering profession, because George Slater is also leaving us to pick up the shears where he left off. We're sorry to see you fellows leave. Good luck. . . . We were sorry to hear of the accident that Gaylord Evans was in and hope both he and the Mrs. are back to normal soon. . . . Frank Cox, Kenny Miller, Herb Sauer, Fred May, Don Arnold, Irene Warner, Don and Marjorie (Wyss) Borne are all on their vacations this week. Don Arnold said he has so many things to do he's afraid the week won't be long enough. Hope you're all having a nice time. . . . Charles (Pat) Monroe is at the Veterans' Hospital at Indianapolis, and we hope you're back with us soon. . . . Several more people joined the Bldg. 4-3 gang in the past week. Helen Long, coil winding; Betty Miller, Gr. 13x56; Clara Betz, who came from Bldg. 12-3, is now with the coil placing group. Verdie Schneider came from Bldg. 19-4 to Gr. 13x55. Glad to have all of you with us. . . . Charlie Winans is re-ah-ly having quite a time with the twins, Doris and Deloris Kohr, who are working in Group 13x56 on second shift. He put Doris on one side of the bench and Deloris on the other side, but your Buzzin' Cuzzins are willing to bet they could trade places and Charlie woudn't even know the difference. We're glad to have you with us, Doris and Deloris (or is it Deloris and Doris?) Their mother works days in Group 13x50. . . . Florence Stanski received some beautiful hankies and a gorgeous white satin apron from Hawaii. They are very nice, Florence. . . . Margie Voyl soaked up the sun at the lake the other Sunday. In fact, she thinks she got a little bit too much. She really had a burn, blisters and all.

—Country Cousins

A Gift From The Gang



George Prince, general foreman in the Motor and Generator Division, is shown at left above receiving from R. M. Hartigan, Division Superintendent, a scrap book picturing much of his work here. The book contained pictures, cartoons, and hundreds of signatures of his coworkers, as well as some gift money. The farewell tribute was made Saturday at 10 A.M., his last day with the Company, before his coworkers.

Night Owls . . . .
OF 26-3

Well, here we are back again after our week's intermission, so here's hoping you're with us. . . . We wish to welcome our many new girls working here now, but as yet we haven't a complete list of them. We'll submit them as soon as we do. . . . Eva Dixon, who left us several months ago, is back with us again. Welcome back, Eva. . . . Nancy Hasty and her husband from Bldg. 26-4 spent their vacations last week idling in upper Michigan and Canada. She claims they had a very enjoyable trip, but then, who wouldn't up North? . . . Lonnie Vance and Sophie Rieg are spending their vacations this week. Lonnie is spending hers at Hamilton Lake, but Sophie didn't disclose her plans as to where she was going to spend her long-awaited rest. . . .Welcome and greetings to Charlie Tribolet, our new foreman in finals. He's transferred from Taylor Street, but we're certain he'll like it here in Bldg. 26-3. . . . Ann on L bench, spent an enjoyable week-end at Lake Wawasee. . . . We still are waiting for our invitation to that fish fry that that certain fellow was going to have. . . . It really would seem funny not reading a bit of news about Gladys this week, as she's "made the WORKS NEWS" every week so far, but we've decided we won't mention her name this week. Or did we!! . . . Sam, too, likes variety. He's come in to work several nights with one blue and one white sock. He says he has another pair just like it at home.

17-3 Newsies

Here we are back in Bldg. 17-3 again, and we have to make up a little lost time. As you all know, a lot of our girls are now at Taylor Street; and we miss them a lot (especially our reporter). . . . Group 13x1 suprised Ruth Lemert on her birthday with a potluck and some very nice gifts. Those present were: Walter Kryder, Violet Brower, Margaret Beerman, Gertrude Dammeyer, Verna Bullerman, Dessie Spears, Georgia Zinn, June Trumbull, Eileen Bartle, Louise Blake, Esther Fuller, Lois Brubaker, Pauline Smith, Katie Polka, Hildred Johnston, Lucille Lampke, Delores Miller, Madelene Briggs, Mollie Martin, Edith Yager, Mabel Worley, Phyllis Lupton, Maxine Sporleder, Laurelei Prior, and Esther Glusenkamp. Everyone had a good time and plenty to eat. The day was very eventful. Violet Brower was presented a lovely pair of silver salt and pepper shakers for her silver wedding anniversary. Oh, yes, at the end of the day, Dessie Spears remembered it was her birthday, too. What about this, Dessie, trying to forget those birthdays? . . . We all wish Maude Benward a speedy recovery after her recent operation. . . . Laurelei Prior celebrated her birthday and had her vacation with her husband, Herbert Prior, who was home from the Merchant Marine. . . . Katie Polka is spending her vacation at her home in Ohio. . . . We're glad to see a couple of familiar faces back on our line. They are Sadie Bailey and Pauline Sovers. Glad to have you back, kids.

The Last Word—
FROM BUILDING 4-1

Pauline Fischer and Frieda Liby have been transferred back to Bldg. 4-1 from Bldg. 6-2. Pauline is working in the Tool Room and Frieda in Final Inspection. Welcome back, girls, we missed you while you were gone. . . . Jim Rohlman is going to have his oats and wheat harvested, in spite of the labor shortage. The whole gang in 15x19 including Ewald is going out to his farm to do the aforementioned harvesting. . . . Frances Hart has returned to work in the Inspection Section after visiting her husband in Texas. He recently left for overseas duty. . . . Another service star has been added to the Salvage room after the departure of George Bear, who left June 13 for the armed forces. Several people received cards from George this week. He is stationed with the A.A.F. at Shephard Field, Texas. . . . We hear via the grapevine that Floyd Enos is really and truly a dog fancier. He purchased a dog some time ago. We understand that he has it trained to sit in the window and watch for him when he comes home from work. If you happen over near Reservoir Park some Sunday A.M. quite early, look for Enos, as he takes his pride and joy for a long stroll quite often. . . . Bldg. 4-1 sincerely wishes Lloyd Clements a speedy recovery and hopes he gets back soon. . . . Mac Archbold complains that he doesn't have much pep any more. Could be the warm weather, Mac. . . . Best wishes from the entire floor to Al Ringle, who retired recently. The boys gave Al a rousing send-off. Good luck and good fishing, Al. . . . Now that the vacation season is in full swing, Rey Dotzer doesn't know just what to do. Ray has had two weeks off, but says one of them was business. Now, Ray.

Opinion Poll
Wire Recorder Gets Bus Riders' Reactions

Electronics with the G-E magnetic wire recorder may soon serve as an effective public opinion medium, recording citizens' reactions to everyday affairs of local interest.

First indication of this was disclosed in a report by the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York which revealed that an electronic wire recorder has been used in Pine Bluff, Ark., to record rider reaction by a "man-in-the-street" interview.

The machine, borrowed from the Kansas City offices of the General Electric Company's Electronics Department, was set up at a busy city intersection bus stop, where a general cross section of the passenger public could be interviewed. From this location, it was possible to secure the opinions of the type of service rendered.

Later, the wire recorder was set up in the offices of the president of the transportation company and played back to key members of the organization. Notes were taken and all valid criticism and suggestions were made up in report form for immediate correction and solution.

Four Fourums

Albert Birch is taking his vacation next week. . . . When Howard Poorman came back from his vacation, he rolled back his sleeves, not only to go to work, but to get away from a sunburn. . . . Rumors have it that Paul Beauchamp was really putting down the walk—he put in a sidewalk during his vacation. . . . Well, boys, when you go into Little Long Lake by way of Pleasant Lake, the "Wee Wonder" cottage is Howard Poorman's. We wonder what his next project will be? . . . Another helldiver will soon solo in the near future, John Roose by name. What is Bldg. 4-4 coming to? . . . What this hot weather won't do to people. Martha Arnold decided one evening to cool off by pumping tin cups full of water and pouring them over her. "You would be surprised what a tin cup of water will do," says Martha. . . . The race is on—Joe Tricker has purchased some Barred Rock chicks to compete with Kenny Crabill's White Rock chicks. So now we are waiting to see who will have meat on the table first. . . . Lois Daughterley's husband arrived in the States this week after spending over two years in the European theatre of war, and Maxine Warnock's friend arrived also this week after spending a year and one-half in the Pacific. . . . Grace Anderson was very proud of the sun tan she received last week while on her vacation, but to her great disappointment it is all peeling off. . . . Lottie McFarland is the perfect picture of health. She attributes it to her week on the farm, where she had T-bone steaks for breakfast, sunshine in the afternoon, and whipped cream on strawberries for an evening snack. (Gee, who wouldn't get healthy?) . . . Bob Till says Turkey Lake is 60 feet deep in front of his cottage—30 feet of muck and 30 feet of water. . . . Since George Houch was on his vacation, Dale Chaney was "lathe boss" in the Service Section. Yes, you guessed it, Dale was the only lathe man present. . . . George Hosek and Si (Frosty) Alspaugh made an inspection of Kenny Crabill's chicken ranch. At first glance they thought it was a turtle dove colony, but admitted on closer inspection that they were a fine specie of Leghorns.

In Days of Yore



Dale Irwin

Friends of Dale Irwin, Bldg. 4-4, insist that he was a Ty Cobb in his younger days, which accounts for the spring in his walk today. Here's the picture in proof—when he was just 16.

Arthur Bear Completes 25 Years "On Time"

Arthur Bear, set up man in the Punch Press Section, Bldg. 4-1, completed 25 years of service with the Company last Friday, but more important than that, when he "clocked in" for the day, he had also completed those 25 years without a single late registration on his clock card.

Maybe another Fort Wayne Works employee can top that, but we haven't heard about it, and it is an enviable record—especially in these days of tired, cranky alarm clocks. So, our WORKS NEWS photographer was on hand to record the event.

Mr. Bear started with the Company on March 22, 1920, in Bldg. 4-1 on the repunch machines. He has been on punch press work most of the time and has been on his present job 17 or 18 years, he said. The work he is on now has been moved physically several times, he explained, but each time he moved right with the section and kept his service record on the job and his record at the time clock intact. He was the Company's first set up man on multiple blanking punch press work, started in Bldg. 4-2.

Now eligibile for the Quarter-Century Club, he had already joined when interviewed Friday—which seems to point to the efficiency of the Quarter-Century Club contact system.

He is interested in continuing his "no tardy" record, he indicated, because his son, Capt. Arthur Bear, Jr., is in the services doing his share in winning the war. Capt. Bear, now back in the States, was overseas nearly a year as pilot of a B-24, and he completed 23 successful missions over Germany.

DOTS AND DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Sorry folks, haven't meant to neglect the snoopin' business, but the snoopin' hasn't been so good of late. Guess, I'll stick to my own territory and let you in on activities of my immediate associates. . . . We suggest that somebody should give Joe Coughlin a ferry boat, and we'll call him Admiral Coughlin. . . . Andy O'Dwyer makes news when we run short. Just tell him there's a bug or fly around, and the chase is on. Nothing stops him—he takes all obstacles in his own easy stride. . . . In case you didn't know, J. E. Hutcheson, better known as "Hutch," left us this week for the Southland—namely Houston, Texas. "Hutch" is taking a new position at the G-E Supply Corporation. The office gang gave a farewell dinner party for him at the Elks Country Club one evening, and a merry time was had by all. Here's wishing "Hutch" the best of luck. . . . Then there's our wandering boys, P. M. (The Boss) Staehle, Del Roloff, and Cy Stonehill. Still wandering, where to next, we'll never know. . . . Mighty fancy hair-do our Annie Rastetter is strutting around with these warm days. Besides being very pretty, it looks cool. . . . Well, vacations started here with Chuck Graham taking a trip to Iowa, the old home state, to take a look at the tall corn, as well as those two boys of his. . . . Flash! Johnny Carr wears Harold (Pritch) Pritchard's raincoat on Saturday. . . . There doesn't seem to be anything to report on Avenell Stanton. She is such a busy little bee all the time. . . . Things surely get moved around here these days. . . . So long now.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Did you read about the G-E Scholarship Fund in last week's WORKS NEWS? Swell idea, isn't it? And no discrimination will be made in regard to sex, color, creed, or national origin. Makes you proud to work for the G-E Company, doesn't it? . . . Wonder who writes Kokomo Key Notes. It's a clever column. . . . We hear that Henry Burch is becoming so skillful with a pool cue that his opponents are asking for handicaps. The law of diminishing returns seems to work even in a pool game. . . . Isn't it a great era we live in? We read that a G-E "noise meter" proves that General (Ike) Eisenhower is a hero. As if we didn't know. (All in fun, however. We really enjoyed the article.) . . . Leonardo Da Vinci, the Florentine painter and sculptor, is regarded by many as one of the greatest men of all times. He knew facts about the geological composition of the earth long before scientists of his day even dreamed of them. He knew of the circulatory system long before Harvey. He made the first elementary camera; experimented with flying machines for years; invented war machines, inculcating laws of mechanics unknown to his contemporaries. His experiments with plants and animals produced results which labeled him a sorcerer and witch. Besides all this, his delicate hand captured forever on canvas the enigmatic smile of "Mona Lisa" and the mysterious "Last Supper." Yet with all the knowledge at his command, he was alone. He had so far outstripped his contemporaries that they had no basis for understanding him. How different it is today! General Electric's newly-planned research laboratory embodies the vast mental and intellectual distance between Da Vinci's day and ours. Here scientists will band together with the latest equipment, encouraged and unafraid, to experiment and develop new ideas for the betterment of mankind. . . . Walt Doehrman had a brand-new excuse for being late the other morning. He said he squeezed out too much toothpaste, and he had a hard time getting it back into the tube. . . . Fun is like life insurance; the older you are, the more it costs you. . . . Keep chuckin'.

"To what do you attribute your success?"

"Well, I'm trying to make an honest living and there's no competition."

And He's "On Time" . . . .



Arthur Bear, Bldg. 4-1, is shown above placing his clock card in the rack after completing 25 years with the Company without a single late registration. (See story on this page).

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Flash! Let's go to press. Rita Ankenbruck, of the Liberty Ankenbrucks, will wed Ernest Miller. No date has been set for the wedding as yet. Congratulations! . . . Vacations seem to be the topic of conversation these days. Doris Kayser, Bill Skinner, Leo Elward, Lloyd Meads, and James Lee are among those on deck. Speaking of Lloyd Meads—It seems he was boasting a bit about the catch of fish he expected, when Lloyd Cowell proposed if he caught more than they could eat that he bring back a few for the Cowells—and he did. One bluegill was so large it was almost more than Lloyd could eat. . . . Leo Elward's brother, Carl, wounded twice in the European Theater, is home on a 30-day furlough and is spending much of that time at the Elward cottage at Rome City. From all accounts some of the boys, Amel Beck, Charles Brubaker, and Elmer Hamilton, had a nice time and a delicious chicken supper with the Elward boys one night last week. . . . We want to wish Howard Smith a speedy recovery after his operation of last week. . . . Betty Boszor is leaving us to return to her home in Kendallville. We will miss you, Betty. . . . The question in everyone's mind in the Wire Section office is where Carl Borchert purchases those "conservative" cravats he has been wearing lately. . . . Glen Greek is once again a happy man, now that he is finally off his soup diet. . . . Anyone having a clue concerning the mystery of the fan missing from Bldg. 8-2, please notify Mary Coggeshall. The temperature is going up, and the girls are not very happy about it. . . . Lawrence Gardt has a new picture of his pin-up girl, and we think it's the sweetest one we've seen yet. Her name is Mary Elaine Gardt, and the picture was her present to her Daddy. . . . Russell Le Beau's hobby seems to be photography, and he has some grand colored pictures he has taken himself. Why not enter them in a contest, Russ? . . . John Barnes was fixing a swing for his little Donna Ruth and decided to try it out himself for safety. Taking a big swing, he landed flat, and Donna Ruth must wait a day or so for her swing. . . . We've a new time clock now, and the other day, Claude Curley mistook it for a gum vending machine and tried to find a place for his pennies. . . . We have two folks on our sick list for this week—Eva Creigh and George Wirges. Get well soon, folks. . . . "Red" Noyes and Bill Hattendorf seem to like to play the juke box, for the other day at the Grill the juke box got stuck, and there Red and Bill sat and played it all noon hour—"FREE." . . . Harry Limbach's son, Melvin, is expected home from the Pacific very soon. He has been overseas more than three years.

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Cerilda Fisher is spending her vacation fishing. Don's fish stories will have competition now. . . . We all miss Marjorie Michalowski, whose husband is home from England. . . . Ruth Thuerer has a new diet. The stator table has tested it and pronounced it O. K. . . . Dorothea Bixler is a lady of variety. She raises calves and buys pianos. . . . This is the time of the year that all kinds of fish stories are floating around (mostly tall ones), and when the following return to their jobs on Monday, I'm afraid the stories won't even "float" any more. Paul Menze is trying Lake Michigan for all the large ones; Ben Kapp is at Crooked Lake, and Les Staunch is at Jimmerson. I hope there will be some fish left when the rest of us try our luck. . . . Other boys enjoying vacations are Dale Hobson, Eldon Swaidner, H. Ufheil, Ewald Wiegan, who visited his son in New Jersey, Joe Atkenson, Kenny Wilhelm, Steve Blaising, who, they tell me, is just staying home, and Charles Crankshaw, who did his good deed of the year on his vacation by taking a Scout Troop to the summer camp at Rome City. We have only two fair ladies on vacation—Gertrude Winkleman, who went to Columbia, S. C. (Watch that Southern drawl when she gets back.) and Maxine, whose a fishin'. . . . Donna Smith went in swimming the other day to get cooled off after a hot and strenuous day at the office, and had the misfortune to step on some glass, cutting both feet. Now we have to call her "Limpy." She also tried out a new hair-do with the help of Betty Billman and Irene Schaadt. Not bad, not bad at all girls.

Portable Current Transformers Are New G-E Line

A new line of portable current transformers, Types JP-2, -3, and -4, has been announced by the General Electric Company's Meter and Instrument Division. All three types are highly accurate and may be obtained as multirange units. Type JP-2 is also available as a single-range unit.

The JP-2 and -3 units meet the accuracy requirements of the ASA 0.3 accuracy class with burdens B-0.1, -0.2, and -0.5 at 60 cycles. Both units, of the through-window type construction, are suitable for laboratory-standard work or for testing work in the field. The JP-4 is not supplied with a primary winding, but there is a hole in the core through which a cable or conductor can be passed. However, there is a tapped secondary winding, and the terminals on top of the case are all secondary terminals.

The JP-3 unit is designed with a combination of wound-primary and through-primary construction. Ratings of 100 amperes and below are obtained by a wound-primary with the terminals on the top of the transformer. By passing a conductor through the transformer window once, 1000- and 1200-ampere ratings may be obtained. Additional ratings may be gained in both units by passing the conductor through the window two or more times.

Both the JP-2 and -3 units are insulated for use on circuits not exceeding 2500 volts. They can, however, be used over cables of higher voltage circuits, provided the cable is insulated for the circuit voltage.

The cases are made of aluminum with a durable, black, crystal-line lacquer finish. The top of the case are black compound, and a leather carrying handle is provided for portability.

The Type JP-4 transformer is designed for highest-grade application as a laboratory standard. It is of wound-primary construction with taps in the primary coil for the different ratios. Each primary coil, 0.25 to 15 inclusive, is protected by a removable fuse. The secondary terminals are provided with a short-circuiting switch, and also with a Thyrite protector to guard against accidental opening of the secondary circuit.

The unit is enclosed in a walnut finished wooden case. The top of the transformer is of black compound, and all the terminals are mounted on the top.

The hobo with the crutches limped up to the back door and knocked.

"You poor man," said the kindly lady who opened the door. "Here's a dollar for you. It must be terrible to be that lame—but just think how much worse it would be if you were blind."

"You're dead right lady," said the tramp. "When I was blind, I was always getting counterfeit money."

Softball Team Nears Top In City League

Decatur Girls Hit Six In A Row To Lead League

Defeat International Harvester And Bob Inn "B" Teams

The Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team made it six in a row last week by defeating International Harvester and the Bob Inn "B" team to take the lead in the Fort Wayne league.

The Decatur Girls' team defeated International Harvester of Fort Wayne 7-3 at Worthman Field. Verna Sprunger made a nice double play by catching a fly ball and throwing it to Nondus Snyder to make another out on second base. Butcher pitched all but two innings and was relieved by Moser, who gave good account of herself in spite of her lack of experience at pitching. Miller pitched for International Harvester with Duncan behind the plate. Bower was catcher for Decatur.

The Bob Inn "B" Team was defeated by the Decatur G-E Team 9-1. A double play made by Bower to Smith and back to Bower featured this game, and this was the second double play of the year. Butcher pitched the whole game with Bower behind the plate. Miller and Marschand did the pitching and catching for Bob Inn.

The next game will be with the strong Bowser team.

TAYLOR STREET GOLF GOSSIP

By Dale W. McNutt

TEAM STANDINGS

	W	L
Tool Room	8	2
B-29's	7	8
Alum. Parts	6	4
Development	6	4
Darts	5	5
Laboratory	5	5
D H K's	4	6
Screw Balls	4	6
Production	4	6
Ramblers	1	9

SUMMARY

Tool Room over Alum. Parts 197-205
Production over D H K's 181-201
B-29's over Giants 186-195
Laboratory over Ramblers 209-217

Warm weather apparently has not reduced some of the high scores, but heated rivalry still exists. Tool Room won over Aluminum Parts to retain their league leadership. B-29's, by sinking the Giants, moved into undisputed second position, one game behind the leaders and one game ahead of Aluminum Parts and Developmental teams.

The hapless Ramblers rambled further behind by dropping a decision to the Laboratory, who now own an even won-lost standing. Miracles never cease to happen and the production "pellet punchers" improved their own record by pumping the D H K's by 20 strokes.

Woehr scored a very nice 39 for low total on the back nine, and Sobay led the scorers with a 44 on the front layout.

Etiquette Golf Hint For The Week

Should your opponent's drive trickle into the bunker, remark sympathetically, "I'm afraid you are in the bunker, I hope."

Dust Off HOME PLATE

BY ERNIE SPAULDING



Bob Starkel



Bud Feldheiser

Shown above are Bud Feldheiser and Bob Starkel, pitchers for the Club Softball team.

This is Bud's first year as pitcher in the Major League. He formerly pitched for the Howard Club in the Kid League. He is 16 years old and is a junior in Central High School.

Bud has a blazing fast ball, a good curve, and a change of pace that makes him a very effective pitcher. He is a pleasant, well-liked youngster, and is expected to develop into one of Fort Wayne's best softball pitchers. Bud has won five and lost one this season.

Bob Starkel is known as the Sphinx, since his expression is always the same (a smile) whether he is winning or losing.

Bob is one of the hardest-working pitchers in the league, and he is always on the job, ready to pitch at any time. He has also played infield, and this experience shows to advantage in his fielding.

Bob pitched a 13-inning game, the longest of the year, at Warsaw. Although the Club was defeated by virtue of being unable to collect a much-needed run, Bob pitched a very good game. He starts each game with a handicap, since he is worked when the opposing team is particularly "tough" and has a good record of wins.

We expect Bob to be one of the leading pitchers in the league at the end of the season. This is his second year as pitcher in the Major League.

Off the Tee

By John Gitter

Now that the weather has warmed up, the boys are giving Old Man Par a run for his money. Ife Holmes of the Tuesday night league came in with a one over par 37 last week while Kronmiller in the Monday night shift was two over for a 38. Other scores for Monday night were Bauman, Imel, and Becker with 40 and Link 42. Tuesday nighters were Heller and Putman 43 and Wickliffe with 44.

Best team score for the week was the Lost Balls from Bldg. 26-2 with 173.

TEAM STANDINGS, MONDAY NIGHT

	W	L
Bldg. 26-1	5	1
Plastics	4	2
Rough Riders	4	2
Rovers	3	3
Lost Balls	3	3
Decatur	3	3
Turf Toppers	2	4
Titleists	0	6

TEAM STANDINGS, TUESDAY NIGHT

	W	L
Ball Hawks	5	2
Slicers	5	2
Cas House Tigers	5	2
Optimists	4	3
Dubs	4	3
Sod Busters	2	5
All Stars	2	5
Rouchers	1	6

Please send your scores to Carl Reynolds, Bldg. 4-4, or John Gitter, Bldg. 4-5.

If you have seen any spectacular or odd shots, be sure to send them to either of the above persons. We'll do our best to put them all in.

Golf lesson for the week—Keep your head down; your partner will watch the planes for you.

Owl Softball League

By Bob Crosley

The second half of the Inter-Division Softball League got off to a poor start for the Motor-Generator team, the first half champions. They lost their first game of the year to the Firemen by the score of 3-2. Transformer defeated Bldg. 17-1 in the other game, 12-7.

The Firemen started off with a rush by scoring a run in the first inning. Bldg. 27 tied it in the second, but the fire fighters, wanting to win the second half to get into the play-off, scored two runs in the fourth to sew up the game.

Score by innings—									R	H	E
Firemen	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	—	3	7	0
Bldg. 27	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	—	2	9	1

Bldg. 26 and Bldg. 17 played a five-inning game, with the Transformer batting power being too strong for Bldg. 17. Both teams played with only seven men. This was one reason for the high score. Dick Henslar hit two home runs and a triple for the winners.

Score by innings—							R	H	E
Bldg. 26	2	6	4	0	0	—12	11	1	
Bldg. 17	1	4	0	2	0	— 7	6	1	

Club Drops Baer Field And Clark's Grill Teams

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club Softball team made it four straight and climbed to second place in the City League Monday by overcoming a three-run first-inning lead held by Baer Field to win, 4-3, in a play-off of a postponed game. The Club obtained one run in the first inning on two walks, two hits, and a fielder's choice, and three in the fifth on two singles, a double, and an infield out. Baer Field started strong by pasting four hits for three runs in the first.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	BAER FIELD	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	2	1	1	L'kab'gh,p-sf	4	0	2
Esterline,2b	3	2	2	McQ'stion,rf	3	1	1
Bobde,c	3	0	1	Solek,ss	3	0	1
Scherer,sf	2	0	0	V'nAntw'p,lf	3	1	2
St'rnagel,1b	2	0	0	Perry,1b	3	1	1
Hess,lf	3	0	0	Becker,2b	3	0	0
Anderson,cf	3	0	1	Palumbo,cf	3	0	1
Rarick,rf	1	0	0	Sonerb'd,sf-3	3	0	0
Stanski,ss	2	0	1	Jackson,3b	1	0	0
Starkel,p	2	1	0	Woodward,p	1	0	0
				Davis,c	2	0	0
				Murry*	1	0	0
Totals	24	4	6	Totals	30	8	3

*Batted for Woodward In 8th,

Struck out—By Starkel, Sonderbard, Murray; by Woodward, Stanski, Hess. Base on balls—Off Lookabaugh, Lindenberg, Scherer; off Woodward, Anderson, Steuernagel. Two base hits—Lindenberg, Esterline, McQuestion. Losing pitcher—Woodward.

Score by Innings—									R.	H.	E.
Baer Field	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	3	6	0
G-E Club	1	0	0	0	3	0	*	—	4	6	1

The G-E Club Softball team defeated the Clark's Grill team on Thursday, June 28, by a score of 12-6, helped mainly by Steuernagel's tremendous home run clout when the bases were loaded.

Bud Feldheiser started the game, but was not very effective and was replaced by Leakey in the second inning.

Laird hit a home run for Clark's Grill, but no one was on base. The game was called at the sixth inning.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	CLARK'S GRILL	AB.	R.	H.
Anderson,sf	2	1	1	Ness,3b	3	0	2
Esterline,2b	4	1	2	Helman,cf	3	0	0
Hilgem'n,3b	4	0	0	Usber,sf	3	0	1
Scherer,cf	2	1	0	Kostoff,1b	3	1	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	2	1	1	Laird,lf	3	2	1
Hess,lf	2	2	0	Vorrich,c	3	2	8
Krieg,c	1	0	0	Becker,rf	3	0	0
Bohde,c	2	2	1	Johnson,p	3	1	1
Rarick,rf	3	1	2	Roembke,ss	2	0	0
Stanski,ss	2	1	0	Zuber,2b	1	0	0
Feldheiser,p	0	0	0	Minser,p-rf	3	0	1
Leakey,p	2	2	1				
Totals	27	12	8	Totals	27	6	9

Struck out—By Feldheiser, Ness; by Minser, Stanski; by Johnson, Hess, Leakey. Base on balls—Off Leakey, Zuber 2, Roembke; off Minser, Anderson 2, Scherer, Hess; off Johnson, Stanski, Leakey. 2 base hits—Ness, Vorrich, Esterline, Anderson, Rarick. Home runs—Steuernagel, Laird.

Score by innings—									R.	H.
Clark's Grill	0	3	1	0	0	2	—		6	9
G-E Club	5	1	4	2	0	*	—		12	8

Club Owls Drop Game To Bowser; Defeat Zollner

By R. James

After drubbing Zollner 7-2 on Wednesday, June 27, the G-E Club Owls lost their first game of the season to Bowser on Friday, June 29, by a score of 6-1.

G-E could manage to get only four hits off Orr, who pitched a nice game, striking out 13 G-E batters. All of G-E's hits were made by Tucker and Stiver, each getting two.

In Wednesday's game the Owls banged out eight base hits good for seven runs, while the best Zollner could do was two runs on four hits. Featuring the Zollner game was Bud Christlieb's long home run for G-E.

The summaries:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	ZOLLNER	AB.	R.	H.
Vondran,lf	4	0	0	Borg'stien,sf	3	0	0
James,ss	4	0	0	Dickmeyer,3b	3	0	0
Crosley,cf	3	0	1	Davis,2b	3	1	1
Hildinger,c	3	0	1	VanRyan,1b	3	1	1
Tucker,sf	2	2	2	Lill,lf	3	0	1
Christlieb,3b	2	2	1	Noll,rf	3	0	0
Scott,2b	3	0	0	Voelker,cf	3	0	1
Edmunds,p	3	0	0	Bickel,ss	3	0	0
Boober,1b	2	0	0	Voss,c	2	0	0
Hensler,rf	2	2	2	Duecstein,p	2	0	0
Girardot*	1	1	1				
Platner,1b	0	0	0				
Totals	29	7	8	Totals	28	2	4

*Batted for Booher in the 7th.

Score by innings—										R	H	E
G-E Club	0	0	1	2	0	2	2	—	7			
Zollner	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	—	2			

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	BOWSER	AB.	R.	H.
Vondran,lf	1	0	0	Baller,sf	2	1	0
James,ss	3	0	0	Dolan,3b	3	0	1
Crosley,lf	3	0	0	Snider,c	3	1	1
Hildinger,c	3	0	0	Trutwig,2b	3	1	1
Tucker,sf	3	0	2	Ginther,ss	3	0	2
Edmunds,p	1	0	0	Orr,p	3	1	0
Christlieb,3b	3	0	0	Robinson,1b	3	0	0
Girardot,2b	2	0	0	Scbepple,lf	2	1	0
Hensler,rf	2	0	0	Nibel,cf	3	1	0
Boober,p	2	1	0	McGl'nban,rf	3	0	0
Platner,1b	2	0	0				
Stiver,cf	2	0	2				
Totals	27	1	4	Totals	28	6	5

Score by innings—										R	H	E
G-E Club	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	—	1			
Bowser	1	2	0	0	0	3	*	—	6			

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Walter Esterline (2)*	R. 4, Tri Lakes, Col. City	17-1	Hall	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on No. 102 and 30.			
Gilbert G. Kiefer (4)*	R. 1, Ossian, Ind.	26-2	Hasty	11:00- 7:00
Robert Sweeney (4)*†	R. 2, Woodburn, Ind.	6-2	Vogt	3:00- 5:15
	Coming in on No. 14 and 24.			

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Kenneth Arnold	R. 2, Avilla, Ind.	6-B	Steinbacker	3:30-11:48
Mildred Day	919 Henry, Huntington	26-5	Spittler	7:00- 4:00
Pauline Valentine	R. 1, Ossian, Ind.	26-4	Wickliffe	7:00- 3:30
	2½ miles South of Poe			
Evelyn Ostermeyer	R. 1, Ossian, Ind.	26-1	Peterson	7:00- 3:30
	2½ miles South of Poe			
Sara Lou Brickley	R. 1, Markle, Ind.	26-2	Sordelet	7:00- 3:00
	On St. Rd. No. 116 ¼ Mi. East No. 303			
William McLish †	1162 Rose, New Haven	19-1	Hanke	7:00- 3:30

† Wants a ride or will share drive.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Edith Carlson	414 Perry Avenue, City	Gausepohl	3:18-11:48
Leona Crapser	1321 West Fourth, City	Causepohl	3:18-11:48

Employees Seeking Riders

Loren Farlow	2816 Oliver St., City	H. Smith	6:48- 2:48
Frank Wolters	Markle, Indiana	H. Smith	6:48- 3:18



Club Team Schedules Three Tough Games

Manager Braden Hopes To Break G-E Losses Wit Help Of Pitcher Al Thomas

By Frank Eakin

This week the G-E Club Baseball team will play two return engage ments with teams that have beaten the Club already this season, a well as take on another outstanding club. The Detroit Royal Clothier will he at Dwenger Park tonight at 8:15 o'clock. Don Crust, the littl righthander who hand-cuffed th Club batters with his curve ball will do the pitching.

The Clothiers now are one game behind in the standings over th two seasons, and they are ver anxious to even the count. A Thomas, the Club's new pitche probably will get the starting as signment. If not, Scott Carey, th little southpaw, will have it.

The Club travels to Benton Har bor, Mich., for an afternoon game with the Twin City Independent Sunday. The Twin City nine score a win about a month ago with tw hooming home runs in the eight inning. Manager Braden will proba hly use Jack Bowen in the game.

Next Tuesday the strong Acm Tool Service nine from the fast stepping Chicago Industrial Leagu will be at Dwenger Park. Th Acme Tools are the defendin Northwestern Semi-Pro champion and so far this season, are in firs place in the Industrial League wit a 15-2 record. Their overall recor is 22-4 with wins over some of th best service teams in Illinois an Wisconsin. Max Miller has bee given the starting assignment, af ter having done some very nic relief work.

G-E Girls' Team Defeats Inca, 3-2, In Tight Contest

Game Won In Last Half Of Eighth On Score By Platt; Record Is 4-2 In League

By Alice Dahman

The fans who were not present for the game between the G-E Girls' Softball team and the Inca team Thursday night, June 28, really missed a good game. The G-E Club won the hard-fought match 3-2 in the last half of the eighth.

Inca, aided by errors, got their two runs in the second inning. Barb Platt came through in the same inning with a hard-hit hall into right field, turning a two-bagger into a home run on errors. Then in the sixth inning, Evers got a hit and reached second on an error. With one away, Cora Emenhiser hit a heautiful three-bagger to bring Evers in and tie the score.

No one scored in the seventh. In the eighth inning, Inca put a runner on base, but she died on second. Once again Platt came through with a two-bagger. Then on a fielder's choice, she came in home to break the tie and end the ball game.

Butch Whiteleather went the route for G-E, pitching fine ball and allowing only four hits. Emenhiser made two pretty catches in left field. Everyone of the girls played a good ball game, and the number of errors was less than in previous games.

Last Friday night a practice game with Old Crown was held at Memorial Park, with the Club winning 10-6. The G-E scored at least one run each inning. Old Crown loaded the bases in the sixth, but the Club staved off this last-minute threat. Two home runs featured the game, one by Dahman in the second, the other hy Getty in the fourth. Getty was on the mound for G-E, giving up five hits.

Another rained-out game was supposed to have been played off last Monday against Essex Wire. This game was forfeited to the G-E Club, bringing tbe number of wins up to four and their losses still at two.

The next game will be played tonight at Hamilton Park, meeting Old Crown in a league game at 8:30 o'clock. Come out and watch the G-E girls play ball.

A Sultan at odds with his harem,
Thought of a way he could scarem.
He caught him a mouse,
Set it loose in the house,
Thus starting the first harem-scarem.

Club Baseball Team Drops Two More In Season Slump

Bunker Hill Wins, 4-3, To Give G-E Fifth Straight Loss

By Frank Eakin

The G-E Club suffered its fifth straight loss as the Bunker Hill Patriots scored a 4-3 win after staving off two rallies in the eighth and ninth innings.

The Cluh had the bases loaded in the ninth with two out only to see Jackie Thurnblad pick up Bobby Winter's grounder and throw to second for the force out.

Max Miller started for the Club and pitched a very creditahle game. He allowed the Sailors eight hits, walked two, and struck out six. He struck out the side in the second inning.

The Sailors scored in the first on a walk to Thurnblad, Rados's sacrifice hit, and John Bohonko's single through the middle. They added three more in the fifth on Thurnblad's single, an error by Miller trying to pick the runner off, an intentional pass to Bohonko, and a triple by Miasek, to left center. Brann tried for a shoestring catch, allowing the ball to get by. Miasek scored on Barnett's bohhle of Luke Lukasiuk's grounder.

The Cluh's power was not around much during the evening. Mel Kestner secured the first hit in the fifth with one down. Bohilya beat out a high bounder over the pitcher's head in the seventh. In the eighth inning the Cluh broke the ice. Miller and Brann walked. Barnett forced Miller at third. Wattier scored Brann with a single; Winters singled, scoring Barnett, and on a wild pitch, Wattier scored. Bohilya popped out. Kestner walked, and Hoover took Seiple's fly ball.

The Sailors used three pitchers. Charlie Schupp started and worked the first five innings. Bill Dewell came in to start the sixth, and Dick Hoover relieved him in the ninth.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB	R.	H.	BUNKER HILL	AB	R.	H.
Brann,cf	3	1	0	Thurnblad,ss	4	2	2
Barnett,ss	3	1	0	Rados,lf	4	0	0
Wattier,3b	4	1	1	Bohonko,2b	4	1	1
Winter,lf	5	0	1	Hoover,cf-p	4	0	1
Bobilya,1b	4	0	1	Miasek,1b	3	1	1
Kestner,rf	2	0	1	Lukasiuk,3b	4	0	0
Seiple,2b	4	0	0	Golden,rf	4	0	0
Bush,c	3	0	0	Hedgpath,c	4	0	2
Miller,p	2	0	0	Schupp,p	2	0	1
Carey,p	0	0	0	Dewell,p	1	0	0
Totals	30	3	4	Totals	34	4	8

Score by innings— R. H. E.
G-E Club .....0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0— 2 9 2
Lafayette .....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 2— 3 8 1
Thomas and Bush; Davis and Van Antwerp.

Teacher: "Johnny, what does the buffalo on a nickel stand for?"

Johnny: "Because there isn't room for him to sit down."

Lafayette Red Sox Jinx Holds Good In 3-2 Defeat

By Frank Eakin

The jinx the Lafayette Red Sox has over the G-E Club Baseball team held good Sunday night when for the third time this season the Lafayette club edged a one-run victory over the Electricians to win 3-2.

This also marked the second time the Lafayette team came from behind in the ninth to score a run that gave them the margin of victory. A two-hagger hy Dooley won the game, after a balk hy Pitcher Thomas and a single by Desiderato. Thomas pitched good hall, striking out 12 and getting two of the G-E hits. Barnett and Winters connected in the third to score one for the Cluh, and hits hy Winters and Bobilya put another run across the plate in the seventh.

A crowd of 3,000 saw the game Sunday at Lafayette.



The Lafayette Red Sox certainly have the Indian sign on the G-E Club. They have scored three one-run victories so far this season and twice it was the result of a brilliant ninth-inning rally. A team that has the ability to score wins in this fashion has to be lucky, but more than that, it has to he in there trying with that "it's never too late" spirit. Good ball clubs have both of these qualifications, with the G-E Club team of last year being a good example.

Manager Braden has acquired the services of Al Thomas, a former Association hurler. He lives out of town and will only be able to make the trip to Fort Wayne when he is scheduled to pitch.

If and when Bohhy Winter is discharged from the Army Air Forces, he is a cinch to start on the way up to the big show. Before his induction, he was in the Mid-Atlantic League, and here he was doing all right. At the age of 24, he still has plenty of time to make tbe grade.

The manner in which Max Miller went two for two was something to see. He hit McKinnis, one of the best hurlers in the Negro Major Leagues, for two solid hlows. He will be "chesty" about this for a long time. However, he should be, since pitchers are not supposed to he hitters, and when they do connect, they are really proud.

CLUB BATTING AVERAGES

	AB	R	H	Pct.	RBI
Miller	3	1	2	.666	0
Carey	9	1	5	.555	1
Barnett	56	12	20	.357	8
Wattier	57	6	19	.333	5
Winter	46	5	14	.304	10
Bush	50	10	15	.300	10
Bibilya	55	11	16	.291	11
Seiple	48	8	13	.271	6
Bowen	4	0	1	.250	0
Young	42	4	9	.214	8
Kestner	24	5	5	.208	2
Brann	40	10	8	.200	2
Hisner	21	3	4	.190	2

WINTER STREET GOLF LEAGUE

By Everett Kelley

Team 5, captained by Glen Macy is still the team to beat in the Win ter Street Golf League. They wo their fifth match of the season from Team 6 last Wednesday eve ning by the score of 198-204. Thi gives them a record of five win and one defeat thus far. In th other games played Team 3 de feated Team 4, 193-201, and Tea 1 defeated Team 2, 216-219. Ha Staley is captain of Team 3, an Arnold Benecke is captain of Tea 1.

For individual low score, it wa the same old story. Tom Piepe brink was again low man, this tim with a 40. The five leaders for in dividual average are the same a last week except that Ed Birel has replaced Win Kirke for fift place.

Hotel Clerk: "Inside room o outside room, sir?"

Guest (from the prairies): "In side I guess. It looks like rain."

A young soldier dashed madl across the dock towards the ferr With a frantic leap he spanned th three feet of water and crashe onto the deck. "Whew!" he ex claimed when he had gotten hi breath; "I made it after all."

"Made what?" asked one of th deckhands dubiously. "This boat just coming in!"

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The Lights Are On Again



Many people were cheered to see that the large General Electric sign, darkened since immediately after Pearl Harbor, was turned on again Friday night, June 15. The above photograph was taken a few nights ago from the Fairfield Avenue parking lot. (See story below.)

G-E Suggestors Get $1,385 In Awards

Two-Week List Recognizes 179 For Better Method Ideas; Young Tops List

One hundred seventy-nine awards, totalling $1,385, were made to G-E employees for suggestions for better methods over a two-week period, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

At the top of the two-week list of awards was Frederick L. Young, who won $80 for his idea of repairing bucket wheels for outside diameter "run outs" by peening while welding.

Two $55 awards were made. One went to Robert F. Eichar for his idea on providing a special arbor for turning the outside diameter rabbet on pump bodies. This award was in addition to $40 previously awarded. The other $55 award went to Earl L. Greenlee for his suggestion for changes in KC60 and 70 frame mechanisms by adding links and lengthening rivets to suit so as to reduce wear and eliminate noise. This award was also an addition to $100 previously awarded.

Other high awards were a $30 award to G. K. Buchan for his idea involving changes in the method of connected cables on random wound stators; a $35 award to Doyle D. Miller for his better method idea of using push through punch and die and stacker to replace compound die; and a $25 award to William H. Rutherford for his idea to provide a device to pull out mounting nuts that have been sunk in the bot-

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Saturday Is Final Day For Elex Outing Reservations

Night Girls' Picnic Tuesday Will Wind Up Summer Affairs

Saturday is the last day reservations will be accepted for the Night Girls' Summer Outing at the Sears, Roebuck Pavilion Tuesday, July 17.

The affair will wind up the Summer activities of Elex Club, and many night girls have already bought tickets for the outing. Those who have not purchased tickets are urged to see their contact girls before Saturday so that they will not miss out on this final Elex party.

The outing is planned for 12 o'clock Noon, and a picnic lunch will be served at that time. Although a pavilion has been obtained in the event weather is unfavorable, the outing is scheduled to be a real out-doors affair. A treasure hunt, hiking, and outside games have been planned.

G-E Engineers Discuss Rebuilding Of Reich

While most of German industry was annihilated and all of it was neutralized by intense Allied bombing, the Reich could reconstruct its factories and resume normal production within five to ten years without United Nations aid, according to reports of P. H. Knowlton and T. M. Linville, General Electric engineers recently returned from an inspection tour with the United States Naval Technical Mission in Europe.

Disagreeing with some current estimations that the majority of German industry escaped Allied destruction, Mr. Knowlton, General Electric turbine engineer, said he was impressed by what little indication pictures published in this country gave of the actual devastation.

Ruin Shown

"Nearly all the railroads, bridges, and shipping facilities essential for transferring industrial material about the nation were utterly ruined," he said, "while sunken barges and obstructing military bridges still block the canals to commercial traffic, and

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L. H. Taylor Named Vice-President G-E Credit Corporation

L. H. Taylor has been elected vice-president of the General Electric Credit Corporation by its board of directors, according to an announcement made recently by President G. F. Mosher.

Prior to his appointment, Taylor was manager of the product service division of G-E's Appliance and Merchandise Department in Bridgeport, Conn., with responsibility for the development and extension of the Company's national chain of factory-operated appliance service centers.

Taylor, a graduate of Lafayette College, has been associated with General Electric since 1925 and was on the Company's traveling auditors' staff for six years, four years of which were spent abroad. He joined the Appliance and Mer-

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G-E Sign Lighted Again After Three Years' "Blackout"

The large General Electric illuminated sign, familiar to all Fort Wayne residents as a landmark of this section of the city, was turned on again Friday night, June 15, after its "blackout" of more than three years.

The huge sign, 105 feet long and standing 50 feet above the roof of Bldg. 4, was built by the Western Gas Construction Company for General Electric and has been up since 1928. It burned nightly throughout the years until Pearl Harbor, when for security reasons, it was ordered darkened for an indefinite period.

The sign "blackout" was lifted June 15, and now the sign burns with all its old brilliance—all 925 of its 25-watt bulbs.

G-E Movie

The G-E television movie, "Look and Listen," will be playing at the Paramount Theatre from July 12 to 18. By viewing it, employees will be able to see some of the work the General Electric Company has accomplished in this new field.

CASUALTIES

Sgt. Edward R. Chrisman, Winter Street Plant, was killed in Germany, after being reported missing since Nov. 10.

J. H. Schlobohm's Story Is Heroic One Of Fight In Philippines

Many of the heroic stories of this war will be written by and about General Electric and typical of these is John H. Schlobohm, who was at Schenectady I.G.E. this week before leaving for an assignment in Philadelphia. He was a native Filipino engineer with the Manila office of the International General Electric Company, who lived to tell his story of Jap terror and bestiality.

The story of the organization's work and how its leader, C. C. Grinnell, manager of I.G.E.'s Philippine office, sacrificed his own life in its cause was unfolded by Mr. Schlobohm in a tale of intrigue and sudden death. An American citizen, born and educated in the Philippines, "Johnny" recently arrived at the I.G.E. offices in Schenectady after the liberation of his homeland by General MacArthur's forces.

Is U. S. Citizen

His father, formerly a resident of St. Louis, Mo., had gone to work in Manila and there married an attractive Filipino girl. But few people knew that John H. Schlobohm was a citizen of this country.

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New G-E Plant To Be Erected In Elkhart

Purchase of land in Elkhart, Ind., for erection of a postwar electrical appliance manufacturing plant was announced recently by H. L. Andrews, Vice-President of General Electric and manager of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department.

The site is served by the Indiana and Michigan Electric Company and the New York Central Railroad.

"This purchase," said Mr. Andrews, "is another step in our postwar appliance program. However, plans for the buildings are as yet indefinite; and even after plans are completed, construction may be held up indefinitely."

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Manila Story

The sacrifices being made by G-E people in this war are varied and are of varying degrees. The case of Johnny Schlobohm, I.G.E. representative in Manila, was an extreme one, but he rose to the occasion with extreme courage and cleverness. He put the comfort and welfare of the other American internees before his own personal safety.

At first, the three heroic collaborators, Johnny, C. C. Grinell, and Tom Poole, concentrated their efforts on bringing aid to G-E's interned employees. But as the cruelty of the Jap domination became more severe, their undercover operations were expanded to bring assistance to other American prisoners. As it became more and more apparent that the Americans were really coming back victorious to Manila, the Japs increased their endeavors to make life unbearable for those who had so far managed to exist under their inhuman treatment. Still, in the face of increased danger from discovery by the Japs, these three stalwart men continued their efforts to make life possible for the internees. The work done by Johnny Schlobohm and Tom Poole was spontaneous. No one asked them to risk their lives, day after day, to help the more unfortunate internees. Yet they did just that, and helped greatly to assist Americans to return home to this country.

We cannot all have the privilege of making such outstanding sacrifices in this war. But the need for our spontaneous cooperation and help is no less because we are here at home. Our efforts, often unsolicited and seemingly unnoticed, will not only meet a need somewhere, but will also show the many sacrificing heroes of this war that their work has not been in vain, and that we at home are willing to make sacrifices, though perhaps not so exciting or dramatic, to help bring this war to an end.

Navy Does It Again

First of its kind to be sent to the forward areas, the Navy's new internal combustion repair ship is performing a gigantic task with the Pacific Fleet. It is the function of this vessel to repair and maintain any diesel engine, from the monsters that develop 6,000 horsepower to the little compressor motors of five horsepower or less. The diesel engine being the heart of practically all our amphibious craft in the Pacific Theater, the highly-specialized task of keeping these engines functioning properly at all times is a job of obvious importance. Therefore, most of the 215 men in the repair crew aboard this ship are skilled technicians who are doing well their job of repairing and keeping in tip-top operating condition all diesel-powered craft; and secondly, instructing the operating crews on the subject of efficient diesel operations. Let's all do our jobs equally well on the home front.

Let's Fight Fires

The importance of eternal vigilance in fire-prevention work was emphasized this week in a Safety News Letter circulated throughout the Company. The Safety Supervisor reported that in a southern city a one-story building, 200 feet long, was made of fiberboard on wood frame for the assembling of trucks. The building was not sprinklered. Four months later a workman was using naphtha to clean one side of a large truck-tractor. On the other side, another workman was using a welding torch. A spark flew into the can of naphtha, and the man using the naphtha was badly burned. The building was destroyed so quickly that the roof fell within five minutes. If we are to protect our workmen from fires such as this, fire-prevention work must be made a continuous endeavor of all of us.

LET'S GIVE IT ALL WE'VE GOT



The boys are coming home from Europe now for the pause that precedes the all-out assault on the toughest, most desperate enemy of all—the Jap. He is being bombarded with the best that our country affords of bombs and surrender leaflets, both sent with the hope of his surrender, but the numbers who have given themselves up are negligible, and we must be prepared for great sacrifices in the future.

Iwo and Okinawa are both ours, the better to bombard the enemy, but the casualties have been great and may be looked upon as an indication of what is coming when and if we invade the Jap homeland. This period, between two great campaigns, will see a re-gathering of the superlative strength of America. Now is the time for all of us to give that extra ounce of strength that will shorten the trial by fire of the boys who are risking all for us.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

QUANTITY REFRESHMENTS FOR SUMMER PARTIES

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

There will be happy reunions and glad get-togethers this summer as the service men and women come home from the European war zone. Make your parties gay summertime affairs with friends spilling on to porches and over the back yard—good talk, his or her favorite kind of music (records or radio), games, home-made refreshments.

Parties done this way within reason, on an informal basis, heeding extravagance and wartime food restrictions, will be a great tonic for all concerned.

Your problem for such a party may not be how to entertain, but what to entertain with because seldom can one have a party without food, and our food situation is acute.

With this in mind, the General Electric Consumers Institute has prepared a Buffet Supper menu for harried hostesses who will find little or no scarcity of any of the foods required to serve it. Below we publish this menu together with recipes.

BUFFET SUPPER

Chicken Salad

Hot Rolls or Sandwiches

Appetizer Tray . . . Potato Chips

Lemon Fluff Pie

Iced Tea Minted Lemonade

Chicken Salad

To 2 cups cooked, diced chicken, ½ cup diced celery, add and toss together 1 tbsp. minced parsley, salt to season, 1 tsp. minced onion, ¼ cup mayonnaise, ¼ cup cooked salad dressing, ¼ cup shredded walnuts (if desired).

Chill. Serve on crisp lettuce or endive.

The receipe above serves 4 to 6 and can be doubled or tripled to serve a group of people. If it is necessary to extend the chicken, diced veal or lean pork may be used and more celery may be added.

Sandwiches

1. Wash fresh watercress and cut up fine. Spread one side of fresh bread with mayonnaise, another slice of bread with butter or margarine. Add watercress to the mayonnaise side of the bread; press slices together.

2. Chop radishes and cucumber; moisten with a little salad dressing; add a bit of salt to taste. Spread between either whole wheat or enriched white bread.

3. Mash cottage cheese; add chopped chives; add salt and pepper to taste. Mix well and spread generously between either whole wheat or enriched white bread. Use abo 2 tbsp. chives to ½ cup cotta cheese.

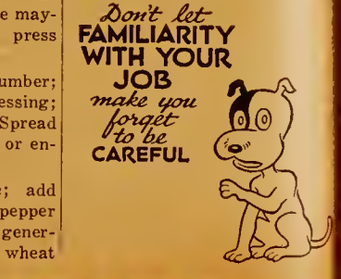
Lemon Fluff Pie

To make two 9-inch pies, ch for 4-6 hrs. 1 tall can evaporat milk, dissolve 1 envelope gelat (1 tbsp.) in ¼ cup cold water a let stand 5 minutes. Add ¾ c boiling water, ½ cup fresh lem juice. Add, and mix well ¾ c sugar, grated rind of 2 lemons. S in refrigerator until partially co gealed. Whip evaporated milk a beat into above mixture. Pour in 2 baked pie shells. Sprinkle t with rolled sugar wafers or grah cracker crumbs. Chill for a fe hours, or overnight, before ser ing.

Minted Lemonade

Combine juice of 3 lemons, ju of 2 limes, ¾ cup sugar syrup drops green liquid coloring, 3 dro mint flavoring, 4½ cups ice wat Serve with ice cubes, orange a lemon slices, sprigs of mint.

This quantity will make 6 glasses depending upon size glass; double or triple recipe f quantity servings.



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Navy Men



...C. Whonsetler Clifford F. Potts

Harold C. Whonsetler, AMM 1/c, ...ited here last week. He was for...rly employed in Bldg. 4-4. Clif...ord J. Potts, former employee in ...Punch Press, also returned for a ...sit.

Halmahena Sea
June 17, 1945

...ear Editor:

Receiving the WORKS NEWS here ... the Pacific is a real treat, even ... they are few and far between. ... Since February, I have been ... most of the Southwest Pacific ...ttle areas—New Guinea, Admir...lties, Biak, Minandoa, Luzon, and ...Monotal . . .

The super-race having given up ...he Ghost has left us, with the aid ...of our allies, but one foe to lick. ...his foe is at present endeavoring ...o canonize the Caucasions into ...he fold of the rising sun. The sun ...aving risen farther than humanly ...ossible to believe. The persistency ...of these people, whose eyes are on ...he bias, is equal only to that of ...he politician at election time. . . . ...ut their leaders are intelligent, ...hich is not to be taken too light...y. They are not so dumb . . . mas...ers of an occupied territory, cun...ng in jungle massacre, artful in ...heir deceptive propaganda.

Perhaps now that they are con...ronted with down-to-earth facts, ...heir true color will become their ...utstanding attribute; and like the ...unished dog, they will, with their ...ail between their legs, return to ...heir tea leaves and silk worms. ...Mlady does need some new ...ose.) . . .

To tell you that what you are ...oing at home is of the utmost im...portance is useless. Most of you ...ave someone who is in one or the ...ther of the branches of our coun...ry's services, and your own men...al anguish is the only inspira...ion needed for the continuation ...of production.

John M. Sillaway,
Bldg. 6-1.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

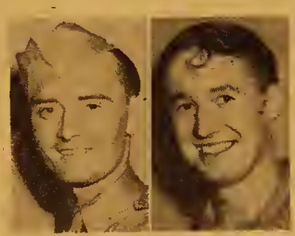
All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Chester H. Ruhl, Jr., G. M. 3/c, has just been advanced to this position. He is entitled to nine battle stars, two on his Atlantic ribbon and seven on his Pacific ribbon. He also has one Jap plane to his credit. Before entering the service, he was employed in Bldg. 4-5.

Second Lt. Harrison L. Rainey recently received a commendation from Lt. Col. John P. Breckenridge, commanding officer of John H. Payne Field, Cairo, Egypt, for the part he played in recent elimination of a 500-ton backlog of vital cargo which was to be moved by air transport to the C-B-I theater.

Morris A. Felger, RM 3/c, writes from an LST that while on a visit here in February, he noticed that the plant was turning out quite a lot of Navy equipment that he sees on his ship. He wishes to thank the Bldg. 26-4 workers for making his visit an enjoyable one.

Prisoner Of War



R. C. Edgar Carl F. Rash

On a visit here last week, Carl F. Rash, formerly of Bldg. 18-B, reported that he was a prisoner of war for six months. He is in the U. S. Paratroops. Robert C. Edgar, Infantry, former employee in Bldgs. 12-3 and 18-B, also visited here. He says he is always proud to say he worked at the G-E because of what the trademark, "G-E," stands for.

Thomas E. Woodward, BM 1/c, reports that there is a lot of G-E equipment on the Army Tug on which he is stationed, and it can't be beaten. He says to keep putting it out, and it won't be long until the Japs yell "Uncle."

Reinhard F. Benzinger, RM 2/c, USNR, is serving aboard an LST enroute to the States after carrying troops and vehicles on a 625-mile trip to Norway as her last mission in the European theater.

Wins Promotion



Robert C. Lester

Veteran of over 100 sorties against the enemy as a P-51 Mustang fighter pilot, Robert C. Lester, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-2, has been promoted to Captain.

Overseas for 10 months and now returning to the United States on leave, Captain Lester has accounted for five Nazi planes and shared in the destruction of another. He is a member of the Ninth Air Force's famed "Pioneer" P-51 Mustang fighter-bomber group commanded by Lieut. Colonel Jack T. Bradley, Brownwood, Texas, acc. His unit has a record toll of 956 German aircraft destroyed in 17 months of combat operations.

Visit Plant



Walt. J. Langley Geraldine B. Fry

Pvt. Geraldine B. Fry, of the W.A.C. Medical Corps, visited the Taylor Street plant recently. She is stationed at Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury. Walter J. Langley, Eighth Air Force, formerly employed at Winter Street and also Taylor Street plant, says he has worked around equipment he helped build quite a bit and it has proved satisfactory.

Maj. Julian H. Stark received the Bronze Star Medal from Maj. Gen. Emil F. Rhienhart, commanding officer of the 69th Division, in a ceremony at Leipzig, Germany. Major Stark was awarded the Bronze Star while serving with supreme headquarters of the Allied Expeditionary Forces in the prisoner of war exchange division of the European Theater. He also wears the Belgium, Dutch, and Russian Medal and the European Theater ribbon with five battle stars.

May 21, 1945

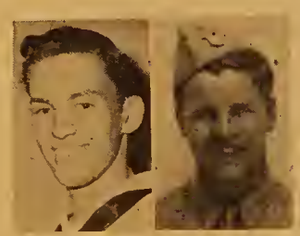
Dear Editor:

I am still in Germany as yet. I see quite a bit of G-E equipment here, such as rocket launchers on tanks.

I have been wounded twice. I have six battle stars and the bronze star and cluster. Also the Purple Heart and Cluster. I am up for leave home now. Keep up the good work.

Sgt. Roy Lee.

Organizes Navy Band



Jack Giere James M. Keel

Jack Giere, formerly employed in Bldgs. 18-5 and 4-3, visited here recently and reported that he is now enrolled at Alma College in the Navy V-12 Program, and that he organized the first band Alma College has had for three years. James M. Keel, formerly an employee of Aluminum Parts at the Taylor Street plant, also made a recent visit to the plant.

Staff Sgt. Robert B. Lee has been commended by the commanding officer of Sheppard Field, Texas, for his outstanding performance and services rendered in encouraging the sales of War Bonds. Sergeant Lee has taken part in more than 60 War Bond rallies, shows, and broadcasts where he has told the folks on the home front what the War Bonds they are purchasing are being used for and the important role they are playing in World War II.

Get The Tools



Donald R. Lee G. K. Faulkner

George K. Faulkner, PhM 3/c, said, on a visit to his pals in the Dispensary, Bldg. 21, that he has contact with a lot of the casualties from Europe and that they don't mind the sacrifices they have made, but just want it to be over for good this time. So he urges G-E employees to get the tools there and get it over for good. Donald R. Lee, Navy engineers, came to see the gang in Bldg. 19-5.

Manila, P. I.,
June 20, 1945.

Dear Friends:

I am now stationed in Manila, and this city sure did take an awful pounding from both the air and ground forces before they finally ran the Japs out of here for good. It sure was a shame to see such a beautiful city destroyed just because of those little yellow men, but that is the toils of war.

I have seen many of the prison camps our boys were held in during the three years of the Japs' reign in the Philippines. Also the place of the death march. That is one thing that will always be remembered by the American people, and they should do more to put forth machinery, guns, ammunition, and other items of war, so that we can repay the Jap for what he did to our fighting men. . . .

I have seen a lot of the G-E equipment in use over here, and I have yet to see it fail when it was needed. So keep up the good work back there on the home front, and the fighting men will do the rest. Tell the old gang in Bldg. 26-1 I said "hello," and I hope I can be back building transformers with them very soon. . . .

Cpl. Charles Coulardot

John Edward Galbreth, T.M. 1/c, has been awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal for heroism in saving the life of a shipmate who had been washed overboard in heavy seas in the South Pacific theater. He wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with five battle stars and the Philippine Liberation ribbon with two battle stars.



New Arrester Is Developed By G-E Transformer Group

Pellet-type lightning arresters for the protection of apparatus on distribution circuits 15,000 volts and below are now of a new design having a separately sealed, nitrogen-filled gap chamber, according to an announcement by the General Electric's Transformer Division, Pittsfield, Mass.

Designed to establish a new high in service reliability, this development marks the first use of inert gas in arrester gaps. The dry-nitrogen prevents the formation of ozone or oxides, keeps the gap electrodes bright as new during years of service operation, and gives more stable gap-sparkover characteristics.

In order to eliminate the recognized adverse effects of internal condensation caused by changes in outdoor temperature, all air and atmospheric moisture — usually sealed in the arrester with ordinary manufacturing methods—are completely evacuated from the gap chamber. This process not only excludes the moisture of normal atmospheric humidity from the series gaps of the arrester, but provides an error-proof, vacuum-withstand test of the main sealing of each arrester as well.

After completely evacuating the gap chamber, the dry-nitrogen is injected through a small treating hole in the metal cap, which is then immediately solder-sealed. Excluding all oxygen, which is the essential agent for ozone and all forms of oxidation, the injected dry-nitrogen is thus permanently sealed in the gap chamber. It assures an initially moisture-free gap chamber which remains moisture-free through years of continuous operation.

Bulletins GEA-2975 and GEA-4437, available upon request from the General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, N. Y., contain complete information on the dry nitrogen-filled pellet arresters.

Suggestions

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tom of the hermetic sealed transformers.

Other awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were made to the following:

Bldg. 20-1

Harold Canfield, E. F. Gaskill, Lee T. Miller, Robert E. Hopkins.

Bldg. 19-3

Henry J. Buesching, Clem J. Freiburger.

Bldg. 4-2

Arland D. Stine, Jesse J. Osbun, Catherine T. Salmon, Virgil J. Bowers, Howard Barrick, Elmer Darwachter, William B. Griffith, Alverna L. Crowell, Cecil E. Tarney, John A. Craig, Orin Milton Clark, Edward N. Miller, M. L. Brown.

Bldg. 6-1

Chas. A. Garard.

Bldg. 6-B

Frank H. Austin.

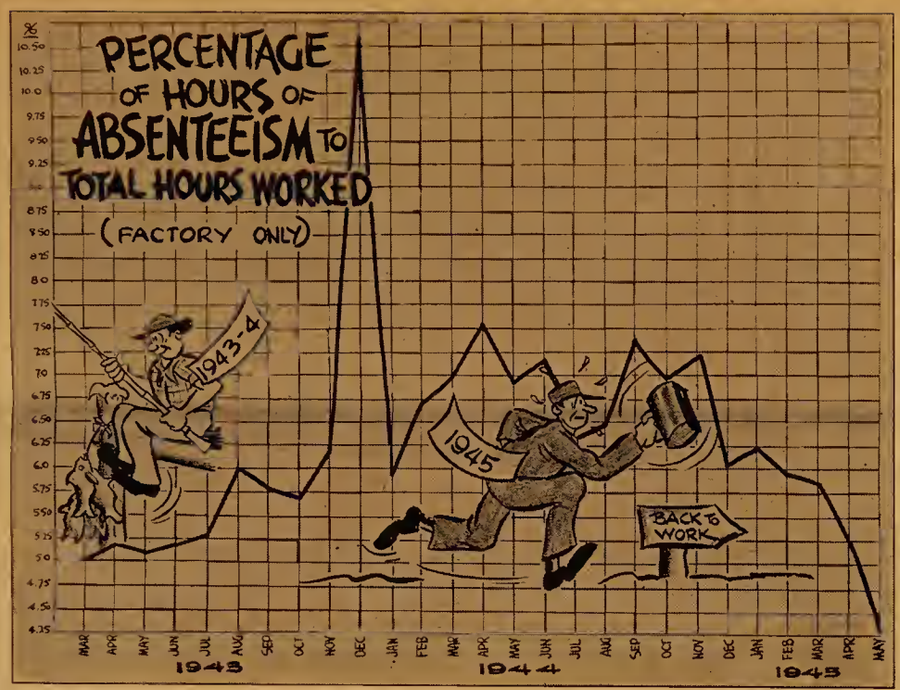
Bldg. 17-3

Ralph S. Fetters, Dorothy M. Richard, Madaline L. Briggs, Helen M. Moring.

Bldg. 27

Delphus R. Emberlin, Joseph G. Williams.

Absenteeism Hits Low Point



Hourly rated employees of the Fort Wayne Works have hit a new high in staying on the job and a new low in the absenteeism curve, pictured in the cartoon above, made up from figures prepared monthly by the Payroll Section. The May absenteeism figure of 4.29 per cent of total hours worked brings the curve to the lowest point reached since the report was initiated in March, 1943. Percentages shown above include all cases of absenteeism involving four hours or more in the week and include sickness as well as other reasons for absence, except layoff for lack of work. The May report, for example, included 10,513 hours of illness in a total of 22,694 hours absenteeism. Employees can be proud of this new record.

Bldg. 26-2

Edward C. Kruckeberg, Russell W. James, L. W. Schuster, Wayne L. Winters, Rosemary Furry, William E. Braun, Joseph C. Armstrong, Glenn A. Perry, Roger E. Martin.

Bldg. 18-4

Edward T. Dahlin.

Bldg. 10-1

Hettie B. Moser, Floyd McCague, Louis D. Hopper, Melvin Yates, Eugene J. Mommer, R. D. Jones, August J. Delagrange.

Bldg. 22-1

Edward Meadows, Sr.

Bldg. 2-2

Ruth J. Lauer, Laurene L. Gilkey, Lucille L. Roesener.

Bldg. 19-1

Fred B. Lahrman.

Bldg. 26-4

Dorothy J. Perry, Wayne R. Colvin, Marjorie Mae Funk, Norma M. Keel, Kenneth G. Brown, Neola E. Christlieb, William H. Rutherford.

Bldg. 4-3

Charles E. Odom, Louis C. Pflueger, Claude E. Warner, Albert H. Timme.

Bldg. 19-2

Ruth E. Ellet, G. K. Buchan.

Bldg. 17-1

Harold C. Fisher, William Grim, Maurice D. Rodgers, Clinton L. Stove, Edward V. Brosche.

Bldg. 26-3

Charles E. Donahue, Harold G. Josse.

Bldg. 17-2

Joseph H. Jensen, Joseph W. Ort, Robert Thomas Walt, Leo Harger, Wm. J. Cooper.

Bldg. 4-4

Dorothy A. Jensen, Edison A. Martin, Herbert F. Seslar, Lela K. Siebert, Pauline B. Baker, Raymond Mosure, Elmer Place, E. LaVine, John M. Dewald, Columbus Disher, Mary M. Dvorak, Herman F. Lepper, Robert J. Till, Wilbur H. Poehler, Sidney W. Borton, Louis Hinen, Albert J. Smith, Katherine B. Norr, Mary M. Smith, Charles C. Rupel, Theo. R. Warner, Laverne V. Amstutz.

Bldg. 19-5

Fred F. Hagadorn, Lester L. Baker, Harry P. Hyndman, George A. Johnson.

Bldg. 4-5

Ruby L. Souers, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., Herbert W. Tucker, Phyllis B. Lorenz.

Bldg. 4-1

Ura Mae Tinder, Harry J. Haley, Geraldine I. Crandall.

Bldg. 19-4

John H. Lee, Conrad Pfeil, John M. Singleton, Orton B. Anderson, Jr., Wanda Jean Perkins, Norman W. Wolf, Robert Heining, Samuel A. Beer.

Bldg. 6-2

Richard A. Conrad, Jr., M. R. Cook, Edward J. Johnson, Carman R. Grant, Antoinette A. Lause, Esther J. Fox, Harry Joseph Dull, Louise Claiborne, Mary Pauline Stocks.

Bldg. 26-B

Clarence R. Hoover, John L. Winesburg, Owen R. Allen.

Bldg. 26-1

Leslie A. Baumgartner, James Lillich, Glenn Robinett, Doyle C. Shady, Donald Ford, Doyle D. Miller, Joshua F. Brown.

Bldg. 4-6

Ruth W. Bullerman.

Bldg. 8-2

Wilbur W. Roth, Meryl Armstrong, Carl M. Junk, Richard Duane Winkler.

Bldg. 8-1

Guy O. Allred.

Bldg. 6-2

Esley J. Rooks.

Bldg. 12-B

J. H. Babb, Gerald E. Bosserman, J. R. Snyder.

Bldg. 7-1

Harry L. DeWitt.

Taylor Street

Frank E. Walling, Linus A. Schmitt, Fayola Ewing, Alexander H. Krajewski, Earsal H. McPeak, Jerrold M. Gilbert, Russell L. Poorman, Charles Bobilya.

Decatur

Flossie M. Brown, Ivan Koehr.

Winter Street

Margaret M. Gabriel, Paul Schoenherr, Harold R. Evans.

Transformer Division Announces New Disk Ballasts For Lamps

New disk-shaped ballasts for the operation of 12-inch Circline fluorescent lamps have been announced by General Electric's Specialty Transformer Division. Their flat, disk formation, with a center hole for mounting, makes them easily adaptable to assembly on the stem of a portable lamp and to concealment in the lamp base. They are also easily adaptable to shallow-type wall or ceiling fixtures.

The new ballasts are currently available in two single-lamp types —either a conventional, uncorrected power-factor design, or a high power-factor, lead-circuit design without a step-up autotransformer. A compensator is provided in the latter to raise the starting current, and it is intended for use only with a manually operated starter.

The leads of both types are brought out through the ballast cover-plate and threaded through the lamp stem for connection to the fluorescent lamps.

Supplement No. 3 to Bulletin GEA-3293F, available upon request from the General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, N. Y., contains complete information on the new ballasts.

G. A. Gustafson Is Given New Post In G-E Plastics

L. S. Gleason Named To Head Manufacturing In Divisions

G. A. Gustafson has been appointed construction manager of the General Electric Plastics Divisions, William H. Milton, Jr., manager of the divisions, announced today. Mr. Gustafson, who has been manufacturing manager of the Plastics Divisions since March, 1942, will be succeeded by L. S. Gleason, manager of the Pittsfield Molding Works, the announcement further stated.

The creation of the new position of construction manager has been necessitated in order to "implement erection of facilities required by new developments and increased sales," Mr. Milton said. Land has been purchased recently at Anaheim, Calif., for new plastics plants, while Cosbocton, Ohio, has been selected as the site for a proposed new laminating plant. New manufacturing facilities are also being installed at Scranton, Pa., and an addition to the engineering development laboratory in Pittsfield is under way.

"It is of such great importance that our manufacturing facilities be increased, and that these new plants make possible the most efficient methods of production, that Mr. Gustafson has been given this assignment," said Mr. Milton.

Mr. Gustafson came with General Electric when it purchased the Meriden plant of the Monowatt Electric Corporation in 1929. He served as superintendent at Meriden from 1929 to 1932 and was next put in charge of engineering at Pittsfield. In 1936 he was made manager of the Meriden Works. He continued to hold this latter post when he was made manager of the Taunton Works at the time that plant was organized in 1941, holding both positions until he came back to Pittsfield in March, 1942, to assume the duties of manufacturing manager.

Mr. Gleason has been with the company since 1916, when he entered the Pittsfield Apparatus Works as a machinist in the maintenance section. In 1918 he was transferred to the tool room, later going to tool design. In 1931 he was put in charge of the newly formed Plastics Department and in 1941 was made assistant manager of the Pittsfield Molding Works. The following year he was made manager of the same works.

L. H. Taylor

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chandise Department in 1938 as assistant manager of credits and collections. In 1940 he was appointed assistant to the sales manager, and after the outbreak of war was engaged in special work in connection with contacts covering certain equipment produced by General Electric for the Navy.

John H. Miller has been appointed to Taylor's former position as manager of the product division. Miller graduated from Butler University. He joined G-E at Schenectady in 1929 and in 1935 was appointed as a traveling audit

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

These people coming back from vacations with deep tans make us just a wee bit envious. . . . Bob Alexander and his wife look like over-ripe tomatoes after spending Sunday fishing. . . . Welcome back to Louise Goudy after her vacation. . . . Reed Burdgbrains is back from his vacation in Brown County and is looking hail and hearty. He says that he found all the cigs he wanted. Brown County, here we come! . . . Ralph Trott has requested a map to the dispensary. It seems he couldn't find the door. . . . Cloe Hockett's son is home on furlough from South Carolina. . . . Katie Harper is sick. . . . Our sympathy to Phil Samuels, who lost his grandmother last week. . . . Charlie Griffith told us a good one on Charlie Dick. The horn on his car only works by spurts. On the spurts when the horn doesn't work, he sticks his head out the window and whistles. Dick could put Griffith out on the radiator and let him shout at the pedestrians and vehicles. . . . Welcome to Dick Turley as foreman of the Strator Core Section. . . . Welcome to Bob Kallmeyer to General Planning. . . . Harry Plough invited some of the fellows out to a fish breakfast. He knew the fellows would never make it for breakfast, so he ate the fish for dinner the night before. After this, when Harry invites anyone to a meal, they will be sure to arrive in time for the preceding meal. . . . Adah Rhineharger entertained some of the girls with a chicken dinner at her home in Bunker Hill. . . . Billie Fisher's husband is home from the Merchant Marines. . . . Trick of the Week (if you can do it): Nila Jones tried to pour buttermilk into a glass with the bottom-side up. These new-fangled gadgets confuse the best of us once in a while. . . . Orville Stodgell hasn't been smoking his favorite ciggies lately. Could be because he can't get them. . . . Joe Hartman had blissfully cleaned off his desk and was all ready to leave the other evening when some cruel person told him that it was only 4, and not 5 o'clock. Joe says that was a bitter pill. . . . There have been several nice comments on the Barber-Shop Quartet that can be heard around here at noon. . . . Also some compliments on the service and good food in the new cafeteria. Congrats, Art. . . . Thelma Williams brought some delicious cup-cakes the other day. We're ready for more, more often. . . . A belated welcome to F. L. Gale to Kokomo and the Production Section. . . . We hope Eddie Horstman enjoys his stay in Kokomo. . . . Walter Cas Buesking claims a record capacity for his coupe. Four in a row in the front seat. All right, so some people are thin.

Heroic Story

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Only the Japanese Consulate, with whom he had to register during his trip to the Tokyo Olympics and one trip to the U. S. in 1939, had this fact recorded. So, when on December 8, 1941, Jap bombs fell on Manila, Johnny was in a position to render valuable service to his people during the army occupation, for he was not interned with the other Americans on the Islands.

December 8 was Manila's "Pearl Harbor," and actually the sneak attack was carried out simultaneously with the bombing of American warships, since the Philippines are located on the opposite side of the international date line. The first bombs fell less than a block away from a new air-conditioned building whose completion was to be celebrated by General Electric employes that day in a gala Christmas-time party. That building today is non-existent.

Suffering Followed

There was no party that day. Nor was there to be gaiety or happiness for three years in Manila. Johnny was in the streets of the city when the trucks carrying dead sailors from the bombed ships and harbor fortifications came through Manila.

Though interned by the Japanese, Manager Grinnell immediately organized his staff, with Johnny Schlobohm as the outside leader, in an effort to obtain money and supplies for the hundreds of internees who otherwise would have starved under the cruel Japanese administration. Defying local opinion which, unaware of the facts, marked them as collaborators, Mr. Grinnell, Johnny, and Tom W. Poole, another I.G.E. engineer, formerly a member of the Commercial Department of I.G.E. in Schenectady, managed to keep the General Electric organization in virtual operation and, through the company's reliable reputation, obtained large loans to assist the internees and its own local Filipino staff.

Carried Money In Streets

The documents and drafts for large amounts of cash which Johnny carried about him to and from Mr. Grinnell would have meant instant death for him as a spy had he been caught by the Japs. He rode about the city on a bicycle and concealed the documents in the hollow portion of the handlebars, for his experience with Japanese had proven their non-too-intelligent manner of searching for evidence. As long as the papers could not be found on his person, he was reasonably safe.

Though the money which Mr. Grinnell and Johnny managed to get to Americans and natives staved off otherwise inevitable starvation, there was another vital commodity for which they starved, and which even the Japanese knew was important to the existence of those they had oppressed. That "commodity" was news—unbiased, truthful news.

Radios Called In

One of the first acts of the invading Japs was the call for the registration of all radio sets in the Islands. The radios were "reconditioned" by the Japs by removing all short-wave coils and sealing the set so that only the local propaganda station could be received. Johnny, however, sent in just one of three sets, and at one time was in possession of as many as eight short-wave radios.

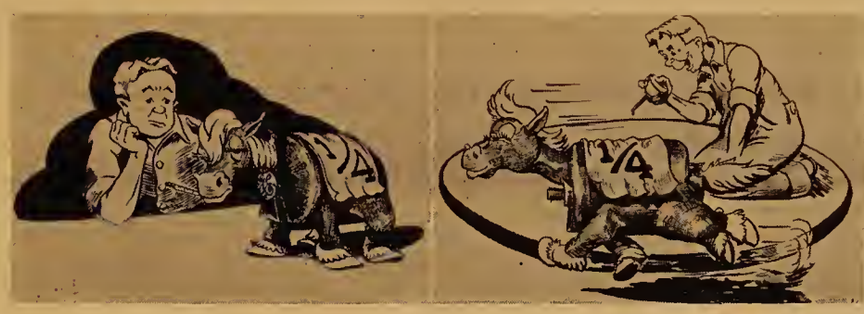
"Of course we had to hide the radio carefully," Johnny said, "for if the Japs found it all of us would have been killed. I kept it under my bed in a storage box along with two other identical chests filled with dishes and other house wares. The antenna was concealed in the moulding which ran around the top of the room so when I wanted to listen all I had to do was let the antenna down and connect it to the radio. In place, nothing was visible."

Inspection QUALITY Test

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SICK HORSE GETS WELL



A Sick Horse Never Won A Race. A Defective Motor Never Gives The Best Service

Sound Horses And Quality Motors Are Always A Pride And Joy To The Owners

G-E FRACTIONAL-HORSEPOWER QUALITY MOTORS ALWAYS FINISH THE JOB

G-E Engineers

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all fuel and trucks have been confiscated by the occupying forces."

"The Eighth Air Force apparently succeeded in its aim of blasting shipping routes to and from all factories that were not themselves demolished," he stated.

Some Tools Undamaged

Large numbers of vital machine tools, however, were undamaged, Mr. Linville, of the General Electric Motor and Generator Division, pointed out; and he judged that most of the shipyards he saw at Kiel, Hamburg, and Bremen could be put into operation within a year if certain materials were available.

"Even though most plant buildings would have to be razed and rebuilt, vast amounts of rubble cleared, power units reconstructed, and displaced workers returned—still German industry could resume normal production in not less than five years and possibly within ten years," he estimated.

Want to Cooperate

German engineers and workers are able and eager to cooperate with United Nations occupation groups in any way possible to get their factories back into some kind of production, Mr. Knowlton and Mr. Linville agreed.

"In discussing the come-back power of German industry we must consider the average German's attitude toward the war," Mr. Linville declared, "Many of them still idolize Hitler and believe he died for the good of the nation. Few of them have a sense of responsibility about the war, and regard the Nazi regime as a proud and prosperous period in German history."

"The German people need an authoritarian government because they lack the patience and faith for a democratic form at this time," he said. "If they are not closely supervised in their industrial reconstruction, they will certainly rebuild toward another war."

SANDY SAYS

Foosch—Mon—Here it is, the middle o' July, and "Sandy Says" had a birthday the first week in June—without even mentioning it! It was the fifth anniversary o' this column. Thot's the wooden anniversary, so I'd better make something up out o' me head tae write about it.

First, I've got tae apologize tae meself for not getting around to it sooner. It seems a little unusual, writing an anniversary number six weeks after the anniversary. I seem tae be coming up with too little and too late.

Which reminds me o' last winter's coal supply. And if we get the same amount next winter, thot would make it a "carbon copy" o' last winter's.

Noo, if we could only figure out some C.R.* tae save coal, without freezing ourselves! I guess I'll consult thot imminent husbandman o' the family pursestrings, Cousin Colin. But I ken what he'll say. It'll be something like this:

1. Soak each lump in old crankcase oil from the Model T.
2. Close off all the rooms oxcept the kitchen—and then sleep in the oven.
3. Move in wi' your relatives.

Weel, I figure thot none o' these ideas would be proctical for me, but I believe I could take some o' the thick blue smoke thot comes out o' the Model T exhaust, saw it up in blocks, and use it for fuel.

"Colin," I asked him, "Doesn't thot big oil consumption worry you?"

"Foosch, no, it all comes out in the end."

But I know why he really doesn't worry. He gets old used crank case oil from the filling station, filters it, distills off the gasoline for his tank, and uses the oil in his crankcase.—Oh, yes, the carbon and sludge he filters out, he burns in his furnace.

"Colin," I asked him again, "Does thot old stuff burn all right?"

"O yus," he answered, "There's no fuel like an old fuel!"

* Cost Reduction.

G-E Stockholders Now Total 238,494

Number of stockholders in the General Electric Company as of June 22, record date for dividend payable July 25, totaled 238,494, an all-time high, it was announced today by W. W. Trench, secretary of the Company. This marks an increase of 6,162 over the similar period of last year, the total on June 23, 1944, being 232,332.

The number of stockholders has approximately doubled since December, 1930, is about 17 times that of 30 years ago, and 73 times the total in 1893, the year following declaration of first dividend. There were 14,201 stockholders in 1915 and 3,272 in 1893.

Employees Retire On Company Pension Plan



John Overholt — Clayton D. Wilt — Albert Ringle, Jr. — Henry Schwehn

The employees shown above are retiring under the Company Pension Plan, it was announced this week. John Overholt, employed in the Motor and Generator Division, retired from the Company after continuous service amounting to 28 years. Clayton D. Wilt, also employed in the Motor and Generator Division, retired with service to date of retirement amounting to 28 years and one month. Albert M. Ringle, Jr., a maintenance machinst in Fractional HP Motor Section 15, retired with service amounting to 22 years and three months. Henry C. Schwehn, formerly employed in the Receiving and General Stores Division, retired from G-E after a service of 25 years and five months.

G-E Is Building Mammoth Equipment For Indiana Mine

Some of the most powerful electric equipment ever designed for mining purposes is being manufactured by General Electric for the Maumee Collieries Company's new open pit coal mine near Jasonville, Ind., G-E engineers disclosed recently.

When completed, it will be installed in one of the world's largest mining machines, a 25-cubic-yard dragline. According to engineers, this dragline will be so mammoth that, if it were placed atop a 12-story building, it could dig at ground level and could pick up in one scoop a load that would fill a freight car.

Weight of the huge mining machine will be 2,410,000 pounds. In operation it will be able to step off seven and a half feet at one stride, zig-zag between working locations, sidestep at any angle and travel over soft and irregular ground. Direction may be changed simply by swinging the machine's revolving frame. Without advancing its base, it will be able to dump a load a block away.

Totalling the equivalent of approximately 700 horsepower, the electric equipment under construction includes the latest type of amplidyne control, as well as two large motor-generator sets. Installed, it will make possible open-cut mining at the unusual depth of 40 to 70 feet.

Open-pit operations at the Indiana mine employing the machine are expected to begin about September 1, according to Hugh B. Lee, vice-president and general manager of Maumee Collieries Company. To be known as the Linton mine, number 28, it will have a monthly capacity of 60,000 tons of bituminous coal.

Morse made his first telegraph instrument from an old picture frame.

War Ships Carry Own Welding System To Repair Battle Damage

First public disclosure of a lightweight, portable welding system for shipboard use, employment of which permits rapid repair of battle damage while vessels are still at sea, was made by General Electric, its developer and producer. This work, done in collaboration with the Navy Department, Bureau of Ships, employs a unique design never before attempted on sea-going welders. It offers a considerable weight reduction, great flexibility and mobility, being able to operate from a ship's ordinary power outlet, the same as any other plug-in equipment.

The Navy has been using G-E portable shipboard welders for several years on practically every type of ship in the fleet, including many battleships, cruisers, aircraft carriers, landing craft, transports, and others. Similar units are also being employed on G-E equipped floating drydocks, which are used by the Navy literally to lift heavy warships out of the water so that repair can be undertaken far from the most advanced permanent bases.

Advantages Cited

Availability of a sea-going welding system on board a warship offers several distinct advantages. When a vessel is damaged in battle, G-E's shipboard welder may make it possible to effect emergency repairs so the ship can be kept afloat until a safe harbor is reached. At other times also, it can repair lesser damage while the ship is still on its mission, eliminating the need for the vessel to return to port.

The new design of the G-E welder makes it possible for the unit to be easily handled and shifted from one part of the ship to another, as desired. Such ease of handling was obtained by greatly modifying previous shipboard welding systems, which were heavy, cumbersome installations that weighed about 4,000 pounds and required as much as 12,000 feet of cable on larger ships, as well as special outlets for the power supply.

Welder Much Lighter

In replacing these, the G-E welder weighs but 1/10 of what the former unit did, eliminates the need for special outlets, and saves critical materials by reducing the amount of cables required. Moreover, by combining a motor, generator, meter starter, and generator control into a single, compact assembly, the welder can dispense with a generator switchboard, two stationary resistor panels, and other supplementary installations previously required. The resulting economy of space thus introduced greatly facilitates mobility of the welder by enabling it to be small enough to pass easily through a 16-by-16 inch ship's hatchway.

So that it can withstand severe battle conditions, each welder is rigorously tested to make certain it is shockproof in construction. In addition, it is so designed that two or more of the welders can be easily connected together to increase the current output for special jobs. This latter characteristic makes it especially well suited for performing either welding or cutting operations under water when one or more of the ship's compartments becomes flooded.

During 1944, there were 2,000 deaths in grade crossing accidents—a 7 per cent increase over 1943, reports the National Safety Council.

Wife: But why don't you want me to join the WAVES?

Husband: Because you wouldn't enjoy it—it's non-combatant duty.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

This week we want to welcome 14 boys to the tool room. They were in Bldg. 17-2. Glad to have you all with us. . . . Haven't yet seen Lil Burns without her gum. Just wonder where she gets that continuous supply. . . . Have you noticed what a trim figure Joe Eifrid has? He goes all out for golf and baseball, but claims he really gets his exercise under the nearest awning—just resting in the shade. . . . The other evening while watching our girls' softball team, Brother Surface caught a foul ball in the stands. Being a former catcher himself, he immediately rose and heaved the ball to the infield. Lo and behold! He forgot that the wire fencing was between him and the diamond. . . . The story of the month comes from Bob Mathias. He claims he saw a cow hide that still had the "fur" on it. . . . Marvel Daub certainly gets her money's worth—at least, on juke boxes. The other night one played at least six records on one nickel. . . . Virg Best says he is getting real homesick and that he can hardly wait until his vacation. He claims the nearest he can get to home now is to dash out to the park at lunchtime and take off his shoes and socks. . . . Betty Bradtmiller celebrated a birthday last Monday. She had an orchid cabled to her from overseas. . . . The champion dishwasher of Bldg. 17-1 is Florence Purdy. But can she ever run if she happens to drop one. . . . And if you really want to hear a fish story, see Walt Hall. His stories are all wool and a yard wide. . . . Marge Dietsch really is a lover of the outdoors. You can see her nearly every evening in the park. . . . W. Allread has solved the sugar situation. He hired a swarm of bees; and if he takes all the advice given him, he should have plenty of honey. . . . Elmer Morning is on vacation, but we have had no report. . . . Esther Hershberger is on her vacation this week, and she is enjoying her son's furlough with him at home. . . . Paul Perry sure knows how to get a bang out of his plating. . . . Willie Turner is always glad when the "fourth" is over. . . . Anyone interested in fishing lessons, see Mike Woods. He knows how! And how! . . . That whistle in the Plating Section is Slim Hammond. He eats bird seed for breakfast. . . . Hugo says there's nothing to flying a plane if you can keep its nose up. . . . Rodger Crabill fixed up his locker this week just dandy. All he needs to complete his outfit is a shower and some soap. And just who has some soap? . . . Lennie Hutson has been having a vacation this past week. . . . And oh, girls, what we wouldn't give to have curls like Gerry Pierce's.

Equipping U. S. Soldier Costs Taxpayer $533.88

Equipping and maintaining a soldier in continental United States for the first year in the Army, now costs Q.M.C. $533.88, or nearly 15 per cent over the cost of $465.06 in 1944. These costs are averages and represent the costs for a composite soldier equipped for all climates in all the various arms and services of the Army, and computed for the entire Army strength. This year the soldier's food will cost $226.30, his clothing, $128.19 at the outset, but $83.82 is added to that for a year's maintenance. His individual equipment has an initial cost of $47.72 plus $16.21 for maintenance, and his barrack equipment comes to $28.15 with $3.50 added to maintain it for the year. In theaters of war the maintenance cost of clothing rises to $145.10, and on individual equipment $16.21 to $33.88. Increased costs of equipping and maintaining the composite soldier in 1945 is partly due to higher costs of materials and manpower, but largely because of improved equipment.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Top honors for the week go to ...ed (Tiny) Vodermark, which ...ct makes him eligible for the ...tional Liars' Club. Fred spent ... vacation at Clear Lake and ...ys (we quote): "We had more ...h than we could possibly use. ...e caught one hundred bass, all ... inches long." But here we want ... say that Fred's fishing partner, ...hn, says to discount anything ...ed says about 50 per cent, so ...at makes the catch, 50 bass, ...ven inches long. Now we hear ...at they invited the neighbors ...er for a perch fry. Could be that ...ey tried to pass the bass off for ...rch. Anyhow, Fred goes on to ...y that all the boats were rented ...d some friends of his couldn't ...y fishing, so he rented them his ...nding net and told them to fish ... his line box. Now if this isn't ... tall story, we never heard one. ...d the truth must be told here ...d now. Fred never went fish-...g at all. To continue the story, ...red still insists that he did catch ...n 18-inch bass, but his partner ...old us how that happened too. It ...eems that Fred had staked out a ...mall bass and fed him quite regu-...rly in order to be able to catch ...e over the limit. So after hear-...g this story, we sincerely believe ...at Fred is the tall story teller of ...e Transformer Office. We could ...y "liar," but that wouldn't be ...ice. . . . The gang in Bldg. 26-2 ...as really glad to see Bill Mc-...owen, who is home from over-...as. Bill has seen quite a bit of ...ction and was captured by the ...ermans twice. He is now enjoy-...g a 90-day leave at home, just ...orta looking things over. Glad ...ou came to see us, Bill. . . . We ...till cannot understand why ...oward Shippman and Clarence ...peaker get up at 2 a.m. to come ... work. . . . We overheard George ...roehen make a statement last ...eek, and he says it's not just idle ...atter. George says that next ...eek he is going to spend his va-...ation at the lake, and that next ...aturday, he is going fishing for ...ust 15 minutes and get enough ...h to hold them over until Mon-...ay morning. Then Monday he is ...oing out and do some real fishing. ...You will notice that he did not ...ay what lake he is going to, ...ither.) . . . We hear that Ed Wal-...rs took his troop of Boy Scouts ...n a hike last week-end; and while ...nstructing them how to use an ...xe to chop some wood, cut his ...ankle. Now in another two weeks, ...e is to take them out for swim-...ing instructions. Maybe the ...oys should stay home this time. ...How about it, Ed? . . . Someone ...aid that since the new sliding ...oors have been installed in Bob ...Hunt's section, the place looks like ...a stable. Those noises we hear ...manating from there don't sound ...like cows. Still sounds like men at ...work to us. . . . Archie Ryan had ...considerable trouble finding a new ...casting rod. He finally located ...ne; and on his first trip to the ...ake, he drove away and left it ...here. After he got home, he kept ...the long distance lines busy trying ...o find someone around the lake ...who would pick it up for him. . . . Cadet Nurse Phyllis Buckmaster ...and Bob Schuster paid us a visit ...last week. Phyllis is in training at ...the St. Joseph Hospital. Bob is still at Curtis Bay, Md. We might add here that Cadet Nurse Joan Sheets was with them too. "Jo" formerly worked in Bldg. 6-2. . . . "Wimpy" Blalock says that the chicks he bought a couple of weeks ago will soon be meat on the table. No points either. . . . We must take time out right now to tell you about Al Miller's dog, "Nig." You have all no doubt read about and seen pictures of how a cow pony rounds up and cuts from the rest of the herd cattle to be branded or sorted out. It seems that "Nig" is a good cattle dog all right, but when it comes to putting the chickens in at night, you have to see "Nig" work to appreciate his efforts. He is told to put them in for the night, and he really does. He will herd them all together, we would say about 300 of them, and then cut out 8 or 10 and drive them in the hen house. Then he heads back for another bunch and so on until all the chickens are in for the night. Now this isn't a tall story. We just wanted to tell you a dog story, and all we can say if you don't believe it, is drive out to Al's place some evening and see "Nig" do his stuff.

Safety In Design



OF MACHINE TOOLS is our policy and also the policy of machine tool manufacturers. E. L. (Jerry) Simpson, upper right, and M. H. (Milt) Kline are expressing their views on this subject and they DO know what they are "talking about."

Says Milt, "Safety (according to Webster) means Freedom from Danger, Injury, or Damage. Freedom from Danger of injury or damage by any movable parts of a machine has been carefully considered in the design and application by the manufacturer. All movable parts, such as gears, flywheels, belts, etc., are all now well guarded and concealed in a streamlined fashion. The General Electric Company has eliminated line-shaft installations and insists on the purchase of individual self-contained motor-driven machine tools.

"Injury or Damage usually happens at the point of operation, and due to the necessity of loading or unloading the workpiece, the KNOW HOW to do this SAFELY as well as correctly must be left up to the OPERATOR.

"Our real problem, therefore, is in the education of the Operator to follow a few simple rules of Safety, and which if followed, automatically results in Freedom from Danger, Injury, or Damage."

The following briefs of actual accidents will show how YOU, THE OPERATOR, can help:

Objects Flying

1. Lathe operator laid goggles down on work bench a few minutes—chip flew in eye.

2. Shaft flew from between centers—striking employee in head.

3. Lathe operator, not using chip guard—copper chip in eye.

4. Screw driver laid on machine, under rotating winding arm—was thrown out in operator's face.

5. Wheel dresser on grinding wheel broke—broke overhead lamp shade. Lamp fell down, striking employee.

6. Stator flew out of chuck on internal grinder—striking operator in face.

Getting Caught

1. Milling machine operator was not using brush to remove shavings—finger caught under cutter.

2. Drill press setup man, wearing loose smock—smock caught in rotating drill.

3. P & J operator was filing burr off of flange in chuck—finger caught between chuck jaw and tool holder.

4. Milling machine operator was loading fixture too close to cutter—caught finger between cutter and fixture.

5. Punch press operator reached under guard to remove scrap—accidentally tripped press.

6. Air press equipped with turntable—operator unnecessarily placed finger in danger zone. Caught finger under ram.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH,
Safety Engineer.

19-B's BUZZ

More welcome additions to our now enlarged section are Roberta Haley, who hails from Bldg. 19-2, and R. D. Sweeney, who is replacing Ralph Heminger. We hope you'll like it here. . . . Virgie Mayer is playing the role of Hawkshaw, the detective, this week. Seems as though every night someone fills Virgie's shoes with wastepaper. Have you any clues yet, Virgie? . . . Glad to see Ann Kocher back on the job and feeling better. . . . Johnny Dellinger, Bldg. 19-B's own Sinatra, entertains daily with his own arrangements of the latest hits. Sometimes they are so original, however, that you can scarcely recognize them. Could it be your voice is changing now, Johnny? . . . Glad to report that Fred Seip's little boy is well on the road to recovery after suffering from burns received recently. . . . Have you ever watched Charlotte, Tadgebury type? She types the "R's" right off the typewriter. Go easy, Charlotte, there's a war on and typewriters are at a premium. . . . We wonder if Marie Harper and Mary Ellen Nies have a little Chinese blood in them. They came down to run some copies off on the hectograph machine, and it seems everything came out backwards. Was my face red—eh, girls? . . . Dick Grate came to work almost an hour early Saturday morning and bragged about how swell he felt. Later Dick told us he had gone to bed at 8 o'clock the night before. Must be something to that old adage, "Early to bed, early to rise." . . . Nice to have Herb Kreager back on days after a week of working nights. We missed you, Herb. . . . We think Roberta Haley the most conservative girl in the section. She buys size 20 slacks, then takes in a couple of inches on each side. We accuse her of getting enough material for a pair for her little girl, but she claims they did fit once. Nice going, Bobby. . . . Ruth Dove spent last week fishing at Lake Pleasant. Need I report? No fish! . . . You should see the smiles on the girls' faces when Art Lucas walks inside the packing cage. They all know he might pass out gum. . . . Congrats to Bill Numan, who is beginning his forty-third year with the Company. . . . Paul Becker and Clarence Bradbury have returned from their vacations. O.K., let's see who can tell the biggest fish story. . . . What's this about Ed Hines not hearing about the Chicago Cubs! Now, Ed. . . . Don't be surprised if you should see Bob Binder pounding his manly chest after Sunday. For it is then he will change from minor to major! Happy birthday, Bob.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Aluminum Parts

We are very glad to see William Zierolf walking around in an upright position once more. Bill was in a bad shape for a few days with a stiff neck and back, and it was all we could stand just watching him crawl around to do his work. . . . We have the pleasure of welcoming Erma Graft back to our section. She was one of our third trick friends who was transferred to the Impeller section some time ago. Swell seeing you with the gang again, Erma. . . . William Lantz returned from his vacation in Michigan. He said he had a nice time just fishing and enjoying himself. That sun tan sort of puts you in the pink of condition, Bill. . . . However, Kenneth Stotler, who also returned from his vacation, was not quite so fortunate. He became sick three days prior to his vacation and his illness lasted throughout his entire vacation period. We are sorry to hear this, Kenny. . . . Loren Shafer has left us for other work unknown. We are sorry to lose you, Loren, but wish you the best of luck wherever you go. . . . We hope our vacationists are enjoying themselves this week. Margaret Evers is at the lake, lucky person. Glenna Kesler's plans are unknown, and Esther Farver is spending hers at Chicago helping Mary Tinkle get married. We will have something to say about that next week, we hope. Edna Chiddister is another lucky person at the lake. . . . Donald E. Ewing, son of Fayola Ewing, has been given his discharge on points and is now at home. The boy has been in the South Pacific area for four years and has gone through five major battles. Fayola has another son, Clifford, who has served overseas for one year in Germany, France, and Austria. To you, Donald, our hearty congratulations on your safe return. To you, Clifford, our sincere wishes for continued good luck. And to you, Fayola, all we can say is, you have two boys to be proud of. . . . Keep your nose on the trail for news, gang. Adios.

Impeller

Ardella Wyatt says she isn't used to this idea of going to work at 6:48 A.M. She doesn't get time to eat her breakfast, and that doesn't make her very pleasant in the mornings, but after she eats her lunch, then everything's rosy again. . . . Thelma Barn's husband has been very sick, but at present is a little better. Hope he gets well again soon, Thelma. . . . Lester Andrist is going on his vacation next week. Have a nice time, Lester. . . . Grant Garand's wife is in the hospital. We hope she will get well soon. . . . The cigarette shortage must be bad. We see that Hugh Tiggs and Bob Kintzle are rolling their own again. . . . Mary Zartman has left us to go to final assembly, and Martha James has gone to Bldg. 26-4 at Broadway. We miss you, girls, and wish you lots of luck in your new work. . . . Harold Wilcox is on the sick list this week. We hope you're feeling better, Harold. . . . Erma Graft of our Finish Machining Section has left us and taken a new job in the Aluminum Parts. We hope you like your new job, Erma. . . . Paul Husted says he is going to be sure and check his oil before leaving for work after this. We don't think a car will run without it, Paul, not even yours. . . . John Kleinhaus brightened the section with a visit this week. He is stationed in California. . . . Ione Wonderly has taken the responsibility of reporting for us. Thanks.

Shipping

Two sons of Charles Fisher had the strange and exciting experience of a chance meeting in the Philippines recently. Charles received a letter signed by both of them telling of this experience. . . . Just ask Ray Foltz what time it is, and you will get to see a brand new watch. Ray recently had trouble with his old one. This new one is a honey. . . . Harold Hirschey is safely back after a week's vacation. . . . Audrey Smith, one of R. H. Long's dependable girls, is enjoying a week's vacation. We understand she is quite a fisherman. . . . Van Horn reported that he caught so many fish that he had to call a truck to haul them home. Sounds fishy to us, what do you think? . . . We are still waiting for news of your hobbies—have you any? And while you're about it, send in the bright sayings of your children. Would be fun to have them in the WORKS NEWS.

Screw Machine

Ethel Bobay has been absent most of the week caring for her husband, who has been very ill. We hope he is much improved and that you will be back soon, as we miss you very much. . . . Agnes Jump has been nursing a severe toothache the last couple days, but we hear she is going to say hello to the dentist and good-bye to the toothache this evening. . . . Elsie Brecheisen leaves on her vacation next week. Have a good time, Elsie, and don't work too hard. . . . Ardis Crum is on his vacation this week. We sure hope you are making the best of this fine weather, Ardis. Hurry with your house work and get back, as we miss our weatherman very much. . . . Bernice Lambert is home ill this week. We hope that new car didn't get you down and that you will be back soon. . . . James Settlemeyer came to work one morning this week with a swollen upper lip. He says he met up with a honey bee. . . . We saw Grace Shaw and her son at the gate last evening. She looks fine and is as witty as ever. . . . Maurice Roe returned after his vacation feeling fine and full of ambition. He says he really had good luck and caught several nice fish. . . . We hear that Mr. and Mrs. Randolph are moving in the near future. How about a house warming party, folks?

Rotor

Birthday wishes are in store this week for Mary Martone, who was presented with gifts from her friends. Hope you liked them, Mary, and thanks for the candy. . . . Again this week we have to bid fond farewells to Edra Jacobs, Betty Shutta, Mary Martone, Madalene Sumny, Alice Nickelson, Marian Sunderland, Paul DeWeerd, Lee Overmyer and Genevieve Robinett. Everyone certainly will miss you. . . . It certainly is swell to hear that Nellie Todd is improving from her operation so well. How about sending her a card? She probably gets plenty lonesome. . . . Coral Schultz is leaving us to take up her home duties again. Theresa Hiatt is taking her place. . . . Orpha Smith is being transferred from bucket blanchards to wheel X-ray. Hope you like your new job, Orpha. . . . Lucinda Hartzell is getting her annual sun tan this week; she's having her vacation. Don't get too brown, Lou. . . . Lois Tritch is spending a few weeks at home to regain her strength. Hope to see you back again soon, Lois.

Forge

We had a letter from our old friend, Stanley Richards, written from a hospital somewhere in Europe. Stan wasn't wounded, we are glad to report—but had an operation. Let's hope he recovers quickly and gets back home. . . . Edna Garretson really spent a pleasant vacation. Her son, Bob, who was wounded in the Philippines, has been sent to a hospital in Illinois, where Edna visited him. She was very happy to learn that his wound is not serious. . . . The Forge Shop unites in saying "so long and good luck" to Walter Wheeler and Walter Wood, who reported for induction this week. We hope they get back soon. . . . Paul Rugman has been on the "ailing" list this past week, and during his absence, we understand Frank Smith has been pinch hitting for him on the second trick. . . . A happy birthday to Agnes Brubaker and Roy Wood, and a belated one to Ralph Whitcomb, who celebrated his birthday on July 4. We understand that news travels so slowly around Orland that Ralph was 21 years old before he heard that it was not his birthday that everyone was celebrating on the "fourth." We're not quite sure we should believe that report. . . . Willard Minnick and Paul Gintz returned from their vacations without the usual fish tales, but it does seem that Paul caught all the fish that Willard didn't. . . . Don Sollows, who enjoyed a very successful fishing trip in Michigan, also accumulated quite a collection of scenic post cards, some portraying the customs and folklore of that locality. . . . Mr. Langdon spent his vacation at his cottage on Lake Wawasee, and while he didn't have much to say about fish, he did some raving about the beautiful steaks on sale in the Syracuse meat markets—and who wouldn't? . . . Will someone please advise this reporter what in the world John Ruhl is building in his back yard? Neighbors report that it resembles an Ark. We realize it's been a wet season, Johnny, but not that wet.

G-E Light "Catches" Jap Planes



There are seven Jap flags painted on the back of this G-E searchlight in Luzon. They mean that seven Jap planes were caught in the light's beams and shot down. The light is grouped with eight others and projected on a cloud bank to simulate moonlight. When a plane flies into the "moonlight," the guns begin to fire.

Plant Service

Bob Leever just came back fro his vacation. He says he visite relatives in DuQuoin, Ill., and ha fried chicken three times a da . . . Art Stern went to Lake Maxi kuckee over the week-end an caught a silver bass 16½ inche long. Nice going, Art. . . . Julia (Red) Smola was on vacation la week. Red rides a motorcycle, an while touring through the cou try, a very nice little bee lit o Red's head. When Red came ba to work, nobody seemed to kno him with such a swollen face, bu it is getting back to normal no . . . Anybody wanting peas picke on the shares, contact Walt Mac Ginnitie. All he wants is a bott of liniment. . . . Harold Nieman leaving this week-end on his vac tion for a week at Loon Lake. W all wish him plenty of luck. . . Two of our boys are spending thi week vacationing with their fam lies at Crooked Lake. We don wish Otto Hans and Frank Brya any bad luck, but it looks like rai and besides the fish aren't bitin anyway. . . . Carl Hoover is an other of those lucky boys enjoyin this week on a vacation. . . . We' enjoyed working these past week with Monroe Schlatter, sheetmeta worker, who was loaned from Broadway to help out during the emergency. . . . Speaking on behal of all the sheetmetal and stee workers, we'd like to say "hurry back" to Ruth Yentes, our very efficient timekeeper who is leavin us this week to take a much-needed rest. As well as being a capabl time clerk, Ruth is a very pleasan girl with a personality that ha made her a friend to all of us We'll miss you, Ruth, so get well and come back soon. . . . Harold Miller is back at work after a week's vacation at Lake James.

Assembly

Bertha L. Holmes is "back home again" in Final Assembly. She came back to us from Broadway. Welcome! . . . Mary Zartman transferred from Rotor Section to Final Assembly. Rotor's loss is our gain. . . . Mabel Wright is going on a vacation next week. . . . Gladys Payne has a new station in Final Assembly. . . . Esther Wise and Imodean Crooks enjoyed vacations last week. . . . Josephine Bastian caught 20 fish while on vacation here, and that came from a highly reliable source. No fish stories. . . . Faye Gaskill returned to Final Assembly after a few weeks of sick leave. Glad to see you back, Faye. . . . Mary Hall is really the happy girl. Pfc. Robert Hall, her husband, is coming home for a few days' furlough. He is stationed at Fort Devens, Mass. . . . Final Assembly Section—don't let your WORKS NEWS reporter down. Any item is welcome; see Earl Cochran.

Punch Press

Ruth Hyser returned to her home after being at the Lutheran Hospital. Glad to hear she is improving. . . . Deloris Parker will leave us today to join her husband, who is in the Navy and is stationed at Norfolk, Va. . . . Garnet Borne is spending a few days this week in Cleveland, Ohio.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Receiving

The Receiving Department lost a good man this week as Ernie Chelf was transferred to Broadway. Our loss is Broadway's gain. We hope Ernie likes his new work, and our best wishes go with him. . . . We are waiting for your hobby ideas. Let's have them, gang. . . . Bill Glick is taking his vacation this week and is spending part of it at Lake Wawasee and Mentone, Mich. Hope you have a good time, Bill. . . . Mary Amber is making plans for a day's fishing near Angola in the near future. So look forward for the fish stories soon. . . . Brownie tells us his father-in-law is getting along nicely after his operation. We hope he recovers soon. . . . Raymond Overmyer, our Army inspector, has been transferred to a new job, and Mr. Conrad is taking his place in Receiving. We hope Mr. Conrad likes his new place of work. . . . What was your most embarrassing moment? Let us have it. We would like to put it in the WORKS NEWS. . . . At some time or other your children have made some bright remarks. Let's have them, too; they make good reading.

Tool Room

We received a letter from Pvt. Harold Werling last week and were very glad to hear from him. Harold is now in Alabama after spending one week at Camp Atterbury. Harold says that so far his Army life has been just a bunch of lectures. Lots of luck, Harold, and we hope to see you soon. . . . Pete Carmoney is our new Safety Committee Secretary, taking Glenn Glassett's place. Glenn was transferred to our drafting section several weeks ago. . . . Howard Poppele and Harold Cutler are fast friends. They must be, for Howard bought Harold a nice bar of candy last week. Harold even insisted that Howard take it back, but friend Howard would have none of that. Wow! Isn't friendship a wonderful thing! . . . Carl Hammond is trying to get Del Rehm for a horseshoe partner. Del is good at putting over his point and would make a swell partner. . . . Congrats go to Ward Kinney for today, Saturday, July 7, he moves into his new house. He's worked hard for this day, and we hope he likes his new hut.



Writer's cramp, that's what I'm getting, moaned a certain little G-E girl to herself one day. And she was, too. Day after day, sitting in the Turbine Division dating tags and records. "The historian who chronicled this the Machine Age certainly never heard about me," she went on, "something's gotta be done." Maybe she dated ten more tags, or a hundred while she thought about it. And then, a big smile spread over her face. Of course, that's it, she said, a date stamp.

And being a girl of action, she went right out to get a suggestion blank. It wasn't long before the Suggestion representative came around to investigate. A date stamp would definitely increase efficiency, she reported, save valuable time that is now being wasted by the handdating of these tags. So now the little G-E girl stamps the dates on records quickly and easily.

Maybe some of you are doing your job the hard way, just because no one has ever stopped to think of an easier one. Take some time off some evening and go over in your mind the different phases of your job. Which are the most interesting, which the most tedious—and how can you improve on the tedious tasks? You'll often be surprised how easy it is to think of new ways to do jobs—and when you do get an idea, send it in to your Suggestion Committee.

Fractional Doings AT TAYLOR STREET

This is the news of the goings on of the people from Bldgs. 17-3 and 6-2, who are now known as the Fractional Horsepower Motor group at Taylor Street. Your reporter is sorry that she hasn't been able to contact many of the Bldg. 6-2 girls, but will try to do better in the future. We would like to make our column one which will interest all, so suggestions, please? . . . A surprise farewell party was given in honor of Lillian Smith, who has left the company this week. Those present besides the honored guest were her daughter Gloria, Pearl Huett, Doris Moon, Faye Bryie, Lucille Miller, Betty Gearey, Rose Fuhrman, and Evelyn Reed. . . . Ellen Roberts has started a new fad—wearing one blue and one black shoe. . . . Did anyone see Marilyn Chaney and Katie Deloff in shorts the other day when they were cycling? Mighty cute. . . . Our congratulations to Margaret Stein, who has left us to be married. Also to Marjorie Grandstaff, who has become a bride. . . . Happy birthday to Rosemary Allen. Good candy, Rosemary. . . . Ardis Walters has a new way of keeping cool. It happens to be a hand-power fan. Saves electricity anyway. . . . One wishing the definition of a night lock, ask Eileen Brown or Bessie Yoder. They found out it worked in the daytime as well as at night! . . . PFC Quentin Freiburger is home on furlough for 30 days, having just arrived home from Germany. He is the brother of Bernice Freiburger and was formerly employed in Bldg. 19-2. . . . Katherine Weigle had the surprise of her life when she found out that Alice Lester wasn't sitting beside her at the cafeteria, but a complete stranger. . . . Best regards to our fighting men and women wherever they are. We are glad to be back with you in the NEWS and hope you will visit us whenever you can.

17-3 Newsies

We saw Melvin Lyttle get on the street car the other night, and he couldn't believe his eyes when he saw three empty seats, so he says he sat in all of them to be sure. That's the way to be, Mel, only believe half of what you see. . . . Freddie Gruntz was glad to get a card from Louisville, Ky., last week. And incidentally, Freddie, the gang seems to like your bow tie. . . . We're glad to see Caroline Snyder back to work, and we hope you're just feeling "brand new," Caroline. . . . Mathilda Schnieder left the Company last week because of her health. Here's hoping Mathilda is "fit as a fiddle" in no time. . . . Walter Kryder is on his vacation, and we'd like to see if he meant it when he told us what he was going to do. Anyway, have a good time, and after seeing you run back and forth at work, we know you're just the guy that can do it. . . . Gertie Beekner is on her vacation too, and she's entertaining an old friend of hers from Indianapolis. Have fun, Gertie. . . . So long now, happy vacation, everybody.

S. L. Whitestone, Retired Company Comptroller, Dies June 30 At Home

S. L. Whitestone, retired comptroller of General Electric Company and associate member of "Edison Pioneers," died Saturday, June 30, at his home in Schenectady.

Mr. Whitestone was a member of the original G-E Staff. He began his career as a bookkeeper with Sprague Electric Company in 1887. When Sprague Electric Company consolidated with United Edison Company, Bergman and Company, Edison Machine Works, and Edison Lamp Works to form Edison General Electric Company, he became a member of the new firm's accounting department. When Edison General Electric Company consolidated with Thomson-Houston Electric Company to form the General Electric Company, Mr. Whitestone was placed in charge of the G-E Accounting Department correspondence. In 1894, he was in charge of customers' accounts and correspondence, in 1899 he was a traveling auditor; in 1907, he was assistant general auditor; in 1911 he was General Auditor; in 1920 he was appointed Comptroller for G-E, which position he held until his retirement in December, 1935.



NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Helen Beavers of Plant 1 received two dozen beautiful red roses from her soldier husband. The occasion was her birthday. Here's wishing you many more, Helen. . . . Correction: Bessie Ward was married to George Fosnaugh instead of Jim Fosnaugh, as was erroneously stated in last week's Decaturites. We're sorry, Bessie. . . . The inspectors wish to bid their little redheaded friend, Norma Lord, goodbye. Norma has left our midst to take up full-time housekeeping. . . . When it comes to standing in a ration line, George Loshe claims he holds the all-time record. He made three attempts to break into what he thought was a cigarette line, and all the time it was something else. . . . Evohn (Blondie) Snider is basking in the sunshine at Rome City this week. . . . Bill Brunner and his bride, formerly Katie Heller, are back again. . . . Lloyd Conrad is back from a fishing trip. Sure, the biggest one got away. . . . Iva Teeple is back at her familiar stand. Feels happy about it too. In fact, we all do. . . . Among our feminine bicyclists are Rosemary Miller and Ethelyn Burnett. . . . The orchids this week go to our own girls' softball team, which has suffered no defeats. It is also nice to know they are the only team of this kind in Decatur. We sincerely believe that they are eligible to play the Daisies of Fort Wayne. Nice going, girls, and keep it up. . . . Clarence (Riggy) Giessler has a hard time protecting his cherries from the robins. He claims they take his cherries like a train taking water on the fly. . . . J. K. Eady's boy, Jack, who is home after more than three years overseas, will report back to Florida at the end of his 30-day furlough. . . . Dean Gehres, Army, visited our plant recently while on furlough. He is looking fine. . . . Paul Briede is undecided where to go on his vacation. With two boys in the Navy, one in the East and one in the West, it's a tough problem to see both at once. . . . Joe Burnett is vacationing this week. He says he probably will take his family to the lakes. . . . Pete Fairchild is also doing a bit of bunk fatigue this week. . . . Orval Fisher is subbing this week for Jerry Gage, who is on vacation.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

Saturday, June 30, Norman Prince, or Pete as we all know him, bid adieu to the G-E after 38 years of faithful service. He was eagerly looking forward to his easy chair at Crooked Lake, and with the fish he expects to catch, red points will be a thing of the past. We wish you good luck, Pete, and many happy years ahead. . . . Wm. (Bill) Hale is taking Mr. Prince's place as general foreman of Bldgs. 19-2 and 19-3. We wish you luck, Bill. . . . Paul Bryan and Fred McIntyre are spending a week's vacation at Lake Gage, and Bill Bunyan is taking one week at Indian Lake and a week at Hamilton Lake. Bet we'll have some tall fish stories when these three fellows get back. . . . Ollie Fox and Bob Stute have just returned from their two weeks' vacation. Ollie spent his at Lake Pleasant, and Bob was at Clear Lake. They have that happy, rested look and stories of the "big" ones that they didn't lose. . . . Bernadina Mailand has been confined to her home with neuritis. We wish for your speedy recovery, Bernadina. Hurry back, we miss your smiling face. . . . Jim Crowe is spending his two weeks' vacation at his cottage at Big Long Lake. . . . Last Saturday, June 30, wedding bells rang for Pauline Hugenell and Ralph Droege. Good luck and a lot of happiness, Pauline and Ralph. . . . Wanda Anderson is leaving us Saturday to join the WAVES. Good luck, Wanda, we are going to miss you. . . . Oscar and Al Johnson have returned from their two weeks' vacation at Crooked Lake, bringing with them broad smiles and a few extra pounds.

Two Long-Service Employees Leave General Electric





Frederick G. Duryee, Supervisor of Plant Protection at the time of his retirement, left the Company June 30 after continuous service of 44 years. Shown looking at a book of signatures presented by his co-workers (top row, left) are Mr. Duryee, J. B. Greer, Superintendent of General Service, Ernie Hanauer, Fire Chief, and A. R. Vegalues, Police Chief. In the picture top row, right, friends are shown gathering around to wish Mr. Duryee good luck after presenting him with several gifts.



Bernard C. Evans, Supervisor of Mechanical Operations, retired under the Company Pension Plan with a service amounting to 46 years. He is shown at left with some members of the Works Suggestion Committee, on which he served for two years, and guests at one of the send-off parties given in his honor. From left to right are W. C. Wichman, E. J. Graham, Mr. Evans, L. C. Swager, and S. E. Palmer. G. C. Michael, also present, is not shown in the picture.

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Duryee And Evans Retire From Company

Two prominent, long-service employees, Frederick G. Duryee and Bernard C. Evans, brought their services to the Company to a halt Saturday, June 30, to retire under the Company Pension Plan. Widely known throughout the Company, both men had held important supervisory positions in their years with General Electric.

Mr. Duryee, Supervisor of Plant Protection at the time of his retirement, left after continuous service amounting to 44 years, and Mr. Evans, who was Supervisor of Mechanical Operations, retired with service totalling 46 years. Both men were feted on their last day with G-E, and each received scrap books with signatures of hundreds of their co-workers and other gifts.

Mr. Duryee started his service with G-E July 1, 1901, in the old Test Department under A. L. Hadley. About a year later, he was transferred to the Electrical Construction and Maintenance Department, under General Superintendent E. A. Barnes, and served as supervisor of this department for 25 years.

He was then transferred to the General Superintendent's staff to handle railroad traffic, reception, the restaurant, and outside interests of the Company. With the outbreak of war, he was detailed to set up complete emergency units in the Fort Wayne Works for police, fire, medical, and salvage functions, and then served as Supervisor of Plant Protection until his retirement.

Mr. Duryee was very active in company as well as civic affairs, and has served as president of the State Industrial and Volunteer Firemen's Association, president of the G-E Club, first G-E Security Bond Director, member of the first Safety Committee and a director of the Y.M.C.A. for six years.

Mr. Evans joined the Company July 5, 1899, as a toolmaker. He later became assistant foreman of the section, and then was made foreman of the tool room June 16, 1912. November 17, 1919, he was appointed Supervisor of the Tool Division. In 1935 he was named Supervisor of Mechanical Operation. He served as Superintendent of the Fractional HP Motor Development Section from March 23, 1942, and was transferred March 27, 1944, to the Assistant Manager's Office as Supervisor of Mechanical Operations.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Margaret Doctor was griping the other day because she's had to buy a new bathing suit nearly every year. That's what happens when we grow out of our teens, Margaret. . . . Hazel Martz and Faye Folk were on vacation last week. We know they enjoyed their vacations very much. . . . Edna Rohrback came to work Monday morning with her forehead and leg skinned up. We're almost tempted to ask who looks the worst, Edna, but we know it was the sidewalk that came up and hit you. . . . Why would anyone be taking lots of meat to the lake when they're going up to fish. What's the matter, Margaret Hilgemann, won't the fish bite on your hook? . . . Alga Kuzeff got her face sunburned while fishing. You certainly look cute, Alga! . . . We're glad to have Ann Hershberger with us on days for a couple of weeks.

Facts and Fun
FROM 31

If you don't care to be trampled on, I advise you not to be in the vicinity of the time clocks on certain mornings at about two seconds till 8 o'clock. That is when the "Thundering Herd," namely Bert and Mirium Bolyard and Bill and Vivian Kayser arrive! Quite a contest. . . . Evidently Bob Olson would rather drink his ice cream on warm days. He doesn't need a spoon, just give him a straw.

Ruth Messerschmidt has been in her new house on Glenwood over a week now, and she is still living in a dream. We have all heard her talk about it, and those who have seen it agree that it is out of this world. She is calling it "The Cracker Box," and anyone of us would love crackers if they came in a box like that. Good luck to both of you. . . . Our regular WORKS NEWS writer is on her vacation, so we couldn't leave her out. I won't mention her name, but she'll know. She is always careful not to let anyone get anything on her, and we know why. It's because she went to a "belling" on one of our former girls, Mary Alice Green, and she's been sleepy ever since. Why, Jean, you shouldn't keep such late hours. . . . Bea Ackermann, whose friend was to land Saturday, was really a nervous wreck. She spilled milk and dropped things. If she is that way now, no one will be able to hold her when he starts heading for Fort Wayne, and we are all hoping that it will be real soon. . . . Glad to see you back from vacation, Bill Shurek. Will the new mustache be of the "handle bar variety" when in full bloom? . . . Which are doing the best, Mr. Holle, those potatoes or the potato bugs? Get your shot gun oiled up and ready for action, Truman. . . . Mr. Spencer and Mr. Resnick, what has gone wrong with the poems and prose. Let's get back in the ring and finish the tenth round. . . . What's wrong with your car, Dolly? Has it got rose or hay fever? . . . Ruth, does a vacation always make you so red in the face? You can look around the office and almost tell who has been on vacation. They are two shades darker than those who haven't gone yet. . . . Everyone in Bldg. 31-1 is proud of the new flags. We hung four of them July 4, and they were purchased by the contributions of all in the office.

A furloughed paratrooper was asked how many jumps he had made—"None," he replied, "but I've been pushed 17 times."

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

One member of our group that we all are sorry to lose is William Hohnhaus. After many years of service in various sections he is compelled to resign from his active duties because of ill health. Billy's persistence and perseverance should be an example to all of us. He punched his clock card regularly, always thinking of the boss and delay one absence would cause. Your friends in Bldg. 17-4 wish you better health in the future and hope you will enjoy many years of retirement. . . . Dick Seidel had a wonderful time on his vacation swimming, boating, and fishing, and doing outside work. Such an industrious person, he even works on vacation. Bob Lusk followed Dick's example, except that he worked closer to heaven—he fixed the roof on his house. . . . Noah Smith just won't tell us anything about his vacation, but we do hope he had a good time and caught a few fish. . . . Carl Chadwick has a wonderful victory garden, so he spent part of his vacation in the garden. Now he feels he can help on this program of feeding the world. He also did a little painting around the house, but all work and no play would make Carl a dull boy. So the last day of the week he spent fishing, and he is very modest about his fishing. He says, "Oh, it was just fair," all of which goes to prove that we have one honest fisherman on the floor. . . . Celilda Fisher is the one that caught the big ones. If you do not believe this, just ask her. She belongs to the honest fisherwomen's club. . . . The test gang feels lost without Walter Lohm's presence. We'll miss his jokes—both practical and corny—his sleepy "good morning," and all the usual, gay banter of his happy-go-lucky makeup. Lohm will soon be a member of Uncle Sam's Merchant Marines. . . . Ye old reporter stopped at the thermocouple over-load room, and there sat Don Kruse looking lonesome and forlorn. . . . Our golf fan, Ray Heller, landed in the Decatur Hospital last week with a rather unexpected appendectomy. The address is Decatur Memorial Hospital, Decatur, Ind. Let's get our pens and start splashing ink now. . . . Clem Miller not only has a knack for picking flowers, but has an artistic hand for arranging them. Examples of all this can be seen in the Hi-alt Section. . . . Paul Sturm came back from his vacation with a swell tan. These vacations must be wonderful. . . . Helen Umbach sure was surprised when she got to work and found the office windows shiningly clean. She just sat and looked pleased all day. . . . Edith played farmer and drove a tractor. She thinks it's fun, only next time she says she wants a pair of coveralls that fit. . . . We understand Joe Atkinson attempted to come in the Broadway gate the other day without his button showing. You should have seen him going through his pockets. Yes, he found it! . . . Wilbur Krebs returned from his vacation with two broken toes. Now what do you suppose he could have been doing to deserve that?. . . Vacationing this week are George Patterson, Jesse Ebersole, Clara McKissik and Gus Ausderan. May they all come back safe and sound to second trick. . . . While Kelley was golfing the other day, a chipmunk stole his ball. After chasing the poor little fellow for three miles, he said, "OK, you may have it, but carry me back to the golf course." . . . Everyone enjoyed the wiener roast that we held last Saturday night on the banks of the beautiful St. Marys River. Only one casualty and that was a flat tire. Let's have more, gang. . . . We have a new society started on our second shift called "The Fisherman's Story Club." To obtain membership, one must be able to tell a better fish story than all the rest. Those already members are Darrel Troyer, Joe Atkinson, Jesse Ebersole, Jesse Circle, Bob Woodward, Virgil Kimes. New members to be soon taken in are Cecil Stair, Bob McCoy, Joe Quinlan, Charley Hunt, George Patterson and Charley Crain. George Miller is a possibility since he claims to know something about fishing. . . . Seen wandering around in Bldg. 17-4 with nothing on their minds were Tony Willy, Carl Freygang, and Walter Lorenze. Could it be the heat, boys? . . . We close with this, if you want to know the man who has the most trouble with his automobile, listen to Darrel Troyer or Wilbur Krebs, then decide. Later we will tell you more about why their hair is growing thinner all the time.

2-3 Office

Old Sol is really smiling down on us now, and if you don't think he laughed right out loud at Sylvia Depew, just take a look at her knees. . . . George App is a little like "Whimpy," who always says, "Come up to my house for a duck dinner; you bring the duck"—only at George's house it was hamburger. . . . We wish to extend our sympathies to Paul Koogle, whose mother died this week. . . . Your reporter hears quite regularly from Merle Kirkpatrick Odell, also Helen Tieman Dutcher, and both have asked to be remembered to all of you and ask that you write to them. . . . I think there is some kind of baby feud on between Merle and George Auer. They are always comparing their sons' growth. So far the Auer offspring is way ahead. . . . Mary Wells and Polly Line are both on vacation this week, and we are getting ready for some tall fish tales next week. . . . More next time.

Sunbeam Sal.

Take-Off By Rocket



—Official U. S. Army Air Forces Photograph

A Douglas A-20, experimentally equipped with rockets to shorten the run, takes off from Wright Field, Ohio, Headquarters Air Technical Service Command.

Plastics

Bldg 12-3 First Shift

Naomi Eicher couldn't bear the thought of a quiet Fourth of July. Since there weren't any firecrackers to buy, she blowed up paper bags and "popped" them. It really did seem more like July 4. . . . Would someone kindly remind Marguerite Hullinger, Wanetta Schulte, and Jean Snyder that Gardner's isn't open on Tuesdays? It does make us a bit irked, too, to go all the way down there—and then come face to face with a locked door. . . . Effie Yinger is vacationing at a lake in Michigan. Good luck, Effie, and take a swim for us. . . . Dorothy Lebrecht is all excited about her vacation. She is going to St. Louis. Dorothy says she has had her suitcase packed for two weeks. Hope you don't get stranded or forget to come back, Dot. . . . Agnes Ryan has returned to work, and did you notice that suntan? It's really a beauty . . . Leona Henry didn't forget to return after her vacation with her son in Kentucky. . . . Effie Yinger had things pretty well under control last Thursday, as she was armed with a German gun, saber, and sword which her brother, who has been honorably discharged, got in Germany. You should be proud of them, Effie. . . . Ruth Lange is back from her vacation in Detroit. She says she had a grand time. . . . Who is catching fish this week? Why, Lucinda Pettit is at the lake on her vacation. Have a good time, Lue. . . . After 34 years of married life, Estella Morrolf decided to celebrate by taking an airplane ride. Sure sounds like fun. We wish you many more wedding anniversaries. . . . Happy birthday to Marvin Butler, who now greets the world just one year older. Hope you have many more, Marvin. . . . We are sorry to see Mary Will and Mabel Barrett leave us.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

Sorry to have disappointed you last week. Now we know someone reads the column—Miss Bishop, the night nurse at the dispensary, asked where it was. We hope Miss Bishop has many more happy birthdays. Alice Parguet and Becky Frederickson enjoyed the candy. . . . We have put that well-worn welcome mat out again—this time to Anna Robinson and Marcella McConohey. Want to know what we are all talking about? Vacations! Wish mine was here too. . . . Herman Blessing and Clarence Lothamer vacationed this week. Herman fished a couple of days. . . . Charlie Menefee is really planning on fishing. We hope those 2,000 worms are the right kind of bait. . . . Dorothy Merrilat is planning a wonderful vacation. She is going home and just sit under a shade tree all week. Sounds nice, doesn't it? . . . We are glad to have Celia Stabler back with us again. . . . Freda and Becky visited Mary Meyers Saturday evening. Mary would like to see all of you. Her address is 1241 Scott Avenue. . . . Wouldn't believe it if we hadn't seen it with our own eyes! Alverta Gieger came in to work all dressed in white—cute too. . . . Sure wish we could make money the way Teddy Walker does. Teddy found a part that didn't look right, broke it open, and what do you think? There was a dime. Will you tell us how you do it, Teddy? . . . We know of several persons who wouldn't be hungry over the week-end. Don Dressen brought in two dressed rabbits Friday night. And for pointless meat, they are really good. . . . See you all again next week with more news. . . . So long 'til then.

MAIN OFFICE
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In the second of a series of softball games, the Schenectady auditors teamed with the local internal auditors to down a strong local team in a rousing nine-inning game, with the final score of 12-10 in favor of the auditors. The winning team was compiled of Carl Ryder, Mait Smith, J. E. Lindgren, Charlie Gnau, Jack Younger, Sheldon Nelson, Don Hensch, Norton Totten, Howard Boyle and Charlie Horner; while the losers were Arnold White, Pat Quinn, Al Woods, Fred Prange, Pvt. Frank T. Eakin, Joe Pottkutter, Arnold Konow, Tom Trick and Lloyd Stalter. The pitching duties were handled by Ryder for the winners and Quinn for the losers. The auditors won in spite of the loss of one of their star players, Kemper Burton, who was on the bench with an injured toe. With Carl Ryder's able assistance, Umpire Lawrence Schneiders called the throws. However, his judgment was questioned somewhat by Pvt. Eakin, who presented him with a pair of glasses the following day. In line with Burton's injury, other after effects were a broken hand, suffered by Ryder, Norton Totten's broken foot (he's carrying it in a cast), and Arnold Konow's "charliehorse." Entertainment after the game at the home of Arnold White was provided by the excellent saxaphone performances of Norton Totten and Arnold White, while first-rate dance routines were exhibited by Howard Boyle and Pvt. Eakin. . . . The Order and Stores Division had a dinner at the English Terrace in honor of Betty Wilson and Betty Bohde, two recent bride-elects. Gifts and corsages were presented to each of the girls. Later in the evening Esther Reynolds and Helene Grimes were given going-away gifts from the girls. . . . At this time we would like to welcome R. L. Fleightner, Bldg. 17-3, who is a transfer from Taylor Street. Our welcome mat is also put out to Betty Jean Brown, Bldg. 18-3. . . . Dorothy Volz, Bldg. 17-3, recently celebrated her birthday, and some of the girls from her office had a surprise party on her. . . . Good luck to Frank Eakin, who has left Bldg. 18-1 for the armed services. . . . Fern Fisher, Helen Durham, Sylvia Dirig and Mary Brinker, all Payroll girls, had a grand time at Marian Fortriede's cottage at Lake Gage last Sunday. . . . Welcome to Tom Trick, a new member of Payroll. . . . Millie Franz, Bldg. 18-1, vacationed in Dupot, Ill. . . . Dorothy Lisius, Bldg. 18-1, spent a week's vacation in Wellsville, N. Y. . . . Katherine Sauer, Payroll, is wearing a beautiful diamond on her third finger, left hand. . . . Oh yes, we've also seen a beautiful diamond on the hand of Rachel Luellen, Bldg. 18-3. . . . Vickie Bickis, Bldg. 18-3, just returned from a week's vacation at Lake James, and she's really brown. She had such a good time that she forgot her badge Monday morning. . . . Harriet Keyes and Margaret Suelzer, Accounting Section, also just returned from their vacations. Of course you're noticed Margaret's sunburn.

Wins Suggestion Award



Robert F. Eichar, Winter Street, has received a $55 award, in addition to $40 previously awarded, for his suggestion providing a special arbor for turning the outside diameter rabbet on pump bodies.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

You know, a dispatcher's job is a funny one. You have to be a combination bookkeeper, stock man, coordinator, expediter, soothsayer, mind reader, diplomat, and magician. Having a crystal ball helps too. You have to out-guess, out-think, out-run, and out-talk 94 other people in the course of a day's work in order to get the things done you want done. You plead on bended knee with a dispatcher in a supplying division for some parts ahead of the due date—then the darn things get lost in transportation. You run the exact amount of parts on a job, and the inspector rejects half of them. If you add a few extra as a precautionary measure, the inspector passes them all, and you're stuck with an overrun. You watch the boss's pet job with all the care of an old hen with one chick and forget two others in the meantime. You run your parts ahead of schedule and get heck from the stockkeeper. You run them according to schedule and the final dispatcher wonders why in the name of sin you can't get them to him sooner. You get an important job running smoothly, then the thing is cancelled. You walk a tight rope trying to balance what your chief dispatcher wants and what your foreman wants to do. Then just when you're talking to the boss about what a swell job you are doing, some idiot pops up asking about some promise you missed. Dispatching is the craziest, the looniest, the most interesting job we know of, and we wouldn't want to change if we could. . . . We hear by the grapevine: That Johnny Gitter has left the ranks of the dispatchers to join the planners in Bldg. 4-5. . . . Have you sent your questionnaire back to Fletcher Cumbey with the information about how many you will have in your party at the Dispatchers Club picnic? Send it right away, for his committee needs the information to plan the entertainment. See you later.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! The first General Service-Plant Engineering "Lake Party" is here. Just a few more days (the date is July 15), and the gang from Bldg. 20-2 will be headed for Lake James for an all-day outing. Margaret Furrell is in charge of arrangements, and here's a last minute reminder—if you haven't signed up yet, do so immediately. . . . "Pop Quinn's Men" have done it again! Last Tuesday night the engineers' softball team again were defeated by "Pop's Men," who scored 17 runs to the engineers' one run. Bing Englebrecht of the Wire and Insulation Division did a very capable job of umpiring. . . . A hearty welcome is extended to Norma Jean Gerket, who recently started working in the Bldg. 20-2 drafting room. . . . Helen Campbell came back to work last week after two weeks' vacation. Her vacation must have agreed with her, as she was very eager to work. . . . That's all the news for this week. Don't forget to turn in those news items.

Jane: "All extremely bright men are conceited."

Jack: "Oh, I don't know. I'm not."

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

"U. S. Marine Corps, Overseas
June 25, 1945

Dear Editor:

Finally, I'm going to write to thank you for the consideration you have shown in sending me the WORKS NEWS so regularly. I would have written sooner but have been pretty busy.

I don't suppose there are many of the fellows left in Recoil Section. Since I left the majority of them have probably gone in the service; of course they have, because I've been in a long time. At present I'm sweating out the 30 months here in the Pacific.

I can't think of much more to say except to again thank you for the WORKS NEWS.

A former employe,
Cpl. R. F. Treager.

Production

Ralph Schlup has found a new kind of soap that really works wonders on his hair. Maybe your hair fades, Ralph, s'pose?? . . . Lots of vacations lately, and everyone seems to be having a good time. We tried to talk Wayne Cook into having everyone over for a fish supper, but it seems as though they don't have too many red points and the fish remedies the situation. All right then, just tell us how they taste, Wayne. . . . Happy birthday to Stella Welling. We don't know the number of years, but we do know that she's going to have a cake with flowers on it. . . . Yours truly is on vacation this week. Warsaw, here I come!

Tool Room and Maintenance

Captain Henry Brandt, son of Herman Brandt in the Tool Room, is home on furlough from the European Theater, where he completed 30 missions over occupied country as pilot of a Liberator bomber. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, and a Presidential Citation. We know you surely are proud of that boy, Herman. . . . Another new man in the Tool Room is Judson Passwater, who was transferred here recently from the Compressor Section, where he worked for Don Clem.

Winter Street Golf League

Team 5 continues to dominate the Winter Street Golf League as they won their sixth victory of the season last Friday night from Team 3 by the score of 211-216. This gives them a record of six victories and one defeat. Team 4 won from Team 2, 212-221, and Team 6 downed Team 1, 204-217. . . . We have been asked to select some names for the teams, such as Lions, Tigers, etc., instead of just calling them Team 1 and Team 2. We will try to attend to that this week. Incidentally, all the teams in the Golf Leagues are being reported in one column on the Sports Page. Take a look at Page 13 this week.

Shipping

July 3 was Doris Herz's First Wedding Anniversary. A belated happy anniversary, Doris, and many more. . . . We are losing Doris Polley from our office. She is going to California to be with her husband. We wish you lots of luck, Doris, and we're going to miss you. . . . Alice Minser has returned after a week's vacation. . . . Dorothy Cartwright has completely recovered from her sunburn.

Miscellaneous

Charlie Spice returned from a week's vacation at Diamond Lake. Results—no fish. . . . Matt Krebbs is spending a week's vacation at Lake Papakeechie. . . . Irene Kintz is convalescing at her home after an appendectomy. We're looking forward to seeing you again, Irene. . . . Margaret Motherwell is sporting a very becoming new hair-do. . . . Hobart Steward, MoMM 1/c, was home on leave from Fort Pierce, Fla., and was entertained by the Miscellaneous gang at the 901 Club.

Refrigerator Assembly

Juel Warnement wishes to thank all his fellow employees for their kind expressions of sympathy and for the beautiful flowers during his recent bereavement.

Machine Shop

E. Thurber enjoyed his vacation last week and Paul Walker is vacationing this week. We hope he gets all his rugs cleaned. . . . Your reporter would like to get better acquainted with the Machine Shop gang, so let me know when you have some news for our column. Thanks heaps.—Leona Franke.

Engineering and Drafting

We wish to welcome Burnice Kramer to our office.

Is Zat So?

This seems to be a favorite week for vacations for our co-workers. Those enjoying a rest are George Mosshammer, Joe Kramer, Mary Jane Meyer, Frank Keefer, Warren Locker, Pete Parker, Lillie Pion, Johnny Shanahan, and Emil Zimmerman. . . . A nice letter was received from Bob August, now stationed somewhere in the Pacific. . . . Goldie Taylor is taking a leave of absence to be with her husband, who recently returned from overseas. We wish Goldie and Bill all the happiness they deserve. . . . Betty Bradtmiller celebrated a birthday this week. We don't know which one, but she is young enough to be excited about the whole thing. Hope you never outgrow it, Betty! . . . Anyone interested in dieting should contact Elizabeth Love. Elizabeth's efforts were not in vain because she is now down to a perfect size 14. . . . Marilyn Riebel changed clothes at noon preparatory to going home for the week-end. She came into work looking so pretty. . . . Ray Epperson was giving an imitation of a gay caballero and was using a fancy rag for a shawl. Was his face red when someone noticed the design on his "shawl." . . . Fern Bermes will have to slow up or get eyes in the back of her head. She tried to walk right through the inspection fence the other night. . . . Harry Kessler had a new experience. Seems as though he was sleeping very sound on the edge of the bed when the floor came right up and hit him in the face. For more particulars, see Harry. . . . Fred Crickmore, Edwin Kammeyer, and Herbert Toni have all added another year to their service records. The three of them total 70 years' service with the company. . . . Birthday congratulations are extended to John Gordy, Betty Bradtmiller, Milo Brickley, Merlin Hass, Rex Whitcomb, Dallas Cook, Joe Eifrid, Frank Keefer, and Max Anders. . . . Here is a fish story that should bring a smile to your lips. Walter Scherschel fell into the river trying to land a big one. He can't swim; but after drifting downstream, he managed to clutch the branch of a weeping willow and pull himself to safety. What a big fish that must have been! Too bad it got away, Walter.

"Slow As Molasses In January" Is More Than Just A Simile

Molasses at January temperature is indeed a slow-moving liquid according to the General Electric Zahn viscosimeter, a device designed to measure a fluid's resistance to flow.

It took molasses 3 minutes and 41 seconds to run through the viscosimeter as contrasted to water, milk, and kerosene, which took less than 4 seconds; cooking oil, which took 5 seconds; a white refrigerator lacquer, which took 19.5 seconds, and an especially heavy wrinkle enamel, which took 64 seconds.

Suggestion Pays Off



G. K. Buchan, Bldg. 19-2, received a $30 suggestion award for his idea involving changes in the method of connected cables on random wound stators.

Off the Tee

By John Gifter

It looks like the boys have settled down for some real golf from now on.

The "Pro" this week is Bob Woehr from Taylor Street, who set the pace with a one under par 34 at Foster Park. Smith, also from Taylor Street, and Gene Sarazen from the Owl League had 35 while Adam Farrell, Owl League, had a 39. Ife Holmes on Tuesday and Bruce Hamilton on Monday's shift had 41. Not far behind were Link, Bauman, and Graf with 42's from Monday night, and Tobias and Schmidt on Tuesday night had 43. Piepenbrink from Winter Street had a 44.

All the League play has been close and the standings show that no one has much of an advantage except Bldg. 27 in the Owl League. They have not been beaten in seven starts, and they stand alone as the only unbeaten team in any league.

Bob Woehr's 34 and Production's team score of 171 give them claim to two records as far as we know. Since this column started, they are the lowest individual and team scores posted. There is something for the rest of us to shoot at.

As mentioned before, Bldg. 27 has the lead in the Owl League with 7 wins and no defeats. Tool Room is the team to beat at Taylor Street with 9 good ones against 2 losses. At Winter Street, Team 5 has been beaten only once to lead with 6 and 1.

Both the Monday and Tuesday night Leagues have a tight race on. The Monday nighters went into a three-way tie when Bldg. 26-1 dropped a game to the Turf Toppers, while Plastics and Rough Riders were winning from Decatur and the Titleists. This tie may continue since none of the three are pitted against each other this week.

The Tuesday League looks like the real race. There has been a tie for the lead all season with the Slicers, Gas House Tigers, and Ball Hawks battling for the top spot. One of the latter two is scheduled to fall by the wayside when they meet this week.

Here are the league standings to date. We'll try to get some of the individual averages for you next week.

Winter Street	Won	Lost
Team 5	5	1
Team 3	4	3
Team 1	3	4
Team 4	3	4
Team 6	3	4
Team 2	2	5
Taylor Street	**Won**	**Lost**
Tool Room	9	2
26-29's	7	4
Developmental	7	4
Aluminum Parts	5	5
Giants	5	5
Laboratory	5	6
Screwballs	5	6
Production	5	6
D. H. K.'s	4	7
Gamblers	1	10
Owl League	**Won**	**Lost**
Bldg. 27	7	0
11-4	5	2
Bldg. 27 Tied 1	4	2
4-2	4	3
Taylor Street Tied 1	3	3
17-1	3	4
26-B	3	4
4-5	3	4
5-3	2	5
17-2	0	7
Monday Night	**Won**	**Lost**
Plastics	5	2
Rough Riders	5	2
26-1	5	2
Lost Balls	4	3
Rovers	3	4
Turf Toppers	3	4
Decatur	3	4
Titleists	0	7
Tuesday Night	**Won**	**Lost**
Ball Hawks	5	2
Gas House Tigers	6	2
Slicers	6	2
Bubs	5	3
Optimists	4	4
All-Stars	2	5
Sod Busters	2	5
Roughers	1	7

Golf Etiquette Hint for the Week

When you "approach" a water hole, remember you are not playing "pool."

Philadelphia's "Miss G-E"



Miss Lillian M. Free, center, chosen by the employees of Philadelphia Works as "Miss G-E—Seventh War Loan" won second place in the City of Philadelphia's "Miss Seventh War Loan" contest. She was awarded a trophy, a merchandise prize from a Philadelphia department store, and a week's free vacation in Atlantic City. On her left above is the first prize winner and on her right the third prize winner. Thirty-two contestants participated.

G-E Softball Team Wins Close Game From Reserve Club

Stanski Hits Safely In Ninth To Score 1-0 Victory For Club

By Jerry Duryee

The G-E Club Softball team won an exciting nine-inning battle from Reserve Club Tuesday night, 1-0, which puts these two teams in a tie for first place in the Major League.

With two out in the last of the ninth, Stanski hit safely through first base, scoring Starkel with the winning run.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	RESERVE CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Lin'berg,3b	2	0	1	Jeanette,1b	4	0	2
Stanski,ss	3	0	1	Speck,lf	3	0	0
Esterline,2b	3	0	0	F. Kowal,ss	4	0	1
Bohde,c	3	0	0	Huth,rf	3	0	1
Steu'agel,1b	3	0	0	S. Kowal,sf	3	0	0
Scherer,rf	3	0	0	Nolan,cf	3	0	1
Hilgem'n,sf	3	0	0	Smith,3b	3	0	1
Hess,lf	3	0	1	High,c	3	0	0
Anderson,cf	3	0	1	Lundquist,p	3	0	0
Starkel,p	3	1	0	Miller,2b	3	0	0
Totals	29	1	4	Totals	32	0	5

Score by innings:

	R	H	E
Reserve Club	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	5	2
G-E Club	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	1	4	2

Slappin' The Japs

Army Ordnance believes that when the enemy sends a new, improved weapon out on the battlefield, our counter weapon must be waiting for it. This is accomplished by shipments to the Ordnance Proving Ground at Aberdeen, Md., of enemy equipment, such as 150 tons of Japanese equipment captured in the Philippines which have been shipped to Aberdeen, where it is being examined and tested.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Bessie Jones' son is home on a furlough, so Bessie is taking a well-earned vacation this week. . . . George Wirges and Cleon Noyes are going on their vacations soon and plan to have a refrigerated truck at the lake twice a week to bring home their fish. It would be a good idea, fellows, to take extra money along, for you might have to buy them. . . . We all wish Mrs. Wanda Harbarth, Gerhardt's wife, a speedy recovery from her recent operation. . . . Donna Jean Wagoner spent a day recently at the races in Jefferson Center. Was your money on the right horse's nose, Donna? . . . We wish to welcome Ramon Stahly, who comes to Bldg. 8-1 from Winter Street. . . . Ray Kierspe, Ernie Miller, Louie Maier, Lois Hageman, Charlie Adams, Ralph Olinger, Al Hambrock, Rita Ankenbruck, Pearl Volkert, Betty Wagoner, Marie Gehle and Mary Ringler are among the lucky vacationers this week. . . . Anyone with squeaky chairs, call on Clarence Pion. He does a very special grease job on them. . . . Carl Pettigrew, Virgil Summers and Bill Rohe and their wives went to Tri-Lakes one evening recently for a chicken dinner, after which they went swimming and dancing. Everyone was satisfied with the generous portions of chicken but Virgil, who much to everyone's amazement, then ordered a hamburger. . . . We are glad to see Jesse Easterday back to work after being on the sick list. Also, it was good news to hear that Mrs. Roy May is home from the hospital and getting along fine. . . . Girls, if you are looking for a baritone to sing at your wedding, Harry Beltz is your man. From the report we received, he sang very well at his niece's wedding recently. . . . Who is the Clark Gable with the little black mustache in Bldg. 8-2 office? Well, look again, it's Art Gardt. . . . S/Sgt. Garnall Parkinson, formerly of our enameling secttion, paid us a visit last week. Garnall has 14 missions as a waist-gunner on a B-17 and is now home on a 30-day furlough before reporting for reassignment. He has several decorations, including the Presidential Unit Citation with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

New Traffic Controller Is Announced By G-E

A multi-dial traffic controller which permits automatic changing of signal-interval lengths to correspond with changes in the volume of main and cross-street intersecting traffic has been announced by the General Electric Lighting Division at Schenectady. The length of a pedestrian interval can also be changed to correspond with changes in pedestrian volume.

The controller, available with two or three dials, comes in two types, one for isolated interscctions and the other for use with single- or other multi-dial controllers in an inter-connected system. Each dial is preset for a different traffic condition. When the predetermined condition occurs, a time switch automatically brings the correct dial into operation. A manual switch on the controller panel can be used for operating any of the dials when an unexpected traffic change occurs. In an interconnected system, the device can be used with triple reset and remote-cycle change regardless of which dial is operating.

Each dial has its own dial-contact block, the contacts operating the various controller elements in the same manner as in a single-dial controller. A gear system allows the driving motor to turn all the dials synchronously at the same speed.

As in standard controllers, all parts are large and widely spaced for ready access. The basic design is similar to that of other G-E controllers, with the same parts and subassemblies.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Anonymous report: Glenn Kline suffered two distinct and severe nervous shocks recently. At a distance from his summer home, he saw an ostrich egg perched on the porch rail; at closer view, an Apache Indian; and closer still, his son, Ned, with a clipped pate—a Father's Day surprise which was disgusting to the sartorially exact Mr. Kline. Shock No. 2: He ran out of gas while outboarding on Hamilton Lake, and Mrs. K. graciously rowed the boat into dock because Mr. K. was still suffering from shock No. 1. . . . Earl Lenz, the embryo inventor, has come to grief in his search for ersatz shoe leather. . . . "Marsh" Foelber has now become one of the "400." Last week, he spent his vacation at the super-ultra River Forest Town and Tennis Club. He was taking in a big tennis tournament. He says the boys play a "swift" game. . . . Dave Lewis says he may be quoted as saying that henceforth and hereafter, he is going to buy his cherries to can. It would be cheaper than losing a week's work and having your wife laid up with a broken ankle for six weeks, says David. . . . The "Great Outdoor" Wyneken girls (who can't wait incidentally, until they get to Alaska) got lost along the river at the Municipal Beach, but we know why. They didn't have their Indian guide with them. . . . We will soon have more tall stories in the WORKS NEWS. C. Baker just returned from his vacation. . . . L. Mesing is going to row the boat for Frank Hoffman this week; at least, he went in that direction on his vacation. . . . We don't suppose that it will be of any use to go to Coldwater Lake to go fishing after this week, as R. Truelove is spending his vacation there; and we're sure that there will be very few fish left in the lake when he returns. . . . We just heard D. Krieg was in the hospital at Bluffton recuperating from a recent operation, and we want to wish him a speedy recovery.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
John R. Mohr (4)*†	R.R.2, Butler, Indiana. Coming in on 427, thru Auburn	26-1	Young	3:06-11:05
Warren W. Locker (5)*†	R.R.1, Columbia City. Coming in on 14 or 30	17-1	Franke	8:00- 5:15
Lewis Groves (4)*	R.R.4, Columbia City. Coming in on 33 thru Churubusco	4-1	Peternell	7:00- 3:30
Walter Esterline (2)*	R.R.4, Tri-Lakes. Coming in on 102 and 33 and 30	17-1	Hall	7:00- 3:30
James A. Johnson (2)*	R.R.7, Columbia City. Coming in on 30 or Leesburg Rd. about 20 miles out.	4-1	Flager	7:00- 3:30
Pearl Coulter (4)*	R. R. 2, New Haven. Coming in 30 or Paulding Rd. and Rudisill Blvd.	20	Murphy	3:00-11:00
Walter Dean (4)*†	R.R.1, Spencerville. Coming in on 1 thru Leo	22	Mason	7:00- 3:30
R. K. Borders (4)*†	R.R.1, Woodburn. Coming in on 37—20 miles out	19-3	McCormick	3:30-11:48

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Joanne Worman	911 Washington, Bluffton	26-2	Cox 8:00- 5:15
Mary Gilleff	R.R.8, Smith Rd., Ft. W. Close to L. Huntington Rd.	5-2	Whitmer 7:00- 3:30

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Donald Deeter	R.R.3, Columbia City, Ind.	Langdon	3:18-11:48
Sarah Smith	Harlan, Indiana	Gausepohl	5:48- 3:18
John Stanek	2509 Westward Dr., Waynedale	Bunner	7:00- 3:30

Baseball Team Breaks Jinx And Wins Two



Club Team Scheduled To Play Chicago American Giants Tonight

Bradenmen Will Try To Even Score For 11-5 Shellacking Two Weeks Ago

By Ward Lassen

The G-E Baseball nine will tangle again with the ever popular, fast-moving Chicago American Giants tonight at 8:15 o'clock at Dwenger Park.

In this return engagement the Club will try to even the score for the 11-5 shellacking handed them by the colored boys two weeks ago.

With Emil Bildilli pitching good ball since his return to the Club, plus the fact that he has lost but one ball game to a colored club in his entire pitching career, Manager Red Braden has hopes of stopping this great traveling club of the Negro American League.

"Candy" Jim Taylor, pilot of the world's champion Homestead Grays, for the past three years, is the new manager for the Giants, which accounts in part for the rapid success of this team.

Navy Flamethrower "Finishes" The Job

"We did in six hours with four loads of fuel what a tank and five Infantry companies had been trying to do for days," a member of a Naval Construction Battalion quotes his commanding officer as saying. He refers to the use of the flameguns to burn out an obstinate Jap pocket. He writes: "The boys with the 75 mm are a little jealous of the flamethrower, but the Infantry would sooner have one flamethrower tank than a dozen with 75's, for these darn Japs can hide under a tin can. They get inside of a 55-gallon oil drum, buried in the ground, with an Amboo machine gun, and you can't find them with field glasses, but the Infantry moves right in. I think there will be a greater demand for flamethrowing tanks all around after this operation."

G-E Girls' Softball Team Loses Game To Old Crown

By Alice Dahman

The Girls' G-E Club Softball Team lost last Friday night to Old Crown by a score of 8-6. The game started out with the Club looking good. In the fourth the score was 5-0 in favor of the Club. The fifth was bad with Old Crown making up those five runs and one to spare on errors.

Old Crown garnered two more runs in the sixth, while the Club managed to get only one runner in home. The Club held them in the last innings, but they were unable to get back the necessary runs.

Platt started on the mound for the Club, with Varner doing her usual fine work behind the plate. Ulrey and Bandelier were the batteries for Old Crown. Platt was removed from the game in the fifth, when she hurt her leg attempting to come in home. Whiteleather took over and pitched good defensive ball the rest of the game. In the fourth, Cronkhite came through with a home run.

This loss ended a three-game winning streak, but the Club hopes to get back in the winning column tonight when they oppose Harvester at 6:30 o'clock at Memorial Park.

Decatur Girls Are Still Undefeated In City League

By Marcia Martin

The Baer Field Civilians were defeated last Tuesday Night by the Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team, 28-3, at Worthman Field. In the third inning the Decatur Team scored 12 runs, and remained in the lead all the way through the game.

Painter, who plays in the outfield, was lost to the team when she was injured in the second inning, as she collided with the first baseman on the Baer Field team. Moser was on the mound for Decatur, and Bower was behind the plate. Butcher, regular pitcher, relieved Moser in the last two innings.

Next Tuesday night the Fort Wayne G-E will play the Decatur team at Worthman Field, so see you there!

Lady Luck smiled on the Decatur team when they met the tough Bowser team of Fort Wayne and defeated the Bowser team, 2-1, at Hamilton Park at Fort Wayne. Deleat of the Bowser team pitched a no-hit game, but through errors the Decatur team was able to make two runs. Butcher, the Decatur pitcher, allowed only two hits.

This was a well-played game and seemed to be a real battle between the pitchers. Bowers was behind the plate for Decatur, and Miller behind the plate for Bowser. The Decatur team still leads in the league at Fort Wayne, but meets the very strong Uhlig Machine team in a League Game at Hamilton Park, and this will be a real game to see, as both teams are undefeated and will try hard to remain undefeated. Sis Arnold will probably be on the mound for Uhlig and Butcher for Decatur.

G-E Takes Home Games; Loses To Benton Harbo

By Ward Lassen

The heavy jinx that has been hovering over the Club team for th past few weeks has been chased away, with the help of Charle Thomas, the Club's new pitcher. The team, clicking in their old form gave him perfect support in the game with Acme Tool Tuesday night to win 7-1.

Thomas allowed only three hits. Their unearned run was scored when O'Connell came home from third on a wild throw to first.

Odie Barnett connected with two doubles and two singles in his four trips to the plate. Perry Bush followed him closely with three hits out of four trips to the plate. He showed the fans that he's still in there slugging by busting a long one to right field for three bases. Perry also gave the crowd a thrill by making a spectacular catch on a high foul tip against the back fence. He fell in making a final lunge for the ball, but managed to tip it into the air again with his glove and then caught it bare handed while lying on the ground.

Kessler, a Bldg. 4-6 employee and a new face in the G-E uniform, hails from Colorado and led the Western Conference in hitting. Although he didn't play, he looked mighty promising in infield practice and should make a good addition to the Club.

The summary:

C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	ACME TOOL	AB.	R.	H.
Brann,cf	4	0	1	Mold'hauer,ss	4	0	0
Barnett,ss	4	1	4	Straka,lf	1	0	0
Wattier,lf	4	1	0	Kostal,3b	4	0	1
Winters,3b	4	0	0	O'Connell,1b	3	1	1
Bobilya,1b	4	2	2	Martign't'l,2b	3	0	0
Kestner,rf	4	0	1	Harris,cf	3	0	0
Seiple,2b	4	1	1	Stohs,rf	0	0	0
Bush,c	4	2	3	Hoffman,c	3	0	0
Thomas,p	4	0	0	Grabarskl,p	3	0	0
Keesier*	1	0	0	Feiblnger,lf	3	0	1
Young,cf	0	0	0	Higgins,2b	3	0	0
Totals	37	7	12	Totals	30	1	3

* Batted for Brann in eighth

C-E Club ..... 0 0 1 0 2 1 3 0 0—7
Acme Tool ..... 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—1

G-E, 15; Royal Clothiers, 0

With the return of Emil Bildil to the pitching staff, the Clubme looked like a different ball clu against the Royal Clothiers la Friday.

Bildilli allowed only one hit du ing the six innings he worked. T Clubmen found the offerings o McLean and Crist for 16 base hit Bildilli was relieved by Max Mill in the seventh, who pitched no-hi ball for the remainder of th game. Our boys took this game b the lopsided score of 15-0.

Benton Harbor, 7; G-E, 1

On Sunday afternoon the Clu traveled to Benton Harbor and ra up against the best pitching the have faced in a long time. The were handed a severe 7-1 lacing The Clubmen in the full nine in nings could get only three men o base against Fuzzy Clupper, th screwball artist for the Harbor men. Scott Carey, the little left hander, pitched creditable ball, bu the G-E boys didn't give him muc help.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	BENTON HARBOR	AB.	R.	H.
Brann,cf	4	0	0	Bohn	4	1	2
Barnett,ss	4	0	1	Gierke	4	0	0
Wattier,rf	4	0	0	Yarger	4	1	1
Winters,3b	3	0	0	Snyder	4	2	2
Bobilya,1b	3	0	0	Norris	3	2	2
Kestner,lf	3	0	1	Leach	4	2	2
Seiple,2b	3	0	0	Sinn	4	0	0
Bush,c	3	1	0	Schumaker	4	0	0
Carey,p	2	0	0	Clupper	3	1	1
Milier,p	1	0	0				
Totals	30	1	2	Totals	34	7	8

G-E Club ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1
Benton Harbor ..... 0 2 2 0 0 0 0 3 x—7

Winning pitcher, Clupper; Losing pitcher, Carey.

•OVER THE PLATE•

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E team is second in the Main Auto Major League, having won 9 and lost 2 while the Reserve Club has won 10 and lost 1.

The weather, having turned warmer, has lifted the team's spirits, resulting in more pep and snappier plays. Hits have been longer, although not much more frequent. Home runs have been hit by Steuernagel, Scherer, and Hilgemann.

A game was scheduled at Napoleon, Ohio, for Friday, June 29; but after the Club team had arrived, it was discovered that rain had fallen and the game was called off because of wet grounds. This game will be played at later date.

An exhibition game was playe with the Waynedalians at th Waynedale diamond Tuesday night July 3, resulting in a 4-3 victor for the G-E team.

This game was highlighted by home run by Springer of Wayne dale in the first inning with no on and the nine assists made by the third baseman without an error.

Score by innings:

		R.	H.	E.
G-E	1 0 0 0 1 0 2	—4	5	
Waynedale	1 0 2 0 0 0 0	—3	8	

Batteries—C-E, Leakey, Feldheiser, and Bohde. Waynedale, Maitlen and Shearer. Winning Pitcher—Feldheiser.

The batting averages for the team (League games only) including the game of June 28, follow:

	G	AB	R	H	E	2B	3B	HR	RBI	Av
Leakey,p	3	4	3	2						5
Scherer,cf	8	15	6	6		2		1	5	4
Snyder,rf*	4	9	2	3		2			1	3
Feldhelser,p	7	13	4	4					3	3
Hess,lf	9	30	7	8	1	1			3	2
Starkel,p	6	10	1	3						3
Rarick,rf	8	10	3	5		1			3	5
Hilgemann,sf	9	30	8	8		2		1	2	2
Anderson,cf	10	24	2	6					5	2
Esterline,2b	10	32	6	8					4	2
Lindenberg,3b	9	20	6	4					1	2
Bohde,c	8	14	2	3		1			1	2
Stanskl,ss	10	30	7	6			1		2	2
Krieg,c	7	17	3	3						1
Steuernagel,1b	10	30	3	5			1	1	7	1

* Snyder is now in the Merchant Marine.

The game scheduled for Thursday, July 5, was called because of rain and wet grounds.

THE WAR IS NOT YET WON — THE ENEMY PLAYS FOR KEEPS

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Sales Billed Hold Steady; Orders Received Drop Off

Wilson Predicts Dislocation Will Be Small If Industry Allowed To Plan New Products

The General Electric Company's net sales billed, representing shipments during the first six months this year, totalled $684,633,672, or 1 per cent less than the $693,070,838 billed in the same period a year ago, the decrease being due principally to lower prices on war products, President Charles E. Wilson announced this week.

Orders received during the first six months of the year amounted to $695,496,000 compared with $811,023,000 in the same period of 1944, a decrease of 14 per cent, he said.

In pointing out this decrease in orders received, Mr. Wilson said: "The downward trend in orders may be expected to continue temporarily, possibly at an accelerated rate, as we enter another phase of the war. Our backlog and, I think, that of industry generally is still large and a temporary decline in orders need not cause any great dislocation if, simultaneously, industry is given the freedom to design and plan for new products to take up the slack as these backlogs disappear. The timing of this relaxation of controls is particularly important because on it depends the whole balance of our economy—the degree to which industry can provide jobs to keep up employment and turn out sufficient products to prevent runaway price levels."

A dividend of 40 cents a share on common stock will be paid on July 25 to 238,494 stockholders for the second quarter, making a total of 80 cents a share in dividends for the first half of 1945, compared with 70 cents a share paid for the same period in 1944. This will be the 192nd dividend paid on the Company's common stock.

A comparative statement of operations for the first six months of this year and last year, partly estimated and subject to audit at the year-end and also subject to review by the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board, is shown below:

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	6 months ended June 30 1945	1944
Orders received	$695,496,000	$811,023,000
Net sales billed (shipments)	$684,633,672	$693,070,838
Costs, expenses and other charges	587,209,303	581,952,885
Income from sales	97,424,369	111,117,953
Income from other sources—net	3,869,164	7,152,747
Total income, before provisions shown below	101,293,533	118,270,700
Provision for:		
Federal income and excess profits taxes*	81,000,000	97,500,000
*Estimated postwar tax refund (credit)**	*7,000,000*	*8,700,000*
Postwar adjustments and contingencies	2,500,000	8,700,000
	76,500,000	97,500,000
Profit available for dividends	$ 24,793,533	$ 20,770,700
Earnings per share on 28,845,927.36 shares issued	86 cents	72 cents

*Based on law in effect at June 30.

New Electronics Training Course Is Announced By G-E

Slide Films Offer Practical Understanding Of Industrial Subject

A new Industrial Electronics talking slide film training course, which offers a thoroughly practical and quickly grasped understanding of the subject of industrial electronics, has been announced by the General Electric Company. Carefully organized for presentation in 12 sessions, the new course is expected to have wide use throughout industry wherever electronic equipment is applied or a knowledge of it is required.

Presented throughout in a clear, nontechnical manner, the course consists of 12 talking slide films (35-mm film strips and 16-inch, 33⅓-rpm records) each approximately 30 minutes in length; 25 copies each of 12 lecture review booklets keyed to the slide films; an instructor's manual covering the presentation of all 12 lectures; and an attractive, sturdily constructed

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Long Tom Sheds His Wheels For Action



—Official Signal Corps Photograph

Teamwork counts as Army Field Artillery unit moves up to an advanced position at Okinawa. These big guns paved the way for the infantry and Marines to break through Jap defenses.

R. D. Evans Named Sales Manager Of Product Service

R. D. Evans, formerly district service supervisor of the Atlantic District, with headquarters in Philadelphia, has been appointed sales manager of the Product Service Division of General Electric's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by J. H. Miller, manager of the Division. Mr. Evans will be located in Bridgeport.

The appointment of T. J. Killeen to be manager of warehousing and distribution in the same Division also has been announced. Mr. Kil-

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Frank Bohnke Is Elected To Head Decatur G-E Club

Frank Bohnke is the newly-elected president of the Decatur G-E Club. Other officers elected are Leo Hoffman, vice-president; Ethel Miller, secretary; and Hilda Gaunt, director.

Miss Gaunt will serve for three years. All officers will take office the first of August. Carl Smith, retiring president, will serve as director for one year.

Science Is Most Important Field Of International Cooperation--Langmuir

"The most important field in which international cooperation can be established and maintained is in science, particularly pure science," said Dr. Irving Langmuir, associate director of the Research Laboratory, this week when he returned from Russia, where he attended meetings to commemorate the 220th anniversary of the founding of the Russian Academy of Science now called the Academy of Science of the U.S.S.R. Present were more than 100 scientists from foreign countries and 1,000 from Russia.

As one of 17 prominent American scientists who attended the anniversary as guests of the Soviet Union, Dr. Langmuir spent 18 days in Moscow and Leningrad, where he visited the Institute of Physical Chemistry, the Institute for Physical Problems, and many other Russian laboratories.

Stalin Appeared

With scientists from a great many of the United Nations countries, Dr. Langmuir attended anniversary proceedings that included a banquet at which Stalin was present, and a special address by Molotov, in which the Russian statesman said, "The very nature of science is international. We must all look forward to working together in its development."

The significance of the celebration, Dr. Langmuir felt, was the true earnestness on the part of

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Tie This

G-E Uses Formex Wire More Delicate Than Cobwebs In Tiny Coils

Formex wire so delicate that even with six coats of insulation it is no larger than a wisp of cobweb is being used by General Electric in the tiny coils of instruments for measuring electronic circuits.

This minuscule wire, which is one-third the size of a human hair, can conduct the 1/10th of an ampere required to light a small lamp, and can take as little as 1,500,000th of an ampere current, which is 250,000 times smaller than that used in an ordinary 60-watt household lamp.

One pound of this small wire is 62 miles long, and will make 420 typical instrument coils.

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More Jobs For G-E People

The cost of electricity, even during the war, has shown a steady decline, according to data compiled by the Federal Power Commission. In the entire scope of the Federal Power Commission's survey, October 1, 1924, thru January 1, 1945, the total cost decline was 38 per cent. From January, 1939, to January, 1945, (wartime), electric rates decreased by 5 per cent. They are still going down.

This happy condition has been brought about largely by the improved efficiency of the machinery which makes electricity—turbines, transformers, and boilers—and by the improved efficiency of the system designs for transmitting and distributing electricity. It has led to an increased use of electricity in industry and in the home, and this in turn has contributed to further lowering of the cost.

Here at G-E we have had a share in bringing about the major reductions in cost because we have designed and manufactured much of the more efficient power equipment. We have also helped the power companies by serving as consultants on their distribution and transmission problems. Our contribution has brought and will bring as its reward more jobs for more G-E people not only in the turbine, transformer, and motor field but in the field of home appliances, where lower-cost electricity has made it possible for more people to install more electrical devices.

Freedom From Accidents

In warfare, the man who underestimates the enemy puts himself and others in danger.

In industry, accidents are the worker's enemy. Accident prevention is a battle against an ever-present foe. There are lulls, but the war against accidents never ends. The man who is ever-confident endangers himself and his fellow workers.

Yet the accident-enemy *can* be "pinned down" and kept powerless. Follow your safety orders. Never relax your guard.

The price of freedom from accidents is constant watchfulness.

Tune Up Your Timing

A B-29 raid makes full use of men and bombs and planes. The timing must be exact.

Skillful use of time, so necessary in a military operation, is important in every job. It is as much part of a good worker as his skill with tools.

The man with good timing always seems to get things done. Yet he is never in a rush. He isn't a slave to the clock. Instead, he uses the clock to help him plan his work.

TRIBUTE TO A GREAT LEADER



The Gerard Swope Foundation constitutes at once a farewell to a great G-E leader now retired, and a hand of friendship to the young people who will fill America's important jobs in the future.

Through this foundation scholarships and loans for educational purposes will be made available to the deserving, regardless of sex, color, creed, or national origin.

How American this is in concept! What Nazi would ever endorse it? It smacks of equality and opportunity for all. It smacks of a great American industrial leader, Mr. Swope, who will be remembered not only for his personal achievements, but also for the help which will come to others in his name. This foundation is a fitting and very American tribute to Mr. Gerard Swope, for 21 years President of the General Electric Company.

Living Dangerously?

G-E's Safety Record Proves That Work Is Safer Than Being Outside

It isn't a very hazardous thing—to keep house, to go shopping, to drive the car to the beach on Sunday, to go swimming. No, to live a normal outside-of-work life is not hazardous in any sense of the word. We wouldn't say, any of us, that in our everyday life, we are "living dangerously."

Therefore, it is plainly amazing to find that G-E's safety record over the last 19 years proves that it is six and one-half times less hazardous to be at work at G-E than to be outside of work. These were the figures that were recently released by G. E. Sanford, Chairman, General Safety Committee, and the same figures show that today we are losing less than one-half as many days per million hours worked because of accidents as we were in 1926. In other words, with our factories six and one-half times safer than our homes, G-E's safety record still improves.

These facts are truly remarkable, and they spell success in round letters for G-E's safety program. They are the compensation for the thought and effort of every member of G-E's safety organization—the General Safety Committee, which checks on the working conditions for the whole company; the Interworks Testing Division Safety Committee, which makes available to the works its finding on safety; the Safety Engineer and the Works Safety Committee for each Works; and the sectional safety committees within each Works.

These figures are also a hearty endorsement of the protective goggles, safety glasses, and other protective equipment used by G-E employees. Other important factors are safety shoes, proper work clothing, improved lighting in the factory, guards and safety devices on our machines, and the many booklets on the various aspects of safety which G-E publishes and distributes to its employees.

And lastly, these figures are a hearty endorsement of the suggestions for the improvement of working conditions which you and I and John Jones have been dropping in the Suggestion Box for lo these many years. Let's keep our ideas coming.

An Ohio blacksmith, abandoning the forge and anvil method, builds up worn shoes by electric arc welding without removing them from the horse's hoofs.

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Does the playing of night baseball under electric lights affect the eyes of the players?

A. There are several factors involved in seeing and in eyestrain, the principal ones being light intensity, contrast with background, and absence of glare. If the conditions are the same in these respects, there is no difference between artificial light and daylight. Under faulty lighting, eyestrain would, of course, result. These factors are all understood by illuminating engineers today, and lighting installations have been so engineered as to avoid eyestrain by maintaining proper conditions for seeing without strain.

Q. What is the difference between crystal and ordinary glassware?

A. Perfection is the first requisite for crystal ware. It is heavier than ordinary glass because it contains a great deal of oxide of lead. The lead oxide increases the refractive index. This together with its great depressive power accounts for the sparkle and brilliancy obtainable in no other way. Thus, we might say that crystal ware is a form of glassware, heavier and more brilliant than most glassware and free from color, with a high degree of transparency.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Equipment Good



Harold Feichter A. M. Wyneken

Pvt. Alverta M. Wyneken, of the W.A.C. Medical Corps and stationed at Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury, visited the Taylor Street plant recently to see her former co-workers. Harold W. Feichter, Air Corps, also returned to visit his former co-workers.

Ulm, Germany
July 4, 1945

Dear Editor:

It has been some time since I last wrote to you, as there has been little need to do so. The paper has been arriving regularly, but sometimes not often enough to suit me. . . .

This is the Fourth of July, but quite a bit different from Independence Day back in the States—or even last year's Independence Day. Last year at this time, we were digging fox holes in an orchard near St. Saureir di Vicomte in Normandy and had plenty of fireworks. Today all is quiet and peaceful, even if it doesn't look so. The city of Ulm is battered flat, and the Danube river choked with the debris. It will be many more Independence Days before the scars of this war are covered over here.

Also, the weather is not what we expect on Independence Day. Back home it's a day of swimming, boating, ice cream, beer, ball games, and picnics. It's too cold and rainy over here for that. For the past week it's been cold enough to make a topcoat feel good—if we had one.

On the anniversary of D-Day, I had the opportunity of going on a sight-seeing trip in the Bavarian Alps and the Austrian Tyrol. We saw the castle of King Ludwig II of Bavaria, and went skiing on the top of Mount Seigrube at Innsbruck. The things I had heard and read about the scenery in that area are all understatements. It's really beautiful and has that ancient old-world flavor. Some of the people, especially the farmers, still wear their old Bavarian and Tyrolean costumes. The trip was worthwhile, and I'm glad I could see it—at no expense to me. If I hadn't seen it now, probably I never would, for if I ever get back to God's country, it will take a lot to get me out of it again. I'll take the good old U.S.A. any day. . . .

We have decent living quarters here in what was the German barracks of this city and plenty of smokes and eats. Had steaks for supper this evening—if that is any inducement for a replacement for me.

I want to take this opportunity to say hello to my friends at the G-E. Keep the stuff coming. The quicker it gets to the fighting men, the quicker we will all be home again. I hope all of them are enjoying good health and having fun—and that I can be with you before too many more Independence Days go by.

Eugene C. Boyle

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Seamen Make Visit



C. L. Brown R. E. Stillpass

C. L. Brown, Maritime Service, formerly employed at the Taylor Street plant, returned to see his friends while on leave. R. E. Stillpass, S 1/c, USNR, also came into the plant for a visit.

He'll "Work Pacific"



Marshall Fisher Daniel Lehrman

Marshall E. Fisher, Bkr. 3/c, formerly employed at Taylor Street, promised on a recent visit that he would "work the Pacific" if we work the home front. T/3 Daniel Lehrman, a former worker in the Nozzle Section at the Taylor Street Plant also made a visit recently.

Carl E. Cotton, S 2/c, is in training at the Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Training Base, Little Creek, Va., for duty aboard a new LSM (landing ship, medium). The LSM's, used in action against the Japanese for the first time in the Philippine campaign, are proving to be the workhorses of the Pacific drive. The fast and sturdy ships pour a continuous supply of materials ashore in their ship-to-shore ferrying, in addition to hitting the beaches with tanks and other armored vehicles in initial landings. On completion of his training at Little Creek, he will be assigned duty aboard a newly-built landing ship.

James Whan Pepple, M.M. 2/c, is now serving aboard a destroyer escort of the Atlantic Fleet.

From Overseas



Donald Schultz G. Brookhart

Donald E. Schultz has just been promoted to Gunner's Mate, 3/c. Overseas since June, 1944, he is entitled to wear the Philippine Liberation Medal. His brother, Pvt. Clayton Schultz, Jr., is with the armed forces in Germany. Both were formerly employed by G-E. Their father, Clayton Schultz, Sr., is employed in Bldg. 17-1 and is a World War I veteran. S/Sgt. Gilbert Brookhart writes from Calcutta, India, that he has been very busy in C-B-I land. "It hardly seems possible that I have been overseas now over 19 months and away from the G-E for 26 months. I certainly would enjoy being back there and having a chance to stroll around through Bldgs. 4-2 and 4-5. G-E is turning out equipment we have a right to feel proud of in this war."

Sgt. Harold Taylor writes from Austria that he is returning home after 32 months overseas and hopes he will soon be back at the place where he enjoyed working so much before his induction.

Nearest To Home



Lee Crosley Paul Bricker

Pvt. Lee B. Crosley said on a visit to the Taylor Street Plant that the WORKS NEWS was the nearest thing he could find to being home and that he really enjoyed it. He worked in the Tool Room there. Paul A. Bricker, A/S, Seabees, told everyone to keep the equipment coming when he visited at the Taylor Street Plant last week.

Howard D. Beitler, F 2/c, reports that it really makes him feel good to see the G-E equipment on his ship, and that it has really proved itself to be the best equipment in action.

Richard C. Whittenberger writes that he rcally would enjoy some mail from his old friends in the Accounting Section at Taylor Street.

Carol Adams, Spec. 2/c, WAVES, is now stationed at Naval Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Robert H. Binz, S 2/c, USNR, is now serving at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Proud Of G-E's Work



William Turner Betty Bowers

William Turner, F/O, Air Corps, formerly of Bldg. 4-5, said while visiting that he was proud of the job G-E is doing and especially depended on the G-E heated clothing for high altitude work. Betty B. Bowers, S 1/c, WAVES, Bldg. 17-3, also came back to see the old gang.

G-E Product Used



Eris Smelser E. A. Engle

On a visit to pals in Bldg. 18-5, Cadet Eris Smelser said that in the 18 months that she had been away she had seen a lot of G-E equipment in use in the hospital, and that it's good to see the familiar monogram. Pvt. Elizabeth A. Engle, former worker in Bldg. 26-3, made a recent visit also.

D. S. Porsch, SKT 3/c, is now stationed in the Hawaiian Islands and says that his work is just about like the work he used to do here under Tom Dent in Bldg. 6-1.

T/Sgt. Robert D. Hughes is hospitalized in Paris, France, due to a spine injury received at Alden-Haven, Germany, last December.

Cpl. Maurice V. Franklin of Decatur has been awarded the good conduct medal for one year's efficient and loyal service. Cpl. Franklin is stationed at the Salinas Army Air Base at Salinas, Calif., a Fourth Air Force installation.

The Bronze Star Medal has been awarded to PFC Harold H. Trautman for heroic services in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon. When a fire bomb exploded, starting numerous fires which threatened to spread to ammunition dumps, Private Trautman and several others volunteered to fight the fires.

T/5 Elmira Kraner writes that her Company in the W.A.C.'s has organized a softball team in California, and they would really like to play the Decatur girls.

Bob Neale, MM 1/c, writes that he is looking forward to the day when he can see all the bunch he knew while working in Bldg. 19-5 and with the Plant Protection bunch in Bldg. 10-2.

PFC John A. Kennell says "hello" to the boys in Bldg. 26 and that he is very happy with the good work they are doing. He hopes to be seeing them soon.



Repelling The Kamikaze



—Official U. S. Navy Photograph

Jap planes attack Allied task force off Saipan Island in Marianas, which responds with anti-aircraft fire from its 40 mm guns. (See story below).

Congratulations - - G-E Workers

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works, particularly those who worked in the Power Drive Division, the Specialty Transformer Division, and the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division can well be proud of their participation in the production of controls for the 40 mm gun that is being used so effectively in repelling Jap suicide plane attacks against our ships. The congratulatory telegram sent by Rear Admiral G. F. Hussey, Jr., is printed below and shows clearly how highly the Navy thinks of this new weapon.

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY:

"THE 40 MM GUN IS THE BEST ANSWER WE HAVE TO COORDINATED SUICIDE ATTACKS," STATES A REPORT JUST RECEIVED FROM A U. S. DESTROYER WHICH RECENTLY HELPED TO DEFEAT A MASS ASSAULT OF SOME FORTY-FIVE JAP KAMIKAZE PLANES ON FLEET UNITS SUPPORTING OPERATIONS IN THE OKINAWAS. THOUGH HIT AND DAMAGED BY ONE OF THE ENEMY AIRCRAFT, THE DESTROYER SHOT DOWN SIX PLANES AND ASSISTED IN KNOCKING DOWN AT LEAST THREE OTHERS. ONE OF THE KAMIKAZE AIRCRAFT WAS BLASTED BY A 40 MM AT SUCH SHORT RANGE THAT PARTS OF ITS EXPLODING ENGINE SHOWERED THE BRIDGE OF THE SHIP. EVERY MAN AND WOMAN ENGAGED IN 40 MM PRODUCTION IS MAKING A VITAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE SUCCESSFUL ANTI-AIRCRAFT DEFENSE OF AMERICAN FIGHTING SHIPS AS THEY CONTINUE THEIR RELENTLESS DRIVE AGAINST JAPAN.

G. F. HUSSEY, JR., REAR ADMIRAL, USN
CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF ORDNANCE

J. W. Dunbar And Stanley Schuler Get New Appointments

Announcement has been made by A. L. Scaife, Advertising and Sales Promotion Division manager of the General Electric Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, that J. W. Dunbar, former head of product service and sales promotion advertising, is now in charge of advertising and sales promotion of all major appliances.

Responsible for all Appliance and Merchandise Department publicity is Stanley C. Schuler, who has moved up to Bridgeport from the New York office, where he was editor of the *G-E Monogram* and assistant special publicity representative.

Crossing your fingers for good luck won't keep them from getting cut off.

Wesley Johnson Dies Wednesday Night

Wesley Johnson, Winter Street Plant employee, died Wednesday night. Mr. Johnson had 18 years' service with the General Electric Company, and at the time of his death was a P & J operator in the Air Conditioning and Commercial Refrigeration Division.

The funeral will be Sunday at McComb's Funeral Home. The sympathy of his co-workers is extended to the family.

R. D. Evans

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leen was formerly assistant manager of the Appliance Product Service Section.

Also in the Product Service Division, W. C. Noll has been appointed manager of the Technical and Educational Sections.

G-E To Produce FM Station Transmitters And Home Receivers

General Elcctric, the pioneer builder of FM radio sets, will produce broadcast station transmitters and home receivers for the new FM broadcast frequency bands assigned by the Federal Communications Commission, according to Dr. W. R. G. Baker, G-E vice-president in charge of the Company's Electronics Department.

"We are relieved that a decision at last has been reached by the Commission which will allow us to proceed as wartime restrictions are lifted," he said. "High-power broadcast transmitters will require the longest time to design for the higher frequencies, but fortunately it is practical to install and operate the low-power stages of these transmitters prior to receipt of the high-power amplifiers. We think the Commission should recognize this possibility and permit the FM stations to start with low power on the new frequencies," he added.

Two New Lampholders Are Announced By G-E

Two new lampholders for slimline and circline fluorescent lamps have been announced by General Electric's Appliance and Merchandise Department. The slimline lampholder is designed for use in general lighting fixtures. The circline lampholder has many applications for fixtures and portable lamps in commercial and industrial installations.

The G-E slimline lampholders are of the medium, single-pin type for multiple service only. They accommodate the T8 and T6 lamps. Lampholders can be mounted to any flat surface and spaced on 2-inch centers minimum. Binding screws are located in the base. Two lampholders make up a pair for one lamp.

The G-E circline lampholder accommodates 12-inch circline fluorescent lamps. This lampholder provides electrical connections, positions the lamp and supports it at two points. One point has the electrical connections and the other provides the necessary tension to hold the lamp securely. A lamp is removed by grasping it at the plastic section and lifting pins out of contact. The simplified design permits mounting in the conventional way.

Science Is

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the Russian government to cooperate with the rest of the world in friendship and peace, using science as the international language which everyone will understand. The government is backing science with the very highest of priorities.

New Era Cited

"I believe this is the beginning of a new era in Russia," he said. "She realizes that she must play the game with the rest of the world. I was particularly impressed with the friendliness of the people and their spirit of cooperation. They seem to have no ulterior motives in this except that they want peace and security, and to live in harmony with other nations. No war problems or applications of science were touched upon; emphasis was entirely on pure science."

Despite other widespread conceptions to the contrary, the Russians are provided with the utmost incentives to better themselves, he said. Every individual is allowed the same fundamental basic ration, but as his usefulness and productivity increase he can obtain more and more of the non-essential items.

Supply and demand is regulated by both price and rationing. The price of rationed goods remains at the prewar level; those that are unrationed are allowed to go sky high, depending on degree of scarcity, and the government acquires these profits as a kind of surtax.

Russia is proud of her history now, Dr. Langmuir stated—including her Czars—and particularly so of her music and customs.

"They have the finest operas and concerts I have ever attended," he said. "They did not allow these standards to go down even during the war. To them music is an essential thing."

While there he attended several musical events, and also the Victory Parade, which was reviewed by Stalin in front of the Kremlin. He was present at a part of the trial of the 16 Poles and was much impressed by the fairness with which they were judged.

On his trip, Dr. Langmuir traveled 21,000 miles in about seven days. He was flown with the American party in a special Army plane to Teheran, where a Russian plane met them and took them on to Moscow. The return trip took them through Siberia and Alaska.

Incidentally, he said, "The biggest and fattest mosquitoes I ever saw were in Siberia," and also that the temperature reached 90 degrees in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Dr. Langmuir returned to the Research Laboratory on Monday of last week.

New Electronics

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carrying case designed to accommodate the complete course.

Commenting on the course, L. A. Umansky, assistant manager of General Electric's Industrial Engineering Divisions, said:

"The need for a course of this particular kind—a course easily presented to and quickly understood by the greatest possible number in the industrial electronics field—has been sharply felt for some time. It accomplishes two distinct and equally important purposes. In the first place, by explaining the elementary facts of electronics in a simple form, readily understood by practical men, it destroys the fear of the unknown and encourages them to use this new tool as freely as they used other and older electrical tools.

"Secondly, the course points out what can be rightfully expected of electronic applications, where they can solve an industrial problem, or can offer a new and better way of tackling it; or where the use of electronics would be merely a fad or a misapplication. For only in this way will electronics find its rightful and legitimate place in the industrial life—to improve the product, simplify its manufacture, lower its cost, and increase its output."

In Appreciation

Since it is practically impossible for me to contact all of my friends at G-E and thank them personally for their very fine expression in my behalf when I retired, I would like to take this means of sincerely thanking them for all of the nice things they said and wrote and also for the autographs and the beautiful farewell gift, which I promise will be remembered and cherished the rest of my life.

Henry F. Reehling

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KOKOMO KEY NOTES

Our congratulations to Ralph Amy, who happily tied the knot last week. The Mrs. is Ina Ward from Fort Wayne. Much happiness and the best of luck to you. . . . In case someone didn't find out the week before she left, Deloris Snyder is on vacation. Having a wonderful time, too. She knew down to the very minute how much longer it would be before the vacation started. . . . Alexander decided he looked better with his specs on. They kinda sorta covered part of his face, says he. . . . Ted Budecki was in Kokomo for a few days last week. Mr. Budecki is from the Hartford City Plant. . . . Welcome to Muriel Kickbush to the Cost Section. . . . Several of the girls spent pleasant week-ends at Lake Manitou. . . . Ernie Cox went to town last Saturday to buy a new pair of trousers. These war time materials rip easily, eh what? . . . Mary Cagley is back from her vacation looking like people usually look after a vacation. . . . Laugh of the week came when Corrine Griffith fell off her chair Saturday afternoon. We're sorry we laughed, Corrine, but it was funny.

19-2 ECHOES

After so long a time, as the saying goes, the Echo comes back again—to stay, I hope. Well, now that the 4th of July is over, and we are still looking for the good old-fashioned summer that we should have had long ago, let's see what is happening in Bldg. 19-2. . . . We missed Bonnie Asies in our "time out" discussion again at noon. She made one of her flying trips home to look for the daily letter from overseas. Can't blame you, Bonnie. . . . Norma Langmeyer and Wanda Casterline like surprises and variety in their meals. Fayne Harter was asked to bring something back for their lunch and to use her own judgment, so ice cream, candy, and hamburgs with pickle and onion was her selection. Result—indigestion. . . . We want to congratulate Jerry Bierbaum on her birthday of last Wednesday and to thank her for the treat. We wish you many more of them. . . . Bertha Shelly says her vacation was a success—she caught a big bass. . . . Who was the inspector in Bldg. 19-2 that spent his vacation at the lake and all he brought home was a canary? . . . Norman Bade, the proud father of a baby boy, took a week's vacation to help Mother Bade with the household duties, but now Norman has happily returned to work. He says house work is too hard on him. . . . Lamoine Hinshaw was home on leave recently and paid us a visit with his new bride, one of our former co-workers, Wilma Harrod. Congratulations, Wilma and Lamoine. . . . And then we have our "they'll do it every time" story. The other day, Marie Yates was working hard and was very warm. So in order to cool off some, she went to the wash room and started to wash with cold water. At that particular time, the fire whistle blew for a drill. You can imagine the mad rush to get herself presentable and then dash down two flights of stairs. When she returned, she was warmer than when she started. Remark—"It doesn't pay." . . . Overheard on the street car, "Just look, that girl even uses leg make-up on her arms and face." The girl in question was Arno Taylor; the tan was very natural from good old Sol and not the bottle. . . . One of the happiest days of Jane Hahn's life was when, after being out of red stamps for over a week, her mother surprised her with a big juicy steak for dinner. Oh, happy day! . . . So we leave the Echo in the corner with Oscar until next week. Who is Oscar? Our mouse in the dressing room. When the girls see it, you should hear their squeals. Delight? Of course not. Bye for now.

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING IN REVIEW AREAS



A well-kept, clean, and orderly review area is essential to a smoothly functioning Inspection routine.

Parts to be reviewed should be:

- **Properly identified and tagged**
- **Easily accessible for examination**
- **Reviewed often to eliminate material tie-up in the Review Area**

The Review Area should be:

- **Kept clean and orderly**
- **Well lighted for efficient inspection**
- **Conveniently located and large enough for the volume of parts handled**

• GOOD HOUSEKEEPING MEANS BETTER INSPECTION •

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

We rejoice with Mrs. Lydy over the safe return of her son, Max, from the war in Germany. Max was with the Tank Corps over there and had some thrilling experiences. Welcome home, Max, and help your mother keep an eye on that pet pig, Porky! . . . We're sorry to report the illness of Phil Miller. The doctor ordered a complete rest. The worst of it, Phil says, is that he can't even go to the lake on his vacation. Cheer up, Phil, the fishing season is open a long time! . . . Walter McCormick is back to work after a vacation in New York. . . . Mildred Pfaller has been transferred to Bldg. 17-3. We hope you like your new job, Mildred. . . . We were informed the other day that Josephine Hansen, who used to work in Group 13-40, has been putting too many things in her desk drawer. After all, Joe, a desk only holds so much. . . . Bertha Witham has been using her spare time canning peaches. . . . Willie Taylor, S2/c, certainly answered our notes that we sent him promptly. We enjoyed the pictures on the stationery, as well as the contents. We'll see that Willie gets some more mail from us soon. . . . We were beginning to think Marie Bruick would have to stand at her desk all day Monday. A little tiger kitten was lying asleep on her chair when she came to work. . . . We've heard no unusual fish stories this week, guess they must not be biting. So—so long until next week.

Son: "Dad, what is experience?"

Dad: "Generally speaking, my boy, experience is what you have left after you've lost everything else."

SANDY SAYS

Uncle Angus owns a farm and rents a locker. He raises beef on the farm and puts some o' it in the locker.

"Uncle Angus," I said tae him, "I suppose meat is no problem wi' you?"

"Weel," he answered, "I'd say meat is relatively scarce."

"Whadda you mean, relatively scarce?"

"I mean, it's scarce among all o' me relatives, so they are always inviting themselves out for Sunday dinner—out o' me locker!"

Thot spiked what I was going tae drop a hint about, so I changed the subject. "I guess all things are relative, tho," I said. "Now, take any food, for instance. I remember several years ago, when the stores were full of everything, and we didn't have money tae buy it. Now, we've got the money, and the stores are full—of emptiness."

"Yus," he answered, "it seems thot right now, the only thing thot's NOT scarce is money. Pairhops thot's because there's sae many Scotsmen around thot don't want tae pay fancy prices for something they can do without."

"You're right, but it's not the Scotsmen's kind o' money thot I'm worried about. It's the kind o' money thot most people seem tae think there's plenty of, and thot there's a never-ending supply of it, and thot they don't need tae try tae conserve it. When we all get tae thinking thot way, waste doesn't worry us, and when we don't worry about waste, we're heading for trouble. In other words, EVERYTHING is scarce oxcept money, now a days, but before we know it, we'll be back tae where NOTHING is scarce oxcept money. THEN, we'll really begin tae look for C.R.*, when C.R.* is hard tae find. Now, when C.R.* is easy tae find, we should be looking harder than ever for it, both in our personal habits, and on our job, so we can be able tae enjoy the time when everything is plentiful and money is scarce. And, by ENJOYING such a time, I mean all o' us having jobs and being ABLE tae buy."

"Weel," said Uncle Angus, "you're right. How about coming out for Sunday dinner? We can talk things over some more over a nice steak out o' me locker."

(I guess it pays tae talk about a gude Scotch sobject tae a Scotsman!)

*COST REDUCTION.

LIBERTY BELLES



KEEP SLAPPIN' THE JAPS—BUY EXTRA BONDS

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

China
June 13, 1945

Hello Gang:

I am very sorry I have not written more often, but you see it is quite a problem getting paper and envelopes here.

I believe the last time I wrote I was in Burma. Since then I have moved quite a bit. First we left our camp there and started out across the hills, and after about one month of walking, we bumped into a larger group of green recruits from Japan, and after a week or so they withdrew.



Vernon Pollock

Then we continued our walk to the objective, the opening of the Burma Road where we had two hills to take. After two attempts we made it, but the Japs still tried to get us off by throwing artillery at us but finally they gave up and went south.

Then I was moved to China, where I am now. I can't say much for this place, but out of India, Burma and China, I believe China is tbe dirtiest one of the three.

Well I guess this is all for this time, will try to write more often. Tell Bob Scherer, Jack Wolf and Norman Burns and all that I said hello.

Sincerely,
PFC Vernon Pollock

THE NIGHT GANG

Welcome back, Beverley Mustard! Beverley has been in New York with her sailor husband. . . . Dorothy King is transferring from third trick to second. . . . Spare Parts has two new girls—"Frankie" and "Jobnny." . . . Anyone needing potatoes, see Henry Aldrich. . . . Vacationing this week are Nellie Reynolds and Howard Sharp. . . . Directions for cooking by remote control may be obtained from Dorothy Schmidt.

WINTER STREET GOLF LEAGUE

Don Lynch shot a beautiful one over par 37 to lead the scoring for the evening. This ends Tom Piepenbrink's long reign as low man, as he had been the low scorer every night this year except the first night, when Hal Staley was low man. Lynch hit the flag pole with his approach shot on the fourteenth green but the ball did not go in. If the flag had been out, he might have holed the shot and would have had an even par round. Piepenbrink was second with 40, while Ed Bireley and Win Kirke tied for third with 41.

Each team now has a team name, and I will list these before giving the results of last Wednesday's matches. Team 1, captained by Arnold Benecke, is now known as the Grinders. Team 2, captained by Ed Bireley, is known as the Machinists. Team 3, captained by Hal Staley, is Power Drive. Team 4, captained by Dorm Dirke, is the Executives. Team 5, captained by Glen Macy, is Planners, and Team 6, captained by Walter Schmidt, is Engineers.

Planners continue to lead the league with seven victories against one defeat as they defeated Machinists, 187-197. Executives defeated Grinders, 198-218, and Engineers defeated Power Drive, 184-209.

Piepenbrink still leads the individual average column with 42.6. Lynch is second with 44.8. Staley is in third place with 45.2. Bireley is fourth with 46.7, and Les Didier is in fifth place with 46.9.

Only one more game remains on the schedule, that for Wednesday, July 25. However, since the league has been such a big success, Royal Roeger, secretary of the league, is trying to arrange a "third" half for another schedule of five matches. Watch this column next week for latest developments.

SHIPPING

We have two new girls in our office, Betty Shockney and Josephine Boren, both typists. Welcome to our midst, girls. . . . Donna Lehman received a mysterious package through the mail from an anonymous person. When she opened it, she discovered a baby banana. You're lucky to get even a small banana now, Donna. . . . Alice Minser, Irene Mestemaker, and Mary Prezbindowski spent Saturday night and Sunday in Chicago and report a wonderful time. . . . Virginia Watts spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Virgil Staton, and family at Valparaiso, Ind., and had a pleasant week-end.

PLANING

We wish to extend a hearty welcome to Bill Adler. He formerly worked at Broadway, and we hope he likes us over here. . . . The gang would like to know what happened to all those fish Glen and Russell were going to catch. . . . Ben Beaty and Ray Klotz were vacationing last week.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Several servicemen have visited us this past week. Second Lieutenant Ray Wiese, who formerly was an apprentice toolmaker working for Bill Kelsey, is now stationed in Alabama taking advanced training. He is a pilot in the AAF. . . . Lyle Wray has just finished boot training witb the Seabees while stationed in Rhode Island. Lyle formerly worked in the Grinding Section. . . . Carl Lester has also had his son, Capt. Robert Lester, in for a couple of visits. . . . We were very glad to see Bob Ringle and Glen Bordner, both of whom have just returned from Germany. Bob received a fractured collarbone during the German campaign, and Glen was a prisoner of war.

DUSTPROOF ROOM

Gladys Smith and Ellen Saul have taken their vacations this week. We hope they're having a nice one. . . . Something we all would like to have seen was Ellen Ditlinger leading a horse down the road that was pulling a car. I bet Ellen sure had aching footies that night. . . . The Dustproof Room is sorry to see that some from the room are being transferred. Ida Belle Rockwell, Bertha Noyer, Bessie Sickafoose, Doris Carbaugh, Audrey Fankhauser, and Ellen Saul are leaving us. We hope they like their new jobs. . . . Joe Rebman has taken over Paul Cron's job. . . . We wonder if Ida Belle is going to have any more fancy tattooing done. . . . We hope Terrance Colvin is having a nice time on his vacation this week.

MISCELLANEOUS

Margaret Motherwell entertained the girls of the Miscellaneous Section the other evening. The party was in honor of Mary Slagle, who was celebrating her birthday. Margaret, Helen, Millie, and Leona sure have some system in washing dishes. Ask them. Those present were Millie Steward, Leona Gloore, Ruth Hoover, Helen Dammeyer, Mary Slagle, and Margaret Motherwell, and Helen Deuder was a guest of the evening. . . . Why the big smile on Mary Slagle Saturday? It's because her husband is returning from the European theater of war for a 30-day furlough.

FACTORY OFFICE

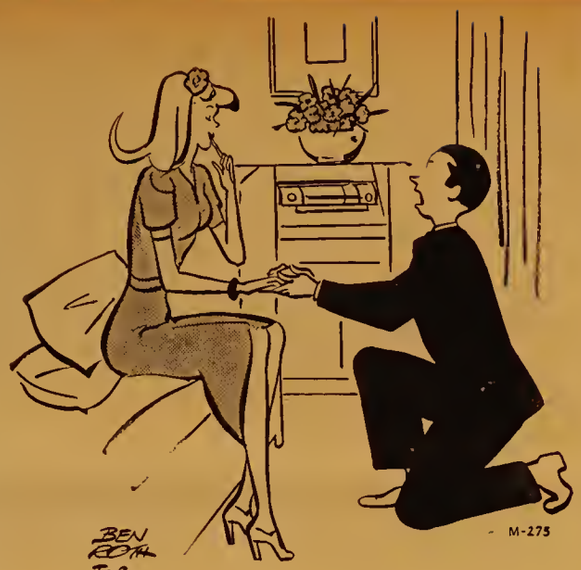
Jean Sheets enjoyed two weeks' vacation at Lake Michigan and Tri-Lakes. She took the boat "City of Midland," from Ludington to Milwaukee and decided Milwaukee would be a nice place to live. . . . Luella Burnsworth joined the time clerk section. Welcome to the office, Luella. . . . Bob Bachman spent his vacation at his cottage at Long Lake. . . . Iris Engle is vacationing in Detroit. Evelyn is substituting. . . . Thetus Johnson is back from his vacation, but we have had no reports as to what he did.

PRODUCTION

Mr. Bock got a little confused over the various doors encountered, because of our recent move. Pardon me, sir. . . . Bill Stockwell had quite a bit of trouble keeping his "bobby sox" in place, so he cut some rubber bands and proceeded to remedy the situation.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

M. Putt, W. Stahl, and T. Ainslie returned to work after spending a week's vacation. Mr. Putt said he motored across Allen County. . . . Don Voorhees is busy repairing his son's bicycle, so Don can ride it to work. . . . Glen Courtney is returning to work this week. Glen said he is well again. We hope so and are glad to see him back again. . . . Earl Kane is one of our new testers. He is from Power Drive. Hope you like us, Earl.



"BUT TWO CAN LIVE AS CHEAPLY AS ONE. THINK OF THE FOOD AND FUEL WE CAN CONSERVE IF YOU MARRY ME."

17-3 Newsies

We were all glad to see Dorothy Bentz back after having spent two and one-half years overseas with the WAC. . . . Violet Brower had a birthday recently and received a very pretty pair of plaques from the girls. Many more happy birthdays, Violet. . . . Lois Brubaker was seen absent-mindedly putting work on the belt before it was finished. Take it slower, Lois. . . . Can you imagine anyone liking Pepsi-Cola on hot dogs? That's the way Lorelei Prior likes hers. . . . Violet Brower and Esther Glusenkamp are on their vacations this week, and they are both at the lake. Have a good time, gals. . . . Jesse Hahn has been taking Walter Kryder's place. We've been glad to have you with us, Jesse. . . . We have a new member for the "forgotten badge" club. Bob George forgot his badge the other day. . . . Lucille Lampke is on a fishing trip up north with her husband and some friends. We got a card from her, and she says the fishing is fine. . . . Geneva Bailey left last Wednesday to be with her husband, who is home from India. He has been overseas two and one-half years, and they will spend his furlough in El Paso, Texas, with his parents.

The Army's 60-inch 800,000,000 candlepower anti-aircraft searchlight is used also as a homing beacon for lost fiers.

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Paul Meyer and family spent the past week vacationing at Adams Lake. . . . C.P.O. Bill Heim visited with Mr. and Mrs. Cash Lutz at Adams Lake on Sunday. Mr. Lutz is feeling fine and sends his best regards to his many friends at the G-E. Another recent visitor at the Lutz cottage was Mrs. Herman Keller. . . . Mable Borne was pleasantly surprised last week when her brother, Richard Borne, who has served overseas for the past three years, met her at the gate. . . . Will someone tell Miriam Moore to turn her glass over before pouring milk in it. . . . Celeste Miller, formerly employed in Plant 2, and Wayne Peterson were married July 12. Congratulations. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Merle Riley, who are the parents of a baby boy born July 12. . . . Congratulations and best wishes to Cecil Henke of Plant 2, and Izora Roop, who were married June 27. . . . On vacation: Olga Schueler, Marcella Bleeke, and Edna Manley. . . . Phillip Courtney has decided to leave the G-E employ to operate a filling station. Sorry to see you go, Cort, and hope you have success in your new venture. . . . Glenn and Brice McMillen are on vacation taking in the sights of Pleasant Mills. . . . Edith Marbaugh is also vacationing this week. . . . Grant Fry, inspector general, second shift, starts his vacation this week. More fish stories. . . . A skating party was held Friday. Nice crowd, but oh so warm. . . . Irvin Schmidt, former shipping room employee on the second shift, was in to visit us in his new sailor uniform. . . . Now we have a combination of Gene Autrey and Tom Mix in the person of Harold (Oscar) Heller, who recently paraded his gallant steed in and about our fair city. We believe he is slated for Hollywood. . . . Roy (Jack) August is a familiar sight on the second, subbing for Louie Shook. . . . Blanche Stevens is a new addition to the cafeteria lineup. . . . Glenn Agler is doing his vacationing this week. . . . Bob Swoveland has become daddy to his sixth child. Congrats, Bob. . . . Mickey McDougal has planned an extensive trip on his vacation this week. It will take a rocket ship to make all the places he has planned. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Winston Rawley, second shift, are taking their vacations this week at Rome City.

Carver Club Picnic Is Set For August 5

Sunday, August 5, has been set for the Carver Club picnic for members and their husbands and friends. Those planning to attend the affair will meet at the home of Hattie Drinks, 1315 Francis Street at 4:30 P.M., where trucks will be waiting to take the group to the picnic grounds.

Those attending are to bring food and table service, as a pot-luck dinner will be served.

A new electric eye application, the "photelometer," which measures the potash content, simplifies and speeds up soil testing.

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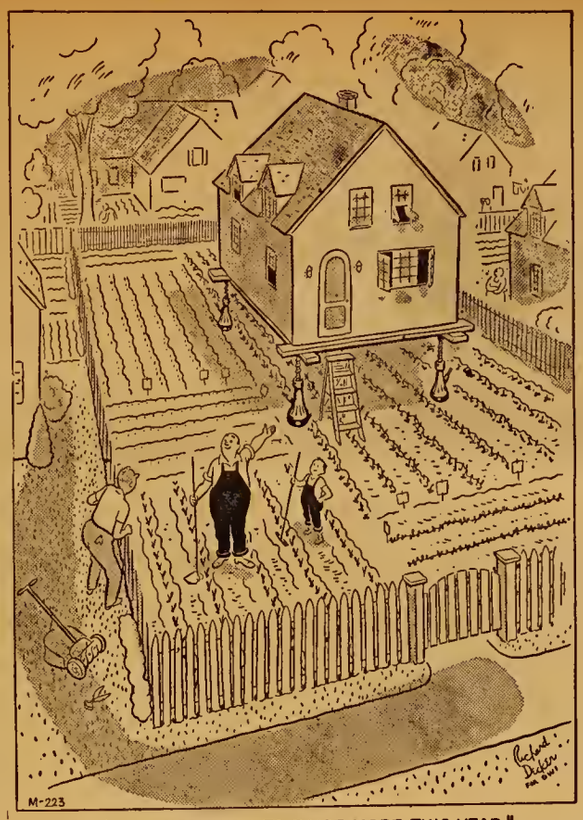
By Jim Crockett

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

"Oh hair net, where art thou?" wondered Irene Bowman after searching everywhere. Later, Irene was surprised to find that she had it on. Yes, we fully agree with her, it is time for a vacation, and incidentally, she is taking her vacation next week. . . . Romance again is blossoming. Maxine Warnock is wearing a sparkler on the third finger, left hand. . . . Dale Irwin's diet proved unsuccessful in trying to lose those extra pounds. We do hope he soon gets back to his normal weight. . . . Jim Harris "old" Virgil (Potts) Alderson a carton of cigarettes. Upon opening the carton, Virgil found it contained sawdust. What's this we've heard about a spendthrift and his money being soon parted? . . . We were very sorry to learn that Morris Gage's little son, Danny, was struck by an automobile, Sunday, July 1, and was seriously injured. As this news is going to press, we are happy to report that Danny is slightly improved and we sincerely hope he continues to improve. Morris is our former set-up man and is now in the Navy. . . . It is wonderful to be able to remain youthful looking, but Winnifred Scheurick and Mary Smith found out one has to age in order to get along in this world. They went to the grocery to buy potatoes, and the clerk told them that she was sorry but she could not sell potatoes to minors. . . . What some people can be seen doing in the morning: Orville Robinson painting his garage. Glenna Hyatt enjoying her third cup of coffee. Irene Bowman baking those delicious cookies we get to sample every so often. Myrtle Barfell shuffling around the house trying to get the family off to work. Dale Irwin looking over his pictures to see if any more have been taken. Joe Tricker feeding his Barred Rocks. Etta Everly hoeing in her victory garden. Lottie McFarland chasing the birds out of her cherry tree. Mona Winkleblack doing the washing on the board with the hope that the next sound of the door bell will be the man to repair her washing machine. Mattie Pitts taking care of her nephew. Irma Augsburger going out to see how the rice crop is progressing. . . . Marjorie Ballentine and Dorthy Golden have found that the ground has not softened up after all these rains, and we fully agree with them after seeing their scratched knees and elbows. . . . Katheryn Norr is having her second childhood rather early in life. She fell down the stairs one day last week and suffered some minor injuries. Blame it on the new floor wax, Katheryn. . . . Bob Till says it pays to wear safety shoes around the house when moving furniture. . . . Herman Lepper, the insecticide expert, says his tomato plants are drying up. Perhaps it was the fly tox you used, Herman. . . . While on his vcation, Al Shonhenz wanted to show how agile he was by jumping from the pier into a boat. But unfortunately he missed the boat and landed in the lake. Let's slow up, Al. . . . Alfred Bierbaum is looking forward to a happy vacation next week. . . . We have not heard one fish story from Emil Birch yet. Or should we say fishy story? . . . Carl Kloepper and Howard Poorman seem to be cooking something up, or do they just hope to be cooking fish next Sunday. . . . We might find Lenora Kimble tenting on her vacation; she cannot find a cottage.

Bldg. 4-4 Office

The Accused—J. Ralph Fishback. The Crime—Riding trains from the Pennsylvania Station to Swinney Park. Why, Mr. Fishback, how do you account for this? After all, it was your daughter who was going to meet her fiance. Why should you be so excited that you forgot to get off the train? . . . Rumors have it that Gus Weisenburger can eat more than any white man in this part of the country. We hear that he went to Detroit recently, and they still are suffering from tbe food shortage. Can you confirm this, Gus? . . . We are happy to report that Gene Foster has finally found the right sales talk to convince his little woman that he does have wings to fly. Speaking of flying, Eldon Bell is burning up gasoline in his little airplane. He really breezes across country. I wouldn't be too surprised if in time I shall hear that he can land on a house. Oh, what imagination I possess. . . . Flash! Flash! Mr. Reynolds found the secret of the fountain of youth. Yes, here in Indiana. He seems to think that playing ball with the junior grade does the trick. He says it'll really help you keep young and active. . . . So until next week when I'll be back in a flash with a dash of spice of Bldg. 4-4 news, happy landings, all you sky pilots. Hot from the press, Elvira Ramary joins the happy, hard-working group in Bldg. 4-4 office. She certainly uses good judgment when she works in Bldg. 4-4. Hope you like us, Elvira!



"WE'RE DETERMINED TO RAISE MORE THIS YEAR."

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello once again, here's the news as we see it—Krakower pays his bills down to the one-half cent. If you don't believe me, just check Hank Lantz, whose half candy bar Krakower bought with two and one-half pennies. (The penny was cut in two right in the middle.) . . . The Drafting Section recently had a farewell party for Mildred Hiatt at the Varsity Club. A fine time was had by all. We hope Mildred enjoys being a home-body once more. . . . We wish to welcome Marjorie Mann, a newcomer in the Drafting Section. . . . Congratulations to Wendell Miller, who just became a father-in-law. . . . Ruth Richardson was entertained at luncheon at the Berghoff on Saturday noon by Marge Eichel, Kattie Dinkle, Jean Altevogt, and Judy Gast. Ruth is planning to leave us soon to visit her husband, a Navy man, in San Francisco. Good luck, Ruth. . . . We wish to welcome Frances Livermore and Mary Ruth Steininger in Al Coxson's Section. . . . Sorry to hear, according to the postcard from Bill Shuler to his gang, that the vacation was so unsuccessful. Bill must have been homesick. . . . Evidently Christmas doesn't come often enough for the Cost Section. It is reported that Christmas Carols were being sung and gifts exchanged on Saturday. Well, this weather might be to blame. . . . Cedric Pershing's wife is home from the hospital. We hope she has a speedy recovery. . . . Helen Kespohl, one of the many vacationers, is in Buffalo, N. Y., having a fine time.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 First Shift

We have four new girls now—Dorothy Bronson, Betty Mahoney, Lucille Michel, and Andra Battershell. Hope you like it here, girls. . . . Sarah Copeland is sporting a new featherbob and has been dubbed "Maisie." It looks nice, Sarah! . . . Lucille Hesting's husband sent her a grass skirt from Hawaii. Florence Mattes modeled it for the girls, and words cannot express just how she looked in it. . . . Beulah Emerick sent Clarence Favourite a nice bunch of fish. She is vacationing in Wisconsin. . . . Mr. Buckmaster came back from his vacation with a badly-sprained finger from playing ball. Practice makes perfect, Buck! . . . Walt Freehill and Clarence Favourite got a mud bath for nothing the other night when a car splashed them. Did you get the license number, boys?

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Lois Yanney is vacationing this week. She'll spend a few days in Indianapolis and the rest of the week at home. . . . We want to welcome Jim Denney, Helen Kessen, and Fern Cotton. We're a little late on these welcomes but happy to have you with us. . . . Ed Fogel says he had a good time on his trip to Chicago last week. . . . Guess who is high man in golf this week? Yep, it's Carl Saaf. . . . Loretta Mulligan had the girls at her home the other night for a good, old-fashioned "hen party" to celebrate birthdays of Phyllis Guillot and yours truly. . . . Ever see a man with so many apples in his desk drawer as Wayne Pribble? No wonder, though, he has a tree right in his own back yard. . . . See you all next week.

Bldg. 12-3

If Edie Yoder and Florence Rekeweg ever pay you a visit, be sure to have egg salad. It's their favorite dish. . . . Can you imagine anyone so anxious to get out at 3:25 P. M. that she'd mistake a box of work for her tool box? Edna Holbrook tried putting a box of plastic parts in her locker instead of her tools. . . . Clara Ringenberg, Athena Toam, Naomi Eicher, and Wilma Burkholder are holding down two jobs at once. They go around advertising nuts, Joe's sandwiches, and other items on little slips of paper taped to their backs—unknown to them, of course. That's O.K., girls, we should all do our bit in the war effort. . . . Katie Parrish shouldn't whistle so loud when Henry, the sweeper, is around. He thought it was the fire whistle instead of Katie. . . . Helen Hiss is vacationing in Chicago this week. Have a nice time, Helen. . . . Frances Slusher and Pauline Schneiders have returned to work after spending an enjoyable week's vacation.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

Hiya, all. Don't the weeks just fly? If you don't think so, try getting out a news report every week. . . . Here's a set of footprints on the welcome mat that looks familiar. Hello—it's Mary Avery, back again. . . . If you want to see what an absent-minded professor really looks like, take a look at Teldy Walker. She punched in her time card as she came back from lunch. And then there are the Saturday night workers who forget to bring their lunches. . . .

19-B's BUZZ

Something new has been added! New fluorescent lighting system, new bench drawers, and a few other items. We're mighty proud of our improvements. We're "expecting" rugs on the floor next week. . . . Those enjoying vacations this week are Paul Harding, Virginia Haskins, and Herb Krueger. Have a nice time, kids. . . . We bet there was one happy little boy in the Seip family when "Papa Fred" arrived home with the new bike. Remember you bought it for the boy, Fred. Especially when you run low on gas stamps. . . . Ruth Dove went to Great Lakes, Ill., to visit her son, Bob, last week-end. . . . Our sympathy to Russell Harper, who is absent due to a recent visit to the dentist. . . . Also on the sick list are Cecil Emrick and Ruby Lassiter. Hurry back, we miss you. . . . Sorry to hear Dwight Stoner is suffering from the mumps. Have you tried eating pickles, Jr.? I've heard they are good for what ails you. . . . Mamie Ray shouldn't have had that complete check-up. She's felt bad ever since. Must be something to the old saying, "What you don't know won't hurt you!" Eh, Mamie? . . . Have you noticed the nice tan Pat Clauss is sporting? Golfing is the prescription. . . . Bob Heinzelmann must believe in the three little monkeys one sees so often. He says he hears nothing, sees nothing, and tells nothing. . . . We learned last week that Virgie Mayer has canned 59 quarts of peaches. Must we bring our points when we come to help you eat them next winter, Virgie? . . . Ann Kocher enjoyed her one extra day of vacation time this week. . . . Have you seen the smiles on Vera Bley's face? Must be because her sailor son is flying home August 17. We're glad for you, Vera. . . . Connie Filus has returned to work after enjoying a vacation with her husband, Frank, Bldg. 19-2, before his induction into the service. . . . Happy birthday to our sweeper, "Pop" Ingersole. "Pop" is 79 today. Many more, "Pop." . . . Anyone wondering why the gang were all at the last table? No, it wasn't a bargain counter—it was only Roberta Haley eating a banana, and the rest of the girls wanted to see if they could still recognize one! . . . Melvin Braun returned from his vacation with a big smile—perhaps he wanted to tell of that big fish—that got away! . . . Gracie Oher's on the sick list. A speedy recovery, Gracie. . . . Glad to hear Miss Meyer's softball team is doing so well—except for the catcher (our own Verna Meyer). Should the pitcher use a tennis ball? Or the catcher, a bucket?

Something new has been added. Martha Zoll has created a new jive step. Requirements: One piece of hot flash down the neck and the ability to dislodge same in a hurry. . . . Do we have any good detectives in the crowd? Alice Parquet is looking for a small apartment. Preferably southwest. . . . We are sorry to hear about "Punk" Cearbaugh's accident. "Punk" is Vivian's daughter. Here's our best wishes for a speedy recovery. . . . If you hear Becky, Ruth, and Freada talk of trembling—don't be alarmed. That is the latest lesson in their Hawaiian guitar class.

The Teen Agers Help Slap



Joan McCague, a graduate of Ossian High School at 17, helps G-E slap the Japs by working in the Telegraph Section in the Main Office, Broadway Plant. She is shown doing requisition index filing.



Marie Johnson, 17, (at left) does general office work in a shop office of the Motor and Generator Division.

Bill Hanke (below), an Elmhurst senior, does packing in 19-B for the Motor and Generator Division.



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Bob Toerne, 18, is employed at the Winter Street Plant as a helper in the Packing and Shipping Room. He has just graduated from Central High School.

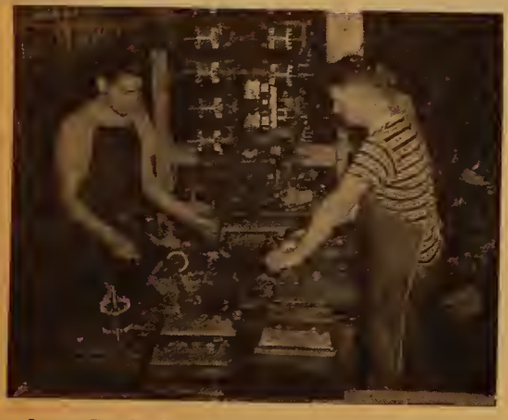


Maxine Mundell, 17, whistles as she solders switch and overload mechanisms to stator in the small motor production line at the Kokomo Plant. She will go back to Sharpsville High School as a senior.





These Teen Agers do co
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Emma Wood, 16,



James Teeple, left above, and Kermit Crist true shafts for fractional horsepower motors at the Decatur Plant. James is a senior at Pleasant Mills High School, and Kermit is a junior at Monroe High School.



Richard Parrish, 16 attended North Side High School and now winds coils for transformers in Bldg. 26-2.



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Japs With General Electric

Betty G. Kraner (below), 18, came to G-E from Bryant, Ind., and works as a litho operator in the Blue Print Room at the Taylor Street Plant.

Keith Stayer (at right), 16, from Sidney, Ind., works as a stock helper in the Specialty Transformer Division.







Formerly a Central High School student, Madonna Lehman, 17, now works at the Winter Street Plant as a duplicator operator.





These messengers take off for their day's work. Shown from left to right are Dan Roth, a South Side High School junior; Arelene Mullaney, a Central Catholic High School graduate; Pat Quinn, a junior at Central Catholic, and Donna Bauermeister, a former Central Catholic student.



Shown on the small motor assembly line in the Decatur Plant, left to right, are Paul Bucher, 17, Carey Knittle, 17, Don Runschlag, 16, and Donald Bieberich, 16. All attend Decatur High School.









Betty Pfeiffer, 17, works with instruments in the Taylor Street Laboratory. She is a graduate of Columbia City High School.



William Shine, Jr., assembles mechanism to rotors at the Kokomo Plant. A graduate of Kokomo High School at 17, William has his eyes turned toward the Navy.

Arthur Druhot, 17, who will go back to Central High School in the fall as a senior, works at the Winter Street Plant as a checker.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

Anyone who has been to the 500-mile races at Indianapolis will readily remember the checkered flag used to flag down the winner of the race. For the last week or so all of the Bldg. 4-5 testers, south end, have been wondering where the "winner" in the section was, for there was a checkered flag darting around almost continuously. Then the truth was discovered. It was not an auto race flag at all but the new cap worn by Paulus Adams, Bldg. 4-5 tester. . . . Helen Bunnell has always been very much sold on a certain car, but hers hasn't been running so well lately. How would you like to trade it for a good car, Helen? . . . It seems that Ilo Motter had a birthday recently, and we forgot to wish her a happy birthday. Well, "Happy Birthday," Ilo, and that goes for Leonard Jenne and Barbara Stoops, who just recently had birthdays too. . . . Speaking of birthdays, we wish to make a correction in last week's column. Alice Niemeyer just turned 21 instead of 19. We are really sorry, Alice. . . . Miriam Funderberg brought Irene Habecker a pair of shoes from New York, but they are much too little, so she says she will just have to wear them pinned on her dress. . . . This is not true in Viloet Henderson's case. Violet recently received 11 pairs of colorful, handwoven, straw shoes from the Philippines, and she can wear them too. . . . Eva Hall also received some very interesting souvenirs. Her husband was home on a 24-hour furlough and brought her a Filipino knife, Jap pistol, Jap bullets, some Australian and Jap money, and a silk Japanese flag. . . . We sure miss Pete Macke, who was transferred to the Taylor Street Plant. . . . Another familiar face that is missing around here is Vincent Cook, who has left us to join Uncle Sam's Army. Good luck and come back to see us soon. . . . The Bldg. 4-5 "Amateurs" have challenged the "Professionals" to a golf match. The stakes have not yet been decided, but I bet they will be interesting. There is a slight difference of opinion as to the handicap, too. The "Amateurs" consist of Gene Firestone, Jim Clark, Joe Steenman, and "Blackie" Winefer. The so-called "Professionals" are Mike Trott, Cliff Long, and the two Johnnies—Young and Gitter. . . . Did you know that Clarence Lopshire really kicks the bucket around? He almost fell over a wastepaper basket, and he turned around and gave the basket a kick down the aisle. We'll bet that his toe got the worse end of the deal. . . . It seems as though everybody chose last week for their vacations. In fact, there were so many it would take up our entire column to mention their names, so, we hope they don't feel offended for not being mentioned, but let us know if anything exciting happened while you were away. . . . Ralph Wall, S 1/c, former packer in south end, was a visitor on the floor last week. Ralph is stationed in Rhode Island. . . . William E. Mattingly, a former employee, was recently commissioned a Lieutenant while serving in the Army Signal Corps on Guam. . . . The Section 15 girls had a luncheon at the Varsity Club in honor of Mary Jo Sites, who is leaving our little group. Mary Jo was presented with two lovely pins. . . . You have heard of people painting the town red, but usually not themselves. In Myron Richard's case it was the latter. He became entangled with a can of glyptal. . . . Anyone needing any advice on manipulating windshield wipers should see Johnny Young. We hear he is quite a mechanic. . . . Our political adviser is none other than Betty Hedrick. She knows all the mayors of the various towns and cities near here, but the pronunciation of their names all sounds alike. . . . Small world. You find out new things every day. The latest discovery is that our mail boy is none other than Lawerence Chesterman, Jr. His pop is our second trick supervisor. Guess he's going to start from the bottom up and follow in his father's shoes. We wonder if Lawerence Sr. started out with blue shoe strings in his saddle oxfords?

An electric motor can step up its power output from three to five times capacity to handle peak loads of short duration.

Let Us Try As Hard



TO AVOID GETTING HURT AS DO "DOC" AND HIS STAFF WHEN REPAIRING THE WOUND. "CAN 'DOC' SAVE 'EM" has been the question raised by many a person when a hand with damaged fingers is pulled out of the machine. Our Medical Section not only "fixes 'em up," but, also, works closely with the Safety Section to "prevent 'em."

Dr. Garton, our Works Physician, is shown in the above picture. He has the following comments to make:

"The demands for all-out war production have served to re-emphasize the well known fact that good health is not only freedom from disease, but rather a POSITIVE state of well being which enables an individual to maintain a sustained higher level of activity, with longer hours, fatigue, transportation difficulties, and the increased tempo of living making their increased demands on health reserves.

"The problems of industrial health and safety have been complicated by several special conditions brought about by conversion to war production, namely—

(1) CHANGES IN COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT. The crowding in homes, factories, and transportation facilities, always increases the threat of epidemics of contagious diseases which could seriously disrupt production. It is a tribute to our local medical profession, our health authorities, and to the COOPERATION OF EMPLOYEES that no serious epidemics have been allowed to develop.

(2) THE PHYSICAL MAKE-UP OF THE WAR-LABOR POPULATION. Peacetime standards had to be revised. Just as certain strategic materials had to be salvaged to meet shortages, likewise men with physical disabilities had to be salvaged to meet manpower shortages. This required careful placement and involved questions of both health and safety.

(3) HAZARDS OF THE WORKING ENVIRONMENT. New types of machines, new materials, substitute materials, and new processes have increased the possibilities of accidents and occupational illness, and have received special attention, with preventive measures.

"IN SPITE OF THESE COMPLICATING FACTORS, OUR PEOPLE SEEM TO HAVE FARED QUITE WELL IN MATTERS OF SAFETY AND HEALTH. THE EFFORT WILL HAVE TO BE SUSTAINED TO FINISH THE JOB OF WINNING THE WAR AND MAINTAINING A SAFE AND HEALTHFUL COMMUNITY THEREAFTER."

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Vacations, vacations! How fast they go, but what good use we make of them while they are here! Margaret Hoot, patriotic and peppy, spent a "backyard" vacation, leaving its premises only to fish and visit relatives. Ruth Swaidner vacationed as Margaret did, adding lots of sleep and loafing to her repertoire. Larry Reed went a little musical last week. He rebuilt a player piano, but he still can't play'er. Don't tell him we think a piano man might help. We wish we could have seen Mel Borcherling sitting at home in that easy chair of his, dolled up in slippers and comfy clothes, and puffing contentedly on a pipe, while cooling off in the breezes of an electric fan. Norbert Lose, in his own words says, "I caught a lot of 'big' fish away down in Decatur." Lucky boy! He's the "onliwon" we know of who caught fish on last week's vacation. Russ Noll, who visited relatives in Boston, is already looking forward to spending his next vacation in California. From one ocean to t'other. Betty Billman is back from her vacation, which was spent visiting relatives in Lansing, Mich. While Betty was there, she took a look-see around the Michigan State campus at East Lansing. Earl Stauffer, Jack Willauer, Carl Freygang and Tony Willy are all relaxing in the beautiful climate of northern Indiana. . . . Charley Fruechtenicht is back from a little business trip in Detroit. . . . Lost, strayed or stolen: One hairnet! Don Kruse will give a reward to the finder. Please, someone, find the hairnet! . . . We are happy to hear that Ray Heller came home from the hospital this week minus the appendix. The test gang misses you and hopes that each day brings you closer to complete recovery. . . . This sudden cold snap took a lot of us by surprise—the cloak room was brimming full of sweaters, coats, and jackets Monday morning. And a lot of us, I betcha, stole grandpa's red flannels and felt darn good in them. . . . We take lots of pride in announcing that our archers are getting really good. Charley Hunt can bend his bow now—after taking $10 worth of vitamins. Other archers are Clifford Imboddy and Charles Stuckey. Cliff is still using the bow he made when he was six years old. Stuckey uses a bow he bought from an Indian before he left the reservation in Nevada, it's reported. . . . Virginia Webster was presented with a birthday cake by Clara McKissik. Boy, was it good. Many more happy birthdays, Virginia. . . . We present the welcome mat to Walter Crompton, Floyd K. Bennett, Ross Slater, and Gaylord S. Kurts. Glad to have you in the gang. . . . George Fann, "the man with the million dollar smile," George Patterson, short but mighty, and Jesse Ebersole, all tanned up, have returned from vacations. . . . Harold Knepp sure looks cute running through the rain with a canvas over his head. . . . Virgil Kimes says, "I can't wait till me vacation"! ! . . . Lester Myers, Wilbur Krebs, and Darrel Troyer will soon have their hair back. The war will be over soon, and then they can quit worrying about their cars. After all, lots of people are driving jalopies these days, and you can buy hair grower at any drugstore. . . . Jim Young is the boy who has suddenly turned farmer. After years as a "city feller," he has decided he will spend most of the summer working on a farm. . . . Imagine Mary Mobley in old clothes, Marjorie and Clara not chewing gum, Lillian without a flower in her hair, Earl Stauffer sitting in a chair, Amos Robb without his leather jacket, George Fann being satisfied with everything, or Harold six feet tall. . . . Jim Kelley says he chased that chipmunk five miles instead of three. Sorry, Jim, we thought you were heading north.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Joe Eifrid has finally attained his life's ambition—that of selling papers on the transfer corner. . . . If anyone is looking for a good bubble-blower, contact Betty Bradtmiller. She knows where there's a good one. . . . Charlie Boedeker has the fish story of the week. He saw a dogfish chase a catfish up a tree—he said. . . . Lennie Hutson came back from his vacation just as pale as the day he left. No sunburn, and the only new thing about him was a skinned nose. Len claims he only hooked one big fish, and that one pulled him overboard. Hence the skinned nose. Better luck next year, Lennie. . . . Say, we really had a circus Saturday night in Bldg. 17-1. Well, anyway, we had sawdust on the floor during the rainstorm. . . . Little Bud in Steel Stock said he's been so busy trying to keep up with the latest these days, that he thinks he should have a party line. . . . Dudley Lester is off work with a bad ankle. Hope you are O.K. soon. . . . John Gordy of Heat Treat has moved to 2-1E. A lot more room, eh, Gordy? . . . We extend our sympathy to the family of Clarence Thomas, our co-worker, who died suddenly this last week. . . . Marge Dietsch seems to be another one of those people who have always had a yearning to go back to nature. It seems that now her ambitions are to be realized. Marge and her husband have acquired a farm and plan to move there soon. . . . Hugh Price has three bulls, and he hopes they will be nice, fat ones by butchering time. . . . Joe Eifrid would like to learn the tune to "Row, row, row your boat." . . . Jim Richards, the elevator man, is hoping for a sandwich shop to be put in the elevator. It would save a lot of time—says Jim. . . . It seems that Frank Gitter was halfway home on the street car one day last week when he suddenly remembered that he had come on a bicycle. . . . Four new men were added to the Punch Press Section this last week. . . . There are several air-minded workers in the tool room, or air-conditioned? . . . So—we'll be seeing you next week same time, same 17-1.

British sailor: "Battleships! Why the flagship of our navy is so large that the captain goes around the deck in his automobile!"

American sailor: "You ought to see our flagship! Especially the kitchen. It's so large the cook has to go through the Irish stew in a submarine to see if the potatoes are cooked."

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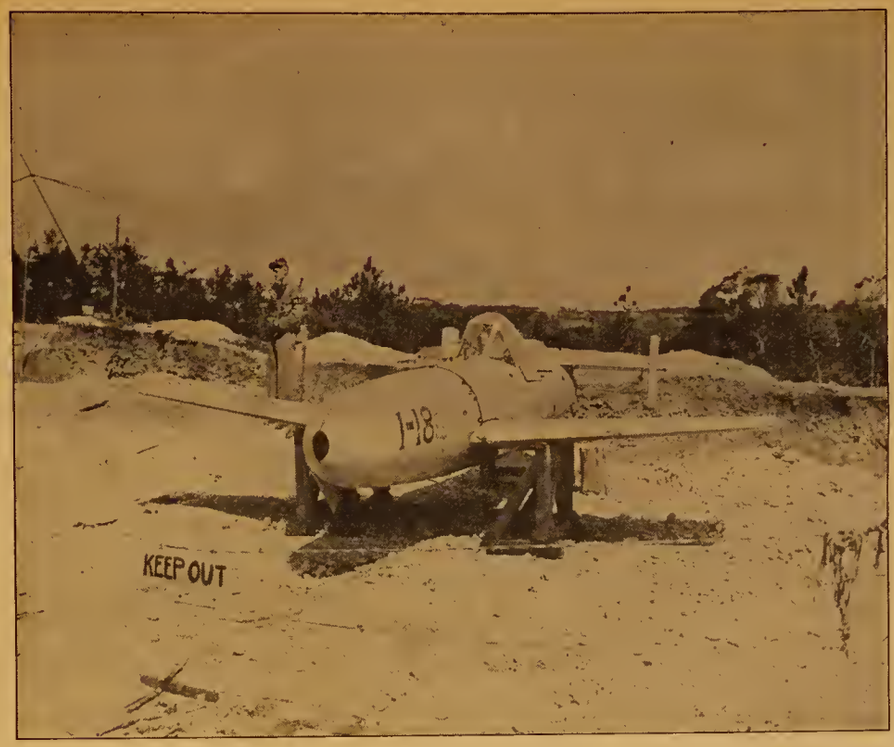
Plant Service

Clarence Pickett says he will have lots of fish stories to tell when he returns after spending this coming week at Crooked Lake. Have you got your casting rod ready, Clarence? Be sure to take your rations with you because if you go to a restaurant, this is what you may find on the door: No sugar, no meat, no points, no help, management out of town! . . . Herman Kennig has left us to go into business for himself, so we all wish you lots of luck, Herman. . . . The carpenters and Paint Shop were sorry to hear that Ruth Yentes, our jolly good timekeeper, is leaving because of ill health. We all sincerely wish her a speedy recovery. May we see you back on the job soon, Ruth. . . . Fred Shank's family were very happy to have their two sons, who are in the Navy, home on a leave, as the two boys had not see each other for 32 months. . . . Russell Goshorn, guard, will be off on his vacation this coming week. . . . Frank Klopfenstein, janitor, will be off the same week on his vacation. . . . Ruth Yentes wants to thank all the gang for the beautiful gift. Ruth really appreciates it and will miss you. She will try to drop you a line so that you won't forget her. . . . In case you are interested, and I know you are, the new time clerk is Violet Norris. I know you will all do your best, as you always have, to help her. . . . Let's keep this news column going strong, boys. If anyone has a newsy item, let's give it to the reporters. . . . You'd better not forget the key to your lock this week because our locksmith, Herman Roesener, is on vacation and won't be here to unlock it. He didn't say much about his plans for the week, so my guess is that he is working at home. . . . Les Girton is vacationing at Coldwater Lake this week. Can't you just see him basking in his swimming suit or out there on the lake pulling in those big fish? At least he's planning to catch big ones!

Fractional Doings AT TAYLOR STREET

One could never tell what the weather was going to be like if they listened to Rosie Hecke. The other day she ordered a fan and a load of kindling all in the same breath. Well, I guess we don't know anyway these days. . . . Everyone had Maybelle Grant believing the ticket she received was for a month's rest in luxury with no bills to pay. Better luck next time, Maybelle. . . . Observations in the cafeteria were very interesting this week. We saw Jessie Coombs with dinner but no silverware; Bill Seibold trying to drink pop without opening the bottle; Chester Platt with his new cigarette holder (he is being called Junior now); and Edna Holmes trying to give the cashier her tray instead of the money for her meal. . . . Will someone tell Lillian Smith that all bells aren't sleigh bells? After hearing bells recently, we saw Lillian and Marie Johanns looking for Santa Claus. . . . Birthday greetings to Hilda Markle. . . . Our congratulations to June O'Brien, who has become a bride. Also to Gloria Zion and Geraldine Scheumann, who have become engaged. . . . We are wondering what will be on Ardis Walter's breakfast menu when she starts to carry her breakfast. 'Tis rumored she intends doing same. . . . Marjorie Rouch has taken up the sport of riding a bucking bronco. The next day a lounge chair would have been a bit more comfortable than any place she could think of. Better change your idea soon, Margie.

Flying Coffin



One of the Japanese "suicide planes," abandoned by the enemy at Yontan airfield, Okinawa, is guarded by Marine Private First Class Clyde Carr, of Salem, Mo. They are similar to the first German V-Bombs except that they carry a pilot to his death. Only a few of these "Bake Bombs," as they have been dubbed, were used at Okinawa and these had little success.

—Official U. S. Navy Photograph

Punch Press

Margaret Hemlinger and Mary Johns are on the sick list. Hope you will be well soon. . . . Ruth Hyser wants to thank all the girls from the Punch Press for the nice cards they sent her when she was in the hospital. . . . Cleota Squires will be on her vacation next week. Have a good time, Cleota. . . . Harley Springer and Ted Mullens have been transferred to Broadwa

Tool Room

Jeff Young has the inside track now. Yes, sir, he's golfing regularly now with Frank (Nephew) Lebrecht. Jeff, we hear, is furnishing balls, lunch, and is paying green and caddy fees. Wonder if Frank will hit his own balls? Seems Frank ought to do something. . . . Quite a feud has existed between Homer Seng and Lloyd Fluke, but after listening to their rendition of a vocal duet, we have decided they should be in the South Pacific entertaining troops. Those boys are in good condition and probably could stand the strain.

Receiving

We've received a letter from Joyce Inks, who is vacationiong in California. She is having a swell time and attended the launching of a ship, which is quite an affair. . . . Bob Friend is pretty busy this week, as he is taking over Bill Elick's job at the Oil House. . . . Since Fort Wayne is temporarily without a daily newspaper, Gus has more time to rest at noon. He misses his paper very much, as it makes it hard for him to keep in touch with the news, says he. . . . John Stockman, of the Marine Task Force, called on us Tuesday. He formerly worked at McKinley Ave. and the Power House at Taylor Street. He wears seven combat stars. He looks good and feels fine. Glad to see you, John. . . . LeRoy Possel, of the Army, who was at one time reported missing in action, called on us last week. A most welcome visitor! We are always glad to have the boys call. . . . Ruth Penrod, of the Receiving Inspection Section, is off work a few days this week, as she is having her tonsils removed. We hope the operation is successful, Ruth. . . . Pauline Bennett has joined the "Forgotten Badge Club." Pauline says she certainly could have used roller skates that morning. . . . We heard from Ernie Chelf, who left here last week to work at Broadway. He likes his new work real well. We miss Ernie here, especially Red. . . . No hobbies yet? What's the matter, gang? . . . Brownie has taken over new extra duties. He is practicing to be a foot specialist. Don will recommend him highly. . . . Cliff Wolfe's "bachelor" days are over, as his wife came back Wednesday from a visit in Auburn. Mrs. Wolfe became very sick while away and had to return sooner than expected. We hope she will soon be feeling better.

Rotor

Agnes Rugman leaves us to take up her household duties once again. Don't work too hard, Agnes. . . . Kenneth Conner is leaving us for his old home town. Sorry to see you go, Kenney. . . . How does everyone like the new "showers." It seems the water fountains have sprung leaks quite frequently here of late. . . . There are still a few who are taking their vacations, some at their homes, some at lakes, and others just here one day and there another. Those who are enjoying vacations now are Paul DeWeerd, Coral Schultz, Lois Tritch, Fred Young, Gladys Varner, Wilbur Shidler, and Mary Beaman. . . . Gladys Varner is spending her vacation with her brother, who is home on a furlough. . . . Merle Smith has been off ill the last several weeks. Hope to see you back soon, Merle. . . . Wanda Foulk is taking a two-month sick leave. Don't stay away too long, Wanda. We'll sure miss you. . . . Repair Section got a letter from Margaret (Middaugh) Coombs recently. Nice to hear from her. . . . Helen Pogozelski, Betty Summers, and Mary Ann Hicks were transferred to the Broadway Plant. Hope you like your new jobs, girls. . . . Mary Martone and Martha Juillerat were transferred to second shift in the Packing Section. We sure hated to see you leave us, girls. . . . Lois Forst was transferred to Final Assembly. Hope you like your new job and location.

Shipping

Charles Fisher is still after that big fish in Robinson Lake, but he will settle for any fish that is of legal size. . . . Bob Schulthess had cigarettes Saturday, but we had never heard of these brands before. Now's the time to learn. . . . Vivian Spindler was a busy girl last week because of vacations in the section. . . . We are still waiting for Bob Zimmerman to catch a real mess of fish. We want to enjoy a fish fry. . . . The Shipping Section misses Alice Zent, who has left us for Roanoke. We all wish Alice a lot of luck and hope that she can pay us a visit soon. . . . Audrey Smith has returned to work in the Shipping Office after a week's vacation. Betty Thiele took over her position and handled it very efficiently. . . . Has Van Horn told you any fish stories since he returned from his vacation? Well, he has some for you, just ask him. . . . We had two very welcome visitors the other week. They were two of Uncle Sam's sailors. Marshall Fisher was home on leave from his station in Oregon, and Mort Stillpass brought his son into our section and introduced him. We sure should not complain after we hear what these boys have been through. . . . We give Jim Denny our best wishes on his new position and hate to lose him from his connections with the Shipping gang. . . . Vic Robbe is on his vacation this week. We understand he is at Hamilton Lake taking a well-deserved rest.

Nozzle Box

We were sorry to hear that Charles Purner was in an auto accident. Charlie has three broken ribs and an injured hand. . . . The best of luck goes to "Whimpy" Wheeler, who leaves for the Army soon. The Nozzle Box gang wants you to keep in touch with them, "Whimpy." . . . Ethel McCray is expecting her son home on furlough from the Army. Another son is in the Navy. . . . Clara Wheeler's husband has been discharged from the Army, and Clara is certainly happy about the whole thing. . . . Fred Thompson returned this week after taking his two weeks' vacation. He spent one week at the lake fishing. Fred took the cottage that Charlie Shidler had used. Fred should have made it a day earlier, since the fine steak that Charlie had left in the refrigerator had spoiled. Charlie's wife had left the steak in the refrigerator until they were ready to leave, and then they left without it. . . . Atley Prough and Harry Lee have just returned from their vacations, both of which were spent at home. . . . John Mangona has been transferred from the Rotor to the Nozzle Box Section. He is taking Wilbur Priors' place in the Grind and Finish Section. . . . Congratulations go to Alma Keller and Eugenia Schurg. Both girls had birthdays last week. . . . Florence Lea is happy to have her son with her. He is Cpl. Lloyd Lea, just returned from overseas duty. Lloyd worked in the Drafting Section before going into the armed services.

Screw Machine

Ernie Golliver is on his vacation this week. . . . Kenny Drew just returned from his vacation. He went to Canada to fish, and the fish stories sure are flying. . . . Bill

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Charleston is also on his vacation, and no word has been heard from him. We are wondering if he will get his bumper guard fixed, like be's been threatening. . . . Al Keller has a riding horse for sale. He says he loves her very much, and he hates to part with her, but he can't stand to ride it as much as he would like to. Keep at it, Al; tbat's the only way. . . . If anyone in our section would like to hear a good solo, just tiptoe up behind Alma Bangert. She sings all day while she works. . . . Anyone desiring information on cigarettes, ask George Felts. He says they are not only hard to get but much harder to keep. Just ask George. . . . Ernest Holston, better known as just plain Ernie, will be leaving us soon for the Army. He reports the 24th of July. We are losing a good worker and a fine friend. The gang all says good luck, Ernie. . . . Ned Schaffer left our section to work in Developmental. . . . Edgar Clark is also leaving us. He is being transferred to Broadway, Bldg. 6-2. We will surely miss you boys, but we wish you both the best of luck. . . . Gene Kilty is vacationing this week, and from what we hear he is spending his week in Cleveland, Ohio.

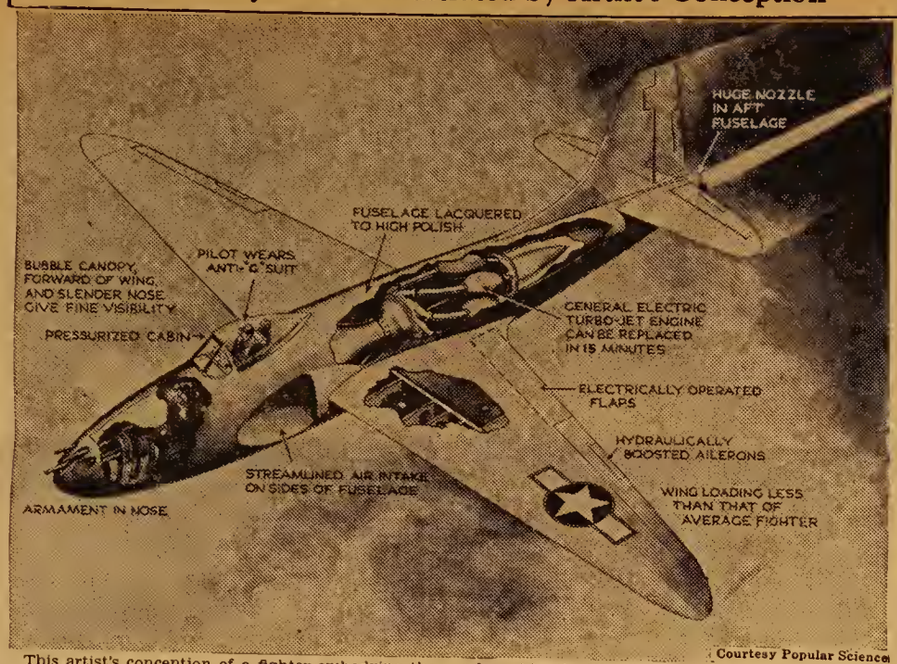
Impeller

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Manasseh Garard's wife. She died Monday morning. You have our deepest sympathy. . . . Margurite Erdly has been transferred to Final Assembly. We sure hate to see you go. You will be missed very much, but we hope you will like your new job. . . . We were wondering why Ardella Wyatt bas been holding her head so funny and limping, but we found out she was riding a bicycle and hit the curb. And did she take a spill! . . . Hugh Tiggs came in Saturday morning with a big smile on his face. Joe Cochoit asked him why so happy. He said, "You would be too if you were a proud father of a baby boy." We wish your wife and son the best of luck, Hugb. . . . Alma Brown and Russell Bowdy are enjoying vacations this week. . . . Bob Bennett came back to visit us this week. Could it be that he is homesick for the old gang? . . . Anyone wishing to buy tomatoes from Clarence Gardt had better place his order early. Clarence came to work one day this week proudly displaying his first tomato. . . . Hazel Moore is back with us after a few days' illness. . . . Hilda Horstmeyer, since your husband is so good at catching turtles, how about a dish of turtle soup?

Assembly

Virginia Speaks is in the market for a record player. Also "The Broken Record." . . . Peg Ieavel and husband attended a Navy picnic Saturday evening. . . . Edith Carter's son, Dale, had a birthday July 11. Final Assembly and Packing Sections said "Happy Birthday" by cards. He is stationed at Amarillo, Texas. . . . Pete Koogle was called to Van Wert due to the death of his mother. We are all very sorry to hear this sad news.

Fastest G-E Jet Plane Illustrated by Artist's Conception



Courtesy Popular Science

This artist's conception of a fighter embodying the characteristics of the Army Air Forces Lockheed P-80, which is driven faster than any other plane will fly by the super-powerful G-E Jet engine. was based on facts released by the War Department. The cutaway of the fuselage between the cockpit and the tail gives a schematic picture of the General Electric gas turbine, which is the most powerful engine in the air today.

2-3 Office

Polly Line is walking on air these days. The reason—a brand new granddaughter. And will that little glamour gal's soldier daddy be glad when he gets home from war, with her to welcome him. . . . If anyone doesn't know what to do with his Sunday afternoon, he might go down to Blue Lake and help Basil Bowley with his cottage. Now don't everyone run at once. . . . Lavonne Voltz has a dress that does double duty. Ask her about it sometime. . . . Our office is really going to be empty this week with Audrey Hickernill, Janet Ogden, Bob Wefel, Zoa and Clarence Didier, and Lavone Voltz all on vacation. . . . When we asked Jay Rippe what he was going to do on his vacation, he just grinned and said, "Work on the farm." All who believe that, please stand.

That's all for now,

SUNBEAM SAL.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Russell LeBeau is proud of his talented family. Only last week his two children were on a radio program. Maybe they are the future Quiz Kids. . . . Lester Faus has solved the butter and milk shortage. He bought a cow. He drives to a near-by farm every morning. Les, maybe you had better buy a bicycle, too! . . . Mary Ringler is off on the sick list this week. We hope you are back with us real soon, Mary. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner's finger is still stiff, after that battle with the tube plugging machine. It must have hurt, because she really shouted for help! ! . . . We want to wish a very happy birthday to Donna Wagoner and Edward Brinkman. . . . Have you heard George Huber singing his famous advertising tunes? He likes the one about Super-Suds best. . . . Bill Hattendorf is a noted person now. Not only is he an organist, but he is a star baseball player. Listen to the news broadcast and hear about him.

Is Zat So?

The final inspectors are certainly an ambitious group. They started working ahead of schedule Saturday noon and were wondering why the other groups were not working when the starting whistle blew. Maybe they were in a hurry to get the day over. . . . Dan Hoover is really a generous fellow. . . . We all enjoy hearing a good whistler. Ray Stanger has become quite accomplished at the art. . . . Loyal Decker came to work wearing new glasses and proceeded to grab the wrong time card. What's the matter, Decker, don't they fit? . . . You will have to look twice, but we think Max Anders is raising a mustache. . . . Ann West opened her purse, and a large moth flew out, nearly scaring Bess Justus speechess. Don't let a pretty thing like that scare you, Bess. . . . Tom Korkdorffer, Ed Dolsen, and Delores Lacey were the service people who visited us this week. . . . "Casey" Jones spent his vacation with his son, who is home on furlough. . . . Neil Allen is working first shift, while Norbert Meyer enjoys a vacation. Other vacationists this week are Warren Locker, Betty Kaufman, Jim Johnson, Ermond Tickel, Arnold Berning, Mickey Kapelka, Heinie Wichern, Betty Bradtmiller, Fern Bermes and Von (Pap) Eichhorn.

The number of persons under 25 years old who are drowned each year is the equivalent of the normal complement of 30 U. S. Navy destroyers, according to the National Safety Council.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Lauretta Elliott and Anna Garrison were greatly surprised to see Bill Shuherk at 7 A.M. last Saturday when they came in early to catch up on some work. But Bill was even more surprised to see no one else in the office! We start work at 8 o'clock, Bill, remember? However, the plausible excuse is that Bill is engaged to marry Helen Scott on September 15, so we can expect almost anything until then. Congratulations. . . . A member of the high feline society paid Bldg. 31 a visit last week. She was the guest of honor at a dinner served by members of the office force. The menu consisted of half of a meat (get that —meat) sandwich and a half-pint of milk. . . . We are very sorry for Emmett Kearney, who has been suffering from food poisoning. We all hope you are feeling better now. . . . Who is the unseen person that Dale Hurdle talks with some of the time? Could it be "Yehudi?" . . . Edna Bruns has returned from her vacation just as brown as a berry in spite of Mr. Sun's seclusion. . . . Others who are back from vacations are George Murray, Mary Jo Dorsam, Dorothy Bixby, Ruth Schafenacker, Jean Stiver and Vic Rump. . . . Vera McGregor's birthday was July 6, and she celebrated it here Monday, due to her vacation. While on vacation she baked her own birthday cake and had to coax people to try it. Now all the fellows in the office want to know if she can cook, too. . . . Speaking of birthdays, Art Voelker, Jean Stiver and Verda Byers all celebrated on July 9, and Leonard Gruber also had a July birthday. Quite a month! . . . Dorothea Gitter was disappointed last Sunday when she went to the lake and found only clouds in the sky, no sun at all. Better "tanning" next time, Toddy. . . . We bave a new girl in the Cost Section, nam... Alice Collins. Hope she likes . . . Everett Keese has been nom... nated for the best burn of ... week. He returned from his vac... tion with a nose that looked li... a "boiled lobster." . . . We ... thought Larry Hart was a pret... good typist, but we were surprise... to see Mason Smith trying h... hand at it, too! What hidden ... ent in the Termination Sectio... Better not let Jean discover you... too good, or you both might get ... permanent job. . . . Ilow Wil... has had her share of mishaps ... the summer. She started out w... poison ivy on her heel, then gra... uated to an infected mosquito b... and the last was when the ir... fell on her wrist. We extend ... sympathy, Ilow, and hope the ... mainder of the summer will ... "uneventful" for you. . . . With... a week's time, "Mac" (Hone... Abe) McClure found a wrist watc... a purse with over a hundred do... lars, and a diamond ring, all ... which he returned to the owne... When asked what reward he g... for finding the diamond rin... which his tailor had lost, Mac sa... he didn't even get a "thank you... and on top of it all he has to wa... four weeks before he can get th... trousers he had to have altered... That's gratitude for you. . . . W... are sorry to see Betty Jane Smit... Helen Forker, Wayne Jones an... Harold Federspiel leave Bldg. 31-... but the best luck to you all! Way... and Harold are both transferred ... Bldg. 18, and Betty and Helen ha... left the Company. . . . Mr. Gru... had a surprise birthday part... given for him in the office by th... people in his section on July 1... They presented him with a lovel... pen as well as a huge birthday... cake with "Happy Birthday" on it... We think he certainly did all right... . . . Althea Tarr would like us t... devote some of our column to th... "Lost and Found," so here goes... "Lost, Strayed, or Stolen—on... wastebasket with initials A.T. o... it (in fingernail polish). Anyon... seeing such a wastebasket, pleas... notify Althea Tarr immediately." (How is that for a beginning, Althea?) Hope this brings results. . . . In addition to the "baseball" mustache (nine on each side) that Bill Shuherk brought back from his vacation, we also notice a new necktie. We just can't decide about that tie! . . . A poor defenseless little mouse in the Cost Section caused all the girls and George Momper to elevate their feet the other A.M. To the rescue came hero Harold Berg, who saved them all from a terrible fate by ousting the little animal out of the window. . . . Don Schultz has one for Ripley, with his "changeable" hair. . . . Jack (Curly) Hively is certainly proud of his picture which recently appeared in the WORKS NEWS. Anyone desiring an autographed picture see "Curly" before he collapses from "writer's cramp."

CARELESS HABITS SOON PUT YOU IN THE DOG HOUSE



Sleuthing In 4-6

C. J. Herman is experiencing "evolution" trouble with his Chevrolet. In reverse, the clutch takes all the characteristics of a 1915 Model "T" Ford. When C. J. backs out of the parking lot, the boys who ride with him are given the same thrill one might expect when riding a wild cat with the hiccups. . . . You often hear of people not knowing their next door neighbors, but here's one that tops all. Millie Rian went to the file room to get a print, only to find it was charged to "Hardy." She returned to her desk wondering who Hardy was; finally she called over to Millie Raney and asked if she knew who Hardy was. Millie and the rest of the gang could hardly keep from laughing. They did break down and let Millie Rian in on the joke, though. You guessed it, Phyllis Hardy sits right beside her. Oh well, don't let it get you down, Millie, it happens to the best of us. . . . Geraldine Zuber left the File Room July 11 to join her soldier husband, who is in a hospital at Cleveland, while Regina Lloyd left June 29 for her home in Philadelphia, where she will stay until able to join her husband in Savannah, Ga. We're sure the File Room isn't the same without you. . . . Walter Doehrman of the Tabulation Section left July 2 for I.B.M. School in Chicago. . . . The D.C. Section lost another draftsman. Of course their loss is Uncle Sam's gain. Good luck, Harold (Shorty) Poyser. We hope to see you on your first furlough. . . . Gwendolyn Southern left the Production Section Saturday to join the ranks of the Navy. Although we'll miss you, we know you'll look nice in that WAVE uniform. . . . Congratulations to the Daniel Gearys, proud parents of a 7-pound, 12-ounce baby boy named Patrick Edwin. Also to the Dale Fishers, proud parents of a 7-pound, 4-ounce baby boy named Douglas Eugene. . . . Henry Reehling was the guest of honor at a stag party given last week by the FHP Engineering Division. He was presented a Gruen wrist watch and a poster (designed by Marjorie Young for the occasion) autographed by his numerous friends. P. O. Noble made the presentation with the "customary" address. Henry has retired after nearly 42 years of service. . . . The Air Corps honored Bldg. 4-6 last week in the person of Capt. Henry Brandt, just back from the European Theater. Of course you know his big brother, Carl, is a draftsman in the Developmental Section. Henry worked in the Production Section before entering the service. . . . Is anyone looking for a job? (Silly question, isn't it?) Maurice Bennett, of the A.C. Section, is looking for someone to weed his popcorn patch. The pay will be all the popcorn you can carry in one hand. Just think, a big handful of popcorn will make a big pan full of delicious smelling popcorn for some cool night. But to all good things there is a catch, "Hand must be closed." . . . It is often said that some folks don't have enough sense to come in out of the rain; however, Gloria Openlander changed the weather in the statement. You see Gloria was on vacation and decided to get a suntan in one day. But the sun got the best of her and she spent the rest of the week recuperating. . . . Special announcement: Wedding—Tuesday, July 31, 1945, at 9:00 A.M., St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Bride and groom? Catherine O'Connor and Joseph Gardt. Congratulations and good luck for a long and happy wedded life.

Two Retire On Pension



William Hohnhaus



Charles Hughes

Announcement has been made of the retirement of two long-service G-E employees. William Hohnhaus is retiring after 27 years of service. At the time of his retirement, he was employed in the Motor Development Section of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division. Charles W. Hughes has retired with 27 years and 6 months' service. He was employed in the Motor-Generator Division.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

The best fish story that has come to our ears lately is the one Bob Kukla tells. It seems his wife had never fished, so on their vacation he equipped her with a license and fishing tackle so that she could make a try at it. A few minutes after they had anchored their boat she had a beautiful bite. It was a large blue gill that wasn't anxious to be caught. It pulled and she pulled, and in her excitement and enthusiasm she landed it with such force that it slapped Bob so hard on the side of the face it nearly knocked him out. Needless to say, she has now become an ardent follower of Izaak Walton, but Bob is just a wee bit careful when she starts pulling one in. . . . In discussing vacations recently someone was wondering if Ed Klomp intends to spend his vacation at Delta Lake again this year. How about it, Ed? . . . Audrey Shuler, Virginia Neilsen, Eleanor Miller, and Don Gentis, who are leaving us to go to Taylor Street, were guests of the Inspection Section Tuesday noon for a potluck. Best wishes and good luck for all was expressed by the group. . . . We've just found out our good friend, Andy Lee, is also leaving us for the Taylor Street Plant. We're sure going to miss him and his jokes. . . . Latest reports from Myralene Liddy, who has been off work, are that she is improving and hopes to be back soon. We hope so too; we miss her sunny disposition and her always ready smile. . . . Carl Metker is having his vacation next week. He suggests that we send a truck up about the middle of the week to bring home a load of fish. We've heard that kind of talk before and after looking at the fish calendar, we think he might be bragging a little.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Belated birthday greetings and congratulations go to Sarah Lee and Bob Boone, whose birthdays were July 6. . . . The fellows in 15x14 think it is really a shame that Roy Berdelman is having such a tough time with the weeds in his garden. They are worried for fear he won't have anything to eat next winter, so they have suggested that if Roy will furnish refreshments, they will help him weed his garden. What do you say, Roy? . . . Did anyone know that Cleon Oyer could "trip the light fantastic?" Well, you should have seen him "trip," but it was into the elevator. . . . Russell Lee recently received a letter from Paul Brandt, who at that time was taking a much-needed rest in Czechoslovakia. He says the people there are very quiet and religious. Their main occupation is farming, at which they work very hard. The women work alongside the men in the fields from morning until night. Paul says he expects to be home in the near future and hopes to get in for a visit. Paul will be remembered as "Dutch," who formerly worked in the Anodize Room. . . . Jon Buckles, who left the Company Tuesday to enter the Navy, was the guest of honor at a luncheon at the Varsity Club Tuesday noon. Those attending from Section 15 presented him with a gift of money. . . . Those from Bldg. 4-1 enjoying their vacations this week are F. Peternell, W. Ropa, C. Waters, R. Boone, G. Crandall, E. Logan, T. Witte, and F. Snyder. . . . Ralph Hershberger is in Detroit this week visiting the G-E Carboloy factory. . . . Congratulations to Cecil McCall and wife, who captured top archery honors for the second straight year at Franke Park last Sunday. Mrs. McCall has won the Women's championship the last four years. Must have some Indian blood in you, Mac. . . . It sure is going to be quiet next week when Lloyd Oberholtzer and Kenny Bergman both take a week's vacation. Lloyd and Kenny can usually be depended upon to keep things stirred up.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

It is good to see the old G-E sign lighted again after a three and one-half-year blackout. Most of us can feel a mild exhilaration that comes from working in effective partnership with one another during those war years. Not many of us do our best work alone. We cannot always see all sides of a problem as we would an apple, by simply turning it over; often that can only be achieved by the reflection we see in another's viewpoint. A stray remark, an apparently unimportant question asked by a fellow worker often provides the key to the solution of a perplexing problem. Sometimes, under another's prodding, we think better than we believed we knew how. That is, I believe, one good reason for the existence of the Dispatchers Club, for while it is primarily a social organization, there is usually some shop talk with its resultant interplay of ideas. . . . Don't forget the Dispatchers' Club family picnic, Sunday, July 29, at 1:30 p.m. Ice cream, pop, and games for all. It will last until you are ready to go home. Come and bring your family.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Johnnie Allen is really getting big fish in Michigan these days. The story is that he and his father had to call a wrecker out to drag their car out of the ditch. Those big fish got to flopping around in the back end so hard that the driver lost control of the car. The fish must have escaped before the wrecker arrived, however, as the driver said that he didn't see any monsters of the finny tribe when he arrived on the scene. . . . Anyone knowing of an auction or used implement sale—see B. A. Huffman. He's in the market for a razor—he claims to have lost his while moving to the country. If he doesn't find one soon, he says a lawn mower will really help. . . . Mrs. Reynolds, who is recovering from a recent operation, proudly looked on recently as her husband, dressed in a cute little ruffled apron, served tea like a perfect host to their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Grogg. Chet's wife thinks he has many more hidden qualities yet to be discovered. . . . Paul Shive returned this week after a two-week vacation with his new bride. Congratulations and best wishes to you and the Mrs., Paul. . . . We finally found out why the "Out-Door Girls" are going to Alaska. See them for details. . . . H. Wherry is back from his vacation and is much more tired and weary than when he left, says he. . . . Bill Stetzer must have a wonderful victory garden this year, because they even make comments about it on the radio. They say that his wife should get half credit because she helps him with it.

A farm home or farm building catches fire every 15 minutes during the day in the United States, and the cost of these farm fires totals around a quarter of a million dollars each day, reports the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

In the third in a series of softball games between Carl Ryder's "Auditors" and Arnold White's "Misfits," the Auditors won, with the final score, 9-6, for nine innings. The winning pitcher was none other than Carl Ryder, internal auditor, while Jerry Imel, Bldg. 18-5, pitched a good game for the losing team. Other honors go to F. E. Stehlik, traveling auditor, for being the leading slugger; Arnold Konow, Accounting Section, leading home-run hitter; Howard Boyle, internal auditor, leading fielder, and Fred Prange, Accounting Section, leading noise-maker. Forrest Leighty, Accounting Section, assisted in a double play for Arnie's team. The casualties for this game were as follows: Charlie Hoerner, Carl Ryder and Sheldon Nelson, each suffered a "charlie-horse," while Kemper Burton and Bob Morgan had burns about the face caused from the catchers' masks. . . . Dorothy Kinneman, Bldg. 18-3, was a mighty thrilled girl last week when her husband sent her one dozen roses at the office for their wedding anniversary. We're just awfully sorry to have to say farewell to her this week, since she is leaving us to resume her household duties. . . . Are you superstitious? Well I bet Irene Ofenloch, Employment Office, is, because she and her husband were in an automobile accident the evening of Friday, the 13th. We certainly wish them a speedy recovery. . . . Dot Lemert, Employment Office, recently returned from a vacation in Canada, Evanell McIntosh, Employment Office, was in Chicago and Lois Miller, Employment Office, spent her vacation in Michigan. This week we'd like to welcome Martha Dole, who is working in the Employment Office for the summer, after which she will return to the University of Oklahoma, and Lois Dills, who is a new member of the Accounting Section. . . . This, we must tell! Last Tuesday the euchre game in Bldg. 16-3 was progressing with Bill Fritz and Verne Flint matching wits with I. H. Freeman and Al Ruble. Two distinct types of play were evident: the reckless and the conservative. When the game had ended, Messrs. Freeman and Ruble had been so conservative that they had accumulated *no points*. This same duo received [illegible] *row* from Bill Fritz and [illegible] ichards the very next day. May we suggest a change of system, fellows?

6-2 . . DIVE BOMBINGS

Robert Perkins has answered Uncle Sam's call to the Navy. His many friends in Bldg. 6-2 presented him with a farewell gift certificate and will be wishing him luck always. . . . We wish to extend deepest sympathy to the family of Max Breinfalk, whose sudden death came as a great shock to all of us.

Famous last words: "This windshield is pretty dirty, but I can still see okay."

WELCOME BACK TO G-E—*Veterans Of World War 2*

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To June 30, 1945, 175 former employees, veterans of World War II and discharged from military service, have already returned to the Fort Wayne Works to take up their jobs where they left off when they donned Uncle Sam's colors. Published below is a complete list of discharged World War II veterans who are now working at one of the plants of the Fort Wayne Works. In addition, 138 discharged veterans who are not former employees have been given employment by the Fort Wayne Works to Jun 30, 1945. The WORKS NEWS will publish monthly from this date the list of returnin former employees as they leave the service of Uncle Sam and re-enter the service o General Electric. Here are your returned former co-workers. Look them up. Welcom them back to G-E!

BROADWAY

Bldg. 2-3
Robert J. Shirey

Bldg. 4-1
Paul A. LeCoque
Howard Monroe
Robert C. Planck
Theodore William Rex

Bldg. 4-2
Donald Robert Carlo
Clarence E. James

Bldg. 4-3
Clarence R. Hartman
William A. Mauger
Raymond E. Meyer
Paul J. Rummel
Walter L. Williams

Bldg. 4-4
George R. Adamson
Jackson O. Binkley
Lewis H. Botteron
Curtis William Bowers
Darrel M. Daniels
Paul K. Habecker
Paul E. Johnson
Helmut Arthur Loeschner
John E. Rarick, Jr.
William J. Schlecht
Paul A. Wehrle

Bldg. 4-5
Catharine Mattingly
Donald Brubaker
Maynard R. Cope
Wilfred D. Eichel
Sylbert Heaston
Carl E. Zimmerman

Bldg. 4-6
Wallace W. Potter
Max W. Weldy

Bldg. 6-1
Edward Dirks
Walter Lynch
George Mosshammer
Russell L. Ramel

Bldg. 6-2
Merlin C. Roussey
Gustav H. Rump

Bldg. 6-3
James A. Clark
Robert A. Jellison
William M. Laymon
John Poinsette
Howard Saurer
Glen D. Wilson

Bldg. 8-1
Leo D. Elward
Edward J. Holt
Max J. Lawrence

Bldg. 8-2
Claud W. Johnson
Ernest Paul Miller

Bldg. 9
Walter E. Cook

Bldg. 12-1
Frank Auer
James W. Fleming

Bldg. 12-2
Michael Bloom

Bldg. 12-B
Lawrence Gardt

Bldg. 17-1
Frank V. Garard
Steve George Hatzis
Harold D. Orr

Bldg. 17-2
Herman F. Mielka

Bldg. 17-3
William A. Sivits, Jr.

Bldg. 17-4
Edward R. Bradbury
Lowell Cannon
James M. Evans
W. Harold Moore
Robert E. Olson

Bldg. 18-3
Donald W. Hensch
Luther F. Meyer

Bldg. 18-5
Gerald F. Imel
Donald M. Scherer

Bldg. 19-1
Roy N. Brimeyer
Augustus Daniels

Bldg. 19-2
Wilbur R. Ayres
Norman E. Bade
Maurice Cook
Michael T. Edsall
Frank Enderle
Norbert W. Jacobs
Charles W. Melick
Mahlon R. Mericle
Gary M. Pequignot
Robert H. Sheets
Elmer V. Yordy

Bldg. 19-3
Chalmer J. Fisher

Bldg. 19-4
Virgil D. Dalman
Darrel D. Dennie
Hollis Thomas Mee
Morris Peters
William C. Steiner

Bldg. 19-5
Maurice Geary
Henry L. Shirley
Wayne M. Young

Bldg. 20-1
William J. Flicek

Bldg. 20-2
Theodore F. Alexander
Robert W. Bastian
Charles E. Fuchshuber
Lester G. Habegger
Virgil Huguenard
James E. Tannehill
Lowell E. Teegarden

Bldg. 26-B
Richard W. Dowling
Johnny Russel Jewel

Bldg. 26-1
Robert E. Armstrong
Carlton P. Creager
Robert F. Enz
Robert Wayne Link
Leslie Logan, Jr.
Walter S. Griffith
Joseph Heckman
Amady J. Newton, Jr.

Bldg. 26-2
John F. Altekruse
Rogert W. Bebout
William Braun
Norman M. Herstad
Joseph Marx
Doyle C. Shady
Jack E. Shaw

Bldg. 26-3
Fred Bender
Eldon M. Walker

Bldg. 26-4
Edgar V. Chapman
Ned D. Greulach
Arthur Vachon

Bldg. 26-5
Donald C. Alcott
Isidore F. Kleinrichert
Otto J. Ruch
Laurel E. Tucker

Bldg. 27
Leo L. Allmandinger
John Asher
Harry K. Beam
Lorain W. Chapman
George F. Connett
Hoyt J. Lowery

Bldg. 28-2
Otto J. Bowman

Bldg. 31
Charles R. McAfee

Bldg. 31-1
Willis Noll
David James Slattery

KOKOMO

Harry E. Plough

DECATUR

Robert Andrews
Carson Blowers
Herbert Braun
Marion Brodbeck
Fred Brokaw
Charles Cook
Myron Haggard
Vernon Hebble
Lee C. Kolter
Joshua Lister
Edwin May
Lawrence Michel
Richard F. Schafer
Joe Steele

WINTER STREET

Doyt D. Agler
William F. Fryer
Ernest F. Mitzeman
Wyonald Hoot
Robert E. Hower
Norbert J. Jacquay
Everett S. Kelley
Virgil G. Lomiller
Thomas D. Piepenbrink
James Robert Voirol

TAYLOR STREET

Francis E. Beekman
Carl H. Boester
Hubert R. Brockney
Lucinda M. Fitch
Raymond O. Girvin
Richard Glock
Carl J. Grabner
Francis F. Hollis
Clare N. Katzenmaier
George H. Kiester
Henry Kulesza
Herman J. Leffel
Everett C. McCue
Millard Praether
Edward R. Saurer
Merle E. Stayer
Forest Whonsetler

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

If you can top this, let's have it. With the present lack of newspapers in the city, Clara Metcalf (Small Lot) was seen Monday, July 9, hurrying from the Broadway "special" into a corner store in seach of a Chicago paper for the evening's reading. With one motion she grabbed a paper and dropped a coin into the clerk's hand. She gave a laugh when the clerk said, "Just anything to read, huh?" Clara then boarded her northbound car and eagerly opened her prized newspaper, only to find she had just purchased the July 6 edition of the *Christian Science Monitor*. Try again, Clara, and better luck next time. . . . Margie Voyl spent her vacation at her home in Tennessee visiting her brother, who was on furlough. We know she had a good time. . . . Fred May returned from California looking really rested up after his two weeks' vacation plus two more weeks' sick leave. Glad to see you, Fred. . . . In case you haven't heard, Vic Osterholt is now driving a truck. . . . Betty Boldt started a new fad the other night, wearing one black shoe and one white one. Some stuff, Betty. . . . The Sewing Club really enjoyed themselves at the farm home of Phyllis Reber. They had fried chicken, home made ice cream, and all that goes with it. They played croquet and later in the evening sang songs while Phyllis played the piano. . . . We are glad to hear that Evelyn Schultz's husband is home to stay after being overseas for three years. He has been discharged through the point system. . . . Cecil Sievel is taking over George Raker's job as foreman of Assembly on days. George is returning to Small Lot, and Dale Spieth is leaving our floor in favor of Bldg. 17-3. Good-bye and good luck, Dale. . . . Three new people this week. Cora Lawrence, Group 13x56, Ethel Root, Group 13x54 (both are on second trick), and Ruth Banter is working as tester on third trick. Glad to have you girls with us. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Dolan Furney, whose birthday was Friday, the 13th. Hope you have many more, Dolan. . . . Quite a few were on vacation this week. Irma Baugh, Group 13x54, Carl Schoenherr, Group 13x15, Nina Growcock, Group 13x56, Gephard Marbach, Group 13x72, Clarence Stolte, Group 13x58, Nellie Knepper, Group 13x59, Harvey Kerr, Test, and George Blume, Inspection, were the lucky ones this time. Hope you all had a nice time. . . . Don Arnold is trying to find someone who has some tires to sell. He would like to have some with less than three boots in them. Seems like he has so many boots and patches and so on in his that he hasn't room to put air in the inner tubes. Too bad, Don, and we wish you better luck. (You'll need it—bad). . . . We almost forgot. Willard Knop has joined the Test Group on second trick. Glad you're with us, Willie. . . . Peter Hellenthal said he put his papoose to bed at quitting time after carrying it on his back for three hours. (Of course Pete didn't know it was there.) We think you looked just like an Indian squaw, Pete. . . . Clarence Ellison returned to work after a 10-week illness due to an injured knee and says it's coming along fine. Glad to hear it, Clarence, and we were glad to see you again. . . . Arlene Gaskill returned "to the fold" again after being on the sick list for three months. We are very glad you're back with us, Arlene. . . . Lucy Jane Rogers returned from her vacation to tell us that she has enlisted in the WAVES and reports to Hunter College, N. Y., on July 24. She was presented with a remembrance from the Bldg. 4-3 gang on her last night at work, July 14. We wish you lots of luck, Lucy. . . . We hope Del Reiter has a wonderful time at the lake during his vacation but doesn't get too much of that hot sun. . . . Mildred Pfefferkorn is taking her vacation and spent part of it getting ready for the wedding of her cousin, Rosella Pfefferkorn, who quit work the end of June and was married July 14. Give our very best wishes to the bride and groom, Mid. . . . After loading weights in his shoes and wrenches in his pockets, Clyde Anderson was very much surprised when he lost the "bet-I-weigh-more-than-you-do" contest with Agnes Parcher. You'll have to find another wrench, Clyde. . . . . We're a little late with this item, but Al Runyun is on days now in the Rotor Assembly group. Sorry you left us, Al, but we don't blame you. . . . This week's Question-of-the-Week: Is Herb Sauer so short on red points that he has to resort to shooting crows? We hope not. . . . A little bird told us that Francis Day was unhappy because we overlooked mentioning that she was on vacation, about a month ago. We're sorry, Francis, but we can't seem to manage to get all the news all by our lonesomes. We also missed mentioning "The Barber's" vacation. (His real name is Ralph Shanlin, but everybody calls him "Barber"). Hope you both had a nice time while you were off, and we're sorry we missed you. . . . Elmer DeBolt, former Inspection foreman, came up the other night to see the gang. We were glad to see you, Elmer. Come back again some time. . . . This week we are very glad to welcome back "to the fold" John Keck. Johnny is working in Group 13x72 after doing his bit for you and me in the Army. We're proud to have you back, Johnny. . . . This must be "Old Home Week" on our floor. John Schwartz is back, after being on the sick list for several months, due to the argument his leg lost with an automobile. We're glad to see you getting along so well, John. . . . Ed Harvey came back to the floor after being at Kokomo. . . . Gaylord Evans came back to work, still a little bit sore from the accident he was in. We're glad you weren't injured any worse, Gaylord. . . . We see Margaret Parisot is back with us again. Glad to see you back, Margaret. . . . Phyllis Reber and Velva Smith are having a good time on their vacations. . . . Guess that's all for this week, folks. We noticed a sailor and a U. S. Cadet Nurse on the floor but no one seemed to have any "info" on them.

So Long,

—COUNTRY COUSINS.

Decaturites Lose Two Straight As Team Record Falls

Uhligs And Studebaker Defeat G-E Girls After Thirteen Wins

Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team suffered their first loss in 13 games when Studebaker of Fort Wayne defeated them Tuesday night, July 10, 4-0 at Worthman Field.

Decatur got one hit off Heck, Studebaker pitcher, and Studebaker got five hits off Butcher, Decatur pitcher.

Inca will be Decatur's next opponent at Worthman Field next Tuesday night at 8:30 o'clock.

Score by innings—				R.	H.	E.
Studebaker	1	1	0 0 0 0 2	4	5	2
G-E Decatur	0	0	0 0 0 0 0	0	1	4

Batteries: Heck and Hibschman for Studebaker; Butcher and Bower for Decatur.

Friday, July 13, was a jinx for the Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team as they were defeated in their first Fort Wayne League game at Hamilton Park 8-0 by the strong Uhlig Machine team. Sis Arnold went all the way for Uhlig and held Decatur to four hits and had perfect support by her teammates. Piepenbrink made two home runs for Uhlig, and Baumgardener made the other home run. Kohn got two hits out of three times at bat for Decatur. Decatur will be out for revenge when they meet Uhlig at Decatur, July 31.

The summary—	R.	H.	E.
Uhlig	10	8	0
G-E Decatur	4	0	2

Batteries: Arnold and Meyers for Uhlig; Butcher, Moser, and Bower for Decatur.

Club Owls Defeat Bowser Team, 10-9

By R. James

The Owls had to go an extra inning to win from Bowser Wednesday night, July 11, and get revenge for the 6-1 beating they took from them earlier this season.

The Owls hit Orr, the Bowser pitcher, hard, and had a 9-4 lead going into the seventh inning; but Bowser pushed across 5 runs in that frame, tying the score.

A walk to Crosley and James' only hit of the game set the stage for the Club's winning run.

Crosley was safe on a steal to third and when Dolan, Bowser's third baseman, threw into center field trying to get James at second, Crosley trotted in for the winning run, and the ball game.

Dust Off HOME PLATE

BY ERNIE SPAULDING



Marvin Steuernagel



Perry Esterline

Here we have two mainstays of the G-E Club Softball team—Marvin (Sternie) Steuernagel at first base and Perry Esterline at second.

This is Perry's second year at second base for the G-E Club. He is one of the flashiest fielding second basemen in the League.

His fielding cuts off many balls hit in his direction that would ordinarily be hits.

Perry's hitting is not up to his usual standard, but it is expected to improve materially before the season ends.

Sternie's long arms and his ability to reach for poorly thrown balls prevent many runners from reaching first base.

Sternie's hitting, too, has not been up to his usual caliber, but he is expected to be among the leaders when the season closes.

This is Sternie's third year in G-E Club softball, and he has always been one of the League's leading first basemen.

Memorial Services To Be Held Sunday For Fred Shaw, Jr.

Memorial services for PFC Frederick R. Shaw, Jr., will be held Sunday, July 22, at 2:30 P.M. at St. Paul's Methodist Church, Lombard and Pittsburgh Streets. Private Shaw was employed in Bldg. 19-5 before his induction.

He was killed May 3 in Schollnach, Germany, and was with General Patton's Third Army and the Fourth Armored Division. Friends of PFC Shaw and the family are invited to attend the services.

Owl Softball League

By B. Crosley

The Firemen took the lead in the second half of the inter-division Owl League, by defeating Transformer by the score of 4-1. Motor Generator defeated Bldg. 17 by the score of 7-6.

In the game between the Firemen and Transformer, Johnny Stanek was hard to hit with men on base, which was the big reason for the success of his team. Transformer had 12 men left on base and their only run was scored in the seventh inning on a fly ball which Abe Martin dropped after two were out. The defensive play of Orville Scherrer at third base was outstanding for the winners.

Score by innings—				R.	H.	E.
Transformer	0	0	0 0 0 0 1	1	10	1
Firemen	1	1	0 0 2 0 *	4	5	2

Booher and James; Stanek and Hosek.

Motor Generator kept right on the heels of the Firemen by nosing out Bldg. 17. The winners scored 4 runs in the fifth inning to pull the game out of the fire. Ringwalt featured for the winners with a home run in the third.

Score by innings—				R.	H.	E.
Motor Generator	1	0	2 0 4 0 0	7	8	2
Bldg. 17	0	3	2 1 0 0 0	5	5	0

Hardisty and Bauman; Middaugh and Fisher.

Clerk: "These are exceptionally strong shirts, sir. They simply laugh at the laundry."

Customer: "Yes, I know that kind. I had some come back with their sides split."

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Frank V. Garard (3)*	R. 2, Columbia City, Ind. Coming in No. 14, 17 miles out.	2-1	Franke	7:00- 3:30
George Keller (3)*	R. 2, Grabill, Ind. Coming in on No. 37, through Harian.	26-1	France	3:06-11:00
Elmer L. Minick (4)*	R. 2, Woodburn, Ind. Coming in on No. 14 and No. 30.	19-3	Michels	7:00- 3:30

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Nancy Myers	Cedarville, Ind. Coming in on No 1.	18-4	Leider	8:00- 5:15
Dale Mecbling	R. 1, Craigville, Ind. Coming in on No 1.	6-1	Buell	8:00- 5:15
Frances Reidenbacb	St. Joe, Indiana	18-3	Brudi	8:00- 5:15

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

John Stanek	2509 Westward Dr., Waynedale		Bunner	3:30-12:00
Loren Farlow	2815 Oliver, Fort Wayne		Smith	5:48- 3:18
Agnes Dennle*	R. 5, Fort Wayne, Ind.		Smith	3:18-11:48
Robert J. Hughes**	R. 1, Hoagland, Ind.		Bunner	7:00- 3:30
Frank Wolters	Markle, Indiana		Gausepohl	6:48- 8:18

* To Main Street down Spring.
** Three miles east of Poe, comes in on Winchester Road.

Employees Seeking Rides

Audry Smith	Huntington, Indiana		Long	8:00- 4:30

Club Softball Team Ends Second In League

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club Softball team ended in second place in the Major League by losing to Reserve Club Monday night by a score of 3-2.

Reserve Club pushed across two runs in the last of the seventh to win on a hit by Shipp, two errors, a fielder's choice, and a hit by F. Kowal, who batted for Smith.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	RESERVE CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	2	1	1	Jeannette,1b	3	0	1
Stanski,ss	2	0	1	Speck,lf	3	0	0
Bohde,c	2	0	0	Gulbin,2b	3	0	1
Hess,lf	3	0	0	Shipp,cf	3	1	2
Cook,2b	2	0	0	S.Kowal,ss	3	0	0
Scherer,2b	1	0	0	Hutb,sf	3	1	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	2	0	0	Nolan,rf	3	1	1
Hilg'mann,sf	3	0	1	Smith,3b	2	0	0
Anderson,cf	3	0	0	*F.Kowal	1	0	1
Rarick,rf	3	1	2	High,c	2	0	1
Starkel,p	2	0	0	Lundquist,p	2	0	0
Totals	25	2	5	Totals	28	3	7

*Batted for Smith in the seventh.

Struck out—By Lundquist, Hess, Cook 2, Scherer, Stenernagel 2, Hilgemann, Anderson. Base on balls—Off Lundquist, Lindenberg, Steuernagel. 2 base bit—Rarick, Shipp. Home run—Nolan. Sacrifice hits—Stanski, Bohde.

Score by innings—				R.	H.	E.
G-E Club	1	0	0 0 1 0 0	2	5	3
Reserve Club	0	1	0 0 0 0 2	3	7	1

Off the Tee

By Johnny Gitter

From the scores that were turned in this week it would seem that Bob Woehr's 34 won't stand very long. Several of the boys were shooting at it. Bruce Hamilton had an even par 36 and Don Lynch a 37. Ray Smith, Adam Farrell, and Chuck Kronmiller picked up 39's, while Holmes, Link, Bauman, and Piepenbrink all had 40.

The Rough Riders and Lost Balls had the best team scores of the week with 173 and 174. The 174 by Lost Balls also served to knock Plastics out of first place by one stroke.

Production from Taylor Street seems to be on the beam after a slow start. They have won 5 of their last 6 games. From the same league the Ramblers are rambling right along too, having been defeated in nine straight matches.

Friday, the 13th, was too much for the Ball Hawks in the Tuesday League. They fell before the Gas House Tigers in a play-off of a tie game. The two teams were neck and neck in the regularly schcduled game and finished with 209. In the play-off Friday night the Tigers edged out a victory, 206-208. Another 13 was Johnny Young's score on the long seventh. The win for the Tigers leaves them in a tie with the Slicers for the top spot.

Bldg. 27 in the Owl League fell from their undefeated perch last week, Taylor Street defeating them 196 to 199.

Banners were flying in Bldg. 4-6 this week. The Titleists won their first game of the season by outlasting the Rovers.

We have a few sidelights this week. Some are from the league, others are what we have heard around the factory.

Al Mueller has the shot of the week. He chipped one up to the lip of the cup and, after the usual speech for such an occasion, turned to get his putter. When he straightened up, the ball was gone. It had dropped in when he wasn't looking. Somebody should explain to Frank Stenberg that telephone poles are not considered golf equipment. Ask him about that shot on the seventh at Foster Park. Frank Chayka had one on the sixth at Brookwood too. Frank hit his tee shot into the creek and then teed up another ball and did it again. The third one sailed off to the right, short of the creek but in the tall grass. On approaching the ball he discovered several very healthy trees between him and the green. With a sigh he took a club, closed his eyes and—hit one right through the trees and on the green. He must have had his eyes shut or he'd have hit the trees. Anyway Frank sank the 10-foot putt he had left to give him a little something to be grateful for. Ray White gets his the hard way too. Ray had a 45 the other night with a rousing 10 on ten to start with.

Several of the boys have been warming up for the City Amateur Tournament. Bruce Hamilton birdied 10, 11, and 14 Sunday and finished with a 34 at Brookwood. Ife Holmes has had four nice scores in the last two weeks. He has turned in two cards of 35, one 34 and one 33. Both Ife and Bruce can be counted on to finish well up toward the front in the city tourney. Others from G-E who may play are Link, Imel, Saaf, Cox, Becker, Rowe, Kuzeff, Lecoque, Sarrizen, Gitter, Bireley, and Piepenbrink. There are probably others who don't play in the league but will play in the tournament. Good luck to all of you.

Golf Lesson for the Week

If you want to improve your short irons, take a long grip on your temper.

Don't forget to send in your golf scores and stories to either John Gitter, Bldg. 4-5, or Carl Reynolds, Bldg. 4-4.

Jimmy: "Did you know Johnnie tried to steal a pig?"

Walt: "No, did he get away with it?"

Jimmy: "No, the pig squealed on him."

Ross Leakey came through with a one-hit performance against City Light at the Beach Thursday, July 12, to win 7-0.

This game was highlighted by a home run and two double plays by the G-E Club.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	CITY LIGHT	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	4	1	0	Myer,lf	3	0	0
Stanski,ss	3	1	2	B.VanWay,c	3	0	0
Esterline,2b	2	1	1	Lee,2b	3	0	0
Cook,2b	0	0	0	Arnold,ss	2	0	0
Bohde,c	2	0	0	Wolf,cf	2	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	0	1	W.Hardiek,1b	2	0	0
Scherer,rf	2	0	0	C.Hardiek,rf	2	0	0
VanRyn,rf	1	1	1	Esterline,3b	2	0	1
Hilg'mann,sf	2	1	1	Plumb,sf	2	0	0
Hess,lf	2	0	0	D.VanWay,p	2	0	0
Anderson,cf	3	1	1				
Leakey,p	3	1	1				
Totals	27	7	8	Totals	23	0	1

Struck out—By D. VanWay, Lindenberg 2, Stanski, Scherer, Hilgemann, Anderson; by Leakey, Myer, Lee, W. Hardiek, C. Hardiek 2, Esterline. Base on balls—Off D. VanWay, Esterline, Bohde, Hilgemann, Hess. 2 base hit—Stanski. Home run—Anderson. Double plays—Bohde to Esterline; Leakey to Hilgemann to Steuernagel.

Score by innings—				R.	H.	E.
City Light	0	0	0 0 0 0 0	0	1	5
G-E Club	2	0	0 3 2 *	7	8	3

Ethiopian Clowns Face G-E Club Tonight

Here's Baseball's Wonder Team



Shown above are the nationally famous Cincinnati-Indianapolis Clowns, 1944 Negro American League runners-up and 1941 Denver national tournament champs, and the most popular Negro baseball team ever known, who will appear at Dwenger Park tonight against the Club team at 8:15 P.M. Back row (left to right) they are: "Hoss" Walker, Oliver Smith, Johnny Williams, Fred Wilson, Roosevelt Davis, Alec Radcliffe, and Bus. Mgr. "Bunny" Downs. Middle row: Sam Hairston, Armando Vazquez, Buster Haywood, Henry Smith, Raul Navarro, and Verdes Drake. Front row: Henry (Speed) Merchant, Johnny Ray, King Tut, and Amos Watson.

G-E Club Downs Benton Harbor, 4-3, In Fast Game Tuesday

Eighth-Inning Rally Scores Three Runs To Avenge Recent Out-Of-Town Defeat

By Walter Histed

Playing a fast, snappy game deserving of a much larger crowd, the Club rallied sharply in the eighth inning to score three big runs to edge the Twin City Independents from Benton Harbor by a score of 4-3 Tuesday night.

Trailing 3-1 coming to bat in the eighth, Perry Bush started things going with a double to right center. Bildilli grounded to second, and when Bohn tried and failed to catch Bush at third, everyone was safe. Winters batted for Brann and hit into a fast double play, Bohn to Gierke to Selby, Bush scoring on the play. With two out and the bases empty Odie Barnett revived the rally with a single. With Barnett on the run Wattier dropped a pop double among Bohn, Snyder, and Norris, Barnett scoring the tying run. Young walked, and Chuck Bobilya lined a double down the left field foul line, Wattier scoring the winning run and Young pulling up at third. Kestner flied to Sinn in left to retire the side.

The Club opened the scoring in the first on a single by Brann, a sacrifice by Barnett, and a single by Young. This lead stood up until the fourth when Benton Harbor tied the score. Yarger was out, Seiple to Bobilya, to start the inning. Snyder walked and was forced by Norris for the second out. Leach lined a long triple to right center, scoring Norris with the tying run.

The score remained tied until the eighth when after Bildilli had retired Yarger and Snyder on strikes, Norris singled to right. Leach who had tripled in the fourth to drive in Benton Harbor's only run promptly broke the tie score with a home run to right, scoring behind Norris for two runs and what looked like a big 3-1 lead. How the Club rallied to win has already been described.

Clupper, who held the Club to two hits at Benton Harbor recently, was not nearly the puzzle this time that he had been before, as he was tagged for 10 hits, including doubles by Bush, Wattier, and Bobilya in the big eighth. He was accorded errorless support and aided by three fast infield double plays. For the Club, Bildilli pitched steady ball and allowed seven hits, while walking two and striking out eight.

The summary:

BENTON HARBOR	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Bohn,2b	4	0	1	Brann,cf	3	1	1
Gierke,ss	4	0	0	Winters,cf	1	0	0
Yarger,c	4	0	0	Barnett,ss	3	1	2
Snyder,rf	3	0	0	Wattier,3b	3	1	1
Norris,cf	4	2	2	Young,lf	3	0	2
Leach,3b	4	1	2	Bobilya,1b	4	0	1
Sinn,lf	4	0	1	Kestner,rf	3	0	0
Selby,1b	3	0	1	Seiple,2b	3	0	1
Clupper,p	4	0	0	Bush,c	3	1	1
				Bildilli,p	3	0	1
Totals	34	3	7	Totals	29	4	10

Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
Benton Harbor..0 0 0 1 0 0 0 2 0—	3	7	0
G-E Club .....1 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 *—	4	10	1

Error—Wattier. Runs batted in—Leach 3, Young, Winters, Wattier, Bobilya. Two base hits—Norris, Bush, Wattier, Bobilya. Three base hit—Leach. Home run—Leach. Stolen base—Sinn. Sacrifices—Gierke, Barnett; Kestner. Double plays—Clupper to Bohn to Selby; Bohn to Gierke to Selby 2. Left on bases—Benton Harbor 9; G-E Club 5. Bases on balls—Off Clupper 2; off Bildilli 2. Struck out—By Clupper 4; Bildilli 8. Winning pitcher—Bildilli. Losing pitcher—Clupper. Umpires—Lamb and McGary.

TOUCHING THE BASES

By Walter Histed

Don't forget to come out to see the Cincinnati-Indianapolis Clowns tonight when they meet the Club at Dwenger Park. Game time, 8:15 o'clock. The comedy show put on by this strong aggregation is more than worth the price of admission. The Club is in good shape for this game, and Manager Braden will pick his starting pitcher from among Bildilli, Thomas, and Al Davis.

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Following the game with the Clowns, the Club has a busy schedule ahead of them with a game at Lafayette Sunday and night games here next Tuesday and Friday. Tuesday the Fostoria Red Birds and Tot Pressnell come to town, followed on Friday by the strong Newark Eagles of the Negro National League. After the Newark game comes the state semi-pro tournament here in Fort Wayne beginning Saturday, July 28, bringing to town all the stronger semi-pro teams of the State.

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That eighth-inning rally Tuesday night was something for the fans to talk about. After Benton Harbor had broken the tie score with those two big runs, the Club came back and, despite a heart-breaking double play, kept the rally going until they had not only tied the score but instead had scored what proved to be the winning run.

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Benton Harbor did not give up after losing the lead in the eighth but started a rally on their own in the ninth. A hit batter, an error at third, and a forced out put Twin City runners on first and third with two out. Bildilli snuffed this rally by striking out the final batter.

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Don't forget to see the Clowns tonight.

Unique Ball Team Will Play At Dwenger Park

By Walter Histed

The feature attraction of the G-E Club baseball season will be presented tonight when the Club team opposes the Cincinnati Ethiopian Clowns, a member of the Negro American League.

This team is the No. 1 traveling club as far as box-office attendance goes. They have smashed all attendance records wherever they play because of the great array of talent and showmanship they display.

The closeness of a ball game doesn't prevent the Clowns from entertaining the fans with their feats of showmanship and hilarious comedy stunts. All through the game, the two top comedians, King Tut and Eddie Hamman, entertain from the coaching boxes and sidelines. Some time during the game, time is called while the Clowns put on their big fun show, featuring that great pepper game and the always popular shadow ball game.

Aside from their antics, these boys play baseball, attested by the fact that they finished in second place the past two seasons in the tough Negro American League.

Emil Bildilli is expected to get the pitching assignment tonight, with the balance of the lineup the same as in past games.

G-E Club fans, you can't miss this game. So come early for choice seats.

Club Team Plays Fostoria Red Birds In Game Tuesday

Newark Eagles Travel Here For Engagement With G-E Friday

By Walter Histed

The Club team faces a heavy schedule next week with an out-of-town game scheduled for Sunday and home games carded on Tuesday and Friday.

Featuring the pitching of Tot Pressnell, whose pitching record with the Boston Braves and Chicago Cubs is well known to all fans, the Fostoria Red Birds come to town next Tuesday to meet the Club at Dwenger Park under the lights at 8:15 P.M.

Last year Pressnell won 14 and lost 2 games for Fostoria. He specializes in a knuckle ball. Behind Pressnell is a strong aggregation of former league players, including Rader at second base (last year with Elmira in the Eastern League) and several others from the Ohio State League.

Besides Pressnell, the Red Birds also have Lum Phillips, 6-foot, 7-inch giant, who pitched last season for Newport News in the Piedmont League. His record there of 12 wins and 12 losses is remarkable when it is known that Newport News was hopelessly mired in the cellar all season. Phillips is on the voluntary retired list of the New Orleans Pelicans.

On Friday the strong Newark Eagles of the Negro National League will meet the Club.

DON'T BE AN ACCIDENTEE!



—Twelve-Twosies—

Was my face red? Well, no, but everybody did have a stiff neck, and it was all due to the big picnic held Thursday night, July 12, at West Swinney Park. Almost all of the Bldg. 12-2 Apprentice gang were there, including their families and friends. The honor guest was Bill Haifley, one of our most popular Bldg. 12-2 men, who has to leave July 23 for the Army. . . . One of the highlights of the evening was the great auto race over the rather questionable track known as the Dodgem. In the first heat our foreman might have won, had he not been pinned to the rail from the start and just got away in time to be out on the floor as an easy target for all participants as the finish whistle sounded. In the final race our guest of honor was taken on by all his fellow workers who could get a car. The outcome was a tie, and chiropractors were busy next day getting dislocated necks back in place. Everyone of course was crazy over the sky ride. Joe Bell even took a ride before the picnic supper. Too bad. He looked so pale and the food had no attraction for him. Now that all torn clothes, dislocated joints, lame backs, and bad bruises are healing, we feel more picnics should be held. . . . A new grass-type apron has been introduced by George Waldrop. Would he be willing to take orders? We'll say! . . . No words express our regret over losing Bill Haifley to the Army. Always congenial and cooperative in his work, the whole section will miss his ready smile and friendly personality. Good luck, Bill.

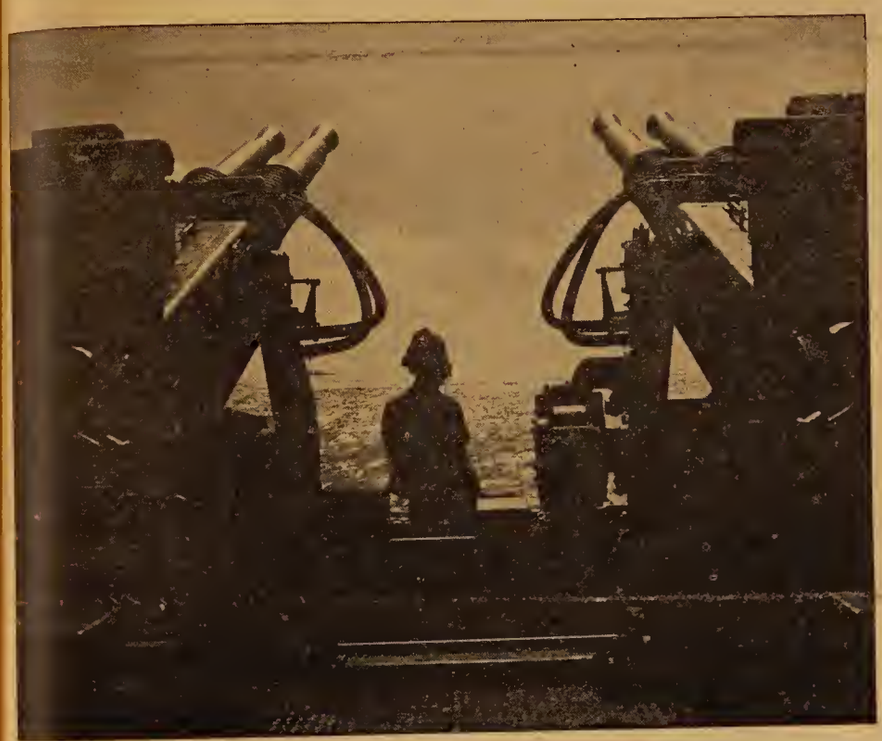
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G-E CLUB SCHEDULES ELECTION

Alerted For The Kamikaze



—Official U. S. Navy Photograph

Men and 40 mm. guns on a Navy aircraft carrier watch for Jap planes in the sun-gilded Pacific.

Kokomo Will Go "On Display" For G-E Families In August

Plans are being completed to place the Kokomo Plant of the Fort Wayne Works "on display" early in August so that the G-E employees working at Kokomo and their families will get an overall picture of the plant and its products.

Various exhibits will be arranged within the plant so that motors manufactured there will be shown and their end use demonstrated. Displays of processes and manufacturing methods also will be set up. Present plans are to have the exhibit completed by Wednesday, August 1, for Kokomo G-E employees.

On Sunday, August 5, the plant will be thrown open to employees and their families so that all will have an opportunity to view the exhibits. Only a few areas will be restricted to visitors. Foremen will be in their sections, so that visitors will have a chance to ask questions as they make the tour. The new Company restaurant, completed recently and modern in every detail, also will be open for inspection, and refreshments will be served to all visitors.

The educational program at Kokomo was opened Thursday, July 19, when an informative meeting and dinner was held at the Courtland Hotel for all foremen and supervisors. Mr. McCollum, plant superintendent, presided at the meeting, and speakers included C. H. Matson, assistant manager of the Fort Wayne Works, James Townsend, assistant manager of FHP Motor Sales, and Robert Wylie, manufacturing su-

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New Mail Box

The Post Office has installed a mail pickup box near the College Street gate for the benefit of the employees using this entrance. It is requested that this box be used to reduce the amount of personal external mail handled through the Company's mail system.

Divisional Safety Records Given For Month Of June

During the month of June, employees of the Fort Wayne Works suffered 24 lost-time accidents, according to the monthly Safety Report released by W. J. Hockett, Supervisor of Safety and Employees Activities. This makes a total of 105 lost-time accidents during the year.

The Fort Wayne Works accident frequency rate, year to date, is 5.62 per cent, as compared to 4.63 per cent for the year 1944. Accident severity, year to date, is reported as .205 per cent, in comparison with a severity rate of .408 for 1944.

A breakdown of the current figures by divisions follows:

	Freq. Rate	Sev. Rate
Kokomo	0.0	.02
Motor and Generator	5.62	.14
Specialty FHP Motor	3.86	.04
Fractional HP Motor	4.18	.14
Wire	16.84	1.05
Insulation	11.91	3.57
Tool	5.27	.06
General Service	9.52	.06

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Sweet And Berghorn Up For Presidency

(See pictures on Page 9)

Tuesday, July 31, and Wednesday, August 1, have been set as the days for the election of officers for the G-E Club, George Waldschmidt, Club president, announced today.

Merlin Sweet, Bldg. 26-2, and Paul Berghorn, Bldg. 4-6, both long prominent in Club affairs, are slated to run for the presidency. Other candidates are Charles Wilt, Bldg. 4-6, and Charles McAfee, Bldg. 31-,1 vice-president; Loretta Bloom, Bldg. 26-2, and Ceal Romary, Bldg. 26-2, second vice-president; Jerry Duryee, Bldg. 4-6, and William Schible, Bldg. 20-2, secretary; and Joe Fagan, Bldg. 18-5, and Joe Oddou, Bldg. 18-3, director.

Ballots will be distributed to Fort Wayne employees in their sections on the election days.

The last Club election was held in August, 1942, and new elections have been delayed to this time because the press of war work made it inadvisable to spend the time and money necessary to conduct this election involving so many employees.

The G-E Club sponsors many affairs for G-E employees and their families and has gained State-wide recognition for its work in athletic activities. Christmas parties for children, stage and minstrel shows, movies, etc., have long been on the Club bill of fare for employees.

Mr. Waldschmidt, the present head of the Club, will serve as a Club director after the new election.

Other officers who have served since the 1942 election or were appointed to fill vacancies are: Joe Henry, first vice-president; Loretta Bloom, second vice-president; H. B. Carter, secretary; and Lois Miller, G. R. Lindemuth, Byron Evard, B.

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Wilson Expects Big Electrical Future For U.S.

Tells Of "More Power To America" Program, A Prosperity Plan

A long-range plan calling for unified action by electric power companies, machinery manufacturers, and electrical manufacturers, and designed to accelerate the mechanization and electrification of American industry and farming in the postwar era, was announced this week by Charles E. Wilson, President of the General Electric Company.

Labeled the "More Power to America" program, the plan comprehends many months of research field investigation, and analysis by G-E industrial engineers, and cooperation by representatives of other industries. During the past several months the program has been informally presented to hundreds of business leaders throughout the country in order to obtain their reactions and criticisms.

Benefits Listed

The major benefits that can accrue from such an accelerated modernization plan, Mr. Wilson said, are three in number.

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Suggestors Get $778 In Two-Week Period

Suggestion awards to 62 suggestors for the two weeks ending July 22 totalled $778, according to the lists released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Dewey C. Wisner, Bldg. 8-2, topped the list with an award of $275 for his suggestion for blending of varnishes for varnish treated glass insulated wire. The only other high award for the two weeks went to Herbert C. Brockmeyer, Bldg. 4-1, for his better method idea of changes to fixture to improve but-

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CASUALTIES

Pvt. Frank L. Leeper, Winter Street, deceased.

KEEP SLAPPIN' THE JAPS—BUY EXTRA BONDS

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G-E Fights At Okinawa

Gun control mechanism by G-E is emerging as one of the greatest contributions of General Electric men and women to the winning of the war against Japan. Testifying to the potency of anti-aircraft armament is Rear Admiral G. F. Hussey, Jr., Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, in another of his telegrams of praise to our people of the shops and offices. "The 40 mm gun is the best answer we have to coordinate suicide attacks," he says, with typical Navy brevity and point.

Behind the statement is a grim picture, that of desperate Jap airmen schooled for certain death in the tight cabins of their planes, each a human torpedo; of exploding ammunition on flaming ships, of seared bodies of U. S. sailors and of losses and damage almost unsuspected by the American public until the official statements of the President and naval officers were made public a few weeks ago. This, in addition to the casualties on land, was what we had to pay for the victory on Okinawa.

The 40 mm gun, says Admiral Hussey, is "the best answer we have. . . ."

Probably not a perfect answer, and probably there is none. But when one destroyer so equipped saves itself from a mass attack of 45 suicide planes aimed at it and other U. S. naval craft, shoots down six planes, and assists in knocking down at least three others, there is more in the picture than first class marksmanship. There is crack armament, as well, and those who made the control, the very "brains" of this armament, are deserving of the Admiral's commendation.

As usual, the product is not a one-Works achievement. Installed on many of our ships is the twin-gun amplidyne power drive from Fort Wayne, quad-gun amplidyne type from Pittsfield and component parts from Bridgeport, Schenectady, and other Works.

And it is to be remembered that the G-E wallop against Japan is offensive as well as defensive. Behind the searing explosions on those agonizing islands is the precise, devoted work of the people who help arm the B-29's. As usual, the men and women of General Electric are in the thick of the fight.

Pacific Primer

If you think the war's nearly over, that maybe it's time to slow down, that you can stop buying bonds and perhaps start cashing them in instead, just think about this for a minute. The Japanese war is not won, not by a long shot, and here are just a few of the reasons . . . their own "primer of reasons" why we're not stopping at home until the boys lay down their arms at the front:

1. The Jap home front is TOTALLY MOBILIZED for war.
2. All food and all clothing are rationed in Japan.
3. Virtually all other kinds of consumer's goods are also rationed—even soap, matches, home heating fuel and medicines.
4. Most theaters, restaurants, bars and other places of amusement have been closed and their buildings converted into workshops.
5. Many schools have been shut down and the children now use classrooms to produce war materials.
6. Travel in private cars has been abolished. Railroad train trips may be made only on police permits.
7. Telephones and telegraph are restricted to urgent business.
8. With every new privation the Jap civilian pulls in his belt another notch and works harder for "victory."

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WARTIME HOMEMAKER

SALVAGE SUMMER MEALS WITH QUICK BREADS

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Quick breads are ordinary-meal charmers—skimpy-meal coverupers—and the salvation of countless food emergencies. They really earn their quota of praise, too, by the way they can dress up simple summer fare.

The General Electric Consumers Institute staff vote for quick breads for still other reasons: no special ingredients are needed to make them; very little shortening or sugar goes into them; and it takes no more than 30 to 40 minutes to make most of them from start to finish.

One quick bread merit many homemakers are liable to overlook is that they adapt so well to variations. Take a standard muffin recipe, for example, and think of all the party-flavor ingredients that can be added to make them different and appetite-appealing: dates, nuts, figs, prunes, apricots, cheese, berries, bacon, spices, maraschino cherries, and many others.

Below are the Consumers Institute recommended standard recipes for some quick breads together with some favorite variations. Should you wish their booklet on quick breads, one will be sent free of charge; just write to General Electric Consumers Institute, Dept. GN, Bridgeport, Conn.

Never beat muffin batter; mix only until dry ingredients and liquid are blended. The mixture may look rough and lumpy, but baking will take care of that. Grease muffin tins only on bottom; the batter will then cling to the sides while baking and better volume will result.

Muffins and Loaf Breads

Standard Muffins—Sift, then measure 2 cups flour; add 3 tsp. baking powder, 2 tbsp. sugar, ¾ tsp. salt; then sift again. Combine 1 egg, 1 cup milk, and 2 to 4 tbsp. melted shortening (slightly cooled). Pour into flour mixture and mix just enough to moisten. Bake at 400°F. for 20-25 minutes.

Berry Muffins—Use standard muffin recipe adding 1 cup fresh blueberries or huckleberries to sifted dry ingredients. If frozen berries are used, add 2 tbsp. additional flour.

Cheese Muffins—Use standard muffin recipe adding ½ to ¾ cup grated American cheese to dry ingredients. Sprinkle tops with paprika before baking.

Date-Nut Muffins—Use standard muffin recipe adding ½ cup chopped dates and ½ cup chopped nuts to dry ingredients.

Bran Muffins—Sift, then measure 1½ cups flour; add 4½ tsp. baking powder, 1 tsp. salt, ½ cup sugar; then sift dry ingredients again and add 1½ cups bran cereal. Combine 1 egg with 1¼ cups milk, and 3 tbsp. melted shortening (slightly cooled). Pour into flour mixture and mix just enough to moisten. Bake same as standard muffins.

Standard Nut Bread—Sift flour, then measure 3 cups and add 6 tsp. baking powder, 1¼ tsp. salt. Sift dry ingredients again. Mix together 1/3 cup sugar, 1/3 cup melted shortening (slightly cooled) and 1

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NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Here On Visit



E. M. Feaser Oral Hyser

Elizabeth M. Feaser, S 2/c, WAVES, came back for a visit with friends in Bldg. 26-2 last week. Oral L. Hyser, Sig. Cons. Bn., also visited his friends in Bldg. 26-1 recently.

Dear Editor:

...I am still in France, but they tell us it won't be long until we will be coming home.

Our duties are very light around here. This is a P.W. hospital, and the work is all done by P.W. personnel and all we fellows do is supervise it.

I see in the WORKS NEWS where you people back there are going to down on your bond drive. Keep up the good work, and we will all be home sooner. I know it will really be a big day for me when I can walk into the good old G-E at Decatur and ask for my job back and see my friends again, and I know all the other fellows feel the same way.

Well, this is about all for this time. Here's hoping I get back before this letter gets there.

PFC Arthur Merriman

PFC Elmor Griswold says he is supposed to leave for the States very soon and he hopes to see some of his old friends at the G-E again, although they still have a lot of fighting to do in the Pacific.

When a serious shortage of canvas developed during 1944, the Army tried fiberglass fabrics as a substitute. Under the sponsorship of the Corps of Engineers, fiberglass fabric was improved and used in making 3,000-gallon portable water tanks and airplane hangar curtains and doors. Unaffected by mildew, a major consideration in the tropics, this material is finding much use in the Pacific.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed in Europe to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

ARMY WRITER GROWS LYRICAL ON ETERNAL 'DISCHARGE' QUESTION

Editor's note: PFC Calvin Listenberger, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-5 and now a trooper in the 82nd Airborne Division, sent the WORKS NEWS a copy of the V-E Day issue of THE ALL AMERICAN PARAGLIDE, an Army paper. An article by J. J. VanMeter on "Discharge—The Redeployment and Reassignment System—or—Don't Get Caught With Your Points Down" looked to us like it typified the American frankness and humor of our G. I. Joes. It is being reprinted here for the consumption of our home-front G-E Joes.

Other than payday, or sweating out the chow line, what is more important to the average G. I. than the point system? I think it would be safe to say that the very thought of it takes his breath away; and since he thinks of it all the time, it's a wonder he breathes at all.

I've checked around, tested here and there; and a guy with more than 100 points is as rare as a synagogue in Berlin. These high-point guys are really on the varsity; they can't miss. If I could score for a hundred points, I'd gladly spend any week-end you say in bed with a wet walrus.

All this is a little vague, isn't it; but we have a few moments, haven't we?

But to continue this little monograph: a fellow with eighty-five points has a chance to be discharged. Once more only slower . . . he has a chance to be discharged. He has a chance to get out, to allez, parti, via, or anything you want to call it. It's out of this world and I know it, but the Army has come out flat-footedly and said so.

Webster gives us two definitions for this lovable, this gracious word, "discharge." 1. "A yellowish-white opaque creamy matter produced by suppuration, chiefly exudate and disintegrating tissues with bacteria and leucocytes." Now anyone with half an eye can see that this definition is not only depressing and offensive, but is hardly applicable to the matter at hand. However, he redeems himself and says, 2. "To unload, to absolve, to free from that which oppresses. To let go, to dismiss." He actually gets lyrical with this last one. Read it over again, savor the words, let them roll over your tongue. Exhilarating, isn't it?

A discharge doesn't mean any more to a soldier than the ownership of 1,000 shares of American Telephone and Telegraph, or to be able to call Rockefeller Uncle John.

It used to be, and don't correct me, according to Omar Khyyam, "A loaf of bread, a jug of wine, and thou beside me singing in the wilderness." All this has been changed and brought up to date. All, that is, excepting the jug of wine. It's still kicking around. The revised version goes, "A silver star, a purple heart, and thou (those eighty-five points) beside me, (or better still, on the service record) singing in the wilderness (Germany)."

Everybody can't sing though. There's a bunch of guys with only forty, sixty, or seventy-five points. They're as cheerful as a night in an artificial limb factory. The best they can bope for is that the Army blossoms out with a whole batch of new stars. The battle of the Rue Pigalle, or the campaign of the Via Roma, for example. With a break like this many more could join the happy throng of eighty-five pointees. On the other hand, it won't be so bad. According to the National Geographic, India abounds with interesting and colorful flora and fauna. The flora, or is it fauna, absolutely lurk all about Burma. They tell me that you can't walk down the street without bumping into some of it. There might be some of you who don't give a d— about fauna, and even some who find flora execrable (go look up the meaning yourself, I had to), but then there's no pleasing some people. At any rate, whichever group you find yourself in, I'm sure that everything will work out just peachy.

Capt. Robert J. Bremerkamp has received the Air Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster for outstanding service in the European Theater of operations. In addition to the Air Medal, he holds the ETO ribbon with six battle stars.

From Overseas



Robert Morris

Robert Morris, MM 3/c, writes that he has been in the Hawaiian Islands for 15 months. He says he comes in contact with a lot of G-E parts, and they are the best. He also says "hello" to all the gang in Bldg. 4-1.

R. E. Borchelt, ART 1/c, writes that he is now with the Navy's one and only automatic pilot school and he has found that the G-E is represented there by the G-1 automatic pilot and inverters.

Cpl. Edward Brooks writes that he is on Luzon in the Philippines, which is much better than New Guinea. He says "hello" to all of his friends in Bldg. 4-1.

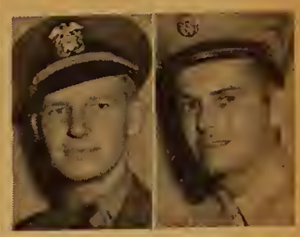
See G-E "Family"



Bernard Vachon J. H. Ford

Joseph Howard Ford, Air Transport Command, a former employee in Bldg. 10-1, said on a recent visit that it was very nice to be back home and visit the good old G-E family again. Pvt. Bernard G. Vachon, Bldgs. 4-6 and 2-3, also returned for a visit with friends.

Glad To Come Back



R. P. Federspiel Max Lydy

Sgt. Max W. Lydy, formerly of Bldg. 4-5, says he is glad to be able to come back to visit the people he used to work with and that he will be glad when he can come back here to work. Lt. (j.g.) Robert P. Federspiel also came back to see his former co-workers in Bldg. 19-4 and Bldg. 17-4.

July 6, 1945
Amberg, Germany

Dear Editor:

I am in the Infantry now instead of the Air Corps and like it a lot better than the Air Corps.

On the 2nd of April we went across an open field with the Jerries in the woods on both sides of us crossfiring on us; but we took the woods and the town that day. Then we went on into Czechoslovakia to take the town named Ameriha. The Jerries put up a fight there too, but we took it anyway. I have been in seven countries since I have been over here on this side of the ocean. They were Scotland, England, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium, and Czechoslovakia. They are pretty, but I'll take Fort Wayne beside all the seven countries put together.

PFC Joseph Schible

July 7, 1945
Western Pacific

Dear Editor:

My most sincere thanks to you for the prompt way you have forwarded my copies of the WORKS NEWS. They are received in seven to ten days, and over here, that is —but good!

Hello and best wishes to the drafting section of Bldg. 19-5; I hope you like your new set-up in Bldg. 4-6.

I would greatly appreciate any information your science editor could print on treating color-coded cotton braid-covered wires used in small equipment when heat and moisture have caused a fungus or mold to grow on them.

T/4 Homer Carson



Four-Year College Scholarship Set Up By John Popper Fund

A problem in "high finance," posed for the General Electric Company four years ago, of how to put to best use a gift of $1,000 has been solved, it was announced recently by the Company.

In 1941, John E. Popper, a former General Electric employee, died and his will left the sum of $1,000 to the Company. In leaving the amount, Mr. Popper designated that it be used for educational purposes.

The sum fell a bit short for a college education, so General Electric decided to match it with another $1,000 and called the combined amount the "John E. Popper Scholarship."

Following the war, the "Popper Scholarship" will afford some worthy student a four-year college education.

Wilson Expects

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Put into action widely, the program would facilitate the reconversion of industry on a soundly engineered basis, to insure costs that will enable businesses to compete successfully in the domestic and export markets.

To Increase Worker Earnings

It will improve peacetime industrial operations and the American standard of living by increasing earnings and the productive ability of the workers.

Finally, it will help maintain the United States as a potential military and naval power by strengthening productive capacity.

Other Advantages

Incidentally, putting the plan into action will bring to all kinds of small businesses a sizeable amount of technical know-how from big business which has never been readily available before, Mr. Wilson said, since the keystone of the plan is the aggressive application of modern engineering, mechanization, and electrification practices to small plants and widely-scattered service industries that have never constituted accessible markets for modernization.

"Frankly we began this program through self-interest, in order to widen the market for the sale of commercial and industrial power," Mr. Wilson said, "but that does not detract from its soundness. While the potential market for postwar sales of electrical equipment for the home have always been fairly obvious, both government agencies and the power industry are sharply aware of the need to find new uses of electric power in commerce and industry to take up the slack that will result from the eventual cessation of full war production. It is one of the happy characteristics of the electric power business that increasing electrification means increased efficiency and productivity, expanding markets for all kinds of capital goods and machinery, and a high rate of employment.

Heavy Industry First

"Electric power has been applied to American industry along the lines of least resistance. The first and most logical customers to be served in modernizing and electrifying the industrial field were naturally the big industries, such as steel, automobiles, chemicals, mining, and transportation. Their needs could not wait, and it should be noted that as they were electrified their productivity increased, their business multiplied, and the income of workers rose to new high levels. These units still represent continuing markets. But what we are faced with postwar is the necessity of finding new markets for electric power.

"As a result of two years of digging for facts and examining smaller businesses and their problems, we are convinced that there are tremendous fields for modernization that have hardly been touched. One of the ways to approach the laundry or food processing industries, for example, which consist of thousands of scattered small units, is through machinery manufacturers and trade associations, and that is where our program began. The electric power business itself is made up of thousands of local electric companies, and what we have done in building this program is to collect the data, prepare the information, and formulate the engineering and sales tools that can be used by the local electric company to tackle this job in every community."

Long Range Plan Cited

"The 'More Power to America' Plan is thought of by General Electric in terms of five, ten, or perhaps even twenty years, Mr. Wilson declared. It has resulted from more than two years of coordinated effort by application engineers product, industry and utility specialists — and market analysts, who worked mostly on a spare-time basis so as not to shirk their war-job responsibilities.

"It has been tested some 200 times on groups of power company executives, sales engineers, and representative machinery manufacturers throughout the country. Endorsed enthusiastically by these groups, parts of the program are already under way. With this much accomplished, the company has applied much the same technique to the modernization of farm productive equipment, and hopes to start introducing its findings shortly.

Build For Peacetime

"At the same time we have a real obligation to contribute to the building of a peacetime America that will afford our people the best in life, and in so doing protect the nation against the dangers of future aggressors," Mr. Wilson said. "The secret lies in our ability to produce more goods for more people at less cost. Only by remaining the greatest nation in the world from a productive standpoint can we hope to remain the strongest nation in the world from a military standpoint. From 1920 to 1940 we increased the output per man hour in manufacturing by 117 per cent. It enabled us in 1943 to turn out three and one-half times the volume that we did at the peak of the last war.

"At 1919 levels of productive efficiency, 78 billion man hours of labor, or more than twice the 32 billion man hours actually used this time, would have been required to turn out 1943 munitions. It would have been hopeless, because 20 million additional wage-earners would have been needed to do the job. It is just this kind of dynamic progress that we in the electrical industry want so earnestly to apply to our postwar problems, to small business as well as large."

Fightin' Generator . . . . .



Pictured above is a duplicate of the diesel generator that played so important a part in the battle for the USS Hugh W. Hadley. Built at the Fort Wayne Works in the Motor and Generator Division, the generator was then assembled with a General Motors diesel, which drives it. (See story below.)

Another "Well Done" For G-E Workers

For the second time in as many weeks, the Fort Wayne Works of the General Electric Company has received congratulatory messages from high-ranking members of the U.S. Navy for the part our products have played in winning today's sea battles with Japan. This time, the employees of the Motor and Generator Division especially have lead roles in saving the life of a ship off Okinawa. Vice-Admiral E. L. Cochrane, Chief of the Bureau of Ships, tells in the "Speedletter" reprinted below how generators manufactured here were largely instrumental in saving the destroyer, the USS Hugh W. Hadley. Congratulations again, G-E workers.

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF
GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

EMERGENCY DIESEL GENERATORS OF YOUR MANUFACTURE ARE CREDITED WITH A MAJOR PART IN SAVING THE USS HUGH W. HADLEY WHEN SHE SUSTAINED SERIOUS DAMAGE OFF OKINAWA IN A 90-MINUTE ACTION IN WHICH SHE DESTROYED 23 JAP PLANES. THE HADLEY WAS HIT BY TWO SUICIDE AIRCRAFT, A BAKA BOMB, AND AN AERIAL BOMB. BADLY HOLED, LISTING HEAVILY, HER DECKS ABLAZE AND BOTH ENGINEROOMS AND ONE FIREROOM FLOODED, THE DESTROYER COULD SCARCELY HAVE SURVIVED BUT FOR THE EMERGENCY POWER TO CONTINUE FIREFIGHTING AND DAMAGE CONTROL MEASURES. THE BUREAU EXTENDS THANKS FOR THESE DEPENDABLE G-E GENERATORS WHICH, TOGETHER WITH THE VALIANT EFFORTS OF THE CREW, HELPED TO KEEP THE HADLEY TRIUMPHANTLY AFLOAT.

E. L. COCHRANE
VICE ADMIRAL, U.S.N.
CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF SHIPS

Television Cited As Creator Of Postwar Jobs For Returnees

Development of television into a nation-wide service after the war will create many new jobs, some of which can be filled by returning servicemen and women, James D. McLean, General Electric official, told the radio audience of WGY recently in a talk on the program "Attention Veterans."

No one can accurately predict the number of new jobs to be created by the new industry, he pointed out, explaining that those with a background in radio, motion pictures, or the stage will find this experience valuable to television station operators. New jobs also will be created in the manufacture of transmitters and receivers, McLean said.

He predicted 150 television stations will be in operation five years after V-J day, bringing this new educational and entertaining service to over half the population of the United States. On the staff of present-day stations (nine are now operating) are script writers, costume designers, stage set designers and builders, lighting experts, camera men, sound effects men, microphone boom operators, camera dolly operators, stage and technical directors, picture and sound control operators, maintenance technicians, and transmitter operators.

Homemaker

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egg; add dry ingredients alternately with 1½ cups milk. Add nuts, maraschino cherries, or any dried chopped fruit desired. Pour into greased loaf pan and bake 1 hour at 350°F.

Club Election

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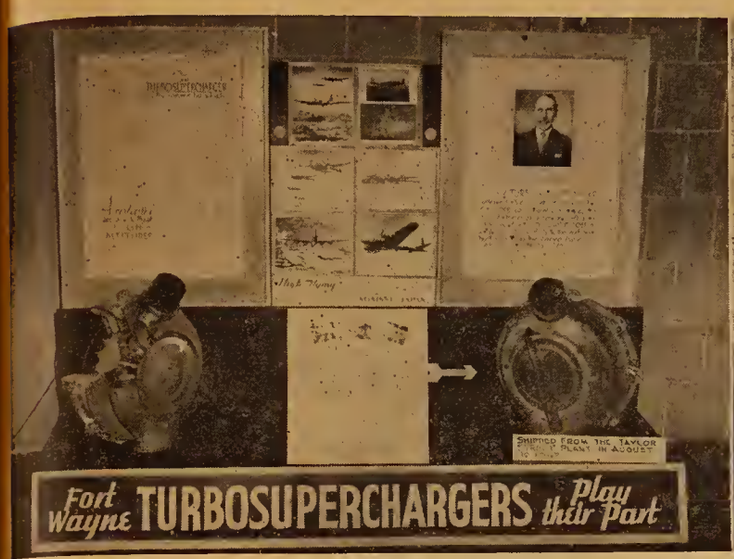
C. English, and W. H. Sunier, directors. W. H. Fritz serves as permanent treasurer for the organization.

Kokomo

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perintendent of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division. L. H. Hodell, assistant general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works, W. C. Wichman, Works accountant, and A. J. Rose, Works production manager, also attended the meeting.

Employees View Exhibits Of "Veteran" Supercharger



Shown above is the display presented at the Taylor Street and Broadway Plants featuring the "veteran" supercharger presented to Dr. Sanford A. Moss, inventor of the turbosupercharger, as a Christmas gift from the Eighth Air Force, 381st Bombardment Group.



Employees are shown above looking at the supercharger display in the basement of the G-E Club, Broadway Plant. The display was first presented at the Taylor Street Plant and was then moved to Broadway, where it was exhibited in the G-E Club Tuesday and Wednesday and in the lobby of Bldg. 16-2 Thursday and Friday.

STORY OF SUPERCHARGER PRODUCTION HERE TOLD

Back in 1918 G-E's Dr. Sanford A. Moss took a Liberty motor equipped with a turbosupercharger to the top of Pike's Peak and proved then that his invention could "persuade" the motor that it was operating at sea level altitude. The engine, which had produced 350 horsepower at ground level, gave only 230 horsepower in the thin air of the mountain top—but with the device attached, the engine produced 356 horsepower!

That supercharger was probably a far cry from the efficient, powerful superchargers used on Uncle Sam's warplanes today, but Dr. Moss had found the basic principles, and steady research throughout the years, even though he often faced disinterest and discouragement, enabled him to give the United States a vitally needed weapon in her hour of need.

As the story of the turbosupercharger is the story of Dr. Moss, so the production of them at the Fort Wayne Works is the story of the Taylor Street Plant.

Construction Started

On December 5, 1941, Works Manager M. E. Lord announced to the public the start of construction, within a few days, of a $25,000,000 factory for the manufacture of turbosuperchargers. Local management little knew then the timeliness of that announcement.

The new plant was built by the Stone and Webster Corporation of Boston as a Defense Plant Corporation project. It includes 560,000 square feet of floor space.

No Delays In Production

Technical staffs had already been at work months before construction was started so that equipment could be moved in and production started without delay. Ground was broken Dec. 6, 1941, and the first supercharger rolled off the production line Sept. 25, 1942. L. D. Hodell, now Assistant General Superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works, was the first Superintendent of the Supercharger Division; and it was he who controlled the vast job of production planning and layout of the new plant. H. D. Kelsey, now Works engineer, came here from the Lynn River Works to serve as head of the engineering staff of Supercharger. Present heads are J. J. Clarkson, Superintendent, and W. L. Knaus, Engineer.

The supervisory heads and the employees of the Supercharger Division can well be proud of their great contribution to this war. Without the turbosupercharger, which feeds extra oxygen into the engine's carburetor, maintaining sea level atmosphere at altitudes of five miles or more, the planes of the United States would have had small chance in their battles with the Germans and the Japanese.

Gift Supercharger To Dr. S. A. Moss Seen By Employees

A turbosupercharger built at the Taylor Street Plant and presented to Dr. Sanford A. Moss, inventor of the turbosupercharger, early this year after performing flawlessly on 102 Flying Fortress missions has been on display at the Taylor Street and Broadway plants the past week.

Hundreds of employees have gone to see the exhibits, and employees of the Taylor Street Plant especially have gazed at this "veteran" of World War II with pardonable pride in their handiwork.

The supercharger was placed on a Flying Fortress bomber based in England, and when taken off, had a top operational record of functioning perfectly on 102 bombing missions (1,004 hours of combat flying) against German industrial and military targets. The 381st Bombardment Group of the Eighth Air Force in England sent the supercharger to the United States as a gift to Dr. Moss, and the presentation was made January 19.

NEW DEVICE DISPLAYS SPEED OF SUPERCHARGER

Superchargers speeds up to 30,000 revolutions per minute, which are now common in many types of powerful engines, are so far beyond the understanding of most people that General Electric has developed a new device for the purpose of demonstrating amazing speeds that have seldom been witnessed by the human eye.

Since a steel supercharger wheel whirring at maximum rate is too dangerous for public exhibition, a paper disk 11¼ inches in diameter, 5 mills thick, and a fraction of an ounce in weight has been attached to a special motor capable of operating up to 20,000 revolutions per minute.

The motor rotates this disk at a gradually accelerated speed until it attains 12,500 revolutions per minute and a rim travel of 420 miles per hour, equivalent to the speed of a bullet at muzzle velocity. When it reaches this speed, the centrifugal forces acting on the paper disk exert enough force to explode the disk into flying particles.

Picture of Explosion

The second part of the demonstration is the making of a picture of the explosion at the exact instant the disk goes to pieces, so that persons witnessing the operation can see a static image of the bursting particles after the particles themselves have scattered to the floor.

This is done by mounting the revolving disk in front of a phosphorescent screen which has the ability to receive light and store up enough of it to glow for half a minute afterward in a totally darkened room. Therefore, any part of the screen not covered by the paper disk when it breaks will receive light and glow afterward, while any part of the screen covered by the disk will remain dark.

Mercury Lamp Used

Facing the screen a few feet away is a special mercury lamp which is flashed by a Thyratron circuit at extreme intensity for the infinitesimal period of 2,000,000,000th of a second.

A photo tube is mounted in back of a small hole in the screen, an invisible infra-red light source, located in the mercury lamp housing, is focused on the photo tube. The exact instant the disk explodes, the hole is exposed and the infra-red light hits the photo cell and operates the high speed mercury flash.

The result is a static shadow picture of the disk explosion, and the entire triggering action explained in the five steps was done in 1/20,000th of a second!

Photography Tells Story Of Supercharger Speed



Everett R. Atwell, General Electric research technician, stands between the phosphorescent screen and the mercury lamp housing as he indicates the motor shaft to which the disc is attached.

Disc fragments are shown at the exact instant the 420 mile an hour rim speed caused centrifugal explosion. The lower crack reveals a portion of the opening to the photo tube.

As the exploded particles fly apart, a dark outline of the whole disc can still be seen on the phosphorescent screen. In a darkened room a similar shadow picture of the broken parts is visible.



Dirt

Hoot Mon! I feel I must expound
So hear me, Clansmen, gather 'round,
Alert!
To catch the drooling of each word
As I attempt to give the bird
To DIRT!

What causes bearings to wear out
And makes the oil in them about
To squirt?
What causes breakdowns in the test
For Hipot, megohms and the rest?
It's DIRT!

What causes welded joints to fail
And makes inspectors loudly wail?
They're hurt!
What scratches finishes on parts
That almost break the planners' hearts?
It's DIRT!

What helps to make complaints come thru
From Bombay or Calcutta to Van Wert?
What makes a scratch or cut get worse
If you don't rush it to the nurse?
It's DIRT!

What makes our waste and spoilage charts
Keep climbing into higher parts?
They spurt!
Unless we 'liminate the toll
Of Foreign matter, by control
Of DIRT!

SO, let's take dirt, and soil, and rust,
And give these menaces their just Dessert.
In doing so we'll keep ajar
The door thot ushers in C.R.*
NOT dirt.

*COST REDUCTION.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

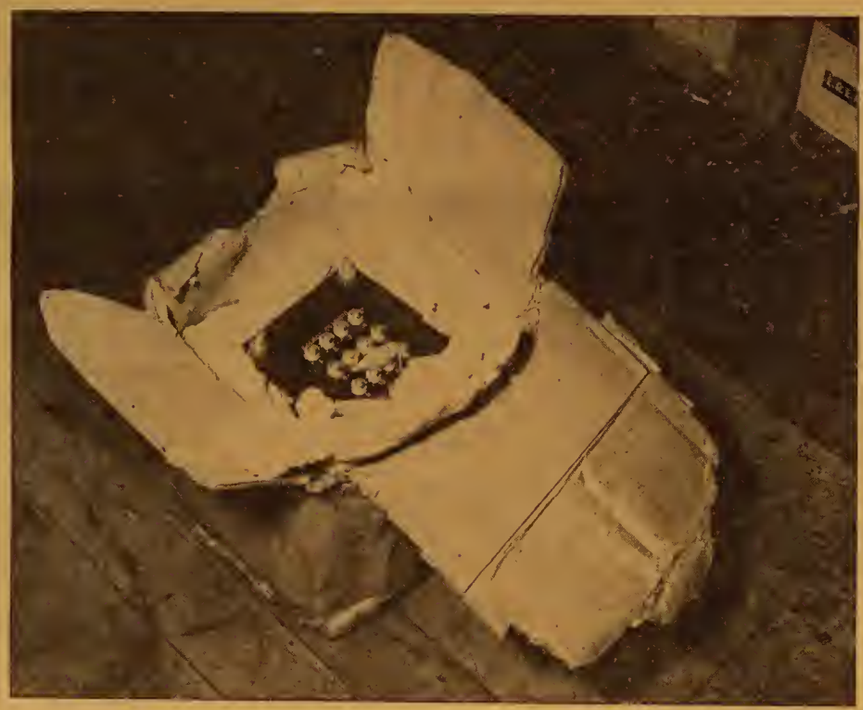
Mike Woods has joined the cardboard club. He forgot his badge. . . . Wonder why Crabill was window shopping one nite last week? . . . Slim Hammond has been looking for some repairs for his ironing board. . . . Guy Brundage says he has to pay the barber twice because it takes so long to find a hair to cut. . . . Have you noticed Eleanor Glass' new hairdo? Pigtails and all—we think it quite becoming. . . . Jerry Humbarger has solved the tire shortage. He says all you have to do is put 38 boots in one tire and it will wear like new—that is until it blows out again. What then, Jerry? . . . We finally found out why Elmer Morning always wears a cap. He likes to hide that curly hair. . . . Chief (Bear Paw) Surface has finally realized his life's ambition. He had a full team and more to spare out to play softball the other day. . . . Marshall Tarney claims he is the busiest man in Bldg. 17-1. He plays golf twice a week, softball once, and helps his wife wash one day; but he won't tell us what he does the rest of the week. . . . Have you noticed that forlorn look on brother Schelper's face? His old buddy Niel Allen is on days, and Oscar sure misses him. . . . We have a Rube Goldberg in Bldg. 17-1—none other than Lennie Hutson. You should see his latest invention. Ask Lennie to show it to you, and he will gladly demonstrate. . . . We wonder if Charles Westfall will retire to go into the rabbit business. Mike O'Neill is buying a lot of them. . . . Dick Stults is always busy, we've noticed. . . . Hilda Sheuman's friend will be home from England the first of August. . . . Loyal Hilsmeier claims the only reason he chews Red Man is because he has some real Indian blood in him. . . . Why is Rodger Crabill known as "Square Hole Crabill?" Because he claims he's an expert on drilling square holes. For details, see Rodger. . . . We understand Fred Linker is the first one to take advantage of Ray Epperson's Gridley advanced training course. Hope you like it, Fred! . . . We wish to welcome three new girls on second trick—Sandra Glass, Helen Burns, and Patty Daub. . . . This copy was officially censored by "Red" Bauermeister. . . . So long until next week.

Inspection QUALITY Test

FORT WAYNE

No. 157 July 20, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

NEEDLESS SHIPPING



THIS TRANSFORMER WAS RETURNED FOR CORRECTION OF A MINOR DEFECT.

OUR SHIPPING SECTION PACKED THE TRANSFORMER PROPERLY FOR DELIVERY TO THE CUSTOMER.

THE CUSTOMER'S SHIPPING SECTION DID NOT PACK IT PROPERLY FOR RETURN, AND IT WAS DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.

Eliminate These Minor Defects
And
Returns Will Not Be Necessary

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

Cleon Oyer was absent a couple days last week because of sickness. Glad you are better and able to be back on the job. . . . Those on vacation this week from the south end of Bldg. 4-1 are Doris Walker, Max Archbold, and Alice Dahman. Alice is going on a camping trip in Michigan. She is carrying her stove and fuel in her pocket. We hope it works and she doesn't get too hungry. . . . Ruth Reader is working on first trick, having been transferred from second. Welcome, Ruth. Glad to have you. . . . Eubert Logan really caught the fish while on his vacation last week. Or at least that is what he told us. We're "from Missouri," Logan. . . . Rosie Fisher and Pat Culbertson are absent on account of sickness. Hurry and get well, girls; we miss you. . . . Well, we have another "old man" with us now. Sam Sroufe just had another birthday. Congratulations, Sam. . . . Joe Turley took a trip East on his vacation. We hope his trip was a pleasant one. . . . Kenny Bergman is working hard on his vacation at home. He probably will need another week to rest up. . . . We will all be glad when Oby, our master-minded inspector, gets back from his vacation.

In 1942, the first year after the dimout became effective, fatal night traffic accidents in Manhattan totaled 276, an increase of 109 over 1941 despite a substantial reduction in automobile use. Day deaths at the same time dropped from 124 to 89.

19-B's BUZZ

All's quiet in the basement front. . . . Johnny Dellinger is vacationing. Do you suppose he is serenading friend wife this week? Lucky lady! . . . "Pop" Ingersoll wishes to thank one and all for the lovely gifts received on his seventy-ninth birthday. You're welcome, we're sure, "Pop." We all think you're a grand fellow. . . . Glad to see Dwight Stoner back after a siege of mumps. . . . A fond adieu to Annie Kocher, who is leaving us this week. We wish you loads of success, and we'll all miss your cheerful banter. Also thanks for the treat. . . . Melvin (Dagwood) Braun was in such a hurry to get to work last week that he forgot to remove his house slippers. Or could it be he is conserving those precious shoes? Relax now, Mel, a new stamp comes out the first of next month. . . . Back "in the groove" from enjoyed vacations are Virginia Haskins and Herb Kreager. . . . We are also glad to see Gracie Ober off the sick list and back to work. . . . Newspaper stoppage doesn't worry the girls in Bldg. 19-B. They found exactly the articles wanted in the Honolulu newspaper that Pat Aberilla brought. The only thing that worries them is how they will get the items advertised. Any suggestions? . . . "Is my face red?" This from Fred Seip, who enjoyed a fishing trip over the week-end. When asked what he did with all the fish, he admitted they were all too small to keep. You mean there were no big ones that got away? Now, that's a new version of the fishing stories told down here. . . . Does anyone have a Michigan road map, showing just exactly where Pontiac is located? Ruth Dove swears she was in practically every other town within a hundred-mile radius before she finally found it. Well, one consolation, you won't get lost very soon again, since you used all your gas stamps on this trip. . . . Did everyone notice Mary Ellen's new hair style? Up. Nice and cool looking too, Mary Ellen. . . . Verna Meyer is nursing a bruised arm received at a recent ball game. What's the matter, Verna, were you trying to catch with a bucket as suggested last week? . . . Walt Starke attended the game between Columbus and Indianapolis last Sunday. Did you find any of that Southern butter while you were there, Walt? . . . Mildred Hinkle, our tool room clerk, has returned from a visit to her home in Alabama. Millie reports she had plenty of fried chicken and watermelon. Yum! Yum!

The Navy's diving suits, electrically heated as protection against the paralyzing cold found at great depths, have an added safety factor. Wires carrying the current are enclosed between layers of noncombustible fiber glass cloth. This insulation is necessary so that, should a wire break, the spark would not ignite any combustible material, which would burn fiercely in the helium-oxygen gas now widely used in diving operations instead of compressed air.

Rubber life rafts are equipped with searchlights, the size of a walnut, that can send a 1,500 candlepower beam for 70 miles.

Is Zat So?

We have heard so much lately about various secret weapons that when Walter Scherschel announced that he had an idea that should help defeat the Japs, we were not much surprised. Walter is going to raise crows, split their tongues, and teach them to sing. Then they can be used to deliver messages to the Armed Forces. Hope it works, Walter? . . . We finally discovered why Ralph Beerman has such a tired look every morning and also unearthed a big fish story. It seems that when Ralph puts out his night line, he has to keep pulling it back in to unload the fish before he even gets the whole line out. . . . We were all happy for Elizabeth Love when she got word that her brother had returned to the States after several years overseas in the Army. Elizabeth is taking her vacation this week to be with him. . . . Vic Leakey is having a little difficulty trying to find his voice. Could it be that his voice is just changing? . . . Janie Meyer is practicing to become a farmerette. She is staying on the farm with Maxine Mason, a former co-worker. . . . Bob Mobberly, a returned veteran, is now working in Bldg. 16-3, learning time study. Best of luck, Bob. . . . Kenny Dwyer is leaving the company, due to ill health. He is going back to his home town in Iowa. Hope you are better soon, Kenny! . . . Did you happen to notice the bird broach that Marilyn Kiebel was wearing. Really novel, wasn't it? . . . Loyal Decker looked like Father Time with that scythe. . . . Elfriede Hanke's friend is home from overseas, so Elfriede is enjoying a vacation. . . . Oscar Schelper is working first shift while Norman Bender enjoys two weeks of vacation. Other vacationists are Herschel Foreman, Agnes Cordes, Mickey Kapelka, Jim Johnson, Marvel Daub, Jack Neuman, Argend Denney, and Henry Gollmer. . . . We wish to extend a hearty welcome to our two new office associates, Mearl Dukes and Jack Pollock.

The X-Ray
OF BUILDING 17-2

The main object of discussion this week has been the heat. It really is the "good ole summer time." Well, at least we don't have to worry about coal! . . . Art Maske has been keeping cool in Michigan for two weeks. We haven't heard any report on the fishing yet. . . . Wilfred Myers vacationed last week. . . . Ruth Gifford treated the group in 16x41 to a can of good fresh popcorn. You can do that again, Ruth. . . . Group 16x41 welcomes Walter Subyda. He comes from Winter Street Plant. . . . Martin Schon had an enjoyable vacation last week. He went nautical. He took the overnight boat trip from Detroit to Cleveland. You didn't get seasick, did you, Mart? . . . We are sorry to hear that June Conner's mother is a patient at the Lutheran Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery. . . . Word from Pvt. Skinny Mosshammer states that he is somewhere in the vast Pacific.

Awarded Joint Patent



F. W. Suhr



W. W. Warner

Fred W. Suhr and Wilber W. Warner have been granted a joint patent by the United States Patent Office. This is Mr. Suhr's first and Mr. Warner's seventh patent. The patent covers a quick-reversing single phase A.C. motor. The quick-reversing action is obtained by use of a small series-coil winding relay which is mounted in or on the motor flange. It employs the principles of regeneration and power current lockout.

This scheme is generally applicable to standard capacitor motors and eliminates the necessity for the highly special electrical design formerly used for quick-reversing motor designs.

Motors built under this patent are now being manufactured and used by our customers for hoist, machine tool, and other applications requiring quick-reversing motors.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

Why is John Kokosa wearing a larger hat? It's a boy—and John is all smiles. Congratulations, John and Mary. . . . Some of our people back from vacations are—Bill Bunyan, who reports he was kept busy on his vacation fishing in Blue Hole and going to midnight shows. Bill says, "There are so many fish in Blue Hole they built a fence around it to keep the fish in." . . . With Ed Hormann duty comes first; he gave his house a coat of paint. . . . Virginia Reed says, "It sure seems good, just to spend a week at home." . . . Confucius says, "There should be a law against coming back from a vacation with a goatee like Ed Yinger's." . . . Bob Buck renewed his acquaintance with the home folks at New Castle and Connersville. . . . Harley Urbine sat on the lake for eight hours and caught a nice mess of fish. . . . Irene Schultz is seeing the sights in Chicago this week. . . . Ollie Fox had a little misfortune while he was at the lake. He had so many fish he couldn't get them in the ice box, so he left them in his live box. Someone else apparently was fish hungry—the next morning the live box was empty. Ollie says, "Oh well, I was getting tired of fish any way." . . . Would life be the same without—Joe Hofer and Rex Mericle's whistling? Roy Lawrence's "Is everybody happy?" And everyone in unison, when the candy wagon arrives, "Wonder if Carrie has anything special today?" . . . Five of our boys left us this week to go to work for Uncle Sam—Ted Liebrecht, Frank Filus, Gordon Thomley, Hiram Smith, and Alfred Eisenacher. We are sorry to lose you boys, but we wish you luck, and hope it won't be long until you are back with us to stay.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By E. A. Miller

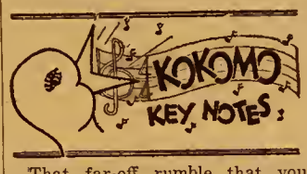
Starting with this column, we will endeavor to have a weekly feature, along with all other "newsie" columns in the paper.

"Yours truly," although inexperienced as a reporter, has tackled various jobs with a measure of success, such as milking cows, selling newspapers, folding invoices; and working as orderly in Dickie's nursery, and now reporting news on the "G-E Joe's" of the Hollywood Building. Gloria Minger, Yvonne Klaehn, Marylinn Bullerman, Gillie Plummer, and Tommy Fox have volunteered their services as assistant reporters. Instead of following the one man "Peeping Tom" detective roll of looking under the desks and tapping telephone wires for news, we have formed the above "Company" in block warden fashion, requesting the interested parties to be on the alert, flashing in their reports; and hence we hope to have a successful column which is yours for the reading. So, folks, watch your steps from now on. Keep off the streets after midnight and off banana peelings; look pleasant and not as if in debt; walk straight ahead, and don't drop your car tokens, for the "G-E Reporters" are on the job for the "G-E Joe's." We sure hope you will enjoy our efforts.

So here goes! Bombs away! Mary Jane Brand and son, Denny, stared like two owls in the dark the other night when Daddy Chuck walked into the house, returning from the European theater of war. What a dream to come true! . . . The following four persons in the Regional Warehouse recently took vows to brave the sea of matrimony: Thelma Higley Clevenger, Joan Harkenrider Sample, Kathryn Lahrman Walper, and Virginia Bissell Grace. Good luck to you all, and remember, girls, the hubby is always boss. . . . "Gil" Bond and his wife, Vivian, are in the Great Smoky Mountains on their two weeks' vacation. They were there last year and have found the one and only spot in Tennessee next to home, so says "Gil." . . . Coleen Johnson is spending two weeks with her girl friend at Winona Lake. . . . Mary Henry is in Chicago on her vacation. . . . Bonnie Swihart is at Lake James for the week. . . . Others on vacation this week are: Gerry Kunberger, Martha Topp, Jack Heiniger and Tommy Fox. . . . The other day, Henry Reidenbach tried on a fur cap, a Nazi souvenir belonging to Chuck Brand. Henry said he was up all night scratching his head. That's all, folks.

IN THE GENERAL SERVICE Spotlight

Nothing could keep the Bldg. 20-2 gang from attending the lake party last Sunday at Lake James. The day was dreary and rainy, not mentioning the wind; however, a large group composed of families and friends went to the lake early in the morning for an all-day outing. The noon and evening meals were served "potluck" style, with snacks in between. Some of the younger group went horseback riding, and those brave enough went swimming, despite the cool weather. Softball was played in the late afternoon with teams composed of both sexes. Mrs. Peggy Turchman surprised the group when she arrived at the lake with her husband, Bob, who was home on a short leave from the Navy. According to the many people who attended the affair, a good time was had by all, and from the looks of things, it won't be long until another lake party is scheduled. . . . Swinney Park was the scene recently of another one of those blood-and-thunder softball games between the Bldg. 20-2 engineers and Pop Quinn's Men. Again, the engineers were beaten, and not to disgrace them, we won't mention the final score. . . . Congratulations to Peggy Turchman, who recently celebrated her birthday.



That far-off rumble that you hear is the coming bowling season getting underway. Altho the actual pin toppling is six weeks away, preparations are already being made, as the G-E League was offered a 5:45 o'clock spot on Tuesday night for 12 alleys at the Recreation Alleys in their new location on North Main Street.

A commitee was appointed by R. Bergman and a meeting held Tuesday, July 17. The committee accepted the offer of the Recreation Alleys.

Officers for the season are: A. L. Richards, president; R. Bishoff, vice-president; and W. G. Kretzmann, secretary-treasurer.

Since 12 alleys are available this year, there should be a spot for all bowling enthusiasts to participate.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

A farewell dinner was held last week at the Victory Club honoring Margaret Wood, Bldg. 18-3, who left us to go overseas with the Red Cross. A gift was presented her from the group and those attending the dinner were: Margaret Kivi, Mary Ramey, Angela Baltes, Sallie Claiborne, Margaret Buroker, Rachel Luellen, Ruth Beeber, Bernice Korte and Ann Klint. . . . Laura Rice, Bldg. 18-3, doesn't have much trouble with her shoes hurting her these days. She can be seen most any time at her desk minus shoes. . . . Recent vacationers from the Main Office are as follows: Celeste Miskel, Bldg. 18-4, is back from two weeks of basking in the sunlight and is several shades darker than when she left. Ginny Worden, Bldg. 18-4, says Chicago is still a wonderful place to go. Hazel Myers, Bldg. 18-1, visited in Michigan during her vacation; Mary Brinker, Bldg. 18-1, went to Chicago. Lake vacationers were Herb Kammeyer, Caroll Ramsey, Mary Jane Guise, Betty Spittler, Gertrude Kasimier, and Jocile Davis, all from Bldg. 18-1. Florence Kasimier, Bldg. 18-3, Mary Ellen Brown, Employment Office, and Harry Brown, Bldg. 18-4, also spent their vacations at the lake. Margaret Kivi visited her home in Minnesota. Aileen Betts and Faye Murphy as well as Phil Singleton and Adolph Shilling are more from Bldg. 18-3 that enjoyed vacations. . . . Ties that should make the news were Bob Ellis', Bldg. 18-3, and Luther Meyer's, Bldg. 18-3, bright yellow ties. How 'bout that? . . . At this time we would like to welcome Miss Fay into Bldg. 18-3.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Genieve Frazier got her lunch mixed up with someone else's the other day. It's a good thing you looked at it before you started to eat, Genieve. We all make mistakes, we guess. . . . We bet Ann Hershberger doesn't leave her coat up here all night again. It isn't safe, is it, Ann? . . . If you want to hear the story about Gerry Kraft and his little white kitten, just ask Johnny Ormiston. . . . We want to congratulate Frances Rose on her birthday she had week before last. We hope she has many more. Frances was on her vacation last week. Good to see her back. . . . Bertha Click and Hilda Seiler came back from a two-week vacation. How lucky they are to have two weeks of rest. . . . Cora Rice and Margaret Hilgemann also were on a vacation last week. We wonder if Margaret caught enough fish to eat. We knew at least that she ate chicken, even if she didn't eat fish. . . . Elbert Niswonder was on a week's vacation week before last. . . . We finally decided it wasn't new exercises that Donna Bucher was taking last week. Donna was just trying to remove rubber fingertips from the inside of her gloves.

The rate of accidents on school grounds in May, 1944, doubled the rate for April, 1944.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Screw Machine

Forrest Stinson is celebrating a birthday today. We wish you a happy birthday and hope you have many more. . . . We seem to have another soloist in our crowd. Rita Helmsing's most popular number is "Bell Bottom Trousers." . . . Marjorie Parnell seems to be having her share of troubles. She overslept Thursday morning, hurried out to come to work and had a flat tire. It's time to re-tire, Margie. . . . We have quite a few on vacation this week—Bob Hanson, Ned Neuman, and Donna Breitenback. . . . Doris Ballard has a nice surprise this week. The Screw Machine gang gave her a wonderful set of dishes for a future wedding present. . . . Floyd Garland is being transferred to Broadway on nights. We all wish a lot of good luck to you, Floyd. . . . Martin Walchle is taking Floyd's place on the Forge Shop bowling team.

Impeller

We were wondering just where Joe Cochoit is supposed to be working. He was transferred to the Aluminum Parts. That's O. K. Joe, you like to come back and see us, don't you, Joe? . . . Never go marketing without a shopping bag. Mary Huyghe tried it, but she wished afterwards she would have taken one along. Maybe you won't buy so much the next time, Mary. . . . Wonder why Bob Mossburg hasn't as much pep as usual lately. Is it that he has to stay up nights with his children while his wife is working? . . . The Impeller Section offers deepest sympathy to Mildred Balliet on the loss of her father, who passed away a week ago. Mildred was at one time floor lady in our section. We also wish her good luck on her new job. She is going back to Broadway in Bldg. 17-3. Our loss is Broadway's gain. . . . Hilda Horstmeyer celebrated her twenty-third anniversary the twentieth by having a steak supper at the Allen Hotel. We wish you lots more of them, Hilda. . . . Albert Crill is spending his vacation this week with his son, who is home from the Army. . . . Susana Pickett, Harold Wilcox, and Danny McGrath are all enjoying vacations at the lake this week. We hope Danny gets to go fishing this time and doesn't have to spend the whole week mowing the yard. . . . The Impeller Section was visited this week by two of its former workers, Windfell Poffenbarger and Glen Geyer, both of them now serving in the Navy.

Rotor

Maxine Woodcox, Lucinda Fitch, Frank Clem, Justine Cour, George Scott, Woody Richardson are taking a week of much needed rest, if they rest. . . . Edra Jacobs, formerly of Shaft Line, is enjoying a visit with her son, who is home on furlough. . . . Margaret Middaugh Coombs wishes to thank each and every one for the lovely gift. . . . Eddie Shidler is improving quite well from a tonsillectomy this past week. . . . Does anyone here have any ponies running around loose? If you do, just call Charlie Shidler. He'll be more than glad to return them to you. After running around in his pajamas hunting for his own the other night, he found her at a neighbor's. . . . Kenneth Hyman came back this week to see the gang. Do you suppose he gets homesick for them?

Assembly

Jane Brosher informs us that she is slowly improving. . . . Bob Zimmerman transferred from our section. . . . Vivian Spindler has taken over the work Bob Zimmerman was doing. Good going, Vivian, lots of good luck to you.

Receiving

We don't know whether Gus had a birthday last week or not; at least he is wearing a new wrist watch. It sure is a dandy. Gus says, "It's the watch, the sun and moon are set by." . . . We at last have found a man with a hobby. Just give Bob Little a piece of soft pine and watch the shavings fly. We think Bob would make a good horse trader; he likes to whittle. . . . Ruth Penrod is back at work; she feels much better since she lost her tonsils. . . . Bill Elick is back from his vacation. He reports a swell time but says it was a short vacation. . . . As fishing and turtle season is now at its peak, here is a useful hint. The best way to kill a turtle after it is caught, is to open its mouth and give it a sleeping powder. Ask Cliff—he knows. . . . Frank Fast, our reporter, has lost his ride from Angola. Who can help him out? He is looking for some good-hearted soul to ride with. Let Frank know if you know of anyone who lives in Angola and works in Fort Wayne. . . . Russell Dryer was a welcome visitor to our section last week. . . . What became of all the horse shoe pitching? Bob Little is getting lonesome for a good game with someone. A little new clay on the court would help a lot to put it in better condition. . . . Birthdays this week, Don Winebrenner on the twenty-seventh and Bob Little and Jim Stoiche on the twenty-ninth. Good luck and a happy birthday to all of you. . . . "Hobbies," this section seems to be shy on the subject. The only one so far with a hobby is Helb Wilding, whose hobby is stamp collecting.

Shipping

Mary and Caesar put a new version on the old adage, "An apple for the teacher." They each had an orange and each ate the other's orange. . . . Dorothy was proudly showing us pictures of her son and daughter. The son is twenty and in the Navy. The daughter is a most attractive girl of eighteen. . . . Scott (Mick) Biddle is on vacation in Michigan. . . . We welcome Lois Forrest, who transferred to us from Rotor. . . . Mildred O'Neil, Virginia Caldwell, Imodean Crooks and their daughters are planning a picnic. Helen Tenny and her sister are also going to be there. . . . We welcome Eudora Gross, who transferred from Rotor. . . . Beth is all smiles. Her son Kenneth arrived home to stay. . . . Treace really is stepping high, wide and handsome. New sport shoes is the answer. . . . Glad to see Edith back on the job. She has been sick. . . . Want a cigar? See Caesar. . . . Button! Button! Who had the button? Susie Romey has the finest collection of buttons you ever saw. She has buttons on mythology, children and fable buttons, Biblical buttons, historical buttons, animal buttons and goofie buttons. The historical buttons have scenes from ancient times to the state seals of every state in the Union, except Utah and South Dakota. She has buttons of twenty-four different animals. It is a most interesting and attractive collection. Thousands of words are needed to describe this wonderful collection in detail. What is your hobby?

Tool Room

George Mellinger is on the West Coast in a replacement outfit. Smooth sailing, George. . . . Deacon DeLaughter took his boot training in the Navy. Now they have transferred him to the Marines, and he is compelled to do it all over again. You will like that uniform I'm sure, Deacon. . . . George Prince will be out of boot training July 28. Be seeing you. . . . Ed Boedeker is in the market for a new set of golf clubs. He shot a 41 at Municipal course with borrowed clubs. . . . Kenny McCague will catch the biggest ones, because he has the longest arms. You ask him and just watch! Boy, has he ever got a spread! Loren Pollock dreamed of the perfect lake the other night. Perfect weather, perfect fishing, oh, let him tell you. . . . George Holthaus makes hay when the sun shines, and he always knows when it will shine, that is, if it doesn't rain. Hey, George, how are the weeds in the corn? . . . The boys in the Mill Section are at this moment being serenaded by—by gosh, that's Ed Boedeker trying to sing.

Nozzle Box

Shirley Hollins has returned to work after enjoying a nice vacation down in Kentucky. Shirley said he was away up in the mountains; he spent most of his time fishing and eating. . . . Margaret Puryear is back to work after a week's vacation. Margaret spent her time at the lake and working at home. . . . We see that Roscoe Jett just couldn't stay away from the Grind & Finish Line and the gang out there. It's good to have you back, Roscoe. . . . Nadine Heller was absent from work because of illness this past week, however, she is back on the job now. . . . Fern Deane expects to go to Logansport over the week-end to visit her parents. . . . Wally Castle returned to work after spending his vacation at the lake and in Detroit. . . . Clara Wheeler's daughter, Virginia, was married on Thursday to Sgt. Walter L. Kellogg, of Kingsburg, South Dakota. Sgt. Kellogg is a radio operator on a transport carrier overseas. He had been overseas for twenty months. They will leave soon for South Dakota to visit his parents.

Plant Service

Our bowling team is anxious to get back into action. After a three weeks' layoff, because of the fact that the alleys were being repaired, they plan to stage a strong come-back. . . . We're glad to have George Roush working with us. He is the new welder with the field gang. Incidentally, he is working with Ray Strunk. . . . Louie Lothammer is vacationing this week; just where, we're not sure. He said maybe a couple of days fishing and then just loaf around, kinda take it easy—but we're sure that if there was a movie in town with Rita Hayworth or Lana Turner in it, Louie would be there. How about it, Louie? . . . Harold Miller still would like to know who furnished the post card sent to the gang in the Metal Shop, signed Ott & Frank. . . . In case you haven't stopped to look at the display in front of the cafeteria, take time to do it. It concerns our plant and what we make and is a fine tribute to this factory and the people working in it. . . . We want to welcome our new time-keeper, Violet Norris, and assure her that we'll try to make things as pleasant as possible for her. She'll not be around however for a couple of weeks on account of vacationing. . . . Ruth Yentes sends word from the Sunny South that she is having a fine time with the mosquitoes, bugs, rain, etc., etc.

"I Got Good Mileage, Too!"



says Ed Klomp, Fractional Horsepower Motor Foreman, shown in above picture. "I HAVE WORN TWENTY-FIVE PAIRS OF SAFETY SHOES," says Ed, "IN THE PAST FIFTEEN YEARS. A spool of wire fell, fracturing my large toe. I've worn 'em ever since." We think Ed has an outstanding record as a "Safety Shoe Wearer." However, he believes there are better ones. CAN YOU BEAT IT?

Ed is now at Taylor Street with the Aircraft and Dynamotor Section of Section 15, Fractional Horsepower Motor Division. Employees in these sections originally worked at Broadway in Bldgs. 4-2, 6-2, or 17-3 where some outstanding Safety Records have been made. AS GOOD OR BETTER SAFETY PERFORMANCES WILL NO DOUBT BE MADE BY EMPLOYEES IN THESE SECTIONS IN THEIR NEW LOCATION.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Fractional Doings AT TAYLOR STREET

We wonder where Connie Hutchinson, Ida and Lillian Sinn were going when they were seen walking down the railroad tracks, each carrying a large roll of wire. Seems they missed their ride home, but what was the wire for, girls? . . . Lorena Buuck was seen in the cafeteria with a tray of food but no silverware. That's right, Lorena; hands were made before silverware, but eating soup without a spoon doesn't go too well! . . . Elda Johnson and Luella Melcher have reached another milestone in life. Happy birthday, girls, and many more. . . . Bill Baer would like to know how to fry breaded oysters. Anyone knowing where to buy them out of season, please inform him. . . . Any fellow wearing a yellow neck tie should not walk past Mary Wright because every time she sees yellow, she has to sing, "Around her neck she wore a yellow ribbon." . . . We are sorry to see Kathleen Baker, Madonna Gerardot and Helen Luther leave

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KEEP CLARDIE'S TOT LADS BUY EXTRA BONDS

Candidates For G-E Club Offices



Shown above are the candidates for the G-E Club election to be held Tuesday, July 31, and Wednesday, August 1. Top row, left to right, are Paul Berghorn and Merlin Sweet, candidates for president; Charles Wilt and Charles McAfee, first vice-president; Loretta Bloom, second vice-president. Second row, left to right, Ceal Romary, second vice-president; William Schible and Jerry Duryee, secretary; and Joe Oddou and Joe Fagan, director.

News From TAYLOR STREET

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us to return to Broadway. Good luck, girls. Rachel Johnson and Ruth Byall are leaving us for a time. We'll be looking forward to seeing you on your return. . . . Anyone seeking information as to when the fish bite, see Gillian. . . . Did you notice the smart hat Willodine Hall was modcling? She should try for "Breakfast at Hollywood!" . . . We are wondering what is wrong with Katherine Wiegle's eyes lately. She is constantly seeing someone she thinks is an old friend, only to have it turn out to be a complete stranger. Yes, it has happened twice already. . . . Have you noticed the smilcs and happy looks on the faces of Lucille Fullencamp and Mildred Kuhns? Both girls' friends are back from overseas, and Mildred's has a discharge. Good luck, girls. . . . To our co-workers and friends who are in service we send greetings. We are looking forward to seeing you soon! We are proud to know you.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

"Mac" McClure really likes to ride on busses or should we say "sleep" on them? After working the other night, he took a bus to Huntington, where he lives, but fell asleep and never woke up till they got to Marion! Nothing like getting home early in the morning, eh, Mac? . . . Lola Lumpp tried to use her street car pass to get in the gate thc other noon. Suppose she uscs her G-E badge to ride on the street cars? . . . If you ever have a flat tire just call on Cass & Griffin, Inc. (Cass holds the car up while Griffin changes the tire). Next time, boys, try a jack. Really, it's much neater than tearing up the parking lot with planks. . . . Our sympathy goes to Bill Shuherk on the death of his mother. . . . Top honors for pop corn eating go to Dwight Myers. He can smell it a mile away it seems. We sometimes wonder just what his capacity really is. . . . We'll all miss Phyl Coles and Marian Ehle, who are both leaving us to make houschold duties their full-time job. Best wishes! . . . Helen Parent is now flashing a sparkler, third finger left hand! The lucky man is Howard Clemens who was recently discharged from the armed service. Congratulations! . . . Welcome to newcomers Dorothy Ellison, Constance Newell, and Pauline Freygang. . . . We'll miss Vera McGregor, who is out for a month for a rest. Hope you're feeling better! . . . The reason for the slow movement of some of the girls in the Drafting Section of Bldg. 31-2 was the monthly picnic given last week which resulted in a lot of fun and some sore muscles. The girls are beginning to get so good at softball that the "Daisies" will have to start planning on some tough competition. . . . Waneta Vanderford really played the game smart when she ate in the cafeteria without taking any money with her—they say lotion is good for dishpan hands, Vandy! . . . Cliff Zieg has not returned to work as yet, but he is improving and we are looking forward to seeing him around soon. . . . All congratulations this week go to Cal Nauman who is boasting a new baby boy—only seven more for a baseball team, Cal!

Here and There BUILDING 17-4

Vacations are still coming and going. Martha Shull reports a wonderful vacation at the lake. Ethel Rakoczy also had a grand vacation, but wait till you hear the tales from Cora Emanhiser and Dorothy Holt! Do our eyes ever turn green with envy when their vacation tales reach our ears. They now belong to the "See America First Club," after spending a week in thc east. Some of the highlights were Buffalo, New York City, Niagara Falls, Washington, D. C., the Blue Ridge Mountains, and many other wonderful places. Believe it or not, thcy actually saw how money was made, the Senate in session, the U.S. Marine Band, and they attended several musicales. Cora reports that the stores in the East have cigars, bananas, films, meat and other precious items. She topped off her vacation by coming home to a big T-bone steak dinner. Any wonder that we are green with envy? . . . Mr. Glenn has an artistic eye, so hc spent his vacation beautifying his house, painting and papering. He had one week of vacation, but he can see his handiwork for several years, so that was a week well spent. . . . Pob Olson had the pleasure of entcrtaining his father and mother for several days. They were visiting him from the beautiful state of Wisconsin. . . . Tom Ambrose is back on the job and has the balancing machine under control. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Don Thomas in his recent sorrow. . . . James Kelley made almost all of his hay while the sun was shining. . . . Jesse Circle was in the Army in 1900, when we first took over the Philippines and helpcd survey it. . . . Carl Freygang is still gone. We bet he hates to come back to work, after relaxing the way only he can do. For further details, see Carl. . . . Virgil Kimes is vacationing in Michigan. We can just see him lounging on the beach and bringing in boat loads of fish. . . . This world and all its wonders reminds us of the man who stood on the edge of the Grand Canyon, gazing down. He exclaimed, "It's beautiful. God made it. I'm an American. I own part of it." Let's always keep it that way.

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

We're wondering what Genevieve Oddou did with that pet mouse she had up here? Could just about see it, it was so big. . . . This week we have quite a few on their vacation. G. H. Nicoli, C. M. McHenry, James Goins, Carl Snyder, Harold Gick, Evan Morris, Paul Gensil, Lillian Poiry, and Madonna Kolb arc among the lucky ones this time. We hope you are having a nice time, all of you. . . . Katherine Winter was guest of honor at the potluck given by the Birthday Club and was presented with a gift. We hope you have many more happy birthdays, Katie. . . . We thought you might like to know that Walter Pepple, former assembler on second trick, is the proud papa of a son, named Walter David. . . . We wish to welcome Mary Kaufman to Group 13x56 on second trick. Glad to have you with us, Mary. . . . Mary Long is a very happy girl, as she is getting married Friday and will make her home in St. Louis, Mo. We wish you the best of everything, Mary, and we're sorry to see you leave us. Good luck. . . . We can imagine how glad Betty Strohmeier is because her brother, Elmer Weitzman, just got home for 30 days from Germany. . . . No, that isn't a black eye Donna Dinius has. She wears those dark glasses because of a sore eye, and we hope it gets O.K. real soon, Donna. . . . Walter Kammeyer and Dorothy King returned from their vacations recently and from tbe looks of things, they both had a fine time. We bet Walter spent his time playing with that new little girl who came to stay at his house. . . . This week we said goodbye to Mamie Miller, flange inspector on days, who is going back to her home in Texas. She was presented with a gift from the gang. Sorry to see you leave, Mamie, and good luck. . . . Guess we put all the news in last week. Well, maybe we'll have more news next week. So long for this week.

—COUNTRY COUSINS.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by tbe grapevine: That Howard Fritz of the dispatching force in Bldg. 26-2 left for the Army July 17. Good luck, Howard, and let us hear from you. . . . That the Russel Skinner family has a new daughter, born July 20. Congrats, Russ. . . . That Dan Tetlow has discovered a new golf club —it is called a "hand mashie." Very handy for getting out of traps. . . . That Joe Trentadue won the Gold Star award for courteous driving. Just call him Gentleman Joel" . . . That Walt Doehrman, our genial president, has been in Chicago for several weeks for some intensive training in connection with bis work in Bldg. 4-6. . . . Don't forget the Dispatchers Club family picnic Sunday, July 29. Bring your family to East Swinney Park at 1:30 P.M. Due to present food rationing conditions, we must ask you to bring your own lunch—potluck style—but there will be ice cream, pop, and games for all the adults and kiddies. See you there.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Motber Hubbard went to the cupboard to get her poor boy some lunch. When she got there the cupboard was bare, and poor John had no lunch—that's what John St. Clair thought when he carried his empty dinner pail to work and only discovered it when he went to eat his lunch. Better eating next time, John. . . . Where is our summer, July? Loretta Bloom, Margaret Kocher, and Betty Hawk wear their winter coats to work. What will they do next winter? . . . Did you folks see Al Miller's hat? Well, it looks like it belongs to some kids' baseball team. . . . If anyone wants to know how to grow radishes without using any dirt, just ask Velma Meads. They look like shoe strings, but they might taste all right. . . . Golda Mentzer's son, Noble, was home on furlough from Camp Lee, Virginia. . . . A potluck was held in bonor of Howard Fritz, who left for tbe Army. He was presented with a nice gift. The guests were Ray Feller, Paul Studebaker, Lowell Kronmiller, Glen France, Dick Anderson, George Correll, Jim Quinn, Cress Hollenbeck, Lucille Werling, Verda Hill, Vola Schnepp, Carolyn White, Midge VanRayan, Luella Conrad, Ruby Musselman, Jean Togwell, Bessie Chapman, Dorothea Barr, Edna Knewbrehler, Bill Braun, Velma Sitcher, Lois Barmert, Novalee Tharp. . . . George Gibson's son, George, Jr., arrived home from overseas, and that was two hearts made happy. George says he looks fine. . . . Happy birthday to Loretta Bloom, and she blushed herself out of a good spanking. Can you imagine that? . . . Rolley Wickliffe sure can throw the bull now. He got himself a little calf. Meat on the table, Rolley, and no points. . . . Herb Driftmeyer wants to know when is a toothache an earache. . . . Vic Sheele sure had enough trouble keeping his fish worms long enough to use on his vacation last week. Without the help of his son, who poured turpentine on them. Vic says he saved about 100 of them by giving them a bath in warm water. Then last week while they were at the lake, the boy got helpful again and filled the bucket of worms with water. Then we hear Vic almost lost his temper. Anyhow we cannot print what he said then. . . . We notice the grass has been cut in front of Don Eme's. We know the baby didn't do it, neither did Don. So it must have been his wife who cut it again. . . . Among other people who could use a good alarm clock is Eileen Spillner. . . . Connie Feist spent every evening fishing last week. Saturday he was seen eating sardines. How come, Connie? You told some good fish stories too. . . . Al Colbert paid us a visit last Saturday. He has been stationed in Florida and after spending some time at home, he reports to Fort Ord in California. Glad to see you, Al. You're looking swell. . . . We are sorry to hear that Gerald Aspy's wife is ill. We are hoping she feels well soon. . . . Sorry to hear that Irvin Bacon's wife is in the hospital. . . . Boy, what we girls wouldn't give to have Gerald Aspy's curly hair. . . . Say, folks, we have a lady down here in the basement that can't tell currants from eggs. She kept saying they were eggs until she went to get them off of her buffet, and they turned out to be currants. This girl could be Priscilla Casey. . . . By the way, we have in Bldg. 26-B another victim of the fortune teller's. Says he doesn't believe in them, but you should hear him. It could be Russell Jewel. . . . Jim Quinn is the proud father of a baby girl named Beverly. . . . No need of really going fishing, Merlin Sweet thinks. You all buy your fish at the supermarket anyway. Even a picture of the fish doesn't prove a thing. . . . You must remember you have to have your button to cross Broadway to the office, or you're in between and cannot get in or out. Lucille Weling knows, as she had to call her boss. How about it, Lucille?

July 20, 1945

Greetings, "Wimpy" and
Bldg. 26-2 Gang:

I promised you all a letter and I aim to fulfill that promise, but I'm afraid the letter is going to be a dull one as there is very little of importance to say. I can thank you all for going out of your way to make the few days I spent with you a more than pleasant furlough. The teamwork tbere in the department is something to be proud of and is a darn good agent of tbe "old American spirit." I know that it will go on, and it feels good to know that that attitude exists in the G-E of Fort Wayne. Not much "flag waving," but darn good cooperation, hard work, and good products for all branches of the service. That's what counts. It's been hotter than —— down here, but the countryside is a good offset, as it is very pretty. Just like Indiana (almost). The hospital is the largest in the world and is reputed to have the best doctors and surgeons that can be found anywhere. They sure pull some miracles for the boys, and I mean that.

Our "one lung" ward played softball last night and today we don't feel so good. That includes me also. Well, gang, I guess that brings us up to date so for now, the best of luck in the world to you all, and I'll be seeing you.

Sgt. Ted Wyatt
Kennedy General Hospital
Memphis, Tennessee

We were glad to have you with us, Ted, and we hope you will be back here again soon. The gang.

Two Retire On Pension



Eugene Rhodes



W. C. Woodward

Announcement is made today of the retirement under the Company Pension Plan of William C. Woodward and Eugene Rhodes. Mr. Woodward's pension becomes effective August 1, and he is retiring after 22 years and 7 months of service. A familiar figure to all Bldg. 19 and Bldg. 26 employees, he has spent 20 years of his time with General Electric as elevator operator in Bldg. 19. It's reported tbat "Bill" knows practically everybody in Bldg. 19 and doesn't even need to ask for floor stops. Mr. Rhodes has retired with service totalling 27 years and 9 months. At the time of his retirement, he was a sheet metal worker in the General Service Division. Nearly all of his service with the Company has been in that division.

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

This one was told by Fred Vogt himself. He called his wife on the phone one night last week and said, "Hello dear, are you reading the evening paper?" "Why no, I'm eating supper. Who is this calling?" "Why this is your husband, Freddie." "You must be mistaken, Mr., for my husband is here with me; try another number!" Yes, we agree, Freddie, these new inventions are tricky. . . . Herby Ort built a new garage this summer, but he made a miscalculation. He has so much left-over material stored in the garage that his car is still on the outside. . . . Katheryn Norr has been off tbe past week recuperating from a recent tonsillectomy. Who knows, Katheryn, it may change your voice and you may become a great prima donna. . . . Myrt Barfell doesn't mind the heat now that she has her peaches canned. . . . We extend our sympathies to Wilma Lynch on the recent death of her sister. . . . Lottie McFarland and Leo Symonds enjoyed a birthday last week. The cake was really good. Dale Irwin, not being much of a cake eater, only had three pieces. . . . A new face appeared in the Winding Section. Welcome, DeVela Zaner. . . . A recent fishing trip involving two Izaak Walton advocates, Carl Kloepper and Howard Poorman, produced a good fish story. Carl hooked a good-sized bass, and the two boys kicked four yards of gravel back in the water before they landed it. Carl claims he used 25 pounds of ice getting the fish home. . . . Group 14x3A hate to see Lenora Kimble leave us, but we wish her luck on her new job. . . . Paul Beauchamp says no more sidewalks, as he takes his second week of vacation. . . . John Roose has been talking about fishing on his vacation, but your reporter finds out he has purchased a ticket to Chicago. Sounds fishy. . . . Ray Bobay is taking his vacation the next two weeks. Any fish stories he lets out will be printed in this column. Please use care, Mr. Bobay. . . . Gladys Strong's green beans grew so long that they propped the vine up and finally pulled it out of the ground. At that, we wonder. . . . It is rumored that Carl Kloepper oiled the pulley on Howard Poorman's boat, and he kept up with him in fishing. Charlie Knox put him wise. . . . Carl Kloepper said he had five barrels in his garage. Everybody volunteered to "help" him with them—until he said it was cement. Brother, that was a bad one. . . . Herman Lepper has made a promise. "If I get a big bass on my vacation, I will fry it and give it to the boys who have not enjoyed fish this season." Well, at any rate, it sounds good. Good luck, Herman.

Bldg. 4-4 Office News

Art Wedler isn't playing fair—he even practices during working hours to lower bis average on the golf team. He was seen coaxing his ball from the Pennsylvania Railroad through a little opening in the fence. No doubt he is getting his ball accustomed to narrow escapes. Or would you like to give us the unabridged story, Mr. Wedler? . . . Bldg. 4-4 Office had one of the most successful parties of the year last Wednesday, July 18, at the Elk's Country Club. The nature of this festivity was a farewell party for Grady L. Roark. To say the least, it certainly was a gala affair. At the speaker's table were the ho ored guests, Mr. and Mrs. Roar Mr. Wedler, Mr. Skevington, an G. W. Auer. Mr. Skevington ma a good speech and presented M Roark with a pen and pencil se as a token of our best wishe After the dinner, dancing and card were enjoyed by the group. Every one departed with the satisfactio of having spent a very delightfu evening. Mr. Roark will be greatl missed by his fellow-employee and it is the sincere wish of eac member of Section 14 that he wi achieve the success in his new ven ture that he so rightfully deserve We wish him bon voyage.

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Charley (Chuck) Cook had a birthday Sunday, July 15. From the way he complained it must have been a happy birthday. . . . Viles Bolinger is back on the job recovering from his vacation. . . . Due to the low frequency of the pasteboards, Jake and Pete are now playing solitaire. . . . What a lovely gift Norma Bower is displaying that she received from her soldier friend. The gift includes a bracelet and locket. . . . Chalk up another victory for the renowned girls' ball team against the highly touted Fort Wayne G-E team. They are surely in the groove. . . . Reverses again! We just heard that our team lost to Lima Friday evening. Sorry, girls. . . . Ruth Hess, the little girl of the cafeteria, says she will be married the first furlough "he" gets. Congrats, Ruth. . . . Yes, and Jake is no slouch when it comes to riding a bicycle either. . . . While you are reading this, Sol Lord will be taking his well deserved vacation. No, he is not going fishing. . . . Virginia Heller, popular swing shift gal, is back again. Welcome, Ginnie. . . . Ray Bleeke, setup man for the automatics, has returned from his vacation. . . . Our second shift nurse, Luella Smith, is subbing on days for Rowena Holthouse, who is on vacation. . . . Kathryn (Jean) McLean is displaying a beautiful diamond she received from her boyfriend, PFC Dwight Arnold, who has returned to the States after spending three and a half years in the Pacific. Congratulations. . . Helen Roop and Cecelia Noonan have returned to work after spending their vacations in Chicago. . . . The following people are enjoying their vacations: Irene Heimann, Delores Bentz, Mary Furman, Ralph Ross, Arnold Gehres, Leona Koeneman, Vera Lehman, Dick Bogner, Vera Ellenberger, Juanita Habegger, Waneta Stauffer, and Kenny Small, the paint mechanic. . . . Flora Marie Spahr and Mary Jane Faulkner are enjoying a week's vacation at Oliver Lake. . . . Another item concerning the girls ball team. They played the Baer Field Civilian team on Friday night, and it was a slaughter. The score was 16 to 1 in favor of the girls from Decatur G-E. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Leona Walters, whose mother passed away. . . . Beulah Ainsworth and Esther Hunter have left the services of the company.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

The salaried employees' picnic was talked about by everyone last Friday. It seems that everyone had loads of fun—at least, we haven't heard any complaints yet. We even had three people (Irma Snyder, Ruth Kiep, and Marge Young) return from their vacations to attend the picnic. You would really be surprised at the talent these picnics bring to light. H. G. Siebold and Walt Gusching tickle the ivories very well; Fred Campbell plays the harmonica; and Harold Whitmer squeezes a mean accordion. They did pretty good at singing, too, with the help of Evan Rinehart. Gene Firestone yodeled for us in a rich bass voice. Of course we must not forget the dancers. Johnny Gitter seems to be our star jitterbug, and A. R. Hall and "Blackie" Winefer do all right too — even if it did take some coaxing. Harry Crouse just wouldn't dance! It is said that George Langenberg didn't miss a dance all evening. George has a new name now—just call him "Peanuts." He usually has a big bag full of peanuts to eat at the baseball games but he forgot them the other night, and he just didn't look natural. Al Oyer brought a live frog for "Peanuts" Langenberg last week all done up in a box. He has also threatened to bring back a carp from the lake and hang it on Harry Crouse's front door. Give us strength. . . . Getting back to the picnic, you should have seen the foot race between Charley Penn, Gene Firestone, and Betty Weibel. Betty won with Gene running a close second. "Frenchy" LeGras won the nail driving contest with Harold Struver driving in second. R. N. Hoffman claims his nails were bent! Johnny Young won two packages of Camels in the golf chipping contest on the men's team. Mike (Muscles) Trott and Joe Ray were showing their strength by tossing Helen Bell and Marcelle Kimmel back and forth over the counter of the refreshment stand. . . . We want to thank Al (Twinkletoes) Fritz and "Red" Renbarger for furnishing all the swell recorded music and the public address system. . . . We have some new faces transferred to Bldg. 4-5 that we want to welcome. Charles Curtis came from Bldg. 4-1 and Walter Trautman from Bldg. 4-6. . . . Ray Barkley, former Bldg. 4-5 engineer now at the Syracuse Works, and Mary Jenkins, at one time employed in the packing section and now a WAVE stationed in Washington, visited the Bldg. 4-5 personnel last week. It was good to see them both again. . . . The Planning Section recently received a very newsy letter from Ens. Carl Wolfston, USNR, now stationed in Norfolk. He knows a lot of what we're doing back here through the WORKS NEWS. He is in a Diesel school, partly as a result of his experience here at the General Electric. We also received a V-mail letter from Joseph Ranck, CM/2c, now in the Pacific with the Seabees. We understand he likes this column and it makes us feel wonderful to know we are helping him keep tab on some of his friends back home. Some of you who know these boys should drop them a note, as we know they would appreciate hearing from some of you first hand. . . . Gerna Ashcraft was on vacation last week visiting Chicago and her family in Anderson. . . . Ruth Laymon had a birthday July 22, but she isn't telling how many this one makes. . . . "Marty" Boyle, Leola Hart, Katie Mattingly, Betty Hedricks, Helen Hutchinson, and Mae Bell Giant recently spent the week-end at Loon Lake visiting Joan Manes Graves. They had a great time swimming, boating, visiting, etc. . . . Jeanne Bott and Gaynel Blessing were among the missing last week, since they had both gone home on vacation. Jeanne went to Lima, Ohio, and Gaynel to Arcola. . . . Myron Richards was really in the pink of condition recently—or maybe I should say "red." He was being real fancy by carrying a gallon bucket of red paint on his shoulder when it happened. You guessed it—the lid came off and he got a bath that really put him in the red.

Jap Disassembly Line



Here are the gun turrets which sweep the skies clean over Japan. Shown on a final assembly and shipping conveyor at General Electric's Erie (Pa.) Works, they are the deadly weapons which help make the B-29 the highly impregnable Superfortress that she is. Four turrets like these, in addition to a fifth in the tail, are installed in each of the hundreds of B-29's raining daily destruction on the Japanese homeland. Business end of the ingenious B-29 remote control gunnery system designed by G-E, the turrets can be fired against enemy attackers in more than 30 different combinations.

Suggestions

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ton milling job. He was awarded $30.

Other awards in the range of from $5 to $20 were made to the following:

Bldg. 2-2

Brice Martin.

Bldg. 4-2

Howard Barrick, Lloyd Ernst, Charles A. Rondot, Paul L. Miller, George Swallow, Theodore H. Meyers.

Bldg. 4-3

Albert Timme, Clarence R. Hartman, Genevieve L. Oddou, Byrl R. Miller, Beulah E. Buckland, Edward D. Fischer, William A. Mauger.

Bldg. 4-4

Myrtle Barfell, Robert J. Till, Darwin L. Grover, Solomon Andorfer, Gerald Uhl, John DeWald.

Bldg. 4-5

Elmer M. Baker, Don C. Edwards, Ruth J. Leverton, Wilbur E. Tibbits, Gerald E. Hannan, Willis K. Dillman, Roscoe D. Markley, Earl R. Liechty, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., Christian Stauffer, Phyllis B. Lorenz.

Bldg. 6-2

Martha Keokuk, Forrest R. Allman, Lloyd F. Marquart, Guianna Longardner.

Bldg. 7-1

Jesse W. Lawrence.

Bldg. 8-1

Robert L. Johnson, Lynn A. Wilson.

Bldg. 8-2

Harold V. Barrick, Carl M. Junk.

Bldg. 17-1

Bernard P. Kramer.

Bldg. 17-3

Eunice Zehr, Arlene Marie Argerbright.

Bldg. 17-4

Earl D. Stauffer, Marshall Smitley, Richard D. Markle.

Bldg. 19-1

Adelma R. Shaw, Louis F. Schwartz.

Bldg. 19-2

Mahlon R. Mericle.

Bldg. 19-3

John K. Mazelin, Forrest Edward Reed.

Bldg. 20-1

H. B. Underwood.

Bldg. 22-1

George T. Winans.

Bldg. 27-1

Clarence S. Stoner, George Mallory, Joseph G. Williams.

Decatur

Waldo R. Eckrote, Helen L. Kirsch.

Winter Street

Roland W. Ross, James R. Stephenson.

Safety Records

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Distribution	22.22	.44
Decatur	4.69	.29
Power Drive	8.69	.35
Miscellaneous	1.04	.04
Refrigeration	7.42	.12
Plastics	9.43	1.95
Taylor Street	6.53	.34
Transformer	3.85	.10
Total Works	5.62	.205

26-5 TOOL BITS

George Houser came back to work this week after a two-week vacation at the lake and said he really had a swell time. Nothin' like sittin' a-straddle a boat seat in the sunshine with a fly rod in your hand to boost your spirits, is there, George? . . . That flaming red shirt Al Buchtel got in Chicago was good for just one day's kidding and is now conspicuous by its absence. . . . Joe Hartman wants everyone to know that he misses our annual parties and seeks to reinstate same. . . . Herbie Mennewisch says there are no fish in Michigan, and after two weeks with his nimble rod, he should know. . . . Henry Wittber's uncanny deduction reasserted itself when he suspected those "hard to get newspapers" were being delivered down his alley, and so he collared a boy one evening and, sure enough, got one. When they are to be "got," Hank gets 'em. . . . Ross Vaughn says not to print anything in the NEWS about anyone missing a foul ball, but if he wants to catch them, he had better take along an extra glove. He could have used one last Saturday night at the Municipal Beach. . . . Now that General Tool Division has a hustling new shortstop, they ought to win the Inter-Division League. Paul (Arky) Brinkroeger was playing that position last week. After making a circus catch of a fly ball, he bowed very humbly to a cheering crowd. While he was satisfying his hungry fans, a base runner stole third base. That happens occasionally to a star. . . . Willie Garman has everything ready for his vacation at the lake next week but forgot to rent a cottage. Let Willie know if you have one. . . . Reports from Kenny Sefton and Loren Boxell indicate that there are plenty of fish in Barbee and Rome City, as they didn't take enough out of either lake to deplete the stock. Loren did succeed in incurring a sizeable dry cleaning bill when his whole family was caught out in the boat in a cloudburst. . . . Chester Burgette, an ex-Bldg. 26-5 fellow now in the Army, is the proud father of a big new baby boy. Congratulations to you, Chester! . . . Anybody interested in a dog? See C. Baker.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Have you ever wondered who identifies the boss when he forgets his badge? I'm sure Marvin Schmidt can answer that one. He is the newest member of the "dog tag" club. . . . Vacations and fishing scem to go hand in hand in Bldg. 4-6. C. A. Thomas has the latest yarn, and, we might add, he brought the fish to prove his story. Tommy, not wanting anyone to doubt his word, brought the 12-inch blue gill, frozen, of course, to work. Tommy says he caught it at Lake George and has entered it in the Main Auto fishing contest. Now your editor doesn't guarantee that the fish was that big, but if the fish wasn't, this yarn is! . . . Welcome back to Grace Schwab and Joy Hale. Grace has just returned after a leave of absence and Joy has just recovered from an appendectomy. . . . If Jack Cochran appears at work some morning without his hair combed and in need of a shave, think nothing of it. It seems that Jack's alarm clock has been forgetting to go off lately. However, getting up isn't Jack's biggest problem now. His big problem is how to fill up that hole in his garden. Jack turned on the "soil soaker" in his garden the other evening, and when he went out to his garden after dark, he was very much surprised to find he sank in to his knees. Well, almost anyway. It seems that the ground moles were enjoying themselves at Jack's expense. . . . Walter Hahn finally got someone to help him put a new roof on his house. But Walter's troubles aren't over. Carl Brandt offered his services, so he and Walter got on the roof, wrapped a rope around their waists, and then wrapped the rope some more. (It was a long rope and I got lost in all the wrapping.) To make a long story short, after working awhile, Walter's wife called them for dinner, and she had chicken and all the trimmings. After the dinner was over, (yep, that Carl is a big man) Walter wondered if he had profited any by having Carl help. His biggest problem now, though, is how straighten the shingles after they've been put on the roof. . . . Walter Whonsetler experienced a little of the same trouble in putting the roofing on a chicken house he built recently. However, Walter says the situation is well in hand now and the roofing is perfectly straight. . . . If you think you are seeing double when you see the same necktie on one man that you saw on another man the day before, don't be alarmed. It is probably just Paul Berghorn, Bob Sharrow, or C. J. Herman swapping neckties. They decided that each of them would bring a few ties to work and then to lend variety to their appearance, they would swap ties. Would anyone like to swap hair ribbons?

-:- They "Cashed In" Their Suggestions -:-



Shown above are winners of large suggestion awards made recently. Top row, left, is Doyle Miller, Bldg. 26-1, who received a $35 award for his idea of using push through punch and die and stacker to replace compound die. Bottom left is Herbert Brockmeyer, Bldg. 4-1, who received $30 for his suggestion involving changes to fixture to improve button milling job. Center picture shows Dewey C. Wisner, Bldg. 8-2, being congratulated by his foreman, Louis Maier, on the presentation of a $275 award for his suggestion on blending varnishes for varnish-treated glass-insulated wire. Top right, a $55 award was paid to Earl L. Greenlee, Bldg. 4-4, for his suggestion on changes in KC60 and KC70 frame mechanisms by adding links and lengthening rivets to suit so as to reduce wear and eliminate noise. Bottom right is Fred Young, Bldg. 4-4, who won $80 for his idea of repairing bucket wheels for outside diameter "run outs" by peening while welding.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

PRODUCTION

Betty Wilson has a special yen for busses. She'll go miles out of her way "just for the ride." . . . The Air Corps term "Roger" (meaning "your message has been received") means little or nothing to Charlie Lammiman. His repsonse to a call, was "Cedric." Is he any relation to Roger, Charlie? . . . A note left in a stock record card read: Unable to find material. Check when the snow leaves. Well, the snow's gone, was it found?

COST

Charlie Hooley is back to work after spending a week at Shafer Lake. He has some pretty tall fish stories, but we still say "seeing is believing!"

WINTER STREET GOLF LEAGUE

By Everett Kelley

Planners have clinched first place in the Winter Street Golf League as they won their eighth game of the season last Wednesday night. They now have a record of 8 wins against 1 defeat. Power Drive and Executives have won 5 and lost 4 to tie for second and third places. With only one game left on the schedule they bave no chance to catch the Planners. Engineers are in fourth place with 4 wins and 5 losses; Grinders have won 3 and lost 6 for fifth place, while Machinists have won only 2 while losing 7 for sixth and last place.

In the last schedule of games played, Planners defeated Grinders, 199-221; Power Drive defeated Machinists, 210-227; and Executives won from Engineers, 195-201.

Don Lynch had low score with a 44, while Win Kirke was a close second with 45. Tom Piepenbrink, who did not play last week, still has low average with 42.6. Lynch is still in second place with 44.7, Hal Staley is third with 45.2, Ed Bireley is fourth with 46.7, and Win Kirke is fifth with an even 47 average.

Arrangements have not yet been completed for another schedule of 5 games as had been planned. However, Royal Roeger, secretary of the league, will notify each captain as soon as details are completed, and if another schedule is decided upon, it will start Wednesday, August 1.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Dick Freigie's birthday was the big noise in the tool room last week. Dick bought refreshments for the boys that eat dinner at the cafeteria with him and passed out cigars to the rest. As a result, Pete Liebig has quit smoking cigars for tbe duration, and it isn't because of the shortage either. To show tbeir appreciation, Frank Smith bought a stack of poker chips and all the boys autographed one for Dick. . . . Kenny Smith reports a nice catch of fish at Snow Lake last week while on vacation. . . . We wish to offer our sympathy to Melvin Repine, as his mother died recently.

SHIPPING

Dorothy Cartwright is spending her vacation at Little Long Lake. Have a good time, Dot. . . . Jane Schwise enjoyed several days in Louisville, Ky. We know she had a good time while visiting there. . . . Virginia Watts was sick Friday with a touch of influenza. However, she was able to return to work on Saturday. She wishes to thank Irene Mestemekar, who helped type while she was absent Friday.

ORDER AND STORES

Clark Leips spent a few days in Chicago while on his vacation. The first thing Dick Asbton asked him when he got back was if he had seen any baseball games. Clark said "no," and Dick is still trying to figure out why anyone in Chicago would miss a game. . . . Loretta Soldner was on vacation last week. From all reports we've heard she had a good time.

REFRIGERATOR SECTION

The following are new employees in our section: Clem Leffers from the Pump Section, Walter Paulman from the Grinding Section, and C. McCorkle from Calhoun Street. . . . Carl Miller, Vic Cartwright, and Jack Herney are vacationing this week. . . . Leo Houser vacationed at Coldwater Lake last week and claims he had to take the kids along out in the boat to keep all the fish he caught. . . . George Hoggenjos has taken over the seal room and is now known as Dr. Hoggenjoskie. . . . William Jones apent last week at Rome city. He claims he left the fish in the lake for parent stock.

DUSTPROOF ROOM

Whitie Calvin came back from his vacation. He sure got sunburned and got some nice fish. . . . Jeanette Schuckel is on her vacation this week. We hope she takes it nice and lazy. . . . Harold Evans is going on his vacation next week. He says it is just his luck to get stuck in the mud. If there is any to be found, he will be sure to find it. . . . Myrtle Carpenter went fishing and caught some nice fish.

ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL

Carl Vondran had a painful accident last Tuesday to his left hand. We are all sorry, Carl. . . . Martha Greider spent her vacation at home last week, just resting and taking life easy. . . . Welcome to our section, Gloris Wessler. Hope you like us. . . . Mary Clark came to work this week as Mrs. Robert Geise. Our best wishes to you both.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

It has been a long time since you've heard from us, but we are still around, and there has been plenty happening here in our section lately. . . . Recently we had a visit from one of our WAVES, Jackie Snyder, who is now stationed at Dehlgreen, Va. We were all very glad to see her. . . . Our own Emma Mendel Meyera has joined the Quarter Century Club, and she was very much surprised with a silver platter, a present to ber from the office group. In return we were all given candy bars; and the men, of course, had cigars. Emma wants to thank everyone for the beautiful gift, and said she really appreciated it. . . . Many have been taking their vacations, and Edith Biddle has just returned from a week's vacation at the lake. Her report is that she hated to come back, but she still missed us all. Tch!-Tch! Well, Edith, there's a saying that "absence makes the heart grow fonder." . . . Harriet Weber and Phyllis Trump have just returned from a wonderful trip. They visited Buffalo, New York, Canada, and Boston. Lucky girls! . . . We all miss that hearty laugh of Charlene Auker, who is recovering from an operation at the St. Joseph Hospital. A speedy recovery to you, Charlene, and please hurry back. . . . Arlene Swartz bade us farewell Saturday after four years' service. We wish her the best of luck, and we all hope to see her in the near future. . . . We had a very happy girl in our section last week when her husband surprised her by coming home on leave. The lucky girl was Mary Howe. . . . Jerry Steller, our girl athlete, returned today after spending the week-end in Detroit and Flint, Mich. She plays with the Bob Inn Team, and they won one game at Detroit and lost the one at Flint. Good work anyway, Jerry.

lub Wins Ragged Clark's Grill Game 2-1, At Beach

Fielding Of Stanski Was High Point Of G-E Play

By Ernie Spaulding

Clark's Grill came out second best in a ragged game at the Beach Thursday, July 19. Each side obtained three hits, but the wildness of Minser, the pitcher for Clark's Grill, accounted for the G E Club's two runs and its 2-1 win.

The fielding of Stanski was a high light of this game, as he had the very difficult chances and made only one error.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	CLARK'S GRILL	AB.	R.	H.
denb'g,3b	3	0	0	Ness,3b	3	0	0
nski,ss	3	0	0	Holman,cf	4	0	1
erline,2b	2	1	0	Ueber,sf	2	0	0
ick,rf	1	0	0	Kostoff,1b	4	0	1
rnagel,1b	0	0	0	Vorick,c	3	0	0
lf	3	0	0	Kueneke,lf	3	0	1
ade,c	2	0	0	Romano,2b	3	0	0
erson,sf	3	0	0	Zuber,rf	2	0	0
ser,cf	2	0	1	Becker,rf	1	0	0
Ryn,1b-rf	2	0	1	Minser,p	2	1	0
eldheiser,p	2	1	0				
Totals	23	2	2	Totals	27	1	3

Score by innings— R. H. E.
Clark's Grill .....0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0— 1 3 0
G-E Club .....0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 —2 3 4
Struck out—By Feldheiser, Vorick, Kuenneke, Romano; by Minser, Stanski, Anderson. Base on balls—Off Minser, Lindenberg, Stanski, Esterline, Rarick, Steuernagel, Bohde; off Feldheiser, Ness, Ueber and Minser. Sacrifice hits—VanRyn, Feldheiser.

Decatur Girls Win Two And Lose One; Second In League

By Marcia Martin

The Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team came through to defeat the Fort Wayne G-E Girls 2-0. This is the first time that Decatur has defeated a Fort Wayne team and they will seek to repeat in a City League game to be played at Fort Wayne, August 10. Kohn scored the two runs received by Decatur. See you all at the Uhlig-Decatur game next Tuesday at Worthman Field at 8:30 P.M.

Score by innings— R. H. E.
Decatur G-E .....1 0 0 0 0 1 0— 2 3 0
Fort Wayne G-E....0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 1 2
Batteries: Whiteleather and Bauermeister for Fort Wayne and Butcher and Bower for Decatur.

Thursday night the Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team traveled to Lima and were defeated 5-3 by the Lima Tank Girls' team. G-E scored three runs in the second inning and were in the lead until the fourth inning when Lima Tank scored 4 runs. Basinger held Decatur scoreless from the fourth inning on, and Butcher allowed only two runs after the fourth inning.

Score by innings— R. H. E.
Decatur G-E .....0 3 0 0 0 0 0— 3 3 3
Lima Tank .....0 0 0 4 0 1 0— 5 5 3
Batteries: Basinger and Roney for Lima and Butcher and Bower for Decatur.

The Decatur Girls remained in second place in the Fort Wayne City League when they defeated the Baer Field Civilians 16-1 at Memorial Park Friday night. Moser, Decatur pitcher, went all the way for Decatur for the first time. Errors on the part of the Civilians proved very costly to them. Painter and Kohn each made a home run. Essex Wire will be Decatur's opponent next Friday night at Memorial Park.

Score by innings— R. H. E.
Decatur G-E .....5 4 2 5 0—16 10 1
Baer Field Civilians....0 1 0 0 0— 1 4 3

Dust Off HOME PLATE

BY ERNIE SPAULDING



Art Lindenberg



Tony Stanski

Two more G-E Club Softball personalities take their bow in this week's column.

Tony has played softball on various teams around Fort Wayne. This is his third year of playing for the G-E Club.

Tony covers shortstop territory like the dew, making many spectacular stops and accurately throwing to any base.

Tony's batting did not start out very spectacularly, but has steadily improved.

Tony is also a basketball player.

This is Artie's second year at third for the G-E Club. He is a steady fielder with an accurate throw to first base.

Artie is a very good lead-off man since he gets on base more than any other player on the team and has averaged a walk a game, which is reflected in the run column.

Artie also plays for the Fireman's team in the Inter-Division League.

G-E Club Owls Nip Harvester Team, 5-4 In Wednesday's Game

By R. James

The G-E Club Owls downed Harvester, 5-4, Wednesday by virtue of banging out 6 hits good for 5 runs, while the best Harvester could do was 4 runs on 6 hits.

Highlight of the game was a long home run by the Harvester pitcher, Reinking, with two mates aboard. This gave the Harvester team a temporary lead of 3-2, but the Owls came back with two runs in the second and one in the third, to end their scoring for the day. This was enough, however, as the Harvester team could manage to get only one more run. This came in the fifth inning.

Starring for the Owls at bat were Platner and Hensler, with two hits each. The best defensive plays were Christlieb's stop of a hard smack at third, and throwing the runner out at the plate, and Dick Hensler's leaping catch deep in left field.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	HARVESTER	AB.	R.	H.
Tucker,sf	3	1	0	Cacammo,2b	4	1	1
Hensler,lf	3	2	2	Spranger,sf	1	1	0
Christlieb3b	3	0	0	Reinking,p	3	1	1
Crosley,cf	3	0	0	Brown,c	3	0	1
Booher,p	3	0	0	Joker,1b	3	0	2
Hildinger,c	2	1	0	King,ss	3	0	0
Ringwalt,2b	2	0	1	Wolfe,lf	3	0	0
Platner,1b	3	1	2	Gump,3b	1	0	0
Reader,rf	3	0	0	Miller,cf	2	1	0
James,ss	3	0	1	Oberh'tzer,rf	3	0	1
Totals	28	5	6	Totals	26	4	6

Score by innings—
G-E Club .....2 2 1 0 0 0 0—5
Harvester .....3 0 0 0 1 0 0—4

Ft. Wayne Girls Lose To C.Y.O. And Decatur; Win One

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Club Girls lost a League game by forfeit Thursday, July 12, to C.Y.O. I don't believe I need to say it, but I hope that never happens again.

An important practice game was held at Decatur, Tuesday, July 17, with Fort Wayne G-E Club meeting the Decatur G-E team. Important because Decatur has lost only two games this season. Even though Fort Wayne lost, 2-0, it was a good game.

Decatur scored one run in the first inning and the other one in the sixth. "Butch" Whiteleather outdid herself, both in her pitching and in her fielding. Butcher of Decatur did her usual fine work in the pitcher's box, allowing only four hits and striking out six.

Last Friday night saw the G-E Club back in the win column, winning over Harvester, 2-1. This was a very close ball game, and everyone of the G-E girls was on her toes. Getty was on the mound with Bird behind the plate, pinch-hitting for Varner. The Club got their two runs in the first inning when Miller, Harvester's pitcher, walked in a run and then allowed another run in on a wild pitch. Harvester's one run was made in the sixth. The Club had only two errors, so all in all, everyone was playing good ball.

The next League game will be held tonight at Memorial Park against Baer Field at 6:30 o'clock.

Leakey Pitches One-Hit Game Against City Light

By Ernie Spaulding

Ross Leakey pitched a one-hit game against City Light at Memorial Park Monday, July 23, and chalked up an 8-0 victory for the Club. Only two men reached first base, and only one of these got as far as third.

Eleven strikeouts were chalked up by Leakey, while no walks were given.

This was one of the best-pitched games of the season.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	CITY LIGHT	AB.	R.	H.
Stanski,ss	2	1	0	M'Cormick,c	3	0	0
Esterline,2b	3	2	1	Lee,2b	3	0	0
Bohde,c	1	0	0	Esterline,3b	3	0	0
Rarick,rf	3	0	1	Arnoid,ss	2	0	1
V'Ryn,lf-sf	4	0	1	Wolf,cf	2	0	0
Scherer,cf	2	1	0	Meyers,lf	2	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	0	1	Lill,rf	2	0	0
Hil'm'n,sf-3b	2	2	1	Shannon,1b	2	0	0
Cook,3b	1	0	0	Plumb,sf	2	0	0
Hess,lf	2	1	1	D.VanWay,p	2	0	0
Leakey,p	2	1	1				
Totals	25	8	7	Totals	23	0	1

Score by innings— R. H. E.
City Light .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 1 1
G-E Club .....0 1 0 0 4 3 *— 8 7 2
Struck out—By Leakey, McCormick, Lee 3, Wolf, Lill 2, Shannon 2, Plumb, D. VanWay; by D. VanWay, Stanski, Rarick, Cook, Leakey. Base on balls—Off VanWay, Esterline, Bohde 3, Rarick, Scherer, Hilgemann, Leakey. Sacrifice bit—Stanski.

Club Drops Game To Harter Barons, 4-3, At Sturgis

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club traveled to Sturgis, Mich., for a game with the Harter Barons. This game went to Sturgis by a score of 4-3, G-E getting all their runs in the second inning and Sturgis all theirs in the third.

Score by innings— R. H. E.
G-E Club .....0 3 0 0 0 0 0— 3 4 4
Sturgis .....0 0 4 0 0 0 *— 4 5 0
Batteries: G-E—Leakey, Starkel and Bohde. Sturgis—Kline and Greenberg. Losing pitcher—Leakey.

The schedule for the remaining games of the second round follows:

July 30—G-E vs. Moose at 6:45 P.M. at Memorial.

July 31—G-E vs. Bowser at 8:15 P. M. at the Beach.

Aug. 6—Reserve Club vs. G-E at 9:15 P.M. at Memorial.

Aug. 9—G-E vs. Baer Field at 9:15 P.M. at the Beach.

Let's come out and see some good ball games.

Owl Softball League

By R. James

The Firemen are still undefeated in the second half of the inter-division league. They defeated Motor Generator for the second time by the score of 10-3. Transformer won the other game from Bldg. 17 by the score of 9-6.

The Firemen got off to a big lead in the first inning of their game with Motor Generator. They scored five runs on three hits and four walks. Eleven men batted in the inning. This defeat leaves Motor Generator with a very slim chance of winning the second half.

Transformer had to go all out to win over Bldg. 17, who is playing better each week. The winners scored three runs in the last inning to pull the game out of the fire. Scott featured the hitting with a home run in the third inning for the winners.

The Panama Canal was termed the "biggest electrical installation in the world" when it was opened in 1914.

Off the Tee

By Johnny Gitter

This week we don't have as many low individual scores as usual but the teams were better.

Herb Bobay was low with a 37 for the Taylor Street league while Baade and Gitter had 38's for Tuesday night. Bob Link and Nick Smoley had 40's on Monday night. We are glad to see Nick getting in there. For a little guy he plays a fine game and he will probably have more low scores.

The Screwballs from Taylor Street broke the low team record set by Production three weeks ago with a 170. But it didn't hold very long as the Ball Hawks on Tuesday's shift came in with 169. Let's get out and break that one, fellows.

We have a few of the individual averages for the season this week. Bruce Hamilton is low with a 38.8. Bob Link and Ife Holmes have 41, while Chuck Kronmiller and Nick Smoley have 42.

Here is something for the high average golfers to shoot at. Herm Priwer and Rudy Alepander were both 12 strokes under their average last week. Herm has a 57.4 average and shot a 45 while Rudy has a 60.6 and had a 48. This is the lowest score Rudy has ever had and even that includes two penalty strokes. Ernie Baade's 38 was 10 strokes under his average. If any more of the boys are getting their scores down, please turn them in to this column.

Well, the annual City Tournament is over and a new champion has been crowned. This year's champ is Bill Link with a score of 220 for the 54 holes. Tom Switzer and Bruce Hamilton were co-medalists for the first 18 holes on Sunday with 72's. Here are a few of the scores from General Electric entries: Bruce Hamilton 228, Bob Link 234, Bud Feaser 235, Herman Urich 241, Waltenberg 241, Tom Piepenbring 241, Ife Holmes 242, John Gitter 245, and Bill Kayser 246.

I bope everybody has been reading the Golf Etiquette Hint of the Week which Dale McNutt from Taylor Street has been kind enough to send every week. Dale will send us something else next week—the first installment of an article on "Better Golf" which contains many helpful hints to improve your game.

Golf Etiquette Hint for the Week

Always start looking for your opponent's ball 30 to 40 yards beyond where you think it might be—even if you don't find it (and he forfeits the hole), he will appreciate the compliment.

The most serious type of vehicular accident is the grade crossing collision. Poor visibility accounts for nearly one-half of such accidents.

State Baseball Tourney Opens Saturday

Presenting The Tourney Team



Shown here are members of the G-E Club Baseball team who will participate in the Indiana Non-professional Tournament opening Saturday night at Dwenger Park.

Front row, left to right, are Kessler, Winter, Carey, Seiple, Brann, Barnett, Bildilli.

Back row, left to right, are Wattier, Young, Kestner, Bush, Braden, Bobilya, Thomas, Miller.

Cincinnati-Indianapolis Clowns Edge Club Baseball Team, 4-2, Friday Night At Dwenger Park

By Walter Histed

Before approximately 3000 fans the famed Clowns edged out the G-E Club Friday night at the Dwenger diamond 4-2 in an exciting game.

G-E got the scoring underway in the second. Winters doubled down the left field foul line, and after Chuck Bobilya had fanned, Kestner walked. Seiple sacrificed—Hasson to Valquiez, advancing the runners to second and third. While Bush was batting, Barbee, the Clown pitcher, took too long a windup, and Winters broke for home, sliding in ahead of the pitch.

The Clowns tied the count at one all in the top half of the third inning when with one out Drake tripled to deep left and scored when Bobilya failed to come up with Cormatie's grounder.

In their half of the third the Club tallied again to assume a temporary 2-1 lead. Bildilli pushed off with a single through the box and advanced on Brann's sacrifice. Barnett was safe and went on to second when Cormatie threw his grounder past first—Bildilli stopping at third. Young beat out a hit along the third base line, filling the bases. Winters flied to Merchants in center—Bildilli scoring and Barnett advancing to third after the catch. Bobilya ended the threat with a tap to the box.

The lead held up until the fifth when the Clowns put together a double by Drake, a walk, and a single by Radcliffe to tie the score. The Club threatened in the fifth when Bildilli opened with a single, Brann walked, and Barnett sacrificed the runners to second and third. Barbee disposed of Young on strikes and deflected Winter's grounder to Holmes, who threw to first to retire the side.

The Clowns scored the decisive runs in the sixth. After Valquiez fanned, Navarro singled to center and stole second. Merchants walked and on the fourth ball Navarro was trapped off second. When Bush threw to second, Navarro broke for third and beat the relayed throw. Merchants and Navarro pulled a double steal—Navarro scoring with the run that put the Clowns in the lead to stay. Merchants scored on Barbee's single to left. The rally died as Bildilli struck out Drake and Cormatie popped to Bobilya.

Both teams had other chances to score—the Clowns being stopped in the seventh when Brann made a long running catch of Hasson's fly and doubled Radcliffe off first. Again in the eighth the Clowns had two hits—Valquiez leading off with a triple but being out when he tried to stretch it into a home run. The Club wasted a single by Seiple in the sixth and hits by Bobilya and Kestner in the eighth.

The Club threatened in the ninth when Barbee walked Bush and Brann. Barnett had a 3-0 count before Barbee struck him out for the second out. Young grounded to Radcliffe, who with an easy force-out at third elected to play for Brann at second. Brann beat the throw and the bases were full. Barbee gathered in Wattier's high fly to end the game.

The summary:

CLOWNS	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Drake,rf	5	2	2	Brann,cf	2	0	0
Cormatie,ss	4	0	0	Barnett,ss	4	0	0
Holmes,2b	5	0	2	Young,3b	5	0	1
Radc'ffe,3b-c	4	0	2	Winters,lf	3	1	1
Hasson,c-3b	3	0	0	Wattier,lf	2	0	0
Valquiez,1b	3	0	1	Bibilya,1b	4	0	1
Navarro,lf	4	1	1	Kestner,rf	3	0	1
Merchants,cf	3	1	1	Seiple,2b	8	0	1
Barbee,p	4	0	1	Bush,c	8	0	0
				Bildilli,p	4	1	2
Totals	35	4	10	Totals	83	2	7

Score by Innings—		R.	H.	E.
Clowns	0 0 1 0 1 2 0 0 0—	4	10	1
G-E Club	0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—	2	7	1

Fostoria Red Birds Bow To G-E Club Tuesday Night, 6-5

Fans See Exciting Game As Early 6-1 Lead Outlasts Opponents

By Walter Histed

The Club edged the Fostoria Red Birds at Dwenger Field last Tuesday night in an exciting contest, 6-5. At the end of seven innings the Club had built up a 6-1 lead, which barely survived eighth and ninth inning rallies by the visitors.

Fostoria tallied the first run in the initial frame when with two out Rader doubled. Brann tried to pick him off second and his good peg went through both Barnett and Winters, permitting Rader to score on the double error. The Club wasted no time in producing a one-all tie when in their half of the same inning, Seiple pushed off with a single, and while Kissler fanned, Seiple stole second, from where he scored on Barnett's single. The tie prevailed until the home half of the fourth when Young doubled and later scored when Miller was safe on an error.

Tot Pressnell, former Chicago Cub twirler, pitched the first six innings for Fostoria and, while touched for eight hits, should have had only one run scored against him. When he retired, Lum Phillips, six-foot seven-inch giant, took over the pitching duties and was greeted like a long-lost cousin in the seventh by the Club. Miller started off the inning with an easy grounder and was safe at first, when Kreps dropped the throw. He paused there while Seiple struck out but was on his way a moment later when Bill Kissler, starting his first game at first for the Club, caught hold of one of Phillips' offerings for a long home run to right center. Barnett singled and tallied a moment later on Winter's triple over the center fielder's head. Winters brought in the fourth run of the inning on a passed ball.

Score by Innings—		R.	H.	E.
Fostoria	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 3—	5	10	5
G-E Club	1 0 0 1 0 0 4 0 *—	5	12	8

G-E Club Out To Win Coveted Team Trophy

The Indiana Non-Professional Baseball Tournament will open in Fort Wayne this year Saturday night at Dwenger Park, with the G-E Club Baseball team again gunning for the tournament trophy. Two games will be played Saturday night—at 6 P.M. and 8:30 P.M.—and play will continue during the week on a double elimination basis.

Two games each are scheduled on Sunday, July 29, Tuesday, July 31, Friday, August 3, and finishing on Saturday, August 4.

Entries received at the time the WORKS NEWS went to press are Wakefield Hospital, Camp Atterbury, the defending champions; Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis; Muncie Citizens; Muncie Kuhner Packing; Marion Moose; and G-E Club.

The tourney winner will represent Indiana at the National semi-pro baseball tournament in Wichita, Kansas, during August.

The National Baseball Congress awards a trophy to the winning team. In addition an All-State team composed of 16 players will be selected by a committee appointed by the State Commissioner. The National Baseball Congress will award a certificate to each of these players. The All-State team will consist of: three outfielders, four infielders, five pitchers, two catchers, and two utility players.

Admission to each session is 75 cents, tax included. G-E Booster tickets are not good for the tournament.

Club Team Meets Newark Eagles At Dwenger Tonight

Speedy Club Is One Of Best In Negro National League

By Walter Histed

The speedy Newark Eagles, making their only trip into the Mid-West this season, play the Club under the lights at Dwenger Park tonight with game time at 8:30 o'clock.

The Eagles are members of the Negro National League and last season were runners-up to the World's Negro Champion Homestead Greys. Despite the fact that they lost 12 men to the armed forces, the Eagles have one of the best balanced clubs in the East. Several rookies have come through with sensational performances, and the veteran catcher "Biz" Mackey is playing some of the most brilliant ball of his long colorful career.

For the Club the task of stopping this heavy hitting nine will be entrusted to either Emil Bildilli or Charley Thomas. Local fans will also get their first look at John Hines, who hit a home run, double and two singles besides drawing a walk in five trips to the plate at Lafayette last Sunday night.

Club Loses Hot Game To Lafayette Red Sox, 6-4

By Walter Histed

The Lafayette Red Sox continued to hold fast to the jinx that they exercise over the Club, defeating them at Lafayette last Sunday night by a score of 6-4. The Club got off to a shaky start and handed the Red Sox four big runs in the first inning. The Club fought back all the way but could not seem to get that needed base hit at the right time.

Rivalry between the two teams has run high all season and was climaxed in the sixth inning when Perry Bush and Charley Thomas were ejected from the game for arguing with the umpire. After the departure of their battery, Manager Miller took over the mound and Roy Brann took over behind the plate.

The Club outhit the winners 10 to 8, but some faulty base running and the inability to hit with the runners waiting was costly.

Score by Innings—		R.	H.	E.
G-E Club	1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1—	4	12	1
Lafayette	4 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 *—	6	8	1

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Lewis Groves (4)*	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind. Coming in on No. 33, through Churubusco.	4-1	Peternell	7:00- 3:30
Walter F. Hinrichs (3)*	R. 5, Fort Wayne Coming in on Bass Road, 8 miles out.	4-2	Sonday	3:06-11:05
Carolyn Zimmerman (4)*†	222 Higb, Hicksville, Ohio	4-6	Singleton	8:00- 5:15

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Elleen Motz	Murray, Ind., near Bluffton	26-3	Anderson	3:00-11:00

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Cleo Dicks	R. 3, Auburn, Ind.	Smith	5:48- 3:18
Forrest Allman	Churubusco, Indiana	Hartman	7:00- 3:30
Louis I. Kalika	827 Hamilton Ave., City	Long	8:00- 4:30
Walter Kesler	Wilshire, Ohio	Smith	6:48- 3:18

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BOND RECORDS BROKEN BY "MIGHTY SEVENTH"

Company Report For All Works Shows Employees Bought $5,323,000 In Cash Sales; Fort Wayne Ranks Well At Top

Bond sales records burst like Jap oil tanks in a B-29 raid, when the men and women of General Electric turned their fire on the enemy in the "Mighty Seventh" War Bond Drive, it became known this week as total figures were announced for both payroll deduction and cash sales efforts for all Works of the General Electric Company.

Here are some of the highlights of the final report just released by J. W. Lewis, Treasurer of the Company, to various drive committees:

The per cent of cash sales (including special payroll deductions), to the payroll at monthly rate, was 14.7%, compared with 10.6% during the Sixth Drive.

Cash Sales High

Cash sales amounted to $5,323,000 or 125% of the quota of $4,250,000. Cash sales during the Sixth War Loan amounted to $3,895,000, which was also 125% of the quota.

The number of individual cash sales amounted to 100,714, compared with 82,219 in the Sixth, and were 63.7% of employees on the payroll, compared with 52.3%. The number of sales includes duplications, as some employees made more than one purchase. Average cash sales during the drive were $53, compared with $47 during the Sixth.

Lamp Department At Top

The Lamp Department had the largest per cent (59.4) of cash and

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Good Record Here

The Fort Wayne Works showed once again that it refuses to take a back seat when the question of buying bonds is posed.

Cash sales here amounted to $371,885, or 109.4% of the quota of $340,000 set for the Fort Wayne Works in the Seventh War Loan Drive. The number of individual cash sales amounted to 9,541, compared with 8,828 such sales in the Sixth. Average cash sales during the drive were $42, compared with $38 in the Sixth.

J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign here, expressed his appreciation to all employees for their enthusiastic support in Seventh War Loan Drive.

Important Supervisory Changes Are Announced

(See pictures on Page 9)

Important supervisory changes involving nine Fort Wayne Works employees were announced recently by M. E. Lord, Works Manager.

Two men were named Assistants to Manager—L. D. Hodell, who will coordinate all the manufacturing activities of the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Divisions, and J. H. Gargett, who will coordinate all manufacturing activities of the Transformer Divisions. Prior to his present appointment, Mr. Hodell was Assistant General Superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works and Mr. Gargett served as Superintendent of the Specialty Transformer Division. Mr. Hodell's appointment is effective August 20, and Mr. Gargett will take over his new duties immediately.

Effective August 20, Robert Wylie is named General Superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works. He succeeds W. N. Wehrs, who has asked to be relieved of his duties to retire. At the present time Mr. Wylie is serving as Manufacturing Superintendent of the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division.

Picked for important jobs in the General Office, Schenectady, were A. F. Vinson and W. K. Williams. Mr. Vinson has already left his job as Assistant Production Manager of the Fort Wayne Works to go to

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Danville, Illinois, Chosen By G-E As New Plant Site

General Electric has selected a site at Danville, Illinois, for a new manufacturing plant, operating under the general supervision of the Fort Wayne Works. Buildings will be designed, equipment ordered, and construction started as quickly as possible.

In making this announcement, M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fort Wayne Works, stated that W. F. Oswalt has been appointed Plant Superintendent, and will be in immediate charge of the manufacturing operations at this location.

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Suggestors Earn $813 For Work Improvement Ideas

Sixty-one awards, which totalled $813, were made this week to suggestors, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Harold R. Evans, Winter Street, headed this week's list with an award of $150 for his idea for the use of machine in lapping the high and low pressure intake and exhaust valves used on the air compressor.

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AOWPC Hears Okinawa Story



PFC Charles D. Cowan, a Marine fresh from front-line battle on Okinawa, tells members of the All Out War Production Committee of experiences there. In the background are Lieut. K. I. Taylor, District Incentive Officer, Detroit, Mich., Lieut. W. S. Harvey, Fort Wayne Office of the Resident Inspector of Naval Materiel, and Captain James R. Stockman, USMCR, who also spoke at the meeting. (See story on page 4).

Kokomo Plant Will Open Its Doors To Visitors Sunday

The Kokomo Plant will be open to the families of its employees Sunday from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M., Mr. A. K. McCollum, Plant superintendent, announced today and urged all Kokomo employees to take advantage of this special display to acquaint their families with the manufacturing plant.

Exhibits are being completed today and Saturday so that visitors will get an overall picture of manu-

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Tire Certificates

All Tire Certificates issued without a blue stripe are invalid after August 15, 1945. If you have in your possession any tire certificates issued without a blue stripe across its face, use it before August 15, 1945.

B. E. NEEDHAM
Ration Office

G-E, Westinghouse Cancel Lamp License

The General Electric Company has announced the cancellation, by mutual agreement as of August 1, 1945, of its license with the Westinghouse Electric Corporation in the field of electric lamps. A new agreement has been entered into under which each Company grants to the other a simple nonexclusive license under its lamp patents and patent applications in existence on August 1st. The new license provides for no royalty payments and contains no limitations on quantities or prices at which patented lamps may be sold. No licenses are granted under future patents.

The Department of Justice has been notified of the action which has been taken.

CASUALTIES

Cpl. Russell Elwood Davis was wounded recently with the Marines in the Pacific. He was formerly employed in Bldg. 26-4.

KEEP SLAPPIN' THE JAPS—BUY EXTRA BONDS

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How Not To Vacation

To a new G-E man or woman, a shop full of whirring machinery looks like a pretty perilous place. And so it is—but only potentially. For safety-trained personnel and mechanical safeguards installed by the Company make it very nearly as safe as the home for him who remembers his safety training.

Statistically, the story is even stronger—as for the country as a whole, more people are hurt away from work than while working. The greatest need in safety education today is to impress upon the public that much more care is necessary in leisure hours if continued progress is to be made.

Now here is the matter of vacations. It need not spoil a fellow's recreation to tell himself frankly at the outset that certain perils not customarily met in his work life stretch out their hands eagerly to greet him. If he goes somewhere in his car, high speed over a hot road can make him a hospital case in the flicker of an eye, if one of his synthetic tires blows.

There is the unseen rock beckoning to the show-off diver; there is the paralyzing cramp lurking in his muscles, ready to clamp on him if he goes in the water too soon after eating. There are ladders longing to give him a shove off onto the ground when he makes a few passes at the roof of his camp.

Even the lightning, friend of Ben Franklin and no real stranger to General Electric, can cook our hero very fast if he seeks shelter under a solitary tree in an electrical storm. It is much better for him to stay inside till it is over. And, if on some rare occasion, that so-called constant friend of man, the sun, should stay out all day, the vacationist had best not take all his sunburn at once. The cooking is slower than by lightning, but very uncomfortable.

All of this is said, not to haunt a man's or woman's life during a week or two of fun but to tell again, as in the past, that it costs nothing to play safe on a vacation but may cost much not to.

The Road Ahead

"The biggest amphibious operations of the war are yet to come," Gen. A. A. Vandergrift, Commandant of the Marine Corps, recently declared. "Whenever we undertake, in whatever direction we go, we can expect the bitterest of opposition. With the control of Okinawa, we are closing in to positions from which we can strike anywhere on the enemy homeland itself," he pointed out. "Our men have never fought to win half a battle. If we and our Allies are to overpower Japan in the quickest possible time, we must go on fighting a *total* war. There can be no halfway measures; there can be no marking of time for any reason."

Navy Strength

"The greatest Navy the world has ever seen" means more than just a show of strength, for the more than 100,000 vessels which comprise it have carried and convoyed our fighting men to the enemy's very door step, and even beyond the frontiers he holds. And, there the U. S. Navy has enabled them to be supplied with the means to victory. Without this huge array of ships the Navy could not have fought two determined enemies simultaneously upon two fronts separated by thousands of sea miles. And now, with Germany vanquished, the Navy will need them to land and supply a sufficient force to bring Japan to her knees. Keep fighting, America.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED



The finest showing in any War Bond drive in G-E history has just been made by the men and women who have been fighting the war in the great shops and offices. This is the proud record which our people have to show to the millions of boys on their way through America to the prospect of more sacrifices for their country's freedom and the cause of decent, humane government in the world.

And when the last desperate little enemy is conquered and the boys come home to live with us again, there will be a renewal of that sense of intimate partnership between them and us which the pessimists have said at times has been weakened by the tremendous gulf in living conditions separating the man in the fox-hole from the man in the safety of his home. Sometimes the civilian is able to cite figures to prove he is cooperating, after all, and this is one of those times.

But though the mission of the Mighty Seventh itself is accomplished, ours is not, as long as Uncle Sam needs one more loaned dollar to win the war. Our people will be ready and willing in any other drive or drives in which their aid is asked.



Because of widespread damage to Victory Gardens by cottontail rabbits, the problem of controlling these voracious animals has been studied rather carefully by the Federal Fish and Wild Life Service. The results of these studies, made in cooperation with the Eastern Regional Research Laboratory of the U. S. Department of Agriculture of New Jersey and Pennsylvania Game Commissions, have now been published for general distribution.

It has been determined that the use of repellents may give satisfactory control of rabbits when other methods cannot be employed. Several formulas for repellents are now offered in order to give a choice, depending on tbe availability of the supplies and the necessary equipment for application. If one formula does not give results, others should be tried.

Several Repellents Used

The repellents include aluminum sulphate, powdered alum, nicotine compounds, and tobacco dust. Obviously, the plants must be kept treated at all times for maximum control. New plant growth should be protected by an application every five to seven days. If the repellents are washed off by rain, another application must be made immediately.

The sprays suggested have been designed to adhere to the plants in ordinary weather and, if properly applied, through light rains. Dusts are always difficult to hold on the plant through rain and windy weather. It is always advisable to apply dust early in the morning, when the plants are covered with dew or immediately after a rain. The usual precautions should be taken when dusting certain plants when wet, especially beans. Do not touch the moist plants with the equipment or any part of your body.

Formulas Given

Here are the formulas:

1. Powdered alum, two ounces; fine tobacco dust, one pound. Mix well and apply to the plants as a dust, covering thoroughly.

2. Aluminum sulphate, four teaspoonfuls; hydrated lime, five spoons; one gallon of water. Spray the foliage thoroughly. Before eating the foliage, such as lettuce, wash off any spray residue.

3. Arsenate of lead, three tablespoonfuls; Black Leaf 155 (a dry nicotine compound), seven teaspoonfuls; sulphonated oil (such as Penetrol) four teaspoonfuls; one gallon of water. This formula must not be used on any mature edible foliage such as lettuce or Swiss chard. It may be used on cabbage until the head begins to form. Arsenate of lead may burn bean foliage so do not use on beans in any stage of growth, but substitute cryolite for arsenate of lead, using eight teaspoonfuls of cryolite. It is reported by some gardeners that repeated applications of cryolite may injure beans.

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NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Honor Man



—Official U. S. Navy Photograph

Theran Feigel

Theran D. Feigel was graduated rom recruit training July 23 as onor man of his company at the . S. Naval Training Center, Great akes, Ill., and is now on leave. eigel was elected a candidate by ellow Bluejackets and selected as onor man by his company com-ander on the basis of military ptitude and progress. He has been ecommended to attend Radio Ma-erial School for further training.

Story Of Liberation

May 31, 1945
Austria

i Sis:

Sure was glad to hear from you gain. We had a good "set up" ere for awhile, then it was back nto combat. One morning we ere occupational troops and by he next morning we were fighting, ading a task force a little etter than two hundred miles rom where we were occupa-ional troops. . . .

From the time we started our ush to link up with the Fifth rmy coming from Italy, we lived ay and night in our cars. Lots of times we did darn good to get time enough to grab one meal a day. And that was "K" or "C" rations cold. But I sure was for "keep pushing." For we liberated thousands of these German slave laborers. Yes, camp after camp of them. It was a race between us and the S.S. troops, who were trying to kill them all before we got to them. As I said before, we liberated thousands of them, but there were thousands we failed to. Like one place I'll never forget. The S.S. troops machine-gunned nine thousand of them along the road. Sis, it was just one mass of sprawled, distorted, wasted bodies for three kilometers (1 kilometer—⅝ of our mile.) Just one-eighth short of two miles. It sure was a sight. Men, women, boys, girls, children, all dead in a heap. You will never be able to realize just what a sight it was. No one could unless they had seen it for themselves.

I never knew that people could be starved so bad and yet live. I saw one man who was so weak from starvation that he couldn't get up over a curbing. I know it sounds impossible for anyone to be that weak and get around. But I saw it myself. Like lots of other things I've seen and won't talk about for even after seeing it happen myself, it is hard for me to believe. So how could I expect someone who hadn't seen it to believe me? Like another incident pertaining to slave labor. We took a town and found out that a train load of two thousand slave laborers had just pulled out. It was manned by S.S. troops and they were taking them to be killed. Our orders were to get to the next town on the lone and intercept the train. No matter what our losses were, we were to keep on until we got that train. And if we hit resistance too much for us to handle, to by-pass it or fight through it. It didn't matter how we did it, just get the train. Well, we got it at the next town, stopped it, and turned them loose. Sis, I just can't begin to describe the people and how they acted. They knew where they were being taken and what for. Well, they flooded off the train. I don't know how they got so many in one box car. They shouted, "my deliverer," "my liberator" and a lot of things in their own language I couldn't understand. They didn't run up and grab you. It was a pitiful sight. Some couldn't even walk, they were so weak. But they would pull themselves along with their hands to the door of the box car and fall out on the ground and start crawling again for the road. Some were even too weak for that. They just wanted to see us. They didn't grab you. They would walk up close to you and look at you like they were just in a daze, like they couldn't believe what they were seeing was true. They would reach out just to touch you, take your hand in theirs and kiss it, then rub the back of your hand on their cheek. Fall on the ground and kiss your shoes. One man even kissed a footprint of mine in the mud and snow. One man took one of the fellows to his wife who was too weak to move. She had been pushed out of the car in the first mad scramble to get out. She died holding his hand with a smile on her face. This man told him that that was the first smile he had seen in five long years. And Sis, those kind of years are long. Just that one day we turned that train load loose more than repaid me for all the hell I've been through since being over here. I'm right glad I came now, and if you see in the papers or the movies pictures of them, believe them, for no matter how bad they show them, it's true.

Sgt. Virgil Schultz

They "Invaded" The Tool Room



The General Tool Division, Bldg. 26-5, underwent a minor invasion his week when six former employees now in the service chanced to e on furloughs at the same time and decided to present themselves o their former co-workers en masse.

Snapped in Bldg. 18-5 before they took off for Bldg. 26-5 are (left o right, front row) John Snyder, A.M.M. 3/c, Pvt. E. T. Ueber, and 2/c Frank Bly. (Back row) Pvt. George J. Horner, Pvt. Max R. Buck-naster, and PFC Dale Amstutz.

All are apprentice graduates, except PFC Amstutz, who had about ive months to go in his apprentice training when he was called to ervice. All declared it was great to be home and that Indiana still as tops with them. One summed it up: "I love Indiana."

One of the men helping to stimulate morale in the 31st Air Transport Group is PFC Frank Maitlen, a member of the special services unit. It is Maitlen's job to supervise entertainment programs and to aid in procuring camp and U.S.O. shows for officers and men assigned to the 31st Group. Besides operating the motion picture projector at night, he sets up stages and provides music in the mess halls by means of amplifiers and loud speakers.

Ray Felger, F 1/c, writes that on his ship, a destroyer, tbey sure know the name of G-E, and he thinks G-E deserves a 4-0 in its war work. He says hello to all the gang in Bldg. 4-2.

Howard Conner says he works a lot with G-E equipment on his ship and it really looks good to see something from home. He hopes to hear from the gang in Bldg. 20.

July 21, 1945

Hello:

It seems like it's rather difficult to keep up with me since I have been on the move so much. I am now at Hampton Road, Newport News, Virginia. I am working on the pier helping to debark the troops coming home. We put the boys on the trains and busses, answer all their questions, and be jolly while talking to them. They are so glad to be back home again, and it seems like they all want milk and steak, which is generally the first thing they get.

I have quite a collection of foreign money which they gave me for souvenirs, which I shall always keep.

It is plenty hot here, seems like all I do is sweat. If it isn't real hot, it's raining.

Well, I must get busy. It's been a long time since I last saw a G-E NEWS. Hello to all the people I worked with.

Pvt. Virginia A. Hamilton

Wouldn't Trade Navy



Mary Jenkins M. F. Nahrwold

Mary E. Jenkins, S 1/c, formerly of Bldgs. 6-4 and 4-5, declared on a recent visit that she wouldn't trade the Navy for anything, but that it's swell to get back and see the old gang. PFC Morton F. Nahrwold, who was an employee in Bldgs. 4-5 and 26-2, also returned for a visit.

"Never Left Home"

Czechoslovakia
July 11, 1945

"I Never Left Home"—

I think all of you have heard of Bob Hope's book called, "I Never Left Home." Well, I would like to use the same title in saying that "I never left home." As in my Army life, I have seen G-E equipment on both sides so that I feel as if I had never left home.

Belonging to a Reconnaissance Troop of the 26th Infantry Division called the Y.D., I have seen G-E parts in use in radios. The dependability of G-E parts is something for each and everyone who has anything to do with the G-E to speak about with pride. As it was a radio with G-E parts that gave the report from the Reconnaissance December 19, "We have found the enemy—are trying to stop enemy." This was about 18 miles to the right of Bastogne. So once again G-E came out of battle with high honors.

I would like to say hello to the gang in Bldg. 17-1 if there is anyone left who remembers me, as I have been away a long time.

Cpl. Joe B. Longardner

Welcome Back To G-E

Veterans Of World War II

Listed below are former G-E employees, veterans of World War II, who have returned to their jobs during July. Look them up. Welcome them back to G-E.

Name	Location	Name	Location
DeWald Slater	4-5	Albert Giordano	31-1
William R. Walker	26-5	John W. Keck	4-3
Harold O. Martin, Jr.	20-2	Robert R. Purdy	Taylor St.
Archie T. Wright	17-1	Bernard Walsh	26-1
Kenneth Heersche	26-2	Russell J. Fox	19-1
Hubert J. Harrington	27	Kenneth Gillenwater	20-2
Robert E. Mobberly	16-3	Addition to Previous Months' lists:	
William Shearer	4-3		
Curtis E. Coil	17-3	William Easterly, Jr.	Taylor St.
Melvin R. Neville	6-B	Charles L. Kiser	Taylor St.

H. A. Hartman Retires After 38 Years Of Service

Homer A. Hartman, Supervisor of Drafting, Blue Print and Photo for the Fort Wayne Works since 1930, is another "veteran" G-E employee who has left the Company to retire under the Pension Plan.

Mr. Hartman, whose pension became effective August 1, closed his desk for the last time Tuesday and left behind him 38 years of service with G-E. Originally engaged on May 7, 1903, as a draftsman, he broke his service two years later and then returned in 1907 as a material cost clerk.



March 1, 1913, he was made supervisor of the Material List Department, then located in Bldg. 18-5. He entered the Production Department in 1918 as general efficiency man and a year later was appointed staff assistant to the Works Manager. In this position, which he held for 11 years, he was at different times given control of office equipment, indirect expense, and inventory.

April 7, 1930, Mr. Hartman was named to position he left at his retirement.

Suggestors

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There were six other high awards. Donald Martz, Taylor Street, won $60 for his suggestion to use boiler plate inserts in stainless steel welding fixtures for repair of rotor wheel welding rings. This award was in addition to $45 formerly awarded. Charles A. Sooy, Taylor Street, also won $60 for his idea to use sleeve on reamer to ream the .312 hole in shrouds, saving small tool and grinding cost.

An award of $50 was given to Richard Strock, Taylor Street, for his suggestion to provide carboloy tipped cutters for scallop milling impellers saving in tool cost and in grinding time of these parts. This was additional to $10 previously earned. Another award of $50, in addition to $20 previously awarded, was won by Roy Patterson, Taylor Street, for his better method idea on changes to baffle support on nozzle box welding fixtures, which reduced time and improved welding operations.

Awards of $30 went to Walter E. Sommer, Taylor Street, for his idea for a special fixture to grind the thread spaces of the wastegate spindle, and to J. Robert Baker, Taylor Street, for his suggestion for the use of carboloy in place of Stellite tools on turning waste pipe outside diameter.

Other awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were given to the following employees:

Bldg. 4-1

Herbert C. Brockmyer, Arnold H. Wendel, Raymond Holmes, Leo M. Ebert.

Bldg. 4-3

Byrl R. Miller, Hubert F. Grage.

Bldg. 4-5

Horace W. Husselman, Robert L. Kelsey, Harry A. Schmidt.

Bldg. 6-2

Delphos J. Emberlin, Vernon C. Dafforn.

Bldg. 6-4

Clarence Roth.

Bldg. 6-B

Edward M. Lallak.

Bldg. 17-1

Martin C. Fuelling, Kurt Harz, Loretta Hilbish, James J. Carey.

New Driving Pamphlet Distributed To Employees

A new pamphlet, "What's Ahead on the Highway," has been distributed to all sections this week for the employees, Mr. W. J. Hockett, Supervisor of Safety and Employees' Activities, announced recently.

Prepared by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, the pamphlet gives tips on conditioning your car, road usage, etc.

Bldg. 17-2

Albert L. Smith, Marie W. Hilton.

Bldg. 19-B

Guy L. Spencer.

Bldg. 19-2

Robert W. Voltz.

Bldg. 19-3

Leo P. Christle.

Bldg. 19-4

Carrie E. Menges.

Bldg. 19-5

Raymond H. Snyder, Harry P. Hyndman.

Bldg. 26-B

Paul F. Noffze, John Schoppman, Owen R. Allen, Jacob T. Allstetter.

Bldg. 26-1

Francis J. Romary, Donald Ford.

Bldg. 26-2

William E. Braun, Virginia W. Willis.

Bldg. 26-3

Kenneth P. Fisher.

Bldg. 26-4

Lucile C. Nevills, Raymond Duff.

Bldg. 27

Russell C. Genth.

Bldg. 27-1

Frank A. Fordham.

Taylor Street

Homer A. Markley, Mary E. Shull, Maynard Stuckey, Elmer W. Sauer, Kenneth V. Crosbie, Arthur F. Sorg, Clifton T. Wolfe, A. M. Mulholland, Frederick L. Young.

Winter Street

Margaret M. Gabriel.

Decatur

Fred W. Zimmerman, Noah J. Graber.

New Gas Applications

The Gasoline Application Form No. 535 (Rev. 3-44) now in use will not be accepted after August 11, 1945. The Revised Form No. 535 (Rev. 6-45) must be used on and after Monday, August 13.

Please be careful not to present renewal application for gasoline on the old form. A supply of the new forms is now available at the Ration Office.

B. E. NEEDHAM
Ration Office

Danville

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Announcement was also made of the appointment of G. W. Auer as Plant Superintendent in like capacity for the Tiffin, Ohio, operations, where building construction is already in progress.

"It is expected that these two new plants will, in addition to the output of the present facilities, go a long way to relieve the pent-up demand for the products of our Transformer, and Motor Divisions, which we believe will be demanded in large volume for many years following the close of the Japanese war," Mr. Lord said.

Kokomo Plant

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facturing processes and the end-use of the product.

Foremen will be in their sections, Mr. McCollum said, so that visitors will have a chance to ask questions as they make the tour about the plant. Only a few areas will be restricted to visitors, and these are the hazardous areas.

The new Company restaurant, recently completed and modern in every detail, also will go on display, and refreshments will be served to all visitors throughout the day. The exhibit and open house is part of an educational program to acquaint the people of Kokomo with General Electric products and manufacturing methods.

How Does Your Garden Grow?

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The function of the sulphonated oil is to produce an even distribution of the other materials on smooth leaf surfaces, like cabbage. The fixed nicotine compound in the formula contains bentonite clay, which tends to hold the materials on the plants through light rains. Spray the plants thoroughly.

Regular insecticide equipment may be used for applying these formulas. Dusts can be applied with any garden duster. If a duster is not available, a cheesecloth bag or a can with small holes punched in it may be used to sift the dust upon the foliage. For rabbit-repellent purposes, a rather heavy application should be made to the upper surfaces of the leaves, but it is not essential to cover the under sides, as is usually required with insecticides.

Sprays are similarly applied to plants; that is, the upper surfaces of the leaves should be thoroughly covered.

Marine Visitors Describe Bloody Okinawa Struggle

Members of the All Out War Production Committee assembled in the Conference Room, Bldg. 18-2, last Friday and heard first-hand accounts of the battle for Okinawa by Marines who had just left those bloody battlefields.

Fresh from the longest and hardest Pacific campaign since Guadalcanal, the two Marines—Captain James R. Stockman and PFC Charles D. Cowan—stressed the fact that success on Okinawa, as in all other invasions, depended directly upon continuous support from the home front.

A veteran of Guadalcanal and of Saipan, where he won the Silver Star, Captain Stockman counted his 69 days on the island as among the toughest in all his 32 months overseas. He stressed that Okinawa was garrisoned by the best-trained, most well-equipped Jap troops of the war. This, he said, probably accounted for the fact that combined Navy, Marine, and Coast Guard casualties were the highest of any Pacific campaign to date.

PFC Cowan told the group of front-line battle experiences and felt that "sooner or later, if you stay out there long enough, you're going to get yours. You can be on the lines only so long. After that you're on borrowed time. So the more equipment you turn out and the faster you do it," he told the group, "the more of us will come back alive instead of having to face the Japs out there just once too often."

Lieut. K. I. Taylor, District Incentive Officer, Detroit, Mich., and Lieut. W. S. Harvey, who is in the Fort Wayne Office of the Resident Inspector of Naval Materiel, were with the Marines in their visit to the plant. After their talk at Broadway, the group addressed employees at the Winter Street Plant.

William K. McIver Awarded Patent On A.C. Motor



William K. McIver

William K. McIver, Fractional HP Motor Division, Bldg. 4-6, has been granted a patent by the United States Patent Office, covering an alternating current vernier motor. This novel type of split phase AC motor employs the principle of vernier action in order to obtain a very slow rotational movement.

Mr. McIver's patent covers four separate claims for the device. Although this is his first patent since his employment by the General Electric Company, Mr. McIver has had a number of patents granted to him in radio and other fields before coming with the Company.

Company Reports On Bond Drive

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payroll deductions in relation to monthly payroll of any major department, and the Appliance and Merchandise Department was second with 50.1%.

"All of the major departments did splendid jobs, and only in a few minor instances were the results disappointing," said Mr. Lewis in his report to the Advisory Committee.

The report by departments is as follows:

Departments	Quota	Cash Sales	% Realiz. of quota
Apparatus Department			
Works			
Schenectady	$ 640,000	$ 680,858	106.4
Fitchburg	16,000	14,137	88.4
Fort Edward	14,000	13,800	98.6
Syracuse—Turbine	60,000	49,487	82.5
Lynn River	550,000	564,734	102.7
Pittsfield	210,000	230,713	109.9
Fort Wayne	340,000	371,885	109.4
Erie	260,000	267,867	103.0
Philadelphia	135,000	150,193	111.3
Trenton	15,000	15,793	105.3
West Lynn	160,000	179,494	112.2
Bloomfield	75,000	71,400	95.2
Oakland	8,000	8,412	105.2
TOTAL WORKS	$2,483,000	$2,618,773	105.2
District Offices	215,000	272,179	126.6
TOTAL APP. DEPT.	$2,698,000	$2,890,952	107.2
Air Conditioning Dept.	22,000	23,681	107.6
Appl. & Mdse. Dept.	328,000	581,540	177.3
Chemical Department	65,000	83,305	128.2
Lamp Department	600,000	996,530	166.1
Electronics Department	260,000	433,724	166.8
General Office Admin. & App.	200,000	292,698	146.3
Miscellaneous	77,000	21,244	27.6
GRAND TOTAL	$4,250,000	$5,323,674	125.3

G-E's "Master Motor" Aids War Effort

Fort Wayne Engineers Cited For Development

(Editor's Note—This is the first of a series of articles describing outstanding engineering achievements of the Fort Wayne Works).

By Frances Krauskopf

Emergencies brought about by war conditions are well known for their stimulating effect upon Yankee ingenuity—and engineers of the Fort Wayne Works are no exception to this American bent toward invention when an obstacle is to be met. A typical example of a wartime development, which has been of tremendous importance in the progress of aviation, is the proportional synchronizer for multi-engined aircraft, to which engineers of the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division contributed "master and slave" motors.

To the uniniated, the proportional synchronizer control is a system for controlling the several engines of an airplane so that their speeds are the same. This adjustment of engine speed, or synchronization, is of great importance from the standpoints of efficiency of operation and personal comfort. If the several engines of a plane run at various speeds, excessive vibration and noise result, causing breakage of plane parts and fatigue for the passengers.

Improvement Shown

Before the invention of the synchronizer system—in addition to the pilot's other duties of flying the plane, keeping on the radio beam, maintaining a ground check of his course, keeping a careful watch over a great many instruments, maintaining ground communications, keeping a weather eye on cloud formations, and sometimes flying blind—he was forced to adjust his throttle and the pitch of his propellers to keep all engines running at the same speed. The adjustment process was a continually recurring operation, because the speed of each of a plane's engines changes in the various conditions met in the atmospere. Therefore the invention of a system for automatically controlling the synchronization of plane engines was of immense benefit to the pilot, since any lessening of nervous strain increases the alertness with which he can meet his other problems. And when it is realized that fatigue is one of the worst enemies bomber pilots and crews have to face—flights of twenty hours' duration are not unusual—any invention to lessen this fatigue becomes very important to the war effort.

Developed for the Curtiss-Wright Propeller Division, the system is known as the "master motor system," because it consists of a large "master" motor and smaller "slave" motors. The master motors are assembled and tested in Section 15 and the slave, or "wine-cup" motors, are built in Bldg. 19-4.

Amplidyne Motor

The master motor is an amplidyne type of motor which the pilot adjusts to the speed at which he wants his engines to run. The master motor is connected with four slave motors to which it transmits a signal if the engine speed is different from that of the master motor. Upon receipt of this signal, the slave motor immediately sends a corrective signal to the propeller pitch-changing motor. If the engine speed is high, the pitch of the propeller blade is increased; if the speed is low, the pitch is decreased. (By increasing the pitch of a blade—turning it so that it meets greater resistance—the speed of a motor is decreased.) The system therefore automatically controls the speed of each engine and maintains all engines in perfect synchronization, so that each engine carries its share of the total load.

The original synchronizer system, which used a shunt motor for control, was first flown on a Navy four-engine patrol plane in January, 1939. Flight tests at that time proved that the synchronization of all engines at a constant speed was possible, and the way was opened for further experimentation, which led to the development of the present system. This new system was first flown in September, 1940, on a B-17 plane; its first Navy test came in December, 1940, on a patrol plane. The success of these installations resulted in the adoption of the master control system in a number of airplanes, including the B-29 Superfortresses.

Fort Wayne men prominent in the development of the master motor system were C. P. Hayes, C. E. Anderson, F. W. Merrill, and M. L. Schmidt, all of the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division; and Walter Kruse, Fort Wayne Works Laboratory.

Engineers Discuss Control System . . . . .



Shown discussing the "master motor" system (left to right) are Engineers C. P. Hayes, C. E. Anderson, W. B. Kruse, and M. L. Schmidt. Inset is W. F. Merrill. All contributed to the development and success of the proportional synchronizer.

And The "Master Motor" Goes To Work



← Here diagrammatically presented is the proportional synchronizer. The "master" with his electrical whip is demanding the "slaves" to keep the engines at the exact same speed. (See story on this page.)

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

Among the vacationists last week that we know about are Herb Lemmel, who spent a week in Michigan enjoying his favorite sport—fishing. . . . Henry Smith went to Toledo, Ohio, for a couple of days. . . . Asbury Roberson went to Snow Lake and Lake James to get away from the heat. . . . Speaking of the heat, Wilbur Cox keeps cool by sitting on ice. At least, that's one way of doing it. . . . We offer congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hawk on the birth of a son, Saturday, July 21. His name is John Wesley Hawk. . . . Milton Allmandinger really belongs to Bldg 2-3, but much of his work brings him to our floor. The cause of that broad grin last Friday morning was the birth of a son. Congratulations, Milton and Mary! . . . Among the newcomers to our floor are Trevor Rife, in the north end of the building, and Eda Swinney, a new inspector on the hermetic rotor line.

2-3 Office

We don't know where Paul Koogle is going on his vacation, or what kind of fish he expects to catch, but, by the looks of the stringer he is taking along, those fish must be mammoth. Looks more like a log chain than a stringer! . . . If those green apples that Vern Castle is handing out run true to form, we're all going to need castor oil. . . . This office seems more like its old self since Roberta Martin is back. Sure is nice to hear her jolly laugh. . . . We all welcome Jack Faust to our office. He is from Bldg. 4-6. . . . Harry Spahr ran in to say hello to all of us the other day. Harry is in Kokomo now, and we hope he won't forget us. . . . Oh yes, we are still taking vacations in here, and last week it was Ida Witte, Katie Hendericks, and Polly Line, who has gone to see that new granddaughter. . . . The girls of the Order Section held a picnic in Swinney Park last week, and they didn't miss a thing, especially the train ride. We hear they also entertained the park spectators with their acrobatic stunts. Those present were Helen Burnham, Helen Merkey, Ella Cox, Virginia Buhr, Bonnie Rarick, Mary LaTurner, Mildred Heinkel, Mary Wells, Myrtle Rauner, Dorothy Saalfrank, and Mary Geise. . . . Bonnie Rarick decided not to become a guide after all. The job is a little confusing at times, she thinks. . . . More next week, if I don't dissolve with the heat before then.

Sunbeam Sal

A modern pied piper in reverse is Lee Klos, electronics engineer. Instead of tuning up to attract rats, he has invented a supersonic whistle to drive away pigeons. The sound frequency is about four times too high to be detected by human ears, but is extremely irritating to the pigeons.

Did you know that a device, recently perfected, anticipates changes in temperatures of industrial electric furnaces and increases by 1,000 per cent the effectiveness of conventional controls.

Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

Those who were on vacation last week were Johnny Ormiston, who spent his time in Michigan; Gerry Kraft, who spent his running around the country and enjoying himself; and Phyllis Brumbaugh, Ann Hershberger, Geneva Culler, Mable Harding, and Bonnie Melching, all of whom had a wonderful time at the lake. The girls really look like it, too. . . . Marge Caughlin, Doris Holloman, Phyllis Alles, Norma Augsburger, Margaret Hilgemann and husband, Ray, spent the week-end with Mabel, Bonnie, and Geneva. What a week-end! . . . Ruth Harsch, Evelyn McClain, Maude Ehrhardt, Fern Painter, Alma Lehrman, and Lillie Benz were on vacation last week too. We know they enjoyed theirs too.

"THE ROAD TO SERFDOM"...

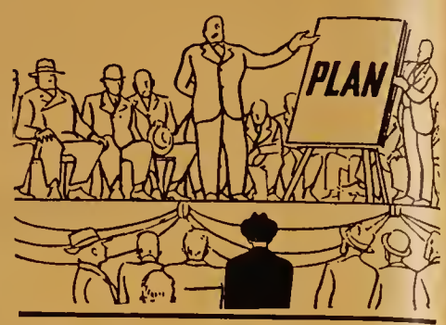
. . . A Book Review in Cartoons Reproduced from LOOK



1 War forces "national planning." To permit total mobilization of your country's economy, you surrender many freedoms. You know regimentation was forced by your country's enemies.



2 Many want "planning" to stay. Arguments for o "peace production boord" ore heard before the war ends. Wortime "planners," who wont to stay in power, encourage the idea.



3 "Planners" promise Utopias . . . A rosy plan for farmers goes well in rurol oreos, a plan for workers is popular in cities—and so on. Many new "plonners" ore elected to office.



4 . . . but can't ogree on one Utopia. With peace, a new legislature meets; but "win the war" unity is gone. The "planners" nearly come to blows. Eoch has his own pet plon, won't budge.



5 And citizens can't ogree either. When the "planners" finally patch up a temporary plan months later, citizens in turn disagree. What the farmer likes, the factory worker doesn't like.



6 "Planners" hate to force ogreement. Most "national planners" are well-meaning idealists, balk ot any use of force. They hope for some miracle of public ogreement os to their plan.



7 They try to "sell" the plan to all. In on unsuccessful effort to educate people to uniform views, "planners" establish o giant propaganda machine (which coming dictator will find handy).



8 The gullible do find ogreement. Meonwhile, growing national confusion leads to protest meetings. The least educated, thrilled and convinced by fiery oratory, form o party.



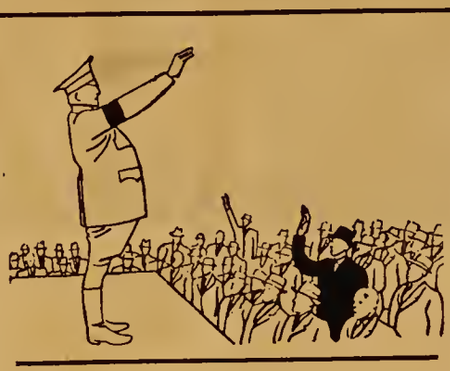
9 Confidence in "planners" fades. The more "planners" improvise, the more normal business is upset. All suffer. People now feel—rightly—that "planners" con't get things done.

To G-E News Readers—

The defeat of Germony mokes the following story of particulor interest at this time. Reprinted from "Look" mogazine, it is o short review of the recent book "The Rood to Serfdom." The outhor, F. A. Hayek, sow the rise of German dictotorship ot first hond. Because of his experiences ond his long study of social trends, he has been able to analyze current hoppenings in terms of the road down which they leod.



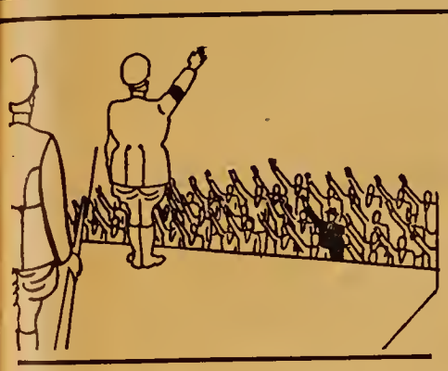
10 The "strong man" is given power. In desperation, "planners" autharize new party leader to hammer out a plan and force its obedience. Later, they'll dispense with him—they think.



11 The party takes over the country. By now, confusion is so great that obedience to the new leader must be obtained at all costs. Maybe you join the party yourself to aid national unity.



12 A negative aim welds porty unity. Early step of all dictators is to inflame the majority in common cause against some scapegoat minority. The Nozis' negative oim was anti-Semitism.



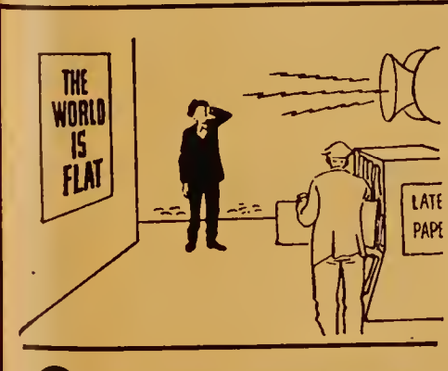
13 No one opposes the leader's plan. It would be suicide; new secret police are ruthless. Ability to force obedience always becomes the No. 1 virtue in the "planned state." All freedom is gone.



14 Your profession is "planned." The wider jab chaice promised by now defunct "planners" turns out to be a tragic farce. "Planners" never have delivered, never will be able to.



15 Your wages are "planned." Divisions of the wage scale must be arbitrary and rigid. Running a "planned state" from central headquarters is clumsy, unfair, inefficient.



16 Your thinking is "planned." In the dictatorship the "planners" unintentionally created, there is no room for difference of opinion. Posters, radio, press—all tell you the same lies.



17 Your recreatlan is "planned." It is no coincidence that sparts and amusements have been carefully "planned" in regimented states. Once started, "planners" can't stop.



18 Disciplining is "planned." If fired from your job, it's apt to be by firing squad. What used to be an error has naw become a crime against the state. Thus ends the road to serfdom.

News From — TAYLOR STREET

Impeller

Hugh Tigges is taking his vacation this week. It seems he is working harder walking the floor nights with his new son than he ever had to work in the daytime here. That's all right, Hugh, take good care of him now. Some day you may need help when you get old and gray. . . . Girls are not the only ones who have dishpan hands. Ben Prickett has them too. Ben has been staying with his brother-in-law while his sister is gone, so Ben helps to cook and wash dishes. That's O.K., Ben, we have to eat. . . . Mary Huyghe doesn't care for any more milk baths. She was opening a bottle of milk one evening when her thumb slipped through the cap and the milk splashed all over her. She wishes now the dairies would make a non-splashing bottle cap.

Screw Machine

Ethel Bobay leaves next week for the lake, where she is spending her vacation. She should have good luck fishing, as she was out at 1 o'clock some mornings this week hunting bugs and worms to feed the fish. . . . Veronica Rulka, a former employee of the Screw Machine section and now a WAVE, was visiting her old friends Thursday afternoon. She is stationed at Washington, D. C. We were very glad to see you, Vernie. You look fine in your uniform. . . . We received a card from Geraldine Wetoskey, formerly of Stamping. She wishes us to tell all her friends she said "Hello." She is working in Garrett. . . . We hear that Ralph Dunlap had his fill of ice cream the other day. . . . We wonder if anybody has a thermos bottle to put in Alta Kennard's purse and lunch kit combined? . . . Ernie Holston was presented a nice billfold from the gang before he left for the service. . . . Wayne Carpenter, formerly of our section, visited with us Friday afternoon. You really look swell, Wayne.

Receiving

Sam Heer, of Receiving Inspection, is taking his vacation this week. He sure is having a warm week for it and should come back with a beautiful suntan. Have a good time, Sam. . . . Ruth Penrod is leaving us this week to take a job at Broadway. Good luck, Ruth. . . . The 64-dollar question is, "Who is Marjorie?" A certain man in this section won't give us any information about her, but he is receiving lots of mail lately from a certain Majorie who is vacationing in Florida. . . . Betty Thiele is vacationing this week at their lake cottage. She doesn't expect to do much fishing, but swimming and lots of bicycle riding is on her schedule. Put in a full week, Betty. . . . Frank Fast received a telegram July 25 from his youngest son, who has been in Europe two and one-half years, saying: "Have landed in U.S. Will be home soon." . . . Jim Brittin, of Shipping, leaves Sunday for a week's fishing in Michigan. We want an actual photo of the large ones caught, or else we are apt to doubt the tales that will be told. Catch your limit, Jim.

Assembly

Bud Colen and family are top ranking members of our column this week, due to their all-out war effort. Bud is doing a real job here in Final Assembly. He also has the following to his credit: Bill Colen is now home on furlough after 18 months overseas. He serves in the infantry. Bob, who is in the A.A.F., is also home after three years overseas. Bud, Jr., who is an instructor in the A.A.F., is joining the family for a brief visit. This will be the first time the boys have all been together in four and one-half years. Bud, we are really proud of you and yours. . . . Joe Smith is not waiting until New Year's Day to make resolutions. He solemnly swears, declares, and affirms: "No more fishing until final victory." It seems that fishing really wears Joe down. We just wonder if his fishing luck ran out. . . . We always knew we had nobility in Final Assembly. We have several queens, but Earl Cline calls our attention to the fact that we have several Earls present. . . . Doris Kattness is entertaining her club tonight. Watch next week's column, and we will give you all the details, play by play. . . . Fire! Fire! Yes, there was a fire. Flah Hamilton and her sister, Helen Huffman, will verify this. Flah says she never realized how strong they were until the house caught fire. The girls, keeping very calm, cool, and collected, promptly threw all the mirrors and dishes out of the windows. Then each grabbed a couple of mattresses and carried them out. After the fire was under control, they were so exhausted they could not even lift a mattress. . . . Opal Jane Templeton will spend her vacation at Barbee Lake. . . . Thelda Aker is on vacation. . . . We are glad to welcome back Naomi Meier, Lois Stranger, Alma Nohrwold, and Marquerite Erdely. . . . Peg is now back after a few days' illness. . . . Mary Nebehy attended her niece's wedding. Mary says it put ideas into her head.

Suggestion Pays Off



Harold R. Evans, Winter Street Plant, headed this week's suggestion list with an award of $150 for suggesting the use of machine in lapping the high and low pressure intake and exhaust valves used on the air compressor.

Shipping

Al Braun returned to work from his vacation. He spent most of his time just resting at Portland, Ind. . . . Eugene Scott is on his vacation this week, and incidentally Scotty had some tough luck last week. He broke his toe while at work here. We sure hope you have a nice vacation, Scotty, and hope that the toe mends soon. . . . We were sorry to hear what happened to Earl Cochran, but with the aid of crutches he seems to be getting along right on the beam. . . . Abe Franke, our trucker, is taking his vacation next week. Look out when he comes back. He probably will make some of those fish stories that have been told already look like child's play. Hope you have a good time, Abe. . . . It really does rain down in Markle, Ind. Don't take our word for it, just ask Pappy West. . . . Well, well, well, Jim Brittin is on his vacation in Michigan, and from the reports received he has caught the largest fish ever caught in the lake. . . . Another hobby heard from! Miss Barbara Brittin is collecting autographs of noted sport celebrities. She has more than 500 from all over the world, and they are mounted in a beautiful scrapbook. This is a very interesting hobby, what is yours?

Rotor

Eric Hellwig left Rotor this week for Broadway. He received a gift from his co-workers, who will surely miss him a lot. . . . Wilbur Jackson has decided on a new motto, after getting his new "choppers." . . . Congratulations go to Florence Locker, who has a new daughter-in-law. Incidentally, her son just came home on furlough. . . . Fred Spade, Ray Smith, Helen Faust, Maude Miller, and Lena Hicks are lucky enough to have their vacations during this hot weather. . . . Justin Cour is the latest member to join the "Forgotten Badge Club." . . . Marjorie Buckmaster is on the sick list this week. Hope to see you back soon, Marjorie.

Nozzle Box

Dorothy McGowen has returned to work after spending a week's vacation with her children on a farm near Toledo, Ohio, visiting her sister. . . . Shirley Hollins spent Saturday evening with Clara Wheeler and her husband. . . . Who took the flowers from the Screw Machine Section and put them in the Nozzlebox Section? . . . Don Shroyer is spending his week's vacation at the lake. We hope that Don will catch more fish than the rest of the people who have spent their vacations at the lake. . . . What's this we hear about a few of the group not having the necessary auto stamp? . . . Vacation must have made a lazy man of Art Smead. We notice that he never finishes shaving any more. . . . Tillie Wambsganss is on her vacation this week. Friday she went over to visit her sister and ended up by cleaning the whole house. We think Tillie only went over to see the baby and thought she could spend more time that way. . . . Who were the culprits that took Bill Easley's cookies the other day? . . . John Mangona has transferred back to Rotor.

Tool Room

The laugh (belly type) is on Jake Arnold this week. Jake was attempting to get into a vacationing foreman's cabinet and had the locksmith working on the locked cabinet while he stood impatiently by. Another foreman seeing these operations ventured to ask, "Why the locksmith, Jake? I was in there just a half hour ago, and it wasn't locked then." "Well, it's locked now," was Jake's retort, grabbing the handle to prove it. Was he surprised when it opened with nary a squeak. We conder if Jake ever heard of Houdini, the magician. Houdini could get into locked places and never use a key. Jake can't even get the unlocked ones open. . . . By this time we have several winding up their vacations this week. Among the lucky vacationers were Floyd Fluke, Ned Crum, Harold Bowman, and Robert Todd. I suppose next week will be filled with some tall stories, but we will be glad to see them back. . . . Archie Gwaltney, Fred Kramer, and Joe Viatt went fishing. No tall stories—no fish. . . . Wib Braun is in the Southwest Pacific some place. Good luck, Wib. . . . Harry Parker took a vacation. Nothing exciting—not even a flat tire. . . . Carl Messman is trying to get Max Fielitz to quit picking up his regular riders. . . . Ivan Voirol is now a father. Does he look better, fellows? Good luck, Mrs. Voirol, and a speedy recovery. . . . Kenny McCague will not stretch his fish stories. He said most of them got away. . . .

Plant Service

Did you see Walter Dial, the plumber, answer the fire alarm signal check-up last Friday morning at eight o'clock? He just hasn't been back on the first shift long enough to get acquainted with the set up, and when the eight o'clock signal started you should have seen him "take off." . . . W. Ferris Timbrook plans to spend some of this week of his vacation fishing, and judging from the kind of fish he spoke of, he should have some big fish stories to tell us later on. . . . Attention, Harold Miller. A note of explanation concerning a card from "Ott and Frank." During our stay at the lake, we noticed one day that our pool (the one from which we bought groceries and not the one in which we fished) had dwindled down to the very small sum of four cents. While trying to figure just how to spend this vast sum of money, our minds drifted to the boys at the shop. Well, anyway, to make a long story short, we bought a card, a stamp, and having two pennies left we bought lollipops. This made us very happy, and we had hoped that the gang would appreciate the card signed—Ott and Frank.

Fractional Doings AT TAYLOR STREET

If anyone has any antiques that would like to get rid of, see Thelene Freiburger. She says she just loves to dust them. . . . Why was Christie Boyd wandering around the streets at 5:30 in the morning on her way to work? Could it be her alarm clock was set wrong? . . . Jeanette Smith says her "nightmares" make her so tired. We wonder what horseback riding would do to her. Speaking of dreams, Carol Fisher had a very different type of dream. She was a spy in the Civil War one night and the next one she was fighting in this war. What do you girls eat before retiring? . . . Congratulations to Rachel Johnson, who was married last Saturday. Lots of good luck. . . . Anyone having a toy drum at home, please give it to Alice Bower and Alice Smith. Maybe you could beat out some music then, girls. . . . Kathryn Moser brought back a nice case of "jiggers" from her fishing trip. Better luck next time, Kathryn. . . . Our best wishes to Rae Scherer, who was promoted to third base on the softball team. . . . Those who are back from their vacations this week are Rosie Wagamuth, Elda Johnson, Doris Moon, Betty Gearey, Berniece Gasper, and Leon Rodemaker. . . . Dorothy Richards should become an airplane designer, as she fixed up paper towels to look like propellers for Marian Pappert and herself to wear in their hair. . . . Looks like childhood days are here again with all the penny suckers floating around. Alice Lester, Margaret Halley, and Juanita Barrick had a few. It sure must be great to feel young again. . . . Mary Wright has a bad time with all the whistles at noon. She wants to go to lunch with each one. . . . Eula Childs has left us to go back to her home in Birmingham, Ala., while Cleta Burns has gone to California. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Mary Frances Huff on the death of her grandfather. . . . Ida Sinn has found out that her new safety glasses will stand most anything. She even found them in bed with her one morning. . . . We are wondering if the reason that Harvey Springer's riders walked home with their new clothes line wire was that he didn't want his car scratched. Be a gentleman next time, Harvey.

Nine Named In Supervisory Changes



Shown above are G-E employees in volved in important supervisory changes at e Fort Wayne Works and the General office announced this week by M. E. Lord, Works Manager. Top row, left to right, are George W. Auer, James H. Gargett, Lisle D. Hodell, Alvin Konow, and William F. Oswalt. Bottom row, left to right, are Elmer F. Paul, Arthur F. Vinson, W. K. Williams, and Robert Wylie. (See story on Page 1 and below).

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

Back again with a few lines. . . . Have you noticed Cecil Young's growing waistline? Wonder where he gets all the fattening food. . . . Delores Holtrey is still Aunt Cornie to all of us. . . . Erma Poisel looks good after a week's vacation. . . . Have you noticed Jo Wall's smile lately? It's clear across her face and no wonder. Her hubby is back in the States. . . . How is the Fleming Ranch coming along by now, Jim? . . . Do you know why Dick Schultz is so happy? Because it's really getting hot, and he likes hot weather, especially in the summer time, so he says.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

Another week gone by and here we are again with a welcome for Renelda Stout. "Just call me Nellie," she says. Hope you like it here with us, Nellie. . . . Have you noticed Charlie Menefee's new store teeth? Give us a big smile, Charlie, and show the pearlies. . . . Danny Adams spent a few days in Northern Michigan and had the thrill of her life. Danny made her first train trip coming home. . . . Have you noticed the new time piece Ruth Nelson is sporting? It's her nurse's watch for when she starts her training in the Cadet Nurse Corps this fall. . . . Our best wishes go with Will Osmun, who took his Army physicals recently and is now awaiting induction. We'll really missing you, Will. . . . Charlie Menefee admits that his daughter caught bigger and better fish than he did while on his vacation. . . . Faces, faces, all the time we see faces at the windows. Come on in, fellows, and we'll show you how we make 'em. . . . Did you ever see anyone with a capacity for watermelon like Ruth Nelson has? Ruth eats half a melon by herself. Do we hear any challengers? . . . If you want to learn to ride the bicycle, see Danny Adams. She is learning the hard way, right up the cinder pile. Better luck next time, Danny. . . . If you have anything for the WORKS NEWS, don't be so tight-lipped. Tell it to Freada. . . . See you all again next week. Bye now.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Sorry about not having any news lately, but will try and make up for lost time. . . . Welcome back, Mrs. Thad Shank; she's the former Bettie Cobb of Laotto. They have been married just about a month now. Congratulations! . . . Vonnie Spanhauer received a call from a friend, who is coming home after being overseas for three years. We hope you have a swell time while he is home, Von. . . . Louise Swenson received a swell letter from Alma Pierce, who has been off work because of ill health. We miss her and hope she is back soon. . . . Bertha Goeglein is looking for a grass skirt in the mail now. She was promised one. . . . Eileen Betz, Lillian Cobb, and Wanda Kumfer looked very nice with their new end-curls. . . . Bye for now.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We are glad to see Ruth Ann Coonrad back from Texas. Ruth Ann has been visiting her husband. . . . Did you see that man with the real-for-sure suntan? Yes, it's Bayless Swift just back from a very nice vacation. . . . Doris Summers and Martha Campbell were lucky girls on vacation last week. . . . Lillian Mallo reports that she sits out in the chicken lot 'til late hours of the night. Are you watching for chicken thieves, Lillian? . . . Effie Yenger and Mary Gerardot are back from a nice vacation. . . . Jean Snyder says it is almost too hot to do any reporting. Now Jean, don't let a little thing such as the heat get you down. . . . Bye till next time.

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

I wonder what Jo Wall has been walking on. Answer—air. Her hubby is back from the South Pacific. . . . Cecil Young has the honor of having received the shortest letter ever written. The following words, "What was it?" comprised the complete letter. Who was the author, Cecil, or is that the problem? . . . Jim says the Fleming Ranch has a new well on it now. . . . Did you see Delores Holtray's pretty red dress? It seems red is her favorite color. . . . Welcome back, Rowena C., after a swell vacation. You sure know when to pick them. . . . Sorry to hear of your mother's illness, Marie Peters. . . . Welcome back to the gang, Violet S., after so long a time. . . . Famous words from Helen Wuss, "Don't hit my back so hard." I wonder if it could be a sunburn. Helen reports having a nice vacation. . . . Jane Campbell looks all rested after her vacation. . . . That smile on Gert Pouy's face is good news from her husband. He thinks he will be home before too long. We all hope so. . . . Yes, it is Carl Saaf, and he sure looks fine after his vacation. Glad to see your smiling face again, Carl. . . . Doris Summers says she can't understand it, but she is more tired now than she was before her vacation. We all understand, Doris. . . . Kathleen Brinker seems to be interested in farming. Just the other day, she inquired whether you feed horses meat like the animals in the zoo or how it was done. She thought hay was just too dry for them. Kathleen says she would be willing to help some farmer out. Of course, she'd need a few suggestions at first. . . . Did you notice the gleam in Wanetta Schulte's eye this week? She has good reasons, too. Her husband has arrived in Boston from the European theater and is expected home soon. . . . Helen White and Eileen Minnich are vacationing at Crooked Lake. Have a nice time, girls, and take a dip for us gals back at work.

17-3 Newsies

We were glad to have with us last week two servicemen who have just returned from overseas. They were Dick Pemberton, who was a German prisoner of war, and Sgt. Frankie Jacks. They both intend to be back with us after the war. . . . Floetta Zartman went to the telephone the other day to call home and forgot her own telephone number. That's a bad sign, Floetta. . . . We're sorry to hear that Gertie Dammeyer was called home from her vacation because of her aunt's death. We hope your vacation was good while it lasted, Gertie.

New Supervisors

(Continued from page 1)

Schenectady, where he has been appointed Assistant Supervisor of Production of the Apparatus Department. Mr. Williams is now in the office of Neil Currie, Jr., manager of manufacturing for the Apparatus Department, Schenectady. He formerly was Assistant Manufacturing Superintendent of the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division.

Alvin Konow has been appointed Assistant Production Manager of the Fort Wayne Works, the appointment being effective August 1. Prior to this position, he served as Production Supervisor of the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division.

E. F. Paul, formerly Assistant Superintendent of the Specialty Transformer Division, has been named Superintendent of the Fort Wayne Transformer Division. W. F. Oswalt has been appointed Plant Superintendent of the Danville, Illinois, Division, which will manufacture fluorescent lamp ballasts under the general supervision of the Fort Wayne Works. Prior to this appointment, he was Supervisor of Planning at the Taylor Street Plant.

G. W. Auer, now Superintendent of Sections 13 and 14 of the Fractional-Horsepower Motor Division, will, in addition to his present activities, assume the responsibility of the manufacturing operations of the Tiffin, Ohio, Division—Fractional-Horsepower Motors — with the title of Plant Superintendent.

The Last Word— FROM BUILDING 4-1

A wiener bake was enjoyed on Friday evening at Foster Park by all the gauge girls, honoring Elli Dietze Florent, who is leaving us this week. Those present were: Iris Allen, Bldg. 27-1; Mary Hines, Bldg. 19-4; Mildred Hinkle, Bldg. 19-5; Hilda Scheumann, Bldg. 17-1; Erna Arps, Bldg. 6-2; Leila Clemens, Bldg. 6-1; Pauline Fischer, Bldg. 4-1; and Eva Chandler from Bldg. 4-4, who was in charge. Croquet and bicycling were enjoyed by the group. . . . Pauline Fischer's birthday was celebrated in Bldg. 4-1 tool crib Wednesday. All of us had cake, only there wasn't enough of it was the complaint. Pauline baked it herself. Many happy returns, Pauline. . . . Roy Gruber, who retired several months ago, was in Bldg. 4-1 one day last week for a visit with his many friends. Roy was looking mighty fine, and everyone was glad to see him. . . . Floyd Enos is now a full-fledged member of the "Forgotten Badge club." . . . Those on vacation (south end) this week are Pat Culbertson and Judson Keeler. . . . We said goodbye to two inspectors, Lucille Slater and Don Miller, last week. Lucille left to take up her duties as housewife, and Don left for his former home in Texas. We were sorry to see them leave but wish them the very best of luck in their new homes. . . . Get in line, folks, to put in your order for fresh Florida fish. E. Logan and L. Covault are leaving next week on a fishing trip to Fort Meyers, Fla. All orders will be for 26 lbs. or over. . . . Congratulations go to Max Pomper (Burr Section), who completed 25 years of service last week, with the G-E Company. . . . Cecil McCall makes the news again. Cecil was trying to get a two-year-old girl to pose while he took her picture, and he slipped and fell and had to be helped to bed, where he was laid up for two days. Better try a less strenuous pastime, Mac. . . . Louis Ruch, formerly employed in Drill Press Section in Bldg. 4-1, died this week. He left the Company to go to Arizona, but had recently returned and was employed by the International Harvester Company at the time of his death. . . . Ewald Stinsmuehlen is going to be careful in the future about picking nickels up off the floor. The last one he tried to pick up was nailed to the floor and caused Ewald no little embarrassment and considerable kidding. . . . S 2/c Glen Smith visited old friends in 15x16 this week. He is stationed at the Great Lakes Training Station.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

The AC and DC Coil Winders had a farewell "luncheon" of coffee and cake for Ora Thurber, who is leaving the Company. We're sorry to see you go, Ora, and wish you a lot of luck. . . . Helen Shumm enjoyed a flying trip to Toledo a week ago to visit an old friend. . . . Larry Simmerman wonders what it takes to get a cushion on his chair. . . . Pearl Michael feels pretty proud of herself. She is celebrating a year's service with the Company. Congratulations. . . . Charles Melick said he thought he had company the other evening when he returned home from work. His wife had just returned from the beauty salon. . . . Geneva Steinbarger visited Northern Indiana over the week-end. Are you trying to find a cool spot, Geneva? . . . We are glad to see Gladys Patton back, after being absent because of sickness. . . . Everett Julleriet is not only a basketball coach, but also a home economics teacher. He said he treated his family to an Italian pork chop dinner, without using a recipe. Everett says that dinner really disappeared. We wonder where? . . . We extend our sympathy to Elmer Warner and William Molthan in the loss of their wives. .

It's Headwork That Counts



"Trusting to LUCK," says Bob, "is a poor substitute for the use of COMMON SENSE around the shop. Let us remember—LUCK IS LIKE A RUBBER BAND—THE OFTENER AND FARTHER YOU STRETCH IT, THE QUICKER IT BREAKS."

"Day after day we have to keep using our heads to stay out of the Dispensary and on the job."

I believe we all agree with the statements made above by Bob Werth, Planner and Head of the Safety Committee in the Specialty FHP Motor Section, who is shown in the above picture.

The Safety Committee in this section is composed of the following: F. A. Korte, R. Strodel, Mabel Flanders, Esther Edenfield, Bonnie Mechling, Fred Couture, William Schults, Bobbie Black, Enno Richter, Charles Taylor, Vera Becher, Harold Brough, Irene Walker, Robert Smith, Paul Arnold, Alice Neuman, Gail Staugger, James Saraseen, Lewis Stalf, John Clark, Marion Gouker, Ernest Etsler, Ruth Fry, Lillian Johnson, Harry Todd, Norman Hughes.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

We are wondering what got into Margaret Parisot last Monday when she was seen putting her clock card into the box after ringing out. Are you trying to work one day and get paid for a week, Margaret? Or were you just a little bit absent-minded that day? . . . Amanda Pautsch was honored by the birthday club of Group 13x54 with a potluck when she celebrated her birthday. We all wish you happy birthday and many more of them, Mandy. . . . We understand that Norma Beach has moved into a new apartment and the 13x59 gang is waiting for an invitation to inspect it, Norma. . . . Edna Chausse says she had a very nice time on her vacation last week. She looks rested up too. . . . Frank Kimball and Herman Fabian returned from their vacations last week too. Hope you both had a nice time, fellows. . . . Elsie Dutkiewicz left us Saturday. She and her husband will spend two weeks on vacation in Canada and then Elsie will take up wifely duties. Sorry to see you leave, Elsie, but good luck. . . . Betty Strohmeier is vacationing at Crooked Lake, and we imagine she is having a fine time because both her husband and brother are on furlough after being overseas. . . . Mary Jenkins, former employee of Bldg. 6-4, came over to see her ex-boss, Charlie Winans recently. . . . We wish to welcome Mary Marray to Group 13x54 and Georgiana Arnold to 13x59, both on second shift. Glad to know you two girls. . . . Pvt. Calvin Hicks is here on furlough after being overseas with the Fifth Infantry Division. He formerly worked in stock before entering the Army. We were glad to see you again, Cal, and good luck. . . . Quite a few were on vacation this week. Sam Allmandinger, Juanita Masterson, Gladys Linsky, Vear Brindle, Earl Van Zile, and Gaylord Evans. Hope you are having a nice time, all of you. . . . Marjorie Borne had everyone looking everywhere for her badge one night only to discover at quitting time it was on her skirt all the time. Margie!!!

19-2 ECHOES

Believe it or not, Bldg. 19-2 almost went in for making some money recently. A bunch of jackets, hats, gloves, smocks, and some shoes, such as they were, and whatever else could be found were pinned to the wall one morning, and a rummage sale was promptly proposed. Quite a surprise to the owners and quite a scramble to collect their belongings! . . . Captain Bob Lester and Ensign Bob Masters paid us a visit. They certainly looked tops with their suntans. The two Bobs just returned to the States. Captain Lester is getting acquainted with his young son again, and Ensign Masters managed to get in a good game of golf. Good luck, fellows. . . . Naomi Devlin treated with cake on her birthday. Thanks a lot and congratulations. . . . Four girls now back from their vacations are Bonnie Asies, Jane Hahn, Wanda Casterline, and Norma Langmeyer. One of the girls seemed to have taken the prize for trying to stay with the pier when the boat wanted to take her feet for a ride. It must have been quite a splash. . . . Jane Hahn went to Detroit on her vacations to see the races and to win some money, she thought. Maybe your horse didn't like that five dollar bill, Janey. . . . When 9:30 rolls around and the candy wagon hasn't arrived, Gene Miller and Kennie Rinker get out their dinner buckets and proceed to have a snack. You're right, that's Florence Weimer looking on hungrily. . . . Marie Yates, being one of the more fortunate ones, receives a paper every day, but also does her good deed by bringing it to the factory and sharing it with all her co-workers. A dime well spent, we'll always say, and thanks for the news, Marie. . . . We now have an addition in the dressing room. Our little mouse, Oscar, has a playmate, whom we call Suzie. They seem quite interested in our conversations, or is it the crumbs they want. . . . Anyone interested in having his house painted may contact Ed Hormann. Ed says he can paint a house in record time, using a two-inch varnish brush. . . . Maurice Archbold, Lloyd Brown, and Luella Boyce are back from a week's vacation. They all agree that a week is too short. Maurice spent his time visiting with his son, home from the Navy. Lloyd was at Rome City to the Boy Scout Camp (by the way, Lloyd is a Scoutmaster), and Luella had a happy time with her children, picnics in the park, etc. . . . One of our soldier boys, Harry Rhodes, paid us a visit this week. We are always glad to see you, Harry, as well as all the boys that are in the service. . . . Florence Hindman recently entertained Edna Etzler, Mabel Liggett, and Gladys McMillen at her cottage at Lake Gage.

In Appreciation

To the General Electric Company and all the employees:

"I want to thank everyone of you for the wonderful gifts you gave me and for the kind treatment you have shown to me."

William Woodward

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By E. A. Miller

An amazing demonstration of the wonders of synthetic rubber was performed by Eugene Woodworth recently. He dismantled the large U. S. G-E Sales Territorial map and applied that certain touch. The map "changed faces" gradually from a dusty grey to its finished product—the amber color of a Civil War map. "Woodie," do you suppose another appeal to the supreme authorities would furnish us with a new one that included all 48 States. This revised job of yours would be envied by a scout from the Smithsonian Institute. . . . Marian Amsden is taking to the hills of Kentucky via Cincinnati and the zoo on her two weeks' vacation. . . . The Rectanus family recently moved into their new home on Rose Lane. Kathryn likes it so much that she is spending her two weeks' vacation there with an occasional game of golf. Margaret says that she now has to get up 11 and a half minutes earlier to catch the bus. . . . Due to the newspaper situation in Fort Wayne, Ann Schlotthauer has accommodated a number of the billing girls by selling them copies of the *Bluffton Evening Banner*. To redeem herself to a couple of her steady customers, she entertained Betty Raile and Thelma Clevenger over the week-end in the metropolis. Things were going along very nicely until Sunday afternoon, on a suggested short cut to Ann's home from the swimming pool, a barbed wire fence was to be hurdled. The girls had a masculine escort, so Betty, who had once witnessed a rodeo, got over the fence with flying colors. Ann's 100 pounds was an easy pitch for their escort. Thelma, very modest and true to her husband, Johnny, in the South Pacific, started climbing through a hole, but rip, there she was, fast. We understand she was unloosened some 10 minutes later, none the worse for the wear. The girls blamed the Bluffton sun for the rosy complexions they wore the next day. Some of us believed it. . . . To leave Gladys Sorenson on her two weeks' vacation is like leaving a bird out of a cage. The first week-end Gladys went to Dayton, Ohio, returned, then headed for Chicago, then took off for Milwaukee. She plans to spend the last week of her vacation at Lake Gage resting up. Smart girl. . . . Jim Craw and family are tourists in our State's capital and are also visiting relatives there. . . . Judging from her many cards and gifts, we'd say Ruth Stier had a happy birthday, and here is wishing her many more. . . . Viola Haiber is on a well-deserved rest at her folks' summer home on Sylvan Lake. . . . A lucky wife is Yvonne Klaehn, who is enjoying her husband's company, now on a 30-day furlough from the European War. . . . Yes, Edna Reid is vacationing by resting up a bit at home, then she expects to visit a few days in Kokomo with her sister. . . . That's all, folks, see you next week.

A mechanical device that duplicates the human temperature system is used in laboratories as cold as 60 degrees below zero to test electrically-warmed flying clothes.

Sleuthing In 4-6

The big event of the week seems to be the party given in honor of Stella Hagadorn on July 26. It was held at the Victory Club with 38 guests enjoying the delicious steak dinner. The party was to be a surprise, but Stella, with her ear for news, heard the girls of the Production Section were giving her a party; however, the surprise came when she saw the fellows there too. Stella was presented a beautiful sewing cabinet with Al Konow doing the honors. The big attraction of the evening was Stella and Fred, her husband, singing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." This was followed by group singing. Good luck, Stella, we'll all miss you. . . . Georgia Garrett was hostess for a wedding shower given at her home in honor of Catherine O'Connor on July 25. The evening was spent playing games and was climaxed by Catherine taking the spotlight when she opened her gifts. She did all right too, didn't break a single ribbon. Catherine says her hands were a little shaky the next day though. By the way, the refreshments were delicious and we'd like to tell our hostess that we had a wonderful evening. . . . Mary Rogers took a boat trip through Canada on her vacation. She enjoyed the trip through Canada but not the trip she had to make to the dry cleaners, when she returned, to have her clothes cleaned because they smelled of fish. Mary was kept up-to-date on events that took place while she was gone by a diary the girls made for her. . . New father of the week—Frank Dubanowich. Mr. and Mrs. Dubanowich are the proud parents of a six and one-half pound baby boy named Thomas Leonard. . . . Recent visitors to Bldg. 4-6 were Sailor Irvin (Bud) Ditton, son of Ralph (Doc) Ditton of the Sales Division; also Alice Swick, formerly of the Sales Division, now a WAVE in the U.S. Navy. Alice is home on leave from Alameda, Calif. Capt. Henry Brandt paid us another visit recently, with some very interesting pictures that were taken in Europe. . . . Congratulations to Sam Flannery, of the Motor Sales Division, who was married to Betty Wilson of Bldg. 18, Saturday, July 14, at 7:30 P.M. at the Trinity English Lutheran Church. . . . Georganna Leonard became the bride of PFC Martin Osterman, Saturday, July 28, at 7 p.m. The ceremony took place at the Bethany Presbyterian Church. . . . That gleam in Bertha Bevington's eyes means that her soldier husband is home on furlough from Europe. . . . Harriet Swager doesn't believe Friday, the 13th, is unlucky because she received a letter from her friend on that date saying he was coming home. . . . Have you noticed the diamond on the third finger, left hand, of Florence Hildner of the Motor Sales Division? . . . Belated birthday greetings to Virginia Shaffer, P. O. Noble, and Charlie Koomjohn.

The Texas-born Captain of an all-Texas company in North Africa told his men: "Our job here is to promote good neighborliness among other things. We've got to humor the natives. If they say Africa is bigger than Texas, agree with them."

Soldier-Apprentice Returns To G-E



Bill Walker is shown above back on the job in Bldg. 26-5 as he took up his tools again Monday morning to complete his apprentice training. The picture at left shows him a few months ago, when he was First Lieutenant William Walker, a navigator on a B-17 with 33 bombing missions over Germany to his credit. (See story on this page).

Bill Walker Is First Apprentice To Return For More Training

The Fort Wayne Works saw its first apprentice return from World War II to "take up where he left off" when Bill Walker, a first lieutenant on inactive duty, returned to G-E Monday to complete his apprenticeship.

An Air Forces navigator stationed in England, Bill flew 33 missions over Germany in a B-17 bomber. Back in the States since May 5, 1945, he had spent over two years in the Army.

Immediate plans for the returned soldier are to complete his apprenticeship—and then he states the future will have to take care of itself. Bill has completed six periods of his training, and now has two to go. This will take approximately three-quarters of a year. When interviewed, Bill had been placed on lamination of punches and dies under Foreman A. F. Thieme in Bldg. 26-5. This is just the start of his bench work, Bill said, but his machine training has already been completed.

Bill has not been discharged from the Army Air Forces, because officers cannot be discharged until after the war. The inactive status will allow him to complete his training without interruption however, he explained, and then added that getting back into working clothes was a real thrill.

Although Bill is the first apprentice to resume his training, G-E had reemployed 193 former employees, all veterans of World War II, to the end of July.

—Twelve-Twosies—

Some folks are missing from our section—oh sure, the notorious three—George Waldrop, Don Trump, and Paul Swaim—are spending their vacations at the lake. . . . We welcome Gene Van Curen to our floor. Gene, you will find the Mill Section is like one big happy family. They fight with you, and they fight for you. . . . Girls, here is the tip of the week. Take any old torn sheet you might have around home and with the addition of a little flowered braid from the dime store, make yourself a clever little blouse with cap sleeves and a little bow at the neck. For further information, contact Alice Horman. It really works. . . . Mary Sheefel is making nice progress. Do you run more than one machine, Mary, or do you just help someone else? . . . Loretta Hilbish was called by the "Pot of Gold" Program last night. Unfortunately she was not familiar with her Presidents—so she lost the $50. . . . Uncle Sam has crooked his finger at another of our fine fellows. This time it is George Waldrop. He leaves for the service the middle of August. . . . No one noticed the little tear in Elaine's sleeve all forenoon. But then it happened. Isabel saw it and wondered if it should be made larger. It was. There was a counter-attack. More rips. And then quiet. Results—Elaine's sleeve was pinned back on and Isabelle wore her apron backwards. A modern sequel to the Gingham Dog and the Calico Cat, but this was really all in fun.

Glad to see all you guys: George Horner, Max Buckmaster, Dale Amstutz, Elmer Ueber, Frank Bly, and John Snyder. Come back again as soon as you can. . . . Anyone wanting to know what folks from the South Sea Islands look like, just see Hazel Hardwick and Chuck Drewett. Hazel has been vacationing at Grand Haven, Mich., and Chuck, along the river. Chuck sure thinks a haymow is a lot softer than earth for a bed. Is she kiddin'? . . . DeWayne Schele and Ray Steinacker went to the lake on their vacations. DeWayne said that he wasn't going to buy a fishing license because he was only going to be at the lake a week. . . . Bill Stetzer returned this week from his vacation and admits that he is a fisher-conservationist combined. He catches fish and returns them to the lake, stringer and all. . . . All friends of Willie Garman, please be on the lookout for a family camping along U. S. Highway 27 between Auburn and Lake George. It will probably be Willie and company unable to reach their destination at Lake George due to tire trouble. Willie had two blowouts last Sunday before he got to Auburn and was seen riding into town on his last three tires. . . . Softball seems to be too strenuous a sport for "Lard" Mesing. Our first baseman and pitcher was seen last Thursday walking about the shop with all the grace and speed of an aged turtle. . . . All of the cottage owners around Secrist Lake are thankful that Ralph Steward only has two weeks' vacation. They say that the lake dropped at least six inches in the two weeks that Ralph was there because of the great number of big bluegills that he caught. . . . William R. Walker, returned veteran of the European theatre and a bomber navigator with 33 missions to his credit, is the most recent addition to the Tool Room. He is a former apprentice and one of the many who gave graciously of his future and went into service for Uncle Sam. Our heartiest welcome from the General Tool Division. . . . Forest Whonsetler has joined the Grinder Section in Bldg. 26-5. He is an ex-serviceman, and we wish him luck. Forest was transferred here from Taylor Street.

26-5 TOOL BITS

We thought for a while last Monday morning that the Army and Navy had come to take over here in Bldg. 26-5, but finally decided that they just came for a visit.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Thursday night, July 26, the Production Office employees in Motor-Generator held a farewell party at the Chamber of Commerce for Harold Federspiel, who has been transferred to Bldg. 18. We have held several such parties in the past, but participants say that from the opening dinner at 6:30 P.M. until the final curtain, this was the best yet. Following the dinner the honored guest was presented with a gladstone bag. To fill out his traveling ensemble, a cane was also presented, as there may be times when the individual will feel like leaning on it for a visible means of support. (It is hoped at a later date another party may be held to present a tall silk hat and gloves.) The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing, with some of the latest dance steps being ably demonstrated by George Murray. Quite a few others were also light on their (partner's) feet. (Next day quite a number of feet were uncovered under the desks of the fair sex). Our special thanks go to Larry Hart, who did so much for this party, and to our maestro, F. Mason Smith, who had charge of the music for the evening. All wish Mr. Federspiel the greatest of luck and success in his future position. . . . Cass and Griffin should watch themselves and maybe they wouldn't make the "NEWS" so often. Couldn't resist this, though. One beautiful evening while leisurely driving home from work in the "Bucket of Bolts" (the name of their car), they decided to treat their riders to cokes, so they pulled into a filling station. After enjoying their beverage, they proceeded toward home only to run out of gas just three miles from the station! We've heard some pretty good ones in our day, but this takes the cake! Next time when you're in the vicinity of a filling station, better think of refueling your car instead of yourselves. . . . And then there's the one about our "famous" golfers, namely Lesh, Prible, Griffin, Cass, and Frantz. It was discovered that Herschel Lesh wanted to improve his golf game to enable him to "keep up with the others" so he built his own little private course (3-hole) back of his barn and has been diligently practicing. Of course, this is strictly confidential, but if anyone wishes private instructions cheap, see Herschel! . . . Back in the Service Bureau we have Ruth (Barney Oldfield) Cyr. Now all she needs is a big cigar to go with those black-rimmed "specs." . . . Erv Potthoff has been serving turtle soup for noon lunches at his desk ever since someone "accidentally" dropped a live turtle in his water decanter.

The influenza virus posed for the camera for the first time in 1941. Magnifying the virus 65,000 times, the electron microscope made the picture possible.



In the spring a young man's fancy, lightly turns to thoughts of love—and in the summer an old man's thoughts turn to vacation. The young man usually tries tae express himself in poetry. And even the old man tries it once in a while—like, for instance, my column o' last week. Noo, I hope all me 6 (?) regular readers like poetry—and it, too, for thot matter.

But, vacation!—Ah!—The call o' the open road (across Allen County, pairhops)—The cool, soft grass (in me back yard)—The gentle Zephyrs (from me prewar G-E fan)—The cool, starry evenings under the pines (Uncle Angus has pine trees in his front yard)—The beauties o' the north woods (the trees are north o' his house)—The sizzling drives doon the middle o' the fairway (at Foster Park). Oh, yus, vacation will be very enjoyable this year. I'm going tae enjoy another perfect rest, with not even one thought o' C.R.*, or my job, or anything.

I'll not have any o' the worries or troubles of a trip. No crowded trains. No crowded highways. No stopping at 4 P.M. to get a decent tourist cabin. No poor meals in strange restaurants. No EXPENSE—but there I go, thinking about C.R.* again, even in vacations. And I'll probably be mailing in a Sandy Says to the editor, so as not to disappoint me 6 readers—and to keep good me priority on the space in the WORKS NEWS thot I waste every week for those 6 dopes tae read.

*COST REDUCTION.

Is Zat So?

Last week we said farewell to one of our co-workers who has done much good in our section. We are all grateful that we had an opportunity to know him. So, as Warren Locker takes over his new duties in another section, our best wishes go with him. . . . It's a boy at the Harz home and is papa Kurt ever excited! He was around passing cigars Monday morning before the whistle blew. In fact, he was so excited he forgot to ring in his clock card. But don't worry, according to George Mosshammer, we haven't lost a new father yet! . . . We hear that all those patches on Johnny Junk's neck were the result of his visit to the barbers' college! . . . Betty Kite was recently married to James Locker, now in the Navy. Betty formerly worked in Bldg. 17-1 and James in Bldg. 4-6. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Locker! . . . Eve Hiatt is back on first shift. . . . We welcome Cecil Estes, the new office girl, working for Elton Throndsen. . . . George Felts is also a new member of our Production Section. Hope you like us. . . . Vacationists this week are Helen Evanoff, Lloyd Pinkerton, Bill Crane, Bill Franke, Norma Bender, Bill Eisenacher, Betty Gunning, Ray Epperson, and Vic Leakey. . . . Birthday congratulations to John Leeuw, our only celebrant this week.

Inspection QUALITY Test
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Millionths Of An Inch



Pictured here is the new Pratt and Whitney Universal Internal Electrolimit Comparator used for measuring, especially on gages, internal dimensions from one-quarter of an inch to ten inches.

The Comparator has an amplifying power of four thousand, five hundred to one, making it possible to measure accurately to millionths of an inch.

The gaging jaws may be raised or lowered in definite steps enabling the inspector to check for taper and ball-mouthed conditions.

With this Comparator we can determine the exact size of our master ring setting gages and compensate for any deviation when calibrating production Comparators.

The gaging pressure is automatically controlled thus eliminating the possibility of human error.

KNOW YOUR GAGES

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

WINTER STREET STAG PARTY

With Willie (the Great) Maloney as master of ceremonies, the Winter Street Stag Party went over with a bang. It was held Friday evening, July 27, at the F.O.P. picnic grounds and was attended by about 100 members of the Winter Street Plant.

Big feature of the evening (besides the refreshments) was the softball game. In a close and exciting game that wasn't decided until the final out, the factory workers squeezed out a very narrow victory over the office force, the score being 23-2. Pitchers Kelley and Pond of the factory team had way too much on the ball for the office team. Relief pitcher Glen Macy pitched good ball for the office and struck out several but was afforded poor support and was too far behind when he started to pitch. Baker and Thurber caught for the factory team, while Stockwell and Lichty did likewise for the office team. Clarence Kriescher and Everett Thurber, a couple of good baseball players many years ago, showed the "kids" that they still knew what it was all about as they played good ball. George Jackson pulled the big thrill of the game when he stole home in the fifth inning. Jackson managed the factory team and Ralph Schlup coached the office boys. Ed Rosenberger, Thetus Johnson, and Rudy Callmeier were the umpires. They were given plenty of "help" from the sidelines, especially by "Mac" McMyler who had to be hustled off the field several times when he protested too vigorously.

John Boyer (not Charles) won the bean guessing contest with a guess of 2,850. There were exactly 2,801 beans (you can count 'em) in that jar. Ray Barrick won the booby prize with a guess of over 6,000.

Jackson, Zurcher, John Schwartz, Otto Figel, Arnold Weling, and several others seemed to be doing all right at the card table.

Orville Meagher and Red Blomenberg had Orville's airplane and staged a "dive bombing" attack right during the ball game. As no one had any foxholes dug, they just had to stand and take it. They finally arrived in time for leftovers.

We enjoyed having PFC Bob Ringle and S/Sgt. Glen Bordner with us. Both are just back from Germany, where Bob broke his collarbone and Glen was a prisoner of war. They both participated in the ball game.

WINTER STREET GOLF LEAGUE

The final night of golf has been played in the Winter Street Golf League, and the Planners have been declared champions with a record of nine wins and one defeat. Power Drive and Executives tied for second with 5 wins and 5 losses each. Members of the championship team are: Captain Glen Macy, K. Allway, R. Dumford, H. Petty, W. Kirke, and L. Houser.

Results of matches for the last night are as follows: Planners defeated Executives, 197-204, Machinists defeated Engineers, 193-203, and Grinders triumphed over Power Drive, 212-226. Tom Piepenbrink had low score with a 41, L. Cunningham was second with 44 and Les Didier and Win Kirke tied for third with 45.

Piepenbrink won the individual average title for the season with an average round of 42.4. Don Lynch was second with 44.7, Hal Staley third with 45.2, Ed Birely fourth with 46.7, and Win Kirke fifth with 46.8.

It has not been definitely decided if another schedule of five games will be played or not. If it is decided to play, matches will start this week, and each captain will notify his players.

Piepenbrink is the only player we know of from Winter Street to enter the city amateur golf tournament. Tom finished in seventeenth place with a 241, 21 strokes back of the winner, Bill Link. This is an average of 80 strokes per round and good golf for the tough Elk's course.

PLANNING

From what we have heard, Dorothy Crawford enjoyed her vacation very much. She took a boat trip up the St. Lawrence River. . . . Charles Kensill has joined our group. He was transferred from Power Drive.

PRODUCTION

Nelda McClain must have been in a trance when she wrote to her husband last week. She mailed his letter one night and received it the next noon. She had written her own address on the letter. . . . Ra Barrick started out of the offic and—the door was nailed up. Th exit is the next door to the right Gabe. . . . You should have seen Wayne Cook juggling a paper cup in the air. Now why don't you try three, Wayne? . . . "You haven't lived" until you've seen the latest picture of Van Johnson around here. . . . Ed Rosenberger tried (without success) to convince Mr. X that he wasn't going 42 m.p.h. . . . Frances Miller usually has a supply of soap, peaches, apples and candy in her desk. What? No bananas?

FACTORY OFFICE

Vic Cartwright spent his vacation at Lake Gage—fishing. All the fish we ever saw caught from that lake were dog fish and carp. Naturally Vic doesn't agree—and you can't blame him. . . . Clark Scheid returned after a week's vacation at Randall Lake, Mich. You should hear the huge fish stories he tells the gang. . . . LeNor Stevenson is displaying a beautiful diamond solitaire on her left hand. The lucky man is Clarence Figel, a veteran of World War II and now one of the city firemen. Congratulations and best wishes to both of you.

ORDER AND STORES

Helen (Daisy) May is on her second week's vacation—knowing Daisy as we do, she'll come back with a good tan and a wonderful time to keep her going until next year's vacation comes around. That's twelve months, Daisy. . . . We've heard it said that Mac almost got a heart attack from yelling at the ball game when he attended the stag party Friday night. Don't you know you're not as young as you used to be, Mac? . . . The new girl in our office is Vivien Stevenson. We hope you like us.

SHIPPING

Dorothy Cartwright came back from her vacation with a very dark tan. How we envy you, Dot! . . . Jane Schwise has a bit of Southern drawl in her talk now!! She spent a few days in Kentucky. She reports a swell time. . . . We are sorry to lose two girls from our office. They are Doris Herz and Joyce Ayers. We shall miss you girls.

COMPRESSOR SPARE PARTS

There really was excitement Monday. Lucille Orr called in that she had left $90 in the pocket of a G-E uniform. We hope it will be found soon. . . . Ruthie Meyer has left the factory to keep house and take life easy. The entire gang wishes her much happiness. . . . When Charlotte screams and Marcella jumps, there's something wrong. All the excitement was over a tiny rat. Are you girls scared of rats? . . . Vada Staley and Lucille Orr have both been transferred. We will miss you, girls. But we wish you luck on your new jobs. . . . LaVon looks quite lonesome since Velma was transferred to Broadway. . . . We'll get some more news in next week. That's all from the gang this week.

THE NIGHT GANG

Evelyn Engle, our contact girl for Elex Club, has been transferred to the office at Central Garage. Good luck, Evelyn! Sorry to see you leave us. . . . Dorothy King is spending her vacation with her soldier husband while he is home on furlough.

Long-Service Employees Retire On Pension



Thomas D. Roberts, machinist in the General Tool Division, Bldg. 26-5, was feted by his co-workers Tuesday and presented a gift on the occasion of his retirement under the Company Pension Plan. His service to date of retirement amounted to 36 years. He is shown above with Tool Division employees as the gift was presented.



Earl J. Klinger, (above) an employee in the ACCR Division, Winter Street Plant, has retired under the Company Pension Plan, it was announced today. His continuous service amounted to 25 years and 10 months.

Also retiring on pension is William C. Ver Bryck (not pictured), turbine and switchboard operator in the Power House, who leaves the Company with service totalling 26 years and 10 months.



Charles Strodel, foreman in the Motor and Generator Division for 18 years, is shown above as a gift from the division was presented to him by R. M. Hartigan, superintendent. Employees in the division gave the party for him on Tuesday, his last day with G-E, after a service of 39 years and 8 months.

International C. Of C. To Have Wartime Meeting In London

With approximately 20 countries represented, the first meeting of the Council of the International Chamber of Commerce to be called since before the outbreak of the war will convene in London on August 13, pointed toward complementing through its non-governmental organization the aims and objectives of The Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, as envisioned at the San Francisco meetings.

The United States will be represented at the Council by a delegation of eight members of United States Associates, the former American section of the International Chamber, headed by Philip D. Reed, Board Chairman of the General Electric Company, who is also chairman of United States Associates.

Has Already Left

Mr. Reed left for England this past week-end, while other delegates have either left or will depart shortly. Other members of the U. S. delegation include William Black, of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co., New York; Robert M. Gaylord, Board Chairman of the National Association of Manufacturers, and President of the Ingersoll Milling Machine Co., Rockford, Ill.; W. L. Hemingway, President of the Mercantile-Commerce Bank and Trust Co., St. Louis; Paul G. Hoffman, Chairman of the Committee for Economic Development and President of the Studebaker Corp., South Bend, Ind.; Amory Houghton, Board Chairman of Corning Glass Works, Corning, N. Y.; William K. Jackson, Vice President, United Fruit Co., Boston; Eugene P. Thomas, President of the National Foreign Trade Council, New York; and John P. Gregg, secretary to the delegation, and Executive Director of United States Associates.

Winthrop W. Aldrich, Chairman of the Chase National Bank, and President of the International Chamber of Commerce will preside at the London meetings, which will be held at Grosvenor House.

Many Lands Represented

Among the countries expected to be represented at the Council in addition to the United States and Great Britain, according to Mr. Reed, are Australia, Canada, China, Mexico, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal, Greece, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, and Finland.

Purposes of the Council meeting are primarily to re-establish the working organization of the International Chamber of Commerce, to review the present international economic situation, and to establish a program of activities for the ensuing six months.

Because of the considerable dependence of postwar American business upon the expansion of world markets and the revision of the rules and mechanisms affecting the international flow of goods, United States Associates helped initiate at the San Francisco Conference a proposal providing for consultation between business associations and the United Nations Economic and Social Council. U. S. Associates, Mr. Reed pointed out, is a logical instrument through which American free enterprise can be represented in international diplomacy.

Club Softball Team Wins Pitching Duel

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club Softball team came out on top, 1-0, in a pitching duel between Bud Feldheiser and Norv Nahrwold of International Harvester at the Beach Tuesday, July 24. The Club run came in the fourth on Stanski's walk, who then stole second and third, Rarick's walk, and Steuernagel's infield out.

Each team made a double play.

No league games will be played this week due to the Sectional Tournament, which started July 30 and ends August 6 unless rain causes postponements.

Club Clips Wings Of Newark Eagles Friday At Dwenger

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club clipped the wings of the Newark Eagles at Dwenger Park last Friday, routing the Easterners 8-0 before a good-sized crowd.

Bildilli and Carey set the Eagles down with three singles while the Club's sluggers were pounding two visiting twirlers for 17 robust hits, including a double by Young, a triple by Hines and a long home run off the bat of Winters. Young with four hits and Winters, Bush, and Barnett with three safeties each led the Club's attack.

Bildilli, working seven innings, completely subdued the Eagles, allowing only two singles while striking out eleven and walking only one.

The summary:

NEWARK EAGLES	AB.	R.	H.	C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Wilkes,cf	3	0	0	Brann,cf	1	1	0
Roberts*	1	0	1	Kestner,cf	3	0	0
A.Will'ms,ss	4	0	0	Young,rf	5	3	4
Mathews,1b	3	0	0	Barnett,ss	4	0	3
Davis,lf	4	0	1	Winters,lf	4	2	3
Harvey,rf	3	0	0	Thomas,lf	0	0	0
Humber,2b	3	0	0	Wattier,lf	1	0	0
Winn,c	2	0	1	Hines,3b	5	0	2
Banks,3b	2	0	0	Kisler,1b	4	0	1
S.Williams,p	1	0	0	Seiple,2b	4	1	1
Hooker,p	2	0	0	Bush,c	3	1	3
				Bildilli,p	3	0	0
				Carey,p	0	0	0
Totals	28	0	3	Totals	37	8	17

*Batted for Wilkes in 9th.

Score by innings—

	R.	H.	E.
Newark 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	3	3
G-E Club 2 1 1 0 2 1 0 *—	8	17	1

Errors—Hines, Mathews 2, Banks. Runs batted in—Winters 3, Young 2, Hines, Barnett, Kestner. Two base hit—Young. Three base hit—Hines. Home run—Winters. Stolen base—Kestner. Sacrifices—Bush, Bildilli. Double plays—Hines to Seiple to Kisler; Wilkes to Winn; Mathews (unassisted). Left on bases—C-E Club 9, Newark 4. Bases on balls—Off Bildilli 1; off Carey 1; off Williams 2. Strikeouts—By Bildilli 11; by Carey 1; by Hooker 2. Hits—Off Bildilli 2 in 7 innings; off Carey 1 in 2 innings; off Williams 5 in 2 innings; off Hooker 12 in 6 innings. Winning pitcher—Bildilli. Losing pitcher—Williams. Umpires—McCary and Hamilton.

Carver Club Picnic Set For Sunday

Carver Club will hold a potluck picnic Sunday, August 5, at Franke Park. All members and guests will meet at the home of Hattie Drink, 1315 Francis Street, promptly at 5 P.M.

Also the Carver membership drive is now on during the month of August. Dues are one dollar a year. Contact girls for the drive are as follows:

Eliza Flowers, 431 E. Douglas St.; Alice Greene, 811 E. Wayne St., A-19112; Nona White, 1128 Eliza St., A-39162; Gladys Jones, 1342 Hayden St., E-36104; Billie Tate, 619½ Brackenridge St., A-39851; Helen Babb, 1815 Winter St., A-95413; Hattie Drink, 1315 Francis St., E-32481; Georgia Dixie, 2510 Johnson St., A-68022; Juanita Brewer, 442 E. Douglas St., A-97932.

Do you know that a new type electric lamp for the postwar world includes a vaporizing unit that wafts perfumed aromas throughout the room to neutralize any offensive odors.

Club Tramps On Inca Team, 9-1, Tuesday Night

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club finally found their batting eye and stepped on the Inca team Tuesday night to win by a score of 9-1. The weather was threatening all through the game but held off until the game was finished.

This puts the G-E against the Reserve Club on Friday at 7 P.M. if there are no more postponed games.

The summary:

C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	INCA	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	3	1	0	Neat,c	2	1	0
Esterline,2b	4	3	2	McDevitt,sf	3	0	1
Hilgema'n,sf	3	2	2	Cutler,2b	3	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	4	1	1	Hilsmier,1b	3	0	0
Rarick,rf	2	0	1	Brunkhart,p	3	0	0
VanRyn,lf	3	1	2	Connell,3b	3	0	2
Stanski,ss	4	0	2	Ward,ss	2	0	0
Scherer,cf	3	0	0	Hayes,cf	2	0	0
Bobde,c	3	0	1	Ramsey,lf	2	0	0
Starkel,p	3	1	0	Annweller,rf	1	0	0
				Lee,rf	1	0	0
Totals	32	9	11	Totals	25	1	3

Struck out—By Starkel, Hayes; by Brunkbart, VanRyn. Base on balls—Off Starkel, Neat; off Brunkhart, Lindenberg, Rarick 2, Starkel. Home run—VanRyn. Double play—Stanski to Hilgemann to Steuernagel; Starkel to Hilgemann; Ward to Hilsmier.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Lewis Croves (4)*	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind.	4-1	Peternell	7:00- 3:30
Cerbart Marbacb (2)*	Decatur, Indiana	4-3	Arnold	3:30-11:48
	Coming in on No. 27.			
Donald McCrea (3)*†	R. 3, Fort Wayne, Ind.	17-2	Castle	10:42- 7:00
	Coming in on No. 3, 14 miles out.			
Elwood R. Hart (2)*	St. Joe, Ind.	26-1	France	11:00- 7:00
	Coming in on No. 1 through Leo, Cedarville.			
Glenn R. Kaylor (2)*	1403 Vance, Fort Wayne	26-B	Long	7:00- 3:06
Lew Roberts (2)*	R. 2, Osslan, Ind.	26-1	Boutwell	7:00- 3:30
	Coming in on State Road No. 1.			

* Number of riders desired.
† Wants riders or can exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Delores Lemper	403 S. Main, Auburn, Ind.	4-6	Skove	8:00- 5:15
Forrest Whonsetler**	Avilla, Indiana	26-5	Spittler	7:00- 4:00
Dorothy Myers	R. 2, Avilla, Ind.	26-3	Anderson	3:00-11:00
	Coming in on Road No. 3, 3 miles south of Kendallville.			
Florence Haag	Garrett, Ind.	26-4	G. Hobbs	11:00- 7:00
Dorothy A. Whan	R. 1, Huntertown, Ind.	26-3	Schuman	3:06-11:06
	About 1 mile off No. 3.			
Dorothy Could	Kendallville, Ind.	26-4	C. Hobbs	11:00- 7:00
Maxine Mertz	Spencerville, Ind.	26-3	Wilson	3:06-11:00

** Wants a ride or will share drive.

TAYLOR STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Cleo Dicks	R. 3, Auburn, Indiana	Smith	6:48- 3:18
Wilmer Kibiger	2047 Delwood, City	Kimble	8:00- 4:30
	Down Maumee, Jefferson and College.		
Walter Dial	4517 Warsaw, City	Traub	6:48- 3:18
Richard Horn	633½ West State, City	Bunner	6:00- 3:30

G-E Makes Impressive Start In Tourney



G-E Club Team Chalks Up Two Wins In Week-End Contests

Winchester Bows To Local Boys, 8-2, In Tourney Sunday

By Elmer Wagner

The G-E boys came right back Sunday night with another victory, this one a decisive 8-2 win. They started out Saturday with a win over the Muncie Citizens and followed up Sunday with victory No. 2 over the Winchester team and are determined to continue to win the balance of the games to be played in the State Tournament.

Rallies in the third, seventh, and eighth innings kept the team in the running. Bildilli kept the Winchester team under control all the way.

Score by innings—										R.	H.	E.
Winchester	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	2	6	4
G-E Club	0	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	*—	8	9	3

Morris and Clark; Bildilli and Brann.

Muncie Citizens Lose, 4-1, In Five-Inning Game

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club started their quest for the State title Saturday night by defeating the Muncie Citizens 4-1 in a game stopped at the end of the fifth because of rain.

The Club tallied four runs on only three hits, being aided by wildness on the part of Walker and by a couple of fielding lapses in the Muncie infield.

The Club scored once in the second on a single, sacrifice, walk, and a run-scoring single by Seiple. In the fourth with two out, Walker walked four successive batters, forcing in Hines with a run. The Club scored two more runs in the fifth on only one hit.

Three singles in the last of the fifth by Morey, Miller, and Hunt accounted for the only Muncie run.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.		MUNCIE CITIZENS	AB.	R.	H.
Kestner,rf	2	1	0		Hunt,3b	3	0	1
Young,lf	3	1	0		Wilkinson,ss	3	0	0
Barnett,ss	3	0	0		Brann,2b	3	0	2
Winters,cf	3	0	2		Bullard,1b	2	0	0
Hines,3b	1	1	0		Thornburg,cf	2	0	0
Bobilya,1b	1	1	0		Sutphin,c	2	0	0
Seiple,2b	1	0	1		Money,rf	2	1	1
Busb,c	1	0	0		E.Miller,lf	2	0	1
Tbomas,p	2	0	0		Walker,p	2	0	0
Totals	17	4	3		Totals	21	1	5

Score by innings—						R.	H.	E.
C-E Club	0	1	0	1	2—	4	3	2
Muncie Citizens	0	0	0	0	1—	1	5	2

Errors—Barnett, Tbomas, Wilkinson, Brann. Runs batted in—Seiple, Hines, Hunt. Stolen bases—Bobilya, Seiple. Sacrifice—Hines. Left on bases—G-E Club 5; Muncie 5. Bases on balls—Off Walker 5. Strikeouts—By Thomas 7. Hit by pitcher—By Walker (Kestner). Passed ball—Sutphin. Umpires—McGary and Runser.

Off the Tee

By Johnny Gitter

We have a new low man this week. Bob Link, who finished with 234 in the City Tournament, had a nice 36 last week. Herb Bobay had a 38, Ed Becker a 40, and Bob Woehr and R. Horsman 41.

Plastics show the lowest team score with 176, while Decatur and Bldg. 26-1 had 182.

Either tbe boys are playing golf according to the book tbis year or else they fail to send in the unbelievable shots. The mail has been very thin. If you know of any shot either in or out of the league, please send them in. The only thing we know is that Johnny Young seems to have a jinx hole. Ask him about the logs on number seven at Brookwood. Carl Reynolds says it is the little short ones like the eighth that bother him.

We will cut it short this week so that Dale McNutt's "Better Golf" can start this week. Chapter two will follow next week.

Decatur Girls Hit Three In A Row, One Doubleheader

By Marcia Martin

Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team moved over to the winning side of the ledger again by defeating the Inca team of Fort Wayne last Tuesday night at Worthman Field 7-1. Butcher allowed four hits while Greneback, Inca pitcher allowed seven hits.

Mary Butcher, Decatur G-E pitcher, better known as "Butch," has received an offer from Max Carey, president of the Professional Girls' League of Chicago, to try out for a position on one of the six clubs in the League. "Butch" plans to make the trip to Chicago in the near future. Everyone wishes her the best of luck.

Decatur will entertain the Baer Field WACS at Worthman Field, Tuesday, August 7.

Score by innings—							R.	H.	E.
Inca	0	1	0	0	0	0—	1	4	4
G-E	3	0	0	0	1	3 *—	7	7	4

Essex Wire was defeated in a League game Friday night by the Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team 15-5 at Memorial Park. Butcher and Moser pitched for G-E and held Essex Wire to 5 hits and 5 runs, while Andrews, Essex Wire pitcher, allowed 12 hits and 15 runs. Moser struck out three batters and Butcher five, while Andrews struck out three.

G-E of Fort Wayne will be Decatur's next League opponent on August 10, at Hamilton Park. This should be a good one, as Fort Wayne will be out for revenge.

Score by innings—									R.	H.	E.
C-E	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	—15	12	3	
Essex Wire	0		0	0	1	4—			5	5	5

Decatur G-E Girls defeated Studebaker in a practice game, 3-2, at Memorial Park Friday night to climax a doubleheader. This is the third time these two teams have met this year with Decatur winning two out of the three games. Heck, Studebaker pitcher, and Butcher, Decatur pitcher, allowed only three hits with Heck striking out five and Butcher six. At no time was victory assured either team. They were still tied at the end of the fifth inning with only one inning to go.

Studebaker scored one run, while Decatur was able to score two runs to win the game. This was a game that really thrilled the crowd, as both teams were out to win.

Club Team Is Favored To Take State Titl

With two victories under their belt as of this writing and three go to the State Non-Professional Baseball Championship, the Club is heading toward the finish with colors flying. The local impressed the fans that they are the team to beat if they want to

Tuesday's games were rai out, and these games were to played Wednesday night. W Bildilli and Thomas pitching ex lent ball and Cary and Miller re to go, it looks like a sure bet the local boys to come throu There were two games carded Wednesday; two, Friday night, the championship game set for S urday night at 8:30 o'clock. tournament winner will repre Indiana at the National Tour ment in Wichita, Kansas, so time in August. A trophy is to awarded the champions and also all-State team is to be picked.

The attendance up to date been rather low and a large cro is expected for tonight's games well as the finals tomorrow ni Admission for these games is 7

There will be no game next Tu day as Manager Charles Bra wants to give his boys a rest af the amount of games they pla in the State Tournament.

Fans here and team mem are looking forward to the meeting with the Lafayette Sox in Fort Wayne, August After the torrid session at La yette July 22, during which umpires saw fit to banish Bush Thomas from the game, the team rarin' for revenge.

Club Owls Finish On Top In Strong Y.M.C.A. League

Playoff For League Championship Set For August 10-15.

By R. James

The Owls, playing their last game of the regular schedule, drubbed the Tokheim Owls 3-0 to finish on top in the Y.M.C.A. Industrial Owl League with 9 wins and 1 loss.

They now must face either the Zollner Owls or the Harvester Owls in the best 2 out of 3 set for the League championship. The first game of this set probably will be played Friday, August 10, at McMillen Park. The second game will be played at the Municipal Beach as a prelim to the Zollner Piston game and the third, if needed, again at McMillern Park on Wednesday, August 15.

Last Wednesday's game was probably the best game the Owls played this season. Bill Edmunds was robbed of a no-bitter when Quackenbush, Tokheim catcher, hit a sharp single over second base in the fourth inning for their only base hit.

The rest of the Owls were hustling also and came up with several nice plays and committed no errors. Tucker, the Club's leading batter, had a single and a home run in three trips to the plate to carry off batting honors for the day.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.		TOKHEIM	AB.	R.	H.
Vondran,lf	3	0	1		Cottschalk,ss	2	0	0
Crosley,cf	2	1	0		Q'ckenbush,c	3	0	1
Hildinger,c	3	1	1		Bauman,sf	2	0	0
Tucker,sf	3	1	2		Burns, 1b	3	0	0
Edmunds,p	3	0	1		Crabill,2b	2	0	0
Girardot,2b	2	0	0		Crotrain,3b	2	0	0
Christlieb,3b	2	0	0		Kltsmiller,cf	2	0	0
Booher,1b	2	0	0		Geiser,rf	2	0	0
Hensler,rf	2	0	1		Rahrar,p	1	0	0
James,ss	2	0	0		Putt,lf	1	0	0
*Reader,cf	1	0	0					
Totals	25	3	6		Totals	20	0	1

*Batted for Grosley in the 7th.

Score by innings—								R.	H.	E.
G-E Club	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	—3		
Tokheim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0		

Better GOLF

(In Three Installments)

By Dale McNutt

Tee for Four or "Teeing" Off.

1. All contestants will arrive plenty of time before matches scheduled, as all "friendly" gam (dice furnished by chip-in metho should be completed and won a lost money redistributed, and arguments settled.

2. All participants should d initely work themselves into a se sustained feeling of competiti spirit (only regularly sanction golf equipment can be used to se tle arguments) self-reliance, se control, and self-preservation, member the Alamo, it might ha pen to you).

3. All driving (share the t plan) will be made from the rais turf designated, by using sm hunks of wood, chewing gum, a trays, toothpicks, and of cour if you desire, the convention "tee" itself may be employed. D to war restrictions, rubber ho will not be allowed.

4. All drives must be in the ge eral direction of the green. Sho till you win process comes in han in this case.

(Next week—Fairway Play)

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WILSON TELLS OF G-E's SHARE IN ATOMIC BOMB

Merlin Sweet Is Elected President Of Fort Wayne G-E Club For 1945-46

Merlin Sweet, Bldg. 26-2, will head G-E Club activities during the next year, it was announced today, as the results of the employee election July 31 and August 1 were made public.

Mr. Sweet will take office September 1 and will serve for one year.

Others elected were Jerry Duryee, Bldg. 4-6, secretary; Charles Wilt, Bldg. 4-6, first vice-president; Ceal Romary, Bldg. 26-2, second vice-president; and Joe Fagan, Bldg. 18-5, director. All offices are for one year, with the exception of the directorship, which is a three-year office.

Ballots cast in this year's election totalled 7,320, and results in all offices were very close, W. C. Doehrman, chairman of the Nominating Committee, said. W. H. Fritz, Bldg. 18-1, has been renamed treasurer of the organization.

Other directors with unexpired terms who will serve with the new officers are Ray Lindemuth, Bldg. 4-6; B. C. English, Taylor Street; Lois Miller, Bldg. 21; L. C. Swager, supervisor of personnel; and George Waldschmidt, outgoing Club president.

Outgoing officers who served with Mr. Waldschmidt are Harold Carter, Bldg. 4-6, secretary; Joe Henry, Bldg. 28, first vice-president; Loretta Bloom, Bldg. 26-2, second vice-president; and Byron Evard, Kokomo, director.

G-E Suggestors Receive $745 For New Method Ideas

Fred W. Engle, Decatur, Heads List With $250 Suggestion Award

Thirty-eight awards which totalled $745 were made this week to employees for suggestion on better methods, according to the list submitted by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Fred M. Engle, Decatur Plant 2, headed the list with his suggestion for recirculating cooling water for air compressors instead of taking it directly from City mains, for an award of $250. Julius E. Barrand, Bldg. 6-2, received $135 for his suggestion for improvements in the method of machining BY81 brush holders.

In addition to a previous award, J. Wuanita Ebert, Winter Street, was awarded $100 for her sugges-

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Merlin Sweet

Resurrection

First "Postwar" G-E Refrigerator Rolls Off Erie Works Line

The last household electrical refrigerator to be built by General Electric before the Company converted to war work was resurrected at the Erie Works last week as the first "postwar" G-E refrigerator came off the assembly line.

The old machine had been placed in a heavy wooden coffin heavily draped in mourning April 30, 1942, the day when the Government stopped all manufacture of electric refrigerators. The event commemorated the first interruption in the manufacture of G-E refrigerators since the Company went into production in 1927. Exactly 4,523,664 units had been built before it.

During the intervening 39 months, the refrigerator had not been disturbed until the Company

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Scientists Aided In Development; Too Early To Guess About Power Use

General Electric's contribution to the atomic bomb announced by President Truman has been two-fold, according to President Charles E. Wilson. First, that of its laboratory scientists, some of whom several years ago pioneered in isolating what is known as U-235 from the uranium atom, and secondly the development and production of new and important equipment necessary in the manufacture of the new bomb.

"Practically every major apparatus plant of General Electric was put to work on the project, yet the secret was so closely guarded that less than 100 of the 165,000 people employed by General Electric knew what was being made," Mr. Wilson stated.

"In the explosion of an atomic bomb on Japan we have evidence that atomic energy in tremendous quantities can be released and controlled, at least to the extent of causing the release to occur at a desired time," he said.

"It is too early to do more than speculate as to the possible peacetime use of this type of energy. It is probable that as the development is carried along, we will find ways and means of controlling and using this form of energy as a source of heat for direct use, and perhaps for special purposes, such, for example, as supplying power to drive an airplane, or an ocean ship, or a locomotive. But in addition to the many technical problems which must be solved before such an ap-

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Taylor Street To Have Annual Picnic Sunday, August 19

A. O. W. P. C. Sponsors Fourth Family Outing For Employees

The fourth annual Taylor Street Plant picnic has been set this year for Sunday, August 19, at McMillen Park, members of the All Out War Production Committee, sponsors of the affair, have announced. This year the Fractional Horsepower Motor Section at Taylor Street is to join in the fun.

The festivities will begin at one o'clock with a baseball game between teams chosen from the men present. After the game, the program will be as follows:

2:30-4 P.M.—Softball—FHP vs. Supercharger men — also horse-

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C. A. Ellis Is Appointed Supervisor Of Drafting

C. A. Ellis has been named Supervisor of Drafting, including Blue Print and Photo, of the Central Office and Service Sections of the Fort Wayne Works Engineering Division. The appointment, effective August 1, was made by H. D. Kelsey, Works Engineer.



Mr. Ellis comes to this job from the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, where he has been in charge of mechanical design since 1937. He succeeds Homer A. Hartman, who served as Supervisor of Drafting, Blue Print and Photo Sections since 1930 and retired August 1 under the Company Pension Plan.

February 19, 1917, Mr. Ellis was employed at the Schenectady Works as an apprentice and graduated from the school in 1920. He was then placed on Motor and Generator drafting at the Schenectady Works.

In 1925 he was transferred to Fort Wayne as mechanical designer in the D.C. Apparatus Engineering Division and remained in this po-

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Tire Certificates

All Tire Certificates issued without a blue stripe are invalid after August 15, 1945. If you have in your possession any tire certificates issued without a blue stripe across its face, use it before August 15, 1945.

B. E. Needham
Ration Office

Warren W. Locker To Head G-E Veterans' Employment

Warren W. Locker, a veteran of World War I, has been placed in charge of Fort Wayne Works Veterans' Employment, L. C. Swager, Supervisor of Personnel, announced today.

This new appointment has been made to insure proper handling and placement of our returning servicemen. Mr. Locker will be in the Employment Office, reporting directly to W. E. Beer, supervisor of employment. He will meet and interview returning veterans, place them on the job, and follow up to see that placement has been mutually satisfactory.



Mr. Locker will also be familiar with the provisions of the G.I. Bill of Rights, including the educational and financial assistance programs to which veterans of World War II are entitled under the law, and will be in a position to handle these questions as they arise for the Fort Wayne Works.

"The General Electric Company wants to give these returning servicemen every possible assistance in

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"Long Mercifully Withheld"

Like a bolt of lightning this week, as the radio chattered in millions of homes and the presses thundered out their story, came the realization to General Electric men and women that America has an irresistible weapon and that the end of the war may not be far off. In the history of warfare, the development of the atomic bomb is as world-shaking as the invention of gunpowder.

It appears that by God's infinite mercy Germany did not arrive at the goal first, in spite of frantic efforts by Hitler's scientists. Instead, it was vouchsafed America, with the help of England, to perfect that engine of destruction so deadly that man could not have dreamed of its power a few years ago. Again, as in the perfection of most of our country's best weapons, the people of G-E, probably thousands of them, have had a part.

President Truman, who must guide the use of the atomic bomb, and Winston Churchill, who helped lay plans for it, speak solemnly, for it might some time be an accursed thing. Churchill, that maker of ringing phrases, says, "This revelation of the secrets of nature so long mercifully withheld from man should arouse the most solemn reflections in the mind and conscience of every human being. . . . We must indeed pray that these awful agencies will be made to conduce to peace among the nations and that instead of wreaking measureless havoc upon the entire globe they may become a perennial foundation of world prosperity."

Can anyone now think that America would be spared in the next war? The atomic bomb will not be our exclusive secret. England, which helped, must know. The German scientists are still alive. Russia must be making her own researches. The world is being given one more chance, and we Americans, in spite of ourselves, are in the seats of the mighty. The peace machinery must work this time, else all is lost.

Up From The Grave

The USS Pennsylvania, once flagship of the U. S. Fleet, recently returned from blasting the Japs through 11 Pacific invasions, with main batteries worn out from shooting at Japs from Attu to Luzon. They had to be replaced in a hurry. Did she get 12 sparkling new 14-inch guns fresh out from a Naval gun factory? She did not. Instead the next time the "Pennsy" blasts Jap ships and shore installations, 11 of the 12 big guns in her armament will speak with voices of revenge—they came from the debacle of Pearl Harbor, from ships sunk and damaged there. They have literally come back from the grave to fight again. Clever Navy gunsmiths and ordnance men, both professional Navy men and civilian workers, teamed up to perform remarkable operations in regunning the 33,000-ton battle wagon.

Freedom That Works

How does your job affect the country? One man put it this way: "Democracy works if you do."

Americans have worked hard to build this country. They have sacrificed for things they believed in. And, they have never willingly let anyone decide for them where they should live, where they should work, or what trade they should follow.

Industry will continue to provide freedom as long as men and women pull their weight day after day, by their own choice.

When you go at your job that way, you help make American democracy work.

THERE'S A BIG JOB WAITING FOR US.. *LATER.*



Awake as never before to its opportunities for finer living in the postwar era, America will end the conflict stronger than ever, not to threaten and bully its neighbors, but to show them and its own people more ways to use its power—more economically. General Electric has been a leader in the past, and it will be in the future.

Best evidence of this trend is the recent statement of President Charles E. Wilson telling of a long-range plan for united action by electric power companies, manufacturers, and others to hasten the electrification of American industry and farming. Reduced rates for power have made for tremendous progress as soon as America's pent-up peace energies are released.

Meanwhile, we have one paramount job—to win the war. And G-E will still strain every nerve to do its share, so that as few additional lives as possible will be sacrificed.

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. What causes a man to lose his hair?

A. Where it cannot be attributed to any definite disease of the scalp, the most common of which is seborrhea, baldness is considered for the most part hereditary. There seems to be a tendency for the blood supply to become deficient, and tightness of the scalp develops. Then, too, the blood supply to the roots of the hair tends to become impaired.

Q. With regard to a falling object, what is terminal velocity?

A. A falling body in a vacuum reaches a velocity of 32 feet per second at the end of the first second, 64 feet per second at the end of the next, 96 feet per second at the end of the third second, and so on. This is because gravity imparts an acceleration of 32 feet per second. In air the fall is opposed by air resistance. With dense bodies, like metal or stone, the retardation by air resistance at low velocities is negligible, but with the light bodies such as cork, it soon becomes equal to the accelerating force of gravity, and thereafter the body falls at constant speed. This is what is known as the terminal velocity. Since air resistance increases with the square of velocity, while the force of gravity is constant, even dense bodies falling in air will ultimately reach a terminal velocity. To calculate it, one needs to know the weight of the body, which depends on its density and volume, and its air resistance, which depends on its surface.

Q. How can a moth or butterfly live without water?

A. Some moths, like the clothes moths, never take food and do not require liquid water at all. This is shown by the fact that they may multiply generation after generation on woolens, furs or feathers, in tightly closed chests, or in closely wrapped packages. In such cases, the moth is able to mature and deposit her eggs by drawing only upon the water, fat and other essential materials that have been stored in her body when she was a moth worm, or larva. Some of the water accumulated by the larva may have come from that absorbed from the air by the woolen or other larval food.

Q. Is there any difference in the food value and taste of fruit picked green and then allowed to ripen, and fruit allowed to ripen on the tree or vine?

A. In general, fruits which are picked green are much higher in organic acids and lower in carbohydrates than ripe fruits. Even if the green fruits are allowed to ripen after they have been picked, the full carbohydrate content of the fruit is seldom developed. In addition, the total acidity of the fruit does not decrease during artificial ripening as it does in ripening on the vine or tree. There is one possible exception to this, however. If bananas are ripened at relatively low temperatures, the full carbohydrate content of the fruit is obtained. Except for the banana, the tree or vine-ripened fruits normally have more aroma and, consequently, somewhat more flavor than those which are picked green and allowed to ripen.

Q. When a piece of metal is magnetized, does the shape of the metal change?

A. Yes. This effect, discovered about 100 years ago, is known as "magnetostriction." The change in dimension is small and varies diversely with different materials. For instance, iron first elongates, and then as the field is increased, contracts. Cobalt first contracts and then elongates. Nickel contracts, but a nickel-iron alloy (6 per cent Ni) elongates.

KEEP SLAPPIN' THE JAPS—BUY EXTRA BONDS

News From ★★★★★★★★★★ THE SERVICES

Trains B-29 Crews



...Harkenrider Richard Karns

Robert Harkenrider, formerly employed in Bldg. 17-2 and the Jay Means Bldg., recently visited the plant on leave from the U. S. Navy. "Having been a gunnery instructor for nearly a year, I've seen a lot of G-E equipment," said Cpl. Richard Karns, formerly of Bldg. 19-2, on a recent visit to the plant. "It's tops in a tough job. We are now training B-29 crews for combat, so more equipment is needed. Keep it coming, and we'll make sure the rising sun doesn't stop short of wherever it is Japs go."

T/5 Paul L. Miller is a member of the 47th Engineer Construction Battalion, which was awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque for a superior performance of duty in the execution of an exceptionally difficult task from 6 July, 1944, to 12 February, 1945."

"During the above period the 47th Engineer Construction Battalion was intensively engaged in pier and water front construction and development on the Island of Saipan, in the accomplishment of which this organization exhibited a superior performance of duty in the performance of an exceptionally difficult task. During the above-mentioned period the 47th Engineering Construction Battalion constructed three piers which provided docking facilities for thirteen major vessels and numerous smaller vessels, erected a tanker mooring and cleared the Japanese Seaplane Ramp at Tanapag," the citation reads in part.

Pvt. F. D. Clingenpeel is on a 60-day industrial furlough working for the Northern Pacific Railway in Seattle.

Spar, G. I. Back



Wayne Tracey Mary E. Cowan

Cpl. Wayne Tracey, Bldgs. 2-2 and 26-3, and Mary E. Cowan, S 1/c, formerly of Bldgs. 26-2 and 19-5, came back to the plant recently to visit.

Furthenfeldbruck, Germany
July 20, 1945

Dear Friends:

Just settled down from a long move from Brunswick, Germany. We are now located at an air base at Furthenfeldbruck about 15 miles from Munich, Germany.

We have a very beautiful place here, wonderful living quarters, beautiful swimming pool, tennis courts, golf links, baseball field, and a very large theater. It reminds you of a college town. As you can read for yourself, the Germans lived just like the average American.

Strange as it may seem, I was put in the Air Corps outfit, and I bumped into a friend of ours who was employed at the G-E, PFC Vernon Baker, who worked at Taylor Street. We sure did talk about old times and old friends and employees of the G-E.

We are both receiving the WORKS NEWS and wish to thank you very much for it, because it brings back old memories.

We will close now by wishing you all the best of luck, and God bless you all.

PFC Leon Brown, Jr.
PFC Vernon Baker

Praises G-E's Part



Frank Ruesewald Guy Tarr

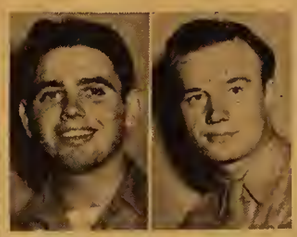
Pvt. Frank Ruesewald, formerly of Bldgs. 19-3 and 26-B, returned for a visit recently. On his recent return, T/5 Guy E. N. Tarr said, "It sure is grand to be back once again and see some of the faces I once worked with, and also the new ones. I can truthfully say the G-E equipment used over there cannot be beaten. I hope to be back soon helping once again to turn out those good G-E products."

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities in Europe, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Glad To Get Home



Wm. Shoda, Jr. Joseph H. Hine

Sgt. William Shoda, Jr., said when he returned for a visit, "I was in a heavy weapon company, and as a machine gunner saw quite a bit of the E.T.O., and I'm sure glad to get home. The G-E is doing a good job, and I know they'll keep it up. It was good to see all my friends again." He was formerly employed in Bldgs. 26-3 and 19-4. **Joseph H. Hine**, formerly of Bldg. 8-1 and now in the Infantry, said that it was swell to be back and see all of the fellows again, for they have been doing a splendid job to keep them supplied. He hopes to be back soon at the G-E.

Hereford, England

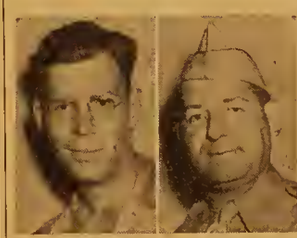
Dear Editor:

. . . I believe I'll be heading for the U. S. in about 2 or 3 months. Hope to drop in at the plant and see some of the boys again. Been here over 2 years, and, boy, I'm sure looking forward to the trip back home.

Cpl. William Burke

T/4 James Witzigreuter has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany 16th of March, 1945, to 24th of March. The citation accompanying the award reads in part: "T/4 Witzigreuter distinguished himself by his untiring and persistent efforts with radio communications. He operated, repaired, and supervised regimental radio stations for a period of eighteen to twenty hours during a period of four days. He was at his best when conditions were at the most difficult, always trying and never giving up."

Army Visitors



LeRoy Vugamott Ralph Hursh

PFC LeRoy G. Vugamott, a former Bldg. 19-1 assembly employee, visited the plant recently. Pvt. Ralph Hursh, Bldg. 4-2 and Taylor Street, also visited friends here.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Speaking of brave people (as if we were), we have one right here in our midst. Betty Kyvik was propped up in bed, deep in a dime store detective novel, with the lightning striking close all around the house and rain pounding down. There Betty was, not flinching a nerve or seeking the safety of the family vault. Apparently Betty was in that critical chapter of her book where the escaped desperado, in ambush, was taking aim as the six-foot sheriff dismounted from his horse to inspect fresh footprints. Bang went the bathroom door, as the wind gushed thru a channel in Betty's house. Up went our heroine, and down came the novel from ceiling heights. The next minute Betty was downstairs in the protecting arms of her Mother, telling Mamma that a burglar was in the house. . . . After making G-E friends for four years, June Pepe is leaving the employ of the Company to take up a new field in business. We wish you lots of luck and best wishes too, June. . . . Jack Fox is on his vacation, taking two weeks straight this year. We hope you will get all the things done around the house as you planned it, Jack. . . . Elda Mertz is basking at home, with a day or two at the lake, on her vacation. . . . Virginia Linvill expects to spend a few days of her vacation in Michigan. . . . A life of ease is Joyce Archbold's for the next two weeks. Joyce, accompanied by her folks, is living in an American Plan Hotel near South Haven, Mich. Everyone expects to rest and rest only, with one ear opened for the dinner bell, she says.

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

This week we added some more people to our Bldg. 4-3 family. Hester Bonjour joined Group 13x54, Anna Loop, 13x56, Ilene Blauvelt, 13x54, Eileen Straub came from Winter Street to join Test, and Beverly Mustard also left Winter Street and is now on Inspection. Calvin Waters came from Bldg. 4-1 and is working with Group 13x72. We're glad to have all of you with us. . . . You know, folksies, we shouldn't be caught telling on anyone but we would sure like to know why Georgiana Arnold had her shoe off Monday, July 30. Do you suppose she was back in childhood days and was just going barefoot? How about letting us in on it, Georgiana? . . . Catherine Winter and Florence Stanski spent their vacations at the lake. Also on vacation were Hazel Book, Hildabelle Warren, Al Timme, Erma Poinsette, Raymond Amick, Basil Bear, Ora Farrell, "Red" Renz, and Earl Van Zile. "Van" didn't expect to take two weeks' vacation, but neither did he plan to fall down and break his head open on the last day of his vacation. Tough luck, Van, and we hope you're getting along all right. . . . Les Ternet is working on second trick this week. Glad to have you with us, Les.

Country Cousins

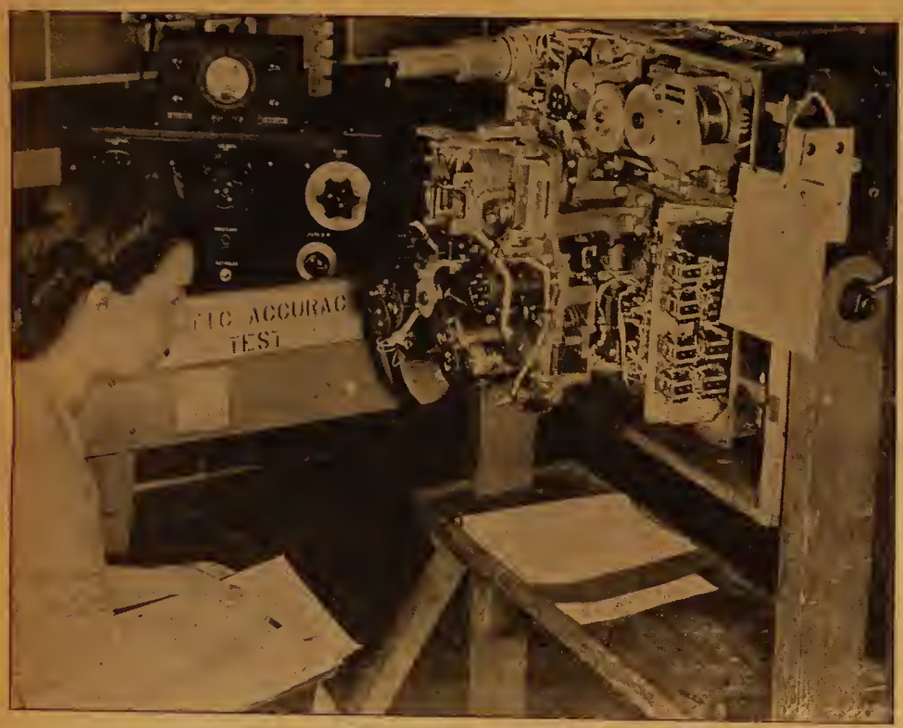
The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by the grapevine: That Robert Tieman of the Taylor Street Plant has joined the dispatching staff of Motor-Generator and is now located in Bldg. 19-3. . . . That the boys in Bldg. 4-5 decorated Henry Burch's desk in fine style last Friday, even including Henry's picture in the decorations. It was all in celebration of Henry's twenty-fifth year with the General Electric Company. Congratulations, Henry. . . . That Walt Kessler, Bldg. 19-3, has been on vacation the past two weeks. . . . Which reminds us that the vacation system is beneficial both to employee and employer. We return to work after vacation refreshed mentally and physically. Most of us have been keyed up to a high pitch the last few years, and we need the chance to relax. It would be a good idea if we could carry some of the ability to relax back to work with us after our vacation. Now don't get me wrong! The Grapevine isn't suggesting that we shirk our job, but how often we exert energy needlessly by rushing into a plan of action without first thinking it over carefully. Much wasted effort and ineffective labor can be saved by a little intelligent planning. Let's all make our job a little easier and a little better by running around less and thinking more. Necessity may be the mother of invention, but laziness is the father. . . . Incidentally, don't cash 'em, keep 'em. (Bonds, we mean.)

19-B's BUZZ

Seems as though John Dellinger just can't get along without the gang. He managed the first week of his vacation, but early Monday morning of the second week, John called to see how we were getting along without him. . . . Glad to see Paul Harding back to work after his vacation. Say, Paul, what happened to the farm idea you had? Did you decide farming was too much for you to handle? And here we were planning on coming to your house for a chicken fry. . . . We had a nice letter from Sgt. Eddie Hillsmier. Eddie is feeling fine and doing his bit in Guam. Luck to you, Ed. . . . Robert Binder now belongs to the "Forgotten Badge Club." They should give him sort of an honor, we think, since he forgot his two days in succession. . . . Correction please, the "Dagwood" of the basement who came to work in his house slippers was none other than Robert Bond instead of Mel Braun as previously reported. . . . Anyone having any old newspapers around the house, see Roberta Haley. Bobbie insists reading material is so scarce that she can sell them all regardless of age or condition. You should know, Bobbie, after standing in line for an hour for a newspaper, then not being able to get one. Better luck next Sunday. . . . This seems to be the finis for this week, gang. How's about more contributions for a bigger and better column? Especially from the second trick. Bye now.

Brain Test For B-29 Computer



The intricate and highly precise "brain in a box" that is the General Electric computer for the B-29 undergoes a thorough "mental" exam before taking its place in the deadly gunfire control system which the Company is supplying in large quantities for the Superfortresses now carrying destruction to Japan. In the static accuracy test shown here, inputs of range, elevation and azimuth gun position, altitude, airspeed, and air temperature are introduced into the computer. Outputs consisting of elevation and azimuth correction angles are checked against calculated output data. Installed on a B-29, the computer automatically calculates with quick precision the parallax, windage, gravity drop, and lead corrections and adds them into a total correction. Result is that the turrets are fooled into pointing their guns—not at the fast-moving target—but so that bullets and targets arrive at the same point at the same time.

Taylor Street

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shoe and games and contests for both children and adults.

3-5 P.M.—Square dancing.

5:30-6:30 P.M.—Picnic supper (everyone bring their own plus sugar, silverware, glasses, cups, etc.). Coffee will be free.

6:30-7 P.M.—Fun with the firemen.

7-8 P.M.—Vodvil "Potpourri." If you have talent, please notify Cora Polhamus, Mary Jane Buesking, Bernie English, or Don Long.

8-10 P.M. — Girls' softball—Decatur G-E vs. Fort Wayne G-E.

8-11 P.M.—Dancing with Bob Sbelton's Orchestra.

8:30-10 P.M.—Movie (especially for the young ones).

This year the picnic will be handled differently in that the picnic and coffee will be free. Five-cent tickets, redeemable at the refreshment stand, will be sold prior to the picnic and may be purchased in the sections.

The 1945 picnic committee is composed of: Refreshments, Freeman Rohlfing; Equipment, Earl Jones; Tickets, Velma Johnson, Mary Wright, and Joan France; Baseball and Softball, Joe Dickerson; Adult Contests, Dale McNutt; Child Contests, Bob Hanson; Firemen, Merle Morkoetter; Entertainment, Cora Polhamus, Mary Jane Buesking, Bernie English; Movies, Steve Capps; Red Cross Service, Morton Stillpass; Coordinator, Don W. Long; A. O. W. P. Committee, Dave Slater, Merle Smith, Freeman Rohlfing, Al Dissler, and Earl Jones.

New Gas Applications

The Gasoline Application Form No. 535 (Rev. 3-44) now in use will not be accepted after August 11, 1945. The Revised Form No. 535 (Rev. 6-45) must be used on and after Monday, August 13.

Please be careful not to present renewal application for gasoline on the old form. A supply of the new forms is now available at the Ration Office.

B. E. Needham
Ration Office

Henry D. Randall Is Promoted In G-E's Chemical Department

Henry D. Randall, sales manager in charge of laminated products for the General Electric Plastics Divisions, has been appointed assistant to the general sales manager of the Company's Chemical Department, according to D. S. McKenzie, general sales manager.

At the same time, Mr. McKenzie also announced witb the concurrence of W. H. Milton, Jr., assistant general manager of the Chemical Department and manager of the Plastics Divisions, that Edward G. Gray, assistant to Mr. Randall, will succeed Mr. Randall as sales manager of laminated products of the Plastics Divisions. Both appointments, Mr. McKenzie said, are the result of the plans for expansion of the Chemical Department and will take effect August 1.

First Refrigerator

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recently buried it in the ground outside the Erie factory.

Recently, only a few hours before the refrigerator—No. 4,523,665—was unearthed, G-E Refrigerator No. 4,523,666 came off the newly-setup production line, was crated, and loaded onto a truck for shipment.

Following the new machine came several dozen others—the forerunners of 95,000 refrigerators to be built by the General Electric Company this year.

"Production of these refrigerators marks General Electric's resumption of manufacture of the major electrical appliances so sorely needed by the public," said H. L. Andrews, Vice-President in charge of the Appliance and Merchandise Department.

"G-E's biggest job still is to build equipment for our armed forces," Mr. Andrews said. "But since government restrictions on some peacetime manufacture have been lifted, we have reconverted any idle assembly lines as quickly as possible."

War Department

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plication would be at all feasible, there is also the question as to whether such peacetime use will be practical from the economic standpoint.

"President Truman's statement shows that the expense of the project has been very great, and whether future developments will permit atomic energy to be made available at costs which will allow its general commercial use, only time can tell."

Appreciation Expressed To G-E For Aid In Atom Bomb

Appreciation to each of the 165,000 workers of General Electric for the part they played, without realizing the full significance of their efforts, in making possible the super-powerful atomic bomb already used against Japan was expressed on Monday by the leader of the first project that developed the most potent explosive force ever devised by man.

Major General Leslie R. Groves, head of the atomic bomb project for the War Department, in a telephone conversation with Vice-President Harry A. Winne, told Mr. Winne that he personally wished to have his thanks conveyed to the thousands of G-E workers "whose splendid work aided considerably in making this undertaking possible."

Story Still Secret

The specific part that General Electric played in the project is still cloaked in military secrecy, but, according to Mr. Winne, it was so large that it included every major G-E works with the exception of one.

General Electric scientists engaging in research on the secret of nuclear power as early as the 1930's, also figured importantly in the project, which was called by D. E. Chambers, executive engineer of the Research Laboratory, "the greatest scientific experiment ever attempted."

Thousands Helped

Work on the atomic project at one time or another included thousands of General Electric employees in widely scattered parts of the country, Mr. Winne said. But the secret nature of the project was so well kept that not more than 100 of them knew what they were working on.

Closely guarding the details of the part played by the Fort Wayne Works, which contributed to the atomic bomb project, the War Department yesterday permitted the release to the WORKS NEWS by Vice-President Winne of the following excerpt from a telegrsm to him early this week from Lt. Col. J. C. Stowers, Area Engineer, New York Area, Manhattan Engineer District Project.

"Part of the biggest secret of the war is now known. You kept your part well. Official releases have been made of the purpose and scope of the Manhattan District, of which you are an important part. Security of information not released continues to be of vital importance. It is your duty to protect all information that does not appear in the official releases. Make these official releases your guide. We know we can count on your continued cooperation."

Suggestors

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tion on combining facing and counter boring operations on air compressor valve retainer. An award of $37.50 was made to Bonita P. Vian, Decatur Plant 2 for her idea of painting end shields separately before machining, eliminating the distorting of bearing sleeves.

Additional awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were made to the following employees:

Bldg. 4-B
Cbarles J. Gebhart.
Bldg. 4-1
Paul A. LeCoque.
Bldg. 4-2
Myrtle Cramer.
Bldg. 4-4
Jack F. Payton, Carl A. Kloepper, Russell Thurber, Delbert G. Shough, Leo H. Redding, Theadore C. Reed, Laverne V. Amstutz, John Fuller, Jr., Mary M. Dvorak.
Bldg. 6-2
Carman R. Grant, Antoinette Lause.
Bldg. 9
Ernest I. Lowe.
Bldg. 10-2
Frank W. Martin.
Bldg. 17-1
Elmer Brown, Edward V. Brosche, Frank Quinn.
Bldg. 17-3
Dorothy M. Richard.
Bldg. 19-4
Alice J. Neumann, Arnold Sprunger, Wilbert C. Zoch.
Bldg. 20-1
John K. Pennell.
Bldg. 20-2
Forest V. Carr.
Bldg. 26-4
Virginia M. Humcke, John T. Shoulders.
Taylor Street
Fay H. Fritz, Marguerite J. Wyant, Margaret Boyd.
Decatur, Plant 1
Marcia M. Martin.

Warren Locker

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getting readjusted to their jobs," Mr. Swager said in explaining the scope of the new appointment.

Mr. Locker started working for General Electric in 1917 in the Production Section of the old Meter Department. In 1918 he left to enlist in the Navy, and then returned to the Meter Department after the war to take up his old duties. He remained in tbe Production Section for five years, after which he broke his service with the Company to accept a position as Associate Boys' Work Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. He held this position for four years, returning to the G-E Refrigeration Division, where he had charge of the Service Bureau. In 1930 he left the Company to go to Toledo as Retail Sales Manager of a G-E Distributing Office. After two years in the Toledo Office, he accepted a position as Assistant County Agent in charge of Social Work for Whitley County, Indiana. In his three years in that position, he directed 4-H Club work for the county. Mr. Locker returned to the Fort Wayne Works three years ago and has been in the Production Section of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division until his present appointment.

He has two sons in the service, James, an Air Corps cadet, and Ted, who is in the Navy.

C. A. Ellis

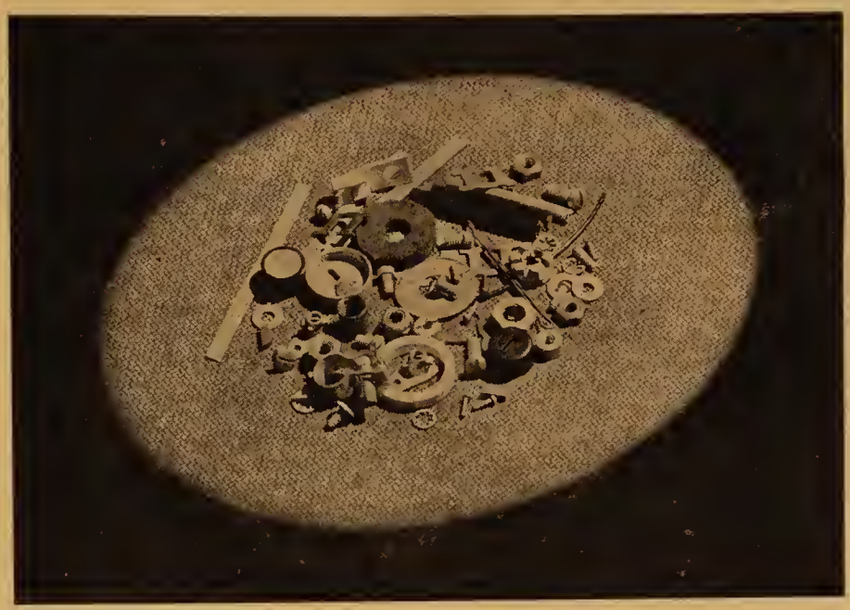
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sition until 1937, when A.C. Apparatus Engineering and D.C. Apparatus Engineering were combined into the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, and he was named head of the Mechanical Design Section.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

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INSIGNIFICANT



Insignificant---Yes, Not Even A Handful

YET

- **IF ONE WERE MISSING**
- **IF ONE WERE DEFECTIVE**
- **IF ONE WERE MISPLACED**
- **IF ONE WERE IMPROPERLY INSTALLED**

THE POSSIBLE FAILURE MIGHT PROVE DISASTROUS TO ONE OF OUR BEST FIGHTING MACHINES

Insignificant?? Or Are They??

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

The second shift Gecode Club girls enjoyed a picnic and party July 25 at Schroyers' Lake. A delicious chicken dinner was served at noon, after which the girls enjoyed boating, swimming, and contests. The committee in charge of the affair was Norma Bower, chairman, Joe Voglewede, Frances Treyer, Bertha Strickler, and Catherine Lose. . . . Helen Funk celebrated her birthday Tuesday, July 31. Congrats, Helen. . . . Norma Bower and sister Betty vacationed last week as usual at home, except for a couple ball games Betty had to play. . . . Jerry Gage, recently of the third shift Plant 2, is a new addition to the second shift. He replaces Harold Baughn. Welcome, Jerry. . . . Roy Painter is displaying a photo of his two sons, Charles and Cleo. Cleo will be remembered as a former employee now in the service. Nice pictures, too. . . . Harry Stults says he will have to hitchhike on his vacation, but he is worrying more about Beech Berry straining his corns while he is gone. . . . A farewell party was held recently at Sunset Park, honoring Robert Houser, who is leaving soon to make his home in California. Music for dancing was furnished by Gerry Zimmerman's orchestra and refreshments were served. Mr. Houser was presented witb a gift from his co-workers. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roman Sprunger are the parents of a baby son, born July 29. Mrs. Sprunger will be remembered as "Dollie" of Plant 1. . . . Wilson Mann surprised the entire force when he announced himself the "daddy" of twin boys. Congratulations. . . . Eldora Baker, the gal who takes your dough in tbe cafeteria, says she is going to do something to have her name in the WORKS NEWS. Here it is, money changer. . . . Willie Plasterer looks very neat in his new uniform. . . . Eddie Shaffer has been added to the stockkeeping force on the second shift. . . . We need attendance at the safety meetings, much more than we bave been having. After all, safety comes first. Support it, and it will support you. . . . Bill Hunt, of Plating Section, was on vacation last week. Glen Potts, the oven man, also took his vacation. . . . Phillip Courtney, former member of tbe swing shift, received a shower of flowers last week for his generosity in financing a skating party Friday, August 3, inaugurating the opening of his Texaco station. Let's all give him a hand, and thanks, Corty. . . . Our sympathy to Robert Mills, Jerome Reed, and Abraham Gerber, each of whom lost his mother. . . . We have received word from Mrs. Leona Teeple that her sons, Raymond and Robert Teeple, are stationed in Germany and that they enjoy reading the WORKS NEWS. . . . Chalmer Debolt is now stationed at Camp Scott in Fort Wayne. Chalmer was formerly a member of the Plant Protection Section. . . . Jake is a happy man these days, having one son home from the wars and receiving a telegram from his son, Ted, who is in the Naval Air Corps, stating that he will be home soon. . . . Ethel Schlickman's hubby, Jerry, is home for a few weeks' leave from the Navy. . . . We welcome back Fred Scheiman and Vincent Tanvas, both recently discharged from the Navy and Army Air Forces, respectively. . . . A $64.00 question?? A swim at Pine Lake, plus a picnic dinner at the Berne Park on Wednesday, July 25, immediately after work. Are you interested?? Answer: Twenty-eight girls from the General Electric office plunged into Pine Lake. The day was perfect, and the swim was just as perfect. Dorothy Schnepf could have received the high diving championship award, but there wasn't an award given. Harriet Hoblet assisted Marjory Moser to the raft and left her there to ponder over the way she could again get on land. Irene and Jeanette Braun and Germaine Geimer were attempting a swim quite a distance away. When contacted, they made it known that their swimming was still in the learning stage and they preferred trying undisturbed. After spending some time in the water, questions arose as to the amount of food necessary to feed 28 starving women. Vivian Krick, Ellen Fisher, Annabelle Heller, and Irene Holthouse will have to be given the credit for building the fire, and Dorothy Schnepf, Sanna Kunkel, Betty White, Charleen Shackley, and Rose Gase gathered the food for the picnic dinner. After eating, the various games and swings at the park were tried—a slight accident, Lois Eady injured her ankle in landing. The story goes this way: Lois and Arlene Roop ascended tbe steps to the slide. Lois slid down—Arlene climbed down the steps. It will take months for Vivian Krick to get her muscles back in shape again from the shuffleboard game sbe played. "Heaven's sake, I still ache," when recently questioned. The shuffleboard was the main attraction and everybody played it whether they had ever seen one before or not. Louise Ray was tbe beroine of the evening, when she found the lost car keys and relieved Edith Augsburger so much that she was promised a couple double dippers. "This party will be my last fling with the gang," remarked Annabelle Heller, who will soon make her home near a camp in which her husband is stationed.

Dorothy Murphy, Evelyn Kelly, Rita, and Helen Wellman spent last week-end at Cincinnati and Coney Island. They report a wonderful time. . . . Jean Lyons received a lovely diamond from Ray Stephan, U.S. Army. . . . Kate Fennig, Carolyn North, Olive Journay, and Dorothy Murphy spent their vacations at Lake James. . . . Florence Worthmann and Betty Myers are spending their vacations at Silver Lake. . . . Spike Cramer hopes to some day become a big dairy man. He already has 11 calves, so it's a good start. . . . Congratulations to Vera Lehman, who is displaying a beautiful solitaire. The lucky man is Enos Reinhart. . . . Eddie Hesher is on vacation.

SANDY SAYS

"Money can be lost in more ways than won," wisecracked Cousln Colin, as we matched for a bar o' candy off the wagon.

"Yus," I said, paying for the candy, "and a little here and a little there counts up faster than ye think—which isn't very fast, nae doot!"

Little things counting up faster than ye think—thot's life, I guess.

Did ye ever stop tae tbink o' the fortune Mr. Woolworth built up from, "Nothing over 10 cents"?

Did ye ever stop tae think how much richer Henry Ford got by making a lot o' model T's than Mr. Rolls Royce or Mr. Duesenberg (names we seldom hear) got by building luxury automobiles?

Did ye ever stop tae think how a lot o' little things (like mosquitoes) can annoy us, or how a lot o' little things (like small favors or friendly greetings) can make life sae pleasant?

And did ye ever stop tae think how a lot o' little leaks can hurt a boat worse than one big one? It's much easier tae find the big one, and plug it.

And did ye ever stop tae think how a lot o' little "leaks" around your job can "sink the boat"? They're worse than a big one, that people can see and correct.

A little loss here, a little loss there, 5 cents here, 10 cents there, repeated every so often, by several thousand people—but, Hoot Mon, I dinna want tae sound like a crepe hanger—crepe is oxpensive now-a-days—how about—a little saving here, a little saving there, a small C.R.* here, a dribble o' C.R.* tbere, repeated every so often, by thousands o' people—really adds up tae big figures!

A lot o' people—doing a lot o' little things—that's life, I guess.

Noo, if they're doing the right little things, they're heading for success and happiness. If they're doing the wrong little things, they're tailspinning for the dumps.

Which reminds me o' the time Uncle Angus was down in the dumps—looking for a part for his hay rake.

"Why don't ye go tae the legitimate dealer, and BUY the part?" I asked, (and don't ask me what I was doing there), "Not look for it in this dump!"

"Weel," he answered, "it's a dump rake!"

*COST REDUCTION.

Henry C. Lepper, a pensioned G-E foreman, and Mrs. Lepper will celebrate their 57th wedding anniversary Thursday, August 16.

Do you know that probably the quietest spot in tbe world is in Brooklyn. It's an airtight room, mounted on rubber 16 inches in depth, where Navy Yard engineers test delicate electronic equipment. The room is inside anotber chamber, the brick walls of whicb are 12 inches thick.

Housewife: Just look at the dust on the piano, Beulab. It's at least six weeks old.

Maid: Then it don't have nothin' to do with me, ma'am—I've only been here four weeks.

The X-Ray
OF BUILDING 17-2

Eldon Roby seems to be the popular one this week. Two different people reported on his actions this week. One observer thinks he would accomplish more in his Victory Garden if he leaned on the shovel less. Another reported that he tried to take a "ten spot" with a nine of diamonds in a Euchre game with the fellows the other noon. Poor Roby, your life isn't your own, is it? . . . We expect to hear some BIG fish stories when Paul Walker and Harvey W. Breese return from their vacations. Harvey went to Wisconsin, where the fish are really big, and Paul is staying in Indiana to catch big ones and lots of them—he says. . . . We notice John Fairchild was at work early on Monday morning. We were a bit worried because he went to a reunion Sunday and had plenty of chicken! . . . We are sorry to report that Ray DeBolt has been taken to the St. Joseph's Hospital after suffering a foot and arm infection for several weeks. We wish you a speedy recovery, Ray; we miss you. . . . Jim Wolfe certainly has a reverent attitude while at work. He was seen down on his knees the other day. Were you looking for our pet mouse, Jim? . . . We have two newcomers to welcome to Group 16x41, Sarah Lee and David Minger. . . . Betty Lupton spent several days of her vacation sightseeing in Chicago. . . . Marie Bruick brings in the most interesting "sacks" from her lunch hour. The other day she had a big sack of cookies and bananas—ummmm! . . . We're glad to see Phil Miller back to work after several weeks of illness. . . . Well, that's all—see you next week.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

We want to welcome Georgie Erwin and Ruth Gallmeier to our section. Georgie and Ruth were transferred from Bldg. 19-4. . . . Vera Healy went to the hospital Saturday for an operation. We wish you a speedy recovery, Vera, and lots of luck. . . . Those who were on vacation last week were: Alma Lehrman, Edna Rohrbach, Ann Hershberger, Maude Ehrhardt, Hazel Staufer, and Norma Augsburger. Good to see you all back this week, and we know you all enjoyed your vacations. . . . We want to congratulate Mary High, who became Mrs. Jim Nute last Tuesday morning. We also wish you lots of luck and happiness. Mary is spending her honeymoon in Chicago. . . . It seems as though Geneva Culler and Mable Harding can't take a vacation. Geneva and Mabel both were off sick for a week after their vacation. The next time, girls, take life a little more easy.

Fewer than 100,000 farms were electrified prior to 1930. The total today is 2,600,000, with plans under way for the extension of lines to a million more three years after final V Day.

Suggestion Pays Off



Julius Barrand, Bldg. 6-2, is shown above being congratulated by William Witmer, foreman in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, on the presentation of a $135 suggestion award. Mr. Burrand suggested improvements in the method of machining BY81 brush holders.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

On vacation last week were Bill Franke, Paul Meyer, Eve Hiat, and John Pipken. . . . Ferne Bermes and Betty Bradtmiller, the suntan twins, came back from the lake with healthy smiles. We figure they must have had a pretty good time. . . . Buck Buchanan says no one has ever been up to see him in his new bathing suit, so he brought it to work the other day and proudly put it on display. . . . One nice thing about these warm nites, it surely makes Gerry Pierce's corn grow, or so Gerry claims. . . . Ask Elinor Glass if she really didn't know the difference between the cafeteria check and the butter patty paper. . . . We know the meaning now for William Miller's recent broad smiles. An eight and one-half pound baby boy was the cause. . . . Most people, when fancy diving, go to the lake; but due to the gas shortage, "Big Chief" Surface said just give him a ball diamond with second base for a spring board. Happy landing, Chief! . . . Dick Stults is such an ardent Waltonian that he simply can't resist telling about that big one that got away. . . . Lennie Hutson remembers the old saying, "All that glitters is not gold." . . . As it's fishing season, so is it golfing season. So Gerald Humbarger thinks. Now Gerald isn't a pro, but he gets along. For example. On a certain day in July, a foursome was playing a little cow pasture pool. Gerald, being one of this group, was doing fine until he sliced one into the rough. His friends found him poised with club in hand. "Fore," he yelled, missed the ball, and then shouted, "Five." His score?—It's a guarded secret. . . . Denver Coolman invited all to Columbia City on August 9 for Old Settlers' Day celebration. He promised a personal introduction to Governor Gates. . . . A hero of story book myth, Horatio Alger, came to life the other day in our own "Steve" Hanick. Steve came to bat in the last half of the ninth inning with two out and the bases loaded. He stood for the count of two strikes and three balls. The next ball pitched Steve clouted for a home run, but, alas, unlike story books, instead of three, we were seven runs behind. . . . E. Lawyer came back on second trick with the solution to eating ice cream. Ernie carries it in his pocket until it melts, then drinks it. So long.

The Last Word—
FROM BUILDING 4-1

Mary Applegate (Burr Section) is spending her vacation this week at Winona Lake. Mary will attend the Music Conference, which is an annual event at Winona each summer. . . . Belated birthday greetings and congratulations go to Mark Zirkle, whose birthday was July 28. Mary passed the cake, and it was delicious. . . . You have all heard the stories about the absent-minded professors. This one is about the absent-minded operator in the anodize room. A few weeks ago Carl Crapser drove his car to work and of course parked it in the parking lot. When the whistle blew at 11:06 P.M., Carl, forgetting all about his car, rushed out and boarded a street car for home. Carl says he went to bed, and not until then did he think of his car. This was Saturday night, so Sunday A.M. he boarded another street car and came back after it. Next time you drive your car, tie a red string around your little finger, Carl. . . . Some of the boys would like to know how Sam Sroufe handles the cigarette situation. Sam brings a pack to work, smokes all day, and takes home as many as he had when he came in. . . . Al Ringle, recently retired, paid a visit to his old haunts last week. Al looks good, has lost 20 pounds he didn't need, and looks good for another 50 years. . . . The ration situation in the Lloyd Oberholtzer family is so acute that Lloyd is bringing his lunch to the shop in a specially reinforced container. . . . Group 15x16 extends sympathy to Henry Cluts and family on the death of his father last week.

Do you know that electric floodlighting on the Statue of Liberty since V-E Day is 2,500 times as bright as full moonlight.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

Scout Master Lloyd Brown reports that while he was on his vacation at Big Island, he learned a pretty little song, and will oblige anyone who cares to listen. He also received the "Order of the Brow" while at camp. . . . Charlotte Custer, celebrating her birthday Tuesday, gave her fellow employees a party. Thanks for the cake, and many happy returns of the day, Charlotte. . . . Principio Rosucci is vacationing this week. It evidently got too hot for him here, so he chose the Windy City to cool off in. . . . Wonder if Clyde Foley and Kenneth McDaniels have finished reminiscing over the two weeks' old Journal-Gazette they bought recently. . . . Anna Rebber, a stator coil winder, was off Tuesday. . . . Peter Mueller had his vacation last week. He took his family to Big Long Lake, where he has a cottage. Pete has a motor boat. Wish we could have seen him racing across the lake—no big fish story. . . . Evelyn Leitzke is working second trick with us again. Welcome, Evelyn. . . . Leon Stabler spent his vacation at Adams Lake. . . . Louise Reinhart is back again after spending a few days in Dayton, Ohio. . . . Norville Bubp, formerly one of our gang, but now of Portland, paid us a pleasant call on the 25th. . . . Hilda Sellers is enjoying a week's vacation, entertaining her young son, home from camp. . . . Joe Laisure and his wife called on N. G. Prince at his cottage at Crooked Lake over the week-end. Joe says he found Pete eating a piece of pie and enjoying his permanent vacation very much. . . . Speaking of the absent-minded professor, well, he didn't have anything on Alva Gard. Alva bought a nice big can of fish worms for the big catch, but when he arrived at the lake, he discovered he had left the worms at home. . . . Thanks to John Redmerski, the Boy Scout troop in Hoagland has a new telegraph key. . . . Since Bob Lageman has a new son he has become quite dignified. He's growing a mustache. . . . Irene Schultz happily returned to work this week from her two weeks' vacation in Chicago and Crooked Lake. . . . Emmett Zollinger started out for a two weeks' vacation at the lake, but unfortunately his wife became sick, and they had to return home. Emmett says his wife is better, and he enjoyed his vacation anyway.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 Second Shift

It's no secret that Bill Scott has always been mildly interested in hunting, fishing, and trapping. But of the sport nearest his heart, Bill never spoke. Last week Bill realized his ambition and became a second Frank Buck and "brought 'em back alive." Bill said that in the dark recesses of his basement he heard an animal's blood curdling growls. With Mrs. Scott holding a light high, Bill stalked his game. Bill found it and battled with all his might—at last he stood victorious, holding the little chipmunk in his hand. . . . Cecil was surprised by the gifts he received Thursday night. Gifts included red tokens, gum, money, anklets, buttons, cigarettes, and even a strip of bacon. Did O.K., eh Cecil? . . . Sorry to see Marie Peters leave us for a couple of months. Hope your mother improves, Marie.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

What with vacations rolling around, even the big clock in front of the office took three days off last week. And to tell the truth, we missed it more than we have the vacationers. . . . A hearty welcome to Richard Wilkinson. Dick spent several years in the paratroops and when discharged, decided plastics would be interesting. Glad to have you with us, Dick. . . . George Schoeph will have to watch that competition. Maxine Lautzenhieser and Alverta Gieger were seen sweeping. Nice work too. . . . Johnny Sowers spent a few days in Pittsfield last week. Hope you had a pleasant trip, Johnny. . . . Ann Parisot's favorite dish is lemon pie. What's yours? . . . More next week. So long, 'til then.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

What's this we hear about Soapy Summers riding on the merry-go-round? We'd like to hear more about this. . . . Have you missed seeing Wayne Pribble and Robert Karasek? Well, they're on vacation this week but will be back next Monday. . . . Have you noticed those pretty up-sweep hair-do's of Betty Beaman, Fern Cotton, and Phyllis Guillot? Very pretty. . . . Roseanne Roemer is in New York visiting her husband, who is just back from overseas. . . . Lois Yanney had the girls over Wednesday evening. Games were played, a lunch was served, and a good time was had by all. . . . Ed Fogel, super salesman! Ed offered to sell his golf clubs to Al Barrier for $10 cash and $2 a month as long as Al continued to work here. What a bargain, only Al didn't think so. . . . Irene Bultemeyer is on her vacation this week too. . . . See you all next week.

19-2 ECHOE

Just heard that Monty Kel has a new grandson, which counts for the proud strut he'a for the past week or so. . . . Myr Cox is taking his second wee vacation. Says he's going ba after the big ones he left on first trip. Hope you have a bett fish story than you had the la time. . . . Have you noticed the b sparkler on the third finger, le hand, of Jayne Hahn? Congrat lations. . . . It seems to have be a bad week for Bonnie Asiea an Wanda Casterline. They both ca in with banged-up knees an ankles. Just what happened, w will never know. . . . Anyone wan ing to have a big time at t wrestling matches should go alon with Norma Langmeyer. She guar antees one. At least that's wha Shirley Cunningham and Fay Harter say. . . . The Paul Hath aways have a fishing trip comin up next week, and Paul says he h the address of the big ones. Brin 'em back, and we'll believe it. . . Mildred Harmeyer, Loretta Knei stien, and Marcella Wolff reall had quite a time of it at Hamilto Lake, trying to master the art o getting in and out of a hammock —they should join the Navy.

KEEP SLAPPIN' THE JAPS—BUY EXTRA BONDS

Visiting Sales Engineers Get Reacquainted With G-E



Visiting sales engineers, ex-internees and ex-servicemen who are now taking a Company "refresher course," make their first stop in touring the Fort Wayne works at the Reception-ist's desk, Bldg. 18 Gatehouse. Shown (left to right) are Thomas M. Knight, I.G.E. representative; Major B. A. Feldman; Philip M. Markert, I.G.E.; Lieut. John H. Persons; James C. Hughes, I.G.E. and Melville E. McIntosh, I.G.E.



Shown before touring the Transformer Division Thursday morning (in front of table) are Roger Fuller, discharged Navy officer, and T. M. Knight, (in back of table) R. A. Thompson, who is being transferred to Philadelphia in Fractional Sales Work, P. M. Markert, J. C. Hughes, M. E. McIntosh, B. A. Feldman, and J. H. Persons. (Standing) D. F. Roloff, assistant manager, Transformer Sales; H. K. Pritchard and C. A. Graham, Transformer Sales; and P. M. Staehle, manager, Transformer Sales.



Tom Knight gets an attentive ear from R. A. Thompson and E. J. Thomas, engineer of the Specialty Transformer Division, at the luncheon for the group Thursday noon.



P. S. Stough, (second from right), assistant engineer of the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, talks things over with the group in their tour through the Motor and Generator Division Thursday afternoon.



F. T. McInerney, Motor and Generator Engineering Division, explains a point as R. A. Thompson and John Persons look over manufacturing methods in their tour through the factory.



G. R. Glenn, Fractional Horsepower Motor Manufacturing Division, is shown above in discussion with Phil Markert, as the group toured the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division Wednesday.



Members of the Sales group look on with interest as operations in the Aircraft Section of the Specialty Transformer Division are explained to them.



An operator in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division continues with testing operations, as members of the Sales group stop in their tour through the Division.

Fort Wayne Is Host To Sales Group On "Refresher Course"

The Fort Wayne Works threw open its doors to eight Sales engineers, ex-servicemen and ex-internees, Wednesday and Thursday, August 1 and 2, to do its part in reacquainting the men with Company products and practices.

The Sales group came here to complete a tour of Company plants, started July 9 at Schenectady and continued throughout the month at Pittsfield, Lynn River, West Lynn, Philadelphia, and Erie. The retraining program, or "Refresher Course," has been in effect for more than a year (four other such groups have visited Fort Wayne) and is designed to get the men up to date on products and plans that have developed since they have been out of touch.

The group visiting here last week was notable in that four of the men, all I.G.E. representatives, have been recently released from Japanese prison camps in the Philippines. Two of these—James C. Hughes and Thomas M. Knight—worked together in the Manila I.G.E. office (with Charles Schelke, C. C. Grinnell, John Schlobohm, and Tom Poole), and were interned in the Santo Tomas prison camp for three years by the Japanese. Philip M. Markert and Melville E. McIntosh were together in Andersen, Meyer & Co., Ltd., I.G.E. representative in Shanghai. They took the last ships out of China before the war, and got no farther than the Philippines, where both were interned under Jap rule.

R. A. Fuller, who worked in the Refrigeration Division at Fort Wayne from 1932 to 1939, also made the tour with the group. He entered the Navy in 1942 as a Lieut. Commander and was stationed at the Bureau of Ships in Washington. He was soon afterwards made Chief Engineer of a carrier during the ship's construction and the shake-down cruise. In November, 1944, he received a medical discharge. Later he entered the Army Transport Service as second assistant engineer on a hospital ship and remained in this assignment until June, 1945. Mr. Fuller will enter the Fractional Horsepower Motor Commercial Section of the Industrial Divisions at Fort Wayne when he completes this program.

The other member of the group—R. A. Thompson—has been in Test in the Motor and Generator Division and has been transferred to the Philadelphia office on Fractional Horsepower Motor Sales work.

The four I.G.E. men and Feldman and Persons were no strangers to each other prior to their current tour of G-E plants. In earlier years some of the six had also met on Test and even in college. Major B. A. Feldman, who has received his Army discharge and will work at Schenectady in the Industrial Control Division, was on test in 1937 together with Hap Hughes. John

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B. A. Feldman, Roger Fuller, C. A. Graham, and R. A. Thompson gather round H. K. Pritchard, as he demonstrates a developmental model of a new variable voltage automatic transformer in the Developmental Laboratory of the Specialty Transformer Division.



G. R. Glenn (at right) is shown above with James Hughes, Phil Markert, and B. A. Feldman in their tour through the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division.



Members of the group look over the finished product as C. J. Monroe (at left), Fractional Horsepower Motor Sales, points out details.



H. E. Hire (at right), superintendent of the Wire and Insulation Manufacturing Division, takes a group through the factory Thursday afternoon.

Roger Fuller and R. A. Thompson look over operations in the Wire and Insulation Division with H. A. Smith (center), engineer of the Wire and Insulation Engineering Division.

News from Taylor Street

Receiving

Last week in mentioning birthdays of our gang, we didn't know that Hobart Friend's was August 1. Hob won't tell us how old he is, but he expects to vote next election. Happy returns of the day, Hob. . . . Gus still holds first place in our section for receiving fan mail. . . . The Receiving gang received a post card from Jim Brittin, who is doing a lot of fishing at Palmer Lake, Colon, Mich. Glad to hear from you, Jim, and we wish you lots of luck, but go easy on the fish stories unless you have the proof. . . . Pauline Bennett received a card from Betty Theile, who is vacationing at Adams Lake. She sure is enjoying herself. . . . T/5 Robert Whittern is home on a short furlough before taking up the fight again in the Pacific. . . . We have received word from Sgt. Max Hower that he expects to be home on a furlough within the next three weeks. This will be his first visit home in more than two years. When we last heard from him, he was teaching a class of 40 men in the methods of diesel engine in relation to tanks. Good luck, Max. We hope when you get home, it will be a permanent discharge. . . . Our friend Brownie is going to have his thirtieth??? birthday on Thursday, August 9. . . . Clyde Kreigh is vacationing next week, but we can't find out where he is going—a deep dark secret. . . . Sam Heer (the Big Butter and Egg Man) just returned from his vacation. He worked on his farm and chicken ranch and got a suntan. Girls, you would be proud to have a tan like his. . . . Brownie's son-in-law, Elton Braddon, of the Navy, made a flying visit home and left again for places unknown last Thursday. Good luck and a safe return, Elton. . . . Don Winebrenner, our truck driver, slipped one over on us this week. He left Friday noon to be married. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Winebrenner.

Plant Service

Help! Help! Help! This column depends entirely upon its readers for contributions of bits of news. Your reporters would appreciate more of them. . . . Vacationing this week are Ralph Snyder and Arnold Anthony. My guess is that "Tony" will spend his time at the lakes. As for Ralph, he has the flying fever as well as the fishing fever. So when he returns, if his stories sound somewhat mixed up, you must make allowances. . . . Bob Madden is ready to sell all of his fishing equipment, including one car-top lunch box. He says the results don't equal the time and effort spent. He exclaims, "Twenty-four times at one lake and not even twenty-four fish to show for it." . . . Jerry Christie played golf last Sunday, and when questioned as to how many golfs he bagged, all he could say was "fore."

Impeller

Mildred Amstutz is on her vacation this week. She said she is going fishing and then hunting the last couple of days. Have a good time, Mildred, and get lots of fish. Sounds like she will have meat for a while. . . . Mary Huyghe is also on vacation this week. She said she was going to can fruit and vegetables. She and Mildred should get together on their meat and vegetables. Have a good time, girls. . . . Walter (Blackie) Gurvin of the Navy and Victor Bryie of the Army were in one day this week to visit the old gang. It was wonderful seeing them again. We wish them lots of luck. . . . Hugh Tiggs is back this week from his vacation looking very tired. What's the matter, Hugh? . . . Maxine Sabourin, Connie Kumfer, Joe Hahn, and Ray Grotian are all enjoying vacations this week. . . . We are going to miss Elma Brown, who has left us to go to Final Assembly. Good luck, Brownie. . . . The Impeller Section was visited this week by Fred Ball, who is now serving in the Navy. . . . Our congratulations to Connie Kumfer, who is sporting a new diamond.

Screw Machine

The Screw Machine bowling team lost three games to the Guards this week. . . . Bernice Lambert is coming back to the Drill Press Section this next week. . . . Charles Sooy is going back to teaching school this fall. We all wish him a lot of good luck. . . . Zelma Woods is celebrating her twenty-eighth wedding anniversary this Sunday. We all wish her hearty congratulations and many more of them. Wallace Woods of the Maintenance gang is her husband. . . . Richard Bohde was the proud father of a baby boy last week. . . . Bea Michael had a birthday this week. We want to wish you a happy birthday and hope you have many more. . . . Nettie Lock spent a few days this week visiting in Mt. Clemens, Mich. . . . Phyllis Ducy takes her vacation next week and is expecting to catch a lot of big fish at Lake Barbee. Good luck, Phyllis. . . . Elsie Brecheisen is also taking a vacation next week. Says she hasn't made any special plans, but if we know Elsie, she will have a good time and find plenty to do. . . . Almeda Fairchild has been home ill a couple of days this week. . . . If anyone can locate some salad dressing, will they please break the news to Alma Bangert. Any information on this subject will be appreciated. . . . Forest Stinson left us to work in the Repair Section. We hope you like it, Forest.

Punch Press

Herman Bollhauve will be on vacation next week. He is going to enjoy it at home. . . . Gaylord Gerig was transferred to Broadway. Hope you like your new job. . . . Russell (Spike) Poorman is vacationing and will be back with a lot of big fish stories.

Tool Room

To talk to John Septer is to talk about goats. No matter what the conversation is about, John can always change the subject to goats without batting an eyelash. His goat farm is just in its embryonic stage, with his hopes resting on Nanny, Brownie, and Whitie. Just now Brownie and Whitie are resting on their laurels and Nannie is giving all the milk possible to make up for it. Poor Nannie. We will give periodic news flashes fresh from the stables. . . . The boys at the horseshoe courts say Carl Hammond is seriously considering buying a bag of marbles and getting a new group to play with. If he could just keep the shoes in the lot, he would even be happy. . . . We wouldn't want to tell Jake Arnold, who gave us that story on him last week, but his initials are C. T. A. . . . Amusing note is Homer (Shorty) Seng running our tool room horizontal turret lathe. At this moment he is practically on top of the machine and standing on his head setting his tools. We could hook his belt in the overhead crane and lower him down into it so he could work, but that would be against the safety rules. . . . Eugene Listenberger starts his vacation August 13 and promises us some real stories. He also is asking if anyone has some mounted fish. We imagine, if his luck is bad, that we'll get some snapshots of Gene holding a fish that some taxidermist mounted ten years ago. So, if he offers anything less than fresh fish to eat, we won't believe a word he says. . . . If you get any rumors you don't want, see Carl Hammond. He says he is going to build a hotel for them—

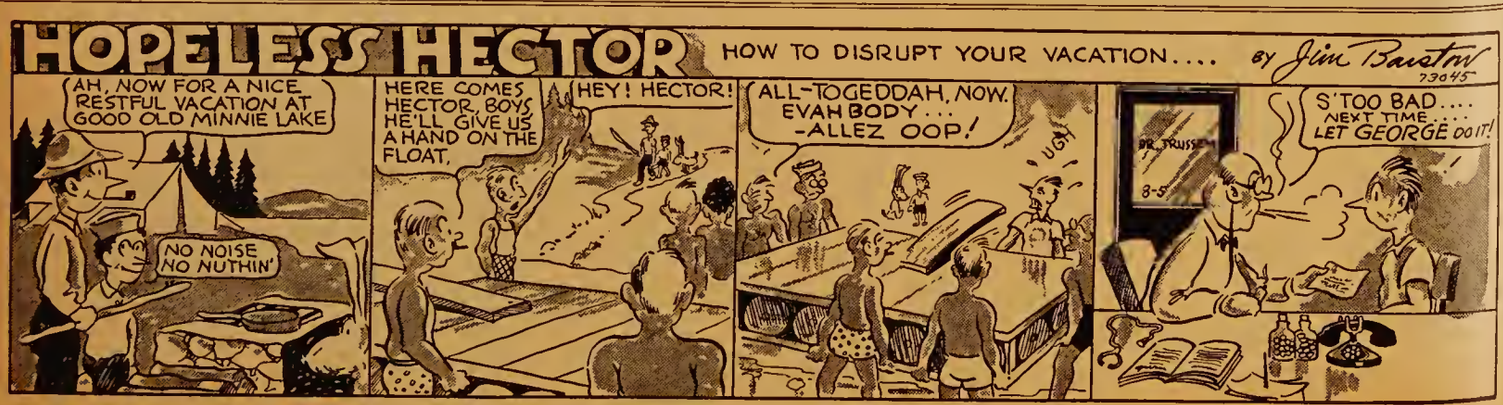
Fractional Doings AT TAYLOR STREET

Ruth Pretorious thought it was fun riding her bicycle in the street car tracks the other evening, until a bus loomed up right in back of her. After a lot of scrambling, Ruth managed to free her bike from the tracks. Dorothy Heckman and Gerry Scheuman had a similar experience. Seems the street car had to stop for them, though. . . . Can grasshoppers fly? If you don't know, ask Gloria Zion, Berniece Freiburger, or Ida Sinn. Gloria was hit by one, and now Ida and Berniece are arguing to find out if they fly or jump. . . . Anyone wishing to know how to get a good sunburn, see Marjorie McCartey. . . . Now that Paul Kinneck has gained such valuable experience pounding nails in the Packing Section, he has discharged the carpenter with the idea of finishing the kitchen at his home. . . . Do you remember back when Elex had a Glee Club with Irene Winnicki and Mary Wright doing their best in it? . . . Annette Hastings practically stood on her head trying to read a man's newspaper, until he finally felt sorry for her, so held it up where she could read and relax. . . . We like those gay sports shirts that Harold Gillian and Ray Hout have been wearing lately. That red sure catches the eye Ray, but Harold's is becoming too! . . . If you have trouble knowing the fragrance of your lipstick, girls, see Bertha Bebout. . . . Ruth Nuttle is advertising for a fishing companion who will bait her hook and remove the fish, while George Prebernow would still like to find his towels. Good luck to you both. . . . Birthday greetings to Jessie Coombs and Leona Cook. . . . Girls, have you noticed Anna Mae Orr's third finger, left hand? It is a very pretty diamond, Anna. . . . The best way to catch a cold is to go to the corner drug store get it? Rumors (roomers) Hotel? . . . For the latest day by day news, you can read "Carl Ramsey says" on the metal board by his bench. This is all the latest, dope. (We hope we put that comma in the right place.) . . . Disler and family are really catching the large ones at Big Lake. . . . Hurry and get well, Bernie English! Your golf team needs your support. . . . Judy Lehman will be back this week. No one ever gets them bigger than Lehman. . . . Harry Parker, what's wrong? An Indiana cold or Florida fever, huh? . . . Les Hines is happy now. He is back on the thread grinder, (his pet).

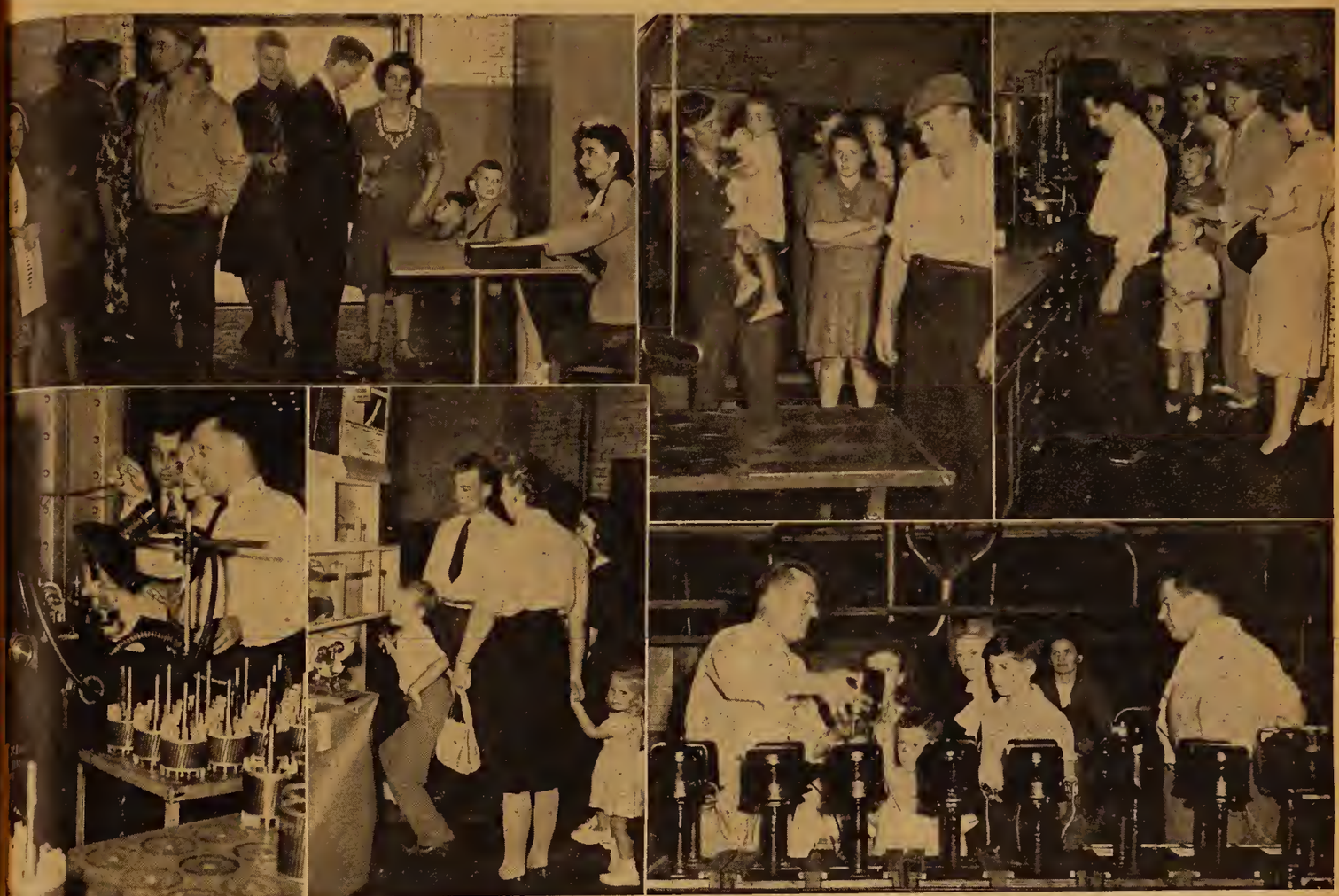
17-3 Newsies

Violet Brower made the remark "Now the sweeping will be done right since we have a woman to do it," and sure enough that same day the woman found the badge that Violet lost two months ago. . . . We can't imagine why Walter Kryder would like to sit on the floor, but it seems he does, because that's where we saw him the other day. . . . We hope Ella Arn had fun canning peaches on her vacation. . . . Things we can't imagine —Ruth Lemert without a box of popcorn, and Katie Polka passing up pie and ice cream at the cafeteria. . . . We think Phyllis Medaugh is a lucky girl; her husband had enough points to get a discharge. . . . Joyce Berry's husband is home on furlough, and so is Joyce. . . . Charley Rice tried to keep his birthday a secret, but somehow we found out about it. It's a little late now, but we hope it was a happy one, Charley. . . . We hope Bill Dulin will like working with us. Bill is an ex-serviceman and spent three years in the Pacific. . . . Ann Kinsel and Don Williams are on vacations this week and have a good time, you guys.

to get some ice cream when it is raining. Just ask Margie Rouch and Bonnie Rehrer. . . . Doris Fishbach, who is still convalescing, has been made quite happy by the return of a guy named Joe to the U. S. A. . . . Helen Wiegle's badge picture is really glamorous. Barney is still wearing a number because they have tried twice, but the camera refused to record her features. . . . Darlene King has a new way to learn how to swim. You just plug up your ears and nose but open your mouth wide. . . . There are times when we like to remember to forget. Seems that Harvey Springer wanted to become a gentleman, so he stopped to leave out a passenger he didn't have. He waited quite a while before he realized she wasn't with them. Be careful, Harvey. . . . Those who have returned from their vacations are Alberta Swain, Doyle Espich, Clara Wonderly, Roy Lindenburg, Lucille Barnes, Willodine Hall, Lucille Fullencamp, Katherine and Helen Weigle, Howard McVay, Catherine Collins, Pete Macke, and Park Schemehorn. Hope you all had nice vacations. . . . Bill Baer has left us to go into service. We are sorry to see you leave and hope that soon all of your friends and loved ones will be returned to us. To those who have gone before you, we send our best wishes that they will be returning soon.



Families Of Kokomo Employees Attend "Open House"



Shown above are pictures taken at the Kokomo Plant Sunday when approximately 2,000 visitors attended the plant "open house." Picture at top left shows employees and their families being greeted at the factory entrance. Top center, visitors inspect multiple blanking die punch press operation. Top right, Al Reith demonstrates for the entertainment of visitors to the Plant Laboratory. Bottom left, Foreman J. S. Reith discusses balancing of rotors with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Blackburn. Center, one of the groups in their tour through the factory. At right, Foreman H. A. Weliver points out an interesting detail to visitors in the Assembly Section.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

Did you know we bad a flock of monkeys around here? We won't mention any names but Elaine Sutter said she was going to bring in a big bag of peanuts to feed the monkeys. The result was that everyone in the BC Stock Room was munching peanuts, and, anyone and everyone who happened by that way got their share too. They sure gave themselves away, don't you think? Speaking of Elaine, she sure was excited recently, and why not? She received word that her husband, Floyd Sutter, has received the Presidential Unit Citation. . . . Those pictures you see being flashed around by Marty Boyle are of none other than our own Gail Meyer. What a dream come true. He is living in a castle in France. . . . Irene Habecker is leaving us, and we hate to see her go. But good luck, Irene. . . . Joe Vesey is back to work and speedily recovering from a back injury he received on the first day of his vacation. . . . Lillie Lewis is also back to work, after an extended illness, and now looks the picture of health. . . . Joan Koontz has left us to be a full time housewife. . . . Johnny Gitter, Betty Hedrick, Walt Trautman, Harold Sturver, H. G. Siebold, Mike Trott, Kate Mattingly, Bill Henninger, Tom Wilkerson, John Baumgardener, and Carl Zimmerman have all returned from their vacations with no one too much the worse for the wear and tear. . . . If you notice Gloria Wiebke frantically clutching the hand rails as she ascends and descends the steps, it's from fear of falling. It seems she just falls for no reason at all. In fact, we hear she fell four times in one week. Do you want some instructions in balance, Gloria? . . . Dewald Slater, returned veteran of four years in the Army, is now working in the Production Office. . . . Mary Tobias' husband has been returned to the United States and is now in the hospital in Indianapolis, where she recently visited him. . . . Barbara Riley came to work with a stiff neck last Monday morning, but she isn't saying how she got it. . . . The Front Office is sure going to the dogs, or maybe I should say the dogs sure are going to the Front Office. We had another little mutt visiting us last week, going from desk to desk. We don't know where he came from, but he sure was having a good time. . . . We wish to express our deepest sympathies to Pauline Mason on the recent death of her son.

We wonder what Art Bottom found in a milk bottle that he tried to reach in after it. Result: Art got two fingers of his right hand caught and had to use a hammer to rid himself of one milk bottle. . . . Congratulations and best wishes are in order for Henry Birch, who just completed 25 years' service at the G-E last Saturday. The BC stock room decorated Henry's desk in fine style with lots of streamers of crepe paper and presented him with a leather keycase, billfold, and leather picture frame with an 8x10 photograph of himself—much to his surprise! . . . The Richardson family has another "Bob" now—Bob, Jr., and the Small Lot Section presented Bob, Sr., with a gift for his new son. . . . We hope that S/Sgt. Don O'Brien, Pacific Area, is reading this column this week as we want to thank him for the very flattering compliment we received via his father about this column. Don, you also mentioned that you hadn't read your dad's name as yet, but you will. You see, we've all got our eyes open and on Pat O'Brien until one of these days he will really do something for us to write about—but good!

Kokomo's Open Doors Attract 2,000 Plant Visitors Sunday

Approximately 2,000 visitors streamed through the Kokomo Plant Sunday as the General Electric Company held "open house" for Kokomo employees and their families.

So successful was the affair, the first admittance of the public to the plant in which production for many months was of a secretive nature, that tentative plans to open its doors to the general public on Sunday, August 19, were announced by A. K. McCollum, plant superintendent.

Visitors roaming through the towering buildings that formerly housed the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company had a good look at the fractional horsepower motors now being turned out for the Army and Navy. A complete display of 25 models of motors made in the plant at present was shown, and some of the products which they power were also displayed.

Charles V. Orr, mayor of Kokomo, represented the City administration at the affair. A number of General Electric officials attended the open house. Among them were M. E. Lord, works manager, and Mrs. Lord; C. H. Matson, assistant manager; Robert Wylie, manufacturing superintendent of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, and Mrs. Wylie; L. C. Swager, supervisor of personnel, and Mrs. Swager; Chester Lichtenberg, administrator of product quality, and Mrs. Lichtenberg; A. L. Johnson, of the FHP Motor Sales Section, and Mrs. Johnson; and E. W. Lankenau, superintendent of the Decatur Plant.

Dinner was late, and the hostess seated herself at the piano. She executed a Chopin nocturne. Then, knowing there was still an interval of waiting to be bridged, she turned to a ruddy-faced guest to ask, "Would you like a sonata before dinner?"

The old gentleman sat up with a start.

"Don't mind if I do. I had a couple on my way here, but I can stand another."

Distribution Section Plays Vital Role In War And Peace



Playing a vital role in war and peace, employees of the Distribution Section can be proud of the part they are playing in sending products of the Fort Wayne Works to their destination as quickly and as safely as possible. Top left shows part of the battery of duplicators required to maintain records. In the background is a section of the complete file, storage place for shipped orders. Top center is the open file, where current orders are kept. Upper right picturos Helen Eggeman in the completo file. Second row, left, top, is the Bldg. 6-2 office. Bottom, largo apparatus is crated in Bldg. 6-1. Center, recently a huge G-E motor-generator set was loaded at Casad Ordnance Depot for freight shipment (photo courtesy Casad Ordnance Depot). Right, Jay Chappel, industrial truck operator, moves material in temporary storage in Bldg. 6-3. Third row, left, Verlo Pribble removes incoming material from the conveyor in Bldg. 6-3. Center, labels are affixed in Bldg. 6-3 by Art Heckber. Right, Simeon King loads products for shipment via truck line. Bottom left, export shipping requires much care; here are the materials required for packing a transformer. Center, transformer is partly packed. Bottom right, apparatus is loaded for freight shipment.

Distribution Section Performs Vital Work

Employees Play Important Role In Helping G-E Products Reach Their Destination

By Frances Krauskopf

(This is the first of a series of articles describing the various divisions and sections of the Fort Wayne Works. Another article in the series will be published in an early issue of the WORKS NEWS).

If an attempt were made to list those sections of the Fort Wayne Works which are vital to the operation of the plant, surely the Distribution Section of the Production Division would occupy a place near the top of the list. Using as its headquarters the first three floors of Bldg. 6, the section is under the superintendency of J. C. Grosjean. Branches are located at the Taylor Street, Winter Street, Decatur and Kokomo Plants.

It is the duty of the Distribution Section to see that all of the many products of the Fort Wayne Works reach their destination as quickly and as safely as possible. But before material manufactured here can be started on the way to its destination, a great deal of physical and paper work must be completed by the employees of the section.

Material Arrives

When the factory has finished the manufacture, inspection, and testing of material or apparatus called for on an order, the finished products are sent to the Distribution Section. Small items are packed by the section or division in which they were manufactured and are sent to Bldg. 6-3, those from Bldg. 4 and Bldg. 7 arriving via the conveyor system, while those from Bldg. 26 and Bldg. 19 are trucked. Large pieces of equipment, such as buge motor-generator sets, are sent to Bldg. 6-1 as they come from the test floor; upon arrival there they are crated by employees of the Distribution Section. The volume of business handled by the section requires the use of all of the third floor of Bldg. 6 for the temporary storage of small material while it is being processed; the first floor is devoted chiefly to bulky pieces of equipment and miscellaneous items. To move the material within the section, a fleet of 10 industrial trucks is used, and for deliveries outside the plant 9 gasoline trucks are operated.

Detailed Work Begins

After the material has been received from the manufacturing divisions, the detailed work of the Distribution Section begins. Each piece of equipment or each box of packed products received in the section is accompanied by a delivery ticket, which is immediately checked against the materal to be sure that they match. The delivery tickets are then sent to the office in Bldg. 6-2, where the paper work is organized on assembly-line principles. Here the shipping clerks first match up the delivery ticket with the original copy of the requisition, which has been kept in the "open file" until production has been completed; they then review the order for quantity, shipping instructions, credit and contract approvals.

Next tbe papers representing the apparatus or material are moved along to the traffic desk, where the best and safest method of transportation is selected, whether it be air, parcel post, steam roads, forwarding companies, trucks, or express. Address labels for tbe material are prepared, and bills of ladng or express receipts are made out.

Address Labels Affixed

Following this work, the papers leave the Bldg. 6-2 office and go to the floor where the packed products are waiting. Here address labels are affixed and bills of lading are attached to tbe product, which is then ready for delivery to the transportation agency, usually truck line or railroad.

After the products have been released for shipment, the remaining papers are returned to the Bldg. 6-2 office for tbe preparation of memoranda of shipments (MS's), the typing of bills, and the billing to customers. When all work on an order has been completed, the requisition is turned over to the complete file section, which consists of a great many rows of ceiling-bigh shelving, somewhat similar to book stacks in a library. In this file are kept all completed orders for a number of years, in compliance with Federal law.

Additional Work

In addition to the complicated paper work involved in preparing products for shipment, a great many additional details must be taken care of by the section. For instance, the duplicating work necessary for the maintenance of records requires a battery of five electrically operated duplicating machines. When shipments are frequent to any one point, such as Boston, Philadelphia, or San Francisco, material is accumulated until a full carload can be sent; this accumulation of shipments requires the full time of one individual. Occasionally the section is called upon to ship equipment so large tbat loading facilities to take care of it are not available at the plant. One such instance occurred recently when it was necessary to truck a 66,000-pound motor-generator set for an electric shovel to the Casad Ordnance Depot, where it was loaded on a flatcar for shipment to a coal mine in southern Indiana.

Export Packing

Another activity carried on by the Distribution Section, one of particular importance to the war effort, is the packing and packaging of Fort Wayne Works' products for overseas shipment to the armed services and for various procurement agencies. Four methods of packing have been developed by the package design section, one of which is designated by division engineers for each product intended for overseas shipment.

Method Zero, covering parts not subject to corrosion or those not harmed by corrosion, are wrapped for mechanical protection only. Method One is used for those parts which are subject to corrosion; they are treated with cleaning and anti-rusting compounds, wrapped in filminized paper, and given mechanical protection. Method One-A is used for various types of assemblies which include parts that cannot be cleaned and anti-rusted and are subject to corrosion, fungi, or mold. In this method those parts that can be cleaned and anti-rusted, are so treated, the whole assembly is given mechanical protection, wrapped in a waxed sheet, and then dipped in melted wax to waterproof the package. Or in some instances, after mechanical protection has been provided, the assembly is placed in a foil-lined bag, closed with an approved heat-sealing agent, and packed in a carton.

Method Two, the most complicated method and tbe best for long-time storage, consists of cleaning and anti-rusting those parts subject to corrosion, placing the material in a moisture-proof barrier —either a vapor-moisture-proof, metal-foil bag, butvar coated for sealing, or in a metal container with a bolt and ring closure—with a dehydrating agent, silica gel or desiccite, to absorb all moisture in the barrier. All air is exhausted from the package, and mechanical protection against shipping hazards is provided. In addition to these four forms of packaging, large apparatus is put in waterproofed, lined, sheatbed crates.

"Pack it right to reach the fight," a requirement of the armed forces, has become the guiding motto of employees working on packing for overseas shipment.

Playing an important role in war and in peace, the employees of the Distribution Section can well feel proud of the work they are doing to help General Electric products reach their destination on time and in perfect condition.

2-3 Office

George App has all of the office force in a dither over his magic calendar. One minute it reads July; the next time you look at it, it reads September; then if you have nerve enough to look again, it will be August. . . . We all thought by the crowd around the time clock the other day, that maybe someone had fainted, or some other near tragedy had happened, but it was only Katie Hendricks wrestling with her clock card. I might add that the card won. . . . Leona Stauffer is stocking up on beautiful hand-painted towels. What could that mean??? . . . Teddy Katrus is wearing a beautiful diamond on that most important finger and expects to add the mate to it soon. Congratulations, Teddy.

SUNBEAM SAL.

Did you know that electric refrigerators, installed near front lines in such Pacific battle areas as Okinawa and Iwo Jima, provided units of whole blood which saved the lives of hundreds of seriously wounded men. The blood, shipped cold in heavily insulated containers, can be kept for 21 days under such modern refrigeration.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES

SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER SALES

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again. In this good old summer time when folks' thoughts have all turned to vacations, I'll endeavor to bring you the news from the working front. First, we find many newcomers in our midst these last few weeks. In our section (the Commercial, you know) we have another woman to help us hold our own. We have big hopes for you, Mrs. Turner, and we feel sure you will not let us down. We do welcome you and hope you will be very happy in your new surroundings. . . . We also wish to welcome Joan Augspurger and Lois Debolt to the Cost Section. . . . You undoubtedly have missed Dorothy Reichel by now, who has left us to join her husband, recently discharged from the Army, in Amsterdam, N.Y. The Cost Section had a party for Dorothy before her departure at Ruth Hosler's home. A wonderful time was had by all. . . . So now we find Dorothy's place being filled by Lois Danehy. . . . Farewells were also said this last week to Evelene (Cookie) Cook, who is returning to her home in Rochester, Ind. Lots of luck is wished "Cookie" in her new position in the home-town bank. . . . By the way, Marie Long is leaving us this week for unknown destinations. We wish you lots of happiness and luck, Marie. . . . Another farewell will be in line to Will Harry, who is about to leave the Production Section. . . . Perhaps now is the time to sing "Auld Lang Syne." . . . If anyone has an extra tire coupon, Frances Livermore and Betty Bahr have filed their requests for first consideration, all due to a couple of little blow-outs. . . . Summer came to Mildred Kouder, Cost Section, for she saw the water—what's more she actually went in for a swim at Pokagon Park Sunday. . . . Fred Vordermark is now known as "Casanova" instead of "Tiny Tim." This change of names has come about since he acquired his "harem." Fred and Mrs. Vordermark took five of our girls, namely Mary Ellen, Alice Baker, Donna Cowan, Katty Dinkle, and Helen Nettrour for an outing at Clear Lake. Lots of fun was had by all. . . . Joe Uttal is now a paid author. I am sure Joe will be glad to write "his memoirs"—for a nominal fee. . . . Bob Rowe let Kronmiller beat him by one stroke in the City Golf Tournament for political reasons. Kronmiller claims he could beat Bob more than that if he hadn't blown up on the last nine holes. . . . "Farmer Fryer" had a farm, and on this farm he had—well, we don't know what is on the farm—time will tell. . . . Eileen Daniels reports she had a wonderful six weeks with her husband, home on leave from the Army. She received a beautiful wrist watch as a homecoming gift. . . . Farewells were said to Norma Williams of the Service Bureau on Saturday. The girls entertained her with a dinner at the English Terrace on Friday, after which they adjourned to Marie Long's home. . . . Pete Eberhart is vacationing at Niagara Falls. . . . Morrie Cox looks like he had fished, golfed, or something—that tan he acquired. . . . Wendell Miller went to visit Captain George Owens, in the Quartermaster Corps, at Fort Knox. Captain Owens was formerly a member of the Drafting Section.

Is Zat So?

There were several candidates competing for the biggest laugh of the week. We will let you choose for yourself. Here they are: Ray Stanger made a pretty picture working in that very dainty apron. . . . Nina Clifton called Jules Cochoit "Pearl." She knew there was some connection with fabulous gems. . . . Must be a postwar model he was speaking of, but Russel Gibson was explaining how to back a car out in second. Never heard of such a thing, did you? . . . Was he burned up! Why, Ernie Riley, of course! Someone threw away a cigarette butt, and it landed in the cuff of Ernie's trousers. Ernie thought he smelled rags burning, and soon he saw the smoke rolling from his pants' leg. He rushed for the water fountain and soon had the fire extinguished with little damage done. . . . Be careful, everyone, if you see Russel Gibson with a pair of scissors. He is snipping locks of hair and is planning on making a toupe for Vic Hall. Ingenious, isn't he? . . . Now for a more serious side. Don Cobb is stationed at Fort McClellan, Ala., and would appreciate hearing from the gang. Get his address from Henry Gallimer. . . . Ernie Barr was a welcome visitor last week. . . . Vacationists are Bill Franke, Orval Haver, Fred Crickmore, Ed Kronmiller, Helen Ryan, Frank Hickman, Dick Evans, and Emil Zimmerman. . . . Birthday congratulations to Cliff Bieber, Garrett Enyeart, Dudley Lester, Leonard Runyon, Martin Fuelling, and Jesse Seibert.

Guess Who



One G-E employee with a nose for news (despite the fact that said "news" is 58 years old) submitted the picture reprinted above, with the suggestion that employees might be willing to "Guess Who." One clue: He's a member of the guard force at the Broadway Plant. Give up? Turn the paper upside down.

Theodore Boehm posed for this picture some 58 years ago.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

PRODUCTION

We couldn't figure out if Don Lichty was absent the day after the Stag Party, because of too much potato salad, or too much baseball in the hot sun. Come to think of it, wasn't it part of your vacation, Don? . . . Ralph Schlup just can't get "on the beam" with his luncheon engagements. Let's make our appointments definite, Ralph—rain or shine. "WHO'S DRIVING TODAY?" . . . New member of the Production gang is Steve Buchanan. He was in the Seabees, and was overseas nine months before starting to work here. . . . See Laverne Murphy for a new kind of paper she has originated. Any similarity to this and the kind regularly used is purely coincidental.

SHIPPING

Alice Minser and Donna Lehman journeyed to Mississippi last week. They had a wonderful time exploring the State of Mississippi and are A-1 explorers now. . . . The air conditioning system suffered a breakdown last week, and we were forced to contend with the heat, until some electric fans were installed in the office. However, now the air conditioning is fixed again, and we are very glad to have it with us. . . . Dorothy Cartwright was married to Cpl. William Wiles Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Trinity English Lutheran Church. She wore a gold suit with brown accessories and an orchid corsage. After the wedding the newlyweds left for a honeymoon at Crooked Lake and are now at home with the bridegroom's parents. Good luck and best wishes, Dot and Bill!

POWER DRIVE

Our foreman, Erwin Haugh, complains, "Everyone gets a vacation but me." Have patience, Erwin, maybe in a couple of weeks you'll get one. Our problem child, Mike Walker, is enjoying his this week. None of us can imagine a vacation at the freight office but it's his idea. . . . Did you ever see a picture of Elmer Auman with hair? We did. How time changes things! . . . A few in the wind-up over here are Clair Knepple (we wish you luck with your new responsibilities in Bldg. 17-1); Roy Rippe, with an unknown destination; and Martha Lommatzsch, Clara Meier, Grace Kaster, and Kate Hively—all up for vacations. . . . We wish the best of luck to the former Harriett Bohler, who recently became Mrs. Charles Ludben. . . . We'll miss those doughnut handouts from Ralph Lochner. . . . Not only are Mr. Auman's hair pictures fascinating, you should see his baby and confirmation pictures.

WINTER STREET GOLF LEAGUE

Two sets of matches have already been played for the "third" half or set of five matches that has been arranged by the Winter Street Golf League. One match was played Wednesday, August 1, and the other Friday, August 3. This leaves three more games to be played, the last of which will be August 22. Due to playing time being shortened each week because of darkness, it is requested that every effort be made to start at scheduled time or before, so let's get out there early, fellows.

Planners continued their winning stride Wednesday night as they defeated Engineers, 190-199. Executives defeated Power Drive, 196-216, and Machinists defeated Grinders, 198-213. Hal Staley had low score for the evening with a 44, and Win Kirke and Ed Bireley were close seconds with 45's.

For Friday night's games Planners received their second setback of the season as they were defeated by Power Drive, 190-195. This gives them a record of 10 wins and 2 losses for the season. In the other games played, Engineers defeated Grinders, 190-201, and Executives defeated Machinists, 196-204.

Hal Staley was low man with a nice 40, Don Lynch was second with 41, and Ed Bireley third with 42.

Tom Piepenbrink, who has led the league all season, has dropped out and Hal Staley is now in first place with an average of 44.3, followed closely by Don Lynch with 44.4. It's going to be a real battle between these two from now on.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

"Mooney" Rehnen says milk is one of his favorite drinks but that he doesn't like it doctored up with salt tablets. Who dunnit? . . . Bill Kelsey has spent the last two weeks on vacation at Lake Barbee with Carl Speckman pinch-hitting for him. . . . Another new man in the Grinding Section is Pete Spitler, who was transferred here recently from Power Drive. . . . The squirrel season opens this week and out to get the limit will be Howard Bennigin, Dan Barkley, Everett Kelley, Orten Anderson, Dale Weaver, and a few others. An exchange of stories is scheduled for next week.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

News from the horse races. If anyone wants to place any bets, see Guy Jones. He sure knows his horses. . . . Bob Scherer is also a race fan. He could be seen serving refreshments in the grandstand. . . . Gust Herbst spent last week vacationing at Webster Lake. He reports, "It took three days to catch the first five fish." . . . Jack Long is leaving for the service next week. Good luck and a speedy return. We are going to miss you, Jack. . . . We have a new inspector, Harry Bell, also a new tester, Fred Himes, and H. Fuhrman has joined us as an assembler.

MACHINE SHOP

Leona Franke returned last week from vacationing in Ida, Mich. She evidently had a little trouble getting in the swing of things again, as one day she came back to work with two kinds of shoes on. . . . Russell Berryman has returned to work after a pleasant vacation.

"Thanks For The Tip, Bob"



says Phil Dolby, center, to Bob Houser, right, former Assistant to Superintendent, Decatur Plant. Bob is pointing out the many adjustments possible on our standard punch press guard, which is mounted on a miniature punch press for display purposes.

PHIL HAS RECENTLY BEEN APPOINTED SECRETARY OF THE SAFETY COMMITTEE OF DECATUR WORKS. HE IS STARTING RIGHT BY GOING INTO "A HUDDLE" WITH THE BOSSES. MR. JOE GLOBIG, ASSISTANT TO SUPERINTENDENT, BLDG. 2, IS SHOWN AT LEFT.

The display material shown in background is a small part of a portable display of Safety Equipment and educational material for display at the various plants and divisions. The display is now at the Kokomo Plant.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

Local happenings of Section 14x3B—Hilda Scott fell down the cellar steps, bruises uncounted. That is trying to reduce the hard way, "Maggie." . . . Marjorie Ballentine spent the week-end in Chicago. Wonderful while it lasted! . . . Grace Wall celebrated her birthday. Which one? That's a secret. (Editor's note: the first one this year). . . . Maxine Drabenstatt fell out of the car. Just another childish trick. . . . Orville Robinson is sporting a white shirt. What's the reason for it, Orville, the heat or did you get a raise? . . . Dale Irwin sweeping the floor. Cause: Manpower shortage. . . . Was Millie the "Miller" taken aback when she turned in a complaint on finding a worm in her dish of peaches and the proprietor replied that she owed him a red meat point. . . . During their vacations Dale Chaney and Arlo Hawk made a trip to Chicago. They were stunned with surprise at the speed and confusion of their ride on the elevated railway. Dale still cannot understand how the motorman knows when and where to stop. . . . It is reported that Harley Knox and George Houch go to the lake to fish. Charlie fishes while George sleeps. Well, there is no place like the great outdoors for all kinds of sports. . . . Ralph Hock says he has not wet a line this year. Well, with a line like his he doesn't need to wet it. . , . Paul Beauchamp has new reliners in his tires, so here we go again. . . . Look out turtles! Herman Lepper is after you. Two new traps and a good line. . . . The squirrels are now chasing Carl Kloepper. Well, they have to eat too. . . . Flash! Mary Roach is sporting a diamond, and it's from none other than Tom Harber. . . . We wish to welcome to our section Ila Mae Boyd. . . . Irma Augsburger is wondering who is going to take over the farm next year—the mosquitoes or the oats bugs. . . . We hear that John Wilson is the proud owner of a new fishing reel and that he gets out of bed in the early morning to practice his casting technique. How is this dry land fishing anyhow? . . . Two of our second trick packers turned scientists to relieve their aching feet. They soaked their shoes in water while on their feet with the belief that as the shoes dried, they would dry to the contour of their feet. Results: One says it improved the situation—the other says he threw his away. Final conclusion—nothing satisfactory proved. (Editor's note: Please keep me advised of future experiments in this line, because my feet hurt too).

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Earl Greenlee went to bed with his fan turned on one torrid night last week. He woke up in the wee hours of the morning feeling warmer than before. The room was full of smoke, the flames were darting from the fan, and when he turned the switch off, the fan exploded. Nothing like a burning fan to cool you off. . . . Mary Jane Adams is very cautious when she opens the stationery cabinet doors. Some time ago she gave them a mighty heave and found herself sitting on the floor. Only injury, however, was to her pride, which healed very readily.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

A potluck was held recently hon oring Paul Studebaker, who i leaving the Company. Good luck in Oregon, Paul. . . . Jack Leeth was home to see us, and he sure looked fine. Hurry back, Jack. Incidentally, he's now stationed in Nevada. . . . Imogene Welch call our string "rope." Hope she doesn't attempt to hang anyone . . . George Schaffer is some fisherman. He lets his wife and children do the fishing—well, anyway, that's meat on the table. . . . What happened to Elmer Hatfield's dinner pail is the current question. . . . Fay Russell was on vacation in Michigan, and he certainly caught some prize fish. He had pictures taken of them in every way, shape and form. . . . Congratulations to Irene Lothamer and Mary Williams Becker, formerly of Bldg. 26-3. Irene became the proud mother of a baby boy and Mary of a baby girl. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Clifford DeVault in the death of his wife and to Altone Hinklc in the death of her mother. . . . George Brehm, Bldg. 26-3, had a birthday last week and was it ever a sweet one! His desk was loaded with candies and nuts of all descriptions. . . . We hear that Bret Young worked all Friday night to clean the house and wash the dishes, as his wife was returning home from her vacation. . . . Vic Boutwell says Rainey can't count, because 97 pennies don't make a dollar. Rainey says down in the hills they do. . . . A potluck dinner was held last week for Art Kruckenberg, who left the Company to go into business for himself. The gang presented him with a gift of carpenter's tools. Good luck, Art. . . . After the game at North Side last week, they announced that another game would be played August 2. Fred (Tiny) Vodemark must have decided to stay right there and wait, because someone had to wake him up and remind him the game was over. . . . Madoline Pofenbarger was seen shuffling along Broadway last week one noon. It's funny how those heels have a habit of coming off at the most unreasonable times. . . . We hear that while Lindy was spending his vacation near Indianapolis last week on the farm the most exciting day to him was when they put the ring in the bull's nose.

Sales Engineers

(Continued from page 7)

Persons, who has been placed on inactive duty by the Navy, went through Georgia Tech and Test with Phil Markert. Mel McIntosh was on Test at the same time, too, in 1926.

Sponsors of the group here in Fort Wayne were B. R. McClure, Fractional Horsepower Motor Sales, D. F. Roloff, Transformer Sales, Jack Curtin, Wire and Cable Sales, and P. S. Stough, Motor and Generator Engineering Division.

Sgt.: See that soldier over there annoying that girl?

M.P.: Why, he's not even looking at her.

Sgt.: Sure, that's what's annoying her.

...acts and Fun

FROM 31

...Everything's rationed now, and ... column is beginning to look ...at way, too. Something will have ...be done about this! There's the ...saying, "No news is good news," ...not in this case! . . . Could ...Dhea Tarr have received that ...shin-burn" from sliding into ...ird base? . . . Welcome to Mabel ...sher, who comes to us from Tay... ...r Street. Hope you like it over ...re. . . . Congratulations to Verda ...yers, who came back from her ...acation with a lovely diamond! ...r fiance is Glenn Robinson, who ...in the armed services. . . . We ...ss Alice Collins, who has a leave ...absence. . . . Happy birthday to ...ty Cox, who celebrated the ...th. . . . Attention, folks: Mark ...ptember 16 on your calendar in ...d! That's to be V-J Day ac...rding to Mike Rebman, our of... ...e analyst. Moreover, the end ...ll come at 2 A.M. Mike explains ...at his uncanny knowledge is due ...the fact that he is the seventh ...n born under the seventh sign of ...mething-or-other. We wonder ...that has anything to do with ...d present stiff-neck (?) Any...ay, Mike, we hope you aren't far ...om wrong. You did pretty well ...n your V-E Day prediction! . . . ...ert and Miriam Bilyard, Dale ...rdle, Truman Holle, Helen ...vid, Ray Woebbeking, and Ilene ...bbott have just returned from ...eir vacations. Ilene takes top ...nors for being the "tannest" of ...e bunch. . . . If there's a short...ge of "staples" for the staplers, ...ame it on Joan Hottman, who ...as been caught eating them. We ...uld take up a collection and buy ...r noon lunches. . . . Holy Cow! ...ere comes that reporter again ...d this is my week to gather the ...ews from Bldg. 31-2! Heavens, ...hat will I give her? There's ...rene Meyer back from her vaca...on with a gorgeous tan. I hear ...e's taken up golf in a big way. ...e managed a neat 113 for nine ...oles and asks, "Is that good?" . . . ...should mention the Dick Hansons ...ave a new ration book and income ...ax exemption, yes, sir, a new baby ...irl. . . . I wonder what became ...f Curly Mannan's Victory Gar...en—could it be the new boy, the ...ake cottage, or the softball team ...hat has taken its place? . . . We ...re going to miss Chet Ellis around ...ere, but we all wish him luck in ...is new position in Bldg. 18. . . . ...t's good to see Chuck Waltemath ...ack after several weeks' illness. ...ope he's lots better. . . . I won-der how many tried to use our private entrance on Swinney Avenue this morning? Now we have to get up a little earlier, since we are back to using the alley again. . . . Another returning vacationist, Anne Bauermeister, has been sojourning at Pretty Lake, and from Walter Coolman's coat of tan, I'd say that even by loafing around home one can absorb a lot of good old sunshine. . . . Welcome to our two new girls, Helen Gifford and Dorothy Allman! . . . We'll miss Bill Shuherk, who is leaving us to go into another business. Best of luck to you, Bill! . . . Well, I guess we did pretty well for having "no news" to begin with! So long.

Here and There
BUILDING 17-4

Here is a new kind of fish story. Seems like Carl Swaim was going fishing on his vacation, and Larry Reed offered him some worms. Carl was to pick them up at Reed's house; however, in the meantime Larry went to the hospital for a sinus operation and so told Mrs. Reed to give Carl the can of worms. She did so, and Carl went merrily on his way. When Larry got home, he discovered his wife had given Carl the wrong can of worms, and as a result, Carl had over a thousand of Larry's good worms. The worms were so effective that Carl caught more fish than they could eat. (So he says.) . . . Clarence Nussel, who is on his vacation, was last seen in Milwaukee enjoying the lake breezes. . . . Hobby sure gets mixed up on his seasons. He and Emma were going to a birthday picnic, and Emma asked him to wrap the gift. He did, but when they arrived at the picnic, Emma discovered that Hobby had used Christmas paper to wrap it in. Let's get straightened up, Hobby; it's still August. . . . All of us who had such a good time at the picnic on Saturday want to thank Carrol Elder for letting us use his cottage and Irene Schaadt and Alice Carlson for their work both before and after the picnic, which helped to make it so successful. Even the rain didn't stop the fun. Everyone ate all they could, and we even managed to feed a stray cat and dog. Steve Kelker and Mr. Hanson are good fire builders, provided you give them enough time and matches.

Teacher: "Tom, can you tell me what a hypocrite is?"

Tom: "Yes, ma'am. It's a boy that comes to school with a smile on his face."

Dust Off HOME PLATE
BY ERNIE SPAULDING



Jim Hilgemann



Ross Leakey

Ross Leakey and Jim Hilgemann take their bows in this week's column.

Jim Hilgemann is playing his first year with the G-E Club Softball team, having joined the team after receiving his discharge from the Air Forces. Jim has spent 22 months in the Army.

Jim has been a well-known athlete around Fort Wayne for a considerable number of years. He is especially well known in basketball circles, and has played with some of the best teams around here.

Ross is pitching for the Club this summer by virtue of a 60-day furlough from the Army. Ross has been in the Army about a year, during which time he spent 44 days in a German prison camp. Well known to local fans, he pitched for the Club last year and was a member of the team winning the regional championship two years ago.

Ross has a good slow ball and curve which he uses to good advantage, and his wins in his short stay with us attest to that. Ross leaves on August 12 to report back to the Army.

Off the Tee

By Johnny Gitter

Bob Link, who led last week's scoring with a snappy 36, came in this week with another just as snappy. These two 36's bring his season's average to 40.1. The only average lower than that is Bruce Hamilton's 38.8 for four games. Other scores this week are Carl Saaf and Mardo Tobias 40, Ife Holmes 41, and Mike Trott and Maurie Cox 42.

The leagues are drawing to a close and some of them are already sure of the winner.

Winter Street League has extended their regular schedule by adding 5 more games. The Planners seem to have the edge in this league, with 9 wins and 2 losses so far.

Tool Room at Taylor Street has only a slim chance of losing. They have won 12 and lost 3 with 3 matches to play. Their nearest competitors have a record of 9 won and 6 lost, so they need only one more win to clinch the title. Production is riding the crest of a 7-game winning streak, while the Ramblers have dropped the last 13 matches.

The Gas House Tigers stand a better-than-even chance in the Tuesday Night League. They have to lose both their remaining matches, while one of the second place teams wins both to finish in a tie.

The Monday Night League is still a tight race. Prange's Rough Riders and 26-1, captained by R. Moore, are tied at 8 won and 3 lost. They still have 3 matches to play, so it is still anybody's golf-game.

We don't have a report from the Owl League, so we won't be able to give you a report on the standing there. Earlier in the season, however, Bldg. 27 seemed to have a strangle hold on first place, losing only 1 match out of the first 8.

Plans have not yet been completed but there will be a Blind Bogey Tournament at Brookwood sometime in September. No definite date has been set, pending the outcome of the leagues and the playoffs. All playoffs will be completed prior to the bogey tourney. Don't forget. This annual event is open to all employees whether they play in the league or not.

G-E Club Girls Whip Baer Field W.A.C., 9-0; Decatur Game Tonight

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Club Girls whipped the Baer Field W. A. C. in a shutout game, 9-0, Friday, July 27, at Memorial Park. Getty went all the way for the Club with Varner behind home plate.

On August 2, the G-E Club met Studebaker, coming off second best, with the score, 9-6. The game was lost on errors. Whiteleather and Varner were the batteries for G-E.

Logansport traveled to Fort Wayne last Sunday for an exhibition game at Hamilton Park. It was a very well-played game, but the Logansport girls won, 3-0. Every one of the girls played good ball. The Club certainly hopes they will be able to play a return match.

The big game with Decatur is tonight at 8:30 o'clock at Memorial Park. The Fort Wayne G-E girls will be out to avenge that 2-0 defeat Decatur handed them recently.

G-E Club Softball Team Loses Second Game In Tourney

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club Softball Team lost the second game of the Sectional Tournament to Reserve Club, 2-0. Reserve Club obtained the two runs in the fourth inning after two outs had been made against them. F. Kowal was safe on a fielder's choice; Shipp walked, and both came in on Huth's double to center field.

Both teams were guilty of faulty judgment at times, as well as mechanical errors:

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	RESERVE CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	2	0	0	Jeannette,1b	3	0	0
Esterline,2b	8	0	1	Speck,lf	3	0	0
Hilgema'n,sf	8	0	0	F.Kowal,ss	3	1	2
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	0	0	Sbipp,cf	2	1	0
VanRyn,rf	2	0	0	Huth,rf	2	0	1
Rarick	1	0	0	S.Kowal,sf	2	0	0
Stanski,ss	3	0	0	Smith,3b	2	0	0
Anderson,cf	1	0	1	Higb,c	2	0	0
Hess,lf	1	0	1	Miller,2b	2	0	0
Bobde,c	2	0	0	Lundquist,p	1	0	0
Leakey,p	1	0	0				
Totals	24	0	3	Totals	21	2	3

Struck out—By Leakey, Miller; by Lundquist, Lindenberg 2, VanRyn, Stanski, Bohde 2. Base on balls—Off Leakey, Sbipp, Lundquist; off Lundquist, Lindenberg, Leakey. 2 base hits—Huth, F. Kowal, Anderson.

Score by Innings—	R.	H.	E.
G-E Club	0	3	1
Reserve	2	3	3

Owl Softball League

By R. Crosley

The second half of the Interdivision Softball League ended in a tie between Transformer and the Firemen. Each team has won 5 games and lost 1. Transformer brought about the tie by defeating the Firemen, 11-3, last Thursday. The teams will play one game next Tuesday to determine the champions. The winner will then play Motor-Generator, first half champs, a two-out-of-three series for the League championship.

Transformer had too much power for the Firemen this week. With Bill Edmunds pitching a five-hit game and each member of the team getting at least one hit, there was no doubt about the outcome of the game. Six runs in the third inning by the Transformers broke the back of the Firemen. Tucker's home run with one man on base was the deciding blow in this inning. Tucker also hit a double in the sixth inning.

Score by Innings—	R.	H.	E.
Firemen	3	5	1
Transformer	11	11	0

Lecoque and Hosek; Edmunds, Boober and Hilldinger.

Attention Women Bowlers

Anyone wishing to bowl with the Friday Night Women's League, please fill in the following form and return to either Voyce Brumbaugh, Bldg. 6-2, or Jean Funk, Bldg. 26-2.

Name .....

Address, Home .....

Address, Work .....

Phone, Home .....

Phone, Work .....

Average .....

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
George Miller (4)*	R. 1, Churubusco, Ind.	27	Misegades	11:00- 6:54
W. K. McIver (2)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne, Ind.	4-6	Schmidt	8:00- 5:15
Solomon S. Andorfer (1)*	R. 4, Connor Rd.	4-4	Harrigan	7:00- 3:30
Harold Drabenstot (1)*	Fort Wayne, Ind. 1003 Jackson St., Huntington	4-4	Snyder	3:30-11:48

*Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Mary McMonigal	2626 Clara, Fort Wayne	12-3	Saaf	3:30-11:48
Esther Fagan	R. 8, L. Huntington Rd. Fort Wayne, Ind.	12-2		7:00- 3:30
Mary Gilleff	R. 8, Smith Rd.	6-2	Whitmere	7:00- 3:30
	Fort Wayne, Ind., ¼ mile N. of L. Huntington Rd.		B. Swift	7:00- 3:30
Lillian Mallo	R. 1, Roanoke, Ind. 6½ miles West of Waynedale	12-3		

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Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Foreman	Hours
Roy Bicks	R. 3, Auburn, Ind.	Smith	6:48- 3:18
Richard Horn	633½ West State, City	Bunner	7:00- 3:30
Homer Kibiger	2047 Delwood, City	Kimble	8:00- 4:30
Robert J. Hughes	R. 1, Heagland, Ind. Lives near Poe, comes down Winchester Road	Bunner	7:00- 3:30

Club Baseball Team Wins State Tournament



G-E Takes Title When Marion Concedes Playoff

By Elmer Wagner

The G-E Club was conceded the State Non-Professional Baseball Championship last week when the Marion Team, the runner-up in the tournament, could not meet the playoff dates. The Club, with a 20-1 victory over Winchester last Friday night won the right to play in the final

The Club had all arrangements made to leave for Wichita, Kansas next Monday morning, when the O. D. T. ruling came through against the trip. After fighting hard to win the championship, the players were disappointed that they could not go. However, Manager Charlie Braden claims this will not keep the boys from playing their best on the remaining season schedule. There are some top-notch games booked for the future, and the Club fans will see plenty of good ball games before the season ends.

G-E Club Cleans Up Tourney Games With Hitting Power

Marion, Little Rock, And Muncie Fall Easily Before Local Boys

By Elmer Wagner

The G-E Club kept in the State Tournament Wednesday night when they started right in on the Marion pitcher in the first inning with two runs. They added three more in the third and kept right on scoring till the end of the game. Marion never had a chance as Thomas, who was on the mound for the G-E team, had one of the best nights of the season by holding his opponents to a stingy three hits.

Barnett and Winters with three for four each led their team at the plate. Brann with a double and a triple was the long-distance hitter. Delong stole home in the sixth. Maloy made a nice one-handed running catch in center field in the sixth inning on a ball hit by Bush that sure was tagged for a hit.

The team had their batting clothes on by banging out a total of 14 hits. Kisler handled 15 chances at first base perfectly and was playing a bang-up game for the Club.

Score by innings—									R.	H.	E.
Marion	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0—	2	3	2
G-E Club	2	0	3	1	0	1	2	1 x—	10	14	2

The Club started out the week's games with a bang when they outplayed and outhit their opponents from Arkansas. A big third inning by the Club was too much for their opponents, and they gave up after seven innings of play. Hines again was the big hitter, and as in the past, he is poison at the plate. He had four for five which is bad for any pitcher who opposes him.

The Club as a whole poured out 16 hits. Thomas, who was on the mound for five innings, gave up only two hits and was never in danger. One of the hits was a home run in the second inning by Cowan with Sutton on base. Max Miller pitched the last two innings and did not allow any hits. The Arkansas team played a very loose game and committed eight errors in the field.

Score by innings—									R.	H.	E.
Little Rock	0	0	2	0	1	0	0—		3	2	8
G-E Club	1	2	6	2	2	0	1—		14	16	2

The G-E Club showed the local fans that they really were championship hungry by pasting a 20-1 win over the Muncie Keeners last Friday night. They scored in every inning of the short game. The Club boys really had their batting clothes on as they banged out 16 hits. Hines and Winters with three hits did the heavy stick work. Winters hit a home run in the sixth inning with Barnett and Wat on base.

The game was far from spectacular, as the Muncie boys committed eight errors. Muncie used three pitchers but still could not cool off the power of the Club team. Every Club player, as well as Manager Charles Braden, got into the lineup. Max Miller was in rare form, as he held his opponents to seven hits and was never in danger. Justis and Cornwill with two hits each led the Muncie team at bat.

Score by innings—										R.	H.
G-E Club	2	1	5	3	2	7	0	0	0—	20	16
Muncie	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0—	1	7

Decatur Girls' Defeat Portland Team; Lose To Van Wert

By Marcia Martin

The Decatur G-E Girls' Softball Team defeated the Portland Mail Street Service, 9-5, at Worthman Field Thursday night. Moser allowed eight hits and five runs while Brown, Portland pitcher, allowed thirteen hits and nine runs. Decatur was in the lead at all times.

Score by innings—									R.	H.	E.
Portland	0	1	1	0	0	1	2—		5	8	
G-E	0	2	3	2	1	1	*—		9	13	

Batteries: Brown and A. Davidson for Portland; Moser and Bower for Decatur G-E.

Friday night Decatur G-E Girls' Softball Team traveled to Berne to be defeated by the Van Wert Olympic Girls, 11-5. Seven errors on the part of G-E proved very costly, and they were able to obtain the lead only once during the game. Moser, Decatur pitcher, allowed seven hits, while Miller, Van Wert pitcher, allowed eight hits and struck out four batters.

Score by innings—									R.	H.	E.
G-E	2	1	1	0	0	0	1—		5	8	
Van Wert	0	3	0	4	1	3	0—		11	7	

Batteries: Miller and Ford for Van Wert; Moser and Bower for Decatur.

Decatur G-E will play Fort Wayne G-E Friday night at Hamilton Park, Fort Wayne. Bob Imwill be Decatur's opponent next Tuesday night.

Club To Meet Strong Lafayette Nine Here Tonight At 8:15

Birmingham Black Barons vs. G-E Thursday Night at Dwenger Park

By Elmer Wagner

Tonight at 8:15 o'clock the Club will meet the Lafayette Red Sox again. The Red Sox have defeated the Club this year in four previous games by scores of 10-9, 8-7, 3-2, and 6-4.

The Club has outhit the Sox in every game and feels that tonight's game will be different. Rivalry is running high as two of the local players were put out of the last game, and anything may happen tonight. The local team is out for revenge and have asked for the best umpires for this game.

Lafayette comes to Fort Wayne tonight with a record of 21 wins and 2 losses. The Kansas City Monarchs defeated the Red Sox in 16 innings and the other game was lost to the Birmingham Barons.

Emil Bildilli, with a full week's rest, has asked to pitch against the Red Sox.

The Birmingham Black Barons, for the last three years champions of the Negro American League, will show their wares for the first time next Thursday night, August 16, at Dwenger Park, meeting a vastly improved G-E Club team.

Due to cancellation of the Club's entry in the National Tourney at Wichita, Kansas, by the O. D. T., only one game will be played by the Club next week, and every effort will be made to win that one from the best colored team that has appeared here all season.

Student: "Ah, professor, I hear your wife has had twins. Boys or girls?"

Professor (absent-minded): "Well, I believe one is a girl, and one is a boy, but it may be the other way around."

L. Tucker Leads Owl Softball League With Sizzling .542 Average

By R. James

L. Tucker, fleet-footed short fielder for the G-E Club Owls, hit safely 13 times out of 24 times at bat for a nice fat .542 average, and the G-E Owls batting champion, R. Ringwalt, was next with an even .500, and P. Stiver came in third with a .428.

Four other Owls were over that coveted .300 mark—Giradot, Edmunds, Platner, and Hensler.

Following is the final Y.M.C.A. Industrial Owl League standings and individual and team batting averages:

Final Standings

	Won	Lost
G-E Club	9	1
Harvester	8	2
Zollner	7	3
Bowser	6	4
Tokheim	6	4
Magnavox	0	10

Player	Games	A.B.	Hits	Per.
Tucker	9	24	13	.542
Ringwalt	3	2	1	.500
Stiver	4	7	3	.428
Girardot	3	13	6	.385
Edmunds	8	23	8	.348
Plattner	7	6	2	.333
Hensler	9	19	6	.315
Hilldinger	9	24	6	.250
Christlieb	3	21	6	.238
Crosley	9	26	6	.231
Booher	9	20	4	.200
Vondran	8	23	4	.174
James	5	20	3	.150
Scott	2	7	1	.143
Team Ave.	9	286	64	.272

Better GOLF

(Second Installment)
By Dale McNutt
Fairway Play

This section pertains to all activity from tee to green even if fair or unfair play is used.

1. Player making the poorest dub will shoot first, as no doubt he will be the farthest from the green. (Exceptions to this belief.) All other players must always show him courtesy and no loud talking or snoring will be permitted. Only hushed mutterings and light sleeping will be tolerated. Alarm clocks *must* be left at the clubhouse.

2. Players, when attempting to hit the little white pellet, should always warn the other members of the golfing party, by yelling "Hey Rube" when shots are being made from behind trees or shrubs, in creeks, and especially from inside caves.

3. All lost balls must be retrieved by the actual person losing them, as arguments might arise over prices of "Returned Lost Balls." When one player is searching or trying to recover his lost ball, it is entirely permissible for other party memhers to "spread their lunch."

4. To save undue delay and courtesy to on-coming duffers, any injured player must remain at the "scene of accident" and notification will be relayed to clubhouse by golf captain from the next green by transmitting message with "Hole" flag. Hospital bills will not be pro-rated. Team members will return in a body after the match has been completed either to pay tribute or to dispose of the body.

5. Practice swings will be permitted, providing not more than a ten-inch furrow is dug; otherwise, a stroke must be added. (Sun strokes are exceptions.)

Next week's installment on "Green Play."

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PEACE!

G-E WORKERS JOIN IN JOYOUS VICTORY CELEBRATION

M. E. Lord And C. E. Wilson Make Statements On War's End

M. E. Lord, manager of the Fort Wayne Works, made the following statement on the end of the Japanese war:

The rising tide of the might of America and her allies has brought the Japanese to defeat and surrender as it did the Germans and the Italians.

We, like many others, are proud of the opportunity given to us to work with the Armed Forces, who know so well how to effectively use the new and novel weapons.

We thank the members of the Armed Forces who took on the enemy at close hand, while we here at home were busily supporting them with ever-increasing quantities and more effective implements of victory.

There never has been any doubt of the final outcome, and with this in mind we have prepared plans to hasten the reestablishment of the flow of the products wanted by all Americans.

Mr. C. E. Wilson's VJ-Day statement points out the lesson we may learn, and rightly bids us to now put our shoulder to the wheel and supply that knowledge in going forward to a peaceful and prosperous future which is so much desired by those in the Army and Navy, as well as all of us here at home.

The following statement was made in connection with VJ-Day by C. E. Wilson, President of the General Electric Company:

"Never before in the World's history has a war been decided so far behind the line of battle. It seems perfectly clear that Japan has surrendered to the superior scientific and productive power of the United States and her allies. This was not the case with Germany, which had to be battered down and crushed by millions of men using modern weapons, at a staggering loss of life and property. While all too many have been killed or wounded

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C. E. Wilson

Final Plans Made For Taylor Street Picnic On Sunday

McMillen Park Will Be Scene Of Employee Outing Starting At 1 P.M.

Final plans have been set for the Taylor Street Plant picnic Sunday at McMillen Park, according to members of the All Out War Production Committee, sponsors of this fourth annual family affair.

The Fractional Horsepower Motor Section at Taylor Street is to participate in the picnic, and fes-

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Employees Have Two-Day Holiday At Jap Surrender

The workers of the General Electric Company joined with the nation Tuesday in celebrating news of Japan's surrender after four long years of war. Second shift workers were on the job as President Harry S. Truman made an official announcement at a news conference at 6 P.M. (Central War Time), and as the news filtered in and the noise of victory swelled through the city, employees left their jobs to dance and shout their glee at the war's ending.

When G-E factory whistles confirmed the news, workers left in a steady stream to spend the hours of celebration with their families. The Allied terms outlined at Potsdam and amplified in the Allied note last week-end had been accepted by Tokyo without qualification—and G-E's war workers who had been on the job six days a week since Pearl Harbor rejoiced at the end of the weary struggle.

President Truman immediately declared a two-day holiday for Federal workers, and factories throughout the land followed his lead in announcing similar "vacations" for their workers. Works Manager M. E. Lord issued a statement to the local radio stations that G-E employees were not to report back to work until the third shift Thurs-

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Election Soon

Elex Boards To Meet Monday And Tuesday To Nominate Officers

Elex Club officers for next year will be nominated next week in special dinner meetings scheduled for both the day and night board members at the Beech-Wood Inn at Tri-Lakes.

Board members representing the night girls will have their dinner party at noon, Tuesday, August 21, and will meet at the G-E Club at 11 A.M. The Elex board for day girls' activities is meeting at 6:30 P.M., Thursday, August 23. This group will meet at the G-E Club at 5:15 P.M. All transportation will be in private cars.

Results of the nominations will be placed before Elex Club members for an election of officers late in September.

News Blackout Is Lifted On G-E's Radar Contribution

As Government censors lifted this week the rigid official blackout on news of radar, America's great weapon, after long months of secrecy, General Electric stood out as one of the world's most potent producers of this hitherto secret equipment for detecting enemy objects and installations. The Company has just releasecl this amazing story of radar development—

As a result of a conversation between Rear Admiral Harold G. Bowen, then director of the Naval Research Laboratory, and President Charles E. Wilson, the Company was the first to go into large scale production of radar equipment for the Navy.

Admiral Bowen, now chief of the Office of Research and Inventions, said that in the summer of 1940, he told Mr. Wilson, "Charlie, either you're crazy or I'm crazy. Either I am, for visualizing such possibilities in radar, or you are for not getting into it. I see it as a billion-dollar industry."

That night Mr. Wilson went to Schenectady, and two weeks later he came back to Washington with 20 G-E scientists to inspect the

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Labor Day Holiday 1945

The Fort Wayne Works, including the operations at Decatur and Kokomo, will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 1945, except for guards, power house employees, and like protective services which have, according to past practice, been on duty when departmental operations have ceased.

M. E. LORD
Manager

B-29 Crew Praises Efficiency Of Advance Gunnery System

The first B-29 Superfortress crew to return to this country from the Pacific war has disclosed, in a recent talk with General Electric representatives, that the Superfort's advanced gunnery system, working by remote control, has improved the efficiency of aerial gunnery by at least 75 per cent, making the Nips so fearful they hesitated to send up fighter interception against American B-29 bomber fleets attacking their homeland.

Lieut. Col. Robert E. (Pappy) Haynes, commander of the B-29 "Thumper," which was on public exhibition at the Newark Army Air Field, declared that the Superfort's gunnery system is making a science of shooting down Japs and is offering defensive protection so powerful that great fleets of the B-29's would on many missions fly over the heart of the Nip empire with no fighter escort whatsoever, a new concept in aerial war.

The staunch "Thumper," only plane remaining of the original B-29 group that first blasted Tokyo, has a record of more than

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JAPANESE SUN "SETS" BEFORE ALLIED MIGHT

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The Transportation Problem

Here are some things you might want to think about before starting out on a long trip on your vacation.

Railroad passenger service has jumped 350% and bus traffic 500% since Germany invaded Poland in 1939. Last year alone railroad passenger miles totaled 96 million—more than twice as many as in the peacetime peak year of 1920.

Military traffic will make great demands upon the transportation system in 1945. Thirty thousand casualties are being returned to hospitals in the United States every month. Many more thousands of servicemen and women are coming home on rotation, furlough, and leave—a type of travel requiring extra scheduling to include a wide variance of destinations.

Thus far, the railroads and busses have been able to meet military and civilian traffic demands, but they have done the job in the face of critical shortages of manpower and equipment.

Your government asks you not to travel unless the trip is vitally necessary.

Your Choice

Do you aim for the best you can do on the job? Or, are you sometimes satisfied just to "get by"?

From your family doctor you expect the best he can give. There is no question of "getting by" or "good enough" in a matter of life and death.

When you hold yourself to the same standards you expect of your doctor, only your best will satisfy you.

You, yourself, know when your workmanship is good. Put the kind of workmanship into the product you help make that you expect in products you buy.

Vacation At Home

Vacationers who sincerely want to do everything they can to help ease the transportation problem, will plan to spend their vacations at home this summer. Nearly every community has recreational and entertainment facilities which working people don't have time to enjoy fully at other times of the year. Community groups are now forming all over the country to publicize these local vacation possibilities. Vacationers can find plenty of rest and recreation in their own home towns or they can work on nearby farms as members of the U. S. Crop Corps. Citizens who participate in this "Vacation at Home" program will find they can enjoy themselves in their own home towns, and at the same time save money and avoid the discomfort of wartime travel.

More Than Dollars

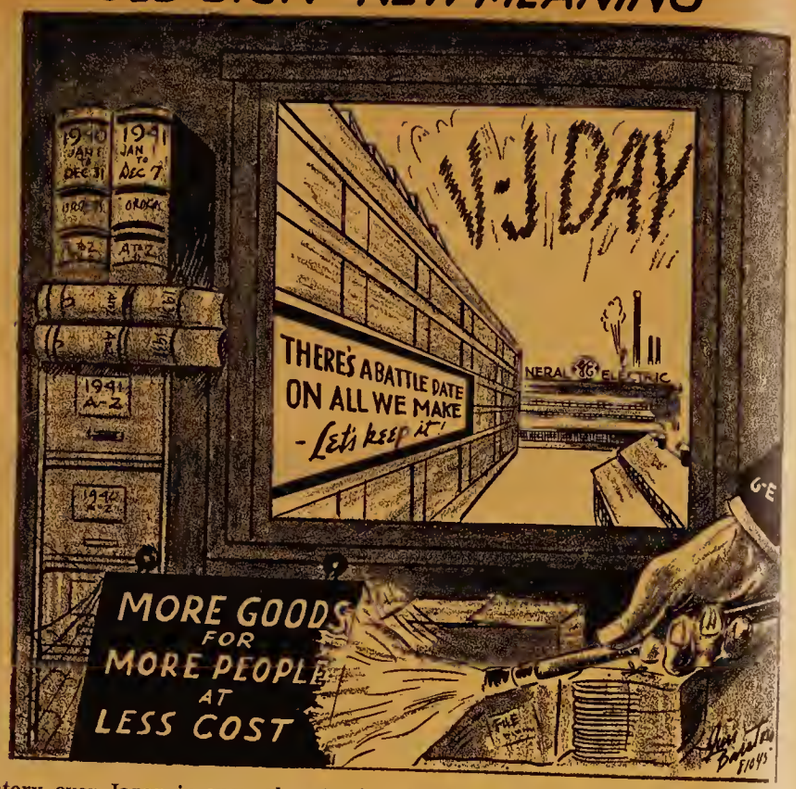
Who isn't interested in his pay check?

But real interest in your job means more than that. It comes from what you learn as well as from what you earn. A job gives you a living. But it can also make your living more satisfying.

Get at the reasons behind your job. Find out how your work can prepare you for the next step ahead.

Your pay is only one of the returns from your job. Don't overlook the others.

OLD SIGN - *NEW MEANING*



Victory over Japan is ours, almost miraculously soon after the defeat of the Nazis. We were fully prepared to endure as a nation another year of grinding suspense and of grief over the loss of more of our fine young fighting men. Instead, we suddenly find the war at an end and the United Nations the masters of their fate and of the fate of the whole world.

The achievement of the men and women of General Electric has been almost breath-taking. They have piled production record on production record; have repeatedly beaten their quota on War Bonds; have stuck valiantly at their jobs. Time and again the top-ranking officials of the Armed Forces have commended them.

But war-making is not what General Electric likes best to do. When the nation's life is no longer at stake, our business is to make happier the lot of mankind with the manufacture of the best things in the world of electricity, that world that is still so new and shining and in which there are still so many notable things to do. Soon we will be back at that beloved task, with brain and muscle tempered and more skillful than ever before.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

REMOVE STAINS BEFORE WASHING

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Nothing is as much fun as a supper at the beach or a picnic in your favorite woodsy spot, until you discover stains! Tea and coffee stains on the lunch cloth, grass stains on the children's dresses, lipstick on the children's dresses, lipstick on the napkins and so on into a day of drudgery.

There are solutions, and easy ones at that. A few rules for removing stains will put you on the bright side again.

It's an absolute must, say experts at General Electric Consumers Institute, to remove spots and stains before washing, since hot soapy water often sets the stains and makes them almost impossible to remove. Naturally, the sooner a spot is treated the easier it will be to get out. Try the simplest stain-removal method first. When chemicals are necessary, dilute them to a mild solution before using or they may injure the fabric. When using a bleach, follow instructions on the container to the letter.

Lipstick

Mix an equal solution of hydrogen perioxide (the regular household product) and ammonia, and, using a small cloth dipped in the solution, rub the stain with light, quick, short strokes.

Mustard

Put the stain in a solution of 1 tablespoon of sodium hydro-sulphite (brought at your corner drug-store) in 1 pint of water. Or moisten the powder and apply directly to the stain. Sponge the stain with denatured alcohol and wash the material in warm water and soap-suds.

Grass Stains

Use ordinary unsalted lard, or, if the stain is old or is a persistent one, mix the lard with kerosene, turpentine, or glycerine. "Float" out the stain by rubbing a small amount of fat or "floater" on the spot and working it about with the finger until stain is worked into the fat. Let stand about an hour and then wash in warm (not hot) water.

Mildew

Wash the material thoroughly first and then while still wet apply a weak bleach (½ cup of bleach to 5 gallons of water). Have the solution weak no matter how bad the midew is. A strong bleach weakens fabrics. If necessary, soak the stain in the mild hleach overnight. Then wash in warm suds and water and rinse in the same temperature clear water.

Heavy Mud

Soak the stain in lukewarm water. If necessary, use a bleach for white materials and for colored, try kerosene oil. (Your husband may have some in the garage).

Tea and Coffee

Place the stain over a bowl, making it taut with a rubber band or a piece of cord. Take a bit of cloth and saturate the stain with lukewarm water first and then, from a height, pour boiling water on the stain. If this fails to work, try a weak bleach or ammonia water.

If your laundering problems need a lift, write to the General Electric Consumers Institute, Bridgeport, Conn., for the free booklet, "Short Cuts to Fine Laundering."

Peace on Earth!
How now our dreams
Have found new birth,
For which it seems
God heard our prayer,
Deep in despair.

Peach on Earth!
And it must mean
All that it's worth—
A priceless dream
To hold with care;
God's gift we share.

Marie M. Lantz

JAPANESE SUN "SETS" BEFORE ALLIED MIGHT

News From THE SERVICES

(Editor's Note: This letter was written to B. C. English, foreman at the Taylor Street Plant, by Robert Workman, formerly employed there. It tells an exciting story of a rescue from a sinking ship and the resulting decoration for Bob.)

August 4, 1945.
New York City.

Dear Bernie:

Sorry my answer to your last letter is a bit tardy, but my duties here at the station have kept me very busy and time for myself was very little. . . .I am to be decorated for saving a shipmate's life the night we were torpedoed. I said only what I would have wanted someone to have done for me, and I am asking for no reward. This guy was trapped in a compartment and upon hearing his cry for help, I entered the compartment, worked him free and, finding his leg to be broken, I carried him up two decks, placed him in a life boat which made a getaway from the sinking ship, and a few hours later placed the wounded man aboard a rescue vessel where he received first aid treatment.

The boy claims he would have went down with the ship if I hadn't come to his rescue. Whether or not I saved his life isn't for me to judge. If by chance my deed saved his life, I will settle for just the feeling in my heart that followed when I saw him in the life boat and our ship slide beneath the waves. I realized the danger involved going in after him; I thought of my wife and kiddies, but his cry for help, pierced like a dagger and I took my chances and God brought us through. Bernie, I am afraid the story I promised you will have to wait until I can come home again, then I can tell it and maybe someone can write it for me. I find that when I start to think about it I go to pieces and my writing isn't to be seen.

Is there any news about Taylor Street? I am hoping that before too long a time I'll be punching the old clock again. At present I am stationed in N. Y. but waiting orders to Great Lakes for permanent shore duty. I don't think that I'll see any more action but one never knows what's in store for you. Tell Mrs. English I said "hello." I haven't been able to get over to the hospital, but if I get a chance, I'll look up your friend if still there. Tell all the gang I send my regards and hope to be one of them in the near future.

As ever your friend,
Robert J. Workman.

Dear Editor:

I have been receiving the G-E WORKS NEWS very regularly. Just this evening I received the 27th July issue. . . . I am still in Iceland. . . . I am on my way home.

T/3 Rudolph A. Wuttke

Arthur N. Wolf, A.O.M. 3/c, formerly of Bldg. 26-5, sends his regards to "Sparky" Sordelet and the vertical mills in a recent letter received by the WORKS NEWS.

Dear Editor:

Thanks so much for the G-E NEWS, which I have been receiving quite regularly despite frequent changes of address. It is a link with home, so necessary and so much appreciated. My best regards and wishes to all, especially the Tool Supply, Taylor Street, personnel with whom I worked prior to May, 1943.

PFC Henry B. Foster

South Pacific
July 31, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I just received your May 11 edition today. There is a picture of the Marines raising the Flag on Iwo Jima on the front page. We were at Iwo Jima, and I saw them raise the flag from the bridge of our ship.

Just recently we finished our job at Okinawa Shima. It was a rugged campaign for us, and I sure will be happy when this crazy war is over.

Give my regards to the gang in Bldg. 19-5. I would like to hear from some of my friends at the good old G-E. . . .

Sincerely yours,
Charles E. McAtee, SM 2/c

P.S. I have ten months' sea duty to my credit. They have been long months, but without some of this good G-E equipment we have aboard, they would have been a lot longer. Your products are "4-0" with this Navy man.

Southwestern Pacific
July 31, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . They keep us pretty busy here most of the time. I am working in the garage, repairing trucks, jeeps, etc., quite different from the toolmakers' trade I learned at the G-E. Being in the garage, I don't come in contact with many G-E products. However, seeing all the airplanes that I do, I know there is plenty of it near at hand. So far I have only met one former G-E employee on this "rock;" as the island is commonly called. It gets much hotter here than back home in Indiana. I would like to say hello to the old gang in Bldg. 26-5, and I would appreciate hearing from any of them, or all of them. . . .

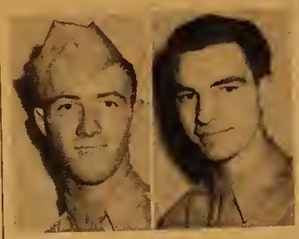
PFC Enochs W. Hursh

Sgt. Joseph F. Prezbindowski has been transferred to Baer Field here in Fort Wayne for overseas replacement.

Word has been received from Pvt. Howard H. McClure saying that he has received the first NEWS since he has been in the E.T.O. He is changing his address for parts unknown, and we hope to hear from him again soon.

S/Sgt. Eugene Wyss says "hello" to anyone in Bldg. 17-2 who might remember him in a recent letter received from him.

Lauds Equipment



E. A. Rasor C. W. Bade

Pvt. Emmett A. Rasor said, "They are using G-E equipment a great deal, and I have seen it in infantry training. It is still qualified as the best equipment, so I hope I'll be able to use some of that equipment wherever I go," when he visited friends here in Bldg. 8-1. PFC Clarence W. Bade also visited here in Bldg. 4-5.

WAVE Salute From Hawaii



—Official U. S. Navy Photograph

Carol Jane Adams, Spec. 2/c, WAVES, is shown above, third from left, with other Indiana WAVES at their base at Pearl Harbor. Before being transferred to the Hawaiian Islands, she was stationed at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. Others in the picture are (left to right), Anna Lena Brodrick, Y 2/c, Huntington; Eloise Hogan, Ph.M., 2/c, Silver Lake; and Thelma Jane Kamp, Y 2/c, Nabb.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Two weeks ago the Employment Office had a farewell dinner at the Berghoff Gardens for Mary Ellen Brown and Helen Enochs. Both girls were presented gifts. Lenore Gigax, formerly of the Employment Office, brought along her little boy, who kept his mother and Mary Ellen busy picking up spoons he had thrown on the floor. Both the girls treated the rest of the office to candy and nuts before they left on Saturday afternoon. . . . Two new additions to the Employment Office are Cathy Pleschcr and Warren Locker. We're glad to have them both with us. . . . The Employment Office had a double birthday celebration last week for Norma Jean Carr and Charline Craig. The rest of the office showered them with birthday greeting cards, and the two girls passed around a treat in the afternoon. . . . The practical jokesters went to work on Evy McIntosh and Helen Enochs the other day. A Mr. Lamb had called and left his number, so Evy was returning the call. The number was the Fort Wayne Stockyards. At the same time, Helen was returning a call from a Mr. M. T. Graves. A pleasant female voice on the phone informed her, "This is Lindenwood Cemetery." . . . Marjorie McCrady, Bldg. 21 Dispensary, is patiently waiting to don the Navy blue and whites of the WAVES. She is to be inducted in September. Good luck, Margie. . . . This week our welcome mat is also put out to Doris Siebold, who is now working in Bldg. 18-2. She is a transfer from Taylor Street, and we hope she likes us as well as we like her. . . . Celebrating the birthdays of Gert Kasimier and Mary Jane Guise, the Deduction Section of Payroll had a party at Bixler Lake a week ago Sunday. Attending were Katherine Sauer, Thelma Stone, Virginia Pulver, and Frieda Wehli. . . . Bonnie Sullivan spent her vacation at Pretty Lake, Marcella Baker, at Little Cedar. . . . Darrell Williams, Bldg. 18-1, spent a few days in Chicago and from there went to New York City. . . . Those enjoying a quiet vacation at home were: Ada Marie Springer, Gloria Miller, and Opal Sale, all from Bldg. 18-1. Helen Stull, Bldg. 18-1, spent a week's vacation in Chicago. . . . Congratulations are in line for Fred Prange, Bldg. 18-3, since he is celebrating his birthday today. . . . Aileen Betts, Bldg. 18-3, and her dog had a little escapade down Fairfield Avenue. Aileen's dog had caught a mouse and after the mouse was disposed of, Aileen felt the dog should have a bath. Soap suds were flying in every direction, and in the middle of the bath, the dog had the bright idea of dashing down Fairfield Avenue—with Aileen right behind him. Needless to say, the neighbors thought they were seeing things. . . . Last week the Order and Stores girls had a farewell dinner at the Colonial Inn for Gertrude Merkel and Claire Houser, who left the Company. . . . Flash!!! Coming as a surprise to all of us was the marriage of Bette Vendrely, Bldg. 18-5, to Bill Link. Bette, we wish you all the happiness in the world. . . . Jeanette Bock, Bldg. 18-5, was married last week in California, and our very best wishes are with her too. . . . Bernice Korte, Bldg. 18-3, was all smiles last week because her husband just returned home from the European Theater of operations. . . . The Bldg. 18-3 all stars defeated the General Service champs, 8-7, in a softball game played last week at Weisser Park.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

Things have really been tense this week since the announced possibility of a Japanese surrender. Every time someone hears a factory or train whistle, several automobile horns, or the outside ring on the telephone they literally jump right off their chair. If something hasn't happened by the time this column is published, you can bet we will have a lot of cases of shattered nerves on our hands. . . . Other than that things are pretty dead around here, according to the small amount of information being turned in for this column. . . . We haven't even seen any of the usual loud ties on the men lately. The fellows must be going conservative on us. Now why don't some of you strictly conservatives surprise us some morning by wearing a tie that will really knock our eyes out? We need something bright right now. . . . Congratulations to Delbert Thomas, who is being married August 19. Someone said he was trying to keep it out of this column. That we cannot understand, as we really do want to wish him a lot of success and happiness for the future. . . . Kay Henning isn't married yet, but she has the introduction to this blissful stage in the form of a diamond engagement ring. The lucky guy is PFC Clarence "Bill" Baade, a former employee on this floor, now serving in the infantry of the U. S. Army. . . . Somebody should tell Mildred Brown that she can't eat ice cream through a straw. Mildred went to the candy wagon and came back with a cup of ice cream and a straw instead of a spoon. Maybe she was planning on letting it melt than drinking it, or going Chinese and using a couple of straws as chopsticks. . . . Carl Barber left a daily forecast on his calendar of the fish he was going to catch on his vacation last week. We wonder just how close he came—if he caught any at all.

17-3 Newsies

We wondered about the big smile on Dale Wallace's face and found out later that it's because his son is home after serving two and one-half years in the European war. . . . Lorelei Prior thinks Lois Brubaker is a good person to take to the lake. When they got home, Lois hadn't forgotten to pack a thing, not even the garbage. . . . Katie Polka's Johnny is home from overseas, and Katie is all excited. We know just how you feel, Katie, almost all of us have someone somewhere in the service, and we're patiently awaiting the day when they can all come home to stay. . . . Helen Huhn had a birthday last Saturday, "Happy Birthday, Helen."

There is nothing practical about a practical joke.

JAPANESE SUN "SETS" BEFORE ALLIED MIGHT

O. L. Weitzman Gets Post In Air Conditioning Department

O. L. Weitzman has been named assistant to the manufacturing manager of the Air Conditioning Department, A. W. Wennerstrom, manufacturing manager of the department, announced recently. The appointment, which was effective August 1, follows the termination of Mr. Weitzman's duties as superintendent of the Power Drive Division. His headquarters will continue to be at the Winter Street Works, Fort Wayne.



O. L. Weitzman

Mr. Weitzman was originally employed by the General Electric Company Fort Wayne Works on September 10, 1906, in the Prepayment Meter Department. Two years later he enrolled as a machinist and toolmaker apprentice and completed the course in September, 1912. He was then transferred to the Tool Room.

September 24, 1916, he was appointed assistant supervisor of the Apprentice Department and three years later was made supervisor of that department. He continued in this assignment until November, 1928, at which time he was placed on machine and tool design for the Refrigeration Division. In November, 1936, he was appointed superintendent of the Tool Division, and in April, 1938, was named superintendent of the Refrigeration Division.

When the General Electric Company expanded its product line because of the European war, Mr. Weitzman was named superintendent of the new Power Drive Division at the Winter Street Plant, which position he held until his present appointment.

News Blackout

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Navy's work in detecting airplanes and ships by radio. Two weeks later another group came, and the result was that after scarcely a month had elapsed since the original conversation with Admiral Bowen, Mr. Wilson had given instructions to Dr. W. R. G. Baker, in charge of G-E's work in radio and electronics, to freeze all its commercial radio types and to concentrate the work of the engineers on radar. This put the Company into radar, and since then they have made approximately 50 different types of sets for the Army and Navy.

Previous Experience Used

Fortunately, General Electric has a rich background of previous experience in this and other fields which were of real value in the development, design and manufacture of radar. One outstanding example was in the design and construction of equipment to control the fire of large guns. Similar engineering problems arose in connection with radar. Another example was the Company's work in television, beginning in the twenties, which gave its engineers an intimate acquaintance with the electrical and electronic devices which were to be used. And long experience with radio for various communications purposes was ready to be applied in the new work.

In the early and middle thirties, two different G-E groups had even been working on the subject of aircraft detection.

Infra-Red Method Employed

Experiments were made by G-E, using infra-red methods of detecting. The airplane engine, as well as the exhaust gases, emits large amounts of infra-red or heat waves. Making use of some of the equipment from the original WGY radio station, which by then had been replaced, John Bellamy Taylor, a G-E engineer, had made experiments sending sounds over a beam of light from a searchlight, working up to distances of more than thirty miles. Then, to make the beam invisible, he used infra-red rays. Engineers in the aeronautics and Marine Engineering Division found this receiver capable of picking up the radiation from airplanes. They developed a special detector, but while the infra-red rays could penetrate light haze, they did not go through fog and clouds, and thus the method did not give all the advantages desired.

It was then that G-E scientists began experiments with radio waves. As early as 1928 Dr. E. F. Alexanderson had devised a method of obtaining the altitude of an airplane above the ground by shooting down a radio beam and picking up its reflection. In 1935, there were experiments by L. A. Taylor, H. P. Thomas, and others in the Company's Aeronautics and Marine and Radio Transmitter Divisions to the detecting of planes with radio waves above a meter in length.

Radio Waves Tried

Around the same time, another series of tests were being conducted by Chester W. Rice, in the Company's Engineering General Department. He produced radio waves between 1 and 10 centimeters long, using an early form of magnetron, invented by Dr. Albert W. Hull, of the G-E Research Laboratory. A later form of this electron tube has been a vital part of many modern radar sets. In October, 1935, this was shown to the Army and the Navy. The following year, Mr. Rice published an account of his experiments in the General Electric Review.

Chief difference between these experiments and recent radar is in the fact that in the early work the waves were sent out continuously, and when they were reflected by a moving object they came back of slightly different length, either longer or shorter, depending upon whether it was coming towards or going away from the transmitter. This is a result of what scientists call the "Doppler effect." Modern radar works with a pulsed signal. That is, a very short pulse of radio energy, lasting perhaps a millionth of a second, is sent out, and picked up on the return. When it arrives back, the transmitter is silent, and so the receiver can pick it up without interference. Also, by pulsing, the transmitter is actually sending but a small fraction of the total time, and considerably more power can be put out with small equipment than if it were radiating a signal continually.

Tubes Invented

In addition to the magnetron, another G-E invented tube, the so-called lighthouse tube, one of the family of disk-seal tubes, has had important radar applications. Even in early radar sets such tubes were employed in receiver amplifiers and their range was considerably increased. These were of relatively long wave-length. More recently disk-seal tubes have been used for oscillators in lower power sets for airborne use.

Two other G-E inventions which have had a wide use in connection with radar equipment are the amplidyne and selsyns.

G-E Picture Here

A General Electric motion picture, "Thunderbolt Hunters," will be shown at the Capital Theater Tuesday to Thursday, August 21-23. This is one of a series of films showing developments in G-E laboratories.

"Thunderbolt Hunters" describes the actual studies of real and artificial lightning. The film shows a modern Thunderbolt Hunter setting up his equipment atop the Empire State Building when a storm is coming, and the pictures of the lightning that followed.

G-E scientists have set up huge generators and produced man-made lightning with which they carry on their studies. Laboratory experiments in the film show what happens when a bolt of lightning hits a house protected by a lightning rod, the effect on a house which has no rod, and what results when lightning strikes a plain piece of wood.

Employes

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day night. Guards and power plant employees stayed on the job, however.

Officially V-J Day has not been proclaimed, nor will it be until after the formal signing of the surrender terms by Japan, but we know now that the years of war are at an end—and look to the return of our fighting men and the days of peace ahead.

In Appreciation

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Kelsey express their deep appreciation for all the kindness and thoughtfulness shown by their friends at the time of the death of their son, Don.

Taylor Street

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tivities are scheduled to begin at one o'clock with a baseball game—teams to be chosen from the men present. After the game, the program will be as follows:

2:30-4 P.M.—Softball—FHP vs. Supercharger men—also horseshoe and games and contests for both children and adults.

3-5 P.M.—Square dancing.

5:30-6:30 P.M.—Picnic supper (everyone bring their own plus sugar, silverware, glasses, cups, etc.). Coffee will be free.

6:30-7 P.M.—Fun with the firemen.

7-8 P.M.—Vodvil "Potpourri."

8-10 P.M.—Girls' softball—Decatur G-E vs. Fort Wayne G-E.

8-11 P.M.—Dancing with Bob Shelton's Orchestra.

8:30-10 P.M.—Movie (especially for the young ones).

Five-cent tickets, redeemable at the refreshment stand are being sold to employees in the sections.

The 1945 picnic committee is composed of: Refreshments, Freeman Rohlfing; Equipment, Earl Jones; Tickets, Velma Johnson, Mary Wright, and Joan France; Baseball and Softball, Joe Dickerson; Adult Contests, Dale McNutt; Child Contests, Bob Hanson; Firemen, Merle Morkoetter; Entertainment, Cora Polhamus, Mary Jane Buesking, Bernie English; Movies, Steve Capps; Red Cross Service, Morton Stillpass; Coordinator, Don W. Long; A. O. W. P. Committee, Dave Slater, Merle Smith, Freeman Rohlfing, Al Dissler, and Earl Jones.

M. E. Lord

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in the Pacific War, while Japan was fought back on her heels by the courage and the might of our Naval and Military Forces, it is still fair to say that she was overpowered in the end by science, logic, and the hard work of countless men and women who never heard a shot fired.

"In the jubilation of Victory Day, and in the Nation's sorrow for those who gave their lives, we must not lose sight of this truly unique achievement. It is the one new contribution to human thinking that emerges from the holacaust. If we have learned that lesson and will begin to apply it immediately, there is a good chance that we may never again go to war.

"Scientific progress and productive efficiency are the most wonderful weapons of all time because they do not have to be laid aside when the fighting ends. They must not be laid aside. Industry and Labor with the full cooperation of our Government must begin at once to apply them to the problems of peace and reconstruction. I believe we are ready to do that today.

"For whatever influence it may have in the shaping of our world economy, the General Electric Company has been preparing to pursue this course for a long time. We are ready with plans that will multiply our services to consumers without increasing the price of those services. We hope to lower them in time. We have planned to cut manufacturing costs with new methods in order that we may maintain the fullest possible employment, and provide our workers with the means of obtaining the highest possible income measured by their cooperative efforts. We are prepared to plow back a larger share of profits than ever before in our history and invest it in research so that it will insure for tomorrow more jobs, better working conditions, and more goods for more people at less cost. We believe every American business worthy of the name owes this kind of duty to the future."

Kokomo Plant To Have "Open House" For Public Sunday

Visitors May Tour Factory From 9 A.M. To 5 P.M.—McCollum

The citizens of Kokomo will be guests of the General Electric Company Sunday as the Kokomo Plant again throws open its doors to visitors.

Sunday, August 5, the families of Kokomo G-E employees attended the first plant "open house," and so successful was the event that it was decided to hold a similar affair for the general public. Approximately 2,000 visitors toured the plant last Sunday, and A. K. McCollum, plant superintendent, estimates that this number will be surpassed next Sunday when the plant will stay open from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. to accommodate all visitors.

Visitors will not be taken on a conducted tour, but will follow a route marked through the plant, so that they'll get a good look at the fractional horsepower motors being turned out for the Army and Navy. Displays of motors and some of the products which they power also will be arranged. A small booklet describing the plant and its product and showing the route to be followed will be given to visitors at the plant entrance. Registration cards also are to be signed, Mr. McCollum said, and copies of the WORKS NEWS will be passed out to visitors to better acquaint them with the Company.

All sections of the plant will be open for inspection Sunday—including the dispensary, laboratory, restaurant, power house, and all factory operations.

B-29 Crew

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26 Japanese fighter planes to its credit and more than 40 long-range missions, during which it dropped 300 tons of bombs on Japanese targets. It participated in all five of the devastating blitz fire raids on Tokyo, resulting in the destruction of more than 54 square miles of that Jap capital.

That Tokyo is virtually non-existant, except as a mass of charred, twisted rubble, is the message that Colonel Haynes and the returning crew members brought back to the many interested people waiting at the Newark field for the first direct report of a returning B-29 group. Bombs dropped over Japan set fires that raged for days at a time, sending up smoke columns 28,000 feet in the air and casting enough light to make newspaper print plainly visible at that altitude in the dead of night, the crew reported.

JAPANESE SUN "SETS" BEFORE ALLIED MIGHT

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

PRODUCTION

Have you heard? Ray Jennings is looking for a pair of blinders for Bill Stockwell. It seems the other morning Ray was being tagged by a cop across town, and then it happened—crash! Ray stopped for the stop light on Jefferson Street and about three cars back here comes Bill, tearing along, never looking behind. Then he found his car buried in the back of Ray's car. Was his face red! . . . Everyone knows the Bobby Soxers all swoon over Sinatra's songs. Well, our Betty Wilson has a new technique; she has the boys swooning with Honeysuckle perfume. . . . And, Shorty Redding, what a lovely new hat. Notice, girls, they may be wearing our hats before long. . . . Back again from vacations are Eileen Kagey with a lovely tan and Estella Welling. Both report a wonderful time, and we are wondering if Estella got enough sleep. Mary Jo Spelzer was shopping and vacationing around Chicago last week. It all ended too soon. . . . Heiny Mutschlecner was vacationing at Benton Harbor. He started Monday morning with a blaze—burned a hole in his shirt first thing.

PLANNING

Donna Ferguson received a booklet through the mail on Safe Driving. The reason—she bought herself a car and—well, need we say more? . . . Cloyce Peden came back from his vacation full of pep and energy. . . . Royal Keen and Harb Adamski are spending their vacations at the lakes.

SHIPPING

The new typist in our office is Irene Stunda, and the new messenger girl is Ilene Walchle. We are very glad to know you girls and hope you like it here. . . . Saturday was Polly Jones' last day at the office, and we're sorry to see her leave. . . . Dorothy Wiles (the former Dorothy Cartwright) was pleasantly surprised to find a large package on her duplicator when she came to work Wednesday morning. It was a lovely blue and white bedspread, a gift from the girls in the office. . . . The reason for the big smile on Rita Ernst's face is that she has a new niece. . . . Virginia Watts was hostess to her sister and children from Argos, Ind., over the week-end.

ORDER AND STORES

Everyone has heard of people reading other people's mail, but leave it to Margaret Petro to "lift" letters to see if they need more postage or not. The postmaster will take care of that, Maggie.

COST

Justine Luyben is back to work after vacationing at Indian Lake, Ohio. . . . Ireta Huffman says she enjoyed her vacation in Ohio and Michigan but wishes the bus and train travel were unnecessary. . . . Lucille McGahey was so anxious to get started on her vacation that she started to leave the office at 4:30, when she heard the factory whistle blow, but she promptly hurried back to her desk and worked for another half hour.

GOLF

The championship of our golf league was decided Wednesday, August 8, when the Executives, who are in second place and had a chance to tie with the Planners, dropped their game with the Grinders by a score of 228 against 214. At the same time, the Machinists defeated the Planners 205-210 and the Engineers defeated Power Drive 200-206.

With but two more nights to play, this leaves the Planners out in front by three games with a standing of 10 won and 3 lost followed by the Executives in second place with 7 won and 6 lost.

Scoring was not as good as usual since a 46 was the best any one could do, and Ed Bireley, Arnold Benecke, and Don Lynch tied at that figure. Hal Staley seemed to have trouble sinking his putts and came up with a 47 and as a result Lynch moved into first place in individual standing with 44.6 to Staley's 44.7.

Although not definitely decided, there is talk of a tournament for all golfers playing in G-E leagues to be held some Sunday on a course outside the city, possibly Auburn. Any golfers in our league who might be interested should get in touch with the league secretary.



The Assembly Department does not just assemble. It serves more importantly as the final and ultimate judge, piece-by-piece, of what is good and bad in our production.

If an assembler is not at all times alert, she may assemble spoiled parts, and a spoiled part worth 10¢ can weaken or render useless a whole assembly worth $500 and as many man-hours. Let's reject spoiled parts.

Wanna' Fight

Taylor Street Firemen Win Water Battle At City Picnic

The Taylor Street Firemen's water battle team took top honors in this contest at the City Fire Department picnic Wednesday, August 8. Members of the team were O. Hans, L. Hamilton, H. Schaffer, T. Foster and L. Huffman.

The Taylor Strcet team brought home a $10 first prize for the event.

Night Owls . . . . OF 26-3

Well, it looks like we're back in the news again after our recess of several weeks; but as you know, ye olde reporter was on vacation, and after that it seemed like we had no news. . . . Our sympathy goes to Jean Kreamer, who is convalescing from an appendectomy at the Lucky Hospital at Wolf Lake. Many of us sent cards to her, and flowers were sent by the gang. We hope she's back with us soon. . . . Several people up here have taken their vacations recently. June Crane and Jack just finishing theirs, and Bill Nodine from Winding is on his this week. Norma Sprouls also returned from hers after a week at the lake. . . . Nancy Hasty and her husband, Norm, will leave us next week, as they are moving to California. There's no doubt that they'll be missed, as they've been with us for some time now. . . . Vern Doehrman, who has been our stock boy during the summer months, will leave us this week and have a couple weeks' vacation before returning to Concordia College. . . . We wish to thank Jack for his nice letter which he sent us from Chicago while he was vacationing. We enjoyed reading it, although we did feel sorry for him when he told us that he had to wire home for more money. It's too bad, Jack. . . . Rosemary Hartwig returned to work too after a week's vacation. We wonder why people have to come back to work to rest up after a vacation? . . . And, oh yes, we can't forget that Louella is back with N bench again. It seems good to see her down there at the end pulling coils again

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

This weather business sure is thriving for Paul Menze and Russ Noll. Anyway, they seem to find a lot of prospects. . . . Larry Reed got hooked on the weather business the other day; now he is more careful about telling us how it's going to get. . . . Izzy seems to have enough cigarettes to pass out. Guess he doesn't know there is a shortage. . . . Mel Azar has been gone all week on vacation, and peace and quiet reigned again. . . . Add unusual sights: Dick Reuter with a sandwich, banana, and a cookie all in one hand at one time, eating all of them, too. . . . All of which reminds us that bananas are precious around here. Bill Diamond sure loves them and has been known to stick around during lunch hour to grab one when the owner isn't looking. . . . A few of the fishermen on the floor were allowed to see Don Thomas' prize bait—"Effie." With those fish-tales of Don's, I imagine paint brushes and whittling knives will be seeing a bit of combat action. Bet you 10 to one they'll give up before an "Effie No. 2" results. . . . Returned to work after restful vacations are D. H. Hanson, Harry Klinger, Paul Redmerski, Charles Wise, Steve Kelker, Krank Koziol, D. Kruse, L. Mellinger, LeRoy Hoagland, Henry Roemke, Carl Cochron, Irvin Zollinger, John Hilsmier and John Howard. All look mighty rested and ready to do a real day's work. . . . Marjorie Michalowski has returned to work after a few months' leave. Welcome back, Marg. . . . Herman Ambrose and Marshal Smitley are also back on the job after several weeks' illness. Hope you are feeling fine, boys. Glad to have you back. . . . We hear that Kozy has a new name for a cream separator, "A milk dispenser." Sounds as if Kozy isn't a class A-1 Cowhand. . . . We always enjoy having our fellow workers now with the armed forces come up to see us. Last week Paul Banet dropped in on us. He had been a prisoner of war, after being captured in the German Bulge last December. He had lots of excitement while in the German prison camp and was accused of being a saboteur. . . . Frank Liestner came back from the Navy with lots of hair-raising stories of the Pacific and the Japs. He served on the Aircraft Carrier "Intrepid," which was hit ten miles off the coast of Tokyo by a Jap suicide plane. His fleet saw action at Formosa, Okinawa, Iwo Jima, Japan, and other places. One big Jap torpedo bomber was shot down so close to the ship that, in exploding, Frank had his clothes blown off, yet he came home to us without a scratch. Good luck on your next missions, fellows, we're all proud of you. . . . Back from their vacations are Lester Myers, Clara McKissick and Marjorie Kramer, all on second trick. All were glad to be with us again. . . . Bob McCoy, Ralph Thomas, and George Miller are enjoying their vacations at home. Could gas rationing be the reason, boys? Anyway, don't catch as many big ones as Joe Atkinson and Jesse Ebersole did. . . . We understand that Mr. Brooks has joined the Sunshine Club.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

Florence Fisher was seen sitting on the floor playing with blocks. Explanation: She had spilled a box off the bench. . . . Geneva Stenbarger was seen going down the aisle the other night with a bouquet of flowers. . . . Gladys Patton says, "Life is just one thing after another." Sometimes we agree with her. . . . Wally Bruner has returned to work after a brief illness. We are glad to have you back, Wally. . . . Anyone wishing to get in a good argument about the Conservation Department or the Rod and Gun Club, see Ernie Allmandinger. . . . Sixteen fellows in one group had a golfing party at Lake James over the week-end. While they were there they called on Pete Prince and Charles Strodel. They found both enjoying life at the lake. . . . Frank Schlink is wearing a big smile. Yes, it's a boy. Congratulations, Frank and Marilyn. . . . Wonder what it takes to make Gene Egts smile again? Cigarettes, muskmelons, flowers, ice cream, cake, gas stamps? . . . Wayne Imbody is home from the Pacific, and paid us a visit. Welcome, Wayne, we are always glad to see you. . . . Martha Toppy says the cigarette shortage doesn't bother her much—she has a pipe. Whether it is a Kaywoodie or a "Missouri Meerschaum," we don't know. Why don't you bring it in and demonstrate, Marty. . . . Larry Brayton has gone on his vacation. When he gets back, he will have some tall tales about the "big ones" that got away. And he says he will send "Pinky" Nies the nicest post card he can find.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Hello! Hello! Hello! We're glad to see everybody back again. Joe Eifrid really looked in the pink; of course the color of his shirt may have had something to do with it. Not casting any reflections, of course. . . . Little Oscar is taking his vacation a little late, so let's see how everybody can pitch in and show him they can put out production with quality. . . . Ferne Bermes and Betty Bradtmiller are the beauty experts in our section. They've experimented with permawaves, and so, girls, step up and be frizzed. . . . Walt Hall has looked high and low for the proper size of note pads. Thinks maybe he'll have to shear one down to special specifications. Did you know Walt's two boys arrived from France the same day but on different boats. They are all together now, having a reunion at Rome City. Walt says come up and meet the boys. . . . Eleanor Glass cleared off her bench one night last week so well that she misplaced the red ink pad. But everything is O. K. now that she's located it. Just where was it, Eleanor? . . . Garland Myers would like to patent his idea on an external counter sink. . . . We didn't hear one word from Lil Burns on her vacation. She said she just rusticated in the backwoods. . . . Do you know why Bldg. 17-1 lost the final game of the softball season? Big Chief Surface broke his glasses just before the start of the game. . . . Marvel

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

We were happy to hear from Cpl. Ermil Shook, who is stationed in Antwerp, Belgium. He is anxiously awaiting his trip home. . . . Tena Chronister of Plant 2 reports that she is expecting her son, Sgt. Paul Chronister, home soon. . . . We extend our very best wishes and hopes for a speedy recovery to Amanda Snell, who is seriously ill at the Memorial Hospital, and to Robert Shoup, who is recovering nicely from an automobile accident. Bob is getting along fine, although he has taken on the appearance of a Turk with that "turban" he's wearing. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Loren Troutner on the arrival of a baby daughter born August 8. . . . Olive Journay celebrated her birthday on August 8, and she reports that she had a most enjoyable day. . . . Cpl. Quintilla Frye, formerly of Plant 1, stopped off at Decatur for a sbort visit, enroute to Michigan where she will visit her parents. . . . Mary Jane Wilson and Calvin Burnett were married August 4. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dowell Singer are the parents of a baby girl born August 5. Will someone please help Dowell select a name for the new member? The stork also visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Busse. A baby boy was born August 9. Congrats. . . . Visitors in the plant last week included Jerry Schlickman and Norman Kistler, both U. S. Navy. . . . Vacationists include: Esther Schueler, Dorothy Burris, Edra Dellinger, Marie Smith, Mary Miller, and Willie Hoffman. . . . Best wishes to Cpl. Elmira Kraner, who informed her mother by telegram tbat she was married August 10 to Sgt. Wallace H. Minton. She is stationed at Van Nuys, Calif. Her sister, Cpl. Frances Kraner, is stationed at El Paso, Texas, in William Beaumont General Hospital. . . . "Eaters" at Mary Fuhrman's "Eating" party last week were: Irene Ewell, Alyce Mae Ellenberger, Olga Schueler, Mary Fuhrman, and others. Alyce Mae spent that night in Preble with Irene Ewell. The menu consisted of chili sandwiches, potato salad, macaroni salad, pickles, olives, celery, and potato chips. . . . Mildred Wagoner had a pleasant surprise last Thursday. She received a beautiful bouquet of roses from her husband, S/Sgt. Delmar Wagoner, stationed on Luzon, for their wedding anniversary. . . . What a glorious reunion it was when both of Jake Eady's sons were home at the same time. It was the first time they've been together in three years. . . . Two dozen roses to Lorena Keller for her splendid personnel work. . . . Ralph Welch has proclaimed that the crows have abandoned their knapsacks when they fly across his farm now that it has begun to produce paying crops. . . . Grant Fry spent his recent vacation in Lansing, Mich. . . . Maybe no one was aware of it, but Bert Strickler had a birthday Sunday, August 5, and of all the elaborate birtbdays, it was the last word—cake and all. Good thing she doesn't have a birthday every week. Anyhow, happy birthday, Bert.

P-59 Jet Flies Over Schenectady



A P-59, Bell Airacomet jet-propelled plane, gave a 15-minute demonstration during noon hour of General Electric's plant in Schenectady recently, so that employees, many of whom had helped in the development and manufacture of the jet engine, could see results of their work in action. Tbe plane leaves a slight trail of smoke but no flames. Captain John Brown, the pilot, says the speed was "more than" 400 miles an hour, but how much more is a War Department secret.

19-B's BUZZ

Back from their vacations with lots of vim, vigor, and vitality are Mamie Ray, Annie Fairbanks and John Dellinger. . . . Vera Bley believes in going out for outdoor exercise in a big way. After an afternoon of horseback riding (bareback, to boot) she spends the evening dancing. Result: Vera can't make up her mind if she'd rather sit or stand while working. Maybe we should order a bed for you, eh, Vera? . . . Quite a coincidence is reported by Virgie Mayer, whose two nephews' ships met in mid-ocean to exchange cargo. Imagine the boys' surprise when they met face to face after being separated two years! . . . An attractive addition to the basement is our new Navy inspector, Marjorie Jenkins. Welcome, Marjorie, and may you enjoy your stay. . . Dorothy Rydell is enjoying a vacation this week. . . . A happy mother in our midst this week is Mildred Clevenger, whose son, Eldon, is now home after spending the last two years in Europe. Best of luck to you, Eldon. . . . Dick Grate came to work Monday morning "in the pink of condition" after spending the week-end at the lake. . . . Vacation days are here for Bob Bond. Have a nice time, Bob. . . . Gracie Ober certainly has taken the ponies in her stride. After attending the races last Tuesday night, Gracie was seen running to the car in the downpour with a speed that any of those horses would have envied. (May we also add that she was minus her shoes and stockings, too.) You certainly made a picture, Gracie. . . . Height of humor this week—Paul Becker falling off his chair and coming up with the wastebasket on his head. Kindly explain, Paul. . . . The gang received a card from Bob Heinzelman, who is vacationing in New Jersey. Bob states he's having a swell time, and hasn't even missed us yet—fine thing! Also, he can't figure out whether he's taking in the horse races or whether it's he who is being took! Oh well, have your fun, son; vacation comes but once a year. . . . "The fleet's in," shout the girls—and lo and behold! There is Don Mertz, who was formerly one of us. Don is now stationed in the hospital unit at Oakland, Calif. . . . Glad to report Vera Blup's son is home on furlough. Hope you enjoy your vacation, Vera. . . . Other vacationers this week are Cecil Emrick and Pat Clauss. . . . Lost—one pair of glasses. Will anyone finding same, return to "Pop" Ingersoll, Basement. Come on, gang, let's find them for him—for if you do, your reporter gets a reward! —Did I hear any comments? ? ? . . . Anyone having a flat tire, call on Fred Seip. We hear he had experience in this field last Tuesday. . . . We've missed the cheery greetings called out of the tool inspection room by Gracie Ober. We'll be glad to see you back, Gracie.

Plastics

Betty Baxter and Carolyn Reynolds have returned to work after spending an enjoyable week's vacation. . . . Have you noticed how excited Clara Ringenberg seems lately? She has good reasons too. Her son has returned from Europe and is expected home soon. . . . Birthday greetings go to Pauline Schneider and Dorothy Lebrecht. We wish you gals many more, and may they be happy ones. . . . Lucille Schelper says everyone at her table has been so good this week. There just isn't any news.

Bldg. 12-3, First Shift

Maxine Johnson and Jeanette Timmons are back from a week's vacation. Hope you girls had a swell time. . . . Jauna Bill Whitehurst, Elsie Houtz, and Iris Summers are vacationing this week. You lucky girls. Have a nice time. . . . The most ambitious girl at the G-E seems to be Jean Snyder. She went to bed at 10 P.M., got up at 11 P.M., got all dressed for work, and went downstairs for breakfast, when her mother informed her she could go back to bed.

Bldg. 12-3, Office

Wayne Pribble and Bob Karasek are both back from their two weeks' vacation. They say they had a swell time but it ended too soon to suit them. Don't feel bad, fellas; Anyone who has taken their vacation feels the same way.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Harry Balz was pleasantly surprised recently when he found that he was the recipient of an award for arriving at the "millennium" by achieving the almost impossible task of having an "all blue" card for one full week. This award was presented him by his fellow-workers in appreciation of his availing himself for consultation from the very second the work day began. Harry's present plan calls for the award to be framed, and the purple ribbon which bound the scroll he has promised to wear in his hair. . . . Walter Whonsetler announces that he is now holding open house in his chicken coop. Walter designed and built the coop himself. He says he has it perfected so that all he has to do is push a button and the egg rolls out; that is, it will when he gets hens in the coop to lay the eggs. . . . Hugh Hackett, formerly of the A.C. Section, was up the other day passing candy and cigars. He explained that he is the new father of a baby boy. Congratulations. . . . Carl Brandt is now known as the "Thunder Man." Carl has a metal desk and was creating the sound of thunder by bumping his knees against the sides of his desk. Jack Seigel and Clyde Barnes were sure it was thunder but were surprised not to see more dark clouds in the sky. Jack finally got wise when he saw Carl looking nonchalantly out the kindow and bumping his knees on the sides of his desk. Barney wasn't quite as observing, he didn't discover what was going on until Jack told him. . . . Anyone knowing a sure way to gain weight, please see M. G. Norris. He would like to leave out some of the notches he has taken in his belt lately. . . . Would you like to buy a Springer Spaniel pup? If so, see Dwight Willits. His dog presented him with eight of the most beautiful and intelligent pups you've ever seen. . . . Lilian Dougherty was rushing the week. On Thursday evening she started to ring out the wrong card, discovered her mistake, then rang out her own card, and put it in the black box. It was pretty hot that day, Lilian. . . . Ruth English, returning from a two weeks' vacation at the lake, must have decided the week was too long too. She put her card in the box Friday evening. If you would like to know how it feels to have poison ivy and chiggers at the same time, we're sure Ruth can tell you. . . . Jerry Zehendner found out what happens when his bicycle decides it doesn't want to go the same way he is going. Jerry was riding his bicycle out of the Fairfield parking lot when he caught on the bicycle rack. Of course it threw him, so he and the bicycle parted company. . . . Clyde Barnes seems to be a little baffled by the strange tracks that disturbed the dew on his lawn one Saturday morning. It seems that the animal, or whatever it was, must have a long broad tail. At least that was the story he gave his riders that morning when he was a little late picking them up. . . . It seems that Walter Hahn has more trouble than anyone. While on vacation, he papered his kitchen. He noticed a bulge in the ceiling and was going to knock the plaster off and replaster it, but his wife suggested they just paper over it, so paper over it they did. The suggestion didn't work out so well though, because Walter received a telephone call from his wife one day saying the plaster had fallen. By the way, he still doesn't have his roof all done. Carl Brandt says he is waiting until Walter gets some more chickens, then he'll help him again. . . . We'd like to suggest that Ernie Spaulding be a little more careful in crossing the street at Taylor and Broadway or one of the honking cars might run him down. . . . Have you noticed the mustache Denver Druesedow is growing? It is rumored he started growing it the day after his wife went on vacation, and we hear there are a few bets that he'll shave it off when she gets back. . . . New members of the Forgotten Badger Club are Ray Jones and Paul Motter. . . . Nowadays whenever anything happens, we blame it onto some factor of the war, but never ourselves. For example: Irene Dro and Irene Beer weren't as speedy as they should have been the other morning, and when their bus got to the stop, they weren't there. Since the bus driver is one of these unusually kind souls, he honked the horn and waited for the girls. They flew down the steps and around the corner, but not Irene Dro; she slipped and fell. The bus waited and a street car in back of that was held up, and Irene's ego went down for the count of ten. The nurse in the dispensary patched Irene up, and the next few days saw her hobbling around the office. What received the blame? The plastic soles on her new non-rationed shoes. . . . Wilton and Mildred Raney drove to town last Friday noon to save time and energy. They completed their errands and came out of a store just in time to catch the next street car back to work. Where was their auto, oh! it was still parked down town. I suppose that was blamed onto the very exciting war news of that day—suppose? . . . It seems that we now have a radio star in our midst. Mary Whittern of the Sales Section sings for the Melody Spinners every Wednesday afternoon. Here's wishing you success as you start to climb the ladder to fame. . . . The members of the Production Section presented Al Konow with a lovely Gruen wrist watch as a parting gift before taking over his new position in Bldg. 18. Lots of luck, Al; we'll be watching from up here. . . . A dull thud resounded in the D.C. Section, and the gang began looking to see what happened. At first glance, apparently nothing, and then Walter Brake was seen picking himself up off the floor. A chair sure can throw you, can't it, Walter? . . . The girls in the Sales Section had a luncheon last Saturday in honor of Rhoda Crecraft, who is leaving us to become a missionary in Haiti. We all wish you loads of success and happiness in your new field, Rhoda. . . . Birthday wishes this week go to Helen Karolyi, Delores Haslup, Cloe Dray, Phyllis Bertsch, Donald Weber, and Joe Hiles. Many more happy returns. . . . Any complaints for the writing of this column this week go to a pinch hitter who is pinch hitting for a pinch hitter for your regular reporter, Almeda Miller, who is vacationing in Chicago. . . . So long.

JAPANESE SUN "SETS" BEFORE ALLIED MIGHT

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The fury that was unleashed on the world in the form of atomic bombs presages radical changes in our thinking. More forcibly than ever before the realization is thrust upon us that our intellectual and spiritual development is not keeping pace with our technological progress. The time for slip-shod thinking is past. No longer can we expect the best of the "muddling-through" policy in either domestic or international affairs. The time for clear thinking and vigorous action on the part of everyone of us is at hand. New meaning is added to the words of H. VanLoon: "Each of us is actually responsible for the happiness and well-being of the world in which we happen to live."

As we stand at the crossroads of destiny, our hope for the future seems to lie with scientists of the same caliber as those who harnessed this natural force into such a devastating weapon. Almost every destructive force developed on this earth has had a counterbalancing beneficial result for mankind. Our greatest hope must now be that scientists can eventually use this hitherto undreamed of source of energy for the benefit of mankind in the realm of healing, of ridding the earth of pestilence and disease, of lifting some of the physical burdens that have long plagued the human race.

But how precarious shall be our balance with such a destructive weapon in the possession of a powerful but unscrupulous nation. This time each of us must help build a peace that will last.

Is Zat So?

We are sorry that last Saturday was not V-J Day; one very minor reason being that we would have enjoyed the outcome of a wager, as Loyal Hillsmier was going to take Heinie Wichern home on his motorcycle. . . . A little game of button, button, who's got the button was played with Smolen Green recently when he "mislaid" his identification badge. Just before quitting time, Smolen finally found it. Who had it, Smolen? . . . We thought there was another new man in our section, but it was only "Pappy" Mosshammer wearing a new apron. . . . Brother George recently visited the dentist to have some of his teeth pulled. . . . We miss the nice displays and bulletins heretofore furnished by Warren Locker and are sorry to see our bulletin board darkened. Some practical joker added a sign: "Closed indefinitely, due to labor shortage." . . . A special transmitter was devised by Russell Gibson and Ray Epperson to tune in on the Jap wave length. Boy, they really were laying down the law! Too bad it was just make-believe. Maybe they could scare the Japs to death. . . . Did you see the beautiful big dahlia that Walter Prince brought from his flower garden? Walter is quite an authority on flowers, so see him, and he will explain how you too can raise flowers that will be the envy of your neighbors. . . . We missed Art Brockmeyer on our list of vacationists last week. . . . Vacationists this week are: Frank Hickman, Helen Ryan, Neil Allen, Oscar Schelper, Hoy Bastian, Frank Garard, Marilyn Kiebel, and Argend Denney. . . . Birthday congratulations to Eugene Weaver, Loyal Decker, Lloyd Pinkerton, Art Brockmeyer, Lloyd Jagger, Robert Haughk, and Frank Fisher. . . . We are sorry to hear that Howard Eastman had an accident while on vacation. Howard was thrown from a horse. We wish you a speedy recovery, Howard. . . . Harold Hoffman, a returned veteran, is welcomed back to the old gang.

The inspectors held a surprise birthday party on their foreman, Loyal Decker, at his home on the Reckeweg Road. The group played badminton and croquet and enjoyed a marshmallow and wiener bake. Mr. Decker was presented a gift from those present, who were: Elizabeth Love, Roxanna Miller, Betty Kaufman, Mary Jane Meyer, Helene Evanoff, Naomi Zimmerman, Marjorie Ottinger, Lloyd Pinkerton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clifton, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Habig, and Mr. and Mrs. Max Anders.

G-E Proves His Roar . . . . .



"Toby," elephant in Ringling Brothers-Barnum Bailey Circus recently "challenged" "Leo the Lion's" position as king of the beasts. By voice test on the General Electric sound level meter, device which measures quantity of sound, "Toby" trumpeted only one decibel of sound less than "Leo."

Disappointment Reigns

Circus Gorillas Rate Below Canaries In G-E Sound Level Meter Test

The old adage "the barking dog seldom bites," was proved in reverse at Schenectady recently, when the bitingest and most ferocious beast of Ringling Brothers-Barnum Bailey circus, appearing there, was scientifically found to have almost the meekest "bark" or voice of any animal in the big show.

General Electric sound level meter, which measures quantity of sound, tested the vocal offerings of "Toto" and "Gargantua," gruesome gorillas, and found each member of the hulking duo, most feared of all circus animals, to have a voice slightly less in sound intensity than that of a chirping canary. "Toto" and "Gargantua," at best, grunted only to the intensity of 73 decibels on the sound level meter. A canary, tested under similar conditions, chirped loudly enough for 77 decibels.

"Leo the Lion," as far as voice is concerned, came close to losing his sceptre as king of the beasts, but finally won out by a hair—or rather a decibel. "Toby," the elephant, offered a serious challenge by raising the counter on the indicator to 109 decibels. After falling short of this mark several times, "Leo" finally issued a roar worth 10 decibels. The top sound intensity of each equaled the noise at two feet of four men hammering a steel plate.

The circus barker, possibly comparable to the tobacco auctioneer, topped everything but the lion and elephant, with a volume of 100 decibels. This is as loud as an automobile horn at a distance of two feet.

Various pitches or tonal qualities have no effect on the sound level meter as a different frequency is used for every range. The meter seeks out and registers only the strength or volume of the sound.

—Twelve-Twosies—

The office didn't seem the same last week with Benny away from her desk. She is back and reports a very restful vacation but no fishing. . . . George Waldrop checked out Saturday in preparation for reporting to the Army August 22. The gang presented George with a Parker pen and pencil set. It might be added that the gals are expecting George to make use of it. Dry your tears, girls, George has promised, and he is a man of his word. . . . Where, oh where is our instructor? Will some one page him for us? . . . Leota is happy again. See her for details. . . . Our foreman reports squirrel meat on the table for his Sunday dinner — "Dead-Eye-Morton — he was known as in them days," we understand. . . . We are glad to welcome to our office, Miss Kessen and Mr. Kelly of the Navy Inspection Department. Both are very pleasant, which does not mean things don't have to be made right for the Navy.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Our column was cut short last week to make way for the atomic bomb news, so here goes a consolidation to make up for lost time. . . . So far this season Marylinn Bullerman is the champ absorber of Vitamin "D" in our office. The Sunday prior to her vacation she spent at Lake James with a group of sorority sisters. That evening she felt like she was sleeping beside a roasting oven and began to wish sky hooks were available. The next day Marylinn was lit up like the danger signal on a traffic light. . . . Elsie Fabian was missed during her vacation, and not just her candy either. . . . Jess Moser stayed home on his two weeks' vacation. He just "plunked" in one of his lawn chairs on California Avenue and smoked a box of cigars. . . . We welcome back in our office Wilma Noyer. Wilma now has six more college credits after completing a teacher's course in piano music at the St. Louis Institute of Music. . . . The "Hot Shots" were clustering around Perry Shober this week listening to his fishing stories. Perry spent his two weeks' vacation at his cottage on Round Lake. . . . A pleasant surprise was ours when Sgt. James E. Buchheit paid us a visit last week. Jim is the same happy-go-lucky fellow as when he left us three years ago to hitch up with the Air Corps. . . . Martha Crothers has only two weeks left of burning the candle at both ends. You see, she is doing her best to entertain her soldier friend, who is on a 30-day furlough, and, still, Martha, reports for work each morning as bright as a dollar. . . . Henry Reidenbach spent a day or so at the lake on his vacation and has reported catching 40 bluegills. . . . We are glad to have back in our office after a year and a half absence, Geraldine Bartling Dochterman. Gerry has a lot to tell of her experiences traveling with her soldier husband. However, she is glad to be back in good old Indiana, and home sweet home. . . . An interesting letter was received by Jack Heiniger from Pvt. Charles A. Woodward, who is in his fourth week of basic training at Ft. McClellan, Ala. Charlie said that he is being kept quite busy and has walked more in the few weeks there than he walked in a year at home. . . . Mary O'Connor enjoyed a few days of her vacation at the lake, but that was to hold down expenses, for she and her girl friends "invaded" Chicago in deluxe style by staying at the Stevens Hotel and by taking in only the exclusive spots in the big town. . . . A wise little girl is Sadie Isaac. . . . Has everyone noticed Charlie Siders' rugged suntanned cheeks lately? . . . Betty Lochner rested up at home on her vacation. . . . Vivian Gunkel's two weeks' vacation will be a lasting memory to her. She made her first trip to Chicago. . . . A heart of gold is Hester Root's. She had tears in her eyes after receiving so many cards and such nice presents from her friends here in the office wishing her a happy birthday. Some of Hester's close associates entertained her with a luncheon at the Oriental Gardens, cake and all. Those attending besides Hester were Betty Meyers, Ilene Shoyer, Elnora Miner, Betty Stemmler, Florence Caikins, and Helen Brown. . . . Joan Sample sent the Billing Section a "thank you" card for flowers she received during her present illness. Get well soon, Joan. . . . That's all, folks.



Hoot Mon! Things are happening sae fast now-a-days thot I'm afraid tae write about any current subject, for fear it will be obsolete before the paper comes out Friday! Things are popping all over, here and abroad, and if I'd try tae cover any o' them, this column would be about as stale, by Friday, as yesterday's "hourly bulletin."

So I guess I'll stick tae something more substantial, more fundamental, more lasting. What shall I write about? Let's pick some interesting subject,—like us,—for instance. About 150 years ago a document was written about us. It started with a preamble like this: WE, THE PEOPLE of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, —— etc.

A few weeks ago, another document was written about us. It started: WE THE PEOPLES of the United Nations, determined to —— etc.

Tae make both these two great documents, a Constitution, and a Charter, WORK, the first three words o' each specifically name the person or persons involved. It's us, you and me, and several hundred million others, thot must make them work.

Thot reminds me o' something else, thot we all must be together on, something thot can bring us comforts and luxuries tae enjoy in the freedom thot these two documents provide us. Guess what it reminds me of—guess what ANYTHING reminds old Sandy of—C.R.*, o' course. So, let's write a preamble tae Sandy's postwar C.R.* charter. Let's start: WE, THE PEOPLE of General Electric, in order to form a more perfect prosperity for all, establish good will among ourselves and to our customers, to insure domestic comfort, provide for the common defense against unemployment, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of independence to ourselves and our posterity, do establish our intention to promote C.R.* whenever and wherever possible, to maintain and further the General Electric slogan, 'More goods for more people at less cost."

(Hope my boss sees this, and knows who wrote it—it ought tae be good for a raise).

*COST REDUCTION.

A French woman doesn't wanna be 40.

An English woman doesn't wanna be 35,

An American woman doesn't wanna be 30.

A Japanese woman doesn't wanna B-29.

JAPANESE SUN "SETS" BEFORE ALLIED MIGHT

G-E Meets Notre Dame Team Tuesday

AT LONG LAST

Club Defeats Lafayette, 2-1, Friday Night At Dwenger

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club won a thrilling battle from Lafayette's Red Sox last Friday night at Dwenger Park 2-1. This game partially avenged several previous one-run defeats by the same team.

Keck, Lafayette hurler, held the hard-hitting Club sluggers to only three hits, but none of these were wasted, as the Club tallied a run in the first inning on a walk to Young, Barnett's fielder's choice, and Winter's triple; and then scored the winning run in the eighth on Chuck Bobilya's long double and a single by Seiple. Meanwhile Emil Bildilli, while allowing six hits in eight innings, had so spaced them that no two came in the same inning. In the ninth Laske started off with a triple and scored the visitor's only run on Monahan's single. After the second out Van Antwerp singled and it looked like another of the Red Sox ninth inning rallies but Davis batting for Keck fanned to end the game.

The game was enlivened in the eighth inning, when Desiderato and Cannizo took exception vocally to a decision at third base and as usually happens in such cases were excused for the evening by the umpire.

Summary:

LAFAYETTE	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Kosy,rf-3b	3	0	0	Kestner,rf	3	0	0
Deside'to,3b	4	0	1	Young,lf	2	0	0
DeLlon,rf	0	0	0	Barnett,ss	4	1	0
Dooley,lf	3	0	2	Winters,cf	4	0	1
Laske,cf	3	1	1	Hines,3b	3	0	0
Cannizo,2b	3	0	0	Bush,c	3	0	0
Lowery,2b	1	0	0	Bobilya,1b	3	1	1
Monahan,1b	4	0	2	Seiple,2b	3	0	1
Willlams,ss	3	0	0	Bildilli,p	2	0	0
V'Antwerp,c	4	0	2				
Keck,p	3	0	0				
Davis*	1	0	0				
Totals	33	1	8	Totals	27	2	3

*Batted for Keck in 9th.

Score by innings— R. H. E.
Lafayette ——0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1— 1 8 3
G-E Club ——1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 *— 2 3 2

Errors—Hines, Barnett, Laske, Monahan 2. Runs batted in—Winters, Seiple, Monahan. Two base bits—Bobilya, Monaban. Three base bits—Winters, Laske. Sacrifice—Dooley. Douple plays—Barnett to Bobilya: Cannizo to Monahan; Keck to Monaban. Left on bases—G-E Club 5; Lafayette 8. Bases on balls—Off Bildilli 2; off Keck 4. Strikeouts—By Bildilli 5; by Keck 5. Umpires—Dehaven and McCary. Time of game—1:55.

Better GOLF

By Dale W. McNutt
Third Installment
"GREEN PLAY"

(All green players may turn red in case of excessive heat).

1. Player shooting over "green" will regain his ball, and merely lay it back on the "green" at the exact spot where he intended to have the ball stop. However, it must be laid at least a club's length from the cup. (Mustache type is ruled out, as the ball will hang on the lip). It is advised that the club's length is always more narrow at the shaft.

2. After all the balls have been placed (by club, hand, or foot) into the cup, it is official that one "hole" has been played, and it is then perfectly legal to advance with caution to the next tee. Practically the same procedure will be used at all "holes." Watch advance foursome performing "second" shots in case of hurricane or excessive high winds.

3. Scores will be tabulated by player carrying longest pencil. A maximum score per hole for each player has been set at fifty. It has been rumored, and is also the thought of the writer, that any score in excess of that figure would be instrumental in losing the match. Scorekeeper must have had college mathematics, as adding machines will not be used.

Next week: General Rules and Suggestions.

Decatur Girls Take One And Lose One In Week's Play

By Marcia Martin

Tuesday night the Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team walloped the Baer Field W.A.C. 24-7 at Worthman Field. Verna Sprunger, Decatur third baseman, started on the mound for Decatur, but was relieved by Moser. Spalding, W.A.C. pitcher, allowed 23 hits and 24 runs, while Decatur allowed seven runs and seven hits. Decatur led and scored in every inning. Hoffman, Owens, Sheets and Snyder relieved McLean, Richey, Painter, and McCoy. See you next Tuesday night at Worthman Field.

Score by innings— R. H. E.
G-E ——7 2 1 5 9—24 23 2
W. A. C. ——2 0 3 2 0— 7 7 9

Batterles: Spalding and McGalan for the W. A. C.; Sprunger, Moser, and Bower for Decatur.

Decatur suffered its second League loss when Fort Wayne G-E defeated them 6-0 at Hamilton Park, Fort Wayne. Decatur was able to get only one hit from Getty, while Fort Wayne took six hits from Moser. Decatur's downfall in this game was overthrowing the bases, as five runs were accounted for by overthrowing the ball to bases. The Fort Wayne G-E team played good ball all the way. Decatur's next opponent will be Old Crown at Hamilton Park next Friday night.

Score by Innings— R. H. E.
Decatur C-E——0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 1 6
Ft. Wayne C-E——1 0 1 2 2 0 *— 5 5 4

Batterles: Moser and Bower for Decatur G-E; Cetty and Varner for Fort Wayne G-E.

TOUCHING THE BASES

By Walter Histed

Here are the latest batting averages, including the game with Lafayette last Friday.

	G	AB	R	H	TB	RBI	Ave.
Hines	8	30	8	15	28	11	.500
Winter	27	105	17	41	55	35	.337
Barnett	29	114	29	43	50	14	.377
Bildilli	13	32	4	12	14	3	.375
Young	22	73	15	22	29	13	.301
Thomas	9	20	3	5	5	1	.300
Seiple	29	105	13	31	37	11	.295
Wattler	25	99	12	28	31	12	.283
Bobilya	26	100	22	28	45	17	.280
Busb	27	90	13	25	35	12	.278
Miller	10	15	3	4	4	2	.267
Kestner	27	71	14	15	21	11	.211
Brann	25	82	17	17	24	8	.207
Kisler	5	14	2	2	5	3	.143
Braden	3	0	0	0	0	0	.000

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Since having two players tossed out of the game at Lafayette recently, Manager Braden has issued orders for the players to play the game and leave all debating to him. Must be a good idea, as the team has won eight straight since then.

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'Twas a lively eighth inning last Friday, with the Lafayette debating twins at third and second bases being thumbed from the game by Umpire McGary for uttering words not enjoyable to an umpire's ears.

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Joe Henry, the vice-president in charge of keeping baseballs dry, also is one of the best bench jockeys in these parts. He was under the skin of the Red Sox to such an extent that they asked the umpires to clear the bench of all not in uniform. Joe remained, however.

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Don't miss the game next Tuesday with Notre Dame. Coach Jake Kline will bring a scrappy team here to try and break the Club's winning streak.

Attention Women Bowlers

Anyone wishing to bowl with the Monday Night Women's League, please fill in the following form and return to either Joan Miller, Bldg. 16-3, or Selma Bradtmiller, Bldg. 31-1.

Name.....

Address, Home.....

Address, Work.....

Phone, Home.....

Phone, Work.....

Average.....

Bradenmen Will Attempt To Hold Winning Streak

By Walter Histed

Boasting an eight-game winning streak, the fast-stepping G-E Club team will meet Coach Jake Kline's Notre Dame summer team at Dwenger Park next Tuesday night at 8:30 o'clock.

The Fighting Irish have had a successful summer season featured by a 20 inning 1-0 victory over Stout Field. In this game Jack Barrett, the Irish's ace twirler, pitched 14 innings, the first 9 hitless, before retiring with a sore arm.

Besides Barrett the visitors have Dick Smullen, a freshman southpaw who blanked Camp Atterbury 2-0 in his first start. At first base is Johnny Coppinger, a position he will fill late in August on the West team, at the annual East-West all star amateur game played in New York's Polo grounds. Dan Grieve, son of the American League umpire, will be in right field.

The Club will miss the heads stick work of Bobby Winters, who shipped out of Dayton for a west coast air field this week.

For this game Manager Braden has all of his starting pitchers ready to go with the choice probably between Bildilli and Thomas.

Club Softball Ten Drops Baer Field And Moose Teams

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club won from Baer Field by a score of 2-0 behind the one-hit pitching of Bobby Starkel at the Beach Thursday, August 9. The Baer Field hit came after two were out in the seventh. The G-E runs both came in the sixth on two walks, an infield out, and an error by the first baseman.

Summary:

C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	BAER FIELD	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	2	1	0	Eckerd,2b	3	0	0
Esterline,2b	2	1	0	M'Question,rf	3	0	0
Stanskl,ss	3	0	0	Palumbo,cf	3	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1b	3	0	0	Solek,ss	3	0	0
Rarick,rf	3	0	1	Paino,3b	3	0	0
Cook,rf	0	0	0	Sondergard,lf	1	0	0
Hess,lf	3	0	1	Davis,c	2	0	0
Starkel,p	3	0	1	Kirkman,1b	2	0	0
Anderson,sf	2	0	0	Woodward,p	2	0	0
VanRyn,sf	1	0	0	Lindey,sf	2	0	0
Scherer,cf	3	0	2				
Hilgema'n,c	3	0	1				
Totals	23	2	5	Totals	24	0	1

Score by Innings— R. H. E.
G-E Club ——0 0 0 0 0 2 0— 2 5 2
Baer Field ——0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 1 1

The G-E Club Softball team won another game at Memorial Park Monday, August 13, from the Moose team, 9-5. The team can feel a little more proud of this game, since the hitting was much better.

Summary:

C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	MOOSE	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	2	1	1	Foster,ss	3	1	1
Stanski,ss	2	1	1	Smola,lf	3	2	2
Rarick,rf	2	0	0	Yoder,2b	3	0	0
Cook,rf	1	1	1	Fetchter,3b	3	1	1
Ste'rnagel,1b	2	0	0	Cowan,1b	3	1	1
VanRyn,1b	1	0	0	Carpenter,cf	3	0	0
Scherer,cf	2	1	1	Munger,sf	3	0	1
Hess,lf	3	1	1	Zenen,c	3	0	0
Anderson,2b	3	1	1	Le'herman,rf	2	0	1
Hilgema'n,sf	3	1	1	Stage,p	2	0	0
Bohde,c	3	1	1				
Starkel,p	3	1	1				
Totals	27	9	9	Totals	28	5	7

Score by innings— R. H. E.
Moose ——1 0 0 2 0 1 2— 5 7 1
G-E ——0 7 0 1 1 0 *— 9 9 2

Off the Tee

By Johnny Gitter

We have quite a few scores this week. Carl Saaf and Ife Holmes both had 38's. We will tell you about Ife later. Gene Sarrizin had a 39, Chuck Graham, Bob Link, and Ed Becker had 40's, Maurie Cox 41, and Ernie Baade, Mick Simpson, and Paul Lecoque all had 42's.

There is a story connected with Ife's 38. It seems he can't get by the fifth hole with less than six. Not only that, but after getting a double bogey on an easy par four, he pars the sixth (which is a hard par three) and then birdies the par five seventh hole. That's playing it the hard way.

Johnny Young would like to know how to get that birdie on seven. He has had three 10's and a 13 on it.

Bruce Hamilton says the third is an easy hole. He has birdied it the last three times out.

If any of you fellows are having trouble with fairway shots, see Rudy Alexander. Rudy gave a nice demonstration on the seventh the other night. It is a little hard on the posterior extremity, but the resulting shot is worth it.

I've got a story that doesn't concern anyone in the league, but I think you might be interested in hearing it. S/Sgt. James Brown, from Bacr Field, who ordinarily shoots in the low seventies, had a 94 for nine holes at Brookwood. He played the whole nine with a pop bottle. Several of the boys had bet him he couldn't break a hundred. He played all shots from his knees. On the green he used the large end of the bottle as a cue and putted them in that way. I talked to Sgt. Brown about it last week, and he tells me he had several one-putt greens. In case any of you are having trouble, that may be your solution to the putting problem. Brownie, by the way, was the only player from this section who qualified for the State Amateur Tournament.

Don't forget the annual Blind Bogey Tourney next month. The exact date will be announced soon.

Golf Etiquette Hint of the Week

A good way to test your opponent's power of concentration is to whistle "How Dry I Am" while he is trying to putt. Copies of the tune may be secured at any bar or music store.

High speed flash photography, which reached new levels of development in brilliant action shots from the war front, has been improved through use of a lacquer. The new bulb, soon to go into production, gives out 40 per cent more light and is expected to be 45 per cent more effective photographically.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
W. K. McIver (2)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne	4-5	Phone 492	8:00- 5:15
Arthur C. Bottoms (2)*	Harlan, Ind. Coming in on Road No. 1, 8 miles north.	4-5	Sboner	7:00- 3:30

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Caynel Blessing	R. 5, Fort Wayne Leesburg Road, 5 miles out.	4-5	Young	8:00- 5:15
John Mobr	Hamilton, Lake, Ind.	26-1	Sbeppberd	8:06-11:00
Phyllis Bertsch	Kendallville, Ind.	4-6	Grover	8:00- 5:15
Donna Smith	Kendallville, Ind.	17-4	Hanson	8:00- 5:15

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"On Parade" At Jap Surrender News



Clarence S. Hildenbrand, Bldg. 27, Roy Turnipseed, Bldg. 26, and Paul R. Stiver, Bldg. 27, (left to right) staged their own impromptu parade when news of the Japanese surrender was received. The World War II memorial serves as a fitting background to their "Victory Parade."

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Wilson Praises G-E People In Triumph

Says They Share Credit With Armed Forces For Great Victory

To the Employees of the General Electric Company:

In a very large measure the conduct of this war and its sucessful conclusion have been in the hands of the whole American people, not alone those of the Armed Forces. Today and for a long time to come we shall pay honor as a nation and as individuals to the achievements of the Army, Navy, the Air Forces and the Marines, to every branch of the uniformed services which have performed so valiantly and sacrificed so much for our defense and for our victory. For a long time to come we shall be grieving for those who gave their lives for the common good. Still, that is not the whole story. This Company, embracing as it does so many thousands of men and women, so many talents and skills, and the hopes of so many human beings, is a true cross section of the nation, a cross section to which I am particularly bound as an individual and of which I am proud to be a part. Today in particular I would like to express this pride and my gratitude to you who have served your country and this organization so well and so faithfully. Just as

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Elex Will Open New Member Drive Aug. 27

Contact Girls Already Named For Next Year; Election Sept. 17

The annual Elex Club membership drive will start Monday, August 27, and continue to Monday, September 10, Irene Meyers, club adviser, announced today, while election of officers will follow on September 17-21.

Contact girls for next year have already been named and will talk to girls in their sections during the drive. Appointments have been made, Miss Meyers said, so that all girls will have a direct contact with Elex affairs, no matter what shift they are working on.

Dues for this year are $2, the same as in past years, and will be collected by the contact girls. By present indications, Miss Meyers said, Elex Club will arrange another of its summer trips next year. Such affairs have been very successful in the past, but were discontinued during the war years

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War Use Of Mobile Substations To Bring Improved Electric Service

Improved electric service for American homes and factories during postwar days was predicted here by central station engineers of General Electric as the result of highly successful applications made during the war of mobile unit substations, those modern, auxiliary "electric stations on wheels" which are ready at a moment's notice to be moved to any part of the electric system where emergency power is required.

Uninterrupted and efficient electric service is made possible by these mobile units, which are designed for emergency use when permanent equipment is damaged by such things as fire, flood, or hurricane. The substations can also be used advantageously during overhaul of regular substations, in system changeovers, to relieve seasonal overloads or supply power for large temporary requirements.

Speed Stressed

Mobile substationa speed to the point of installation at 40 miles an hour and restore service almost immediately. One of the largest of the units is capable of supplying power for 37,500 100-watt lamps, equivalent to a fair-sized town.

At present mobile substations are in service on electric power systems in half of the 48 states, and others, manufactured in this country, are serving outlying possessions and are helping to rebuild the war-devastated areas of Europe. More than 20 of the substations have been ordered from G-E for this purpose by Russia alone.

Units Are Complete

Each of the mobile substations is a complete unit in itself, capable of by-passing and replacing an entire permanent substation when

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Clyde, N. Y., Plant Acquired For Fluorescent Ballast Manufacture

Fort Wayne, Ind., General Electric has completed negotiations for the acquisition, as of December 1, 1945, of the manufacturing facilities of Clyde, N. Y., plant of The Acme Electric and Manufacturing Company. The property to be acquired includes the land and buildings and substantially all of the equipment.

This purchase is made with the purpose of further providing for the rapidly growing demand for fluorescent ballasts. The pent-up demand is now very large, and is expected to greatly increase in volume now that the Japanese war is over.

The Clyde plant will be operated under the supervision of the Fort Wayne Works and will further augment the production of the Fort Wayne facilities for these products, as well as those recently announced for Danville, Ill.

In making this announcement,

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CASUALTIES

Pvt. Warren Hershberger, Bldg. 26-1, lost his life January 12, while being moved by a troop transport from New Guinea to the Philippines.

Lt. Robert M. Bentz, Winter St. Power Drive, was killed in China, July 2.

Pvt. Kerwin Bechtol, Bldg. 19-4, was wounded in December near St. Vith.

Paul R. Eberhard, Bldg. 4-5, was wounded on Okinawa, June 17.

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We Did And We Will

"The tumult and the shouting dies;
The captains and the kings depart. . . ."

Victory has come, and after two days of well-earned relaxation, the men and women of General Electric are back at work again. They have stood shoulder to shoulder with the heroic boys of the Armed Forces and now, as President Charles E. Wilson says, "Just as the victory belongs to all of us, so must the achievement and the satisfaction belong to all of us, in uniform and out."

It has been a long, hard pull, but it has had plenty of thrills. What could compare with the lift of heart that came when that hush-hush queen of the skies, the B-29, suddenly came out into the light and into the news, and the Army looked upon the raid reports and told us, "Well done!"? We had made her almost invulnerable to attacking aircraft with the armament we had built for her.

Who is so dull as not to feel the exaltation of personal victory when the Navy gave us the real facts on radar, that cat's eye that could see a Jap ship far over the horizon in the dark and blow it to pieces? Did anyone who worked on those powerful turbines for vessels, war and merchant, not smile with pride when they told us we helped build the world's greatest Navy and also the bridge of ships that saved Europe?

We did this.

Now we are finishing up our war contracts and soon will be back to the peace jobs we like to do. There will be problems, but the nation is strong, and so are we. No matter if the job of transition is hard at times—

We'll do that, too.

The Atomic Bomb

The atomic bomb may be ushering a new era into the history of man. If so, it is unfortunate that the new era should be introduced by a machine of such horrible destruction. Scientists have known for several years that atomic disintegration releases a terrific amount of energy which appears upon the annihilation of a certain amount of matter. If a single electron is annihilated, it is replaced by an energy of ½ million electron volts. The electron is so small that over one billion billion billion are required to make a mass of one gram (about 1/28th of an ounce). But if one gram of matter is annihilated, there would appear an energy of 25,000,000 kilowatt hours. This is enough energy to supply all of the heat, light, and power requirements of the average home for a life time.

Of course, the utilization of atomic energy for peaceful purposes depends on man's ability to control that energy at will. If the energy is released at a low rate, as in the disintegration of radium, it is insignificant over the short period of time of an hour or a day. However, if the entire energy is released instantaneously, the power is enormous. If our scientists are able to find a method of releasing and controlling the atomic energy at will, we should find the next few years more progressive than all those of the past ages combined. The details of the operation of the atomic bomb have not been made public. We do not know what its future possibilities may be and predictions at this early stage would be nothing more than idle words. This August 24, however, may be the nineteenth day of history's most important era.

GUARD IT!



Unless the published predictions of scientists are all wrong, the atomic bomb has burst a way for mankind into a new era fraught with all kinds of dramatic possibilities for the peacetime harnessing of atomic force. For once, the truth seems to have outstripped the comic strips.

As President Wilson says, however, "it is too early to do more than speculate as to the possible peacetime use of this type of energy," and the New York Times, pointing out that methods of atomic power development probably will take many years to perfect, says that, even when proper equipment is devised, "steam will be raised by the heat of atomic energy, with turbines still turning generators."

By that time it may well be that the United Nations can pool their knowledge for the benefit of mankind. Meanwhile, the men and women of General Electric can be proud that they shared in the atomic bomb achievement and glad President Truman promises that Uncle Sam, England and Canada, the original discoverers, will guard the dread secret of the bomb with all their determination, lest it destroy the world.

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. How do airplanes fly in the stratosphere?

A. The stratosphere begins at a height of six miles or more above sea level. In the intensely cold and greatly rarefied atmosphere at that height, flight is possible only with special equipment for driving plane engines and for pilot and passengers. For the engine, a turbosupercharger is provided, which compresses the rarefied air before it is fed to the cylinders, so that the engine receives as much oxygen as at sea level. Because the rarefied air offers less resistance, flight in the stratosphere requires less power than at sea level. For a fighter plane carrying only one man, he may be protected against cold by an electrically heated suit, and may receive the needed oxygen from a tank. For large bombers or for commercial planes, the cabin may be heated and compressed air supplied by a supercharger.

Q. What are some uses for solidified alcohol and solidified gasoline?

A. Solidified alcohol is used as a fuel for small cook stoves, such as "canned heat." Solidified gasoline is used in flame-throwing devices for warfare.

Q. How can pocket or wrist watches be demagnetized?

A. Watches can be demagnetized by placing them in an appropriately strong alternating-current field, inside a coil, and then slowly withdrawing them from this field. Most jewelers have the necessary equipment to do this.

Q. What is a radiosonde?

A. It is a device that is used to study the weather and predict what it is going to be in the future, both for civilian use and for the armed forces. It consists of a balloon to which is attached a miniature automatic radio station and instruments for measuring the air pressure, temperature, and relative humidity. The readings of these instruments are broadcast and picked up and recorded by a radio receiver on the ground. Observations can be made in this way up to as high as 50,000 feet. They give information about the air conditions far above the ground, where changes often take place in advance of changes at lower altitudes. Sometimes radiosonde devices have a parachute attached so that they return to earth gently and undamaged, with the hope that they will be picked up and can be used again. They are approximately the size of a shoe box.

Q. What is "dry cleaning?"

A. It is a process for removing dirt and stains from materials by means of organic solvents and special soaps and detergents. It may also be called "chemical cleaning." This term seems to be more fitting, for the chemicals commonly used are liquids. Petroleum naphtha and the other liquids employed are inert toward textile fibers. (Water, on the other hand, causes such fibers to become limp and in many cases to alter in shape and size). Various grades of this petroleum and special dry-cleaning soaps are used. These are supplemented by ethyl alcohol, acetone, carbon tetrachloride, and acetic acid, and sometimes other substances, for removing spots that do not respond to the ordinary treatment.

Q. Which evaporates faster—salt or fresh water?

A. Under the same conditions of wind, area and temperature, fresh water evaporates faster because its vapor pressure is higher than that of salt water.

News From THE SERVICES

Back From Overseas



Lloyd G. Lea Glen Geyer

Cpl. Lloyd G. Lea stopped in to see his friends at Taylor Street on his return from the European Theater. Glen Geyer, CM 3/c, also formerly of Taylor Street, was a recent visitor there.

Waves Here



Alice Swick M. Wehmeyer

Alice Swick and Marjorie Wehmeyer, both WAVES, recently dropped in to see old friends at Taylor Street.

Dear Editor:

. . . I have just returned from overseas. I was wounded on Okinawa. It sure is nice being back in the States. I would like to get closer to good old Fort Wayne and hope to get transferred closer home in the near future.

Say hello to the folks in Bldg. 4-5.

Good luck,
Paul R. Eberhard, H.A. 1/c

Great To Be Back



Leroy M. Possell Louis F. Beorger

During his recent visit to Taylor Street, where he was formerly employed, Leroy M. Possell of the Air Corps said that every time he saw G-E equipment, he thought he had his hand on the front doorknob. Cpl. Louis F. Beorger, formerly of Bldgs. 26-2 and 26-4, said when he was here on a visit, "Sure seems great to be back in the States again after spending some time in Germany. It's also swell to see what's left of the old gang. Keep up the good work, and I hope to be back soon."

Staff Sgt. Paul G. Bucher, formerly employed in Bldg. 19-5, has recently been awarded the Silver Star Medal for courageous leadership of his men in an attack on fortified positions in the Siegfried Line, despite intense enemy fire. He was cited for gallantry in action near Fraulautern, Germany, on March 18, 1945, when the 65th division, a part of General Patton's Third Army, was besieging the strongly defended German West Wall at this point on the Saar River.

From Germany



Arthur Blume

Lohr, Germany

Dear Editor:

. . . My A.S.R. score of 116 made the transfer to my new unit possible. Two sons, a bronze star, and five battle stars helped build the total.

I may get to fly to the U.S.—at any rate I hope to be back with G-E before the end of the year.

I'm enclosing a picture of our Elbe Gateway. Since the fighting, I have been on Military Government duty. The Germans have given us no trouble. I'm now near Nurnberg in beautiful rolling country.

Hello to the gang in Bldg. 17-4.

Yours,
Lt. Arthur Blume

The Philippines
July 30, 1945

Dear Editor:

I am writing to let you know my new address and to greet all my friends in Bldg. 26-4. I arrived at Manila and have now moved on. I would like to say to all those back there at the G-E to keep on turning out the equipment as we need it. There is still an awful lot of work to be done over here. But I am sure that you folks will give us the necessary equipment to do the job and do it quickly.

I want to say hello to all the gang up in Bldg. 26-4, especially to Mr. Lockwood and to Mr. Mentzer. I really miss the gang and hope to be back with them very soon.

With best regards,
Sgt. Thomas J. Kirk

Ralph M. Hursh of the Armored Forces, Walter E. Guenin, Sr., of the Navy, Veronica Rulka of the WAVES, S 2/c George Prince, Leonard V. Spring, a/s, and Robert Schuelke of the Infantry were recent visitors to the Taylor Street Plant.

Service Visitors



W. M. Mielke N. G. Lepper

A recent visitor to Taylor Street was William M. Mielke, who was just discharged from the Air Forces. Norman G. Lepper, BM 1/c, was another recent visitor to Taylor Street, where he worked before joining the Navy.

Proud Of G-E



S. A. Sallot, Jr. Archie L. Smith

"Be proud you are G-E," said Stephen A. Sallot, Jr., R.T. 3/c, "for we build the best in Radar and radio equipment," when he visited Taylor Street recently. Another former Taylor Street employee, Archie L. Smith of the Signal Corps, also returned for a visit.

Recent service visitors to the Taylor Street Plant vouched for the excellence of G-E products at the front. Said Fred F. Ball, now in the Navy: "I have served aboard a cargo ship hauling ammunition and supplying the fleet at Okinawa and the Philippines. There was plenty of G-E equipment aboard my ship, and I think it's the best." PFC Victor P. Bryie said on his recent visit, "I have seen and used a lot of G-E equipment. It was always very good."

Supercharger Visitors



J. S. Stockman W. Poffenbarger

John S. Stockman, MOMM 1/c, and Wendell C. Poffenbarger, S 1/c, recently visited friends at the Taylor Street Plant, where they were employed before entering the Navy.

Checking Of Tapers Aided By Measuring Machine Device

A fixture to hold tapered parts in a measuring machine has been devised by Adolph Pohlman at General Electric's Pittsfield Works. It simplifies the checking of tapers per foot and eliminates the necessity of a long mathematical process for each part.

Mainly a small clamping arrangement, the fixture consists of a base with an upright block attached, and a holding clamp. The taper is placed in the fixture and securely clamped. Two identical rollers are used for measuring the diameter of the taper at the bottom. A reading is taken, and then the rollers are set on identical Jo-blocks for another diameter measurement.

The diameter of the roller and the height the rollers are raised has now been obtained, and the angle of taper per foot can be found in any machinist's handbook. If the values found agree with the required values, the indicator readings will show any variation in each succeeding taper.

Gets Appointment



D. B. Poland

D. B. Poland has been named Plant Superintendent of G-E's new plant at Clyde, N. Y., where he will direct the manufacture of fluorescent ballasts. Prior to his present appointment, he was Foreman, Special Assignments, in the Specialty Transformer Division. Originally employed as a winder in this division in 1925, he has also served as a manufacturing foreman and Supervisor of Waste and Spoilage.



MAKING THE BEST USE OF FERTILIZER NOW

The long, wet period of May and early June delayed growth in the vegetable garden in many areas. The delay has come about largely as a result of soil so cold and wet that not even the weeds have shown their customary vigor. (I realize this is a disputable statement). Organic fertilizers have been prevented from going into action to provide plant food this early in the season.

Constant rain has apparently washed available nitrogen down beyond the reach of plant roots. Even though ample fertilizer was dug in at the time the soil was turned this Spring, the plants have not been able to draw on it, nor has the soil been dry enough for any of the buried plant food to work up toward the surface.

For reasons such as these, feeding from the top or side-dressing will prove a useful means of stimulating young crop plants into growth. A complete fertilizer can be used, or one that is very high in one element, nitrogen, can give the desired results.

Side-dressing can be done with dry fertilizer scattered evenly over the area between the garden rows, after which it can be hoed in before a shower or watered in. If the soil is dry at the surface, there is little of immediate benefit to be gained by scattering dry fertilizer over the soil surface. To be of any immediate value to the plants, the fertilizing materials must be in solution within reach of the plant roots.

Dry fertilizer can also be banded in hoe marks parallel to the rows and watered in. Care must be taken not to injure the roots of the plants in the process.

About the only case in which dry fertilizer can be scattered on the soil surface with reasonably quick results is just before a mulch is applied. The mulch will take care of the moisture situation and will also permit the plant roots to work in the top inch or so of soil undisturbed by the cultivating tools. However, a mulch should not be applied until the soil is really warm and growth is active.

A more direct way to stimulate plants into quick growth is to apply the fertilizing chemicals in a water solution. Any one of numerous proprietary fertilizers put up for use in liquid form can be applied according to the manufacturer's directions. Also, two or three tablespoonfuls of Victory garden fertilizer (5-10-5) and a tablespoonful of ground limestone stirred up in a gallon of water and let stand for a few hours will prove effective. Such solutions should be poured along the rows at the outer edge of the plants. A hoe furrow will tend to direct the solution into moist soil. Poured on dry soil, the liquid fertilizers will not prove as effective in feeding the plants.

Crops which mature quickly should require no more than one side-dressing. However, such long season plants as tomatoes and corn may need two or perhaps three before the season is over. For this reason the surface furrows can be left in place if feeding is being done with dissolved plant food. This will be important if the plants are to be mulched. The liquid fertilizer can be poured through the mulch into the furrows. Feeding mulched plants with dry fertilizer involves the removal and replacement of the mulch, which seems like unnecessary labor and bother.

Fred H. Campbell Will Head Operations Of FHP Section 14

F. H. Campbell has been named Assistant Superintendent to G. W. Auer and will be responsible for the operation of Fractional Horsepower Motor Section 14, it was announced recently. The appointment, effective August 13, was made by R. Wylie, then manufacturing superintendent of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division.



Fred H. Campbell

Prior to his present appointment, Mr. Campbell was assistant superintendent of Section 15 and has held other important supervisory positions at the Fort Wayne Works.

Mr. Campbell was originally engaged June 28, 1922, as a clerk in the cost department, then left the Company a year later. December 12, 1923, he returned to G-E on cost detail and estimating work. In 1926 he became a rate desk clerk and in 1927 handled costing of projects. In 1929 he was appointed routing clerk in Bldg. 4-6 and later handled tools and equipment. In 1933 he was named process engineer, Bldg. 4-6, and in 1935 was put on plant engineering and supervisory work in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division. January 3, 1937, he became section superintendent of Bldg. 4-5, later becoming assistant superintendent of Section 15.

Elex Members

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because of travel restrictions. Elex members going on the trip will have a special rate, and although non-members are not restricted from going, their rates are considably higher.

Girls are urged to turn in their membership cards during the drive so that an adequate program for next year may be completed without delay.

Following are the new appointments of contact girls:

Girls who have been laid off for lack of work, but who wish to join Elex Club, may join the group, Miss Meyers said, by contacting her office and paying their dues.

DAY CONTACT GIRLS

Esther Saylor Cameron, Bldg. 2-2; Belle Buchan, Bldg. 2-3; Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-1; Donnabelle Jacobs, Bldg. 4-2; Florence Staniszewski, Bldg. 4-3; Ann Johnson, Bldg. 4-4; Mary Jane Adams, Bldg. 4-4; Irma Manor, Bldg. 4-5; Harriet Swager, Bldg. 4-6 Katherine O'Connor Gardt, Bldg. 4-6; Harriet Weber, Bldgs. 6-B, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3; June Martin, Bldg. 6-4; Lorine Peters, Bldgs. 8-2; 10-1, 10-2, 10-3; Cathryn Essley, Bldgs. 12-B, 12-2; Celeste Burns, Bldg. 12-1; Jean Kelley, Bldg. 12-3; Sue Morris, Bldg. 16-1; Hazel McDougall, Bldg. 16-3; Veora Habig, Bldg. 17-1; Velma Hofmann, Bldg. 17-2; Dorothy Volz (Office), Bldg. 17-3; Dorothy Heckman, Bldg. 17-3; Dorothy McIntosh, Bldg. 17-3; Edith Williams, Bldg. 17-4; Frieda Wahli, Bldg. 18-1; Sue Cameron, Bldg. 18-B, E. Gate; Betty Filchak, Bldg. 18-3; Vivian Carnall, Bldg. 18-4; Willa Confer, Bldg. 18-5; Mary Ellen Nies, Bldg. 19-B, 19-1, 27, 19-3; Geraldine Bierbaum, Bldg. 19-2; Gladys Mosshammer, E. End Bldg. 26-4; Lenore Gee Nohlechek, Bldg. 19-4; Pauline Werling Kaufman, Bldg. 19-5; Margaret Coughlin, Bldg. 19-5; Velma Lehman, Bldg. 20-2; Gladys Beverforden, Bldg. 21; Ruby Musselman, Bldg. 26-2; Doloris Baker, Bldg. 26-2; Garnet Williams (Boutwell), Bldg. 26-1; Hazel Hudson, Bldg. 26-2; Gertrude Kummerant, Bldg. 26-3; Roqua Wibel, Bldg. 26-3; Grace May, Bldg. 26-3; Clorene Trout, Bldg. 26-3; Zetta Culp, Bldg. 26-4; Florence Janke, Bldg. 26-5; Edna Bruns, Bldg. 31-1; Miriam Bolyard, Bldg. 31-1; Carolyn Foley, Hollywood Bldg.; Helen Schwartz, Bldg. 1-2, W. St.; Helen Yeranko, Bldg. 1-3, W. St.; Mary Leiter, W. St.; Evelyn Engle, Central Garage; Dorothy Hemsoth, W. St.; Betty French, Old-First Bank Bldg.

Third Shift

Esther Sears, Bldgs. 18-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 6-2, 6-4, 19-4, 26-1; June Crane, Bldg. 26-3; Ruth Durnil, Bldg. 26-2; Margaret Winicker, Bldg. 26-4; Vivian Cearbaugh, Bldg. 12-1; Helen Liechty, 1700 N. Calhoun St.

NIGHT CONTACT GIRLS

Donna Barnett, Bldg 2-2; Edith Croxton, Bldg. 4-1; Vera Neuenschwander, Bldg. 4-2; Bonnie Goodrich, Bldg. 4-3; Marilyn Dennie, Bldg. 4-5; Martha Arnold, Bldgs. 4-4, 6-4; LaVon Sponhauer, Bldgs. 12-1, 12-3; Betty Bradtmiller, Bldg. 17-1; Edith Birch, Bldg. 17-2; Eileen Foor, Bldg. 17-3; Gertrude Mailand, Bldg. 17-4; Irene Schultz, Bldg. 19-2; Cora Jones, Bldg. 19-4; Madeline Stackman, Bldg. 19-5; Ruth Cummings, Bldg. 26-2; Peggy Cook, Bldg. 26-3; Evelyn Orr, Bldg. 26-4; *Mary Leiter, W. St.

(*First Shift girl taking care of Second Shift).

G-E Refrigerators To Be Completely Built At Erie—Anderson

General Electric's postwar refrigerators will be completely manufactured and assembled in the company's Erie Works, H. L. Andrews, vice-president in charge of the G-E Appliance and Merchandise Department, announced recently.

Before the war, production was split. Cabinets were made in Erie while G-E's famous hermetically sealed refrigerating units were made in Schenectady, N. Y. Final assembly was at Erie.

Highlights Of G-E's Part In War

Like to look back through the years and review G-E's part in World War II? Here's what we found in paging back through the issues of the WORKS NEWS from 1940 on:

Aug. 12, 1940—Badge system of identification instituted.

Aug. 23, 1940—Instructions issued to aliens to register at Post Office.

Sept. 1, 1940—President C. E. Wilson pledges G-E support to National Defense Program in radio talk.

Oct. 4, 1940—G-E announces plan to give month's pay and protect continuity of service of men called to military service.

Oct. 16, 1940—All men between the ages of 21 and 36 register under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940.

Nov. 15, 1940—New G-E employees required to sign statements to the effect they are not members of the Communist Party or the German-American Bund.

March 3, 1941—"No-badge, no-admittance" ruling enforced.

May 1, 1941—Defense Savings Plan placed in operation.

May 12, 1941—Bulletin issued announcing curtailment of vacations due to defense work.

June 6, 1941—Plant Protection Department issues notice warning employees against bringing cameras into the Works.

June 30, 1941—Magneto Section makes first shipment.

July 11, 1941—Announcement made of plans for erection of new turbosupercharger plant at Fort Wayne.

July 18, 1941—Supervisors for new Power Drive Division named.

Dec. 5, 1941—Construction started on new supercharger plant.

Dec. 19, 1941—First war bond campaign after Pearl Harbor gets under way.

Dec. 19, 1941—War production aided by many Sunday workers.

Feb. 6, 1942—Committee appointed to direct utilization of scrap materials.

Feb. 9, 1942—Fort Wayne plants start operation on "War Time."

March 27, 1942—Announcement made that all employees will be fingerprinted.

April 24, 1942—Committees formed for All Out War Production effort.

May 8, 1942—Manager M. E. Lord announces "no vacations in 1942."

June 13, 1942—Navy "E" Burgee Award made to Fort Wayne Works.

July 17, 1942—Appointments made at new Kokomo plant.

Sept. 4, 1942—G-E Guards are sworn in as Military Police unit.

Sept. 21, 1943—G-E War Memorial is dedicated.

Aug. 25, 1944—Secretary of Navy urges war workers to stay on job.

Aug. 25, 1944—Taylor Street Plant rolls the 50,000th supercharger off its production lines.

May 8, 1945—V-E Day is celebrated by G-E workers staying on the job.

June 15, 1945—G-E sign, darkened since Pearl Harbor, is lighted again.

Aug. 10, 1945—President C. E. Wilson reveals G-E's share in atomic bomb.

Aug. 14, 1945—Japanese sun sets before Allied might.

Aug. 15-16, 1945—G-E workers have two-day holiday to celebrate victory.

Aug. 17, 1945—G-E revealed as one of leaders in radar production.

Aug. 17, 1945—Reconversion to peacetime production begins.

War Use

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an emergency requires. The complete unit incorporates incoming-line switching, fuse protection, lightning protection, transforming capacity, and outgoing feeder switching, metering, and protection. Simplicity of design and the ease with which a mobile substation can be placed in operation are among the outstanding features.

Clyde, N. Y.

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M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fort Wayne Works, stated that D. B. Poland has been appointed Plant Superintendent of the Clyde operations and about November 1 would take up his residence in that new location.

G-E Expert Foresees Jet Planes In Combat 9 Miles Above Earth

Combat nine miles above the earth's surface by jet-propelled planes whose terrific speeds will hurtle them toward each other at more than 1,000 miles per hour was portrayed by R. A. Averitt, of General Electric's Aviation Division, to engineers attending a meeting of the Institute of Aeronautical Science at Los Angeles recently.

Split-second timing will be necessary, according to Averitt, who predicted that aerial battles will be conducted at such a lightning-like pace that fighters will be in and out of range in two seconds or less. He said that gun turrets and gunsights will be mounted flush, or within the skin line of the jet plane, and even gun barrels will not be allowed to protrude.

The necessity for minimizing drag in every detail of the jet-propelled plane will rule out protruding turrets or sights, Averitt stated. Any significant protrusion may have such detrimental effect to the total jet plane performance as to render the plane useless for its purpose.

F. H. Fleischer Is Named Supervising Engineer At Tiffin

F. H. Fleischer has been appointed Supervising Engineer for the Tiffin Plant of General Electric Company. He will be in charge of all engineering activities relative to the manufacture of fractional horsepower motors at Tiffin.



Mr. Fleischer graduated from Cornell University, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering, in 1929. After spending a year and a half on the General Electric test course, during which time he took one year of the advanced course, he transferred to the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division of the Fort Wayne Works.

During the past 14 years Mr. Fleischer has had wide experience on the development of special A.C. and D.C. motors and has done a great deal of design work on the established line of A.C. motors. Until his present appointment he has been a group leader responsible for development, design, and production engineering for hermetic motor parts.

Mr. Fleischer is past chairman of the Fort Wayne section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He is also a member of both the Fort Wayne Engineers Club and the G-E Squares.

Syracuse University Orders G-E Wired Television System

Syracuse University has reserved an "Intra-Tel" system—wired television—from the General Electric Company for postwar delivery, it has been announced by Chancellor William Pierson Tolley.

Commenting on a recent Time magazine story which disclosed the University's interest in television, Dr. Tolley said that the television equipment will be used to conduct various classroom teaching experiments, as well as teaching television programming and other techniques to students.

...OT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

...In behalf of the Hollywood Bldg. ...employees we wish to express our ...mpathy to Ann Ripberger on the ...ath of her soldier son, who died ...r a lengthy illness at Flint, ...h. . . . Our first co-worker and ...er to return to civilian ranks is ...re Laurence. Clare paid us a ...t the other day all dolled up in ... "civies" with a broad smile, ...h and ready to report for work. ... Some of those witnessing the ...ade during the two-day holiday ...e the now happy war wives: ...rence Calkins, Hester Root, and ...'s Laughlin. There should be a ... city ordinance for the benefit ... short people watching a parade. ... seems the three persons above ...ld to do a lot of swan tricks when ... the thrills and excitement ...ed before them. . . . It is an ...resting fact that a small crew, ...ely Coleen Johnson, Gerry ...chterman, Hattie Terhune, the Fox Bros. (Jack and Tom), and Wren Herbst, reported for work last Thursday. Nobody had a key to get in, so after waiting an hour after the usual 8 A.M. "curfew," they noticed the confetti in front of the building, took the hint; the second holiday was really in earnest. . . . Emmett Mills took his wife, Florence, and their two sons to Danville, Ill., for a visit. . . . We are sorry to see Verne Crabill leave us. Vern is going to hang out his "candy-stick" sign with a guarantee to leave "ears" on, besides doing the fanciest barbering in the south side. . . . Fred Gerhard and family put up at Chicago's Palmer House on their vacation. . . . Welcome to our warehouse, Paul Rice and Arthur Walper. . . . Marjorie Meyers has returned from her vacation on the farm. . . . Gerry Kunberger was also on vacation last week. . . . Our sympathy goes to Lt. Charles Lahrman, who is convalescing from an appendectomy at Ft. Benjamin Harrison. Best of luck, Chuck! . . . One day last week Robert Archibald missed his street car, so, in desperation, with no cabs in sight and only one thumb, he dashed in the garage, withdrew his daughter's bicycle, and headed for work. Archie pedalled with might and main against the wind, as if leading the cycle races of the late "nineties." On went the brakes, bark went the bike, to one side jumped Perry Shober—and all in vain, for Archie in breathless style punched in a "red one." What reward to a gallant contestant! . . . If there is space left here goes—"Yours truly" spent a day of his vacation touring some of the plants in the east—that is east of Fort Wayne. First a visit to the Pennsy R.R. repair shops, then through the Freuhauf Trailer Assembly Plant, and finally all three floors of the Stadler Products Co. Anyone who is interested in cattle feed, TNT, or soap, see me. That's all, folks.

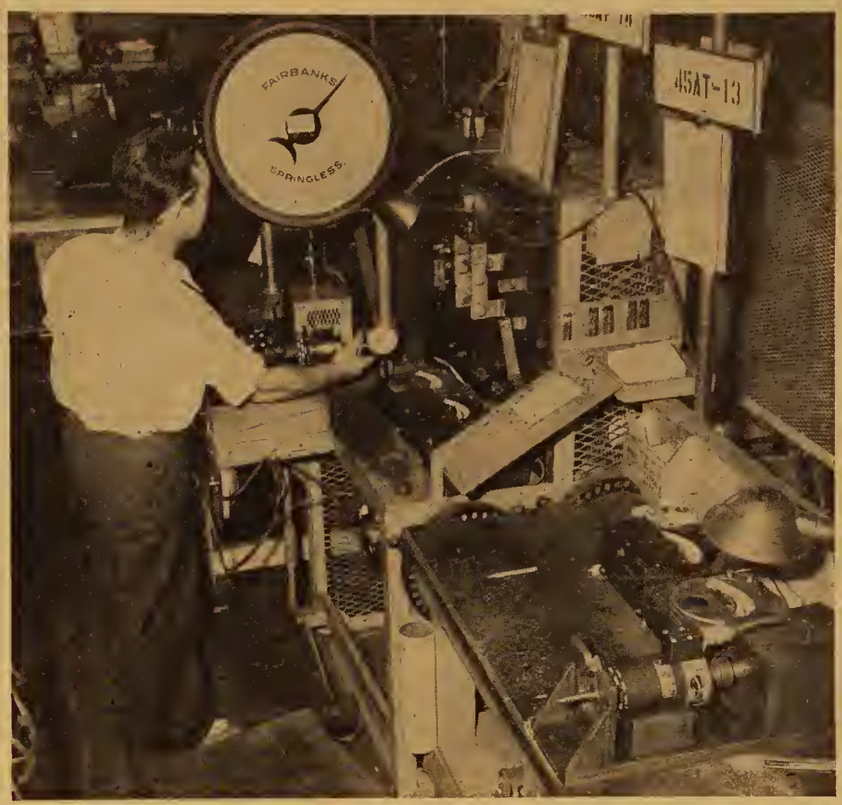
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If you're planning for Tomorrow—
and beyond,
We can absolutely, positively say,
You'll appreciate the value of a
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Which appreciates in value every
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Berton Braley

Inspection QUALITY Test
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QUALITY



It has been said, "a chain is no stronger than its weakest link," and likewise any electrically driven mechanism is no better than its contributing parts.

G-E motors, shown above on final test, play an important part in the operation of many customer built devices.

LET US DO OUR PART
BUILD QUALITY INTO G-E PRODUCTS
FOR CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

Turret Tattles

Hello, Gang, long time no see! As the radio lads put it, "Due to conditions beyond our control," etc., we have been unable to hand out the line generally attributed to this column. And thanks a million for your thoughtfulness. . . . For the boys over there from over here, Hi! And it looks like we will be able to see a lot of you in person very shortly. Hey! Hey! Thanks for the cards, they sure helped pass the time. . . . Herman Sexton's son, home from the service, surprised Pappy Sexton with a new bride. In case that is misleading, the son had the bride, not Herman. . . . If anyone has any old motors that won't run, don't have any wiring, or are otherwise "jest plain junk," see Giles Pierre in Bldg. 27 garage office. . . . Any time it behooves you to have any machining done and if you don't know how to handle it, see either "Youngie" Young or Paul Stiver. Their services are VERY reasonable. . . . 'Nother one of the gals from Bldg. 27 has been smacked by that li'l guy with the bow and arrow. Nancy Latchem will say her "I do's" very shortly and leave our midst. Good luck and bye, Nancy. . . . The gang got together one recent Wednesday evening and initiated the two car garage on Paul Stiver's new estate. Everyone had a swell time. And an encore was held on Thursday evening. Mrs. Stiver says "p-u-l-e-a-s-e." . . . Adam Farrel reports that on a recent trip past Sam Baumgartner's home he saw a very small Baumgartner energetically selling a cooling drink in front of the Baumgartner residence. Being a cagey sort of feller, Adam didn't purchase any of the beverage, but managed to strike up a conversation with the young merchant. Asking how business was, he was told the profit at two cents per glass was very good. Wondering how this could be, he found after further questioning that "Mom" was furnishing the sugar for the venture. Pore ol' Sam will very likely have to eat his peaches and apricots from the can without any sweetening next winter. Gee, I sure hope Mrs. Baumgartner doesn't read this and then look in her sugar can and then—.

Smoke generators, an electrical industry development which created the American "secret weapon" of artificial fog used so successfully in the battle of Europe, will have an important peacetime application in distributing insecticides in farms and orchards.

SANDY SAYS

Did anyone, by any chance, notice "Sandy Says" in last week's WORKS NEW? Talk about writing a column during a war, and having it published during peace! Lucky I chose a subject thot was good either way, and didn't write about "war stuff."

Not having a sixth sense, thot would let me see into the future, I practiced what I want tae preach about today—getting along with what ye have.

Getting along with what ye have! How familiar thot sounds tae a Scotsman! In depressions he canna do otherwise—no cash! In normal times—cash, but he doesn't wanna spend it! In war times—cash, but no BARGAINS tae buy with it! In transition periods like we are going thru now, the radio isn't talking about Scotsmen when it says thot people are buying up all the canned goods in the stores, all the fur coats, and all the gasoline, in a mad rush. The Scotsman knows there'll be more and better canned goods, more and better fur coats, and more and much better gasoline, later.

Getting along with what ye have! NOT wishing for a fortune tae be given to you. NOT dreaming o' what ye could do if ye had a million. NOT "cussing" your luck because the other fellow has more than ye have. (May be he does have more because he just settled doon and got along with what he had).

Getting along with what ye have! NOT feeling bad because thot suggestion was turned doon because the fancy tools it called for wouldn't "pay for themselves in a year." NOT wishing ye had twice the production ye have, so they COULD afford those elaborate tools.

Getting along with what ye have! If ye look around, ye may find, right under your very nose (if ye stick it into enough places) the answer to your costly setup. A suggestion thot "gets along with what ye have," but makes a big saving anyway, is the one thot pays off in big figures—and suggestion dollars will look big to us now—they always have.

Getting along with what ye have! As Cousin Colin says, ye don't need ten million dollars toe be happy—nine million would be plenty!

17-3 Newsies

Well, here we are back in Bldg. 17-3 again, and in spite of the little holiday, we still don't have much to write. . . . I'll bet you can't guess who we saw in a ringside seat at the V-J Day celebration. Give up? It was Freddy Grunst. We hope that name is spelled right this time, Freddy. . . . Joe Jensen spent one of the days fishing and didn't even tell about "the one that got away." . . . Eileen Bartel's husband got to come home and celebrate V-J Day with her. . . . And talking about lucky people, Delores Miller's husband is on his way home from overseas. . . . That's all, so long 'til next week.

Fifteen Join Ranks Of Quarter-Century Club



Fifteen G-E employees were admitted to the Quarter-Century Club in recent months upon the completion of 25 years of continuous service with the Company. Top row, left to right, are A. H. Weaver, M. D. Warner, Henry Burch, Clara Gehring, and A. H. Miller. Middle row, left to right, J B. Morrolf, Otto W. Witte, Ed Sonday, Eric Helwig, and A. J. Rose Bottom row, left to right, W. W. Sollberger, W. L. Fisher, George F. Ryan G. A. Siebold, and Karl Soest. Other members recently admitted to th Quarter-Century Club will be shown in next week's issue.

G. A. Beck Named G-E Electronics Design Manager

G. A. Beck bas been appointed Manager of the Industrial Design Division of the General Electric Company's Electronics Department, Dr. W. R. G. Baker, Vice-President in charge, has announced.

In this capacity, Mr. Beck will be responsible for the appearance design of products of all the divisions of the department. His headquarters will be at the Bridgeport, Conn., plant of the Company. Since February, 1942, he bas been engaged in the design of G-E radar and radio equipment for the armed forces.

Mr. Beck, a native of Maywood, Ill., studied at the Academy of Fine Arts in Chicago. He was employed by G-E in 1934 and worked for eight years on the design of radio receivers and home appliances.

Wilson Praises

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the victory belongs to all of us, so must the achievement and the satisfaction belong to all of us, in uniform and out. We have probably experienced during these years the ultimate in the science of war in which the power and ability to discover and produce successfully and speedily has been the true test of our right to live. Because you have demonstrated that power and ability, I have every confidence that we can now go on to overcome the greater problems before us and together to find the answer to an enduring peace, a peace based in large part on tbe the contributions we can make to better living and working conditions. Speaking for the managers of General Electric and for myself, I want to convey to every employee our sincere thanks in these days of victory.

Cbarles E. Wilson

Electrical insulating enamel now being produced will withstand boiling water or ice water and a constant operating temperature of 500 degrees.

Citizens Of Kokomo, 2500 Strong, Inspect G-E's Plant Sunday

Kokomo plant was host to another 2,500 visitors Sunday, as it put itself on display for the second time in three weeks—this time for the general public of Kokomo.

Visitors started streaming into the plant Sunday morning shortly after 9 o'clock and continued throughout the day until the plant was closed at 5 P.M. Approximately 150 out-of-town guests, many representing other industries and plants, also took advantage of the "open house" to inspect G-E's Kokomo plant.

Sunday, August 5, the families of Kokomo G-E employees attended the first plant "open house," and when that day's 2,000 visitors indicated community interest in the plant, it was decided to hold a similar program for the general public.

Last Sunday's visitors followed a route marked through plant, along which were motor displays, including their end use. All visitors signed registration cards and received a booklet acquainting them with the plant and the route to be followed and a copy of the WORKS NEWS.

Detroit Installs Modern G-E Traffic Control System

A modern, fully flexible, progressive traffic control system is being installed under the direction of the Traffic Engineering Bureau o four miles of Grand River Avenue, Detroit—a street averaging 40,00 vehicles a day with 2,000 in one direction at peak hours. The system consists of new control equipment and mast-arm mounted signals, with present curb-mounted signals rearranged for better visibility on the street.

General Electric Type-DM multidial secondary controllers, used at 18 intersections, have two dials for changing the percentage division at each intersection in any combination with the triple reset and remote cycle change features. Triple reset provides average progression. The remote cycle change feature allows three different system time cycle lengths. A special G-E program device permits automatic use of any combination of these features, which can be set up for different combinations each day of the week for twelve weeks in advance. Changes can be set to occur at 12-minute intervals. All controllers are interconnected to a centrally located master controller.

Complete studies of traffic movements are being made by the Traffic Engineering Bureau, both before and after the installation, to determine benefits derived from such a system. Installation will be completed within the next few months.

Voltage Stabilizer Has Peace Applications

New G-E Device Developed By Transformer Engineers

Rural communities have often been troubled with the intensity of electrical lighting due to the length of the electrical lines and the inherent losses in these lines. Reading or any occupation requiring good light may become very difficult and annoying. More and more electrical equipment is being used in rural communities, which is adding to the problem. In this case and in many otbers, it is desirable, and sometimes imperative, that the voltage supply to electrical equipment be steady and even. The solution is a device that receives the varying supply voltage and smooths it into a practically constant voltage.

Need Met By Stabilizer

When the need for this type of equipment first became apparent, engineers of the Specialty Transformer Division brought out the General Electric Automatic Voltage Stabilizer, which has been very successful in its operation. The photographs at right show some of the engineering personnel responsible for the development and a stabilizer of the latest improved design.

The automatic voltage stabilizer is built in various sizes, is compact, easily installed, completely automatic, light in weight, and small. Containing no moving parts, it is composed of reactors and capacitors which are put together in a very simple manner. Variations from 95 to 130 volts at input emerge at an almost constant voltage of 115, with an average variation of one volt.

Used In War Effort

The voltage stabilizer has played an important part in war, being used on naval radio and radar equipment, electron miscroscopes, telephone communication apparatus, and X-ray filament circuits. It has also played an important part in testing apparatus.

Tbe Specialty Transformer Division itself is using stabilizers on the test panels of its fluorescent ballast production line. Before their installation it was necessary for the tester to check the voltage after each test job to be sure that it was correct. With the new stabilizer in use he is certain of a constant supply of voltage, and thus he is able to do a better job more easily and quickly. Because of the improvements in the device brought about by the Transformer Engineering Division, it is now being considered for an increasing number of uses.

Christmas this year promises to be a bright one as far as lights for Yule trees are concerned. The WPB says Christmas tree and other decorative lights can be manufactured again.

A chandelier in which the lamps were made to look like ears of corn was the first fixture designed to be used with incandescent lighting. It was produced in Boston in 1842.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

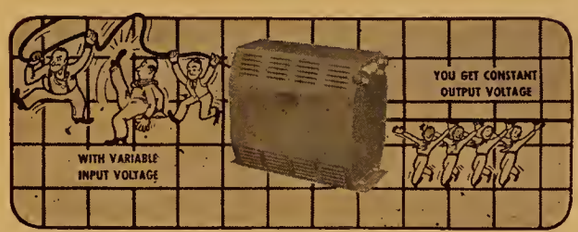
It has been learned that Rex Whitcomb, being of sound mind and capable of transacting business, has sold Rodger Crabill a controlling interest in his meat route. Due to the fact that Rex could not hire dependable help, he felt he must part with a goodly portion of his long established route. However, Rodger says he will be able to handle this added burden without outside help. Stout fella, Rodger! Don't lose your red points. . . . Say, are we going to have a girls' basketball team this year? . . . We noticed Marge Dietsch and Elinor Glass get off the scales and with a sigh of relief mutter, "At least, we weigh over 100 pounds." What goes on, girls? . . . Bob Daring certainly lives up to his name. When it comes to playing euchre, Bob is very daring quite often. . . . Rodger Crabill forgot his badge the other day and didn't want anyone to know about it, so he carried his visitor's pass around in his pocket all night. Rodger forgot, too, that some people besides Superman have X-ray eyes. . . . Our Sportsman, Joe Eifid, has taken up boomerang throwing. However, he said that until his boomerang came back, he was practicing with his No. 8 golf iron. . . . Marge Dietsch had a unique way of celebrating V-J Day last Tuesday. She blew up popcorn sacks and popped them. . . . Overheard in the Screw Machine Section, "Some days are like that—you just can't lay up a dime." "Yep, they'll do it every time." "Why, I can drill a square hole." "Out of my way, my speed shoes are on the run." "I know the governor real well." "It's all over, over there." . . . Marshall Tarney found a new way to pass the time while in Detroit last week. It seems to be quite novel for Marshall refuses to reveal the method. For details, see Big Chief Surface. . . . One of our co-workers, Violet High, is leaving us for a new line of endeavor. Good luck, Vie, from all the gang. . . . A bit of advice to Lennie Hutson is to have those reflectors plated so that the next time you go to a show you can see if your lights are burning and you won't run your batteries down. . . . Garland Meyers is thinking seriously of installing fog lights on his motor boat. It seems the last time he was at the lake the fog was so heavy he circled the lake five times before he found his pier. . . . Our three most ardent fishermen with stories that were hard to beat: G. Pierce returned first with a tale of the largest pike he had ever laid eyes on. Not to be outdone, W. Bauermeister told a tale of an undersized alligator in his lake. But the best, Bud Ulrich claims the cottagers at his lake have a pet moose that swims across the lake, but only in the moonlight. . . . So, so long, same time, same Bldg. 17-1.

They Helped Develop G-E's New Stabilizer



J. A. Uttal emphasizes a point about the new G-E Automatic Voltage Stabilizer, as T. T. Short and O. Kilty look on. These three men with others in the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division were responsible for the successful development of the new device.

. . . And Here's What It Does



Action of the stabilizer, which receives the varying supply voltage and smooths it into a practically constant voltage, is shown here in simple terms.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

Elvie Dafforn did all right at the Firemen's picnic; he saw elephants on the way home, and they weren't pink ones either. They turned out to be real ones coming from the circus. . . . Kenneth Doeden has the "for-sale-fever." Anything you want to buy, get in touch with Kenneth. . . . Please move the clock up closer to Elma Berger so she can see what time to go to dinner—she recently put her makeup on and found that she had another hour to work. . . . Norma Krull does not tell you anything to put in the news, but her nickname is Geranium — and that's news. . . . Cloyd Dillimon did not spill red paint on his hair, but somehow he has to wear a cap most of the time. . . . Al Miller did all right fishing last week. He caught ONE and he had to stretch that one to make it fit the rule. . . . Lawrence Schuster has a big smile on his face, and why? His son, Bud, will be on one of these ships coming home from overseas soon. . . . Herman Conrad is back from overseas and was up to see us. He sure looked fine. We hope you will be home to stay, Herman. . . . We had a nice visit with Sgt. Robert J. Bubb, who is enjoying a 30-day leave at home after spending 37 months overseas. He was in England, Africa, and Italy with the Air Forces. He has a Presidential Citation with one Oak Leaf Cluster, also the Good Conduct Ribbon, the American Defense Ribbon and the E. T. O. Ribbon with two Silver and one Bronze Stars. We were glad to see you, Bob, and that Italian sunshine looks as if it agreed with you. . . . Tom Safford, our Safety Engineer, says he wishes someone would install red lights on the bowling alleys so he will know when to let go of the ball. . . . The aroma in the west end of Bldg. 26-2 during the euchre game last Monday noon was from the "skunk" handed to Clarence Keny and Bill Marks by "Hank" Webster and "Connie" Feist. . . . Will someone please enlighten George Shaffer as to the meaning and explanation of the different ribbons and decorations the boys from overseas are wearing. Seems as if George is always guessing wrong at the wrong time. . . . Kathryn Sbadey really had something to be excited about this week. She received a phone call from New York; it was her husband back in the States, just returned from Italy, where he served in a railway battalion. . . . Ray Feller says he spent his vacation in the usual way — just "messin' " around.

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

Things are beginning to settle back to normal in Bldg. 17-2 after the glorious news of VICTORY! We're looking forward to the day when our grand soldiers, sailors, and marines will be back working with us again, and we hope that day is not far away. . . . Everett McKee has returned to work after being in the Army for 39 months—20 of them being spent overseas. He was in Africa and Italy with the 15th Air Corps. . . . Charles Sherland has returned to work after a six-month illness. . . . We congratulate Walter Subzda on his marriage Sunday, August 4, to Jeanette Fruitina. Best wishes to you, Mr. and Mrs. Subzda. . . . The fish story award of the week goes to Charles Ervin. Just ask him the size of the fish in Wisconsin. . . . Edwin Meyer will probably try to compete witb Cbarley's story when he returns from a two-week trip to northern Michigan. We hope it helps that hay fever, Ed! . . . We're glad to report that Ray DeBolt is home from the hospital and is improving slowly, but nevertheless improving. Hurry back, Ray.

DOTS AND DASHES
FROM 26-2
By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers: What's new, did someone say? There are lots of new happenings. . . . For instance: P. M. (the Boss) Staehle is making a visit to his native land of Manitowoc, Wis., where the big ships are built. While "the Boss" was away, his luck changed and his team came through with 13 runs. . . . Cy Stonehill and Wes Brooks celebrated V-J Day by going to Cleveland on business. At least, that's what they say. . . . Our welcome to Joe Coughlin, the Brooklyn kid, who got a reprieve from the Army in the eleventh hour, all because of his age. That's all right, Joe, we can use an old man around here, even if the Army can't. . . . Now Del Roloff has two prospective buyers for his tent. Chuck Graham has the longest wait, and is getting pretty desperate. But Joe misses the little woman so very much. It's a toss-up as to who will finally concede the tent is a pretty good idea. Maybe the boys can merge and buy somebody out of house and home. . . . Avenel Stanton is now an auntie for the first time. Don't let it go to your head, Avenel. . . . Del Roloff is in the market for a squirrel. After all his luck at fishing Sunday he would like to make a trade with a good huntsman. . . . Have you noticed the new time-piece gracing our Annie Rastetter's wrist? A very lovely watch, Ann, for no birthday, no Christmas, no nothin'. . . . Have you noticed the decorative touches in the Sales office of late? Mrs. Turner keeps a fresh floral piece on her desk every day as a reminder of her own lovely flower garden. . . . Harold Pritchard had a warm-up game of golf with Chuck Kronmiller last Wednesday morning before taking on two of his associate salesmen on Thursday, namely Johnny Carr and Cy Stonehill. Johnny came through with a 15-foot putt to top Cy's score. . . . In case you've noticed the absence of Andy O'Dwyer's manly figure, he is vacationing this week. . . . Our very belated congratulations to Harry Gargett on his new appointment of August 1. We wish you the best of luck and long continued success in your new position. . . . Paul Vance is looking for a car. All he wants is one with tires that hold air, will run, and can be depended on to get him there. . . . Bob Rowe apparently could use some tires after his experience of four blow outs on his way to Chicago last week. . . . Goodbyes were said to Gretchen Bear last Saturday. She has left us to return to her school teaching once again. . . . We feel Mary Ruth Steininger deserves mention here. After waiting four weeks, she received seven letters at one time from her friend. . . . I would like to take this opportunity to announce that starting next week we are going to have an additional column covering news in the Transformer Offices. Mary Jane Fletter will write "Transformer Office Chatter." I am sure Mary Jane will appreciate everyone's cooperation in seeing that she is kept informed on local activities. . . So long, now.

P.S.: It seems the reporters of these columns do all the reporting on everyone but themselves, so I finally inveigled Mary Ellen May to let me add a postscript to her column this week. I really feel remorseful in taking advantage of her kindness by reporting a little incident I heard about her. Don't know how true this is—in fact it seems almost incredible—but a little bird told me that on a recent vacation trip on one of the Great Lakes cruisers, Mary Ellen was told by a seemingly trustworthy and true friend that she would have to try on the life preserver which she would find in her state room. Mary Ellen immediately proceeded to do that very thing. Imagine her embarrassment when she finally got the thing on, and the whole crowd on the steamer, including the Captain and crew, stood there and had a good laugh at her expense. But Mary Ellen, being the good sport she is, laughed right along with everyone else. That's the spirit, Mary!

The Man In The Shop



—and all the rest of us, can appreciate this parting friendly message from our former Works General Superintendent, William (Billy) Wehrs, who recently retired after more than 50 years service.

Bill's many personal contacts with the men and women on the lathe, the drill press, etc., in matters pertaining to SAFETY makes his parting message very appropriate. WE ARE "SMART" IF WE TAKE HIS ADVICE.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by the grapevine: That Kleeman Milholland, Bldg. 26-3, has left the employ of the General Electric and that Walter Fredericks, Bldg. 19-4, also has quit his dispatching job with the G-E and has resumed the work he did before the war. . . . Forest Kocher, Bldg. 26-4, reports that his grandfather planted 20 acres of Spaghetti this spring but made the grievious error of planting it when the sign was in the dark of the moon. The plants all went to roots, so Kocher's grandfather has harvested a bumper crop of four-inch gas pipe. (Editor's note: We did not have time to verify this report before publication). . . . That Bob Hull, Bldg. 19-4, has left his job as dispatcher preparatory to entering the armed forces. (Editor's note: Hey! are there any dispatchers left on their jobs?) . . . That Fletcher Cumbey has been transferred from Bldg. 26-4 to Bldg. 26-1. . . . Information about the next meeting of the Dispatchers Club will be forthcoming soon. . . . Fun is like life insurance; the older you are, the more it costs you.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Those who were on vacation two weeks ago were Flora Gilmore, Ruth Vodeding, and Gertrude Webb. Sure good to see them back with us. . . . We want to welcome Susie Miller, Virginia DeCamp, and Pauline Menefee to our section. We hope you all like your work. . . . We want to welcome Marietta Stoepfel, Winifred Scheeler, and Jeanetta Hederick to our section. Marietta, Winifred, and Jeanetta were transferred from the Winter Street Plant. We also want to welcome Helen Franklin and Mary Walpole, who were transferred from the Field Section. We hope you girls like your new jobs and stay with us. . . . It seems that Ruth Kilgore had an awful time over V-J Day. Ruth was getting a permanent when they announced it. The next day she fell down. It looks as if you weren't supposed to celebrate, Ruth. . . . It's good to see Evelyn Triplett, Ruth Reed, and Rosie Vogeding back with us. Evelyn spent her vacation at the lake and had a good time. We know Ruth and Rosie also enjoyed their vacations.

Facts and Fun
FROM 31

Edna Bruns should be used to the typical "Murray" vocabulary consisting of words such as "Finagling." (Spelling?) . . . A couple of people returned last week from vacations were Dorothy Plumber and Ruth Messerschmidt (Cost). Both came back minus coveted suntans. Dorothy claims that the lake she went to didn't furnish a tan because it rained most of the time, and Ruth still maintains that "Darn, you can't get a suntan doing dishes." . . . Bob Blomker just loves this town so much, that he only spent a day in Chicago and a couple days at the lake, and then came back to dear old Fort Wayne to pass the rest of his vacation. . . . Betty Bright was also a returning vacationer, along with Frank Archbold, who really is six shades darker. . . . The Engineers in Bldg. 31-2 again put out their welcome mat, this time for Margaret Fletcher, who has started working for Mr. Reardon. . . . Since the lack of newspapers, Mike Temoshok is having a difficult time trying to find an apartment by October, when he and our friend, Ruth Ann Stiegler, tie the knot. May we offer our congratulations to both, and anyone knowing the whereabouts of a nice apartment, see Mike! . . . The tragedy of the week occurred when someone stole Les Shroyer's car from the G-E parking lot. Not only will they tar and feather him for the crime, but for breaking up the golf game Les and Steve Korn had planned for weeks. . . . Jeanice Meyer has decided all chairs should have a general checkup once a month after the embarrassing experience of having her chair practically collapse under her when all the bolts and nuts came loose at once. . . . Anyone seeking a cure for the jiggers, see Vic Blomberg. Other than that, his vacation at Lake Wawasee was a success. . . . We have another diamond ring in the group this week. Bea Ackerman came in this morning with a nice one, and we hope that both you and Joe will have a lot of good luck.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3, First Shift

Well, the day of peace we were all waiting for finally came, and we are all very happy. . . . Coletter Buck is enjoying a week's vacation at the lake. Hope the fish are biting good. . . . A fish fry will be given by Bayless Swift—providing he catches any fish. Bayless is on his vacation. We just hope all the big ones don't get away. . . . We are glad to see Susie Jones back with us even if she does have a bandage on her nose. Just ask Susie about all the details. . . . Anyone wish to sing to Jean Snyder? She will enjoy it very much. Her favorite song is "Oh, My Darling Nellie Gray." . . . Birthday greetings to Lucille Schelper, Helen Screeton, and Edythe Yoder. We wish you gals many more. . . . Clara Ringenberg's son returned home for 30 days before going to a hospital. . . . Marguerite Hullinger, Naomi Eicher, Dorothy Wiegman, and Jean Snyder are the lucky gals on vacation this week. Have lots of fun, girls. . . . Did you notice Effie Yinger's red nose Friday morning? She said she was fishing Thursday, and the redness wasn't caused by any Victory celebration. . . . Carl Saaf had a nice sunburn, too.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Saturady morning and time to go sleuthing again. After two days holiday it hardly seems like Saturday but nevertheless the calendar says it's Saturday so here goes. From all reports Bldg. 4-6 was well represented at the celebration downtown Tuseday evening. After spending all day Tuesday in suspense the good news of the surrender of Japan came shortly after the work day ended. After counting all your gas coupons and saving every drop for several years, you can again stop in a filling station and say "Fill it up." However, from latest reports Walter Whonsetler, on vacation at the lake this week, needs more than gasoline to make his car run. Yep, his car broke down again. We also hear that the fish aren't biting so good for Walter. So far the score seems to be one turtle. . . . A stag party was held at the Squares Hall Friday evening for C. E. Anderson of the Aircraft Section, who left Saturday. Pete was presented an initialed brief case and a farewell poster autographed by his many friends. We wish him best of luck in Iowa. . . . What's this we hear about a catfish stinging Orval Doherty, and to get even with the fish Orval ate it? . . . Bob Schulte decided to really celebrate V-J day and set off a large firecracker. The firecracker went off too quick and now Bob has three fingers bandaged. Just a kid at heart, that's Bob. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Linke, proud parents of a baby boy named David Lawrence, also to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kuehn, proud parents of a new son. . . . Best wishes to Cecil Young in his new enterprise. Cecil left the Company on August 11. . . . If you are looking for a tip on the horses, don't ask Dwight Willits. He had a sure thing on a horse that had won three races the week before, but came in half a lap behind the last horse, in the race he gave some friends a tip on. Never can tell about these horses can you, Dwight? . . . Paul Ohnesorge found out how a chair can throw you this week. He didn't quite go down for the count however. He says that is the second time that has happened. Maybe a little gum stuck in the proper places would help. . . . We're sure Pat Johnson knows just how you feel. She was seen sitting on the floor the other day after her chair threw her. These wild chairs are really getting to be quite a problem. . . . Bob Kirby opened the ice box the other day to get a drink of lemonade. There were two similar bottles in the box, one with lemonade and one with rheumatism medicine. Bob took a drink from one and didn't realize until about a half hour later that he had gotten the bottle of medicine instead of the lemonade. Bob intends to buy another ice box to keep the medicine in from now on. . . . Belated birthday greetings this week go to Paul Motter. . . . Wonder why Rosemary Pond was looking for a bargain in men's pajamas?

Japan Surrenders - - And G-E Employees Celebrate



Typical of the happy groups leaving the plant Tuesday night when news of the Japanese surrender was received at the Fort Wayne Works is this group of girls walking toward the Broadway East Gate (upper left). Cletus Deck, (center) General Service Division employee, smiles broadly as he exhibits a bulletin dropped from airplanes telling the great news. Leaving from the west side of Broadway is this group of girls (upper right), all set to join in the celebration. That's Bldg. 26 in the background—all but obscured by paper streamers. Police Chief A. R. Vegalues (lower left) gets a "victory hug" from two happy girls leaving the Works. Lower right shows Bldg. 17 employees looking out on the festivities when news of the surrender first trickled into the plant.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

PRODUCTION

Back from vacations are the Schmidt sisters after enjoying two weeks with the family in Kansas. ... Delores Kiel changed her plans to visit her father until the roasting ears were ready. We don't blame you, Delores.

SHIPPING

Bessie Iannucilli is the new duplicator transferred from Power Drive. . . . Rita Ernst received a corsage last Saturday from the gang. The occasion—her birthday. ... Virginia Watts was pleasantly surprised one morning last week when her husband came home after many months in India.

COST

Walter Strasser's vacation was O.K., he reports, but the fishing "was lousy" (in his own words). . . . Lucille McGahey is back to work after having a nice vacation, part of it being spent on the "hard" sidewalks of Chicago.

MISCELLANEOUS

Helen Dammeyer "washed out" as a fisherman last week at Big Long Lake. Oh well, you don't like to clean them anyway, do you, Helen? Millie Steward didn't have any luck at Lake Gage, either.

ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL

Deepest sympathy is extended to Martha Greider in the death of her father last week. . . . Vacationers are Dorothy Scherschel and Hortense Stevenson. Hortense's husband is home from overseas. . . . Ann Hudson spent her vacation at Redkey, Ind.—her ol' home town.

FACTORY OFFICE

We're glad to have Marcella Chevillot back again after a three-month illness. . . . Jeannie Sheets is a happy girl because her special friend is on his way home from Belgium. . . . Virginia Erne was transferred from this office to the Cost Section. . . . Howard Reese is working again after two exciting weeks' vacation. . . . LeNor Stephenson's famous bywords are, "There goes Clarence" every time a fire truck goes by, then rushes to see if it is. . . . We're wondering who the next one in the office will be to be pierced by Dan Cupid's dart, and Velma Sorg is saving punchings from the hole-punchers for the affair. If it's her, she says she'll hide it; but we have rice and confetti all ready to shower her.

MACHINE SHOP

Recent vacationers were Avis and Joe Rodermund, Russell Poorman, John Kline, and Fred Zurcher, and all report a nice time. . . . What's Bill Franke thinking about when he goes too far and forgets to leave his passengers off. . . . Keep your tomatoes under cover when Ed Bireley is around. He always seems to be hungry for one.

ENGINEERING AND DRAFTING

That false exit from the Production Section added another victim to its list when Margaret Morgan opened the door only to look into a "bored" wall. Take a tip from one who has experienced such a fate, Margaret, and use the "right" door. . . . One subject not to be discussed with "Deep Sea" Lynch is that of his vacation. "Deep Sea," who is used to fishing in the ocean, caught some of the mighty Lake James' best, but to him it was just so much fish bait. Ah me, "Deep Sea" how's about trying the reservoir. . . . "Glad to have you's" are extended to Kenneth Berner, draftsman, and Hilda Reising,

26-5 TOOL BITS

Back from vacation this week is Earl Lenz, who enjoyed the Chicago Music Festival and other interesting things of that great city. . . . Mrs. Ross Vaughn spent most of Vaughn's vacation hunting up truck repair parts for him. Guess Ross didn't relish the job. . . . Carey Baker has finally found some one who can fix his car for him. I saw the Mrs. working on it Sunday. . . . Woodruw Hursh! All Bldg. 26-5 enjoyed your letter to the WORKS NEWS from "The Rock" and want to know if there are any freight trains out there to run into. Greetings from the gang. . . . Larry Koenemann would like to see a law passed banning women drivers from the streets of Fort Wayne. A poor, helpless woman driver tried to run the Koenemann family carriage off the street one night last week. Larry, being a stubborn driver, wouldn't budge. He figures he'll have his car back from the repair garage in a month or so. . . . K. Martin reports back to work after two weeks' vacation claiming that Crooked Lake doesn't have the fish it used to have. We have been wondering what he meant!!? Maybe he caught most of them and then again maybe he couldn't catch any. . . . M. Foelber sure plays his hunches to a good advantage. He now has two of his fellow workers paying a nickel a day the rest of the year, because of the outcome of the war with Japan. . . . The theory that a good deed a day should essentially involve everyone, and not only Boy Scouts, was demonstrated quite capably in the safe escorting of a "Little Old Lady" from the path of an oncoming street car at Calhoun and Main Streets by our Wells County lad of former years —Rufus Niblic. . . . That Matt Wiegand is becoming, the Jack-of-all-trades was proven very early last Sunday morning. He was able to change a flat tire on his car with the aid of three other fellows in only 45 minutes. . . . W.P.R.—Wrong Purse Retriever—If you want your purse to make a round trip to Huntington free of charge, see Mildred Day. She will leave hers for security. . . . We are all glad to see Dohr Krieg back to work this week after about six weeks of recuperating from an operation. We hope that you are all fixed up now so that you can get back in the groove again. You know, playing baseball and basketball with the G-E Club. . . . Dolores Woehnker has returned to work this week after a two-week vacation of swimming, dancing, and skating; says that she had a wonderful time and wishes she could stay up there in Michigan all summer, don't we all?

Is Zat So?

Events have happened so fast during the past two weeks that everyone of us is more or less groggy! The days of peace that we have been looking forward to for so long are now here. With them comes a necessary period of readjustment. . . . Most of us were happy to hear that we will now have Saturdays and Sundays off. The men remarked, "Good! Another fishing day." The women said, "Gee, now we can learn to bake all over again." . . . We were proud to see so many of our co-workers taking part in the Victory Parade. Vic Hall sure looked keen in his uniform and looked as if he could really beat that drum. Art Brockmeyer was proudly carrying a banner. . . . Hilda Scheumann is on vacation, and we are all happy to hear that her fiance is home from overseas duty. . . . We are glad to have Jack Neuman back to work after his recent illness. Jack is working first shift while Russel Gibson is enjoying a vacation. . . . Other vacationers are Frank Graffe, Norbert Meyer, Bill Eisenacher, Mary Pete, Ben Fleck, Bob Martin, Jack Pollock, Freddy Shutt, Ollie Ramsey, Charles Stone, John Leeuiv, Heinie Wichern, and Bess Justus. . . . We hope that Max Anders didn't feel too badly when he called his local draft board to see if they still wanted him to report today for induction and the answer was "no." Max says he is an old man of 29! . . . Bert Leiter, a returned veteran, is a new employee of our Production Section. Welcome, Bert!

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

This week we extend a hearty welcome to Anna Robinson, who has joined Group 13x54 on second shift, and Sam Herr. Sam is replacing George Blume as inspection foreman, also on second. George is going to Bldg. 17-2 and 17-3 in the same capacity. Sam came to us from Taylor Street. Sorry to see you leave, George, but good luck. . . . Hildabelle Warren and Betty Miller said goodbye to us a week ago Saturday. Hildabelle is going to be a full-time housewife, and Betty will undergo an operation in the near future. We know you'll both get along all right, but we wish you lots of good luck anyway. . . . Marie Root was presented with a beautiful console set after she became Mrs. Lear. Our best wishes for continued happiness, Marie. Oh, yes, thanks for the candy and cigars, too. . . . Max Decker is now working on final inspection on second shift. He used to be on rotor inspection in the daytime. Glad you're with us, Max. . . . Bob Beitel returned to work after being on the sick list. We're glad to have you back again, Bob, because we missed you. It was kinda quiet and "dead-ish" around these parts. . . . Quite a few were on vacation two weeks ago. Byrl Miller, Harold Hart, Ed Kimmel, Kate Johnson, Quintin Romary, Don Arnold (Lake James called him), Margie Voyls, Anita Stoddard, Erna Roemke, Margaret Dear, Pauline Mackey, Virgil Davieson, and Violet Warner were the lucky ones. Hope you all had a fine time and I know you came back bubbling over with pep to get back to work. . . . Kate Winter really acquired a coat of tan when she spent her vacation at Indian Lake. It looks fine, Katie. . . . Ed Hunsaker is working on second trick for a while. Glad you're back, Ed. . . . Famous Last Words Department! Harold Gick: "It'll be in next week." . . . We extend our sympathy to Donna Dinius in the loss of her stepfather recently. . . . Ernie Tatman is confined to the Methodist Hospital, convalescing from surgical work, and is getting along nicely at this time. Keep up the good work, Ernie, so you can get back here, because we miss you. . . . Irene Richardson is also leaving us for a while for an operation. Good luck, Irene, and get well real soon. . . . Florence Stanski spent her vacation at the lake and quite a bit of the time she put in running around the cottage. Guess her girlfriends discovered that Stanny and bugs of any and all sorts don't get along very well. The bugs do, but Stanny gets along better without them. Then she came back to work, safe and sound, and thanking her lucky stars that no bugs would be here to scare her, only to be sent a box containing a dead bug. Too bad, Florence, and better luck next time. We won't tell anybody you're scared of bugs. . . . Guess that's all for this week. Not many items in the box these days (hint, hint). So long.

—Country Cousins.

Man-made lightning is used to test big power transformers as they emerge from electrical manufacturers' assembly lines.

Retire On Company Pension



William F. Reader



Ebbon P. Brown



Arthur Pfeiffer

The retirement of three G-E employees under the Company Pension Plan was announced today. William F. Reader, formerly employed in the Power Plant Section, retired after Company service totalling 37 years and 9 months. Ebbon P. Brown and Arthur W. Pfeiffer, both carpenters in the General Service Division, also left after long services. Mr. Brown had completed 20 years' service at the time of his retirement, and Mr. Pfeiffer had 26 years and 9 months' service.

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Amanda Snell, employee of Plant 1, died at the Memorial Hospital in Decatur on August 17, after a three-week illness. Death was attributed to leukemia. Amanda had been employed at the Decatur plant for the past 11 years, and for the past two years served as a leading operator in Plant 2. She will be greatly missed by her many friends and co-workers at the plant, and our deepest sympathy goes out to her husband T/4 Clement Snell, a former employee of Plant 2, who is a patient in a station hospital in France, and, to other members of her family.

Esther Schueler has left the services of the Company to take up full housekeeping duties as Mrs. William Meyer. She was married August 19. Best wishes. . . . Among those who had birthdays last week were Juanita Blum, Irene Ewell and Paul Meyer, all on August 16, and Mary Miller, August 17. Irene tells us she received a lovely bouquet of flowers from her Marine friend. . . . Hermenia Hoffman, Alice Sheets, Viola Geiger, Opal McCoy, and Rita Wellman have left the services of the company. . . . Alice Marie Poling and Keith Smitley were married August 19. Congratulations. Both have left the company; Keith is going to Huntington College school for the ministry and Alice will live near there. . . . Revia Stauffer got a real thrill from her plane ride to Paulding, Ohio. Her pilot was our only girl flier, Josephine Ivetich. Josephine was a participator in the Lima Air Show last Sunday. . . . Ralph Stanley is one of our newest flying eaglets. Sunday he took his first 35 minutes instruction at the Van Wert Airport. Good luck to you, Stan. We will be with you mentally on your solo flight. . . . Dick Harmon returned to work after a week's vacation at Pleasant Lake. Sure is a nice tan you got. . . . Ina Noack was a Sunday visitor at Van Wert. How was your picnic at the Fairgrounds?

Experimental Radio Network Planned For West Coast

Los Angeles And San Francisco Will Be Terminal Points

Los Angeles and San Francisco will be terminal points for an experimental radio relay network designed to carry television and FM radio programs, radio photos, and operate office typewriters by radio. This is revealed in applications filed by the International Business Machines Corporation with the Federal Communications Commission for permission to build terminal stations in the west coast cities. General Electric Company will build the electronic equipment for the relay.

It is expected that such a network would make television and FM radio programs originating in either city available not only to radio audiences in both cities but to many communities in the area between them. This is explained by Walter S. Lemmon, general manager of the Radiotype Division of I.B.M., who recently returned from a survey trip to the West Coast area. The terminal stations in San Francisco and Los Angeles would be connected by a chain of automatic relay stations placed on towers about 60 miles apart along a route to be selected. The terrain on the west coast is well suited to such a relay system, since the use of mountain peaks enables the installation of relay towers much farther apart than in the flatter country along the eastern seaboard of the U.S.A.

International Business Machines Corporation and the General Electric Company have already received Federal Communications Commission permits to erect an experimental radio relay network between Schenectady, New York City, and Washington, D. C. Electronic engineers of General Electric are at present developing the special radio equipment needed for these tests for the first link between Schenectady and New York City.

Here And There

BUILDING 17-4

The day broke clear and cool—gosh, how we hated to get up! After a few days' vacation the Bldg. 17-4 gang returned—sleep-e-e. Charley and Carroll looked happy to see so many familiar faces again. . . . Richard Markle's new apron is cute—it's luminous!! Betcha he's just praying for a black out. . . . Ruth Backer needs a string around her finger, "er sumpin." One day she forgot her billfold and house key. A few days later she drove down town and parked. After school she boarded a trolley car and went home. At home she missed her faithful jaloppy and dashed back to retrieve the vehicle before some cop spied it. . . . Vacation is over! At least for Don Kruse and Frank Koziol. Kruse spent his days at a fishing hole—Clear Lake. Kozy browned his pelt in the rays of Ole Sol at Crooked Lake. . . . Norbert Lose has been sleeping on his radio aerial, just in case the war news came, it would play loud enough for him to hear. . . . "Ham" Hillsmeier sure can tantalize us with the stories of the beautiful ham at home in his refrigerator. Course, most of us haven't seen a ham for so long we don't even know what it is. . . . We haven't heard Redmerski or Dick Sidel sing for a long time. Wonder if it's a summer slump or if they just put their voices on vacation. . . . Herb Buck returned to work Monday after having spent two years in Northern Michigan. Ed Schneider also spent his vacation in Michigan. These lucky people. . . . Jay Hensler is back too, looking very rested; he said all he did was eat chicken and fish. Nice life. . . . Noble Wagoner marched in our Victory Day parade and helped make it a grand success. You should see him carry a big drum. . . . Tommy Falls paid us a most welcome visit last week; he told us of his experiences in Germany and how he captured two Germans. Come back again, Tommy. . . . A victory celebration was held at Edna Buist's and Cleo Hubartt's. Helen Umbach, Edith Williams, and Maxine Baker enjoyed the evening.

Purdue Extension Classes To Include Technical Work

Thirty-Four Courses Announced For Fall Term By Local Center

Thirty-four courses will be offered in Fort Wayne this fall by the Fort Wayne Center of Purdue University Technical Extension Division, starting between September 10 and 19.

Most of these courses will be for credit in the Technical Institute and applicable toward an associate technical aide diploma. This diploma may be earned entirely by courses offered in Fort Wayne and in evening classes as desired.

Technical Institute courses are especially planned to train both men and women for jobs as engineering associates and laboratory technicians and to provide technical training which is valuable in production supervision. The Technical Institute type of education places relatively greater emphasis upon industrial practice and accordingly less emphasis upon purely theoretical aspects of technical training which are required for the engineering degree.

Courses to be offered here this fall by the Technical Institute cover the fields of drawing; chemistry; electricity; English; mathematics including algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and graphics; mechanics; psychology, and speech. In the field of industrial processes, courses are offered in materials and processes, heat treatment of steels, and machineability of metals. Courses in the field of industrial production supervision will include fundamentals, safety, costs, motion and time, human relations, and personnel management.

Five courses for college credit toward a degree will be offered for the fall term. They include differential calculus, differential equations, electric circuit theory, symmetrical components, and engineering drawing.

On a non-credit basis, courses will be offered in quality control by statistical methods, beginning and advanced; precision measurements in the machine industry; sales and sales management; and industrial electronic control.

Navy Outwits 'Em

A submersible emergency steering gear which can bring back ships put out of control by enemy action has been announced by the Navy's Bureau of Ships. Submersible installation in the steering compartment, and water-tight controls in a remotely located compartment, make steering possible even when a considerable portion of the ship is flooded or damaged. The installation in the steering compartment can be operated by electric power or by hand. It automatically cuts out the main steering when it is put into operation and takes over complete control of steering instantaneously when the "master" button is pushed or the crank is turned for emergency hand power.

The jaws of salvage machines, operated at great ocean depths, are guided by television apparatus.

Story Of A-26 Periscope Gun Sight Told By G-E

(Editor's Note: G-E, pioneer in top-flight armament equipment for the B-29, has clicked again with its gunnery system for another plane, the A-26. Here is the story).

Details of the revolutionary gunnery system that enabled the Army Air Force's spectacular attack bomber, the A-26 Invader, to play a vital role in bringing the Nazis to their knees and which has recently been introduced in the Pacific have just been disclosed by General Electric, designer and builder of this deadly equipment.

Containing the first two-ended periscope gun sight ever used on combat aircraft, the A-26's deadly G-E system permits a gunner to scan the skies in almost any direction for an enemy and to bring tremendous firepower to bear against him almost instantaneously. In the last stages of the German campaign the Army recently credited the Invader with playing a major role in destroying or damaging nearly 2,000 fleeing enemy vehicles.

Major part of the A-26 gunnery system is the periscope gun sight, which passes completely through the fuselage of the plane, with sight heads emerging from both the top and the bottom. Remote control links the novel sight with two two-gunned turrets, so that each time the gunner moves his sight to follow an attacking plane the gun turrets move similarly, as if the two were one piece of equipment.

Worked by Single Gunner

Both the upper and lower A-26 turrets and the periscope sight are controlled by a single gunner. He is located in a remote sighting station, where he is freed from distracting noise and shock and can hold his guns on the target without jarring or shaking, thus reducing bullet dispersion and permitting more accurate marksmanship.

The two-headed arrangement of the periscope sight allows a gunner to scan the skies for an enemy in the area above his own plane, to either side of it or beneath it. When an attacker climbs or dives from one hemisphere to another, a flip-over mirror within the instrument transfers the gunner's line of sight from one end of the periscope to the other and does so with such rapidity he never loses track of the target.

Turrets Follow Movements

Gun turrets follow movements of the periscope sight so fast that the two move almost simultaneously. This precision of motion between the sight and the guns is made possible by selsyns, which transmit an electrical message to other selsyns in the turret about which way the guns must move. After being amplified, this electrical message is converted into power that runs motors and directs the turrets, bringing the guns quickly into alignment with the sight.

When an A-26 engages in death-in-the-sky combat with a Jap, only those guns on the turret covering the area in which the Nip is flying can be fired. But, as in switching the sighting from one end of the periscope to the other, a slight overlap in area makes certain no direction is left even momentarily uncovered. Turreted guns can be fired any place in a 360-degree horizontal circle and, in little more than one second, the upper turret can be raised from a level position to where it's shooting straight overhead, while, in the same time, the lower turret can be pointed straight down.

Battle Action Shown

In battle action the A-26 gunner is seated so that he can revolve around the periscope tube, his eye to the sighting eyepiece, and follow the maneuvers of an attacking ship in any quarter of the sky. A series of concentric circles in the field of his instrument gives him the proper range in respect to his target, and, when an enemy is properly lined up in the sight, he presses triggers on his sight handle to fire the guns located many feet away.

Protection is afforded the gunner by a shield of armor plate which, as the gunner moves around the periscope tube to keep his sight trained on a rapidly maneuvering enemy, moves accordingly and covers him from enemy fire. Gun turrets of the A-26, because they house the .50-caliber machine guns but not the gunner, can be made small and streamlined and are placed so their firepower is concentrated most effectively.

Since the gun turrets are located several feet away from the gunner who aims and fires them, many times not being visible to him, special apparatus prevents them from being fired when aimed in a direction that might endanger any part of the A-26 or its crew. Fire interrupters automatically keep the guns from being fired when aimed in such directions, while, at the same time, another device, called the contour follower, redirects the guns slightly, causing them to clear the A-26 fuselage.

Has Fighter "Sting"

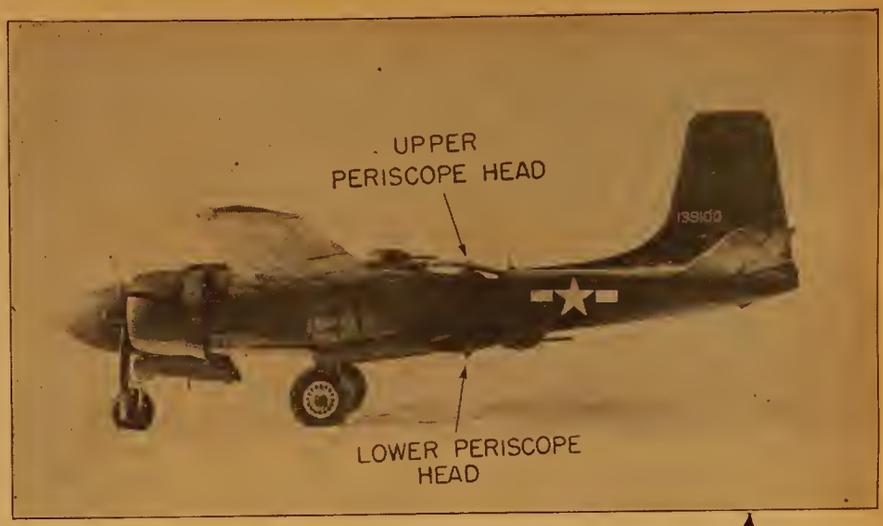
G-E's remotely controlled gunnery system, developed in collaboration with Wright Field Armament Laboratory, equips the A-26, ordinarily a medium-altitude bomber, with the sting of a fighter. The fast, light plane itself, built by Douglas, can carry as heavy a load of bombs as any other plane its size, and using several stationary guns and a cannon located in its easily modified, "all-purpose" nose, is expected soon to take a regular place alongside other mighty American planes.

Top speed of the A-26, which is powered by two Pratt and Whitney 2000-horsepower engines, is in excess of 350 miles per hour and cruising speed is 300 miles per hour. Besides the single gunner the combat crew includes the pilot and, when desired, an auxiliary crewman.

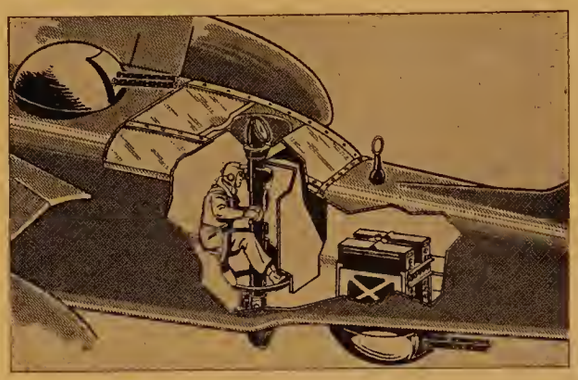
"It is extremely difficult in these times to be well dressed," complained a troubled subscriber to the query department of a certain Chicago newspaper. "Every time I put on a clean shirt, there are some buttons missing. What would you advise me to do?"

"You should do one of two things," was the reply. "Either get married or get a divorce."

Invader Plane And G-E Gunnery System



Here is the A-26, carrying G-E gun control mechanism. Gunner sits just aft the upper turret, sights through double periscope, and guns do the rest.



Cutaway drawing shows gunner, able to spot enemy from any direction through his periscope. Remote control with G-E selsyns links sight with two dual-gun turrets, so that each time he moves sight to follow attacking plane, gun turrets move, too, like one piece of equipment.

Seventy-one Awards Totalling $575 Are Made To Suggestors

Seventy-one awards, totalling $575, have been made over a two-week period to suggestors, according to the lists released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Mildred M. Fettinger, Bldg. 26-2, was awarded $75 for her suggestion covering changes in drawing number card routine to expedite the location of cards.

A $50 award was presented to Mary E. Meyer, Decatur Plant 1, for her idea of a fixture for locating contact springs while riveting wear pads on them.

Other employees who received awards ranging from $5 to $20 for their suggestions are:

Bldg. 2-1
Charles F. Westfall.

Bldg. 2-2
Charles W. Scarlett, Eleanor C. Paetz, Marjorie J. Huffman.

Bldg. 4-B
Cassius O. Smith.

Bldg. 4-2
Norma L. Krueckeberg, Edward N. Miller, Herbert A. Tilbury, Orin M. Clark, Angelo J. Trentadue.

Bldg. 4-3
Nancy C. M. Gelvin.

Bldg. 4-4
Herbert F. Seslar, Herbert G. Bender, Donald Gage, Albert J. Smith, Joseph E. Tricker, Charles C. Rupel, Jack F. Payton, Pauline B. Baker, Eugene E. LaVine, John Fuller, Jr., Gldays M. Strong.

Bldg. 4-5
Betty Jean Barger, Gilbert P. Auth, Irene Habecker.

Bldg. 4-6
Wier W. Anderson.

Bldg. 6-B
Frank H. Austin.

Bldg. 6-2
Marie R. Drewery, Charles Strebig.

Bldg. 6-3
Herman Ebel.

Bldg. 17-1
Helene Evanoff.

Bldg. 17-2
Floyd W. Hapner, Jeanette Blough.

Bldg. 17-3
Mabel F. Thomson, Catherine E. Tucker.

Bldg. 19-1
Alfred H. Woehnker.

Bldg. 19-2
Maurice J. Libbing.

Bldg. 19-4
Delphos A. Winter.

Bldg. 19-5
Ammi Ross Fett, Howard C. Taylor.

Bldg. 20-1
Bernard T. Kiep.

Bldg. 22-1
Harry E. Millisor.

Bldg. 24-1
Russel P. Kryder.

Bldg. 26-B
John L. Winesburg, Charles R. Mercer.

Bldg. 26-2
Donald E. McAfee, Forest J. Fidler, Levi Carpenter, Grace Bolyard, Ormonde Smith Jr., Robert R. Hersha, Kenneth Doeden.

Bldg. 26-3
Charles F. Spillner.

Bldg. 26-4
Ned D. Greulach, Marjorie May Funk, Carrie E. Green, K. Brown.

Taylor Street
Wilbur Anders, Cletus H. Kyle, William M. Jones.

Decatur Plant 1
Reinhold F. Sauer, Jason L. Moser, Ralph Stetler.

Kokomo
Russell A. DuBois, Thelma D. Johnson, Lawrence Hammill.

U.S. Army Decorates G-E Representative In Southwest Pacific

Francis E. Cook, a G-E Technical Service Representative working on superchargers (most of them of Fort Wayne make) with the AAF in the Southwest Pacific, recently became the first G-E man and one of the handful of civilians to be decorated by the U. S. Army during the war. By order of General Douglas MacArthur, he was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon for "sharing the hardships and dangers of combat with United States troops" and for contributing to their effectiveness, according to the *Lynn River Works News* of July 6.

Mr. Cook was traveling on a C-47 Army transport with six other passengers and about 2,000 pounds of cargo. When landing, the right brake of the plane locked and caused the plane to crack up. Everyone had escaped except an Irish boy who had a cut on his forehead. The right engine had caught on fire, but Cook stayed and managed to get the boy and himself down to the ground.

CAPITAL HELPS US TO MAKE THE MOST OF OUR OPPORTUNITIES

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its operations.

Only recently, newspaper reports gave prominence to an announcement that 881 manufacturers in the country are planning to spend $600,000,000 to finance the transition of their businesses from war production to peacetime output.

Naturally, this information concerning industry's plans on reconversion is news of the first importance to all of us.

The job of "beating swords into ploughshares" will be the biggest task facing the country when the war ends. Without sufficient funds to pay for all the work that has to be done and to buy all the new equipment which will be needed, American industry would certainly have a difficult time getting back to a peacetime footing.

Industry's plan for postwar financing illustrates the vital role which capital plays in American business life. Throughout all of American history, it has been this wise and courageous use of capital which has helped our people to take advantage of every opportunity, and so to achieve the highest standard of living in the world.



Becouse enough money will be forthcaming, American industry will be able to make the chonge from war to peace with the leost possible delay.

WHERE DOES CAPITAL COME FROM?

Where will the 881 manufacturers get the $600,000,000 they need for reconversion? From the same sources from which all capital comes. From the savings of the people and of industry itself.

We are told that the manufacturers expect to get one-fourth of the amount from outside sources, such as banks and the sale of stocks and bonds to people who want to invest their savings in industries in which they have confidence, and the rest from their own resources, that is, funds that can be obtained from the liquidation of wartime inventories, termination claims on war contracts, collection of amounts receivable, cash, and Government securities.

Capital is any form of wealth which is used to produce goods for the market. It can be material as well as the money to buy material. It can be machinery or buildings. It can be any one of the items which can be considered part of the assets of a business firm. It is, of course, the cash available for ordinary commercial transactions, for payrolls, and for reserves.

The American habit of saving, including the practice of setting funds aside for future needs through the purchase of life insurance, has filled the banks and other financial institutions of our country with money to be used as capital for the needs of our various business enterprises. American industry has also continually added to its own capital by improving its plant facilities and equipment, through the process of "ploughing earnings back into the business."

It is largely because generation after generation of Americans have built up the supply of capital in these ways that this country is the great producing nation that it is today.

W. N. Wehrs Retires After More Than 50 Years' Service

W. N. Wehrs, general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works and one of its best-known employees for many years, terminated a service of 50 years and three months last Friday to retire under the Company Pension Plan.

"Billy," as he was affectionately known throughout the Works, probably could call more employees by name and knew them and their families than any other Fort Wayne employee. His long years of service with the Company, varied supervisory positions, and a genuine interest in his co-workers brought him in touch with many hundreds of G-E employees.

Mr. Wehrs got in on the "ground floor" of the new electrical industry when in 1895, at the age of 14, he was employed in Bldg. 2-3 on the building of street lamps. A year later he was transferred as a machinist apprentice to old Bldg. 3-1, which was located on the site of present Bldg. 4. After the completion of his machinist training, he was transferred to Bldg. 8. The next years saw a rapid succession of appointments to supervisory positions, including appointments as foreman, general foreman, superintendent of the A.C. and D.C. Apparatus Division, and superintendent of the Winter Street Plant.

In 1938 he was brought back to the Broadway Plant to serve as superintendent of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division and in 1942 was made general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works. On June 12 Mr. Wehrs' 50 years of service with the Company was celebrated by his co-workers. He was the fourth Fort Wayne man to achieve this distinction, the others being Charles Becker, Harry Savage, and James Rehrer.

His uniquely friendly personality, his know-how-and-can-do attitude toward his job, his many stories about his famous Buick—all this helped make him a person who will be long remembered here.

Robert Wylie, formerly manufacturing superintendent of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, was named to succeed him.

Club Owls Nab Second Game Of Playoff, 13-9, In 9 Innings

By R. James

The Owls had to go nine innings to win the second game of the best two out of three series, 13-9, last Sunday night at McMillen Park for the Y.M.C.A. Industrial Owl Softball crown. Harvester had won the first game 4-2.

If the Owls can win next Wednesday's game, August 22, they will take home the Y.M.C.A. Industrial Owl crown for the second consecutive year.

The highlight of last Sunday's game was the hard hitting of L. Tucker, Owl short fielder who by the way won the Owl batting crown this year. He had five hits out of five times at bat, one of which was a long home run in the second inning.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	HARVESTER	AB.	R.	H.
Vondran,lf	5	4	1	Caccamo,2b	5	0	0
Crosley,cf	5	0	1	Spranger,sf	4	1	1
Hildinger,c	5	1	0	Reinking,p	4	2	1
Tucker,sf	5	2	5	Brown,cf	4	2	2
Edmunds,p	4	1	2	Jockr,1b	3	1	2
Booher,1b	5	1	1	King, ss	3	2	0
Hensler,rf	4	2	2	Wolfe,lf	4	0	0
James,ss	4	2	2	McCartny,c	3	1	1
Reader,cf	2	0	0	Oberh'tzer,3b	3	0	0
Girardot,2b	2	0	0	Mantor,lf	2	0	0
Plattner,2b	2	1	0	Noble,lf	2	0	0
Christlieb,3b	2	2	2				
Totals	44	13	16	Totals	37	9	7

Score by innings—

G-E Club ..... 0 2 0 0 2 1 3 0 5—13
Harvester ..... 1 1 2 0 0 4 0 0 1— 9

Aircraft machinery, packed for overseas shipment, is given infra-red heat treatment on conveyor lines before being submerged in grease. The infra-red removes all moisture and the grease protects the metal against exposure which would cause rust en route.

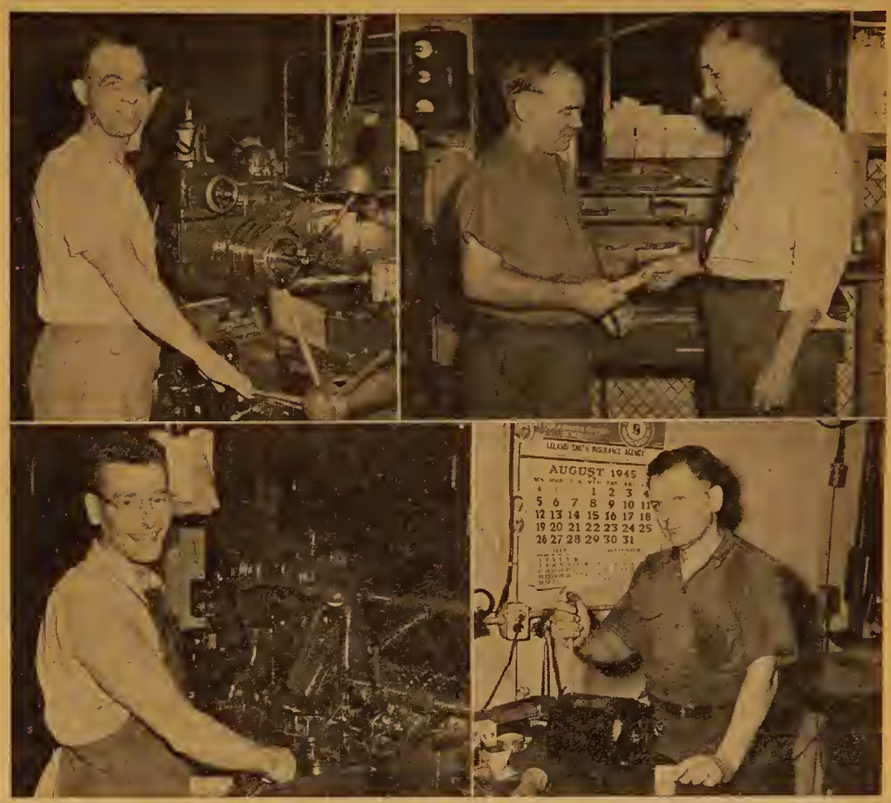
There are more than 250 different applications of storage battery power.

Farewell Gift For "Billy"



Charles Kensill, president of the Foreman's Association, is shown above presenting an order for a complete motion picture unit to W. N. Wehrs on his last day with the Company. The farewell gift represented contributions from the employees of the Fort Wayne Works. Paul Mayer (center), Bldg. 17-1, represented factory employees at the presentation. Minnie Fryback (at right), Bldg. 21, represented office employees.

Suggestions Pay Off For Decatur Employees



Four Decatur employees profited under the Company Suggestion System in recent weeks. Hugh Holthouse, upper left, suggested providing a combination tool holder for machining brake discs and received a $30 award. Fred Engle is shown, upper right, being congratulated by Foreman Alva Buffenbarger on the presentation of a $250 suggestion award. A $30 award was made to John Beery, lower left, for his suggestion on machining certain bronze collars on a one-inch Acme Automatic instead of on a Warner and Swasey machine. This was in addition to $10 previously awarded. Andrew N. Hilton, lower right, received $25 for his idea involving die casting letters on pulley end of rotor for balancing purposes.

Off the Tee

By Johnny Gitter

Due to the sudden end of hostilities in the Far East, the golf schedule was thrown for a loss last week. The only group to play was the Monday Nighters.

Bob Link and Bob Elder turned in 38's, Ray White had a 39, Kellog, a newcomer, and Chuck Kronmiller had a pair of 41's and Jim Oman and J. Unger had 42's.

Johnny Cupp, who plays in the Tuesday night league, had the lowest score for nine holes he has had this year. Friday night at Brookwood he had a 43. But the sad part is that he had to count one on the fourth hole which netted him zero distance. Johnny teed off on the fourth after every one else had hit nice drives and evidently was going to knock one a mile. They tell me he stirred up a small hurricane when the club head went through the air over the ball.

Here are some random shots:

Did you know that Byron Nelson had a 67.42 average for 35 consecutive major tournaments? In one of the tournaments he was way off his game, he had a 73! Imagine blowing up and getting a 73. In the last round of the recent Tam O' Shanter he putted for birdies on all eighteen holes!

Gene Sarazen once had a deuce on a 520-yard par five hole. He sank a spoon shot from 230 yards out.

Horton Smith had a six on the 533-yard twelfth hole at Orchard Ridge—with three balls out of bounds.

Guy Paulsen, former pro at the same course, once missed a two-foot putt for a 29 on the back nine.

Bud Felger, who used to be pro at the North Highlands course, once had a 28 there.

Walter Hagen, as far as we know, holds the world's record for the lowest 18-hole score with a 59. I don't remember where or when.

In the recent Chicago City Amateur Tournament the medalist had a 67. But the surprising thing is that no one knew who he was. It seems that he had put his entry in just before teeing off and had given no club affiliations. When the qualifying scores were posted, he couldn't be found and no one knew until the next day what he looked like. The papers listed him as "the Phantom Golfer."

I hope you have enjoyed reading this column as much as I have enjoyed writing it. I am leaving the Company this week so this is a sort of farewell. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have helped me with news and scores. And to thank anyone who has been kind enough to read this far. No successor has been named as yet. To him and to all of you, GOOD LUCK AND GOOD GOLF.

G-E Club Girls' Team Drops Bob Inn B's, 12-0, Friday Night

By Alice Dahman

Last Friday night the G-E Club Girls' Softball team shut out the Bob Inn B's to the tune of 12-0. Whiteleather was the winning pitcher and Amstotz, the losing one. Everyone of the G-E girls was batting good, and fielding was excellent. Varner came through with a home run in the fifth. The game was called at the end of the fifth.

This was the last game in the league schedule. The club started out badly, but hit their stride in the last month. They are tied in fifth place with Bowser and C.Y.O., winning eight games and losing five.

On August 30 the Club will travel to Logansport, making good use of ration-free gasoline. With the Club out to avenge the previous 3-0 defeat, it will undoubtedly be a good game.

This is a good time to say that the team really hated to lose Ruth Bird, our third baseman, who had been a steady and reliable player. She left for the sunny hospitality of the South last week.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Lewis Groves (3)*	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind. (Coming in on No. 33, through Churubusco)	4-1	Peternell	7:00- 3:30
W. K. McIver (2)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne, Ind. (Coming in on No. 1, 8 miles north)	4-5	McIver	8:00- 5:15

* Number of riders desired.

Club Sluggers Meet Twin City Independents

Notre Dame Falls As Club Chalks Up Ninth Straight

Bildilli And Thomas Pitch Six-Hit Shut Out Ball For Teammates

By Walter Histed

Behind the six-hit shut out pitching of Bildilli and Thomas, the G-E Club nine won their ninth consecutive game, defeating Notre Dame 4-0 Tuesday night at Dwenger Park.

Braden's men scored all of their runs in a big second inning. Chuck Bobilya got the inning under way with a double to right center and tallied a moment later on Young's single. Seiple followed with an infield single, Young stopping at second. Bush attempted to sacrifice but Barrett took his bunt and forced Young at third for the first out. Brann grounded to Kohlosh at short and all hands were safe when he fumbled the ball. Jack Barrett appeared to he out of trouble when Bildilli grounded to third and Seiple was forced at home; however, Mel Kestner drove a mighty triple to right center clearing the loaded bases.

Notre Dame threatened in the first when Grieve and Koblosh singled to put runners on second and third with none out. Bildilli got out of trouble by making Schneider fly to Seiple and then striking out Gehring and Kluck.

The Club's only other good scoring chance came in the fifth when Barnett singled, Bobilya was hit by a pitched ball, and the two of them advanced on a wild pitch, but a double play stopped the rally.

The summary:

NOTRE DAME	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Grieve,1b	4	0	2	Kestner,rf	4	0	2
Koblosh,ss	4	0	3	Wattier,3b	4	0	1
Schneider,2b	4	0	0	Barnett,ss	4	0	2
Gebring,cf	4	0	0	Bobilya,1b	3	1	1
Kluck,lf	4	0	0	Young,lf	4	0	1
Cave,3b	4	0	0	Seiple,2b	4	0	1
Parise,rf	4	0	1	Busb,c	4	1	0
Dio Guardi,c	4	0	0	Brann,cf	4	1	0
Barrett,p	4	0	0	Bildilli,p	2	1	1
				Thomas,p	0	0	0
Totals	36	0	6	Totals	33	4	9

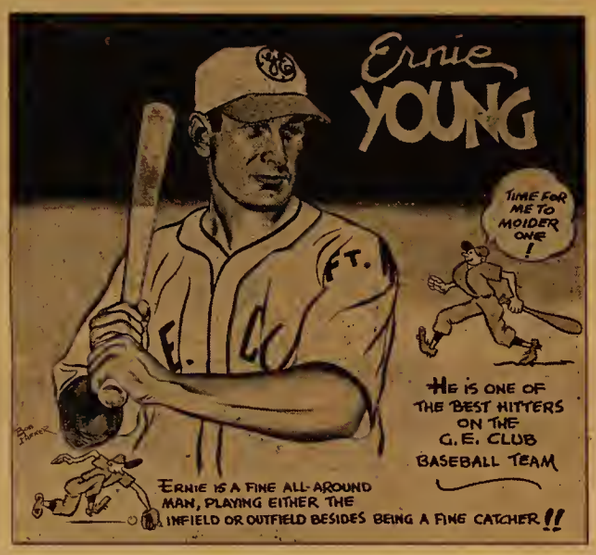
Score by innings— R. H. E.
Notre Dame .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0 6 2
G-E Club .....0 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 *— 4 9 3

Errors—Wattier, Barnett, Bobilya, Koblosh, Cave. Runs batted in—Young, Kestner 3. Two base bit—Bobilya. Three base bit—Kestner. Double play—Koblosh to Grieve to Dio Guardi. Left on bases—G-E Club 7, Notre Dame 9. Bases on balls—Off Barrett 1. Strikeouts—By Bildilli 4; by Thomas 7; by Barrett 5. Hits—Off Bildilli, 4 in 5 innings; off Thomas, 2 in 4 innings; off Barrett, 9 in 8 innings. Hit by pitcher—By Barrett (Bobilya). Wild pitch—Barrett. Winning pitcher—Bildilli. Losing pitcher—Barrett. Umpires—Lamb and Dehaven. Time—1:55.

Looking At The CLUB BATTING AVERAGES

Here are the latest batting averages of the G-E Club Baseball team:

	G	AB	R	H	TB	RBI	Ave.
Hines	8	80	8	15	28	11	.500
Winters	27	106	17	41	66	85	.387
Bildilli	14	34	6	13	15	8	.383
Barnett	30	118	29	45	62	14	.381
Thomas	10	20	8	6	6	1	.800
Seiple	30	109	18	32	88	11	.294
Young	28	77	15	22	30	14	.286
Bobllya	27	103	23	29	47	17	.282
Wattier	25	103	12	29	32	12	.282
Miller	10	15	3	4	4	2	.267
Busb	28	94	19	25	36	12	.266
Kestner	28	75	14	17	26	14	.226
Brann	27	85	18	17	24	8	.198
Kisler	6	14	2	2	5	3	.143



G-E Club Softball Team Drops Game To Reserve Club

Monday Night Contest Lost 3-1 When Local Boys Fail To Hit

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club Softball team lost to the Reserve Club Monday night, August 20, at Memorial Park, 3-1.

The Reserve Club obtained two runs in the fourth on two errors, one hit, and a walk, and one in the seventh on a walk, a fielder's choice, and an error. The G-E run came in the first on two walks, an error, and a hit.

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	RESERVE CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenb'g,3b	2	0	0	Jeanette,1b	3	0	1
Scherer,cf	2	1	0	Speck,lf	3	1	0
Hilgema'n,sf	3	0	1	F.Kowal,ss	3	0	0
Rarick,rf	2	0	0	Shipp,cf	2	1	0
Anderson,rf	1	0	0	S.Kowal,sf	3	0	1
Hess,lf	2	0	0	Hutb,rf	2	1	1
Stanskl,ss	2	0	0	Kammer,c	3	0	0
Starkel*	1	0	0	Smith,3b	3	0	0
Esterline,2b	2	0	0	Miller,2b	3	0	1
VanRyn,1b	2	0	1	Lundquist,p	3	0	0
Bohde,c	2	0	0				
Feldheiser,p	2	0	0				
Totals	23	1	2	Totals	28	3	4

*Batted for Stanskl in the 7th.

Score by innings— R. H. E.
Reserve Club .....0 0 0 2 0 0 1— 3 4 1
G-E Club .....1 0 0 0 0 0 0— 1 2 3

Decatur G-E Girls Swamp Old Crown Team, 17-0, Friday

By Marcia Martin

Decatur G-E Girls' Softball team won their last league game of the season by defeating Old Crown 17-0 at Hamilton Park Friday night.

Ulrey, Old Crown pitcher, allowed ten hits and 17 runs, while Moser, Decatur G-E pitcher, allowed only two hits and no runs. Home runs were hit by Kohn, Bower, and McLean.

Butcher, former regular pitcher, has gone with the Grand Rapids Chicks, so good luck and best wishes from your former teammates, "Butch."

Decatur will play Uhlig Machine in the play-off for the City-Wide League Cup next Friday at Memorial Park.

Better GOLF

By Dale W. McNutt

General Rules and Suggestions

1. Waterwings or small flags are not to be attached to hall to aid recovery.

2. Balls in fairway must not be touched by club or hand to secure better "lie." You may just kick them.

3. Sandblasting may be done with aid of six inch flash crackers. After this operation, player may choose the better "lie" between any one of the rocks or the ball.

4. Fishing is ruled out during course of the match.

5. In case of excessive "griping" by any player, he will be excused for a limited time only.

6. Golf bags must not be tossed on ground or on the other bags, as contents might be broken. (Broken glass is very dangerous).

7. Throwing balls over fences, creeks, from shrubs, etc., when opponents' backs are turned, must be exercised with care, as player might derive a bad bounce from same.

8. Be courteous and thoughtful to all opponents.

(a) Step on their ball lightly.

(b) Kick their ball in the opposite direction, but not far.

(c) Be cautious just how you insult them.

(d) Don't talk loud, just mutter, crack your knuckles, pop your gum, laugh, or cough when they are shooting.

(e) Don't always think of yourself; there are other ignorant people too, so discourage them also.

Golf Etiquette Hint for the Week

Never argue with your opponent over his score—ask him first, and you have every advantage.

Lightning produces 100,000,000 tons of soil-building nitric acid a year, exceeding the total output of all fertilizer plants. The nitrogen, released from the air by the thunderbolts, falls in rain drops.

Opticians report a 100 per cent increase in defective eyesight in England since the war, due largely to poor lighting.

G-E Team Is Out To Even Record With Benton Harbo

Local Boys Tangle With Lafayette Red Sox Sunda In Out-of-town Game

By Walter Histed

The Club's sluggers will be out to even the record for the sea tonight at Dwenger Park when they tangle with the Twin City In pendents from Benton Harbor under the lights at 8:15 P.M.

Benton Harbor won two early games played in the Twin Citi while the Club won a thrilling 4-3 game here July 17 with a big eighth inning rally which netted three runs and the ball game. Benton Harbor has a trio of long ball sluggers in Snyder, Norris, and Leach, who are always a threat to break up a ball game.

Benton Harbor will line up with Selby, Bohn Gierke, and Leach in the infield; Snyder, Norris, and Sinn in the outfield with Clupper and Yarger being the probable starting battery.

Manager Charley Braden expects to use his regular starting lineup with Charley Thomas doing the twirling.

Charley is the property of the Detroit Tigers and should go up with the end of the war. Two years ago with Louisville he appeared in 39 games, working both as a starting and a relief pitcher.

Johnny Hines, Club third baseman, has made a place for himself with local fans with his heavy stick work. Big league scouts are interested too, representatives of the Detroit Tigers, Boston Red Sox, and Pittsburgh Pirates have been here to watch him play.

Manager Braden's Club sticks will attempt to gain further re venge at Lafayette Sunday nig when they tangle with the Red So seeking to repeat their thrilli 2-1 victory of August 10.

Previous games with the Re Sox have been hotly contested bo on the playing field and vocal Fans here will remember the d bating episode during the eigh inning when two visitors were ba ished from the game; while th Club team well recall the fact th on their last visit to Lafayette th starting battery of Thomas an Bush was ejected by the umpire

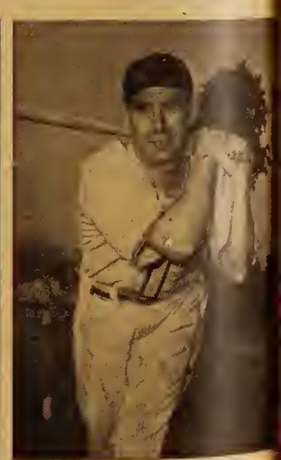
Charley Braden has nominat Emil Bildilli to start this game quest of a second victory over L fayette.

Dust Off HOME PLATE

BY ERNIE SPAULDING



Don Scherer



Clyde Hess

Two of the G-E Club Softball team's outfielders are being introduced in this week's column.

Don Scherer is one of the best ballhawks in the Major League. His spectacular fielding prevents many fly balls from becoming hits. He has an accurate throwing arm that base runners have a healthy respect for.

Don's batting average has hovered around .300 all season, making him one of the leaders in hitting.

This is Don's first year playi for the G-E Club, although he h been active in sports around Fo Wayne for a number of years.

Clyde Hess is also playing h first year with the G-E Club. H was in the Navy for sever months.

Clyde is a very good fielder a makes very few errors. He is n hitting as good as he would lik but he has a respectable avera which he is steadily improving.

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With malice toward none;
With charity for all;
With firmness in the right,
As God gives us to see the right,
Let us strive on to finish the work we are in,
To bind up the Nation's wounds;
To care for him who shall have borne the battle,
And for his widow and his orphan—
To do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace,
Among ourselves and with all Nations.
Abraham Lincoln
Second Inaugural Address

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ELEX WILL ELECT CLUB OFFICERS SEPTEMBER 17-21

Bonds To Continue—Wilson

To all General Electric Employees:

In compliance with the wishes of the U. S. Government, General Electric Company will continue to sell United States Savings Bonds to its employees by deductions from payroll and for cash.

The Secretary of the Treasury, Fred M. Vinson, made the following statement on this subject on Thursday, August 16, 1945:

"There are millions of our men overseas. Billions of dollars will be needed to bring them home, to provide their mustering out pay, and to care for the disabled.

"Other billions will be required to provide for contract cancellations and to meet other costs incident to the liquidation of our war effort.

"We must maintain forces of occupation in German and Japanese territory, as long as necessary, to make secure the victory that has been achieved at the cost of so much suffering and of so many lives.

"All this will cost money. In the last war, expenditures

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Insurance Deductions Are Suspended For Rest Of '45

"Upon recommendation of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, our officials have approved suspension of employees' contributions to the Additional Group Life Insurance Plan for the months of October, November, and December, 1945 (equivalent to a reduction of 25% of the full year's contributions)," W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Company, announced last week.

"This suspension will apply, as in past years, to all employees who were insured on December 31, 1944, and prior thereto. Employees who have received increases in amounts of insurance because of increased earnings, or because of the Revised Plan of May 1, 1945, will share in the suspension of contributions only on that portion of the insurance which was in force at December 31, 1944."

The last deduction to be taken out of the employees' pay affected by this announcement was made last week, E. F. Waldschmidt, Works Paymaster, said Wednesday, since deductions are made one month in advance. October deduc-

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PRES. WILSON TO BE ON "HOUR OF CHARM" PROGRAM ON SUNDAY

President Charles E. Wilson will speak to all employees on the G-E "Hour of Charm" program next Sunday evening, September 2. The program starts at 9 P.M. CWT, and is carried on all NBC stations. It can be heard locally over station WGL. All employees are urged to hear President Wilson at this time.

Harry A. Winne Named To New Company Post

Ernest E. Johnson, To Head Engineering, Apparatus Department

Harry A. Winne, Vice-president in charge of Engineering for the General Electric Company's Apparatus Department, has been appointed Vice-president in charge of Engineering Policy for the entire Company, effective September 1, it has been announced by President Charles E. Wilson.

Ernest E. Johnson, assistant engineer of the Aeronautics and Marine Engineering Division, has been named to succeed Mr. Winne by R. C. Muir, Vice-president, general manager of the Apparatus Department.

In assuming his new duties, Mr. Winne will become a member of the President's staff. His headquarters will be in Schenectady. As chairman

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Sue Cameron And Ruth Papenbrock Nominated For Presidency; Drive In Progress

(See pictures on Page 9)

Elex Club will have its annual election September 17-21 with Sue Cameron, Receptionist's Desk, and Ruth Papenbrock, Bldg. 6-2, slated to run for the presidential post, it was announced today by Irene Meyers, Club adviser.

Other nominees are: vice-president—Martha Arnold, Bldg. 4-4, and Peggy Cook, Bldg. 26-3, and secretary—Margaret Suelzer, Bldg. 18-2, and Dorothy Heckman, Bldg. 17-3.

Elex members will vote for three of six nominees for office of director of the club. Nominees are Bernice Freiburger, Bldg. 19-5, Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-1, Betty Puff, Taylor Street, Ruth Beeber, Bldg. 18-3, Harriett Gearey, Bldg. 17-3, and Caroline Walker, Hollywood Bldg. Mary Jane Busking, this year's president, and Marian Menze, secretary, will take office as directors automatically with next year's board.

Two trustees will be elected. Nominees are Dorothy Volz, Bldg.

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A Great American Comes Back To Life



Domestic refrigeration, G-E model, which expired April 1, 1942, is dug from grave at Erie Works, revived, and put to useful life. Above is a reverse action "funeral" staged for G-E employees there. After tense action as "body" was being dug from grave, timely arrival of permit allowed ceremony to proceed. Above, "pallbearers" carry exhumed box to unveiling committee.

G-E Announces New Appliances It Will Offer Public Soon

The General Electric Company today announced the electrical appliances it will offer the public in the months immediately ahead. With five exceptions, all models are basically the same as those it sold just before the war.

"We have had to hew pretty closely to our old lines," C. R. Pritchard, general sales manager of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, explained, "because General Electric's wartime job was to build equipment our Armed Forces needed to defeat Germany and Japan.

"To speed our output of electrical appliances, therefore, we have gone back to slightly modified 1942 models which do not require new machine tools, fixtures, and facilities—which, in other words, can be most quickly placed in production."

As announced today, General Electric's household electrical appliance line is complete except for

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CASUALTIES

Lt. (jg) Harold A. Todd, a former Test Engineer, has been reported missing in action in the Pacific theater.

Labor Day Holiday 1945

The Fort Wayne Works, including the operations at Decatur and Kokomo, will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 1945, except for guards, power house employees, and like protective services which have, according to past practice, been on duty when departmental operations have ceased.

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On Their Toes

They did their eight-hour stint six days a week on war production. Their first duty was to win the war. But they worked, too, on G-E's plans for the World of Tomorrow, because they couldn't let the men and women of their Works down. They wanted them, when Victory came, to be back at peacetime jobs in a split second, if possible, after the WPB flashed the green light. That has been the absorbing task of thousands of key G-E people during many months preceding final victory.

An example is what has been done at the Bridgeport Works. There the key men of G-E's Home Laundry Division made, during the war period, what Division Manager John M. Wicht calls "plans for reconversion and the future beyond." This, of course, in addition to doing their war jobs. On June 15 the WPB granted permission to resume washer production. With a critical need for the machines, an AA-3 priority was granted to the industry. Then there was a bit of luck. A war contract was completed, and the Division was able to act on the authorization within a few weeks.

This week the first boxes came off the assembly lines, and, —picturesque touch—preference goes to some of the country's infantile paralysis sufferers, the better to treat them with hot towels in the Sister Kenney manner. These and other preferences must be served before your Company store will have one for you, but the time is coming.

Followed the same kind of exciting stir that accompanied Bridgeport's entry into the bazooka field during the war. Preservative grease was wiped off prewar refrigerator tools and dies; the old machine tools were located, sometimes in distant places; a dragnet was spread for parts, wherever they could be located; telephones worked day and night; cars and trucks flew everywhere.

Bridgeport had specially favorable conditions for a quick reconversion. Elsewhere, particularly where war contracts are incomplete, the process may be slower. But the point is, the key men are on their toes. They are playing for a high stake, the welfare and happiness of the men and women of General Electric.

A Labor Day Statement

The year which has passed since last Labor Day has been one of historic achievement for the great American team of workers and fighters. Their efforts, combined with that of our Allies, have eliminated the forces of aggression and barbarism in Europe. They have also brought about the twilight of the same evil forces in Asia.

More than one Nazi military leader has stated that "American material superiority was just too much,"—striking tribute to the production lines of the United States. Thus the slogan adopted by American workers early in the war, "Free Labor Will Win," was not only proved, but proved up to the hilt.

The balance in the war against the world's two most militaristic nations, Germany and Japan, was tipped overwhelmingly in Allied favor by the weight of ships, munitions, and equipment poured out from our shipyards and factories. Through three and a half years of this terrible war, American workers have stood steadfastly by their machines and tools as our fighting men have stood by their guns. The undeviating support of our soldiers of production has been a mighty bulwark in the fight for freedom.

On this Labor Day, as we rejoice in the victories of our common toil and sacrifices, the Navy gratefully salutes the workers of the nation. Free labor assures ultimate victory!

H. STRUVE HENSEL
Assistant Secretary of the Navy

WELL DONE!



Monday may well be the greatest Labor Day in General Electric history. Germany and Japan lie disastrously defeated. Perhaps never again will they be strong enough to menace anybody. Linked by the tie of common danger, the United Nations have never faltered in their unity.

Side by side with the citizens of the Armed Forces have fought the citizens of General Electric, both men and women. In this war there was no "home front"; it was all one, from the spearhead of reconnaisance planes all the way back to the drawing boards. And we are told that the enemy failed largely because he could not produce fast enough. We could.

This is the message of Labor Day for G-E people. They were the men behind the men behind the guns, and they proved worthy.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

CLEAN KITCHENS SEEM COOLER

By the
HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS
of the
General Electric Consumers Institute

Cool and clean kitchens in the summer seem to make the hot days more bearable. Every conscientious homemaker likes to know ways in which to shorten her hours of scouring and the quickest (at the same time, the best) ways to brighten up the room, make her meals more attractive yet easy to prepare. You want to know ways, too, in which to keep your foods fresh during hot weather.

Yes, there's time for relaxation in the porch swing, or playing with the baby on the cool tree-shaded lawn, because the General Electric Consumers Institute experts pass on for your work-saving benefit these timely tips:

The right care for utensils and appliances can mean much energy and time saved in the routine housekeeping duties!

Coffee Pots

To keep a coffee pot sparkling inside as well as out, occasionally boil a solution of baking soda and water in the pot for about 5 minutes, then rinse thoroughly in boiling water.

Waffle Irons

Never wash a waffle iron! Use a dry small stiff brush to clean the grids if it should stick while baking. Then using an unsalted cooking fat, grease grids lightly with a pastry brush before baking again.

Burnt and Greasy Pans

Run about 1 inch of cool water into the burnt or greasy pan. Add I teaspoon washing soda, put a cover on the pan and let it heat to the boiling point.

Wooden Bowls

Never soak wooden utensils in water. Wash them quickly and thoroughly in hot soapy water, rinse and wipe dry.

Egg Beater

Avoid putting the cogs of the egg beater in water. Rinse the spokes under cold water first, then wash only the spokes with your dishes.

Flour Sifter

Keep the sifter in the flour bin, or in a paper bag so it will keep clean from one time to the next without having to be washed each time.

Food Chopper

Take the food chopper apart after using and wash each part thoroughly in hot soapy water. Be sure each part is absolutely dry before reassembling.

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Can a magnet function in a vacuum?

A. A magnetic field does not require a material medium. It may be set up in a vacuum, in air, in iron, and in general in any substance. A given magnetizing force will set up a magnetic field having a certain number of lines of force per unit area in the best vacuum obtainable. The same magnetizing force will set up approximately the same field, in air. In iron, however, the same magnetizing force will produce a magnetic field which may have thousands of times more lines of force per unit area.

Q. Why do sweet potatoes turn black when peeled?

A. Sweet potatoes blacken for the same reason that many fruits darken when they are peeled and exposed to the air. They contain certain colorless, unsaturated chemical compounds which absorb oxygen from the air. When oxidized, these colorless compounds turn either a brown or a black. It so happens that sweet potatoes contain more of these unsaturated compounds than most fruits and vegetables, so that they are consequently more difficult to handle without darkening.

Radar, Vital In War, Gives Future Promise

OWI Looks For Much In Microwave Field

Will Make Air And Sea Traffic Foolproof, Says Release

Radar "has made the electronic industry one of America's major ones, now comparable in size to the prewar automobile industry", declared the Office of War Information in a release last week. "This new industry, through its enormous laboratories, can be expected to find innumerable applications in a wide variety of fields." (The news was released just before the end of the war curtailed manufacture of some kinds of radio equipment.)

"If television is still around the corner after the war, nothing but economic factors, not technical ones, will have kept it there. Communication, especially radio communication, will have a tremendous flowering based largely on the opening up of the microwave field. Individual radio communication is even beginning to appear a practical matter, subject to certain limitations.

"There has already been a great deal of rather uninformed speculation about the peaceful uses of radar", said OWI. "It will be clear from what has gone before that the direct and immediate use of radar will be to make air and sea navigation entirely continuous

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Fort Wayne Took Important Part In Radar Program

The Fort Wayne Works contributed materially to G-E's part in radar production, it was revealed today, as the Company released a list of component parts for radar that were made here under the strictest secrecy.

The Wire and Insulation Division, Motor and Generator Division, Specialty Transformer Division, and the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division all contributed to the program.

The Wire and Insulation Division manufactured ribbon formex, round formex, formex-glass, special-cured formex, and rectangular shapes insulated with formex glass, double glass, and double cotton for the radar program.

Engine-driven A.C. generators were contributed by the Motor and Generator Division, while the Specialty Transformer Division manufactured plate, filament, and other transformers, voltage stabilizers, resonant charging chokes, filter reactor, and cathode ray deflection yokes.

The Fractional Horsepower Motor Division produced single-phase and three-phase A.C. motors, am-

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What Radar Shows To Pilot



Photograph of General Electric's new electronic navigator, operating on radar principle, that played vital role in war, is shown here as it would look to a marine pilot peering into field of instrument to see what obstacles lie in path of ship.

This new radar device is used when fog, darkness, storm, or any other kind of overcast condition limits natural visibility, and it can reveal land masses, other ships, lighthouses and buoys as far away as 30 miles, the distance depending on size and shape of the object.

A skilled operator can quickly determine what kind of obstacle is represented by spots in the radar field.

Press Ban Off, Radar Revealed As Sub Killer

"There is no night in radar's world," says the Office of War Information in a recent release telling of the resounding victory of the Army and Navy over the German U-boat campaign, which was long a dire threat to America's crucial bridge of ships over the Atlantic. It was in the night, or in fog, that the wolf-packs were able for a long time to strike their deadliest blows against Allied shipping.

But radar, and the Armed Forces, with escort carriers, the mighty G-E propelled DE, or destroyer escort, and improved submarine listening devices, ended all that after enacting one of the greatest stories of the war. For drama, bitter comedy, and significance, that story can scarcely be equalled. Radar's part in the story is perhaps the most dramatic, for it was a deadly contest of wits with the final issue in doubt almost until the last.

During 1942 the "pig boats" were sinking ships at the rate of 16,000 tons a day. All along the east coast the dull boom of exploding torpedoes was heard daily, as men grimly marked up the Nazi victims. When a sub came up to charge its batteries, it was easy to spot and sink it. But submerged it was very difficult to get, and it was easy to resurface at night.

Radar Gets Into Action

Early in 1941 a British-designed radar became very effective, and the RAF did excellent work, but the Germans suspected radar and in the spring of 1942 captured one of these ASV sets from us. Hurriedly the Germans built a receiver responding when the beam from the radar swept over the submarine. The Allies soon noticed that there were fewer radar-sunk subs than could be expected but were ready with their next weapon, for the U.S. and England had developed microwave ASV equipment. Up went the toll of destruction of U-boats. By the spring of 1943 quantities of the new set were in use, and the Nazis could not detect it.

The psychological effect on the U-boat skippers was little short of tragic. In three months of mid-1943, there were already 100 confirmed submarine kills. The Nazis

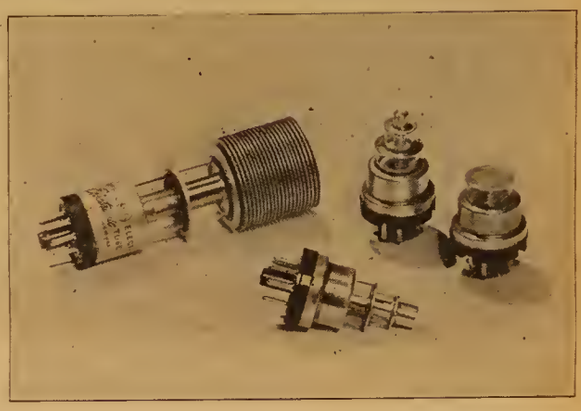
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G-E Gets Order

General Electric Company has received an order to build commercial radar sets for installation on passenger ships now being built for the U. S. Maritime Commission, the Company has announced.

The order is the result of the successful operation of a specially developed G-E radar unit aboard the American Mariner, a maritime training ship. Installed on the vessel by G-E engineers, the radar set has been used for the last six weeks in navigating Long Island Sound.

Famous G-E "Lighthouse Tube"



Eliminating conventional type of grid, anode, and cathode, components are now constructed in simple, parallel planes or layers, with glass and metal fused together in rigid units. It boosted effectiveness of radar in sea war on Japs and will be strong help to FM radio and television relay systems.

Radar-Directed Night Battles Destroyed Ships Afar Off

The thrill of a radar-conducted night battle against a Japanese task force is graphically conveyed by information just released by OWI. It tells how radar may pick up the Jap ships more than 7 miles away, how the report flashes to the ship's CIC (Combat Information Center) and how presently a salvo of 16" shells shrieks over the horizon to smash the attacker.

Here comes the report:

"Several ships—probably five, two large and three in the screen; lead ship bearing 030, range 39,000, no IFF (friend—or—foe—information indication ships are friendly), evaluation, enemy; could be task force reported to have sortied from Tokyo Bay, consisting of one BB, one CL, and 3 cans".

Gun Crews Ready

And at this point CIC would be feeding information to the gunnery department. The target's bearing and range, course, and speed are fed into computers as the huge main battery directors swing swiftly into position. Gun crews stand ready to load powder bags and shells.

The two forces continue to close. New ranges and range rates automatically reposition the mighty guns. Finally the radar indicates that the enemy is within range. Word is given to "Commence firing!" The master salvo key is closed, and with a roar nine 16-inch shells go hurtling through the night. So sensitive is the radar that the operator can "watch" the shells move across his screen toward the target "pip."

Effect Seen

Then he sees indication of their

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This Is How Radar Fought

(Some of the Highlights)

Much of the credit for the success of the G.I. defense in the "Battle of the Bulge" is attributed to radar. With opposing columns jamming the roads in the thick weather, countless American lives were saved by its ability to prevent attack by our bombers on our own men.

In the great air battles of the blitz over London in August, 1940, the Nazi loss was 15 per cent, or 957 ships. At what has been called the turning point on September 15, the Germans lost 185 out of 500 attackers. By November, they had to turn to other tactics. Radar, not then understood by the Germans, was spotting them through fog, smoke, and haze, and helping British fliers to find them.

Radar spotted Kamikazes afar off and got bearing and range, course, speed and altitude. These were flashed to combat air patrol. Those that got through were dealt with by the "backstop", a flight of planes just off the deck. Survivors of the "backstop" were plastered by the ship's AA fire, with radar-equipped gun directors, aided by automatic computers.

Radar ruined the U-boat wolf pack campaign. After a feverish Navy drive to train experts, all escort ships in the Atlantic were equipped. Surfaced subs could be detected as easily at night as in broad daylight. Convoy losses took an abrupt and permanent drop. The final score was a total loss by all types of ships in convoy of only 1/10th of one percent.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Dear Editor:

. . . The end of hostitlities with Japan was announced the other day, and all of the boys here at the field joined in a celebration, as that was the day we were all waiting for. Since the war is now over, we are now looking for that time when we will be discharged and can return to civilian life.

Sincerely yours,
Pvt. William J. Willig

Awarded Bronze Star

Former T/Sgt. Floyd A. Murray, now employed in Bldg. 26-2, received the Bronze Star for meritorious achievement. He served for 31 months in French Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, and Italy. In addition to the Bronze Star, he holds two battle stars.

August 20, 1945

Dear Editor:

I have received the WORKS NEWS regularly, and have enjoyed reading it very much. It is good to know how everything is going at the good old plant. I am hoping that I can be back there working before too long. I can say that everybody has really "put out" in order that this war might come to an end.

I visited the plant while I was home on my furlough from overseas, and things had changed an awful lot since I left there three years ago.

I have seen quite a lot since I last wrote to you, having been in almost every country in Europe. I have seen a lot of action over there also. I went into combat shortly after D-Day and was there to the end. I was with the Eighth Infantry Division through all of the combat.

I am in communication so I know that good work has been done for us. We had quite a lot of radio equipment and, of course, a lot of it was G-E. The bazooka was another item which was used an awful lot by our boys.

I would like to say hello to all the gang in Bldg. 26-2 that I didn't get to see the day I was there. . . .

PFC Charles E. Jennings

Dear Editor:

. . . Since I wrote to you last, I was in on the invasion of Borneo. How is all the gang up in Bldg. 4-4? I hope to be back with them soon.

A. J. Edwards, Cox.

Buddies Write



Dick Wehrle Austin Garman

Luzon, P. I.
August 2, 1945.

Dear Editor:

It has been well over a year since we last wrote to you. I say, "we," because there are two of us concerned in this letter.

When we first came overseas, about two years ago, we arrived in Australia. It is much like our own country, but quite empty, considering the people per square mile. We stayed there about one month, and then went to New Guinea, where we joined the veteran "Red Arrow" Division. By the way, it has of yesterday more combat time than any other U. S. Division. The Division is in its fourth year overseas, and has fought from Buna, (the Japs first defeat) to Luzon. Our latest encounter was on the Villa Verde Trail. It ONLY took 119 days of consecutive fighting for that job. We are very proud of our outfit's record and are ready to compare it with any other in the Army.

Just as we were ready to write this letter, we received a copy of the WORKS NEWS, and had to look at it first. We have been getting it regularly since being over here, and really enjoy reading about the old Works. We used to work in Bldg. 26-4, but I don't suppose there are many of the old gang left.

We consider ourselves pretty lucky, being from the same place, coming in the Army together, and staying together ever since. It doesn't happen very often. We are in a heavy weapons company, and consider ourselves lucky in that respect.

Well there isn't any more to say, except keep up the good work, and this war will be brought to a victorious end.

PFC Austin Garman
Cpl. Dick Wehrle

Home On Visits

Recent visitors to see old friends were: Pvt. Wayne R. Carpenter, formerly of Taylor Street; Clarence D. Porter, W.T. 1/c, who used to work in the Taylor Street Power House; and Robert R. Whittern, formerly employed in the Receiving Section and in Bldg. 17-2.

During his visit, Bob said, "It sure is great to get back to the G-E again, and I hope I'm back to work soon."

Panay, P. I.
August 7, 1945

Dear Editor:

It has been a long time since I have written, and this will probably be the last, as I am on my way home. I want to thank you for sending me the WORKS NEWS for four years. It has kept me informed as to the progress of the Company, etc. I hope to be working there soon.

I have seen G-E products here and in Negros.

Part of the band had to play at a ceremony for the induction of Philippine men into the Philippine Army. We flew over to an island in a C-47.

Last night I was lucky to get a ticket from the sergeant to see "Oklahoma", an U.S.O. stage show, and enjoyed it very much.

The people here work from dawn to dusk in the rice fields, and doing laundry for the soldiers, etc. . . . The weather here is hot and sultry, so I sure wish for the good old seasons.

We just received our Christmas packages a couple days ago, so we had Christmas in July.

The kids say, "gimme gum, Joe," "gimme cigret," whenever you go out on the street. The old women here smoke large black cigars. Wish I had a camera to take such pictures of so many things here of interest. I must close and hope to be there soon.

Cpl. Richard K. Hoopingarner

Former G-E Man Describes Rigors Of Navy Induction And His Life On A Coral Island

August 6, 194

Dear Editor:

I received the G-E NEWS yesterday. I must confess it was very gratifying to receive a bit of news from the old stamping ground. I am afraid this will be a bit disappointing to the folks at home for there is little or no excitement here now. We are on an island in the Pacific. It is a supply depot with nothing but Seabees, Navy, Marines, and Army on it. The small native villages are few and far between.

Our daily routine is eat, if you can find it; sleep, if you can endure the heat and noise; and work while dodging flying coral as it is blasted in the air.

When I left the plant and Bldg. 4-B, I was keyed up for action. It didn't develop into anything pertaining to the battle of shells and guns, however; fortunately or unfortunately, whichever the case may be, I have settled down to an island existence.

The Naval career began in Great Lakes with the usual procedure, "Ditty bag over your right shoulder, papers in your left hand, go to the third door to the left and turn to the right. Next, stand on the designated square, lay your papers before you, bend over, touch your toes with your hands and fingers, raise your left foot, now the right, swing your arms, did you ever fall from a ten-story building and sprain your ankle, have a wart on your little toe, break your neck, leg, arm, or rib? If so, mark it down on the paper. It won't have any bearing on the case unless you have already drawn your last breath. Pick up your paper, ditty bag on your right shoulder, papers in your left hand, go to the second door left and turn to the right."

A meek little character of two hundred pounds growls, "Hold out your arm, relax, and give me the yellow card. I said the yellow card, we have five thousand men to run through this morning, and we don't intend to be held up by one num-skull." He jabs a square needle in you, draws the last ounce of blood, gives you a shove, and you fall on your face. Then he yells, "Ditty bag over left shoulder, papers in your right hand, go to the door, left, then turn right."

"Open your eyes, shut your mouth—see the wall—that's fine—open your mouth, close your eyes—aha! what a shame, I have to pull some!"

Provided you escape from them with your life, you proceed (with your ditty bag) to the stores for your issue of gear. The fellow at the head of the line hands you a mattress cover and shoves you down the line.

"What size shoes do you wear?"

"8½-B."

"Now you wear 12½-D, we have an overstock, next!" (At least he asked.)

"What size hat?"

"7¼."

"Here, break in this 6, next."

"Here is your pants, 40-32."

"But I wear 30-32."

"You'll grow into them, next."

After seven weeks of boot, you are granted five days at home. They pass like five hours. Then to the West Coast we go by troop train. You wait there anywhere from a month to three hours for an overseas draft.

A boatswain's mate throws open the door and yells, "All of you in a draft. All yous liberties is cancelled so der no use yous makes yous selves prety. Ha, ha, ha, ha," and he slams the door. We console ourselves with the disillusioning thought we will now be seeing action. But what happens? We are stuck on this coral rock surround by an impenetrable jungle harboring all the reptiles in the book. All the way from the small snake that kills you 15 minutes after contact to the huge pythons that do a slow squeeze job.

To become serious for a moment, I have taken pride in having been a member of the Company when I notice such an extensive use of G-E equipment here in the Navy. General Electric appliances and motors are performing beautifully throughout the Navy. The Navy is strictly G.I. and G-E but, right now, I would much rather be a member of the latter's staff.

Sincerely yours,
Coleman B. Smyser, S 1/c

August 2, 194

Dear Editor:

I've been transferred just outside Nurnburg, Germany, after 2 months in England. My outfit is part of the Ninth Air Force, and is a unit in the Occupational Air Force.

I've only been here two days, so can't supply much news about the place. I've been to town once and learned that my German is lousy. Maybe I'll learn, though it's only a fifty-fifty chance.

The people—civilians, I mean—seem to be unfriendly toward the Air Force—blame it for all the destruction. They haven't been too badly mussed up, though. They are healthy, well-fed, and much better dressed, at least in this area, than the English civilians.

Sincerely yours,
S/Sgt. R. H. Jefferson

From Germany

Munich, Germany
August 6, 1945

Dear Editor:

Receiving the WORKS NEWS over here sure has been a great morale builder knowing that all of my friends there are still on the job building the necessary equipment that won this war over here in Europe. We still have one foe to go, and that is the Japs. I know you won't let the boys down in the Pacific, for I know all of you will be on the job.

. . . I am now in the Army of Occupation building and maintaining air fields here in Germany. I have now four battle stars.

Cpl. Eugene Dennie

Suggestors Receive $443 For New Ideas In Current List

Suggestion awards totalling $443 were made to 50 suggestors in the list just released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Topping the list was Harmon Timberlake, Bldg. 20-2, who received $100 for his idea of substituting ball bearings for bronze rotor supporting bearings on Gisholt and Tinius Olsen balancing machines.

Awards ranging from $5 to $20 were made to the following:

Bldg. 4-1

Reinhold J. Frede, Richard H. Schwick.

Bldg. 4-5

Edgar T. Jenkins, Dorothy G. Weiler.

Bldg. 4-6

Harry G. Richardson.

Bldg. 6-B

June Rose Reneman.

Bldg. 6-2

Louise Claiborne, Doyle E. Eslich.

Bldg. 8-1

Melvin J. Bill, Virgil C. Winners.

Bldg. 8-2

Harold V. Barrick.

Bldg. 17-1

Edward V. Brosche, Robert Mathias.

Bldg. 17-3

Marcella H. Lawrence.

Bldg. 17-4

Clyde Pelky, Arthur H. Schmidt.

Bldg. 26-B

Jonathan W. Ford, John L. Winesburg, Robert A. Bunyan, William S. Swander.

Bldg. 26-1

George Noni, Kenneth B. Handschy, Donald Ford.

Bldg. 26-2

John C. Klotz, Arthur F. Pequignot, Robert O. Elliott, William E. Braun.

Bldg. 26-4

Evelyn Orr, Mildred F. Mundt.

Taylor Street

Russell L. Poorman, Leo M. Didier, Esley J. Rooks, Ura Mae Tinder, Richard Conrad, Fay H. Fritz, George L. Hill, Richard Conrad, Jr., Eldon R. Lewis, Virginia C. Cronkhite, Arthur F. Sorg, Ivan H. Soles.

Kokomo

Karl F. Reith, Ralph Bischoff, Morris C. Gross.

Elex Club

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18-4, Delores Baker, Bldg. 26-2, Edna Bruns, Bldg. 31, and Frieda Wahli, Bldg. 18-1.

The annual membership drive is now under way and will continue till September 10, Miss Meyers said, with many already having signed membership cards for next year. Dues for the 1945-46 Club year are $2, the same as in past years, and is being collected by contact girls. By present indications, Elex Club will arrange another of its summer trips next year, with special rates for members.

Life Insurance

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tions, which would normally have been made September 26 for hourly rated employees and September 28 for salaried employees, as well as the November and December deductions, have been cancelled, he said.

Suggestion Pays Off



Dan Foreman, foreman of Section 7-80, presents Mary E. Meyer with a $50 check for her suggestion on an improved method for riveting bakelite pads. Mary has been an employee of the Decatur plant for the past 16 years and believes in the use of the suggestion system. Main reason: She has five sons in service.

They Cashed In Their Suggestions



Roy Patterson J. B. Greer and Harmon Timberlake Donald Martz

Three recent suggestion winners are shown above. Roy Patterson, Taylor Street, received a $50 award for his better method idea on changes to baffle support on nozzle box welding fixtures, which reduced time and improved welding operations. This was in addition to $20 previously awarded. Jay Greer is shown presenting a $100 check to Harmon Timberlake, Bldg. 20-2, for his suggestion on substituting ball bearings for bronze rotor supporting bearings on Gisholt and Tinius Olsen balancing machines. Donald Martz, Taylor Street, won $60 for his suggestion to use boiler plate inserts in stainless steel welding fixtures for repair of rotor wheel welding rings. This award was in addition to $45 previously awarded.

Instrument Flying Stressed By Harvard Professor In Radio Talk

"Fly blind and trust your instruments," said Dr. Edwin G. Boring of Cambridge, Mass., to postwar pilots in a talk last week ever G-E operated WGY. Dr. Boring is a member of the psychology staff at Harvard University.

"A good pilot needs good night vision if he is a night fighter," he explained, "but the idea that he needs a good sense of balance turns out to be wrong, at least for continuous flight at considerable height.

"The point is that the balance organs, which are located in the inner ear, get accustomed to an abnormal position, and they give wrong information."

For instance, Dr. Boring asserted, if a pilot flies for a while with his right wing higher than his left, he gets to feel his wings are level. Then, if he levels his machine by his instruments, he feels that his left wing is too high. He can get accustomed to almost any position, and that throws his perception out for every other position.

Winne

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of the Engineering Council, Mr. Winne will co-ordinate the engineering, scientific, and research projects of all departments and all laboratories of the Company. He will also be responsible for Company policy and activities in connection with standards and the co-ordination of matters relating to recruiting, education, and transferring between Company units of all engineering personnel.

Syracuse University Graduate

Mr. Winne, a native of Cherry Valley, N. Y., joined General Electric as a student engineer in the Testing Department, Schenectady, upon his graduation from Syracuse University with a degree in electrical engineering in 1910. The following year, he became head of the large motor, generator, and synchronous converter test, and subsequently became assistant general night foreman of the Testing Department.

In 1916, Mr. Winne was promoted to the Power and Mining Engineering Department, now known as the Industrial Divisions, and there worked on problems concerned with industrial heating, arc welding, and electric furnace equipment. Six years later, he was assigned to the Steel Mill Section of the Industrial Engineering Department, and became head of that section in 1930.

Became Sales Manager

He had become sales manager of the combined Mining and Steel Mill Section when, in April, 1937, he was named assistant to the engineering vice-president. In October, 1941, Mr. Winne was elected Vice-president in charge of Apparatus design engineering. When R. C. Muir became general manager of General Electric's Apparatus Department last January, he appointed Mr. Winne manager of engineering, the post which he now vacates.

Mr. Johnson, born in Ironwood, Mich., joined the General Electric Testing Department, Schenectady, after being graduated from Washington State College in 1922 with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering. He was assigned to the Engineering General Department in 1924, where he was engaged in personnel and engineering activities.

In 1931, Mr. Johnson was named assistant to L. A. Hawkins, executive engineer of the General Electric Research Laboratory, and three years later became engineer of the Generator Voltage Regulator Department. He was appointed assistant to J. D. Harnden, assistant to the Schenectady Works Manager, in 1938, and subsequently became engineer of the Aeronautics Division, Aeronautics and Marine Engineering Department. For the past few years he has been assistant engineer of the Aeronautics and Marine Engineering Divisions.

G-E Announces

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sunlamps. The number of models available in each line, however, is generally limited. For instance, G-E will produce only one style of washer, three refrigerators, three ranges, three ironers, one roaster. The water heater line is most complete, with six models.

Production of four types of appliances—electric clocks, irons, portable heaters, and refrigerators—is already under way, and manufacture of a number of other appliances is expected to start within the new few weeks.

War Bonds

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in the six months following the Armistice were greater than those in the last six months of fighting. This time the first steps toward an orderly reconversion and our transition to a peacetime economy should be less costly proportionately. Nevertheless heavy expenditures attributable to the war will continue for many months.

". . . For the benefit of the country and for the benefit of its citizens, we should continue the sale of United States Savings Bonds, especially under the payroll savings plan. In doing this we will be meeting the many requests we have received from leaders of labor and industry.

"Millions of our citizens, as savings bond buyers, have learned the value of thrift.

"They hold the soundest securities that are available in the world today—securities that will never be worth less than the purchase price and that will increase in value as they approach maturity.

"They should be encouraged to hold the bonds they now have and buy more.

"National stability will be advanced by having our national obligations held by the greatest possible number of our citizens. And the individual who adds systematically to his bond holdings will find he has built up the best possible protection against any need.

"By buying bonds—and holding them—we will consolidate the victory and sustain our economy."

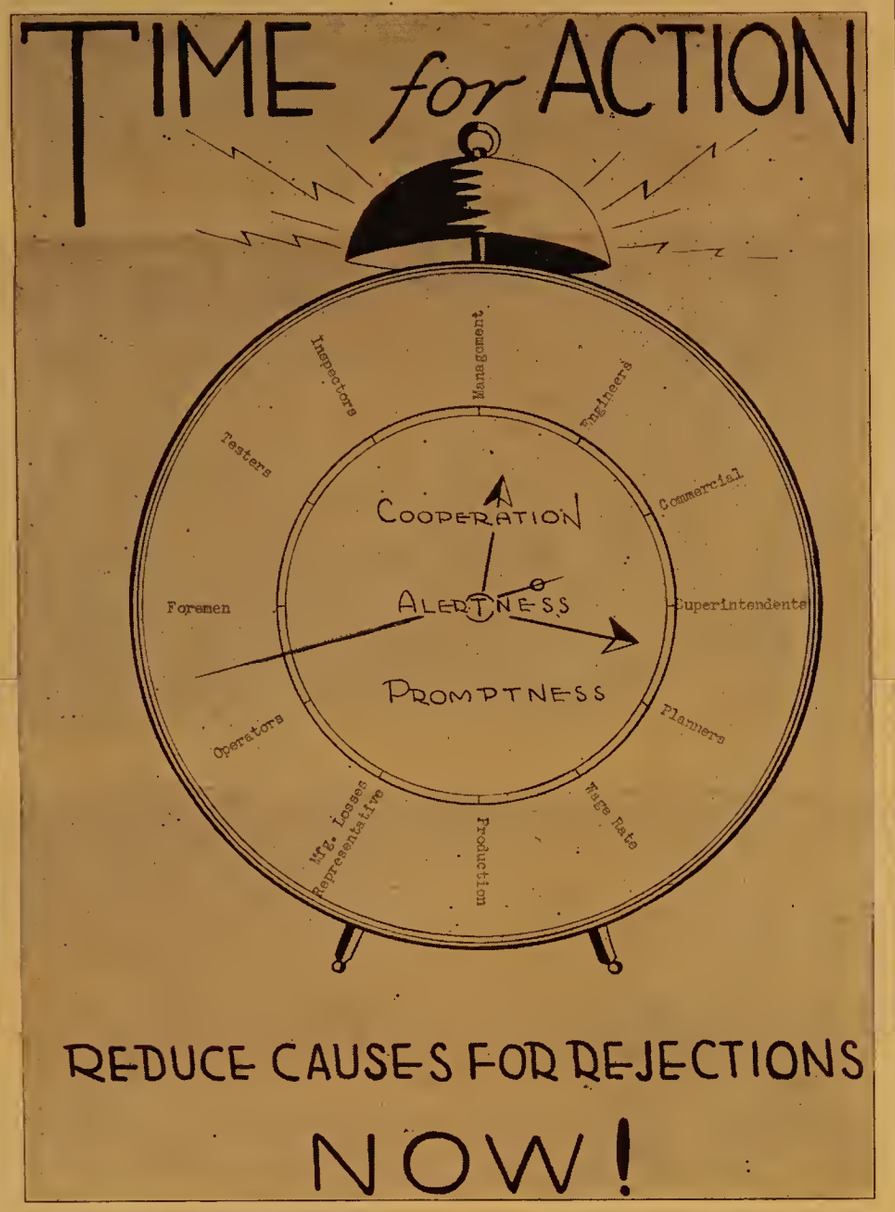
I personally urge you to continue to invest as high a percentage of your earnings in United States Savings Bonds as you can by deductions from payroll. In this way you will not only build up financial security for yourselves but you will help in maintaining the economic stability of your country.

Charles E. Wilson, President

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KOKOMO KEY NOTES

Welcome back to Phil Samuels from his vacation. . . . Hazel Baron is looking at the sunny side of life since her husband is home from the Navy for a month. . . . Everyone will miss Helen Crist, who is taking a leave of absence while she is waiting for her husband to come home. He has been stationed overseas. . . . Donnajean Eaton (from Shipping) is being questioned about a calf ride in honor of her marriage. What's all the secret about Donna? . . . Some of the lucky people who are now back from their vacations are: Russel Blackburn, Walter Kretzman, Earl Hahnert, Eddie Horstman, and Betty Teter. From the looks of Betty, she must have spent a lot of time in the sun. . . . Ruth Fording has so much money she carries two pocketbooks. . . . Evelyn Ausman just got back from Lake Wawasee. We are now wondering what nationality she really is. (Honest, Evelyn, I'm only kidding.) . . . Ernie Cox came to work the other morning with his hair cut short. Upon inquiring what had happened, he told us he had gotten cement in it and had to cut it out. . . . Congratulations to L. Gale, who is now the proud papa of a seven and a half pound baby girl. . . . Harry Chism and Harold Wirick were in charge of the Foremen's picnic, which was held August 21 at Highland Park. The foremen and their families attended, having as special guests R. C. Dennison, assistant superintendent, and H. E. Spahr, general foreman. The supper was in the form of a potluck, and the club furnished ice cream and soft drinks. After the meal everyone sang to the accompaniment of Bob Kallmeyer and his accordion. . . . Payroll welcomes Mildred Fowler and hopes that she won't get too tired chasing out in the factory. . . . Welcome also to Mary Jane Waltman to the Service Section and Mildred Miller to Peronnel. . . . Pat Kelly is also being missed around here. It seems she decided to return to Tipton, her home town, and is being replaced by Dorothy Rudicel. O. R. Alexander must have been thinking of something else when he almost set fire to the stock and data files a few weeks ago. . . . Louise Goudy will certainly be glad when the time comes that she can buy tires again. It seems she has had as high as three flats a day. . . . Colleen Williams was lucky enough to spend two days in Chicago with her parents last week. . . . We hope that Joe Hartman's mother continues to improve from her illness. . . . The girls on Mary Critchley's line wish to welcome Ruby Maddox, Geraldine McAllister, and Janise Chapman to Stator Winding Section. . . . Our sympathies to George Luttrell, whose father died last week. . . . A party was held at Mary Critchley's for the girls that are going back to school. It seems everyone was sick the next day from something—too much to eat???? . . . Helen Stelhorn from Stator Coil Placing is going to move to Chicago. . . . Happy birthday to Marge Stodgell from Payroll. . . . Betty Gilson seems to be walking around in a trance since Helen Crist left. . . . Clarence Young, who spent over four years with the Army Air Forces, has taken over the Safety and Suggestion duties.



Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

With Dick Reuter and Mr. Brooks back from their vacations, production should roll along smoothly now.

Do you want to learn to plow? Are your furrows crooked? Do you want to be a gentleman farmer? For complete information, see Sy Seymour, our new tractor demonstrator. He can make a tractor do most everything, including plowing up the melons in his wife's melon patch. Mr. Schild was out to view the demonstration and even took his camera along to record for future generations this momentous event. Mr. Hanson took a hand to see if it would cut weeds. Walter Beeth, Logan Trenner and his wife, Mr. Crabill and his family, and Otto Proehl also were there. Bldg. 17-4 was well represented at the event.

Otis Uran is leaving us soon to retire. We are sorry to see him go, but sincerely hope he enjoys every moment of his new life of leisure. Otis has been a part of the G-E pattern of living and working for a long time, and we surely will miss him. Lots of luck and our good wishes go with you.

Larry Reed sure looks cute with a patch on his head. We hope he'll soon be his usual self again.

Mark Hennigh surprised us all when he got in the 30's on the Brookwood Golf Course. He's been shooting that course in the 40's consistently, but couldn't break 40 until last week. The password is "FOUR", so when you see him, shout it!

A certain little miss who won honors recently when she was named a member of the All Stars Baseball Team. The name, Cora Emenhiser; the position, right fielder; the word, we're mighty proud of you.

You should have seen Mike Lowe trying to get out of the elevator by jumping on the vertically opening door. Seems the switches were crossed, and the door would open only far enough to peek through.

"The cold in the Arctic was so intense that we couldn't pat our dogs."

"Why not?"

"Their tails were frozen so stiff that they broke off if they wagged them."

SANDY SAYS

"Hoot Mon!" said Cousin Colin, "Our first 3-day holiday week-end in 4 years!"

"Yus," I said, "and what more fitting holiday could we laborers have, tae start off the new PEACE, than Labor Day. It's been a pretty long grind, at 6 days and 7 days a week, and we deserve a gude rest."

"Right ye are. I'm proud o' the record we workers made during the war. From what I heard over the radio, we simply overwhelmed them with the stuff we turned out. We started wi' 'Too little and too late,' and ended up wi' 'Too much for them to take.' I'm glad I had a part in it, but, gosh, how I enjoyed last Saturday off, even if I do miss the time and a half."

"Weel, Colin, ye'll get along on 5 days' pay, as any o' our clan can easily do. How will ye spend the 3-day week-end?"

"Dinna' use thot word, spend! It makes me shudder so I can hear the pennies jingling under the padlock on me purse. But tae answer your abrupt question, I'll take yon Model T up tae the lake and rest for 3 days. Noo thot canned goods and gasoline are point free, all I hai tae do is fish for the red points."

"But, Colin, thot's work!"

"Weel, Sandy, without trying tae preach a sermon, I'd like tae point out thot WORK is a word we'd better overwork, now. With the 3-day holidays, and lots o' other holidays, and longer week-ends, we'll feel like working all the harder, and we will work hard, wi' hands and head, if we want tae make the peace prosperous for ALL o' us."

"It'll nae be prosperous for auto salesman if everybody were like you, still driving thot auld Model T. I don't suppose the lifting o' gas rationing made any difference to you."

"Ah yus, it did. I'm tickled pink thot me 'A' ticket days are over. Noo, I can pull into a station and say, 'All right, me gude man,—put in 2 gallons."

26-5 TOOL BITS

John Littlejohn and Christian Kayser, both with long service, are retiring today on a well-deserved pension. We all wish you the best of luck. . . . Mr. Otto Rodenbeck, formerly of the General Tool Division and more recently of the Winter Street Plant is the new Inspection foreman. We are glad to have you back, Otto, and here's wishing you lots of success on your new position. . . . When approached on the subject of vacation, Loyle Holden replied: "Had a grand time." It seems he took his family to the Kendallville Fair and rode on everything imaginable including the merry-go-round. Oh! we shall not forget the ponies. He said his little daughter, Carolyn, enjoyed said amusements to her tiny heart's content. Now we are wondering if Carolyn's daddy didn't enjoy them more. . . . Art Jenne has returned to work following a week's vacation of fishing at Clear Lake. Glad to see you back, fellows.

"Shooting" Atoms Is Specialty Of G-E Woman Scientist

One of the most unusual photograph albums ever compiled is being assembled at the Research Laboratory, Schenectady, by Miss Eileen Alessandrini, the only woman at General Electric engaged in taking electron diffraction pictures of metals. Instead of photographing friends, relatives, or landscapes, Miss Alessandrini specializes in clicking the shutter on atoms.

Subjects of this 24-year-old scientist include gold, silver, or other materials important to the Armed Forces, science, and industry, and her chief concern is to make certain one of the smallest particles of nature is bathed in electron light.

Results of her work are making a definite contribution to one of the newest branches of metallurgy. Her pictures reveal the fundamental structure of a metal, showing impurities when they exist and giving technicians data to determine what they are. They show when a material is liable to fail and why it fails. And they are opening the way for the development of new metals and new treating processes.

Shoots With Electrons

Miss Alessandrini takes her photographs of the invisible by shooting a ray of electrons through a thin film of the metal under examination. In passing completely through the specimen, the electron ray is scattered by the atoms which it meets, so that when the ray falls on a photographic plate it gives a picture which is dependent upon the composition of the material. To attain this result, Miss Alessandrini prepares her materials for testing in several ways.

Some metals are heated, and the vapors given off are caught on a thin plastic film, making a total film thickness which is less than one-millionth of an inch. Others are prepared by grinding into a fine powder, which is spread onto a stainless steel block for reflection pictures. Still a third method is to etch the metal surface, bringing into relief the desired substance, which may then be photographed by reflection.

Portraits Expained

Portraits of atomic structures resemble a series of concentric rings with varied spaces between them. This pattern is created when the electrons are shot through the metal and are scattered when they strike crystalline and molecular structures. The series of rings seen on the photographic plate corresponds to the way the atoms are arranged in the material. When a ring is observed which does not fit into the pattern of the substance being examined, the scientist knows that an impurity is present.

Miss Alessandrini is one of the pioneers among her sex in the new branch of metallurgy.

Wallace Promoted

M. R. Wallace has been appointed supervisor of the Commercial Service Section of the General Electric Range and Water Heater Divisions, it was announced recently by J. R. Poteat, manager of the range and water heater divisions of the Company.

Is Zat So?

Everyone came in to work Monday morning looking rested after their two-day week-end. Many felt pleased with what they had accomplished during that extra day, but Elizabeth Love was very much disgusted. She went uptown intending to do some shopping that she had put off for so long and was surprised to find the stores closed. . . . "Curley" Sprague paid us a welcome visit last week. He has been recuperating from a sprained back. We wish you a speedy recovery, "Curley." . . . The flies were bothering Jim Johnson so he asked Pat Becker to purchase a fly swatter. Pat stopped at the corner drug store and bought a swatter. When she examined it and realized how limp the rubber substitute was, she began to doubt its effectiveness. The more she looked at it, the more she laughed. She soon discovered, however, that it served its purpose. . . . Paul Geiger must be some farmer if we can believe that he grew corn so tall that he has to climb the stalks to pick the ears. No doubt he will have to chop it down like trees. Corny story, isn't it? . . . Norman Bender has discovered by experience that a good way to save red points is to always take your dog with you. It seems that the Bender family left the dog in the house while they stepped out in the yard. When they returned, their Sunday roast was gone and only a bone remained. Costly experience, eh, Norm? . . . "Are we going to have a section picnic this year?" is the prevailing question of the week. . . . Famous last words of Pat Eichorn, "I think I'm overpaid." . . . Jim Stafford had a new experience playing with a little snake. He proved to be quite a snake charmer. . . . Helene Evanoff wore a pair of bobby socks to work that hurt her feet because they were too small, so she went down to the dime store at noon and bought another pair, making sure they were plenty large. In the afternoon she complained because her socks were too big. Which hurt the most, Helene? . . . It isn't difficult to get Nina Clifton's phone number. Just ask her what her clock number is and she'll give you her telephone number. . . . Goldie Taylor has left us to take up her duties as a house wife. . . . Ruth Stewart is also leaving to devote her time to her home. Her office duties will be taken over by Betty Jean Cutter. Hope you like us, Betty. . . . Vacationists this week are Vic Beers, Max Decker, Art Stoll, Bob Martin, Fred Crickmore, Ed Kronmiller, Elton Throndsen, and Mearl Dukes. . . . Birthday greetings to Bill Hodge, Bob Daveson, Virgil Best, James Bragg, Marge Dietsch, Joe Schible, and Elmer Weldy.

How simple were the problems of yesteryear when our greatest worry was the monthly installment on the car.

G-E Woman Scientist Photographs Molecular Structures



Miss Eileen Alessandrini, 24-year-old scientist and the only woman at the General Electric Research Laboratory taking electron diffraction pictures of metals and other materials important to the Armed Forces, science, and industry, prepares to photograph the molecular structure of a specimen. In the specially designed camera she is here regulating, Miss Alessandrini will place a thin film of the sample—less than one-millionth of an inch thick—and will then fire an electron ray through the material. As the electron rays strike atoms in the specimen, they are scattered, leaving a picture which is dependent upon the composition of the material. Pictures so taken tell scientists when impurities are present, when a material is liable to fail, and they are opening the way for the development of new metals. (See story on this page.)

6-B BUSY BODIES

Hello, everybody. Long time no see. Anyway, here we are once more and happy to be back again.

Victory day over Japan was one happy celebration for all of us, but there is one sad thing about it. There are a few of us who no longer will be a G-E co-worker. We are very sorry to see them leave, but then, we wish them all the luck in the world. They are Madalyn Jackson, Dolores Moore, (these two are looking forward to wearing a new gold band around their third finger, left hand), Sadie Watrous, Audrey Mackey, and Pearl Gall. Bye, girls. Oh, yes, we mustn't forget the big lunch we had for them. Yum, yum—the food was delicious and oh, the tummy aches. (Mine, for one).

Art Holterman is also leaving us, but not for long. He is going to Chicago for his vacation—to see the horse races and the football game—so he says.

Noons, in 6-B, are always a gay affair with something new happening every day.

Happy birthday, Mildred. You never did tell us how old you were. Eugene Walborn also had a birthday. That, was a well kept secret—well, almost.

Melvin (Bob) Neville, and Robert Dammier, after being discharged from Uncle Sam's army, are back with us again. Glad to have you back. Hope you stay a long time.

Maybe we had better get a baby's high chair for Bob Ansberry—he could probably stay in it better.

Clarence Hall gave his girl a beautiful diamond and from all reports, there is another ring that goes with it.

Bye now; see you next week.

"It's no disgrace for a man to fall; but it is for him to lie there and grunt."

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Well, Doris Holloman, it's good to see you back with us, after spending two weeks at the lake. . . . Clara Krudop was on a vacation week before last. . . . We want to welcome Ludabelle Dowden, Doris Fishback, and Leota Raver to our section. Hope you girls like your new jobs. . . . It's good to see Ruth Harsch back again. Ruth was sick for several weeks. . . . We wonder if Margaret Hilgemann can tell a nickel from a quarter. She went to the candy lady the other day, thought she had a quarter, and here it was only a nickel. Good thing Thelma Purdue was behind you to come to your rescue.

Turret Tattles

When a job developed a squeaky noise during turning t'other day, due to a dull cutter, it was noted that a slight dose of oil helped in eliminating this distraction. A sure cure however, would be to grind the tool. Helpful, aren't we? . . . Well the Big Day we awaited so long is here. Let's all put just as much effort behind the peacetime operations of the Company and boost that ol' reconversion right straight through. . . . Ernie Kalenback has a son-in-law, Max Merril, home from the European Theater, and is relaying some very interesting stories. Ernie also sports some sensational "booty" the lad brought home witb bim. . . . Paul Stiver grows his "young 'uns" small and rugged. Mrs. Stiver had the misfortune to bump bare toes while getting out of bed one morning recently with the baby of 'bout two years. Results were astounding! Mrs. Stiver has a couple of cracked bones and the baby—nuttin'! . . . John Gerbers is especially happy at the war's end. His fourth son entered the service just before the hostilities ended. Tbey'll all be home again soon now, John. . . . We can't get over the resemblance of Leonard Bressler and his twin brother. The brother was in the shop t'other day and we spoke to him. It was a very peculiar conversation because we didn't know each other, yet we had the feeling we were talking to an old friend. They're both great guys. . . . Kinda' late in the season for this sort of thing, but we noted a "good" golfer, (and we quote advisedly) showing one of the "duffer" class how to shift his weight. Is there anything sillier than to see a man without clubs or ball "following through?" FORE! . . . Our first returned "Vet" is back on the job. We doubly welcome Marvin Degits as he relearns the intricacies of a turret lathe all over again. You did a swell job over there, feller, and we know you'll do another right here in the shop.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By E. A. Miller

A happy little girl is Gloria Minger, whose husband has returned from the European War. Gloria was so excited when preparing for the big reception that she couldn't even remember what colors she used in painting the apartment. . . . With the speed of accomplishing 30 minutes' work in five, Betty Lochner brushed by Ida Davis' desk recently, knocking Ida's file box, letters and all, to the floor. To hush up the commotion, our good friend and Samaritan, Ida, resting on her chair, as if tying her shoe lace, assisted in picking up the letters. Suddenly her chair started rolling away and fell over with a crash, but there Ida was still in her quarterback position and working with both hands. . . . When Gil Bond sneezes, it is more than an explosion, it's a complete disappearing act. . . . A happy birthday was Martha Topp's last week with cards, candy, and lots of best wishes. . . . Welcome in our office is Rosaland Sollberger. . . . Gillie Plummer is winding up his two weeks' vacation at Big Long Lake. . . . Robert (Archie) Archibald went to Chicago on his two-week vacation. . . . Any admirer of Lawrence Tibbett should hear Dick Goetz warble such selections as "Sweetheart," "Road to Mandalay," or "Your Tooth Brush Side of Mine." It keeps nearly all persons out of the back room until the bell rings for work. . . . Chas. F. Buchanan, commonly known as "Buck", has returned from his vacation. "Buck" said he gave the Ford a limbering up after the three-year recess, so with plenty of gas he and the Mrs. first visited their daughter and family in Indianapolis, with some extended trips through the State Parks, then back to Fort Wayne and on up into Toledo. . . . We have a first prize winner in photography. The victim: Bonnie Swihart; the photographer: Well, he doesn't work here anyway. There's a large, attractive picture of Bonnie in the front window of a popular downtown store very conspicuously labeled "First Prize" with ribbons.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Jack Seigel was surprised the other day to find his lunch missing and a dime in its place. It seems the sack Jack brought his lunch in had "10 cents" written on it, so someone took the lunch and left the dime. The villian must have noticed the worried look on Jack's face (wondering what he could buy for lunch with a dime) and felt sorry for him. Anyway the lunch was returned shortly before noon. . . . The File Room had a picnic one evening at West Swinney Park. Mrs. C. D. Skove prepared the food, and from all reports it was delicious. Those who got ill wish to assure her that it was the rides —not the food. Chuck Skove says the "Dive Bomber" didn't make him sick but the girls are wondering why he was holding his head and stomach if he wasn't sick. How about it, Chuck? Needless to say everyone bad a lot of fun riding the train, roller coaster, whip, etc. . . . Gladden Grauer was honored guest at a noon luncheon at the Varsity Club given by the girls of the Aircraft Section. Other guests were P. O. Noble, L. F. Hemphill, C. P. Hayes, and C. A. Smith. Gladden received a gift from the group. He is leaving Sept. 1. . . . The A.C. Section lost a member. Al Wehrenberg said goodbye to his many friends last Friday. . . . Dolores Bailey of the F.H.P. Motor Sales Section also left last Friday. The girls in the section gave her a parting gift. So long, Dolores, and good luck. . . . The File Room adds one more to the list of departing four-sixers. Delores Lemper left Friday to take up new duties in Auburn, her home town. . . . One noon a few of the engineers were going down town. One of the fellows was supposed to drive but couldn't, so C. J. Herman was asked to drive. C. J. gets his car out of his garage and they start down town. All at once C. J. slammed on the brakes and answered the bewildered stares with, "I forgot to pick up my wife." He had promised his wife he'd take her down town at noon. . . . Jane Winebrenner tried to put an ediphone cylinder on her typewriter instead of on the ediphone machine. The following day she forgot her badge. It can't be spring fever that is causing this lapse of memory, not in August surely. Any solution or cure for lapse of memory would be welcomed by both Jane and Mr. Herman. . . . Bill Pringle thought he had a solution to his problem. He couldn't find any film the proper size for his camera so he decided to re-roll a film of another size onto the spool in his camera. In order to do this without exposing the film he put the film under the covers on the bed and started winding. When he had it all wound, he threw back the covers and there lay the film. He had wound the paper that was around tbe film onto the spool. . . . If you saw Marian Menze down on her knees under her desk you were probably wondering what she was doing. For your information she was playing pick up. Yep, that's what happens when you pull a drawer full of supplies out too far. It was the drawer full of pencils, pen points, erasers, etc. It must have been a lot of fun, Marian. . . . Bill Hessert decided he could catch more fish in the river in back of his lot than he could at the lake. Bill has been fishing in the river and catching them too, then one day he went to the lake and couldn't catch any so he decided to stay in his own back yard and fish. We know how you feel, Bill. . . . Dottie Wagoner must be a happy girl these days. Her husband, Miles, who is in the Merchant Marine, arrived home on August 19. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miller on the death of their infant son.

A new surgical lamp, expected to be of revolutionary help in operating rooms, projects a cone of ultraviolet radiation through which germs cannot pass.

Scrub 'Em Thoroughly And Often



TO AVOID OIL PIMPLES AND OTHER FORMS OF DERMATITIS. Otto Roehm, in above photograph, foreman of Screw Machine Section, Bldg. 19-5, has worked with oils and emulsions for many years. He heartily endorses the following Safety Rules to be followed in the use of cutting oils and emulsions:

1. USE A CUTTING MEDIUM WITH A MINERAL OIL CONTENT FREE FROM IRRITANTS. CUTTING OILS AND EMULSIONS MUST BE APPROVED BY OUR WORKS LABORATORY AND WORKS PHYSICIAN BEFORE BEING USED IN MANUFACTURING PROCESSES.
2. KEEP THE CUTTING FLUID REASONABLY CLEAN AND FREE FROM BACTERIA.
   a. Remove oil or emulsion and clean machine frequently. (Tagging machine after cleaning will help to avoid neglecting this rule.)
   b. If oil is to be re-used, it should be screened or centrifuged to remove metal chips. If oil becomes rancid, it should be be discarded or neutralized under laboratory supervision.
   c. Oils and emulsions should never be contaminated by spitting in containers or by permitting other refuse to get into the containers.
3. PERSONAL HYGIENE OF EMPLOYEES
   A. KEEP OIL, EMULSIONS, AND CLEANING SOLUTIONS FROM CONTACTING YOUR BODY AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.
      (1) Wear varnish cambric or other oil retardant aprons.
      (2) Launder clothing frequently.
      (3) Use brush, dip pans, and other mechanical means provided to wash parts, thereby keeping hands out of solvents.
      (4) Solutions such as naphtha, oleum spirits, etc., used for washing parts should not be used for washing hands. (This is a precaution against fire hazards and against defatting the skin.)
      (5) To remove oil from hands quickly, use a clean towel or waste which is free from steel slivers.
      (6) Use splash guards provided.
   B. KEEP THE PORES OF YOUR SKIN FROM BECOMING PLUGGED WITH OIL AND DIRT.
      (1) WASH YOUR ARMS AND HANDS WITH LIQUID SOAP PROVIDED BEFORE STARTING TO WORK AND APPLY HAND CREAM. (G-E HAND CREAM #406.)
      (2) AT QUITTING TIME OR AS OFTEN AS YOU DESIRE, SCRUB YOUR ARMS AND HANDS THOROUGHLY WITH THIS LIQUID SOAP, USING WARM WATER AND THE BRUSH PROVIDED AT YOUR TOOL CRIB. ALWAYS USE YOUR OWN BRUSH.
      (3) BATHE FREQUENTLY.
      (4) AVOID ALL SOAPS THAT IRRITATE, SCRATCH, OR DRY OUT THE SKIN.
   C. IF THE SKIN BECOMES IRRITATED AND INFLAMED AND SMALL RED BLOTCHES APPEAR ON THE AREAS SURROUNDING BLACKHEADS, OR IN CASE OF INJURY TO HANDS OR ARMS, GO TO THE DISPENSARY IMMEDIATELY. BE SURE TO RETURN TO DISPENSARY FOR SUBSEQUENT TREATMENT AS INSTRUCTED BY DOCTOR OR NURSE.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH,
Safety Engineer.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

The most widely used expression in Bldg. 17-1 is, "Who's next?" . . . Since Lennie Hutson has been on days this week, each night it takes him an extra half hour to get ready to leave. Lennie claims it is because he is so lonesome for the gang on nights. . . . Virg Best now offers his outboard motor for sale. Virg says that he wants a smaller one that he can also use for a food chopper. . . . You have often heard the story of the sucker being on the wrong end of the line. It seems that Walt Hall tried to renact that story last week one day when he fell out of the boat. . . . "Bluegill" Pierce hooked onto a really big one last Sunday, 'tis reported. . . . One of our former co-workers wrote the gang a nice letter, and it certainly was good to hear from Ginny Haviland. Has anyone written her lately? If not, I think we should all write. . . . Wonder why Dorothy Crist has given up eating dill pickles? . . . One of our able reporters—one Marshall O. Tarney—has left the automatics in Bldg. 17-1 to work on the punch presses in Bldg. 4-1. Good luck, Marshall. . . . Since gardening time is nearly over, Red Bauermeister goes to see the wild and woolly western shows for a new pastime. . . . Virg Best became attached to a few chiggers last week. He finally discarded all but one. . . . Russ Gibson has assumed new duties since Fred Crickmore is on vacation. .

The X-Ray OF BUILDING 17-2

Since this is a period of readjustment for just about everyone, the Rotor Section is no exception. By the time this article has reached print, we will be, we hope, partially settled at least in our new home—Bldg. 6-2. This reporter has spent twelve years in Bldg. 17-2, and another has fourteen years, and still others over five years, so it is really with regret we say, "goodbye." It's strange how a place of employment can seem almost like "home," but we must go when a move seems best. So we say so long and good luck to all the Bldg. 17-2 crowd. . . . When going back to use the time clock in Bldg. 17-2 we made several obeservations during the week, however. I will pass them on to you. . . . We noticed that Paul Walker was back after a two weeks' vacation, looking like he had had a good rest. . . . After hearing Marie Bruick tell what she was taking to Northern Michigan with her for a week's vacation, we are wondering if she will be allowed to take all of her luggage on her train ticket. Marie, you aren't moving to Arcadia, are you? . . . We noticed, too, that Ben Gifford looked lonely. It couldn't be because we took your wife, Ruth, with us to Bldg. 6-2, could it? . . . Louis Starr is with the old gang again after being at Taylor Street for a while. . . . Ervin Lange treated us to a large sack of plums the other day, and they were really good. He said peaches were next on the list. We enjoyed them. Thanks, Erv. . . . Well, folks, I guess this concludes our little Friday chats—so, 'bye and good luck.

Raymond Kierspe Wins Patent On Formex Ribbon Di

Raymond L. Kierspe, supervi of planning and wage rates in Wire and Insulation Division, has been granted a patent by the Uni States Patent Office covering metal die for coating For enamel to ribbon wire. This die



developed to assure a consistent uniform film coating on both sid and edges of ribbon magnet w and replaces felt wipers former used. The die is of the floating t and is so constructed that wir being film-coated are self-center and free to move in four direction It is also set so as to permit a pre determined amount of Former enamel to be applied to the ribbo wire. This patent covers ten sep arate claims for the device and i the first to be granted to Mr Kierspe.

MAIN OFFICE

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Carl Reiter's Bldg. 18-3 "All Stars" again defeated "Pop" Quinn's General Service champ last Friday night at McMill Park with the final score bein 13-8 for 9 innings of play. . . This week's farewell wishes ar extended to Jean Sheteron, Fran cis Reidenbach, and Adolph Shill ing, all from Bldg. 18-3. . . . B lated birthday wishes are in line for Harriet Keyes, Bldg. 18-3. . . That sharp corsage that Clara Squires Knox wore was one o the gifts she received at a shower given by the girls of Bldg. 18 in honor of her recent marriag . . . Ed Hagadorn, Bldg. 18-5, was another honored Blueprint person ality. His harem (the Breakdow Section) gave him a substanti addition to his collection of Chop in records for his birthday. . . . The horse that Eileen Wolf, Bldg 18-5, rode over the week-end must have been a rugged character. She moaned and groaned all day Monday and stood up most of th day. We wonder how the hors feels. . . . Wilma Sibert, Bldg. 10-2, left her employees' store job las Friday to devote full time to housewifely duties. Eileen Spillner is taking her job. Welcome, Eileen.

MATCHES ANY COMPLEXION

Look. Give your girl a bond.
Yes, that's the gift to get, yet.
'Twill please her if she's blonde
Or if she is brunette, yet.

Berton Braley

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Once more we settle down to living in a world of peace and with the coming of peace comes, too, a feeling of happpiness, the like of which many of us have never before experienced. Others, we are sure, felt the same way at the end of World War I. For many, mingled with the happiness there is sorrow—sorrow because their boy is among the many who were not able to cheer when the great news came. Words are too inadequate to express our sympathy and our appreciation for the great service these men have given to each and every one of us here at home. Our grateful hearts thank God for the bravery of our men on all the battlefronts, for it is because of these men that we can look forward full of hope and eagerness to the future.

Pat Monroe returned from the sick list looking hale and hearty. Glad to see you back, Pat, and we did miss you.

Noah Humbarger has joined Group 13x58 and is helping Pat on the oven. Irene Kipfer is working in Group 13x54. We're happy to have you with us.

Evelyn Schultz came up and said everyone goodbye. She is now going to take up her wifely duties, since her husband is home to stay. She was presented with a gift from the floor.

Glyda Yoder spent her vacation visiting in New York. We needn't ask whether she had a good time, because we know she did. Glad of it, Glyda.

Edythe Roller in Small Lot is a very happy girl now that her soldier has returned to the States after many, many months overseas.

Hazel Cook passed the candy last week. The occasion? She is a proud grandma for the first time. The new arrival was christened Richard Bradley Mendenhall, and he is just so anxious for his daddy, who is overseas, to see him. We all hope he does get home soon, Hazel.

Evan Morris and Danny Ray returned from their vacations last week. Gene Fosnight came back Monday after two weeks at home. Ethel Gardner and Walter Kammeyer also came back Monday but only had one week. We hope you all had a fine time when you were off.

Tomorrow we say goodbye to Gwen Buzby, who is leaving the Company. Her husband is returning home after being in the service for several years, so we don't blame her for going. The best of everything, Gwen.

Betty Strohmeier had a birthday August 18, and the girls from the Sewing Club presented her with a gift. Due to the war ending, the surprise dinner they had planned was postponed until later. We hope you have many more happy birthdays, Betty.

A sailor was visiting our floor. Donald McDonald just returned from England. We were all glad to see you, Don, and we hope all the boys will drop in to see us when they get home.

Vic Osterholt, Allan Kitson, and Nick Cozmas said goodbye last week. They are returning to their pre-war positions, and all our good wishes go with you, fellows.

Rita Jessup came into work one morning, limping, and using a cane. Later she informed us that she had been horseback riding for the first time. Better luck next time, Rita.

Anybody who wants a good boat should see Kenneth Miller and Dolan (Digger) Furney, as they seem to be in the boat business.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Harley Ward and Adrian Weaver, both of whom lost their father last week.

Harry Shoemaker was in the hospital for observation. We hope they "observe" nothing wrong, Harry.

Well, folksies, that's all the news for this time. See you next week.

Nominated For Offices In Elex Club



Sue Cameron
Dorothy Heckman
Ruth Beeber
Freida Wahli

Ruth Papenbrock
Margaret Suelzer
Betty Puff
Edna Bruns

Peggy Cook
Bernice Freiburger
Harriett Gearey
Delores Baker

Martha Arnold
Alice Dahman
Carolyn Walker
Dorothy Volz

Nominees for Elex Club offices for the 1945-46 Club year were announced today. They are: president—Sue Cameron and Ruth Papenbrock; vice-president—Martha Arnold and Peggy Cook; secretary—Margaret Suelzer and Dorothy Heckman; directors—Bernice Freiburger, Alice Dahman, Betty Puff, Ruth Beeber, Harriett Gearey, and Carolyn Walker; trustees—Dorothy Volz, Delores Baker, Edna Bruns, and Freida Wahli. Election of officers will take place on Monday, September 17, to Friday, September 21. (See story on Page 1).

Broken cables dangling from barrage balloons, England's defense against Luftwaffe attacks, damaged the British electric distribution system three times as much as enemy action during the first year of the war.

DOTS AND DASHES FROM 26-2

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again: I am told so frequently that nothing happens that I have come to the conclusion many people are leading very dull lives. But there is still hope, for upon a bit of prying, I find things are happening every day. . . . Take Joe Coughlin for instance. He's been back in the Fort for a little over a week and is all ready to settle down to home life in an apartment on Wildwood. . . . The boys from the Commercial Section got their pictures taken a week ago. The results were interesting. Harold (Pritch) Pritchard is particularly photogenic; Del Roloff, a bit on the serious side, but it makes for a good executive type picture. Johnny Carr, naturally, appears as his own handsome self. Cy Stonehill has a before and after shot. The first one deserves a "Wanted For—," but the last one shows a fine up-standing gentleman. . . . Have you noticed the extra spring to Larry Schuster's walk. Well, he is walking on air now that his son, Bob, is home from overseas. Larry is proud of him and rightly so, what with a Bronze Star, campaign ribbons, and battle stars all to his credit. . . . Mary Jane Fletter is among the happy ones too, now that she has received word that her husband is heading for home within a few weeks. . . . Joan Hartman is planning on leaving us soon to start college life at Ball State. Good luck, Joan, we know you will like it. . . . Pete Eberhart is a super salesman of fresh air, guaranteed to make any home smell beautiful. What is this miracle air? (Sounds like a lot of hot air to us). . . . In the Service Bureau they feel the shortage with Rita Luebke vacationing. We do hope Rita is enjoying herself. . . . Paul Vance must be keeping the laundries going these days, if today's bundles were any sample of the weekly output. . . . Mary Bischoff was visiting last week in the South, Richmond, Va. She claims she had an awful time trying to understand the Southerners, especially on the word about. I guess, they couldn't understand Mary either. Maybe she should have gotten some tips from Tom Short for her trip. . . . Tom Harmes is vacationing, but he has a contract to clean out all the fish in the lake at Rome City so it can be deweeded and thus put in shape for the motor boats to run around on again. That should make for quite a fish story. . . . We're wondering if our Superintendent, Elmer Paul, ever got the cantaloupe and ice cream that he is so fond of. . . . We welcome the newcomers in the Cost Section, Agnes Mason from Winter Street and Lorraine Andrist from Supercharger. . . . Carolyn Emrich just got back from vacationing at Miami Beach, Fla. She accompanied her girl friend who is a Spar and is stationed there. Carolyn came back without the SPAR but with a beautiful tan. . . . Say, Jim Voirol, how's about having lunch with the boys and getting some more of that delicious warm milk? We think there is an interesting story connected with that last statement. . . . Even though the Cost Section is gaining two lovely girls, they are also losing two very nice people. Johnny Cronkhite is leaving the Company and Reathel Bright is taking that great plunge into the sea of matrimony. . . . See, things do happen here. So long.

Six Retire On Company Pension



John Littlejohn Alma K. Geary Christian Kaiser



Conrad A. Norwalt Agnes E. Conter Francis L. Martz

The retirement of six G-E employees, four of whom will leave today, under the Company Pension Plan was announced today. John G. Littlejohn, inspector in the General Tool Division, has been granted a pension effective September 1 and will leave his work today. His continuous service amounts to 49 years and 2 months. Alma K. Geary retired on August 18 after having stayed on past her sixtieth birthday to aid the war effort. Officially retired on March 25, 1945, she has continuous service amounting to 27 years and 6 months. Christian D. E. Kaiser, toolmaker in the General Tool Division, also retires on pension today, and his service amounts to 43 years and 11 months.

Conrad A. Norwalt, leading operator in the Specialty FHP Motor Section, retires today with service amounting to 22 years and 1 month. Agnes E. Conter, Decatur Plant, left General Electric recently after a service of 20 years and 11 months. Francis L. Martz, Motor and Generator Division, also leaves today with continuous service of 23 years and 3 months.

Whoops!

Sounds Of Whooping Cough Are Recorded For Medical Students

Medical students at Columbia University don't have to go into the communicable disease wards these days to study the coughing sounds of whooping cough. Records of three whooping cough cases have been made on a General Electric magnetic wire recorder for a study of the symptoms of this disease.

Acting upon a request from Dr. Harry S. Mustard, director of the School of Public Health in the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the University, Dr. Samuel Frant of the New York City Department of Health recorded the coughs of a twelve year old boy and eight months and two months old babies.

Permanent records of the characteristic quality of the coughs were made and are being played back for further study.

Radar Revealed

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were becoming desperate. They thought that by modifying the old ASV design they could make it satisfactory. They tried. The subs came back with excited stories of signals on the new receiver which couldn't be detected on the old.

Kills Continued

Yet the U-boat kills went on. Distractedly the Nazis painted their subs with a special paint on the theory that the Allies might be using an infra-red detection device. But the kills continued, and there was not letup as the Germans went through one new design after another. Finally two scientific expeditions put to sea in subs fully equipped to search for the mysterious radiation used by the Allied planes. The first U-boat lived 13 days and the second only 9.

Not until the fall of 1944 did the Nazi Navy get this mess all sorted out, and then they decided not to let their U-boats come up at all and were installing an air-tube to enable a sub to breathe and run its Diesels while remaining submerged. The Allies were ready with a brand new set of tricks, but the war ran out.

Radar Directed

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splashes and can quickly read off how much correction must be made. Again the guns boom forth, and this time the salvo appears to land squarely on the leading ship. Sure enough, as the operator watches, the "pip" slowly fades from the screen. The ship has been discovered, identified, tracked, fired upon, and sunk without a man seeing it visually.

This is not an imaginary incident. It has happened many, many times in the history of the present war.

One of the first times was late on the evening of November 4, 1942, among the Solomon Islands in the South Pacific. One of our new warships was out looking for the enemy. The sea battle for Guadalcanal was in its final phase, the issue still undecided. Aboard the American vessel, radar, like an invisible searchlight, probed the darkness and discovered the presence of an enemy vessel more than 8 miles away. The big ship lifted its gun muzzles toward the stars. They flashed and thundered. The second salvo, despite both darkness and extreme range, landed squarely on the target, which disappeared from the radar screen.

Special Products Division Announces New Gas Analyzer

Copper Wire Annealing Made Easier By Device To "Sniff Out" Ratios

A sensitive "nose" which literally sniffs out gas ratios in copper wire annealing furnaces has been announced by General Electric's Special Products Division. This gas analyzer has already saved wire manufacturers thousands of dollars, for it insures safe processing of copper material without the former danger of oxidation or of brittleness affecting the quality of the wire.

Bright annealing of copper for wire applications must take place under extremely well-regulated furnace conditions. The atmosphere must be what engineers call a neutral or "reducing" atmosphere—one which contains very little hydrogen, since this gas tends to make the wire brittle.

In addition to the hydrogen content of the atmosphere, the amount of oxygen in the annealing furnace must be regulated in order to prevent oxidation of the copper wire. When oxidation occurs, the copper may become coated with a green "rust" such as can frequently be seen on roofs of buildings and exposed copper tanks. This results in a loss of many of the valuable properties of the wire.

Extremely simple in design and operation, the new process-gas analyzer can be connected directly to any of the annealing furnaces now in use in wire manufacturing plants. The device automatically warns the furnace operator the instant the gas ratios require adjustment.

Picture At Eastern

A General Electric motion picture, "Excursions in Science No. 9" entitled "Thunderbolt Hunters" will be shown at the Eastern Theater September 4-5. This is one of a series of films showing developments in G-E laboratories.

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and foolproof, regardless of night and weather.

"The biggest influence radar will have after the war is indirect. The thousands of man-years which have gone into the improvement of the detailed components which make up a radar set—many of these components being identical with those of a radio or television set, or hearing aid, or other electronic device—have made obsolete many of our prewar ideas about what could and could not be done in electronics."

Fort Wayne

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plidynes and D.C. drive motor-motor alternators, D.C. motor-dynamotors, and D.C. and A.C. motor generator sets.

Splinters here—a sliver there,
Watch your step on that wooden
stair.

"Tokyo Trolley," Marine Railway Gets Its Power From G-E Motors

The popularly-named "Tokyo Trolley", which serves the purpose of drydock in Portland, Ore., by hauling disabled ships sideways from position underneath the Willamette river to a repair station, is the eighth conveyance of its kind powered by General Electric motors that now in use.

Other similar marine railways furnished with G-E electrical equipment are located at Pearl Harbor, Key West, Cristobal, Haiti, Corpus Christi, St. Louis, and on the Missouri River. Because each location has problems peculiar to itself, each railway differs in some respects from the others; fundamental principles, however, of the various systems are the same.

Largest of Its Kind

Built at a cost of more than $1,500,000 and with electrical equipment worth approximately $620,000, Portland's "Tokyo Trolley" is the largest side haul marine railway yet built. Its power can pull a maximum of 3,000 tons. It requires only two hours to dock a vessel and can dock and undock as many as seven vessels per day. It can be sectioned for docking two small craft simultaneously. It can be used similarly for launching vessels.

The "Tokyo Trolley" proper is a 360-foot-long, 42-foot-high steel cradle with a 50-foot beam that rides on six rails, 15 feet apart. The rails are laid on a 17 per cent incline river bank, incline of which is continued out under the water to a point of 40 foot depth. All told, the tracks run a total of 329 feet or about 1/16 of a mile, the majority of this distance being underwater.

Connected at regular intervals to the huge cradle are strands of steel chain, whose other terminals are connected to giant winches. The winches, in turn, are operated by three 200 hp high torque G-E induction motors, from which the railway gets its drive.

Docking By Blueprint

A system of docking by blueprint is worked out so precisely that no divers are needed and thus no "trying it on for size" practice is necessary. Exact nature of the disabled vessel's bottom is blueprinted, and on the basis of this, blocks and supports on a carriage inside the cradle are arranged so as to provide a "perfect fit". Other preliminaries include the fastening of chains and hand crabs to the disabled ship to steady it.

When everything is in readiness, the "Tokyo Trolley" proceeds down the incline and underwater to a point where it is immediately beneath the ship. As commonly described at the site, the carriage "just walks right up under the ship and grounds it on its keel."

G-E Motors Help

Then the powerful G-E motors go to work. A central control desk, which can be operated by one person, first synchronizes tension of all chain strands, then, through a master switch, engages the motors and starts the tremendous freight on its uphill climb. A special G-E magnetic control provides a safe, controllable speed throughout the journey. Maximum speed permitted by the motors is 31.1 feet per minute.

When the ship arrives at the launching platform, the cradle automatically stops. Two of the three motors are cut off and the third motor is disengaged from its winch and engaged to another winch. This action furnishes power for the carriage and ship to be shunted lengthwise, this time, on cross rails to a repair station, while the cradle then can be readied for another ship. Length of the shunt haul is 315 feet.

It's A Joke

Sending a telegram to his wife—really to announce his safe arrival at his destination after a long train journey—a British soldier filled in the telegraph form: "Darling, darling, darling, darling."

"With the address, that makes eleven words," said the post-office assistant. "You're allowed another word."

"But there's nothing else I want to say," said the soldier.

"You could always put in another 'darling,'" suggested the assistant.

The soldier pondered for a spell. "Don't you think that would look rather silly?" he asked.

WANTA LIFT?

Buy a suit or a hat or gown—
As soon as you've got it, its price goes down.
Buy a Bond, and it's otherwise.
As soon as you buy it, it starts to rise.

Berton Braley

Even a tombstone will say good things about a fellow when he is down.

Helped Flatten Tokyo . . . .



Lieut. Col. Robert E. Haynes, commander of the B-29 "Thumper," told G-E representatives recently that Tokyo is virtually non-existent. Armament control, made by General Electric men and women, was a big factor in cutting air interception down to a few stragglers.

G-E Propelled Destroyer Escort Avenges German Torpedo Hit

This is the story of one of the Navy's tough little G-E propelled destroyer escorts that wouldn't call it quits. In fact, she more than avenged a German torpedo hit that blew off some 60 feet of her stern by supplying emergency electric power for the strategic French port of Cherbourg just when it was needed most by the Allies last Fall.

Details of how the crippled vessel, the USS Donnell, was towed across the Channel from a British port to generate power at Cherbourg, the only place other than the beaches where supplies for the American armies could be landed, have been withheld until recently for security reasons. Using the Destroyer Escort as a floating power plant was the idea of Rear Admiral John Wilkes, USN, who recalled how the great Aircraft Carrier Lexington had once supplied the city of Tacoma with power from her main generators during an emergency.

Blasted By Nazi Sub

Except for Admiral Wilkes' good memory and the Donnell's ability to generate electricity, the ship might have suffered an inglorious demise. After a Nazi submarine had blasted her in the Atlantic, she had been towed minus her screws and steering mechanism to an undisclosed British port. There she was stripped of all ordnance and navigational equipment and was awaiting final disposition or further salvage when Admiral Wilkes ordered her towed to Cherbourg to play a new role in powering shore operations. Fortunately, her turbine generators were still intact and in working order.

Compounding the Donnell's revenge on the Nazis, a German transformer was used to step up the power she generated to the proper voltage for distribution over the Cherbourg system. Ironically, it was the only undamaged transformer in the area. It had been installed by the Germans a few months previous in the French naval arsenal and apparently was overlooked in the last-minute sabotage preceding their withdrawal from the vicinity.

Secured By Dock

So when the Donnell was secured alongside the dock at Cherbourg, proper connections were made between her generators and the German transformer to obtain an output voltage of approximately 5,000 volts at 50 cycles as normally distributed over the city's electric system. Then and for the next four months electricity from the gallant little vessel hummed out over Cherbourg's power lines, meeting vital requiremnts in the area until normal service was resumed in mid-December.

The Donnell's revenge was powerfully sweet.

July Report Lists Nineteen Lost-Time Employee Accidents

Nineteen lost-time accidents were suffered by employees of the Fort Wayne Works during July, according to the monthly report released this week by W. J. Hockett, supervisor of safety and employees' activities.

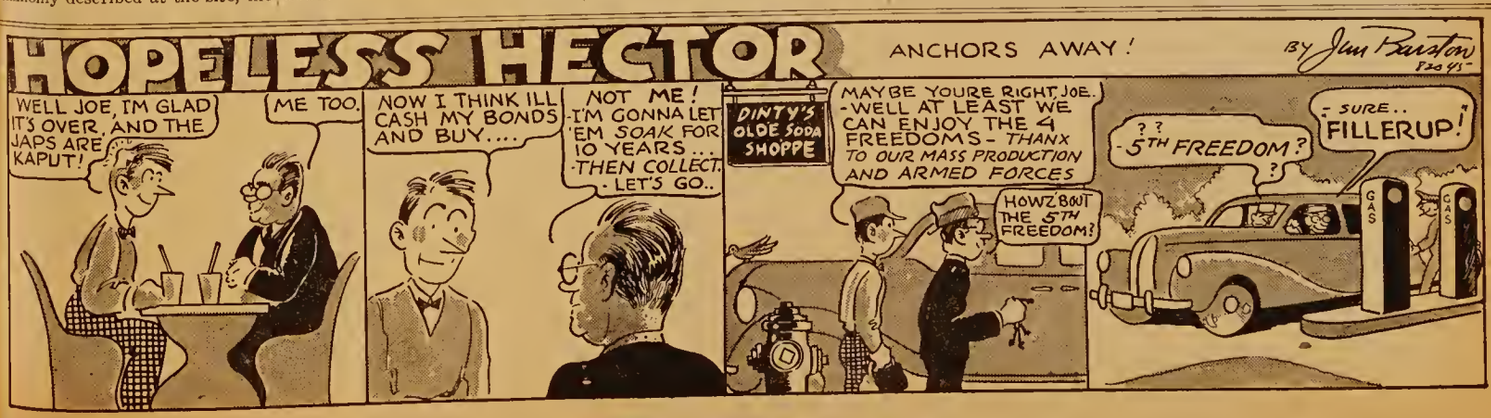
Year-to-date lost-time accidents now total 124. Accident frequency, year-to-date, is 5.84 per cent, compared to 4.44 per cent in 1944. The year-to-date severity figure is .205 per cent for the total Works, which compares with .376 per cent for the year 1944.

Breakdown of accident frequency and severity rates by divisions is as follows:

Division	Freq. Rate	Sev. Rate
Kokomo	0.0	0.01
Motor-Generator	6.05	0.13
Series & Sp. Mot.	4.24	0.04
Fract. HP Motor	3.85	0.13
Transformer	4.84	0.16
Wire	14.63	0.89
Insulation	10.37	3.11
Tool	4.62	0.05
General Service	9.19	0.055
Distribution	23.33	0.42
Decatur	5.90	0.39
Power Drive	8.30	0.34
Misc.	1.37	0.03
Refrigeration	6.50	0.11
Plastics	8.28	1.71
Supercharger	6.68	0.34
Total Works	5.84	.205

The electron microscope has revealed to dental science the existence of about 50 miles of canals or tubules in each human tooth.

A "rolling cafeteria," electrically heated and refrigerated, feeds from 250 to 500 on-the-job meals with a single loading. Its food supply can be kept at the original temperature for four hours.



G-E Employees Admitted To Quarter-Century Club



Shown above are 15 G-E employees admitted to membership in the Quarter-Century Club in recent months. The veteran employee organization admits members on the completion of 25 years of continuous service with the General Electric Company and sponsors various social events throughout the year.

Arthur Bear
Charles Kensill
Ira Augsburger

George Adams
Marcus J. Harrigan
F. E. McCague

C. M. Griffith
J. J. Mougin
Fred F. Bailey

Genevieve Meyer
L. A. Gocke
Ernest Witte

M. C. Simons
Oscar P. Martin
E. E. Close

G-E Plastics Plant To Be Constructed At Wallingford, Conn.

The General Electric Plastics Divisions recently took an option on land in Wallingford, Conn., for the purpose of constructing a new plastics plant, G. A. Gustafson, construction manager, has announced.

The proposed 120,000-square-foot plastics plant will be for the purpose of housing the present Meriden plastics facilities now located on Cambridge Street, Mr. Gustafson said. It will be located approximately three miles from the center of the town of Meriden, and according to Mr. Gustafson, citizens of that city will find it convenient to get to from their present location.

It's A Joke

A story, which is probably not true, is told of a young Brooklyn soldier who was on maneuvers in Oregon. Having a few minutes to himself after evening chow, he strolled out into the woods and soon came back with a handful of rattlesnake rattles.

"Where in the world did you get them?" gasped his alarmed companion.

"Off'n a woim," replied the lad from Brooklyn.

Line Worker: That Guard makes me tired.

Supervisor: Well, stop running after him.

"You need a tonic. You're beginning to look like the photo on your badge."

G-E Establishes Two Ship Service Stations On Coasts

Two service stations, one at New York and one at San Francisco, for ships, both operated on what amounts to a drive-in, drive-out, basis like the shop that services your automobile, have been established by General Electric, according to a recent announcement.

Before the war, it took two to three weeks to make major repairs to a turbine-driven ship. Time thus lost meant lost dollars to shipping lines. Under the new system, such repairs, particularly for C-type ships and turbine-electric drive tankers built during the past eight years, can be made while the ship is loading and unloading.

The C-type ship, of which General Electric built gear propulsion for three classes, C-1, C-2, and C-3, is designed for a 16-knot speed, compared with the 8 to 10 knots formerly traveled by the old type tramp. General Electric plans to carry in warehouses near the docks more than a million dollars' worth of replacement parts, ranging from some electrical and mechanical parts up to 30-ton turbine rotors and powerful generators.

R. B. Beale, Jr., Gets Division Sales Job

R. B. Beale, Jr., has been appointed sales manager of the Electric Sink and Cabinet Division of the General Electric Company, it was announced recently by C. J. Enderle, manager of the division.

Mr. Beale was for eight years home laundry representative for the Atlantic district, with headquarters in Philadelphia.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Ralph Martz (3)*	Convoy, Ohio (Coming in on No. 49 and No. 30, East).	8-2	Sheets	7:00- 3:30
W. K. McIver (2)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne (Coming in on No. 1, 8 miles north).	4-6	McIver	8:00- 5:15
Lew Roberts (4)*	R. 1, Ossian, Ind. (Coming in on No. 1, 21 miles south.	26-1	Boutwell	7:00- 3:30

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Dale Mechling	R. 1, Craigville, Ind. (Will meet ride on State Rd. No. 1 about 20 miles south).	6-1	Buell	8:00- 5:30

G-E Club Softball Team Is Assured First Place Tie

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club became assured of a tie for first place in the second ...f of the Major League schedule by defeating Bowser 5 - 0 in ...game at Memorial Park Monday, August 27. Each team has six ...ns and one loss.

Only 22 men batted for Bowser's, ...d only one hit was given by Feld...iser.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.		BOWSER	AB.	R.	H.
...denberg,3	2	1	0		Horman,c	3	0	0
...terlin,2	4	1	1		Fromm,3b	3	0	0
...ider,rf	3	1	1		Goodwin,ss	3	0	0
...ligema'n,sf	3	1	0		Miller,2	3	0	0
...anski,ss	3	1	3		Sharp,p	0	0	0
...erer,cf	2	0	0		Schott,1	3	0	0
...derson,cf	1	0	0		Bowser,lf	2	0	0
...ser,c	2	0	1		Crogan,cf	2	0	1
...ser,c	1	0	0		Dolan,rf	2	0	0
...hde,c	3	0	0					
...nRyn,1	2	0	0					
...el,lf	0	0	0					
...ldheiser,p	3	0	0					
Totals	29	5	6		Totals	21	0	1

Struck out—By Feldheiser, Dolan; by ...arp, Esterline, Snyder 2, Bohde, Feld...eiser. Base on balls—Off Feldheiser, ...arp 2; off Sharp, Lindenberg 2, Snyder, ...ligemann, Hess, Cook. Two base hit—...yder.

Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
G-E Club ——— 4 0 1 0 0 0 0—	5	6	0
Bowser ——— 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	1	3

The Ossian Merchants defeated ...e G-E Club softball team at the ...each Sunday, August 26, by the ...core of 3-2 in nine innings, the ...core being tied at 2 all at the end ...f the seventh inning, in an ex...ibition game.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.		OSSIAN	AB.	R.	H.
...ndenberg,3	4	0	0		Powell,3	4	1	2
...sterline,2	4	1	1		Jacobs,ss	3	0	0
...derson,cf	4	0	1		Young,c	4	1	1
...ligeman',sf	3	0	1		Miller,cf	3	0	0
...anRyn,1	3	0	0		Moser,sf	3	0	0
...arick,rf	1	0	0		McAfee,1	3	0	0
...ss,lf	2	1	1		Maitlen,lf	3	0	1
...anski,ss	2	0	0		Dishong,2	2	0	0
...ook,lf-rf	2	0	0		Platt,rf	3	0	0
...ckerer,rf	1	0	0		H'peng'ner,p	3	1	1
...hde,c	2	0	1					
...arkel,p	3	0	0					
Totals	31	2	5		Totals	31	3	5

Struck out—By Starkel, Jacobs, Moser; ...y Hoopengardner, Lindenberg, Anderson, ...anRyn. Base on balls—Off Hoopengard...er, Stanski. Two base hit—Esterline. ...ome run—Powell. Sacrifice hits—Dishong, ...acobs.

Score by innings—			
...ssian ——— 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1—	3		
G-E Club ——— 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—	2		

The G-E Club softball team ...travelled to Sturgis, Mich., Friday ...ight, August 24, and were taken ...nto camp by the score of 3-2 in 11 ...innings.

This was a pitching duel between Starkel, who allowed only 10 hits, and Kline who allowed only 7 hits.

The summary:

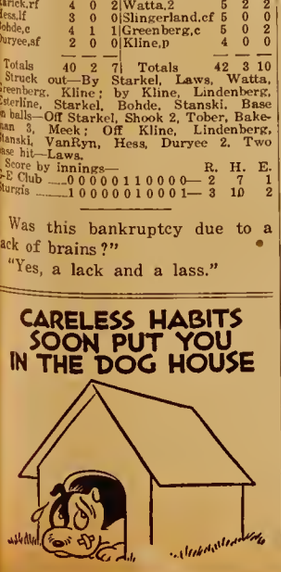
G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.		STURGIS	AB.	R.	H.
...indenberg,3	4	0	0		Shook,3	3	1	1
...sterline,2b	5	0	0		Tober,ss	4	0	1
...anski,ss	4	0	0		Woods,rf	5	0	1
...ligema'n,cf	5	0	2		Bakeman,lf	2	0	0
...anRyn,1	4	1	1		Laws,1	5	0	1
...arkel,p	5	0	1		Meek,sf	4	0	2
...arick,rf	4	0	2		Watta,2	5	2	2
...ss,lf	3	0	0		Slingerland,cf	5	0	0
...hde,c	4	1	1		Greenberg,c	5	0	2
...uryee,sf	2	0	0		Kline,p	4	0	0
Totals	40	2	7		Totals	42	3	10

Struck out—By Starkel, Laws, Watta, ...reenberg; by Kline, Lindenberg, ...sterline, Starkel, Bohde, Stanski. Base ...n balls—Off Starkel, Shook 2, Tober, Bake...an 3, Meek; Off Kline, Lindenberg, ...tanski, VanRyn, Hess, Duryee 2. Two ...ase hit—Laws.

Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
G-E Club ——— 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0—	2	7	1
Sturgis ——— 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1—	3	10	2

Was this bankruptcy due to a lack of brains?"

"Yes, a lack and a lass."



Benton Harbor Nine Defeats G-E Team 2-1, Friday Night

By Walter Histed

The Club's winning streak came to an abrupt end at Dwenger Park last Friday night as the Club lost a tough 2-1 decision to the Twin City Independents from Benton Harbor, Mich.

The Club managed to get only four hits and one run from the hurling of Fizz Clupper to support the pitching of Charley Schupp, Louisville A.A. and Bunker Hill hurler heretofore known as Thomas. Schupp whiffed 14 visiting batters and walked none, but the winners had a couple of breaks to push over the two runs needed to win.

The winners scored one in the fifth, when Norris singled and was forced by Leach. Selby singled and Leach scored when the ball got through Kestner. In the seventh Norris doubled with one out and when Schupp played Leach's bunt to third too late both men were safe. Deal hit a fly into short left field which Barnett failed to hold, Norris scoring. Schupp averted further trouble by fanning Selby and Clupper.

The Club after missing chances to score in the second and fourth innings finally rang the bell in the seventh. Chuck Bobilya opened the inning with a rousing double and paused at second while Seiple struck out and Bush flied to Snyder. Bildilli batted for Brann and singled sharply to drive in the run. Schupp got a life on Clupper's error, but the rally died when Kestner tapped weakly to the box.

The summary:

BENTON HARBOR	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.
Gierke, ss	4	0	1	1	3
McCauslin, 2b	4	0	0	2	3
Boroski, lf	4	0	1	2	0
Snyder, rf	4	0	0	3	0
Norris, cf	4	1	3	1	0
Leach, 3b	4	1	0	0	0
Deal, c	4	0	2	7	1
Selby, 1b	4	0	1	10	1
Clupper, p	3	0	0	1	4
Totals	35	2	8	27	12

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.
Kestner, rf	4	0	0	1	0
Young, lf	3	0	0	0	0
Barnett, ss	4	0	1	2	1
Bohonko, 3b	4	0	0	2	2
Bobilya, 1b	4	1	2	6	0
Seiple, 2b	3	0	0	0	1
xWattier	1	0	0	0	0
Bush, c	4	0	0	15	0
Brann, cf	2	0	0	0	0
Bildilli, cf	1	0	1	1	0
Schupp, p	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	1	4	27	4

xBatted for Seiple in 9th.

Score by innings—	
Benton Harbor ——— 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0—	2
G-E Club ——— 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—	1

Errors—Kestner, Clupper, McCauslin. Runs batted in—Deal, Bildilli. Two-base hits—Norris 2, Bobilya 2, Boroski. Three-base hit—Deal. Double plays—Gierke to McCauslin to Selby, Seiple to Barnett to Bobilya. Left on bases—Benton Harbor 6, G-E Club 6. Bases on balls—Off Clupper 2. Strike outs—By Clupper 8; by Schupp 2. Winning pitcher—Clupper. Losing pitcher—Schupp. Umpires—McGary and C. Blauvelt. Time—2:00.

A farmer in Macomb county, Michigan, looking over his accounts after installing three electric motors, reports a saving of $363 a year over his old methods. The motors are used for seven farm jobs.

Birthday Bath . . .



Here is a production scene as one of the initial run of refrigerator cabinets gets its first birthday bath in hot water spray in bonderizing booth at Erie Works under the watchful eye of Robert Wallis.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

PRODUCTION

Nelda McClain is still "sweating time" until Gene gets to Indiana. Hope he gets here before she has a nervous collapse. . . . Ray Jennings puts the final windup on his vacation. Now he geos round and round with cancellations. . . . Cara Lou Lichty is vacationing this week. Hope you have a good time. . . . Herman Rockhill has returned from two weeks at Crooked Lake. The fishing wasn't so good, but they took plenty along just in case. . . . Do we have reckless drivers in our section! Betty Clem nearly met the angels one morning last week when she turned left on Anthony Boulevard. But the worst thing was that when she stopped, she didn't know the garbage truck coming along just missed hitting her broadside. . . . For those who can't keep awake in the mornings, see Dr. Bill Stockwell for the cure. Guess he just can't take late hours.

MACHINE SHOP

Thetus Johnson is back at work after a nice vacation. . . . Since Walter Johnson is back from his vacation he has been wearing his coat. We can't figure out if it's because of the cool weather or if he's afraid someone will take it.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Joe Horstman of the Forge Shop retires today after more than 39 years' service with the Company. He was presented with a nice gift from his fellow workers. Joe plans to do a lot of fishing and loafing. . . . We were visited last week by Ora Waltz, Shipfitter 1/c, who is home on leave from the Navy. Ora formerly worked for John Schwartz. . . . Bonnie Newhart's friend, whom she has not seen for three years, arrived in the country last Saturday from Italy, and she hopes to see him this week.

COST

Harold Hartman has returned to work after a pleasant week of vacationing. . . . Fisherman Strasser has left the Cost Section and is located on the second floor now.

MISCELLANEOUS

John J. Denis, S 1/c, visited his friends at the plant this week. He has spent 19 months overseas on an LST and has taken part in two major battles. Before enlisting in the Coast Guard, John worked in Vic Cartwright's section.

ENGINEERING

A Christmas tree, cut from green construction paper, appeared in the Engineering Division last week. Since it was a little early in the season, we were curious as to its owner. Mr. Misegades then recognized it as coming off a calendar his son had made for him in 1936 and which he had kept in his desk drawer. How tempus figits. . . . Art Bireley is surely proud of his mustache because when told it looked like Tom Dewey's he queried, "Who's he?" . . . It seems the letter "q" on Marcella McCarthy's typewriter was giving her quite a bit of trouble and would only operate under extreme force, consequently, it looked very peculiar when Vern Gingher handed her a letter to write addressed to "Queen's Quaker Quality Quill Company, Queens, New York, Attn: Mr. Quackenbush."

Twenty years ago street lighting was designed chiefly for civic beautification or pedestrian convenience. The volume of modern traffic places the emphasis on safety, and today's luminaries are designed with this purpose in mind.

MOTOR-GENERATOR *Static* —

The favorite song that Louise Reinhart has been humming since coming back to work after a week's vacation is "I Love You Truly." It may be because a certain Cpl. Wm. Gepfert is home after 18 months' service in Europe. . . . Larry Simmerman has started eating muskmelons. Oh well, keep up the good work, Larry; maybe it won't be long until you'll get some cigarettes. . . . James Stouder is spending his two weeks' vacation at Springfield, Ohio. . . . Paul Larenitis just returned from his yearly two weeks' vacation in West Virginia. . . . Manford Lee is spending his vacation at Lake Gage and Crooked Lake. . . . Lowell Kelsey has recently returned to camp after a 22-day furlough with his family. Sorry you didn't get up to see us, Lowell. . . . What do you know, Ollie Fox went fishing down the river and left his bait at home. Maybe all he needed was the exercise. Seems it's one thing after another. We understand Ollie took a trip north, and it cost him two dollars to find out the red lights in Auburn were working. . . . If anyone has an extra Works telephone book, please send it to Murray Johnson, Bldg. 27. We understand he became quite impatient the other day in trying to dial a number because he continually got the busy signal. His patience was completely gone when a production chaser informed him he was dialing his own number. Maybe Murray needs a vacation. . . . Maurice Archbold returned from his vacation at Lake Gage this week. Archie said he caught so many fish he supplied the neighbors. Some people have all the luck. . . . Others returned from vacations are Heiny Muehlenbruch, Violet Trammel, Dewey Wickliffe, Rex Mericle and Betty Grooves. We are sorry to lose Marie Yates, Hilda Sellers, Mary McNeal, Grace Baumgartner, Betty Carpenter, Hazel Bevington, Helen Camp and Evelyn Lietzke. Good luck to you girls. . . . The vacationers this week are Ralph Smith, Maurice Cook, Charlotte Beaty, Bill Hale, Clem Meyers, and Fred McIntyre.

17-3 Newsies

What with all the new faces and the changes that are being made, we weren't sure if we were in the right place or not when we came to work Monday morning, but after looking more closely, we were in our own Bldg. 17-3. . . . Last week Margaret Beerman and Walter Kryder were on vacations, and we'd like to know what Walt did to get such a nice wave in his hair. It's very becoming, Walt. . . . Ruth Lemert left Saturday for Canada, where she will spend her vacation visiting friends. . . . Mae Sucher left the Company to take up her duties as a housewife. . . . Well, folks, that's all for this week, 'bye now.

The Mrs., sighing: "That new couple next door seem to be very devoted. He kisses her every time they meet. Why don't you do that?"

The Mr., drooling: "I don't know her well enough."

Memphis, Chicago Teams Carded This Week

G-E Club Owls Win Y. M. C. A. Crown In City League

Harvester Loses Final Game By Forfeit After Winning One In Playoff

By R. James

The G-E Club Owls were handed the Y. M. C. A. Industrial Crown this week when the Harvester Owls, after having won one game of the playoff, were not able to field a full team for the final game. G-E therefore won the game by forfeit, the automatic score being 10-0.

This ends a very successful season for the Owls, who won 12 games and lost two over the season, losing only to Bowser, June 13, by a score of 6-1 and one game to Harvester in the playoff, 4-2.

The Owls scored 93 runs in their 14 games, for an average of 7.75 runs per game. Their opponents collected 48 runs for an average of 3.42 runs per game. This gives the Owls an average winning margin of 4.33 runs per game, which is hitting the ball at a pretty lively clip.

The Club had a well-balanced team, with big Bill Hildinger, a veteran of three years with the Owls doing a very good job behind the plate. Bill Edmunds did almost all of the pitching, and much of the Owls' success is due him. He had to be helped occasionally by L. Booher, who did a remarkable job holding down first base. Curley Girardot did a very good job at second, with W. Scott, utility infielder and hard hitter taking over when necessary, doing equally well. R. James held down shortstop position—won't say too much about that. On third base was Bud Christlieb, and to this writer's estimation he is the best third baseman in the league. Playing shortfield was hard hitting L. Tucker. Nothing better could be asked for there. In the outfield were F. Vondran, lf; Bob Crosley, cf; and Dick Hensler, rf, truly all great ball hawks, and much credit goes to them. Other utility men were C. Plattner and Paul Ringwalt in the infield, and P. Stiver and B. Reader in the outfield, all capable, and always ready to go into a game and that ends our season for this year.

Owl League Bowling

Do you want a league?

At the first meeting Monday, there was no representation. There will be a second meeting Tuesday, September 4, at 2 P.M. in the Club recreation room. All men interested in bowling in an Owl league should be present. Time and rules will be discussed and officers elected—league to start the week of September 10.

If you want to bowl in an Owl league, please be at this meeting.

R. F. Dressel



G-E Club Wins Two More Games To Make Record 11 Out Of 12

Club Sluggers Down Toledo Old Dutch Beers, 12-4, At Dwenger Park

By Walter Histed

Bunching their hits in three innings, the Club's sluggers won their eleventh game in their last twelve starts last Tuesday at Dwenger Park, defeating the Toledo Old Dutch Beers 12-4.

Toledo opened the scoring with a single run in the third inning tallied on singles by Meyers, Shepler, and Williams. The Club lost no time in getting this run back when in their half of the third with one out Kestner got things under way with a single. Bildilli, hitting behind the runner, drove a single into right field, Kestner going to third. Wattier squeezed Kestner home with a bunt and was safe on a low throw. Boronko tripled to left, scoring Bildilli and Wattier. Bobilya rolled to Radabaugh, who threw to Nelson in time to get Bohonko at the plate. Schlaffer was safe on Snider's error, and both runners scored on Seiple's hit to make a total of five runs on four hits and two errors.

In the fifth inning Braden's men brought out the big bats again to score three more runs on five hits. Bohonko and Bobilya singled and Schlaffer doubled, Bobilya stopping at third. Seiple again produced a hit, driving in both runners.

After the third inning Toledo went hitless until the seventh when they greeted Max Miller with four singles for three runs. Not to be outdone the Club came back in the last of the seventh to complete the evening's scoring with four runs on three hits, a walk, and an error.

The summary:

OLD DUTCH BEER	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Shepler,1	5	0	2	Kestner,rf	4	1	2
Williams,rf	3	0	1	Young,rf	1	1	1
Pasko,p	1	0	0	Bildilli,lf	5	2	1
Brum'ett,lf	4	0	1	Wattier,3	4	1	2
Nelson,c	4	0	0	Bohonko,2	4	1	2
Juhasz,3	4	0	1	Bobilya,1	5	2	1
Snider,ss	4	0	0	Schlaffer,cf	4	3	2
Meyers,2	4	2	2	Seiple,ss	4	1	2
Avent,cf	4	1	2	Bush,c	3	0	0
K'augh,p-rf	4	1	1	Schupp,p	3	0	0
				Miller,p	1	0	1
Totals	37	4	10	Totals	38	12	14

Score by innings—

										R.	H.	E.
Toledo	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0—	4		
G-E Club	0	0	5	0	3	0	4	0	*—	12		

Local Boys Defeat Lafayette Red Sox, 5-4, In Close Game

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club got back on the victory trail Sunday night when they won a thriller from Lafayette's Red Sox there 5-4. Slim DeLion, Lafayette ace, held the Club's sluggers to six hits, but his wildness in the form of six bases on balls was his undoing.

The Club tallied two runs in both the second and fourth innings with only one hit in each inning. In the ninth with the score tied at four each Augie Schlafer, new Club center fielder, singled and scored the winning run when DeLion walked Barnett, Bohonko, and Bobilya in succession to force in the winning run.

Bildilli pitched all the way for the Club and while touched for twelve hits was aided by great support in the pinches by his infield which turned in three fast double plays. Feature play of the game was a sensational catch of a hard hit ball by Augie Schlafer with two out and the bases full of Red Sox in the first inning.

Odie Barnett was the leading Club sticker with two triples.

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	LAFAYETTE RED SOX	AB.	R.	H.
Kestner,rf	4	0	0	Kosy,rf	5	2	3
Schlafer,cf	4	1	1	Desid'to,3b	5	1	2
Barnett,ss	4	0	2	Dooley,lf	5	0	1
Bohonko,3b	4	0	0	Laske,cf	4	0	2
Bobilya,1b	4	0	0	Cannizo,2b	5	1	2
Bush,c	4	1	0	Monahan,1b	5	0	2
Seiple,2b	2	2	1	Williams,ss	5	0	0
Brann,lf	2	1	1	V'Antwerp,c	1	0	0
Wattier,lf	1	0	0	DeLion,p	3	0	0
Bildilli,p	4	0	1				
Totals	33	5	6	Totals	38	4	12

Bradenmen Are Out To Build Up New G-E Winning Streak

Decatur Girls Lose City League Title To Uhlig Machine

By Marcia Martin

Uhlig defeated Decatur G-E 8-1 at Municipal Beach Sunday night to clinch the City-Wide League Cup for first place.

Decatur was out for revenge this time and had the bases loaded in the fourth inning and were able to obtain a hit to score one run. Piepenbrink and Arnold hit two home runs each. Moser, Decatur pitcher, allowed seven hits and eight runs; while Sis Arnold, Uhlig pitcher, allowed four hits and one run.

Score by innings—

										R.	H.	E.
Decatur G-E	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	—	1	4	2
Uhlig Machine	0	1	6	1	0	0	*		—	8	7	3

Batteries: Arnold and Meyer; Moser and Bower.

Uhlig Machine beat Decatur G-E 9-0 Tuesday night at Worthman Field in a non-league game.

Moser, Decatur pitcher, allowed six hits and nine runs, while Sis Arnold, Uhlig pitcher, allowed two hits and no runs.

Piepenbrink, Uhlig left fielder, hit her nineteenth home run in the third inning to score Matthews and herself.

Score by innings—

										R.	H.	E.
Decatur G-E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		—	0	2	4
Uhlig Machine	4	1	2	0	1	1	0		—	9	6	1

Batteries: Arnold and Meyer for Uhlig; Moser and Bower for Decatur.

Decatur was again defeated by Uhlig Machine at Memorial Park Friday night in a league playoff game, 6-0.

Uhlig Machine maintained control of the game at all times, and Sis Arnold allowed only one hit, Moser, Decatur pitcher, allowed eight hits and nine runs. Piepenbrink hit a home run in the sixth inning.

By Walter Histed

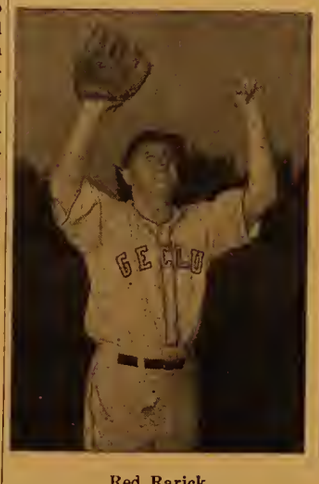
Manager Red Braden's G-E Club tossers will meet the strong Memphis Red Sox, members of the Negro American League, at Dwenger Park tonight at 8:15 o'clock. The visitors will be out to avenge a 4-3 setback at the hands of the Club in an early season game. The visitors present in their strong lineup two members of the West team that turned back the East team in the annual Negro All Star game played in Chicago.

Verdel Mathis, southpaw ace of the Red Sox, started and won his second successive All Star encounter when he hurled three hitless innings. Neal Robinson played center field and contributed two hits in three appearances at the plate.

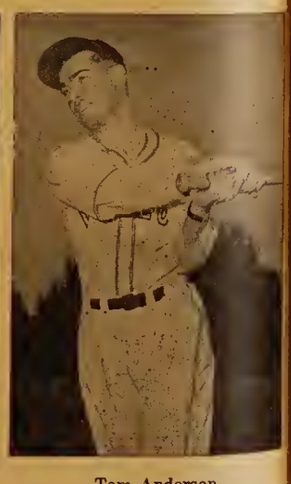
The Club will be after revenge in a big way when they meet the strong Chicago American Giants here at Dwenger Park next Tuesday evening at 8:15 o'clock. The visitors defeated the Club 11-5 when here in June, and Braden's men are out to even the score. The strong Chicago team have been at the top or close to first place all season in the Negro American League.

Dust Off HOME PLATE

BY ERNIE SPAULDING



Red Rarick



Tom Anderson

Two of the G-E Club Softball team's outfielders are being introduced in today's column—Tom Anderson and Red Rarick.

Tom is a very capable outfielder, and in addition can handle nearly any position on the team. When needed, he has often played one of the infield positions. Tom's batting, while not up to his usual standard, has resulted in seven runs batted in, which is tied for second high.

This is Tom's third year with the Club, and we expect him to be in there playing many more.

Red is the only left-handed batter on the team—and he is also the Club's leading hitter. His usual position is in right field, where he does a capable job. This is Red's first year with the G-E Club Softball team.

FORT WAYNE WORKS
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With malice toward none;
With charity for all;
With firmness in the right,
As God gives us to see the right,
Let us strive on to finish the work we are in,
To bind up the Nation's wounds;
To care for him who shall have borne the battle,
And for his widow and his orphan—
To do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace,
Among ourselves and with all Nations.
Ahraham Lincoln
Second Inaugural Address

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'RUMOR CLINIC' ESTABLISHED FOR FORT WAYNE WORKS

Works Manager M. E. Lord Announces New Service To Answer Questions Of Employees; Will Operate Through WORKS NEWS

A "Rumor Clinic," which will answer questions on Company policies, outlook, personnel, etc., arising in the minds of employees, was announced today by Works Manager M. E. Lord.

The "Rumor Clinic" will operate through the WORKS NEWS, and to start with, the questions and answers of general interest will be printed monthly. All signed questions properly submitted will be answered in some way. If not answered in the WORKS NEWS, the employee will get an answer by letter or sometimes even by personal call. If sufficient interest is shown, the special feature may be incorporated more often, perhaps twice a month.

The rumored questions submitted by employees will be answered in as direct a way as possible, and the answers will be officially approved. The "Rumor Clinic" will not deal with those matters which come under the terms of union contracts, i.e., those covering wages, hours, and working conditions.

In no case will the name of the person submitting the question be printed in the WORKS NEWS.

The new column will be operated with these few simple rules:

1. Questions should be submitted on the form printed in the WORKS NEWS. If sufficient space is not allowed, attach additional paper.

2. Questions which come under the terms of union contracts (i.e.,

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GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that.....

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed.....

Wilson Looks For Boost In Postwar Trade

Expects Employment Will Go Far Over Prewar; All Must Help

General Electric expects postwar to do perhaps twice the business it did in normal times and to employ nearly twice the number of employees, 70,000, which it had at its business peak before the war, President Charles E. Wilson told listeners in a nationwide broadcast on the "Hour of Charm" program Sunday night.

"This statement," he said, "is not just words—it is founded on long, hard study of markets and products. Obviously no one can say how soon we will reach this figure, but here are current facts: In our hundred-odd existing plants there has been about 10 per cent reduction in employment from full war production effort to this V-J Day. This may increase some as additional cancellations come in, but we are assigning employees to new work as rapidly as possible. Many people who had been laid off are already back at work."

Mr. Wilson saw ahead a task of keeping the economic system in balance which should be shared by both management and labor. "What this means today, as always," he

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Distributors To Get G-E Vacuum Cleaners About October 1

No Promise Made On Deliveries To Works Employees' Stores

Five thousand vacuum cleaners, the first new General Electric machines since May, 1942, will be shipped about October 1 to distributors across the country, it has been announced by A. L. Atkinson, manager of the Company's Electric Vacuum Cleaner Division at the Bridgeport Works.

Sample cleaners will be shipped shortly to each of the Company's distributors, Mr. Atkinson said, but the October 1 shipment will be the first one of large volume. The quantity each wholesaler will receive at that time is now being determined.

The cleaners, which went into production immediately following the Japs' surrender, will be turned

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B-29 Electric Brain To Be At G-E Club September 16

Employees And Their Families Invited To See Famed Scientific Developments

An exhibit and demonstration of some of the amazing developments of G-E scientific research, including the famous G-E computer or "B-29 electric brain," will be given for employees and their families in the G-E Club Sunday, September 16, M. E. Lord, Works Manager, announced today.

Moorhead Wright, Jr., of the Advertising and Sales Promotion Divisions, Schenectady, will handle the demonstrations, which will take place at 2, 4, and 7:30 P.M. Each performance will last one hour and fifteen minutes.

The G-E computer, motors and parts for which were produced at the Fort Wayne Works, has brought national and international attention to the Company, as it was one of the great devices which gave our Air Forces superiority over the enemy in World War II. The computer automatically takes into account lead, parallax, windage, and

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G-E To Be Host To State Chamber Of Commerce On Sept. 15

The Fort Wayne Works will be host to members of the Board of Directors of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce Saturday, September 15, it was announced today, when the group will hold its fall meeting in Fort Wayne.

Members of the State Board, as well as members of the Fort Wayne Board, will visit the Fort Wayne plants of the General Electric Company and will be entertained here throughout the day. On Sunday, September 16, the meetings will continue at the downtown Chamber of Commerce building, with the local group serving as hosts.

J. W. Crise, Executive Assistant, is third vice-president of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce and is handling arrangements for their visit here. The State Board is meeting in Fort Wayne at the combined invitation of the Fort Wayne Works and the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce.

CASUALTIES

Lt. R. Bruce Oswald, Bldg. 19-1, who has been missing since February, 1945, has been declared dead.

PFC Ralph Pappert, Bldg. 4-5, was wounded April 30 while cleaning out a German pocket near Cologne and is now home on furlough.

We Put On A New Dress

The WORKS NEWS last week carried for the first time a new masthead on its front page and editorial page.

The present is a good time for a new masthead. The war is over, and G-E is full of new plans for the future. Wearing this new dress, the WORKS NEWS will tell in good time the exciting story of a great industrial plant turning its swords into plowshares, the better to serve mankind.

A new masthead, but the same Monogram, saying to the world, "More Goods for More People at Less Cost."

Leona Nelson Is Appointed Editor Of G-E Works News

Leona Nelson has been named Editor of the WORKS NEWS. The appointment, effective September 3, was made by L. C. Swager, Supervisor of Personnel, and fills the position left by the late Elmer F. Baade, who died Feb. 13 after holding the WORKS NEWS editorship for 10 years. A. V. Flint has been serving as Acting Editor since Mr. Baade's death.



Mrs. Nelson was originally engaged June 3, 1937, as a stenographer in the Plant Engineering Section. In 1939 she was transferred to the General Superintendent's office as stenographer for C. H. Matson. In 1940 she left the Company to enter Indiana University.

She was graduated from the University in 1943 with a degree of B.S. in Business with a major in journalism and then returned to the General Electric Company to the Office of the Assistant Manager, where she was engaged in the editing of special routines and the preparation of statistical reports.

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"Magic Vision"

Early in the Pacific war occurred a striking incident which foretold that radar, then newly developed and undergoing initial trial under combat conditions—was destined to become one of the Navy's most powerful weapons against Japan. A formation of cruisers was ordered to steam into an archipelago in the Solomons group to bombard some enemy shore installations. A very black night was selected for the mission, which was to be executed in reef-filled waters, up to that time only sketchily charted. The warships, steaming at 25 knots in column, kept their formation perfectly. They cruised through the maze of the unfamiliar archipelago direct to the point to be shelled. They found their objective and carried out their assigned bombardment, and at the same 25-knot pace threaded their way back through the hazardous waters to their base. Not only did they arrive safe, but they were able to report that one of the reefs on their crude charts was erroneously located six miles off its true position! The whole mission had been accomplished in zero visibility. Radar was the magic eye which saw them through.

Veteran Fighter

The ex-battleship "USS Wyoming", second oldest battleship keel in service in the U. S. Navy, has used more anti-aircraft ammunition than any other ship in World War II—but she has never fired a shot at the enemy nor left the safety of Chesapeake Bay for more than three years. Since March, 1942, more than 35,000 officers and men of the Fleet have received anti-aircraft training aboard her. More than 1,700,000 rounds of ammunition have been expended through her seven different kinds of anti-aircraft guns. All of this training has been accomplished without a single personnel casualty.

Force of Habit

"It's always been done that way." Does that thought sometimes keep you from looking for improvements?

You are used to doing your job one way. Take a look at your job as a new employee might see it. What details would seem unnecessary or unsafe or difficult? Those are likely places to work out improvements.

Don't let force of habit keep you satisfied with "The way it's always been done." Instead, form the better habit of finding an easier and safer way.

HERE THEY COME!



The parade is not fully under way yet, but it is forming. Some of the household appliances like flatirons, refrigerators, and washing machines, with a vast, unsatisfied market clamoring for them, have marched quickly down to the starting line and are beginning to produce, though it will be a little while before other than hospitals and Army or Navy training centers can be served.

More General Electric products will follow at the earliest possible dates. Production divisions have the staunchest allies in the world blazing for them the paths toward a renewed consciousness of the superiority of G-E goods in every place where electricity serves mankind. These "allies" are the advertising men and sales personnel.

They are turning quickly from war tasks to the work which ability and training fits them best to do, so as to keep the Monogram shining in a world full of competition. We shall all be proud of them in the strenuous post-war days.

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

FROSTY REFRIGERATOR MEAL

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Frosty refrigerator meals sound cool and wonderful—and they can be. For those humid days when you just can't fathom a hot meal, prepare your supper in the morning! Spend your afternoon doing other things, then all you have to do at night is remove the delicious ready meal from the refrigerator.

Such a complete refrigerator meal menu, containing both nourishment and hot weather appeal, is suggeested by the experts at the General Electric Consumers Institute. It may be prepared and left in your refrigerator until time to serve.

Jellied Tomato Bouillon
Avocado and Shrimp Salad with Glazed French Dressing
Celery, Carrots and Olives
Floating Island Iced Tea

Jellied Tomato Bouillon

Soak 2 tablespoons gelatin in ½ cup cold water. Cook together for 20 minutes 1 quart tomatoes, 1 tablespoon chopped onion, 1 teaspoon salt, 4 whole cloves, 1 bay leaf, ½ cup celery, pepper. Strain. Dissolve gelatin in hot tomato mixture. Cool. Pour into shallow pan and place in cabinet or chiller tray of refrigerator to congeal. Break up with fork, or cut in cubes and serve in chilled bouillon cups, garnished with parsley.

Avocado and Shrimp Salad

Peel and slice 2 avocado pears, marinate in lemon juice. Clean 1 pound cooked shrimp. Arrange shrimp and avocado pears in lettuce cups on serving plate. Serve with glazed French dressing.

Glazed French Dressing

Put into mixing bowl ¼ cup vinegar, ½ cup sugar, 1 teaspoon dry mustard, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon paprika Beat for 3 minutes. Add slowly while beating 1 cup salad oil. Beat 3 more minutes after adding salad oil. Add juice of onion or garlic to taste.

Floating Island

Beat slightly 3 egg yolks, add ¼ cup sugar, ⅛ teaspoon salt. Gradually add to the eggs, stirring constantly, 2 cups scalded milk. Cook over low heat, continuing to stir, until mixture coats a spoon. Cool and add 1 teaspoon vanilla. Beat until stiff 3 egg whites adding 3 tablespoons powdered sugar during last part of beating. Arrange meringue "islands" on the custard. A little jelly, or ruoyettes may be placed in the center of each meringue island. Serve chilled.

To vary the menu and still keep your family craving easily prepared refrigerator meals, substitute the following suggestion from the General Electric Consumers Institute:

Tomato Ham Loaf Salad

Prepare tomato aspic. Divide into 3 parts. Pour ⅓ of mixture into a well oiled mold. Chill until firm. Mix 2 packages cream cheese, 1 cup cottage cheese, season with salt and pepper. Spread with aspic layer in mold. Pour second portion of aspic over cheese and chill in refrigerator until firm. Soak 1 tablespoon gelatin in ¼ cup cold water. Dissolve gelatin over low heat. Grind 3 cups cooked ham. Add, and mix ½ cup mayonnaise, 2 tablespoons minced celery, 2 tablespoons green pepper, 1 teaspoon prepared mustard, salt and pepper. Spread ham mixture over aspic in mold. Cover ham with last portion of aspic. Chill in refrigerator until firm. Serve on curly endive or lettuce.



Details On Lockheed P-80 "Shooting Star" Told Public

The Lockheed P-80 "Shooting Star," which is driven faster than any other plane will fly by the General Electric super-jet propulsion turbine, most powerful aircraft engine in the world, was unveiled to the public nationally for the first time in New York last month at exhibits and in pictures as a mark of Air Force Day.

Additional details about this supreme fighter of the war also now can be told for the first time with permission of the War Department as another recognition of an anniversary of the Army Air Forces, which began 38 years ago with a manpower component of three and now functions as a global striking force of more than 2,300,000 officers and men.

Speed Told

Army Air Forces officers gave accounts on the Shooting Star training operations; told how the trim fighter knifes through the air at supreme speeds with virtually no vibration being generated by the light Jet engine; how both the plane and engine were developed under tremendous wartime pressure at great speed by teamwork of the Air Technical Service Command and engineers of Lockheed Aircraft Corporation and General Electric Company.

Clarence L. Johnson, chief research engineer for Lockheed, under whose direction the first Shooting Star was designed and built in the record time of only 143 days, pointed out design achievements and characteristics of the propellerless plane that are factors in its going nearer the speed of sound than any other man-made vehicle ever has been able to achieve.

Qualities of the super jet engine were discussed by Reginald G. Standerwick, River Works engineer who had charge of the design and development of this most powerful engine for the Army Air Forces. Mr. Standerwick emphasized the simplicity of the G-E Jet, pointing out that it actually has but one moving part while in flight. He also said that the jet engine could be removed from a Shooting Star and replaced with another engine in 20 minutes.

Give Basic Information

Basic information about the Shooting Star and the super jet engine emphasized that it would go faster than any other plane and is highly maneuverable and superlative in rate and angle of climb at high speeds; that it has more power than any other fighting airplane, that any competent pilot can fly it, that it can function smoothly at greater altitudes than other airplanes, and that it operates without propeller, radiator or other complex controls and instruments, carburetor, oil cooling system, complex ignition system, or generators.

Other characteristics are that the jet engine generates virtually no vibration, reducing pilot fatigue, that fuel sufficient for long range operations is carried through superiority of its advanced aerodynamic design, including an ingenious arrangement of wing and fuselage tanks; that it is simple, consisting actually of but one moving part, a turbine and impeller spinning more than ten thousand times a minute, that kerosene now is being burned in the jets for fuel tion in a pressurized cabin kept at virtually normal temperature and air density, regardless of altitude. Eight miles above the earth, going more than 550 miles an hour, the Shooting Star pilot doesn't have to wear an oxygen mask or heavy clothing. Air flows from the jet to the cabin. The armament of the Shooting Star is located in the nose for most effective concentration of firepower, with guns that shoot parallel streams of bullets being equally effective throughout their entire range. Almost instantaneous generation of great power by the engine insures record-breaking speed in take-offs.

The engines were designed and developed by G-E engineers at the River Works after a much smaller and less powerful unit had been produced there from a British design. The super G-E Jets were produced for the AAF at the Syracuse Plant and by Allison Division of General Motors.

The Shooting Stars were also being manufactured at four Lockheed factories in Burbank, Calif.

Seasick?

Drug Will Prevent Seasickness, Says Rochester Professor

The taking of a drug in small doses will prevent seasickness in about two-thirds of the cases, and tests with service men as subjects have shown that the efficiency of these men taking the pills is entirely normal. So stated Dr. G. R. Wendt of Rochester, N. Y., chairman of the department of psychology at the University of Rochester, in a General Electric Science Forum address at Schenectady recently.

"The well-known drug, scopolamine, gives excellent results when used in small doses," Dr. Wendt, who is secretary of the subcommittee on motion sickness of the National Research Council, pointed out. "This drug is used ordinarily as a sedative for surgery and during childbirth. It is commonly known as 'twilight sleep.'

Until now seasickness has had some effect on the efficiency of the men at sea, according to Dr. Wendt. "But by far the worst problem has been seasickness in landing barges," he explained. "Those men don't have a chance to get their sea legs before they go into action, and the motion of the little ships is especially nauseating."

A great deal of research has been done in England, Canada, and in this country since the war began, to find drugs which will prevent seasickness. "We have been pleased —even somewhat surprised—at the success of some drugs. They are far from perfect, but they do prevent about two-thirds of the cases," said Dr. Wendt.

Human subjects, or sometimes dogs—for they suffer from seasickness too—were tested on big swings and wave machines to find the useful drugs. But the final tests are always made at sea, with service men as subjects, Dr. Wendt asserted.

Regarding the cause of motion-sickness, he said that "we carry the chief cause of motion-sickness around in our own ears. Many deaf people can't be made seasick."

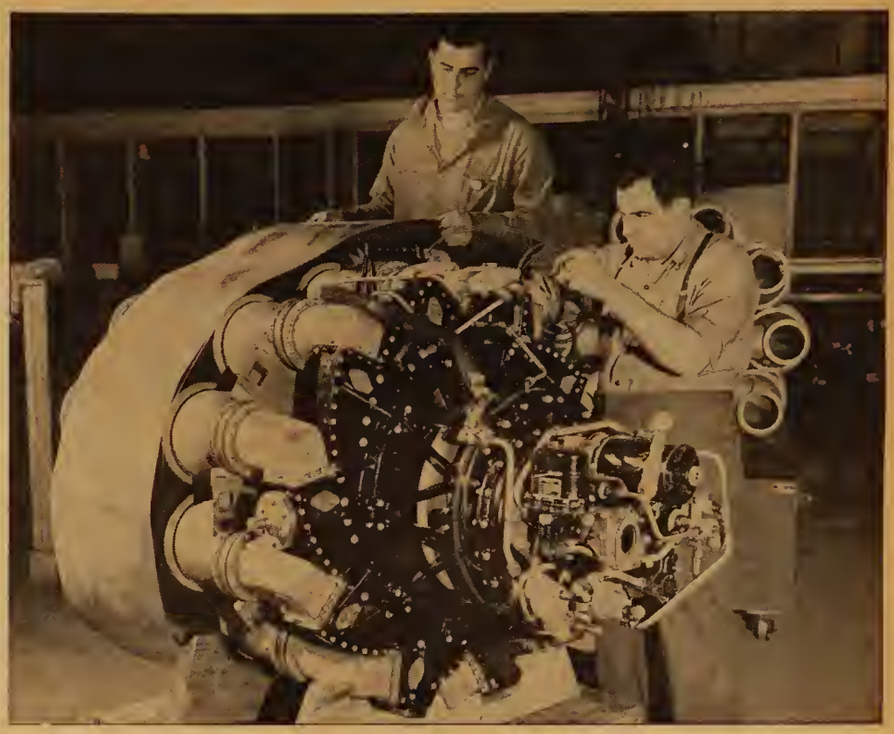
"Besides the hearing apparatus, the inner ear contains a mechanism that makes it possible to perceive motion of the body from side to side, up and down, backward and forward—to sense any tipping or turning of the body, and restore its balance," Dr. Wendt explained.

"When a person is subjected to large, unusual movements for a period of time, such as the tossing due to rough air in flight, or sea waves, he is likely to get sick. This is because these organs in the ear then send their nerve messages not only to the parts of the brain that keep one's balance, but also to the part that produces nausea and vomiting."

But the susceptible person's ears are not necessarily more active than those of the person not susceptible. "They are neither better nor worse than those of the non-susceptible," said Dr. Wendt, "according to research studies. The trouble seems to lie in the mechanisms of nausea, which are more sensitive in some people than in others. People range all the way from those who are never sick—no matter how high the seas—to those who stay sick during an entire cruise, perhaps even with a smooth sea."

Dr. Wendt said that, although motion is the primary cause of the sickness, there are other contributing causes. "We believe that what the eyes are doing is important," he said, "and research is being done to find the causes of trouble. An overheated cabin increases air-sickness in planes. Odors, particularly those associated with others being sick, may increase the tendency to get sick from motion. And fatigue and illness, especially gastric upsets, contribute to motion sickness."

Working On G-E's Jet Engine



Meet The "Shooting Star"



—Army Air Forces Photo

Technicians are shown here completing work on a G-E jet engine of the type used on lightning-swift Army Air Forces P-59 planes. The front of the engine, with its small starter motor and other connections, is forward. Just inside the front cover shield is a compressor, which whips air to combustion chambers.

There fuel, usually kerosene, burns fiercely, increasing the velocity of the air and hot gases. That dynamic flow of air and gases passes through a turbine wheel and on out the jet exhaust. The turbine is connected by shaft with the compressor, which it turns thousands of times a minute when the plane is in flight. Instruments for the Shooting Star are from the West Lynn Works.

Another General Electric engine, the Super G-E Jet, which is driving Lockheed P-80 fighters faster than any other plane will fly, looks externally like this slightly smaller engine shown here.

Rumor Clinic

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those on wages, hours, and working conditions) will not be answered in the "Rumor Clinic" column.

3. All questions should be signed.

4. Answers to questions of general interest will be published in the WORKS NEWS. All others will be answered by letter or visit.

5. The name of the employee asking the question will not be printed.

The Erie WORKS NEWS has featured a "Rumor Clinic" for several years, and it has met with outstanding employee response. Works Manager H. L. R. Emmett has consented to let us use his column title —and so the Fort Wayne Works "Rumor Clinic" will appear in an early issue of the WORKS NEWS.

Winne And Suits Point Out Potentialities Of Atomic Power

The most probable utilization of nuclear energy, the basis for the atomic bomb, is as a source of heat, heads of engineering and research for the General Electric Company said last week, in answer to many questions received from industry and the general public alike, asking about the potentialities of atomic power.

Concerning the possible use of nuclear energy as a source of power to heat and light homes and buildings, operate factories, propel ships, locomotives, airplanes, and automobiles, Harry A. Winne, G-E Vice-President in charge of Engineering Policy, and Dr. C. Guy Suits, Vice-President and Director of the G-E Research Laboratory, predicted that several prospective uses of nuclear energy will become technically possible, but that it is too early to predict whether such uses will be economically practical.

May Generate Steam

In stating that the most probable utilization of nuclear energy is as a source of heat, the General Electric officials said that such heat in turn may produce steam or hot gases for use in conventional types of power generating equipment.

"Some people have asked concerning the possibility of direct conversion from nuclear energy to electric power in usable form. This seems to us an extremely remote possibility," said Mr. Winne and Dr. Suits. "There is a long road of development ahead. It is true that the success of the bomb demonstrated that we can release a tremendous amount of nuclear energy in one instantaneous blast, at a controlled time. But to make this form of energy commercially useful, we must learn how to generate it and control it in a way that is adaptable to power production. We have no doubt that we shall learn how to do this, but the learning will take a lot of research, development, and time."

Concerning the dangers to human life which result from the radiation accompanying nuclear energy, they said, "Obviously, if we should have to encase a nuclear power plant in many feet of lead or concrete, it would lose some of its attractiveness. Here also we believe we shall find a practical solution to the problem, but, again, this will take time."

Development to be Costly

Most difficult to answer is the question of the economic practicability of the commercial use of nuclear energy, the G-E officials explained. The $2,000,000,000 cost of the atomic bomb program unquestionably could be reduced greatly if a similar project were to be started today based on the knowledge already gained through this development, but it would still be a tremendously costly undertaking, they said.

To central power stations, railroads, or other businesses in which the generation or use of power is of extreme importance, the G-E engineering and research chiefs gave the following advice: "Were we responsible for conducting the affairs of such organizations, we should go right ahead with our plans for the years to come on the basis of present day commercially available sources of energy; namely, coal, oil, and water power. Only as research and development proceed shall we learn the limitations and possible practical commercial applications of nuclear power."

Many scientists and engineers were assigned by General Electric to the atomic bomb project. Mr. Winne supervised the development and production of apparatus manufactured in virtually every G-E factory for the Government plants which produced the bomb. Dr. Suits directed G-E research activities on the project. As early as 1940, two members of the Research Laboratory staff, Dr. K. H. Kingdon and Dr. H. C. Pollock, were among the first to isolate uranium 235, used in nuclear energy research and in the manufacture of the atomic bomb.

Wilson Looks

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said, "is, first that the managers of industry must continue to deserve their fair profits by enlarging their opportunities for service, by improving their productive efficiency, by bettering wages and working conditions to the fullest degree within their power.

Wages Must Be Earned

"Second, it means that labor must seek its objectives inside the economic framework and not outside. It must earn its higher wages through greater productivity, not through legislation. All the laws on full employment and guaranteed incomes and low prices that Congress might enact are nothing in the end but scraps of paper unless they make sense economically."

The address follows:

"The last occasion on which I had the opportunity and the real pleasure of speaking to the employees and the friends of the General Electric Company in an observance of Labor Day was vastly different than tonight. We were then in the early stages of our war effort, and while we were fighting hard and desperately as a nation, we had not yet begun to win. The long campaigns were ahead of us, both in Europe and in the Pacific, and we were faced at home with what seemed to be an almost impossible task. The clock was running against us, and all that we had to throw against the conquering aggressors was our manpower, our determination, and our talent. Tonight we know, and we rejoice, that this was more than enough to bring us victory.

"This may be not as grim an occasion as that Labor Day three years ago. Truly we have much for which to be thankful. But I believe that this may well be the most significant and far-reaching anniversary of all time for the man who labors—and that of necessity includes all of us. What we do in America from now on to preserve and create the opportunities for free labor is likely to determine the future of this nation and of the world.

All Depends On Production

"War and depression have made economists of us all. We know that people will buy goods and services if they have purchasing power. We know that they will have purchasing power if they have jobs, and that the jobs in turn flow from the production of goods and services.

"The beautiful simplicity and logic of the economic cycle is a striking thing—yet before our eyes we have seen it fall to pieces, usually because the elements fell out of balance. I believe it is not only the hope but the responsibility of everyone of us to help keep that machine in balance.

What this means today, as always, is first, that the managers of industry must continue to deserve their fair profits by enlarging their opportunities for service, by improving their productive efficiency, by bettering wages and working conditions to the fullest degree within their power. Second, it means that labor must seek its objectives inside the economic framework and not outside. It must earn its higher wages through greater productivity, not through legislation. All the laws on full employment and guaranteed incomes and low prices that Congress might enact are nothing in the end but scraps of paper unless they make sense economically. It is the law of supply and demand, and not the parable of the loaves and the fishes, which we must apply.

"What happens to jobs and prices, to consumers and producers, to industry and labor, during the next twelve months will certainly not be determined by the behavior of any one company, organization, or individual. But each of us exerting himself to the best of his ability, can help shape events toward keeping a balanced economy. **More goods for more people at less cost, is not a part time assignment or the goal of a few.**

Figures Based On Study

"Because I am speaking primarily to the employees of General Electric, I want to tell them what I can of the future. Before the war we had a peak employment of some 70,000. Postwar we expect to have jobs for nearly twice this many. We expect to do perhaps twice the business we did in normal times, and this statement is not just words—it is founded on long, hard study of markets and products. Obviously no one can say how soon we will reach this figure, but here are current facts. In our hundred-odd existing plants there has been about 10 per cent reduction in employment from full war production effort to this V-J Day. This may increase some as additional cancellations come in, but we are assigning employees to new work as rapidly as possible. Many people who had been laid off are already back to work.

"We are adding new plants, new lines of business, new tools and methods for efficient production. We are today in the midst of reconverting from war to peacetime products and progress is rapid. Already we are making irons, clocks, heaters, refrigerators, electric ranges, washing machines, motors, controls, transformers and turbines, where only yesterday bombs and bazookas and other fighting equipment poured forth. It will take us less time to begin making the things we understand than it took us to begin making weapons that at the outset not even the Government understood. Peace is our business. We want to keep our prices as close as possible to pre-war prices because that will make more jobs and prevent inflation—and so far we have done so. Finally, we have turned back in many of our plants to the 40-hour week, because we think that is a good thing for our health and well-being.

"Admittedly, this means a drop in income for many of you, but it also means relief from the heavy schedule you have been working for so long. And if you will bear with us as we swing back into normal activity, we will try to make it possible for you to increase that income through greater productivity. What you want in wages and working conditions, what the public wants in improved products at fair prices, is what the General Electric Company will do its best to deliver—but we must have your help. Our stake is a common one, and together I believe that we can show our country, as we did in wartime, an example of American capitalist enterprise at its best."

Have New Responsibilities



Harry A. Winne



Ernest E. Johnson

Harry A. Winne, formerly Vice-President in charge of Engineering for the Apparatus Department, became last week Vice-President in charge of Engineering Policy for the entire Company. At the same time Ernest E. Johnson, who had been Assistant Engineer of the Aeronautics and Marine Engineering Division, became the successor of Mr. Winne in charge of Apparatus Department engineering.

General Electric Will Begin Radio Manufacture Oct. 1

General Electric will begin manufacture of home radios on October 1 and is preparing to start production of television and frequency modulation receivers soon after, J. Kaar, manager of the Receiver Division, has announced.

Scheduled for early distribution are a variety of portables, table models, consoles, radio phonograph combinations, and farm sets.

All radios will incorporate new features which will give them an efficiency not achieved in prewar sets, Mr. Kaar said. The phonograph combinations, he added, will be equipped with the recently perfected electronic reproducer which almost entirely eliminates needle scratch and gives recorded music a new dimension in enjoyment.

Television sets, available some months after initial production of radio receivers, will range from the smaller direct view receivers to large-screen sets.

Many of the frequency modulation receivers, Mr. Kaar said, will be built in combination with standard receivers so as to be of immediate use in cities other than where FM stations are now operating.

Distributors

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out in increasing volume by an expanding labor force as the materials supply improves, Mr. Atkinson asserted. By December 1 they will be in full production.

The first cleaner, designated the AVF-19, is a deluxe floor model with a two-speed motor that is used slow for incidental daily cleaning and fast for thorough weekly cleaning. It will be followed soon by several other models both of the floor and tank type.

There was no prediction about when new cleaners could be expected in Company stores, and employees of the various Works were advised to await an announcement to that effect before seeking them.

B-29 Brain

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gravity and operates at split-second speed.

The great jet engine—newest and most powerful in the world—also will be shown in the demonstration on a somewhat restricted basis. G-E was given the job of producing the jet engine because of its development of the famous turbosupercharger. The Fort Wayne Works, it is well known, had a big part in the supercharger production program for our armed forces.

Other amazing developments of G-E scientific research will be shown to the employees and their families—with special attention given to the peacetime applications of these war products.

Employees may secure tickets for themselves and each member of their family through their foreman or supervisor. No one will be admitted at the door without a ticket. Employees should decide in advance which performance of the three they want to see, it was announced, as tickets are being printed for each of the 2, 4, and 7:30 P.M. demonstrations and will be good for that performance only.

G-E Helped Make Navy Torpedoes "Score"

Motor-Generator Engineers Made Important Contributions

Everyone realizes the major role played by the torpedo in the successful outcome of the war, but few people know the important contribution of G-E's Motor and Generator Division engineers toward making American models the most accurate and effective in the world.

G-E's principal part in torpedo manufacture was one of the final operations—testing and calibration. (By calibration is meant the determination of the amount of power developed by a device at a certain speed). Testing and calibration was done almost entirely on G-E dynamometers which were especially designed by Motor-Generator engineers with the cooperation of United States naval engineers at the Newport, R. I., and Alexandria, Va., torpedo stations.

Propulsion of a torpedo is accomplished by setting up a turbine to drive gears, which in turn rotate two propeller blades in opposite directions. In the testing and calibration process, the propellers of the torpedo are removed, and the turbine and gears are hooked up with the dynamometer. The dynamometer then converts the power of the torpedo into electrical energy, measures the power and speed developed, and records them on a chart as a permanent record of the performance. This record serves as a chart giving the characteristices of each torpedo.

Such a calibration is used for proper setting of the firing controls of the torpedo in combat, so that allowance can be made for any variations in power and speed and that an accurate, predetermined course will be followed. This method of calibration is faster, safer, and more accurate than firing on the range—actually launching the torpedo in the water.

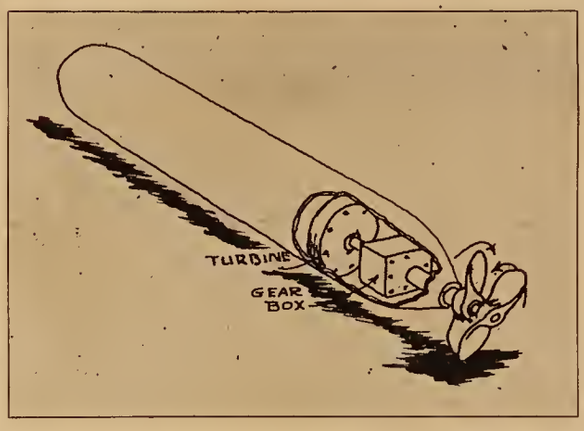
G-E engineers have here, as in countless other developments, contributed immeasurably to the advancement of modern tools of war, thus bringing the war to a quicker conclusion.

They Helped 'Slap The Japs' . . .



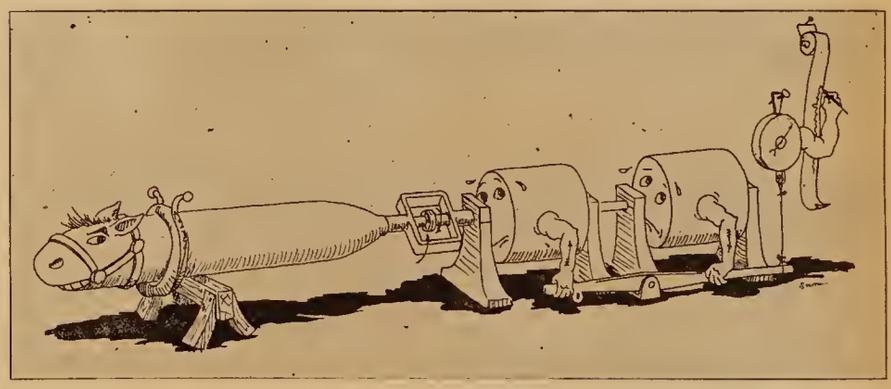
G. E. Jamieson, K. R. McDougal, and E. W. Aumann (left to right at table) and A. Mark Smith and R. K. Patterson (standing), all in the Dynamometer Section of the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, contributed to the success of the Navy torpedo.

Torpedo Illustrated



Basic principle of propulsion of the torpedo is indicated in this sketch, showing turbine and gear box, with propellers rotating in opposite directions.

G-E Artist Pictures Torpedo In Test



Here is an artist's conception of a Navy torpedo in test, showing two dynamometers connected to the torpedo with a counter-rotating movement. At far right, an imaginary "arm" records the results.

E. P. Toal Is Named Sales Manager For G-E Radio Receivers

E. P. (Pat) Toal has been appointed Sales Manager of standard radio receivers in the Receiver Division of General Electric Company's Electronics Department, according to a recent announcement by Paul L. Chamberlain, Manager of Sales for the division. Mr. Toal will be located at the Bridgeport, Conn., plant.

Mr. Toal has been employed by General Electric since 1937, when he was graduated from Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis., with a B.S. degree in business administration. He was first employed with the G-E Contracts Corporation at Louisville, Ky., as a local auditor, and a year later was made new business representative for the same district, covering six Southern states. Two years later, Mr. Toal was named district representative for the Contracts Corporation and was assigned to Wisconsin, Iowa, and part of Michigan. In January of the following year, he was named district radio representative for General Electric Company with headquarters at Minneapolis.

At the beginning of the war, Mr. Toal was transferred to the Tube Division of the General Electric Company's Electronics Department at Schenectady, where he was engaged in co-ordinating the manufacture of electronic tubes for the Navy and Signal Corps. Since July, 1944, he has been responsible for contacts with special accounts of the Receiver Division of the department. Mr. Toal is a native of Buffalo, New York.

Leona Nelson

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May 7, 1945, she was transferred to the WORKS NEWS office to take over her present work.

While on the campus, Mrs. Nelson was editor of *The Indiana Daily Student*, campus newspaper and an A.P. morning daily, and was named to membership in Theta Sigma Phi, national professional journalistic fraternity. She also served as editor of the *South Side Times* while in high school.

MAIN OFFICE

Contents

Bldg. 18-4 is reconverting in a big way. The whole terminations group "flew the coop" out to Taylor Street. The Telegraph Section has a new residence in Bldg. 5-2; the Inspection group moved across the hall, and the whole Casting Section came over from Bldg. 17-3. Right in the middle of all these changes, a complete shuffle of the arrangement of the Order and Stores Division took place, so anyone coming in Bldg. 18-4 at the present time hasn't the vaguest idea of just what they are going to find when they walk in a door. . . . The best fish story of the week comes from H. A. Norr, Bldg. 18-4. Seems two of them were fishing on a river when Mr. Norr quite accidentally (so he tells us) fell in the river; he jarred the boat so that the other fellow also fell in the river. He never got around to telling us if they caught any fish; guess after their "dip" they just weren't interested. . . . We are happy to report that A. J. Rose, Bldg. 18-4, is doing fine after his recent operation. . . . The Data Bureau is happy to welcome Leota Countryman into their midst. . . . A farewell party in the form of a Hamburger Fry was held Thursday night at Foster Park in honor of Mary Ramey, Bldg. 18-3, who is leaving us this week to go to the Arthur Jordon Conservatory of Music at Indianapolis. Those attending from Bldg. 18-3 were Margaret Buroker, Margaret Kivi, Ruth Beeber, Angelo Baltes, Sallie Claiborne, Amanda Anders, Aileen Betts, and Dorothy Karnap. . . . Farewell wishes are also in line for Tereasa Keller, Bldg. 18-3, who is leaving us this week to resume her studies at Ohio State College. We hope to see you again next summer, Tereasa. . . . Helen Brindle, Bldg. 18-4, recently celebrated her birthday, and a group of girls from the office had a surprise party for her at Hamilton Lake. . . . What's this we hear about Dorothy Bradtmiller, Bldg. 18-3, taking aspirins without water? . . . All of the Employment Office gang is invited to Irene Ofenloch's cottage at Lake George for this week-end. By the way did you know that Bldg. 21 has doubled in size since the Taylor Street Employment gang has moved in with them.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Bldg. 26 Visitors



Betty J. Null V. F. Parnin

"I appreciate the way the G-E remembers all their workers in Service," Pvt. Betty J. Null, Bldg. 26-4, remarked on her recent visit here, "but I do think they should install electric dish washers at all Army posts. That would give us poor privates a break." During his recent visit, Cpl. Verdayne F. Parnin, Bldg. 26-2, said that he wished he was back here, and that the old place is home to him.

Advanced In Rank

Roderich A. Marhenke, USNR, formerly employed in Bldg. 4-2, was advanced to gunner's mate, first class, while serving aboard the USS PIEDMONT, a large destroyer tender in the Pacific.

Marhenke, who is a fuse specialist, is in charge of the ship's armory, where small arms and equipment for landing parties is kept.

Somewhere on Okinawa

Hello Folks:

We spent a very leisurely trip over, spending almost two months on the water, and most of us were very glad to set foot on solid earth, even if it is quite a way from home. The island is about all covered with caves and from the looks of the place was really something to take over. There are still a few Japs around, and patrols are still being run. So far we have seen none of the struggles.

It has rained nearly every night since we arrived, and I seem to attract the water by some strange coincidence. The second night we were here, I got soaked to the skin before getting into a soaking wet bed, and then having it rain most of the night. Last night, I was on guard and "sure enuff" at three this morning it started pouring. Tonight I started for the show, and (pardon the drippings) got caught in a downpour, and got soaked to the skin again.

Well, I guess I had better close now, so I'll say "So long for now."

PFC R. F. Schmeling



W. A. C. Mary Alice Herber Writes Former Co-Workers Of The Wonders Of India

(Editor's note: The letter reprinted below was written to several of the girls in Bldg. 19-2 and comes from Mary Alice Herber, a former G-E employee now enjoying life in India with the W.A.C.)

Karachi, India, July 19, 1945

My dear Helen, Ann, Bertie, and all:

I'm writing this letter to all of you, cause I'd probably say the same thing anyway, in three different letters. So I thought you could all read this one, and anyone that wanted to answer could do so.

I suppose you all know by now that I'm in India, not Paris, and I'm not a bit sorry. I'll have to get to Paris on my own power some day, but I know darn well I'd never have got to India, the land of mystery and enchantment, as the guide books say. Here at Karachi, which is quite some distance from Calcutta, we're right in the middle of a desert, and it very seldom rains. There's a stiff breeze that blows from the Arabian Sea all the time, which makes it a little hard on your hair, especially when your boy friend has a jeep at his disposal.

I'd better start from the beginning—I've written so many letters that I don't know what I told who—but maybe you'd be interested in hearing how I got over here. First of all, after we left New Hampshire we went to Fort Totten, Long Island, a beautiful old Army post, and took off from LaGuardia Field in a gorgeous C-54, with plush seats and everything. Just like a luxury liner. We made a lot of stops along the way, the most important cities in Africa, I think. We got to see a little of Bermuda, mostly from the air, but it looks like paradise. We stayed overnight in Cairo, another garden spot. We went to the Pyramids, got our picture taken in front of the Sphinx on a camel, and even got to go through a Mohammedan mosque, where we had to cover our shoes and stuff. It's supposed to be the most famous in the world, all made of alabaster marble, a beautiful thing. We saw the Mena House, where Roosevelt and Churchill stayed when they were there. Cairo is so old it kinda makes you feel rather small in comparison.

We got to see some of Casablanca too, as we laid over there for a few hours. We looked all over for Humphrey Bogart, but couldn't find him. But I did get to go to a sidewalk cafe, and exercised a little of my high school French. I also got myself in bad, by so doing, as I said the wrong thing, but I guess it's impossible to shock the French. Now there is an awfully filthy place—Casablanca—and the boys say the morals there are just as bad—among the French, that is. I could write for hours about Casa, as we really had a good time there. The GI's were glad to see us, and anxious to show a good time to everybody.

We also stopped at the Azores for a little while. Not much there but rock, and the guys are really praying for some women to be stationed there. They took us around in a jeep at about 4 o'clock in the morning, just so we could see what kind of a place they had to stay. It's almost as bad as Ascension Island.

When we got there at Karachi, we really got a welcome. The boys had been sweating it out for about 5 months, and had almost given up. An American girl really looked good to them, regardless of age, size, or what have you. Most of the guys over here have been here for two years, and are kinda war-weary. The morale on the base has really gone up since we've gotten here, though. It's amazing what a bunch of girls can do for soldiers' morale.

We're living in officers' quarters, and while the plumbing isn't too good, still we can take two showers a day, and brush our teeth when we want to. We have maids, called ayahs, to do all our dirty work for us. They make our beds, polish our shoes, and such. It should be an ideal set up—but the cold hard fact is, our ayah doesn't speak English, and we don't speak Hindustani—yet—so we tell her what to do in English, and she goes ahead and does it in Hindustani—the wrong way, mostly. We can only hire and fire them once a month, so we'll have to sweat her out until the end of the month.

There's lots of social activity going on here. The Red Cross is practically the hang out of everyone. I'm getting to be a regular Commando, myself. Every day at 10 and 3, we all knock off for coffee and tea, respectively. Of course, you know India is considered very British, so we've adopted some of their customs, don'tcha know.

There's usually a dance going on two or three times a week. We have a nice NCO club, of which we are honorary members, and free shows, too. Of course, I've seen all the films that are playing for the next three months, but it's still a place to go.

We go into Karachi a couple times a week, too. The favorite sport there is gheary riding—you know—horse and carriages. The thrill has never worn off for me yet, but those poor scraggly horses, they sure don't look like my Buck. But they manage to get us around, and that's all we're interested in. Karachi is rather a large town, not large for India, though. It has about 500 thousand people, and about 250 thousand cows. Cows are sacred over here, and can't be harmed. The government has to wait until they are ten years old before they can kill them. So all the beef we get to eat in the mess hall is over 10 years old, and chews like it, too. I have lost 15 pounds since I've been here, in about a month, and am now working on my second 15. You don't have to work at it over here though; you just lose your appetite. Oh, happy day!

Say, girls, let the rest of the gang, Rosemary, Luella, Berdina, and everyone know my address, and tell Emmett and everybody to write. Also let Morris read this letter, cause I promised him I'd let him know where I landed. I'd better close for now, so give my regards to everybody, and tell them all to write. You do likewise.

As ever,

Mary Alice Herber

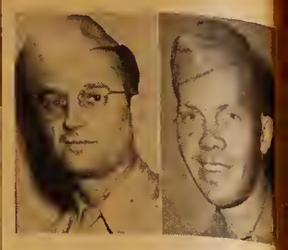
Like Seeing Gang



D. L. Redding E. D. Hutsell

Sgt. Dwight L. Redding, formerly of Bldg. 18-5 and now of the Marines, was a recent visitor to the plant. While he was here on a recent visit, Cpl. Eugene D. Hutsell stated, "It's good to see the gang in Bldg. 4-5; they're doing a good job."

Grand To Be Back



E. R. Branbrook A. L. Buchanan

"It sure is grand to be back to see the old gang again after being overseas for 15 months," said T/4 Edwin R. Branbrook, Bldg. 26-4, when he dropped in to see friends here recently. "The G-E sure has done their part in helping win this war. Their products rate first with me and all the fellows." Sgt. Arthur L. Buchanan, Bldg. 10-1, remarked during his visit here recently that he is very glad to be back in the U. S. A. more than he can say, and that he has much to be thankful for.

August 18, 1945

Dear Editor:

I wish to express my thanks for sending me the WORKS NEWS, for I have been able to keep in touch with some of my fellow-workers where I was formerly employed at Decatur Plant 2.

I have seen some G-E equipment here at the station. As yet I have not had the opportunity to use it, but I do know that the G-E has surely done their share in helping to win this war. At the present time I am working in the dispensary.

Ruth Virginia Baker, S 1/c

August 18, 1945

Dear Editor:

I am happy to say that I am receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly. The last issue sent to me was postmarked July 27. . . .

It's easy to see that the General Electric Company has contributed a great amount in work and inventions to the surrender of Japan.

Sincerely yours,

PFC Paul P. Koehl

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

First Postwar G-E Washing Machines Go To Polio Victims

The people who need washing machines most—the increasing number of boys and girls stricken by dread infantile paralysis—will get the first quantity of postwar machines produced by the Company at Bridgeport Works last week.

"Washers are the most sorely needed household electrical appliances today," John M. Wicht, manager of G-E's Home Laundry Division, declared as the first washers to be built by the Company since May, 1942, came off the newly reconverted assembly line. "Authoritative surveys indicate a public demand during the next 12 months of more than 2,500,000 machines.

"Nevertheless, the nation's polio victims get first call."

To Go To Hospitals

General Electric's decision to route its first washers to hospitals caring for children and grown-ups who have contracted poliomyelitis was reached as a result of a sudden flood of calls in the past few weeks from doctors and hospitals.

Having just reconverted from the manufacture of bazookas, searchlights, torpedoes, and some 40 other war products to the manufacture of washers, the Works will now have to convert the first machines to come off the line from standard household models to special polio-treating machines.

Used Some in '44

General Electric developed and produced its first polio-treating washer two years ago when the disease struck Bridgeport, New Haven, and other eastern communities. With the permission of the War Production Board it has built a number of special washers since that time out of parts held over in stock from pre-war production. This stock was recently exhausted.

Purpose of the washers, which speed application of the Sister Kenny treatment, is to provide an improved way of heating and wringing the heavy woolen cloths, known as "packs," that are wrapped round the patient to relieve pain and reduce muscular spasms.

Not For Home Use

Although readily identifiable at first glance as an ordinary home washer, the "polio" machine would be an outcast in the home. The agitator is removed, and in the bottom of the tub is a calrod immersion heating unit that is capable of bringing the water to the boiling point. This permits use of the machine, even for contagious cases.

To protect the nurses from serious burns, the tub is encased in a waterproof jacket filled with glass wool. In addition to the regular top, an inner lid with a large wedge-shaped opening is installed to allow escape of steam.

The wringer has been speeded up and its pressure increased to 700 pounds. Thus the packs can be wrung so dry that, even when heated to 180 degrees, they may be applied to a child's skin without causing burns.

An old farmer and his wife were standing before their pigsty looking at their only pig, when the old lady said: "Say, John, it will be our silver wedding tomorrow. Let's kill the pig."

John replied with disgust: "What's the use of murdering the pig for what happened 25 years ago?"

Sleuthing In 4-6

The farewell party for Gladden Grauer turned out to be quite a success. P. O. Noble exhibited his talents as a reciter of limericks, a singer, and a pianist. Bob Loveland M.C.'d the party and made the presentation which consisted of a watch and a plaque designed by Phyllis Hardy and autographed by friends of Grauer. The following morning Grauer received a bow tie from Phyllis Bertsch, Joan Wunderlin, Helen Conrad, and Mabel Waggoner. It seems that Grauer was very disappointed when the girls gave Henry Marahrens a bow tie for Christmas and didn't give him one. So to have Grauer leave without any hard feelings they gave him a tie too. It seems he had quite an audience when he put it on and it is rumored that his hands shook so he could hardly tie it. As you know, he left Friday to go into business for himself. . . . There also seems to be a few others that left the last few weeks. Harry Renner of the Sales Division was transferred to the Philadelphia Office. Mary Whittern, also of Sales, left Friday. She is going to the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. Ann Schroeder left last Friday. Ann was in the Production Section. And last but not least was Alice Schuhler of the File Room. Alice is going to see if what they say about the weather in California is really true. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Vizithum, proud parents of a 7 pound, 12 ounce son named Thomas Carl. . . . Pvt. Richard W. Weaver, formerly of the Aircraft Section, now stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas, is to be married Saturday, September 8 at 8 P.M. at the Wayne Street Methodist Church. Helen Excelsen is the beautiful bride-to-be. . . . Bob Sharrow of the Developmental Section, donned the double harness Sunday afternoon, August 26, at Akron, Ind. The newlyweds are spending a two weeks' honeymoon at the lake. . . . When H. C. Horn wears a flower in his lapel, he believes in wearing a large enough one so it isn't necessary to look twice to see it. He received a huge sunflower through the mail Friday morning for his birthday, so he tied it around his neck. You could see the sunflower at first glance all right but you had to look twice to see who was behind it. . . . Eileen Hess is back with us again after a leave of absence. Her husband has been discharged. . . . Happy birthday to Harriet Swager, who celebrated her birthday recently. That corsage she was wearing the other day was from her friend, who has just returned from overseas. . . . They don't make ping-pong tables large enough for Wilma McKay. She finds it is much easier to bat the ball around on the floor.

Fellow: What is that gurgling noise I hear?

Girl: I am trying to swallow that line you are throwing.

They're For Kids Sick With Polio . . .



Vanguard of G-E washers began rolling out of Bridgeport Works last week headed for hospitals, where they will heat and wring heavy woolen cloths or "packs," used in Sister Kenny method of treating infantile paralysis. To convert G-E washer for nursing duty, agitator is removed, and in the bottom of tub is inserted calrod immersion heating unit capable of bringing water to boiling point. Wringer pressure is raised to 700 pounds, so as to avoid danger of burns to patients.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

Congratulations go to Marjorie Barr, who is sporting a new diamond. The lucky fellow is Dick Arter. . . . Happy birthday to Helen Barry and Eloise Dawson, who both celebrated their birthdays last week. . . . Good luck to Frieda (Winters) Yordy, who left us to take on the responsibilities of a full-time housewife. . . . "Beware of Poison Ivy," is Alice Rhodes' motto. It seems that Alice was innocently gathering red hulls and unknown to her (at the time) she got in the way of the ivy. Results were that Alice has a bad case of poison ivy. . . . Bonnie Taylor was a happy person last week. The reason—her husband, who is a sailor, was home from Solomons for a week's leave. . . . Betty Eisenacher and Althea Tarr were two very happy girls last Monday. The cause being their ball team's retaining the State Softball Championship. . . . Ruth Schafenacher is happy to report the return of her brother, Bill. He has a discharge, after spending three and one-half years in the European Theater of War. . . . Why don't Mildred Frame and Georgia Eikenberry let other people in on their jokes so other people can laugh too. . . . Anyone interested in learning the art of fishing, just ask Dorothy Koenig. Dorothy went fishing with her husband in Michigan last week, and she made the first catch. By the time Paul had his own hook baited Dot had pulled in a Rainbow Trout. Yes! It was big enough to keep. . . . Who is the long haired musician that Ilene Abbott is talking about right now? Come on, Ilene, let us in on your big secret. . . . Someone should tell Ruth Kespohl to "look before you leap." Ruth came in to work last week with her toe all bandaged up from jumping on a stone at the beach. . . . "Welcome back" to Ruby LaVon, who has returned to work after being off the last three months due to illness. . . . Jeanne Lemert has returned from her week's vacation, which she spent in Canada. . . . Mabel Wyland says she has been lucky so far. Her name has never been in the WORKS NEWS. Good work, Mabel, keep it up. . . . We gals would like to know Eloise Dawson's secret as how to make a dress out of one yard of material. . . . Everett Keese is vacationing in Canada and is catching lots of fish. (Or so his post cards say). . . . Other vacationists were Boyd Fisher, Don Schultz, L. A. Gruber, and Al Stillwell. . . . It sure was good to see Frank Kartholl, who is back from the European theater after two and one-half years. He is home on thirty days' leave. . . . Why do they call Mike Sorgen, "Muggins?" No fooling, that's his nickname. . . . There is much curiosity roundabout in Bldg. 31-2 as to why "Honeybelle" Clements returned a day late from her vacation and passed candy the following day. . . . The drafting room received quite a shock when Steve Korn announced that he has bought a grocery store and is going into business for himself. So when you see the crowd gathered on the corner of Pontiac and Weisser Park, don't be alarmed, it will merely be the customers waiting to try Korn's new grocery. Lots of luck, Steve; it's sure to be a success with you behind it!! . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of Paul Gallogly, draftsman in Bldg. 31-2, whose sudden death last Friday came as a surprise to all of us. His stay was short, but his many friends will always remember him.

Miniature "soft" speakers enable hospital patients to enjoy radio programs without disturbing others nearby. Used under pillows, the speaker can be connected with any radio system.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

The question of the week: "Why was Chief Surface buying Gerry Hambarger's supper?" For details, see the Chief. . . . Marge Dietsch distributed pieces of a lovely birthday cake Wednesday to the coworkers of Bldg. 17-1. . . . Harold Hoffman, one of our ex-service men, missed Christmas last year, so is starting early decorating his room with red, green, and white bulbs. . . . Red Bauermeister claims his tomatoes are ripe, and he is ready to fill all orders. . . . The suntan twins had a week-end at the lake over Labor Day. We know they had a good time. . . . William Crane, production man, has his troubles. See him for details. . . . Have you seen our new grinder on the second shift? None other than Virgil Best. . . . Well, it looks like Bldg. 17-1 is going to have a bowling team this year again. Meyers was seen getting the names of all the bowlers. Even Brother Schelper vouched to play. . . . There will be more news next week when Lennie Hutson comes back on second trick, so until then, so long, same time, same 17-1.

17-3 Newsies

If we didn't have "Eagle-eye" Gertie Wheat to inspect the work going down the belt, hard to tell what Alretia Wafer might absentmindedly send through. . . . Gertie Beekner's stomach is still sore from laughing so much over the week-end. She spent Labor Day at the lake with Violet and Roy Brower, and Forrest Lemert. . . . We're glad to hear that Ruth Lemert had a good time in Canada. . . . Our vacationists this week are Irma Shangster, Leila Dochrman, and Freddie Grunst. . . . Well, folks, that's all for now, bye 'til next week.

It Is A Part Of Any Job



TO LEARN ITS CHARACTERISTIC HAZARDS AND TO WORK SAFELY, REGARDLESS OF WHAT THESE HAZARDS MIGHT BE. Harold C. Smith, General Foreman at the Taylor Street Plant, shown in the above picture, has been associated with welding, both as a foreman and operator, for many years. What he is saying about welding, although it has more obvious hazards when some other jobs, can be APPLIED TO ALL INDUSTRIAL OCCUPATIONS.

Harold, and all those responsible for training in Gas Welding, Cutting, and Brazing Operations, have proven the value of proper JOB SAFETY TRAINING. Our accident records, compiled since Pearl Harbor, reveal that this occupation is safer from the standpoint of accident frequency than assembling, working as a helper, and many other jobs which would ordinarily be classified as "LESS HAZARDOUS OCCUPATIONS." "The experienced supervisor teaches safety as a part of any job."

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Your reporters have chosen at random some of the "Hollywood Hot Shots" and the way they applied themselves over the new, long week-ends. . . . Edna Rhodes bought a Crowning Glory permanent set. After reading the directions she applied her skill and arrived at work a changed girl. My! what a dozen extra curls can do. . . . Audrey Schuster doesn't do much of anything, just stays off her feet and rests up. . . . Doris Lamle went window shopping. She was broke but kept teasing herself, rubbing her nose on the windows, wishing that fur coat was on her back instead of the models. . . . William Fryer is "picking" (not spading) a few square yards each week-end in his back yard with hopes of getting a farm or lawn started some day. Bill, don't ever plant potatoes unless you use some kind of a time bomb apparatus in that ground. . . . Charlie Ellis and the Mrs. were at Big Long Lake over Labor Day week-end. . . . Betty Walker plays golf with her extra hours of spare time. A week ago she made a 52 on nine holes—that is, if the missed strokes and the capped balls were not counted; otherwise, the score was approximately a 98. . . . Melvin Schroeder applied himself one week-end by proving to his neighbors' children that he was a skilled aeronautical engineer, after assembling several model airplanes for the kiddies. . . . On the same day, September 2, Cozette Walper and Gladys Sorenson celebrated their birthdays, only in different parts of the state. Jean McNeal cuts her birthday cake on September 9. Many more happy birthdays to you all. . . . Joseph (Mel) Jenkins is winding up his two weeks' vacation. . . . Anyone offering congratulations to Sadie Isaac, please don't use the swat-on-the-back method, for Sadie loses her gum at the slightest commotion. . . . Florence Calkins celebrated her ten years of married happiness the other day by sporting a beautiful corsage from the hubby. . . . We are glad to have back with us Mary Jane Brand and Yvonne Klaehn, who spent thirty days with their furloughed husbands. . . . The man behind the new 'specks' is Eugene Woodworth. . . . Betty Kyvik won her first game of solitaire one noon hour with the able coaching of Jack Heiniger. . . . A peculiar dance in Kongo style was performed along a full city block one day by Elda Mertz. After Bonnie Swihart and Betty Meyers caught up with her, Elda, finished the act when her friends proved to her it was only a burr instead of a tobacco spitting grasshopper on Elda's pedal extremities. . . . If Ora Ramey comes back to town in a barrel from his vacation, it's because he likes horses—but can't pick 'em. . . . Margaret Lissner is now on the winning end of the fish pole at Lake James and is having an enjoyable vacation. . . . Compliments to our three wise bargain hunters: Mary O'Connor, Margaret Rectanus, and Marian Amsden. This group volunteered to purchase the flowers for one of our sick coworkers and arrived at the florists during the closing hour. All prices dropped half, if not more, and each was given an armful of flowers.

"What is ethics? Well, I will show you. Suppose a lady comes into the store, buys a lot of goods and pays me ten dollars too much when she goes out. Then ethics comes in . . . Should I or should I not tell my partner?"

6-B BUSY BODIES

Here we are again—just like we said we'd be. . . . Clem Stetzel and Tom Piatt marched in one noon with their arms loaded with bananas and marshmallows. Where they hid them we'll never find out. Personally, I think they should have treated us all because those items are hard to get. . . . Carl Steinbacher is back from his vacation, and he seems a little more tired than when he left. What's the matter, Steiny? . . . Clara Zielke has been in a dither for quite some time, and now it has happened. Yep, her Joe finally came home. . . . Virginia Gordon and her new hubby have been having a terrible time trying to find a place to live. Anyone have an apartment to rent? . . . No wonder we haven't been seeing Dan Augenbaugh around lately. He has been working on second trick, and we do miss his smiling face. . . . Clarence Caseldine, Phil Schott, John Woodward, and Ed Grouer are always playing euchre on the dock at noons. Who wins, fellas? I'll bid—No I won't, I'll just watch. . . . Welcome, Denver—yes, he's a newcomer in our section. His full name is Denver Coolman, and he hails from Bldg. 17-1. . . . We send our greetings to Neva Bechtell with our best wishes for a quick recovery from an appendicitis operation. She is at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . John Kleinknight is a very happy man, and we're all happy for him. His son is coming home. . . . So long for now, but we'll be back one day soon.

Snooper.

H. I. Guy Retires

Henry I. Guy, assistant manager of the Transportation Divisions at General Electric's Erie Works, retired August 1, 1945, after more than 40 years of service with the Company, it was announced recently by G. W. Wilson, manager of the Transportations Divisions.

F. H. Craton will assume Mr. Guy's responsibilties as Assistant Manager.

Is Zat So?

We hope you all enjoyed the holiday week-end. It really was nice, wasn't it? . . . Now that the war is officially over, peace time events are again taking the spotlight, and baseball has come into its share of interest. Heinie Wichern still thinks the Cardinals have a chance to win the pennant, but Veora Habig is just as sure that the Cubs will lead the league. . . . Lillie Pion was rather surprised when she attempted to leave the stricted area to find herself locked in. Wonder if she had a cancellation tag on her? . . . We were glad to hear that Charley Lauer and Don Cobb, two former office workers now in the Army, were receiving their WORKS NEWS. O.K., we know they would appreciate a little more mail, so how about it, gang? . . . Jim McClure, Navy; Johnny Seimec, Army; and Bill Hanley, Marines, were welcome visitors last week. . . . We extend our sympathy to Ray Stanger, Len Hutson, and Douglas Bragg who recently lost loved ones through deaths in their families. . . . We are happy to hear that Dan Hoover's son has returned from overseas. . . . Bldg. 17-1 office really looks nice since the rejuvenation. . . . Vacationists are Bill Stout, Fred Wyss, Vic Beers, and Elton Thorndsen.

Surveys among farmers reveal that the number one item among things they want is an automatic electric water system.

19-B's BUZZ

Back from vacations this we are Russell and Marie Harp Charlotte Sadgebury and Fred S . . . Sorry to see Paul Harding with us again this week. Paul suffering a siege of oak-poisoni Here's hoping for a quick recove Paul. We miss you. . . . An addit to our group this week is Rus Boger. Welcome, Russ, hope can stand us. . . . We were glad see V-J Day arrive, but with comes the departure of some of pals. Those leaving us this we are Virginia Haskins, Ruth Do Roberta Haley, Ann Peconga, Zelma Johnson. . . . Virgie Ma reports it "won't be long n until that new basement is finish Don't forget the initiation we to give it, Virgie. (A hint to wise should be sufficient!) Sorry to lose Gracie Aber to Bl 19-5. We miss you, Gracie. . . . to see Lyle Johns when he visit the basement last week. Lyle i the armed guard of the mariti service. Hope you enjoy your f lough, Lyle. . . . When Ruth D brought her sailor son in to sh him around, he was mistaken her brother, and her boy friend everything but her son! Nice go Ruthie, he's a fine lad. . . . L have more contributions for a b ger and better column, gang. for now.

Jerry: How come you write slowly?

Johnnie: I gotta. My gal ca read very fast.



The man who makes a part knows it. He knows whether it measures to the drawing. He knows whether it is weakened by poor material or by an irregular run of the machine. The man who makes the part is therefore in the best position to classify it.

In this position a man can do one of two things. He can withhold his information, say nothing, and let the other fellow start from scratch and inspect the output. Or, he can give the other fellow the benefit of his knowledge; he can call him over and tell him about it. He can save the other fellow's time by asking him to tag the bad work.

Let's you and I take the latter course; let's get our bad work tagged; let's share our information with the other fellow.

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

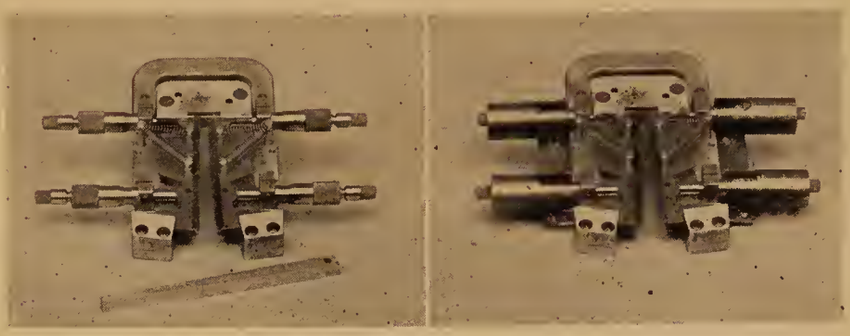
Mike Wikel is having a little trouble with his Ford. He came to work on two cylinders the other day. When he got ready to go home, he decided the best bet would be to leave his car in the parking lot and call Charlie Griffith to the rescue. He thought he would it would be too hard on him to walk all of the way to Young America. . . . Harold Wirick was in the Smoky Mountains on his vacation when he lost a flywheel and clutch. To top it all off he blew out a brand new synthetic tire. The mountains proved to be too tall for his little car, so he came home Thursday so that he would be able to have a little peace and quiet before returning to work on Monday. . . . Orville Stoggell, Homer Adams, and Bill Shine went to Oak Dale Dam for a fishing trip—and all they came back with was a fish story. . . . Marie Bunnell visited Coney Island while she was in Cincinnati over Labor Day. . . . Every one is glad to see Rosemary Lovegrove's smiling face again. . . . Welcome to our new asst engineer, Edward MacMarland. . . . Welcome back, Bill Lahman, from your vacation. . . . Joe Smith's son is home on a 15-day furlough. . . . Wayne Johnson went to Muskegan, Mich., on his vacation. He had a LOVELY time. It rained every day. Luck must have been with him, however; he didn't have any flat tires. . . . It was decided in shipping the other day that Bob Kallmeyer has an altruistic nature (protective of others) . . . Hester Nelson reported after her visit to Pittsburgh that it was still a smoky town. . . . Planning Section welcomes Wayne Smith. Gordon Smith (Wayne's brother) also decided to join our happy family. . . . And welcome to Cecil Kaufman, who is in Cost Reduction. . . . Clarence Thomas, Joseine Wagaman, Walter Buesking, and Thelma Williams have been complaining lately of hay fever. . . . Our sympathies to Hershel Marsh, whose father died last week. . . . Dorothy McCauley spent last week-end at Niona Lake. . . . Ethod after several attempts Deores Snyder is going on her vacation. . . . Betty Teters is all smiles again. It seems she got a telegram the other day telling her a certain person was in the States and would be home soon. . . . Margaret Critchley and Minnie Barnett are now back from their vacations. . . . Robert Taylor from Planning has already begun to remind every one that Christmas is coming. Aren't you a little early, Bob?



Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

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GAGES THAT ELIMINATE ARGUMENTS



Pictured above is a Universal Commutator Bar Gage used for gaging commutator segment copper bars.

On the left the gage is shown with guards removed for setting while on the right the guards have been attached to protect the setting while in use.

The Universal Commutator Bar Gage is based on the "sine bar" principle and is equipped with four micrometer heads reading to one-tenth of a thousandth of an inch.

By its use the G-E inspectors and inspectors employed by the vendors who make the bars can easily and intelligently determine whether or not the bars are within the drawing tolerances.

SINCE THEIR ADOPTION

G-E REJECTIONS ARE A RARITY

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

A fine way to spend V-J Day! Joe Bent was pacing the hospital floor from one end to the other on that wonderful Tuesday evening. He was so preoccupied we wonder if he knew when the war was over. The reason turned out to be that Joe's now a father of an eight-pound baby boy, John Joseph Bent. . . . Say, girls, if you can't find any "goo" or "stickum" to make your hair stay in place, just try pineapple juice. Marge Young says it really made her bangs stay in place. She sprays it on in some unique way while opening a can of pineapple. Quite a tasty hair finish, I should say. . . . We were happy to see Frona Witsche visiting us recently and to report she is recovering remarkably well from her recent injury. . . . Besides being a nice man with a beautiful voice, Mr. N. E. Firestone, S.P.D. (Speed, Dash and Accuracy) is an ardent lover of dahlias. If anyone in the plant wishes to get any information concerning this particular flower, please see him. He even keeps a few on display in his desk occasionally for those who are interested. . . . Many of you will be interested to know that Cpl. Joan Squires, former blueprint girl in Bldg. 4-5, recently married M/Sgt. Nick Matulis at Baer Field Chapel. . . . Barbara Riley, Order Service, has left us to become the bride of Pfc. Robert Howard on September 8. Good luck and a lifetime of happiness, Barbara. . . . Betty Hedricks, Aircraft, has left us for whereabouts unknown as yet. By the way, she is going to be Barbara's maid-of-honor. . . . If happiness is catching, we sure will have quite an epidemic around here this month. The source of all this joy will be Elaine Sutter, since she has received word that her husband is coming home soon. We think that's swell, Elaine, and we're all happy for you. . . . Small Lot Section has quite a ball player in its midst. They tell us Don Baumgartner hit the winning home run for his team recently. . . . Joe Ray had a birthday last week and was treating everyone with candy. Joe is leaving us soon to go to school, and we are welcoming Bob Klingel onto the floor in Joe's place. . . . Violet Henderson has learned that her husband, Sgt. Charles Henderson, was aboard the American C-54 transport plane which flew Japanese General Tomoyuki Yamashita from his mountain hideout near Bagabag to surrender to Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright. Violet has also received some snapshots of Kay Kayser and his gang "in the rough" at her husband's camp, where they put on a show. . . . Barbara Stoops has been vacationing the last two weeks and Evelyn Swaim this week. We hope they have been having a pleasant vacation. . . . The salaried employees of Bldg. 4-5 had another picnic, in the form of a wiener bake, yesterday evening at the F.O.P. picnic grounds; so by next week we should have quite a few tales to tell.

G-E To Build 40-KW Television Unit For Don Lee Systems

General Electric will build a 40-kw television transmitter—one of the world's largest—for the Don Lee Television and Don Lee Broadcasting Systems, it has been announced by James D. McLean, manager of G-E transmitter sales.

The West Coast network has filed with the Federal Communications Commission for permission to install the transmitter 5,800 feet above sea-level on Mt. Wilson outside Hollywood, Calif. A station to house the transmitter will be built on a 160-acre tract already purchased by Don Lee. Station W6XAO, the network's television station in operation in Los Angeles since Dec. 23, 1941, will be used as a television relay station and studio site after the new transmitter is installed, according to Harry R. Lubcke, Don Lee television director.

General Electric has a 40-kw television transmitter in operation for its station WRGB.

SANDY SAYS

MEMO:

TO OURSELVES.

As long as I'm writing to us, I might as well admit, just among us "girls," thot I took the above heading from the big G-E ad. thot ran in the papers. It was a swell ad. Probably cost a lot o' money, and worth it. This column costs nothing—and worth it!

But since I'm starting with the same title, I'd better try tae make this column worth something, too. And the best way to make it worth something would be tae quote from the ad.—Quote—

"We have planned to cut manufacturing costs with new methods in order that we may maintain the fullest possible employment and provide our workers with the means of obtaining the highest possible income measured by their cooperative efforts."

In other words,—C.R.* C.R.* thot cuts costs, AND "maintains fullest possible employment," AND provides, "the highest possible income measured by their cooperative efforts."

But, it occurs tae me thot some o' the "new methods" might just as well come from us, from you, and from me, in gude C.R.* suggestions, AND, right off the bat, we'll be getting a suggestion award thot will start us off, with a bang, toward "the highest possible income measured by (our) "cooperative efforts."

If we all do "our bit," we can (again quoting from our ad.) "multiply our services to consumers without increasing the price of those services."

Which means, to me, thot I will be able to afford a new G-E Refrigerator, a new G-E Electric Sink, and a few more items thot Mrs. Sandy is insisting on having as soon as they are back on the market.

(Weel, now, talk about "lifting" material for a column—reminds me o' Cousin Colin when he tried tae write an ad tae sell his model T. He "lifted" most o' the material, but I think he copied out o' the wrong ads. Anyway, who ever heard o' Model T. upholstry wi' two-way stretch, a body wi' the tin you love to touch, or two-cup size headlights).

*COST REDUCTION.

DON'T BE AN ACCIDENTEE!



Charles A. Coffin Gave General Electric The Leadership It Needed During Its Early Years

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its employees.

●Like most other manufacturing concerns, General Electric had to start out in business in a small way. That it has developed into a large company, creating thousands of new jobs, is due in no small measure to the sound policies which were established by its first president—Charles A. Coffin.

As we know, General Electric was formed in 1892 when the Thomson-Houston Electric Company was merged with the Edison General Electric Company.

Charles A. Coffin, who was head of the Thomson-Houston Company, was named the first president of the new General Electric Company, and the solid and strong foundations he laid during those early days insured the growth of our Company through these years.

What, then, was Mr. Coffin's approach to the problems of those critical first years of the Company? How did he succeed, too, in pulling the Company through the Panic of 1893? What steps did he take to help the Company obtain the capital it needed to carry on its work? What is the story of Mr. Coffin's achievements?



Charles A. Coffin, the first president of the General Electric Company.

WE GAIN an insight into the reason why Mr. Coffin was successful in what he undertook from the decisive way he would grab hold of a new undertaking. Though originally a shoe manufacturer, once he had convinced himself of the possibilities of the new electrical industry, he took the lead in forming a group to buy the American Electric Co., which had failed at New Britain, Conn., and reorganizing it, in 1883, under the name of The Thomson-Houston



Electric Co. at Lynn, Mass., where he lived.

Though his own company was prosperous from the beginning, Mr. Coffin soon realized that the electrical industry could not serve the public as well as it might as long as the different companies were unable to offer a complete electrical system because of conflicting patents. So in 1892 he took steps to pool the assets of the Thomson-Houston Co. with those of the Edison General Electric Co., and the General Electric Co. was formed. The merger was completed at an historic meeting in New York City with the men who had helped to finance the Edison Companies from the start. The patent rights and the financial backing of the two companies now stood behind the new General Electric Company.

To provide a market for the electrical equipment which the new General Electric Co. had the facilities to produce, Mr. Coffin enlarged upon a practice he had found helpful in the old Thomson-Houston Electric Co. He instructed his sales force to accept the securities of the many small utility companies, which were then springing up all over the country, in part payment for equipment which they bought whenever they were unable to raise sufficient local





capital for their needs. In this way, our Company not only helped the small companies to become established in the business of supplying electric service to communities all over the country but also improved the chances to increase its own business.

Then came the Panic of 1893 and for a few years the Company was in real difficulty, for a time even facing the possibility of a receivership. But Mr. Coffin found a way of disposing of the securities which the Company had accepted from the various utilities succeeding, in fact, in raising $4,000,000 in cash from this source. General Electric was saved from bankruptcy!

Profiting by these experiences, Mr. Coffin decided now to take every measure to



strengthen the Company by doing business only on a cash or short credit basis. In 1899, the Company was back "in the black," where it has remained ever since. General Electric's business increased 150 per cent from 1900 to 1910 and another 476 per cent in the next twenty years.

Mr. Coffin's good judgment, his hard work, his ability to organize and to lead men and to pass on his own enthusiasm made it possible for him to make the most efficient use of the resources at his command. His leadership created thousands of new jobs and provided greater public service.

Thirty-two Awards Totalling $348 Made To Suggestors

Thirty-two awards, making a total of $348, were made to suggestors this week according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Al Timme, Bldg. 4-3, headed the list with a $75 award for his idea changes in turning operations to reduce "out of parallel" rejections certain fractional field frames. Carl F. Spuller, Winter Street, second on the list, was awarded $65 for his suggestion on the use of a three-step reamer to reduce operations on yoke 8093387. This is an addition to a $95 award previously given.

Awards ranging from $5 to $20 were presented to the following employees:

Bldg. 2-2

Eva B. Brown, June E. Stevenson, Evelyn J. Hart.

Bldg. 4-1

Herbert C. Brockmyer.

Bldg. 4-2

Howard Barrick, Audrea Dahlin, Harold F. Spath, L. T. Johnson.

Bldg. 4-3

Albert H. Timme, Clyde E. Anderson, Frank D. Cox, B. J. Skevington, Edward D. Fischer, Willard Hall, Marion E. Oman.

Bldg. 4-4

Paul L. Beauchamp, Solomon Bodorfer, Pauline B. Baker, John Fuller, Jr., Charles C. Rupel.

Bldg. 4-5

Mary C. Tobias, Herbert A. Landstoffer, Evelyn M. Barrand.

Bldg. 6-2

Margaret A. Boyd, LaMoille O'Neill.

Decatur Plant No. 2

Kathleen R. Affolder, Hugh A. Selthouse.

WINTER STREET Rumblings

MACHINE SHOP

Avis Rodermund sure was a big help to the Daisy fans around the shop during the newspaper shutdown. I'm with you in wishing them good luck, Avis. . . . Joe Carrier is back in the Machine Shop after almost three years in the Compressor Section. . . . Walter Johnson is back with us after a week's vacation. He won't tell where he was. . . . Katherine Koorsen is on our sick list. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Kate. . . . At this writing the sweet corn situation is drying up. See your reporter for next year's orders now. . . . Thetus Johnson returned this week after a week's vacation to relieve George Jackson of his strenuous duties so he could take his vacation this week. . . . Don't forget to boost the Winter Street Bowling League. . . . Ernest Hebur is on the sick list, and we all wish him a speedy recovery. . . . We're wondering what happened to the remains of Ed Bireley's birthday cake. His birthday was a couple of Tuesdays ago. . . . Bill Franke seems to be a first class gardener, as he has kept several persons in vegetables all summer.

FACTORY OFFICE

Marcella Chevillot and her father, "Chick," were sightseeing in Kentucky over the holiday week-end. . . . LeNor Stephenson is on vacation in the wilds of Canada on a fishing trip with her family. . . . Mildred Clark is a happy girl these days, since she's expecting her husband home with a discharge from the Army in a few days.

PRODUCTION

Welcome back from vacations are Betty Welson, Wilmer Bock, and Cara Lou Lichty. All report they had plenty of sleep. . . . For diversion Charlie Lammiman wanted to play "pick up" with the paper cups, or was it to hoard them in case we ran out. It happens to the best of us, Charlie. . . . Eileen Kagey spent the past week-end at the lake again with her friends. Wish we had been there too. . . . Evelyn Ladd also returned to work after her vacation, which she spent doing her daily dozen and housecleaning, says she. . . . Have all of you met Wayne Cook's new assistant? His name is John Magley. Welcome to the Production Section; hope you have a pleasant stay with us.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

A stag party was held at the 901 Club last Friday night by the Maintenance Section in honor of Joe Horstman, who retired after almost 40 years with the Company. Bob Lasch tried a few card tricks, but he fizzled when someone upset a pitcher of lemonade on the deck. Tony sang Hungarian love songs to John Schwartz while John was trying to concentrate on his cards. Also a new member was signed up when Mike Daley put in his appearance. . . . Victory gardener John Schoedel raises onions that are so sweet they can be eaten like an apple. He brought in a few the other day for the boys to try and after several of them had burned their tongues and mouths, John admitted that they were from the row next to the red peppers. . . . The welcome mat is out for Ray Ruegamer, who came to our section from Oil Pump.

ENGINEERING

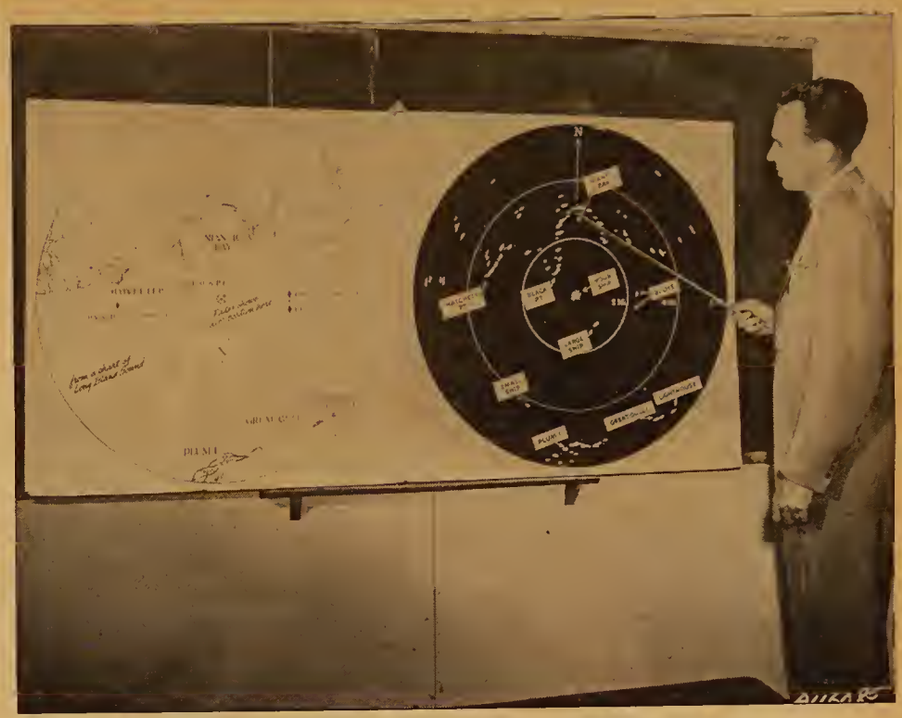
A factory employee was overheard to ask one of thc secretaries, "Which one of you girls is Vern Gingher." Could it be Vern's school girl complexion or that mild manner. . . . The mystery of the Lynch Victory Garden was displayed last week, and after delving into the subject, it is still a mystery. Shape and color of an unripe lemon, aroma of watermelon, inside like a cucumber, taste (?), and still Don claims it to be a vine peach or mango melon.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

While fishing at Lake Tippecanoe, Matt Krebbs was attacked by a buzzing bec battalion, which scttled on his arm, which goes to prove how sweet he is. Results of fishing expedition: no bites, just bumps.

A new clamp has been devised to improve the efficiency of power feeder connections for electrically-operated machinery. Power leaks, resulting from less effective connections, are eliminated.

What "Electronic Navigator" Shows Skipper



P. G. Caldwell, of General Electric, exhibits two charts to demonstrate what the pilot saw (right) on the G-E "electronic navigator" (a commercial radar set) as the American Mariner, a training ship of the U. S. Maritime Service, anchored one night off Niantic Bay in Long Island Sound. Picture at the right is an enlarged photo taken of the viewing screen of the electronic navigator, with the objects later labeled for demonstration purposes. Map of the area (left) shows how faithfully the electronic navigator pictured the shore line, various points, Niantic Bay, and islands.

Four Fourums

Virgil (Potts) Alderson got lost in the business section recently and is now searching for a detailed map of that area. He wants to be able to get around quickly since he made a tractor out of his car and intends to profit by using it as such. . . . Herman Lepper came back from his vacation and was unable to furnish us with any fish or turtle stories, although he did bring back a fine spread of poison ivy! Disgusting isn't it, Herman? . . . Anyone that's finished with the last page of the August 31 WORKS NEWS, contact Red Rarick, and he will be glad to buy it. . . . On her recent trip Katherine Norr visited the state of Iowa, where the tall corn grows, and consequently she came home with some tall ideas. . . . Mona Winkleblack would have painted the kitchen long time ago if she had known it would have brought her friend home. When she was painting the other night, she was very pleasingly surprised to see him standing in the doorway. Incidentally, he has been overseas for over two years. . . . We are sorry to lose one of our co-workers, Maxine Drabenstot, who left us to further her education. We do wish her much success. . . . LaVon Disler said, "There is nothing like a few happy moments to start the week out," for her friend, who is stationed in Idaho, called her Sunday night. . . . Irma Augsburger said, (and figure this one out) "If it soon doesn't rain and get cocler, pretty soon the popcorn crop will easily be harvested, as all you will have to do is go out and stand by it with a sack and let it pop, thus eliminate cutting and husking it." . . . We wish this sugar shortage would soon end, for we sure miss Irene Bowman's cookies. . . . Orville Robinson is convinced that anyone who can hang a storm door and get it perfectly straight is a full-fledged carpenter. How well he knows, as he had the experience of hanging one. . . . During Dale Irwin's vacation and fishing trip, he ate mostly steak and chicken, as he said he wants to wait until next year until the fish are bigger. Well, Dale, that excuse is better than none. . . . Funny things happen at the fair: Dale Irwin taking his horseback riding lessons on the merry-go-round; Ed Rodenbeck going up and down on the ferris wheel; Mary Hakes clipping the pitch games and winning mostly dishes.

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Gus Weisenburger returned from his honeymoon recently. He was lucky enough to be in Chicago to help celebrate V-J Day in the Windy City. The only incident that marred his return was the fact that Oswald, the Office Mouse, had gained several ounces on the candy bars in his desk drawers. . . . Earl Greenlee has been having the same difficulty. Earl would like to rent one or more cats—must be good mousers and able to catch mice that have been raised on candy bars. All cats contact Gus or Earl.

D. J. Murray To Head Conduit Products

D. J. Murray has been appointed manager of the newly created Conduit Products Division of the General Electric Company, it has been announced by H. L. Andrews, Vice-President in charge of the Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Murray has served in Boston and Los Angeles as district representative, and in 1940 was returned to Bridgeport as sales manager of conduit products.

Miserocchi Appointed

Henry A. Miserocchi has been appointed manager of apartment house sales for the New York Appliance Distributing Branch of the General Electric Company, Earle Poorman, manager of the branch, has announced.

Mr. Miserocchi is well known to real estate operators throughout the area, having handled General Electric refrigerator sales in the apartment house field for over 10 years.

The electrical recording of music, shown in tests to increase factory production, is expected to create jobs for 26,000 broadcast directors.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
W. K. McIver (2)*	R. 2, Fort Wayne, Ind. (Coming in on No. 1, 8 miles north)	4-6	McIver	8:00- 5:15
Keith Deetz (3)*	R. 1, Hudson, Ind. (Coming in on No. 27, through Garrett)	26-B	Long	7:00- 3:30
William Hurtt (4)*†	1308 Gilford, Huntington	17-4	Brooks	8:00- 5:15
Harold Drabenstot (2)*	1147 College, Huntington	4-4	Snyder	3:30-11:48

* Number of riders desired.
† Will exchange drive.

Employees Seeking Rides

Lee Hoffman	P.O. 28, Roanoke, Ind.	4-1	Sroufe	3:30-11:48

Twin City Independents Meet Club Tonight

Club Ball Team Defeats Chicago American Giants

Red Braden's Men Get Revenge, 9-5, At Dwenger Tuesday

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club Baseball team got revenge in a big way for an early season defeat when they turned back the Chicago American Giants 9-5 at Dwenger Park last Tuesday evening. Behind the steady pitching of Charlie Schupp, the Club was never in trouble after the fourth inning when they assumed a 4-2 lead. The Club opened the scoring in the opening inning when with one out, Young and Barnett walked and Bohonko forced Barnett. Charter dropped the ball at first in an attempt to double Bohonko, and Young scored.

After the American Giants tied the score in the third on a triple and two singles, the Club broke the tie in their half of the same inning. With one out Young walked for the second time, and Barnett was safe on Douglas's error. The runners advanced on Bonhonko's out and tallied on Bobilya's sharp hit. Chicago scored a single tally in the fourth when with one gone, Nelson singled to right center and continued on to third on Augie Schlaffer's error, from where he scored on Charter's infield out. The Club matched this run in their half of the fourth on Seiple's single, Bush's hit advancing Seiple to third. Seiple held third while Schupp was getting a life on McNeal's error. Wattier singled to tally Seiple.

In the fifth Braden's men put on the crusher with three runs on four hits; Bohonko pushed off the inning with a double to left. He held second on Bobilya's fly to short and advanced to third while McNeal was throwing out Schlaffer. Seiple single to center to score the run. Bush walked and Schupp promptly singled to score Seiple. This was enough for West, the Giant's starting flinger, and he was replaced by Locke.

Wattier greeted the newcomer with a single which tallied Bush from second. Two Club runs in the seventh were largely a gift—Schlaffer was safe on Nelson's error, Seiple sacrificed, and Bush was safe on Nelson's second throwing error of the inning. Schupp singled to bring in Schlaffer, while Bush scored on Young's single. With a commanding lead, Charley Schupp eased up a bit in the ninth and the visitors scored three runs on a double, single and home run—the latter by Dukes, the Giant's catcher.

Charley Schupp again showed airtight control and struck out eight while not issuing any free tickets to first.

The summary:

CIANTS	AB.	R.	H.		C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Douglas,2	5	0	2		Wattier,rf	5	0	2
Bissant,lf	4	0	1		Younf,lf	3	2	1
Smitb,rf	4	0	1		Kestner,lf	0	0	0
Penn'gton,cf	3	0	0		Barnett,ss	4	1	0
Nelson,3	4	2	1		Bohonko,3	5	1	1
Charter,1	4	1	2		Bobilya,1	5	0	3
McNeal,ss	4	0	0		Seiple,2	4	2	2
Dukes,c	4	1	2		Busb,c	3	2	2
West,p	2	1	1		Scbupp,p	4	0	2
Locke,p	3	0	0					
Totals	36	5	10		Totals	38	9	13

Giants .....0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 3—5
C-E Club .....1 0 2 1 3 0 2 0 *—9

Errors—Charter 2, Douglas, Schlaffer, McNeal, Nelson 2, Bohonko, Seiple. Runs batted in—Douglas, Bobilya 2, Wattier 2, Seiple, Schupp 2, Young, Charter, Dukes 2. Two-base hits—Bohonko, Charter. Three-base hit—West. Home run—Dukes. Stolen base—Douglas. Sacrifice—Seiple. Double play—Nelson to Douglas to Charter. Left on bases—Giants 5, C-E Club 10. Bases on balls—Off West 4. Strikeouts—By Locke 2, Schupp 8. Hits—Off West 9 in 4 2-3, Locke 4 in 3 1-3, Schupp 10 in 9. Losing pitcher—West. Umpires—Ely and C. Blauvelt. Time—1:55.



G-E Club Repeats Victory Over Memphis Red Sox

Emil Bildilli Given Excellent Support To Stop Visitors 6-3

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club repeated an early win by stopping the Memphis Red Sox at Dwenger Park last Friday night 6-3. Emil Bildilli allowed the visitors 12 hits, walked three and hit two batters, but was very tight in the pinches. His teammates accorded him excellent support at critical moments with a result that there were a total of 16 Red Sox runners stranded on the bases.

The Club started fast and set the visitor's back on their heels by scoring four big runs in the first inning. With one out, Schlaffer and Barnett walked and Bohonko was hit by a pitched ball. Chuck Bobilya exploded a mighty double which bounced over the left field barrier for a ground rule double. After Young had been retired on strikes, Baker, visiting pitcher, walked Seiple to again load the bases. Bush, breaking his hitting slump, clubbed a long single to right center to tally Bohonko and Bobilya and bring about Baker's removal from the game. After the visitor's had cut into the Club lead with single runs in the fourth and sixth innings, the Club came back in their half of the sixth to score two more runs. With one out, Bildilli was safe when Johnson erred on his bunt. Kestner singled to left and the runners advanced to second and third on Schlaffer's roller to first. Barnett singled over short to tally the two runners.

Memphis scored a single run in their half of the seventh to bring the final score to 6-3.

The summary:

MEMPHIS	AB.	R.	H.		C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Bankhead,2	4	0	0		Kestner,rf	4	1	2
Canady,1	4	0	1		Wattier,rf	1	0	0
Ford,rf	4	0	1		Schlaffer,cf	4	1	0
Longley,lf	5	0	1		Barnett,ss	4	1	1
Robinson,cf	5	1	1		Bohonko,3	4	1	1
Johnston,3	5	0	2		Bobilya,1	4	1	3
Wells,ss	5	1	4		Young,lf	4	0	1
Brown,c	4	1	2		Seiple,2	2	0	0
Baker,p	0	0	0		Bush,c	3	0	1
Johnson,p	3	0	0		Bildilli,p	4	1	0
xPierson	1	0	0					
Totals	40	3	12		Totals	34	5	9

xPierson batted for Johnson in 9th.
Memphis Red Sox .....0 0 0 1 0 1 1 0 0—3
G-E Club .....4 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 *—6

Club Softball

The G-E Club softball team will play a preliminary to the Zollner game Saturday night at the Beach at 7 o'clock.

This is a play-off for the second half championship of the Major League, so come on out to the Beach and watch a good ball game.

Notice G-E Golfers

The Annual G-E Blind Bogey Golf Tournament will be held at Brookwood, Sunday, September 23. This tournament is open to all G-E Employees.

Kansas City Monarchs Are Scheduled Here Tuesda

By Walter Histed

Manager Charley Braden has scheduled the strong Twin City In pendents from Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, Mich., to meet the C at Dwenger Park tonight under the lights at 8:15 o'clock.

The visitors will be remembered as the team that broke the Clu nine-game winning streak weeks ago tonight. That was night that Charley Schupp str out 14 visitors only to have misfortune to come up against F Clupper when he was pitching fo hit one-run ball.

Emil Bildilli, stellar southp who holds the Club's only win against three defeats with the v itors, will be the man nominated stop Clupper and his mates and extend the Club's new winni streak to four games.

Next Tuesday night the G-E C will meet the famous Kansas C Monarchs of the Negro Ameri League at Dwenger Park in a ga beginning at 8:30 o'clock. The M archs for years have had one of top ranking teams in Negro b ball circles, and the Club, follo ing its policy of scheduling the b teams possible for the fans, f fortunate in securing this ag gation of stars. To stop this g of heavy hitters, Manager Brad will likely start Charley Schupp whose fine pitching has stopped o posing batters effectively in rece games.

G-E Girls Win City Championship In "B" League

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Girls' Softball club annexed the championship of the "B" league in the city tournament last week by defeating Old Crown, Bob Inn Reserves, and C.Y.O.

Meeting Old Crown in the first of the series on August 28, they beat them 6-3. The G-E Club played rather shaky ball, but they made it. Batteries for G-E were Whiteleather and Varner, with Ulrey and Bandelier opposing them.

The next game on August 30, G-E won over Bob Inn "B's" 6-2. This was a real ball game. Each team managed to get one run in the first inning, and for the next five innings no runs were scored. In the sixth, Bob Inn's catcher overthrew to the pitcher, and Cronkhite stole home, breaking the tie. Until that time, Miller had pitched one-hit ball for the Reserves, but she blew up, walking the next five batters. G-E garnered four runs that period and one more in the seventh. The G-E girls really played good ball behind the 3-hit pitching of Getty and the usual stellar catching of Varner.

This brought the Club to the finals matching them against C.Y.O. in a game which they w 9-5. Rehrer and Soxton of C.Y. each slammed out a homer, b as no one was on base, it ma little difference in the victor Whiteleather and Varner, as ba teries for the Club, did a fine jo

Tonight the Club meets Decat G-E at McMillen for a practic game at 8 o'clock.

Dust Off HOME PLATE

BY ERNIE SPAULDING



Bobby Van Ryn

Ty Cook and Bobby Van Ryn meet the G-E Club Softball team fans in today's column.



Ty Cook

Ty is a newcomer to the Club He started playing on July 12. He is a good utility man and can pla almost any position.

Bobby is another who can pla various positions, having played infield and outfield, and doing capable job at both. Both rank as utility men that can be depended upon to go in there when that extra "punch" is needed and help win the ball game.

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What we do in America from now on to preserve and create the opportunities for free labor is likely to determine the future of this nation and of the world!

President Charles E. Wilson

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'FUTURE UNLIMITED,' G-E SCIENCE SHOW, TO BE SUNDAY

B-29 Bomber To Fly Over City Saturday

Plane To Be Brought Here As Prelude To "Future Unlimited"

An Army B-29 bomber, sister ship to the planes that helped bomb Tokyo into destruction, will fly over the Broadway Plant of the General Electric Company and the City of Fort Wayne Saturday, September 15, between 11:45 A.M. and 12:15 P.M.

News of the giant bomber's scheduled flight over Fort Wayne, weather permitting, of course, was telegraphed to local G-E officials by Moorhead Wright, Jr., of the Advertising and Sales Promotion Divisions, Schenectady. The plane is being flown here, he explained, to give G-E employees and their associates who have had a part in building the giant fortresses an opportunity to view their handiwork in the air before seeing some of its component parts demonstrated Sunday at the G-E Club science show, "Future Unlimited." (See story on this page). The plane is not expected to land here.

Practically all of the motors, transformers, amplidynes, and dynamotors used for flight control

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Employees And Families Invited To See Famed G-E Laboratory Developments Of War; Peace Applications To Be Shown

Famed scientific developments of General Electric laboratories during the war and their applications in peace will be featured Sunday in three shows for employees and their families at the G-E Club.

Tickets for the show, "Future Unlimited," were distributed to employees during the week by supervisors and foremen and may be obtained today, if tickets are still available. Performances are at 2, 4, and 7:30 P. M., with each showing to run one hour and fifteen minutes.

Radar, a view of the famed B-29 computer or "electric brain," and centrifugal explosion demonstrations top the list of important scientific developments to be shown G-E people. Moorhead Wright, Jr., of the Advertising and Sales Promotion Divisions, Schenectady, and Everett R. Atwell, research technician, Schenectady, will be here to handle the exhibits.

New Demonstrations Here

Four new demonstrations for the "House of Magic" have been developed as a result of technological advances during the war and will be shown for the first time to local audiences, Mr. Wright has announced. The superpowerful jet engine, which has opened up a completely new era in airplane design, also will be shown on a somewhat restricted basis.

The G-E computer for the B-29, which automatically takes into account lead, parallax, windage, and gravity and operates at split-second speed, has been in the national eye for many months as one of the wonders of World War II, but has been known to the G-E employees that helped make it by hearsay heretofore.

Exhibits Listed

Exhibits that are to be included in the G-E "House of Magic" after their initial showing here will include demonstrations of silicone rubber, magnetic materials, dry film, and micro waves.

Silicone rubber retains its elastic properties at temperatures as low as -60 F. and as high as 575 F. It was developed by G-E entirely apart from the vast governmental synthetic rubber program. While

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Elex Count Shows Large Membership For New Club Year

With the Elex Club membership drive officially ended Monday, September 10, a preliminary count of cards already turned in indicates a large membership for next year, Irene Meyers, club adviser, announced today.

Membership cards are still coming in from contact girls in large numbers, Miss Meyers said, because the many transfers necessitated by the reconversion program have slowed down the work of the contact girls in the sections. Girls who are laid off at present may join the club, she added, by contacting her office and arranging to pay their dues.

Election of Elex officers for next year will start Monday, September 17, and continue throughout the

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Electronics Magazine Praises Work Of Dr. W. R. G. Baker

Dr. W. R. G. Baker, General Electric Vice-President in charge of the Company's Electronics Department, receives high praise in an editorial appearing in the September issue of *Electronic Industries* magazine.

The editorial, titled "Well done, Dr. Baker!" follows:

"Two big jobs for radio have just been completed under the direction of Dr. W. R. G. Baker: (1) The formulation of sound radio engineering principles by the Radio Technical Planning Board, and (2) The raising of over half a million dollars for the IRE Building Fund. Meanwhile, Dr. Baker as General Electric Vice-President has supervised one of

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Survey Shows Employment To Top '40 Level

G-E's Vice-President D. C. Prince Aided In Committee Work

Reports from 100 cities and counties throughout the nation, released Monday by the Committee for Economic Development, indicate total employment after reconversion in those areas will be 24 per cent greater than it was in 1940. The 100 communities had a total of 3,396,839 workers in 1940 and reported they expect to employ 4,231,623 persons after reconversion has been completed.

In releasing the data, Walter D. Fuller, President of the Curtis Publishing Company, and chairman of the CED Field Development Division, said—

High Level Seen

"The reports from these communities indicate that business men are planning boldly to assure high level, productive employment as rapidly as it can be provided after reconversion. The reports in every case have been checked carefully after the data was received from individual employers. We believe comparable figures will be submitted later by hundreds of other

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George H. Pfeif Is Named Manager, Employee Relations

Newly appointed Manager of the Employee Relations Section of the Executive Department is George H. Pfeif, according to an announcement released this week. In this capacity, he will report to E. D. Spicer, Vice-President in Charge of Employee Relations in that Department.



Mr. Pfeif is a native of Terre Haute, Ind., and was graduated from Rose Polytechnic Institute in 1905. Immediately following his graduation, he came to the Test Department of General Electric in Schenectady as a student engineer. On completion of his course, he worked in the Test Department office in Schenectady and in 1908 went to the office of the General Superintendent of the Schenectady Works.

Recruited College Men

In 1910, Mr. Pfeif went to work in the office of E. W. Rice, Jr., then Vice-President of the Company. Later he worked jointly with President Rice and Vice-President Francis Pratt and while in this

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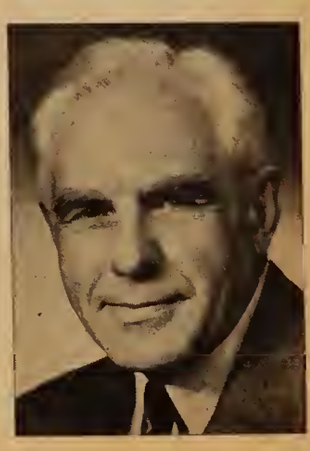
Rumor Clinic

A number of questions have already been received in the WORKS NEWS office and referred to the Rumor Clinic Editor for answer. Watch for the September 28 issue of the WORKS NEWS. The first rumored questions and answers will be printed then.

E. O. Shreve To Speak At State C. Of C. Affair Here

Earl O. Shreve, Vice-President of the General Electric Company in charge of Customer Relations, will be the principal speaker at a banquet for the Board of Directors of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce, when the Fort Wayne Works will be host to the group Saturday, September 15.

The banquet, which will include a number of Fort Wayne civic leaders as well as local and national G-E officials, will climax a day of activities for the state executive group, including a tour of the Fort Wayne plants and a luncheon at the Broadway Plant. The Board of Directors of the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce and G-E officials will be special guests at the noon luncheon.



Member of Board

Mr. Shreve has long been prominent in G-E affairs and at the present time is a member of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, representing the Depart-

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Salute To A G.I.

We old fellows are glad you are back with us, buddy. In a sense you have never been away. We have thought very often of you while you were gone, and sometimes it has even seemed as though we could see you over there at your machine and hear you whistling in the morning as you got it set up for work. That's how near to us you have been.

We have tried all that time to be near to you, because they told us we were production soldiers and we often figured we WERE soldiers, in a way. . . . Though we are certainly not the same as the boys who crept through mortar fire and got you out of your foxhole the night you were hurt. Compared to THOSE buddies, we just can't qualify. But we tried hard, and they say we turned out quite a lot of stuff to fight with.

Some fellows got disgusted with civilians for gripes about rationing, but we heard mighty few complaints. Most of us kept picturing what kind of a time you were having in the heat and mud and kept our mouths shut. There was really nothing to gripe about, anyway. . . . Most of you were surprised when you got back, to see America not bearing more plainly the marks of war. Well, London and Berlin bear the marks of war, and our hearts go out to you in thanks that our country has been spared.

The other marks which you cannot see are there, but don't show on the surface. When a woman who lost two sons on V-E day calls cheerily to you, it is not because she isn't grieving inside. She has been trying to make you welcome. But there was a time after the telegrams came that she wished she, too, were dead. So it's the same old smiling America, but very much older and somewhat sadder behind the cheers and laughter at the pier.

So we're glad you're back again. We need your youth and your strength and your high-hearted courage. Maybe there'll be times when you need us. If you do, we won't let you down. For the old team is in a huddle again, about ready to go down the field. There are some touchdowns to make.

Watch The Cost

When spending is in billions, it is easy to be careless with a few dollars or a few cents.

But the time has come when every company must watch its expenses more closely. The man who recognizes the value of machinery and tools and materials has the advantage.

Check on your own work habits. Make sure you are preventing waste wherever possible.

A sharp eye on costs is essential in peacetime production.

A Man-Sized Job

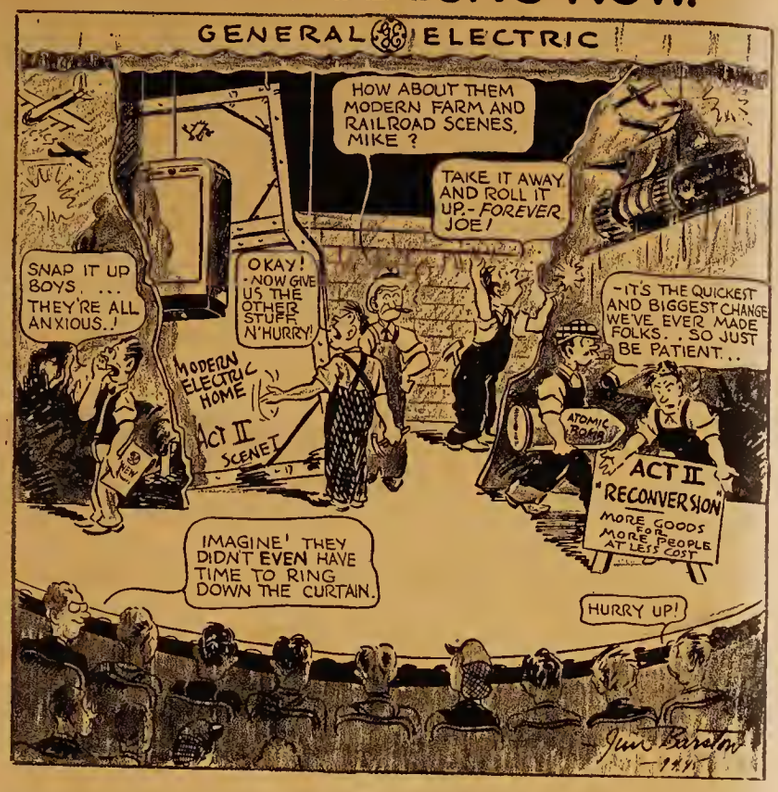
Safety is everybody's business!

The other fellow's accident can be tough on you as well as on him. And others may suffer from your carelessness.

Laughing off safety precautions doesn't prove that you are brave. It just shows that you don't care much about *anyone's* safety.

It is a tough job to prevent accidents even when everybody works at it. So make certain that you are never part of the *cause* of accidents, but always part of the *cure*.

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW.



General Electric is only one stage on which the great drama of reconversion is taking place before everyone's eyes. America, east and west, north and south, is alive with action not less vigorous or exciting than the sudden change in 1941-42 from a peace to a war production basis. And with General Electric the shift is more rapid than was the conversion to a war footing.

"Already," says President Charles E. Wilson, "we are making irons, clocks, heaters, refrigerators, electric ranges, washing machines, motors, controls, transformers, and turbines, where only yesterday bombs and bazookas and other fighting equipment poured forth. It will take us less time to begin making the things we understood than it took us to begin making weapons that at the outset not even the Government understood."

And, down to V-J Day, he told the men and women of G-E last week, there has been about 10 per cent reduction in employment from full war production effort. "This," he said, "may increase some as additional cancellations come in, but we are assigning employees to new work as rapidly as possible. Many people who had been laid off are already back to work." And there are excellent prospects for fuller peacetime employment than ever before.

There is a solemn task during the year ahead for all G-E men and women, both management and labor. "Each of us," says Mr. Wilson, "exerting himself to the best of his ability, can help shape events toward keeping a balanced economy. MORE GOODS FOR MORE PEOPLE AT LESS COST IS NOT A PART-TIME ASSIGNMENT OR THE GOAL OF A FEW."

WARTIME HOMEMAKER

IDEAS FOR SANDWICHES

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Food shortages being what they are, you've probably already found out that almost anything—even if it's next to nothing—can be added to, or mixed with something else for sandwiches. Surprising as some of these combinations may be, none the less they usually are delicious. So don't fail to save all bits of food to meet whatever sandwich emergencies may arise in your home.

Remember too, that the hearty worker's sandwich may be made just as attractive and appetizing as the open-faced party sandwich, advise General Electric Consumers Institute experts.

Sandwich Making

The Bread: Bread for sandwiches should be a day old. Vary the bread as much as possible (white, rye, wholewheat, and cracked wheat).

Shaping Sandwiches: Shape before spreading to prevent waste of margarine and filling. If fancy shapes are desired, use very sharp cutters to insure neat edges. Rolled, pinwheel, cartwheel sandwiches are attractive and less difficult to make than they look.

Margarine Spread: Should be soft but not melted. Flavor with juice of lemon, onion, chives.

The filling: Suggestions given below.

Garnishing Open Sandwiches: Minced parsley, sliced olives, grated egg yolk and egg whites, tomato flower or slices, toasted nuts, cherries, watercress are among the most available foods.

Keeping Sandwiches: If prepared in advance, wrap in waxed paper, store in refrigerator to prevent greens from wilting. If serving open sandwiches do not add lettuce or salad greens until just before serving.

Sandwich Fillings

1. Cream cheese, olives, mayonnaise
2. Deviled ham, pickle, mayonnaise
3. Minced "meat leftovers" and horseradish
4. Cottage cheese, chopped chives
5. Sardine paste, lemon juice, parsley
6. Cream cheese with jelly or orange marmalade
7. Peanut butter, chopped dates, mayonnaise
8. Peanut butter, chopped ginger, mayonnaise
9. Chopped "meat leftovers," Russian dressing
10. Mashed liverwurst, mayonnaise
11. Blue cheese, celery, mayonnaise, dill pickle

Checkerboard Sandwiches

1. Cut 3 slices of white and 3 slices of wholewheat bread in ½ inch slices. Remove crust.
2. Spread a slice of white bread with soft filling; place another

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Heavy Sales Predicted Following Reconversion

The American public will pay $775,552,000 for the 50,400,000 small electrical appliances and radios it will buy in the first full year following reconversion, the General Electric Company estimates.

Excluding radios, sales of such appliances as irons, toasters, clocks, vacuum cleaners, and automatic blankets will run to 35,400,000 items valued at $320,302,000.

These figures, based on over 20 authoritative surveys and estimates, are cited by G-E's Appliance and Merchandise Department in a new booklet now being mailed to the Company's traffic appliance dealers and distributors.

Designed to acquaint G-E appliance dealers with the devices they will sell in the months ahead, the booklet, entitled "G-E Traffic Appliances—A Preview," also outlines the special sales helps the company has to offer. These include a large-scale radio, magazine and "tie-in" newspaper advertising campaign, modern displays, extensive war-born servicing facilities, and a complete finance service, all designed to increase the job opportunities for G-E people after the war.

A breakdown of estimated post-reconversion appliance sales, as outlined in the booklet, shows the following:

Appliance	Number to be sold	Aver. 1941 retail price	Volume based on 1941 retail price
Iron	7,250,000	$ 5.00	$ 36,250,000
Toaster	4,100,000	6.75	27,675,000
Mixer	1,100,000	22.00	24,200,000
Roaster	420,000	25.00	10,500,000
Coffee Maker	2,260,000	3.75	8,475,000
Percolator	1,100,000	3.00	3,300,000
Grill	800,000	2.50	2,000,000
Waffle Iron	1,100,000	5.50	6,050,000
Clock	7,800,000	5.00	39,000,000
Fan	2,780,000	7.50	20,850,000
Heating Pad	1,790,000	3.00	5,370,000
Sandwich Toaster	1,250,000	4.25	5,312,000
Heater	810,000	4.00	3,240,000
Cleaner	2,390,000	47.00	112,330,000
Blanket	450,000	35.00	15,750,000
	35,400,000		320,302,000
Radio	15,000,000	30.35	455,250,000
TOTAL	50,400,000		775,552,000

G-E Device, Used In Photo Work, Banishes Blonde's Sunburn Blues

Totalux, a General Electric device designed to correlate light intensity and time in making exposures for photo engravings, never was intended to win the graces of a beautiful blonde, but it did just that this summer by providing scientific sun bathing for Mrs. Marian Dozois, comely secretary in G-E's Special Products Division.

Mrs. Dozois, whose fair skin always winds up with the inevitable lobster tan in any joust with Ol' Sol, was studying the functions of Totalux one day when she hit upon a brilliant idea. "Totalux automatically fixes time in relation to amount of light," she reasoned. "Why can't it prevent me from getting a sunburn?"

By dint of previous, painful experiences, she had learned she could remain no longer than 20 minutes in bright sun light. But it was those hazy days, those in-between cloudy and bright days that always fooled her. "On such a day, maybe Totalux can space out the equivalent time to 20 minutes of bright sun light," she thought.

With the aid of sympathetic fellow workers, Totalux accompanied Mrs. Dozois on her next trip to the beach. Mrs. Dozois frolicked, swam, even slept on the sand while Totalux kept the vigil and measured out the time. On that particular day, Totalux found a measure of 20 minutes of bright sun light in one hour and 19 minutes. When time was up, Mrs. Dozois was awakened by a bell attachment. Result: beginning of a good tan instead of a tomato red the next day.

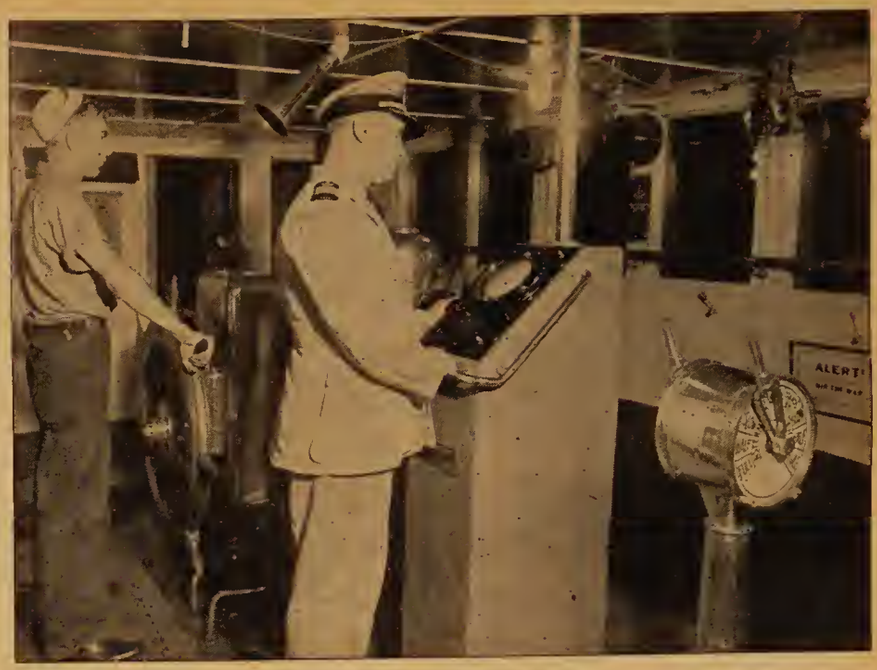
Totalux worked for Mrs. Dozois' sun bathing identically the way it operates for photo engravers, lithographers, and blueprint makers. In either printing or sun bathing, it takes into account fluctuations of light intensity and then proportions time of exposure in accordance with these fluctuations, thus eliminating trial and error.

In operation, an ultra violet sensitive photo tube attached to the Totalux set is so placed that it receives light from any light source being used for the exposure. The indicator on the Totalux dial is moved to the desired duration of time in terms of exposure (in Mrs. Dozois' case 20 minutes), and a switch is turned on.

The photo tube passes current proportional to the intensity of the light received to the Totalux device, such action causing the indicator on the dial to move accordingly back to zero. When the dial registers zero, the desired amount of light time has been obtained, and either a bell attachment rings or a light attachment flashes a warning.

Although Mrs. Dozois found a new use for G-E's Totalux, the cost and precision sensitivity of the device probably will hold its widest use to that of controlling lithographic rather than body exposures.

Radar "Cat's Eye" Guides Ship . . . .



An "electronic navigator" that sends out radar impulses to detect obstacles in path of a ship as far as 30 miles away is here being studied by Captain Joseph Masse aboard maritime training ship, "American Mariner." Device, designed and manufactured by General Electric, is first postwar version of highly important radar equipment that played major part in every theater of war. As Captain Masse studies field of instrument, he can see land masses, other ships, lighthouses and buoys, even though natural vision is severely limited by darkness or natural overcast.

G-E Ranges May Be Available For Sale In December

To Be Shipped On An Allocation Basis To All Parts Of The Country

The first postwar General Electric ranges that will roll off the production line here this week will probably be generally available for sale across the country in early December, J. R. Poteat, manager of the Company's Range and Water Heater Divisions, has announced.

Outlining General Electric's plans for obtaining the speediest possible broad distribution of household electric ranges, Mr. Poteat said that the Company will build three ranges—a low priced, a medium priced, and a deluxe model. Ranges will be shipped to distributors as they are produced, and it is expected that by November dealers in all parts of the country will have samples, with a good chance of making delivery of the first orders on their books before Christmas.

Ranges will be shipped on an allocation basis to all parts of the country. Allocations are based on 1941 sales by areas, with due allowance made for population shifts. Thus each part of the country will receive its proportionate quantity of the total production. It is expected that prewar production rates will be achieved by January of 1946.

The new ranges will be similar to but definitely improved over those produced in 1942, Mr. Poteat said. For example, high-speed cooking elements will be standard in all ranges on both surface and oven, and in the low-priced model 50 per cent additional storage space will be provided. Automatic timers and bright finished parts which were dropped in 1942 because of scarcities will be found on the new production models.

"We are making every effort to apportion our production equitably," Mr. Poteat declared, "and to put ranges on sale in all parts of the country simultaneously. There are bound to be some differences in timing, of course, because of transportation difficulties, but even these are being given consideration in developing shipping schedules."

Pensioner Remembers Company When G-E Was "Just A Pup"

(Editor's note: Christian Kaiser, a toolmaker in the General Tool Division who retired September 1 after a service of 43 years and 11 months, wrote the letter reprinted below after leaving the Company. His thoughts about his associations here, his various jobs, and his wish for the future of G-E—all should be of interest to G-E employees, especially his many friends here).

To The Editor of the WORKS NEWS:

. . . I thought you might be interested to get a little news of my experience at the G-E Works during my many years there.

I started my apprenticeship in about 1892 with the Indiana Machine Works and on September 1, 1901, went to work at the General Electric Company under Foreman Knothe. After I had worked a few weeks, I was placed at work on the big planer then in charge of William Schultz. With the development of the large generators, a large new planer was installed in Bldg. 8, and I was transferred to that building under Foreman Strong to operate that machine.

In 1903 I was assigned to work under the late August Kayser and assisted in developmental work. We had much of the old Siemens-Halske Company machine tools to work with at that time. In 1904 I was transferred to the Tool Room, which had about 18 to 20 employed at that time under Paul Wood, and later B. C. Evans, Frank Hoffman, and now C. A. Brenner.

During the time of the Electro Technic Club I was vice-president at one time with Mr. E. A. Barnes at the head of it, and I recall with pleasure many of the enjoyable programs sponsored by the organization. We must give the old Club credit for many things, including the night school, from which I and many others have reaped great benefits.

In looking over the long years with the General Electric Company, it is certainly wonderful to see how this institution has developed and grown since I worked here, and especially our Tool Division, with which I was associated so long, from a small crowd of 18 to nearly 300 at present.

So now, farewell and good luck to my many friends of the General Electric Company.

Sincerely,
Christian Kaiser

Porter Promoted

John G. Porter has been named responsible for the advertising and sales promotion of General Electric traffic appliances, A. L. Scaife, advertising manager of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, has announced.

Mr. Porter has moved to Bridgeport from Schenectady, where he was in charge of advertising for the G-E Electronics Department.

A. F. Welch Retires After 42 Years Of Leadership In FHP Engineering

A. F. Welch, Consulting Engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, closed his desk last Friday to retire under the Company Pension Plan—thus ending an association with General Electric that has seen the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division grow from an idea to a working reality employing thousands of persons.



A. F. Welch

Mr. Welch had more than 42 years of Company service at the time of his retirement, one year of this being after he had passed the official retirement age of 70, and it was greatly through his efforts that the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division has developed into its present wide-spread scope.

A Purdue graduate, Mr. Welch was originally engaged by the then Fort Wayne Electric Works November 11, 1902, and was assigned to the Motor and Generator Engineering Department.

The first record of a specification for a fractional horsepower motor here was placed in the files on January 14, 1904. On January 15, 1904, those same files contained a specification written by Mr. Welch for a 60 cycle A.C. series type fan, thus indicating that Mr. Welch was active at the very beginning of small motor work at Fort Wayne.

New Designs Made

It soon became evident that fractional horsepower motors could be used for driving various types of apparatus, and A.C. and D.C. general purpose series motors were designed by Mr. Welch later in the year to meet those demands.

Many developments in small motors were made during the next few years. Looking back, it is interesting to note that in 1909 the General Electric Company received an order for 1,000 motors for vacuum cleaners (at that time an unusually large order without precedent). The motors were produced to meet the order, and it's well remembered here by the old-timers that the composition bearing on these motors, when not used for a few months, tightened up so that the motor could not run.

Pioneered Work

By 1913 the demand for washing machine motors (designed here in 1909) was increasing, and under Mr. Welch's direction, a special washing machine motor was designed. His associates claim this set the pace for other manufacturers, many of whom duplicated the mounting dimensions. The next step was the wool-packed bearing, which has also been copied, and by this time the trade had become noise-sensitive, and the non-radial slot rotor was designed.

For many years Mr. Welch headed the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, and in that time there were many novel and difficult application problems met. Washing machines, refrigerators, ventilators, air conditioning units, pumps of all varieties, compressors, oil burners, stokers, generators, motor-generators, aircraft, gun-directing motors, food processing units, etc.—all these came to the front during his association with the Company, and Mr. Welch's design ability sent G-E customers away satisfied on the method of applying motors and sometimes even bettering their own design.

Industry and the General Electric Company in particular are indebted to Mr. Welch for the fine foundation that was laid and for his hobby for fractional horsepower apparatus, which virtually made him father of the development of the washing machine and vacuum cleaner motors and others previously mentioned.

Survey Shows

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communities which make up the national CED organization."

The report was broken down into three classifications. Of the 100 areas, 43 reported on surveys of their industrial employment in 1940, also at the peak of the war effort, and then gave forecasts of their prospective factory job totals after reconversion. Another 47 areas had completed commercial and industrial surveys and thus had a broader picture of anticipated peacetime employment. Ten additional communities had completed their surveys of industry, commerce, and agriculture.

Peak Given

Employment in the 100 communities rose to a total of 4,837,261 at the peak of war production, Fuller said. The cities represent every section of the country and range in size from small towns up to cities with more than a million population.

"The assumption back of the predictions," said J. H. Van Deventer, chairman of the Business Publications Division of CED, "is that it will take us a year to convert to the level of civilian goods production and consumption. As a matter of fact, nearly 61 per cent of our industries face no serious reconversion problem and can begin production in 30 to 90 days, provided Washington gives them the green light.

General Electric's Vice-President D. C. Prince, who is vice chairman of CED's Field Development Division, brought together more than 50 of America's top-flight market research experts and business economists to make the study resulting in the re-employment predictions, and this month the committee will release its report under the title, "American Industry Looks Ahead," which will be a business estimate of postwar markets for manufactured goods.

Fluorescent Lamp 'Watch Dog' Starter Available Soon

A new "Watch Dog" starter for 15- and 20-watt fluorescent lamps will be made available by the General Electric Company after October 1. It is especially suitable for commercial and residential lighting fixtures.

Bearing the catalog number FS-20, the new starter has all the features and advantages of other "Watch Dogs", which are available for 30-, 40- and 100-watt fluorescent lamps. It has an average rated life of three years under specified test conditions. Its mechanical features help to conserve the life of the lamp, life of the ballast, power consumption, and maintenance service.

Two features are outstanding: Precision lamp starting and dead lamp lookout. Like the "Watch Dog" starters already in use, the new G-E device is timed to light the lamp at the right instant. This not only conserves emissive material essential to long lamp life, but also prolongs the life of the starter. The lockout of dead lamps quickly and positively is made possible by close tolerances in the starter's mechanism, which also eliminates blinking and flickering.

When a dead lamp is removed, the "Watch Dog" is reset simply by pressing a button on top of the starter. The new lamp is then inserted, and the "Watch Dog" brings it into the circuit immediately.

D. R. Jennings Is Named Supervising Engineer At Danville

D. R. Jennings has been named Supervising Engineer of the Danville Plant of General Electric Company. He will be in charge of all engineering activities relative to the manufacture of fluorescent ballasts at Danville.



Mr. Jennings received a Bachelor of Science Degree in electrical engineering from Colorado State College in 1942. After spending nearly two years on the General Electric test course, he transferred to the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division of the Fort Wayne Works where he has been engaged in special development of war products and fluorescent ballasts.

Herschel Smith Is Named To National Safety Council Job

Herschel Smith, Safety Engineer of the Fort Wayne Works has recently been appointed secretary of the Power Press Section Committee of the National Safety Council. Mr. Smith will function as a regular officer of the committee in addition to his duties here.



H. L. Smith

Mr. Smith has been serving as chairman of the Industrial Safety Division of the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce Safety Council for the past two years. Under his direction the annual Safety Conference and Exhibit and the annual Foreman's Safety Institute have become a regular part of the Chamber's safety program and has resulted in national recognition for Fort Wayne safety achievements.

Instruction for safety engineering classes sponsored jointly by the Chamber of Commerce Safety Council and Purdue University also was provided under Mr. Smith's direction.

Mr. Smith started with the Company in 1923 in the Specialists' Training School and did precision and internal grinding and other machine work in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division for approximately seven years. He was then assigned to the Personnel Division to handle guard design and safety publicity work and later was given the responsibility of general plant safety work, including guard design and all phases of safety engineering.

July 9, 1942, he was transferred to interview and placement work in the Employment Office, and returned to his job as Safety Engineer May 10, 1943.

Mr. Smith was president of the G-E Club for two years and has also served as president of the G-E World War Veterans' Association.

G-E Squares To Have First Dance Saturday

The G-E Squares will open this year's club season with a semi-formal dance Saturday, September 15, at the Squares' Club Rooms on East Berry Street. Music will be furnished by Herman Binkley's orchestra.

The retiring officers, the new officers, and the membership and entertainment committees will be on the program during the evening, the committee states, to entertain the dancers with songs.

Howard Timms is president of the group this year.

George H. Pfeif

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capacity, was made secretary, in 1913, of the newly-formed Committee on Recruiting of College Graduates for positions in the Test Department. Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz was chairman of the committee, and among its members were A. L. Rohrer and E. E. Boyer.

From then on, Mr. Pfeif personally making contact with schools and interviewing their likely young men, a technique new to General Electric and most other industrial concerns was developed which continues to the present time. His territory was the entire United States, and he traveled over most of the country, with the exception of the Pacific Coast region, which he handled through the district offices.

Appointed Director

In 1923, Mr. Pfeif was appointed Director of Industrial Relations for the Schenectady Works, but he continued his connection with the Committee on Recruiting until 1936. In that year he transferred to the staff of W. R. Burrows, Vice-President in Charge of Manufacturing, becoming Supervisor of Personnel in all G-E plants and as such, one of the representatives of the Company in labor relations.

On Mr. Burrows' retirement he continued under Mr. Spicer with the same duties and will have the same general assignment under his new title.

Homemakers

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wholewheat slice on top and spread with filling then top with a white bread slice.

3. Repeat this process beginning with wholewheat so that a slice of white bread forms the middle layer.

4. Chill in refrigerator, remove and trim each pile evenly. Cut into 1 inch strips.

5. Spread each strip with sandwich filling and put together to form a checkerboard design. (A white block alternating with a dark one).

6. Wrap in waxed paper and place in refrigerator to chill.

7. When ready to serve, slice about ¼ inch thick.

Elex Club

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week. Ballots will be distributed to club members and must be returned by the 21st to be effective.

Veora Habig, Bldg. 17-1, a past president of Elex Club, is chairman of the committee that will tabulate the electoral votes and announce the results. Members of the committee, appointed by Mary Jane Buesking, Elex president, are Geraldine Kuenberger, Hollywood Bldg.; Edith Williams, Bldg. 17-4; June Martin, Bldg. 6-4; Jean Castor, Bldg. 17-3 second shift; Helen Yeranko, Winter Street; Mae Heit, Bldg. 19-5; Ruby Musselman, Bldg. 26-2; and Thelma Johnson, Taylor Street.

B-29 'BRAIN', RADAR, AND JET ENGINE TO BE SHOWN SUNDAY

Jet Engine Production Was One Of Best-Kept Secrets Of War

The recent release to the public of information on the great jet engine revealed an exciting story of the making of the first American jet engine with British cooperation while our war with Germany was still young.

In July, 1941, Vice-President R. C. Muir was asked by phone to send to England an engineer who knew flying. G-E already had such an engineer there in the person of D. R. Shoults. Shoults, on instructions from General Electric, called on a certain person and was shown the jet plane but was allowed to take away no notes, since his plane to America must pass through spy-ridden country.

In Washington, he met Mr. Muir and War Department experts, among them General H. H. Arnold, who personally delivered from his safe a sealed package containing drawings of the British jet plant. Mr. Muir promised to have something ready within six months. The scene now changes to the River Works, where three mysterious packages arrived a few days later by plane from England, brought from the Boston airport by a round-about route.

With the packages came British experts and Col. Don Keirn of the U.S. Army Air Forces. The truck driver's helpers were dismissed at the Works gate, and the truck stopped at an old G-E building, where the super-secret work was to be conducted. It was guarded day and night. The three British engineers lived in small hotels nearby and were moved from time to time to escape detection.

When Flight Commander Frank Whittle, the inventor of the British jet, came to America, less than a half dozen persons knew it, though he was here for three and one-half months. He ate his meals in his hotel room and was thought an eccentric stranger. Then he moved to the home of R. G. Standerwyck, G-E supercharger engineer, where Mrs. Standerwyck did not know what her guest was about until the story was voluntarily released by the Army.

E. O. Shreve

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ment of Manufacture. He also served as president of the National Electrical Manufacturers' Association in 1940 and has received the Marston Medal from Iowa State College for outstanding achievement in engineering by its alumni and the Chicago Merit Award, presented annually by the Chicago Alumni of Iowa State "for outstanding service to the community, state, nation, or fellowman."

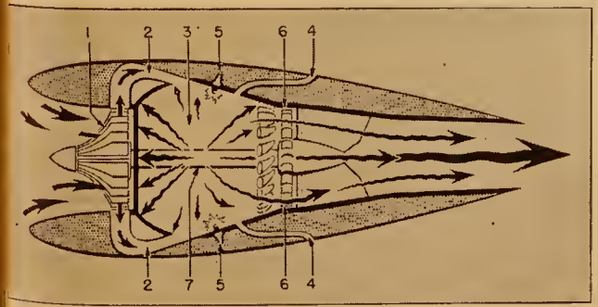
Mr. Shreve started with General Electric in 1904 and has held many important supervisory positions. He managed the San Francisco office for nine years and in 1926 was appointed manager of the Industrial Department at the Company's general offices in Schenectady. In 1929 he became assistant vice-president to J. G. Barry, who was then vice-president in charge of sales. Mr. Shreve was later elected vice-president in charge of Apparatus Sales and was named chairman of the G-E Apparatus Operating Committee in 1941. He was appointed to his present position December 19, 1944, with headquarters in New York City.

The visiting group will view the General Electric scientific exhibit in the G-E Club, which will be shown to all employees and their families at three shows Sunday. Following the exhibit, the State Board will go into executive session.

Sessions will be continued Sunday at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce, with the local group serving as hosts.

J. W. Crise, Executive Assistant, is third vice-president of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce and is handling arrangements for their visit here.

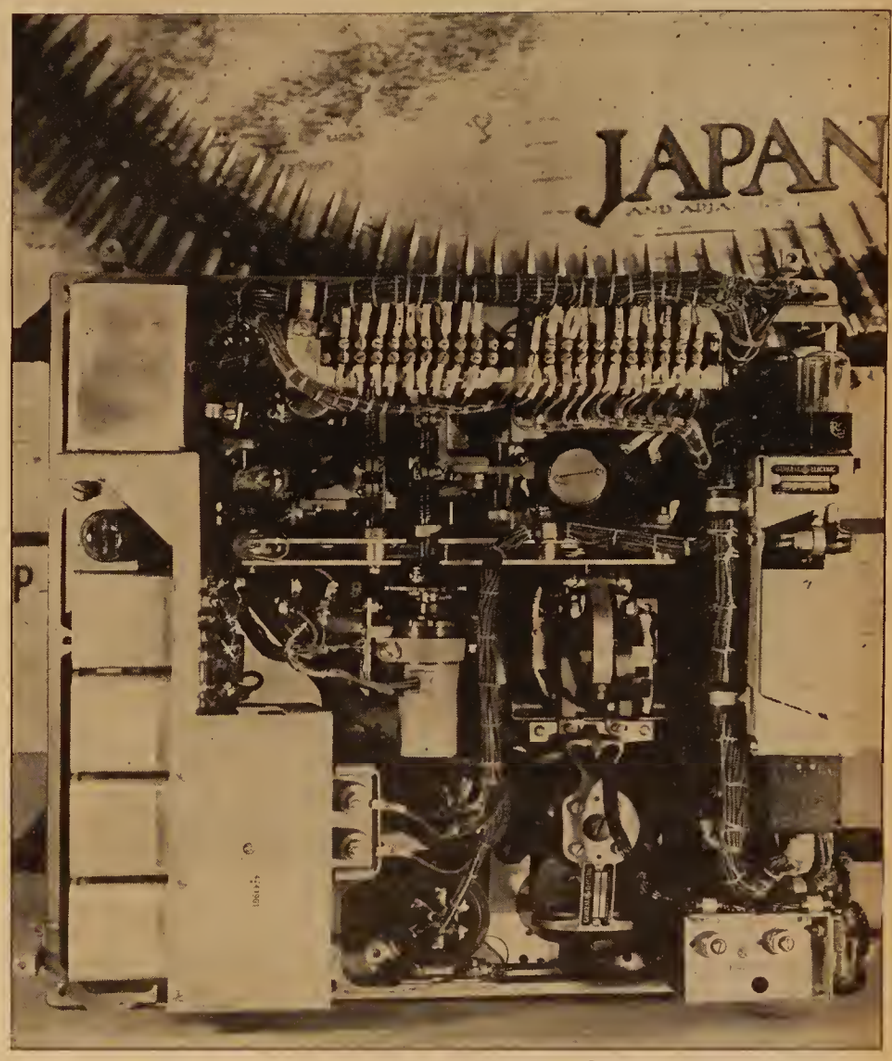
Conception Of Jet Engine



The above schematic diagram of a jet propulsion motor shows how it works and the direction in which the propulsive forces operate.

Air is sucked in from the front by the compressor (1) and is forced at high pressure through the ducts (2) into the combustion chamber (3). There it is mixed with fuel forced in through fuel ducts (4) and ignited at high temperature by spark plugs (5). Then, with an explosive rush, the hot gases leave the motor, spending their energy first through a turbine wheel (6), then moving out at high velocity from the rear vent. The energy spent in the turbine wheel rotates the compressor through a shaft (7). As the heavy arrows within the combustion chamber indicate, the reaction force which moves the jet plane is exerted against the forward wall of the chamber.

Here's The "Brain" Of The B-29



Here is the G-E computer, commonly called the "B-29 electric brain." The computer is the brains of the remote control armament system, all wrapped up in a little black box. It is an electro-mechanical computer which is connected between the sight and the turret and which mathematically calculates continuously the proper direction for the line of fire. The computer will be included in the science show at the G-E Club Sunday.

Radar Viewing Screen



Letters show objects and land contours, as revealed at receiving end. Shipping is indicated as "pips," a word fairly new to the language of science. Previously it was applied to ladies who look like one in picture.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

On A-Bomb Raid



Robert J. Stock

Cpl. Robert J. Stock, a former Bldg. 4-4 co-worker, was a crew member of the B-29 which carried William L. Laurence, science writer of the New York Times, on that bistoric atomic bomb mission over Japan. Cpl. Stock served as assistant flight engineer of the second Superfort in line on that three-plane mission.

Lt. Richard Langdon, formerly employed in Bldg. 17 and Taylor Street Plant, was a member of the crew of the famed B-29, "Thumper," which was pictured in the August 31 WORKS NEWS under the heading, "Helped Flatten Tokyo." Lt. Col. Robert E. Haynes, commander of the "Thumper," told G-E representatives of Tokyo raids in which the plane had participated. Lt. Langdon is stationed on the Island of Tinian.

Saipan
August 13, 1945

Dear Editor:

Things look a lot better out here, "thanks to the G-E." By the looks of the WORKS NEWS, the G-E workers are still in there pitching.

It is hot here where I am—very hot—but we have a G-E fan to help keep us cool at night. . . . Not only the fan on this ship is from the G-E but a lot more things are made by G-E. If it were not for G-E, I don't believe this old Liberty Ship would run.

I have seen a lot over here, and I am almost ready to come back to work at good old Fort Wayne. It may be a long time before I do, because some of these ships do not know when to come back, but I will be there some time. Give my regards to Bldg. 6-2.

F 2/c Darrell Clouse



Arignon, France

Dear Editor:

. . . I am hoping that in a short while I will be able to get the paper at the company. I have enjoyed reading the paper in my months over here, and it has enabled me in many cases to learn the fate of many of my friends. I have missed the column of Dept. 1 x 10 in the past few months. I would like to see their names in the paper again. The General Electric has done a great deal to hasten the end of this war, and I am very proud that I have had the pleasure of working with this Company. I have met a few fellows over here tbat have worked for the Company, and tbey all feel the same as I do. In closing I am wishing everyone the best of luck.

Sincerely yours,

Pvt. George Crickmore

Awarded Medals



H. D. Willoughby

First Lt. Harrison Willoughby, a former Bldg. 27 employee, received the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal at formal ceremonies at Daw Field, Bangor, Me., trans-Atlantic base of the Air Transport Command. Lt. Willoughby, formerly a C-46 pilot on the Hump run into China, has flown 93 round trips over the world's highest mountain range, the Himalayas.

His DFC was awarded for performing 300 hours of operational flight from October, 1943, to June, 1944, over the Assam-China air route, and the Cluster was awarded for completing 450 operational hours over the Hump, up to August, 1944.

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans Of World War II

Listed below are former G-E employees, veterans of World War II, who have returned to their jobs during August. Look them up. Welcome them back to G-E.

Name	Location	Name	Location
Thomas J. Conroy	Bldg. 19-5	Marvin VanSkyock	Bldg. 19-2
H. D. Patterson	Bldg. 4-3	Marvin A. Degitz	Bldg. 27
Everett McKee	Bldg. 17-2	George Mausness	Bldg. 27
Lawrence J. Bresler	Bldg. 19-2	Earl D. Hendricks	Bldg. 17-4
William C. Pappert	Bldg. 4-5	Homer B. Reider	Bldg. 4-5
Roy J. Burris	Bldg. 4-4	Ronald Van Hoozen	Bldg. 4-4
George P. Green, Jr.	Winter St.	Clair A. Lieurance	Hollywood
Bert H. Leiter	Bldg. 17-1	Howard Conner	Bldg. 20-2
Robert E. Thomas	Bldg. 26-1	Paul Moehring	Bldg. 26-5
Harold J. Hoffman	Bldg. 17-1	Harold J. Taylor	Bldg. 26-1
Robert W. Dammeier	Bldg. 6-B	Kenneth Applegate	Bldg. 4-3
Howard K. Teeter	Bldg. 12-1	Ralph Baumgartner	Bldg. 26-5
Roy Lantz	Murray St.	William R. Slater	Bldg. 26-2

August 21, 1945

Dear Editor:

Have been very glad to have been able to follow happenings at G-E through the WORKS NEWS.

A lot of changes will no doubt take place there in the near future, and a lot of the fellows will be returning, so I am doubly anxious to keep up with the "news." Thanks for sending it and "hello" to the gang.

Gayle A. Jones, RT 3/c

Dear Editor:

. . . I could not have worked in a better company than yours. I enjoyed my two years of work very much. Maybe some day in the future when I am no longer needed in the Navy I will have the opportunity again to work for the General Electric Company. . . .

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Wood, A.S.

August 17, 1945

Dear Editor:

I've moved from Texas to Illinois. . . . I've finished Air Corps basic training, and am glad to come closer to home, where it is cooler.

They are sending me to a Weather Observation School here for 10 to 12 weeks.

Sincerely,

Pvt. R. W. Weaver

Dear Editor:

Well, it feels super to be out of old war-torn Germany. I'm back in France once more, and am happy about the whole deal.

Sincerely,

Cpl. Marion Zent

Bronze Star Winner



Ned Foster

Cpl. Ned Foster, who was recently promoted to this rank, was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious achievement. In the Pacific Theater 13 months, he won the medal in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, the Philippines, during the period from April 17 to April 30. Cpl. Foster was formerly employed in Bldg. 19-1.

Bartlett Jerome Pond visited the Taylor Street Plant recently and said that Fort Wayne looks wonderful once again. He hopes to be back with the same old gang before too long.

Navy Visitor



George Marschand

"I like it fine and am enjoying my training," stated George Marschand, formerly of Bldg. 19-5, "although I wish I could have been in on some of the excitement," on his recent visit here.

V-J Celebration

August 18, 1945
At Sea

Dear Folks:

Well it came at last, and did we ever have a celebration. Although we were at sea, we shot flares and U. S. signalmen were sending . . . — on the light for victory, and shooting the breeze with the other signalmen. More fun, and that's a day I'll never forget. I bet everybody went mad back there.

The next day we had our victory dinner served to us, and was it delicious. The menu was Southern fried chicken, corn, peas, mashed potatoes, giblet gravy, celery, ripe and green olives, hot rolls and butter, ice cream (vanilla), iced lemonade, coffee, and rock candy, and to top it off, the Captain gave us a cigar and the afternoon off. Pretty nice, wasn't it?

From what I hear about the new censorship regulations we will be able to tell you where we are going in the next few days. I will let you know.

I'll bet that you are worrying yourself to death because you haven't heard from me, but it will be quite a while still before we get into port so please don't worry when you don't hear from me. I am O.K. always.

I have to go now, but say hello to everyone and here's hoping I'll be home soon.

R. E. Hart, S 1/c SM

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Transformer OFFICE CHATTER

By M. J. Fletter

We would like to give a special report on the three-day vacationing of everyone; but since that is impossible, let's take a peek at the trip of radio songster Howard Lopa, which was probably typical in many respects. Howard, his wife, Peggy, and another couple went to Cincinnati for Labor Day. The gay, exciting Coney Island was visited, and they even ventured a boat trip which offered a terrific thrill at the end of the ride. They came away—wet! The couldn't-be-missed double header baseball game between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati held their interest for most of Sunday afternoon, and after much other sightseeing, they came back to work Tuesday tired and worn, but glad for the holiday. As we all did! . . Virginia Graff will have much to talk about for weeks to come. She and a friend spent two wonderful weeks in Denver, Colo. They both have agreed without hesitation that the Colorado Mountains are breathtaking. The hospitality of these Westerners amazed the girls and caused them to love that city more. After climbing the Colorado Mountains, Ginny is now ready to attempt the Alps. . . . Now wasn't that thoughtful of a couple of those "characters" in the Cost Section to fill Mr. McNamara's coat pockets with sand. There was a time when his children had only mud to play in and now they have sand. Very thoughtful. . . . What will happen from one day to the next is more than we know. Don Blake went home for lunch one noon last week—a common ordinary working person like the rest of us. He came back a potential millionaire. Maybe it would be better if we made an explanation: He got a phone call while on his lunch hour informing him that he may be an heir to an estate of a Mr. Blake of Texas. We're pulling for you, Don. May this man prove to be a long lost uncle. . . . We all welcome you, Bob Mann, to the Production Section. We like you very much and wish you every bit of success!

A new electrical device analyzes the composition of metal and indicates its maximum endurance.

Two out of every five farms in the nation now are connected to electric power lines.

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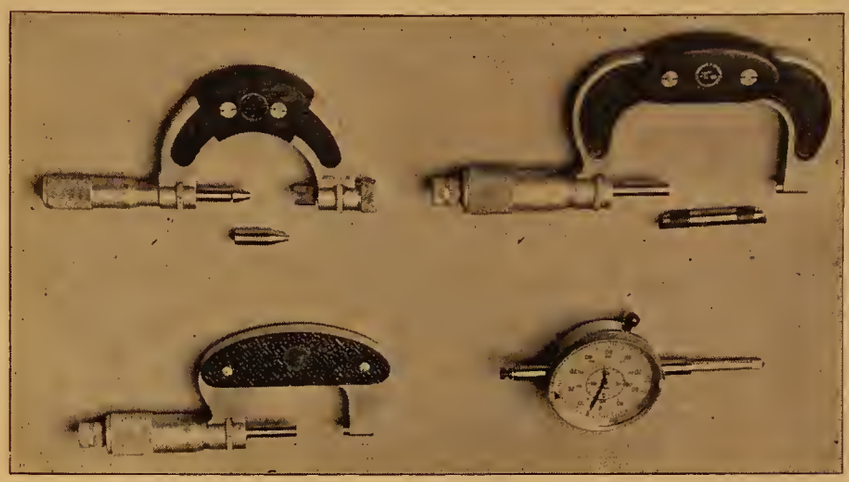


Inspection QUALITY Test

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WAR TROPHIES



These three micrometers and one dial indicator were sent from Germany by Technical Sergeant Robert Pynchon, who formerly worked in Bldg. 19-5.

As the Metric System is in general use in Europe, these instruments are calibrated in millimeters rather than decimals of an inch.

Two other outstanding differences between the above and American made instruments are as follows:

1. **Instruments are cadmium plated, which eliminates light glares, making reading much easier.**
2. **Frames are equipped with insulating grips, which prevent the transfer of body heat and a consequent change in measurements.**

The thread micrometers (in the lower right hand corner) have interchangeable anvils for gaging different threads.

Engineering Does It

G-E Engineer "Burns 'Em Down With Wires" When It's Pruning Time

"Burn 'em down with hot wires," is the advice of H. W. Bousman, General Electric engineer, when it comes to felling trees or pruning jobs about your property.

Mr. Bousman recently felled a large tree by the "hot-wire" method in his back yard at 104 Collins Street, Scotia. And the project was so successful that he plans to eliminate another undesirable tree on his property by the same method.

"It was a simple task," he says. "I had a large black locust tree which needed to be eliminated in order to improve my landscaping, but it was too near the house to be chopped down—not to mention the danger involved for such an inexperienced lumberjack.

"Contraption" Works

"Neighbors had told me that professionals had rather high charges to fell trees of the same size on their property, so I rigged up a contraption to burn them down with hot wires. And it worked wonderfully."

Mr. Bousman felled the tree in sections, first burning off the upper branches, then parts of the 10-inch trunk.

Nichrome wire, which can be made " red hot" and still maintain its mechanical strength while being pulled through the timber, was attached in a semi-circle to the branches. A transformer was then connected with the wires in order to get high current at low voltage, he said, and then it was just a matter of "turning on the juice."

Weights were used to pull the burning wires through the wood.

Ropes Used

While Mr. Bousman allowed the small branches to fall freely as the hot wire cut its way through, he explained that it was necessary to tie ropes around the trunk sections and then to adjoining trees in order to have them fall without damaging his home or other trees.

"The hot-wire system," he said, "does the job accurately and at the same time eliminates all personal danger to the worker."

Burning off the small limbs was a rather rapid process, but it required all night for the wires to cut through the trunk, the diameter of which was approximately 10 inches.

Plans Given

"As soon as I am able to purchase a transformer," said Bousman, "I plan to fell other trees on my property, as well as lend the apparatus to some neighbors who wish to fell trees after witnessing my demonstration."

Mr. Bousman said he also has another useful idea for his device.

"I expect to make a permanent installation with some resistant alloy at the base of the doors," he said. "Then when we have a freeze and the garage doors stick, as they did many times last winter, all I will have to do is turn on the hot-wire system for a neat thawing job."



Hoot Mon, in this modern, post-war age o' promise—(promise o' new tires, new cars, new combination dish washer-clothes washer-ice cream freezer, new television, new phonograph records on little spools o' wire, new full employment, new international police, etc., etc.)—things seem tae get more complicated all the time. In fact, last Saturday, after reading all about such bewildering things in the papers and magazines, (doon at the news stand), I got so confused thot I went out tae Uncle Angus' farm so I could sit in the shade, crush a clod and let the dirt run thru my fingers, and sort o' settle back tae earth.

It's funny how different things look when ye get off far enough from them tae see which are solid and which are glittering tinsel. Weel, sitting there, and kind o' gazing in the direction where my head was aimed, I happened tae see the mower, just in from cutting the late alfalfa crop. Mowers haven't changed much. I saw the same ball and socket joint, where the sickle bar joins the pitman rod, thot I had oiled, put on, taken off, when I was a boy. It allows for all the complicated motion between the two parts, yet can be taken apart in a jiffy.

I wondered at the simplicity o' thot joint. I wondered what kind o' joint some "modern" designers would have made. Would they hai used an intricate ball bearing universal with centrifugal oiling system, and compound overload release?

Weel, let's US not be guilty o' NOT simplifying things whenever we can. Can we eliminate one or two parts in an assembly, or eliminate one or two operations in making it, thus simplifying it, making it cheaper, and less likely tae go wrong? It's anybody's guess—and if we guess right—on a suggestion blank—we can also help simplify our money problems!

Ah, yus, the simple ways are best. As I sat there thinking about it, Uncle Angus came over wi' two luscious hunks o' watermelon —no forks, no plates, just melon. Yus, the simple ways are the best, even if ye do get watermelon seeds in your ears.

Eager Beaver



Shops Fable—

BUCKTOOTHED BUCK from BUFORD



Gather round and listen to the doleful ditty of Bucktoothed Buck from Buford City, whose motto was "It can't happen to me." But he could be wrong, as you will see. Now Buck in the factory cut quite a swathe. He was reckless and daring in work at the lathe. He oiled it while running. He leaned very near to the fast twirling wheel. The guy had no fear. And when his pals warned him "Someday you'll get caught!" he'd laugh and reply, "Don't give it a thought. Those guys that have accidents, they ain't like me—





they're careless—they slip up—not Buck—no siree." So Buck kept it up in his own merry way, paying no heed to what safety men say, till, as all of the shop always figured he would, Buck's guarding angel gave up for good. The very next time that Buck tempted fate, his zoot chain got caught—it was too late. Now up on a cloud in the heavens so blue—Buck's theme song is "It Can Happen to You."





Moral: Catch on to safety—and you won't get caught.

Judge to prisoner: "What's your name and occupation and what are you charged with?"

Prisoner: "My name is Sparks. I'm an electrician and I'm charged with battery."

Judge: "Officer, put this man in a dry cell and conduct him there by a short circuit."

19-B's BUZZ

We welcome Zola Johnson, Carol Shoff, and Annie Fairbanks to first trick. Do you have trouble getting up, girls? . . . It's "back to school" for Dwight Stoner and Bill Hanke. So long, kids, it was nice to have had you for coworkers, even for awhile. . . . Sorry to have forgotten Mildred Clevenger and Peggy Voirol in our "pals who have left us" list last week. We miss you, nevertheless, Peg and Mildred. . . . Enjoying vacations this week are Elfrieda Wolfe and Glen Miller. . . . Herb Kreager is "helping out" on second trick this week. We miss you, Herbie. . . . Glad to report Dorothy Rydell's husband has arrived from overseas. We all miss you, Dorothy, but hope you'll enjoy your leave. . . . Happy to tell you Andy Leuw has been taken to his home from the St. Joseph Hospital last Thursday. Andy is recovering from a fractured elbow received when he fell from a ladder. We'll be looking for you back soon, Andy. . . . No, our foreman, Mr. Seip, hasn't taken up the art of teaching calisthenics; he was only demonstrating to the girls of the process room the correct way to fold V-Belts. . . . We were glad to see Ruby Lassiter when she visited the basement for a few minutes last week. Hope your health has improved, Ruby. . . . Being the grand fellow he is, Art Lucas thought he'd do his good deed for the day, so he pulled some of his choice peaches and gave them to some children passing by. Now Art can't decide whether it pays to be a good Samaritan or not, for the next evening the children returned with pails which they wanted him to fill. How about us bringing out a bushel basket, Art? . . . Bill Nieman, tool inspection, is enjoying a vacation this week. . . . Something is missing around here—oh yes, it's Paul Buker. Our loss is Bldg. 19-4's gain. Sorry to see you go, Paul. . . . We believe Verna Meyers and Gracie Ober are running a race to see who can "bang themselves up" the most. Verna is now sporting a sprained arm, and Gracie is just coming back to work after spraining both ankles. . . . Well, this is about all I can do for this week, so 'bye for now.

B-29 Bomber

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and gun fire control were either made here in Fort Wayne or in accordance with G-E specifications. Many electronic devices, including radio and radar parts, were also manufactured by G-E.

Antenna motors are another item of G-E make on the B-29's, and superchargers (eight of them on each plane, some providing for cabin pressurizing) are familiar to Fort Wayne residents as another G-E war contribution.

Electronics

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the vastest electronic production programs in American industrial history,—an outstanding example of the results achievable 'when engineer is boss'.

"Such executive talents are needed in top places in engineers' organizations, and certainly Dr. Baker may expect to be drafted for other important top industry posts."

Meet "Rosie, The Riveter"

G-E's Electronic Timer Aided Workers By Symplifying Jobs

With no intent to steal any glory from "Rosie the Riveter," probably one good reason why she became an overnight sensation at her craft can be attributed to the work of an accomplice—the General Electric electronic timer.

War plants, particularly throughout the Midwest, found the riveting machine to be one of many applications for his device. They found that with the device, "Rosie" didn't have to be particularly skilled, that she could learn the job of riveting almost overnight, and that once learned her job was fairly simple rather than tedious and painstaking as it formerly had been.

Regulates Blows

In the case of the riveting machine, the electronic timer regulates the number of blows necessary to drive a satisfactory rivet. When the rivet has been accurately produced, the timer shuts off the riveting machine, preventing overdrive.

Technically, the G-E electronic timer provides an accurate adjustable timing control for any processing, cycling, sequencing, or delaying operations, and under such a definition, many war plant workers in addition to the popularized "Rosie" have had their jobs simplified.

Among other applications, the timer has been used on blanket stamping machines, grinding machines, resistance welding machines, centrifugal processing machines, milling machines, mixing machines, induction heating machines, and sign flashers.

Jobs Made Easy

In stenciling the "US" on GI Army blankets, a war job of one firm, both the time of a heat application and time of application of a paper transfer were taken over by the electronic timer, and the stamping machine operator's job was simplified to that of merely pressing a button.

Another concern employed the device on grinding machines used to grind ball bearings. The timer relieved the operator of timing the grinding interval at his own discretion.

The Army Signal Corps' employment of the electronic timer in photography lends insight into a possible popular postwar use. Desiring to eliminate possibility of a manual slip up on important documentary combat photographs, the Signal Corps has used the timer to time nutomatically exposures in photographic printing.

Television Movie Here

The G-E television movie, "Look and Listen," will be playing at the Capital Theatre here Tuesday, Sept. 18, to Thursday, Sept. 20.

Science Show

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government synthetic rubber was made by tons, present silicone rubber output is measured in pounds and all of it went into high-priority war job, one of the most important of these being a gasket for turbosuperchargers.

Progress made in the efficiency of magnetic materials during the war by General Electric Company is something to shout about, experts say. In recent years magnets have shrunk in size and grown in strength, the most important discovery being alnico, an alloy with greater magnetic power than any known material. This will be included in the shows Sunday.

Employees are urged to get their tickets today before leaving work as no tickets will be issued at the door and no one admitted without tickets. Tickets are marked for the 2, 4, or 7:30 P.M. demonstration and are good for that performance only.

MEMO

Remember in September
You have the chance to buy
Bonds you regret you didn't get
In August and July.

Berton Braley

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that_____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed_____

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

DRAFTING

Mrs. Edna Kuhlman is spending her vacation in San Francisco visiting her son, Ora F. Kuhlman, S 1/c, of the U. S. Navy, who is stationed there at the present time. . . . Dorothy Roehm is starting an Art Gallery for the Drafting Room. The first portrait is a character sketch "The Office Wolf" by Dorothan Kirke—others requested. . . . Mr. L. Mensch has returned from his vacation at Adams Lake. He reports the fishing was just fair—no fish stories. . . . Now that Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Didier have the political issue settled, we can expect reconversion and prosperity to move along smoothly.

MACHINE SHOP

This week finds two of our best men back with us—Thurber and Romine. I know Romine had fun, and I'll bet a cookie Thurber did also. . . . Paul Dove is taking over Miss Poorman's job on the hone. This is Russel's last week with us, as he is going into business for himself. We all wish you both the best of luck. . . . Jean Wireman has had the past week off to be with her fiance, who is home from the Army. Have you folks noticed that "rock" she's wearing on her left hand? . . . Hollis Richardson is back with us after a week's illness. . . . Won't some of you old farmers come to Jesse Elzey's aid and tell him why he is losing so many sheep. . . . Your reporter would like to remind all who were present at the Willie and Ralph Winter Street Stag, that we all had a grand time and I would like to suggest another soon, but one for all employees and their families. I'll help. . . . We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Tommy Thompson, who died at his home last Wednesday morning.

PRODUCTION

What do you know, Bill Stockwell had a birthday a week ago. He is sporting a nice ring from Mom. . . . Did you know that John Quaintance wants to buy a nanny goat. Anyone who knows or hears about one, please contact the above party. . . . Betty Clem stayed home last Saturday for a nice rest. Guess how. By helping can(???) bushels of peaches. They sure will taste good this winter. . . . The McClain family was reunited at long last over the week-end; their son came home. My, was Nelda beaming all over the place Monday morning. Even Mickey had that certain proud look last week. . . . Those in the Production Office who took in the fair at Auburn were Shorty Redding and family, and Betty Wilson was seen there also. We hear they have some nice rides; among them was the "caterpillar." . . . Dorothy Schmitt is all smiles this week. Why?? Well, that certain party should arrive soon from France. Who is next in line for the good news? . . . Now, Eileen Kagey was seen the other noon taking a snooze. Better try getting to bed earlier this week, gals.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

Gus Doepke and Ed Gerdom are leaving us to go over to Calhoun Street. We will miss you boys! . . . H. Kaehr enjoyed a vacation last week fishing. With no red points and no fish, Harry said he reduced 10 pounds. . . . Bill Bushing spent last week fishing at Lake George. Bill claims the bluegills get bigger and better each year he goes up there. Anyway, Bill, we know you are a good fisherman, but you are not up with Louis Harber yet. . . . Paul Johnson is still on the sick list. Hurry and get well, Paul; we miss you. . . . Joe Simmers claims he had a good rest on his vacation last week. . . . C. Foulks spent his vacation last week watching his chickens grow. Hope they get big enough to eat pretty soon, Charley, we are getting hungry.

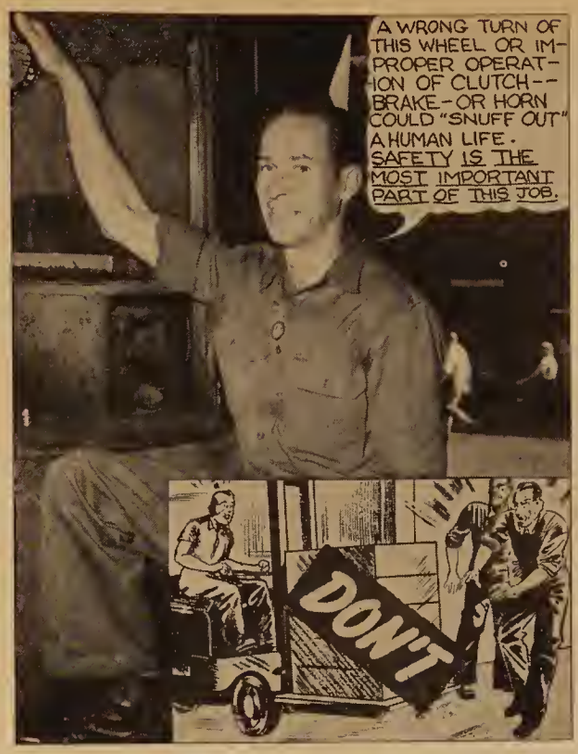
PLANNING

The new draftsman in our office is John Guenther. He was transferred to us from Broadway. Hi, Johnny! . . . We also have another newcomer, Hobart Rether, who formerly worked at Taylor Street. . . . On vacation is Gloria Prough, who is visiting her mother in California. . . . George Green was transferred to Broadway recently. We are sorry to lose you, George. . . . Kenny Allway has been moved down on second floor. . . . Notice! Joe Gruber is wearing his felt hat now. Winter must be just around the corner. . . . W. Mueller's Log Cabin at Little Long Lake was the site for the big stag party. From the reports we heard, everyone had a grand time. Those who attended were. W. Mueller, C. Peden, R. Ade, H. Adamske, G. Macy, R. Klotz, G. Green, K. Allway, R. Keen, J. Murray, E. Gault, K. Roberts, and E. Grant.

COST

Last week was Kenny Kramer's birthday, and he treated the gang to a big birthday cake. He was celebrating his twenty-first birthday for the tenth time.

His Postwar Job



WOULDN'T LAST MANY HOURS, OR PERHAPS MANY MINUTES, WITHOUT A TRAGEDY, IF HE DIDN'T POSSESS A VERY WHOLESOME RESPECT FOR HUMAN LIFE AND LIMB.

Ex-Sergeant Russell Fox, formerly of the 423d C. A. Division, spent a total of 4 years, 1 month in the service; and 3 years, 3 months of this service was overseas.

He is operating the Ross carrier which transports steel across Broadway. Those of you who are familiar with this operation recognize the importance of safety on this job. ACCIDENTS WERE CLASSED AS "UNINTENTIONAL SABOTAGE" TO THE WAR EFFORT; THEY MAY RIGHTFULLY BE CLASSIFIED THE SAME IN OUR "POSTWAR" EFFORT, ESPECIALLY AS THEY AFFECT THE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE INJURED.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Back With G-E



Doug Heckman

The man behind the beard is Doug Heckman, formerly with the Merchant Marines. Since Doug is back with us at the G-E, we thought it would be appropriate to display his picture taken after what must have been a boring trip. He is a former employee of Bldg. 19-3, and now has returned to that floor.

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

Everybody came back after the three-day vacation over Labor Day looking as if they really had a nice time. Lindsey Eastes recently had two weeks off to make it a real rest, and others who enjoyed recent vacations are Anita Ufheil, Charlie Winans, Beatrice Hull, Erma Poinsette, Donna Dinius, and Orpha McCreary. We hope you all had a good time. . . . Gwen Buzby, who left two weeks ago, came back Monday. Seems as if she just can't get along without us. Seriously though, Gwen, it was nice of you to come back for a week so one of the other girls could take her vacation. Come back again sometime. . . . Ray Quandt is back with us on second trick. Nice having you, Ray. . . . Those who left the Bldg. 4-3 Gang recently are Marie Root Leer, Madonna Kolb, Wanda Sheets, Noah Humbarger, Rudolph Langas, and Eileen Stramb. Marie, Madonna, and Eileen are returning home. Wanda is going to Manchester College. Noah plans to devote full time to his fruit market which he is opening up at Taylor and Fairfield. Don't forget him, gang. Rudy is taking another position outside of the Company. Sorry to see all of you leave but good luck, all of you. . . . Ralph Wright has returned to the fold from Bldg. 6-B. Others new to the Bldg. 4-3 Gang are Mary McNutt, Luella Ray, Bessie Justus, and Esther Reiter, all in Group 13 x 54; Chester Warren and Bill Griffith on Inspection; Charlie Whitt on the oven on third trick. Walter Kesler came from Taylor Street to the welding booth on second. James Courtney runs the high frequency test on days. Carl Rush, Marion Gilgon, George Hill, Harold Waters, and John Clark are second shift testers. . . . Ann Coleman was off ill for over a week. Glad to see you back, Ann. . . . We've heard that lumber is hard to get, but we didn't think it is as scarce as it must be at Ann Robinson's house. She sawed her thumb last week. We do hope it is lots better by now, Ann. . . . Dan Ray and Pete Hellenthal really set the pace for the fashion parade when they came in all decked out in new clothes. . . . We want to extend hearty congratulations to Bob Barker, third trick inspector. Bob is now a happily married man. Good luck to you and the Mrs., Bob. . . . We extend belated birthday greetings to Earl Van Zile and Dorothy King. Dottie found out that even though she's a year older she still isn't too big to get a birthday spanking. Earl says he's just beginning to live now. . . . Kenneth Applegate has returned from the Army to join Group 13x11. Woodrow Richardson came to 13x72 from Taylor Street. Glad to have you both with us. . . . We wonder if Helen Hageman lost her badge or if she was thinking about that new pair of shoes she wanted, and forgot it. How about it, Helen? . . . Florence Nester Klitzman, a former employee of Bldg. 4-3, wishes to say "hello" to all her friends. She visited Florence Stanski for a few days and has returned to her home in East Chicago. . . . Don Nahrwold really looked slick when he visited the floor. He is still in the Navy. Hope you get to wear civies full time soon, Don. . . . Could it be that Gladys Linsky is taking singing lessons and practicing while she works? Keep it up, Gladys, even if you are practicing on us, it sounds pretty good. . . . Ralph Springer does a very neat job of polishing the bowling alley at Scott's. He found it doesn't pay to wish things onto other people. . . . The Sewing Club had dinner at the Keenan Hotel in honor of Mary Jane Young's birthday. They presented her with a corsage and gift. Lillian Poiry had the club meeting at her home the following night. . . . We're wondering if Gaylord Evans has taken on a new part time job as mailman. He has been seen quite often mailing letters at noon for other people. . . . Arlene Gaskill was hoping her luck held out 'til last Saturday night, so she could win the beautiful saddle horse which was to be given away that night at the Auburn Fair. We'll keep our fingers crossed, Arlene.

26-5 TOOL BITS

The Check Room welcomes back Hayden Rice and Bill Van Holten from the Supercharger Plant. . . . August Rodenberg returned after spending a "baseball vacation." We wonder if he's taking lessons from the Daisies. . . . Anyone having any "odd jobs," such as cutting grass, polishing cars, washing windows, etc., see Mary Ellen Fox and Hazel Hardwick, as they are trying all ways to make a little "mula." . . . The girls had a little get-together for Loretta Wyneken before her journey to Alaska. 'Tis rumored that Limburger cheese and onions were served. We wonder. . . . Russell Kensill is now in the used car business. Anyone interested in used cars should contact Russell immediately, as his supply is going fast. . . . Paul Weaver, while fishing in Canada last week, caught a few fish, but when two little boys came in with a nice catch, Paul had his picture taken with the boys' fish. Don't brag about your big ones, Paul. . . . Information wanted: How does one know when an eggplant is ripe? Bill Stezter says that the only way he knows is that they get ripe just before they get rotten and that's not very economical, for he wastes about half of them that way. . . . Kenny Sefton believes in seeing the sights before coming to work in the morning. Kenny got lost three blocks from home one morning last week, and after quite a lot of persuasion from his passengers, they finally ended up at the G-E. . . . W. Jefferies returned to work after his vacation, fit as a fiddle and looking younger every day. . . . George Spittler really believes in helping out the weather man. Last Saturday he was seen sprinkling his lawn while it poured down rain. . . . Don Alcott ought to be on the Minnesotta Chamber of Commerce because he carries that map in his shirt pocket. He wants to show everyone what lake to catch them in. P.S. He caught only one big one in the entire week he spent fishing there, we heard. . . . Welcome to Freeman Rohlfing, who transferred from Taylor Street. Freeman works on the bench in the General Die Section. He is an apprentice graduate of a few years back.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Harry Balz has temporarily been utilizing his inventive talents in the air conditioning field lately, using his neighbor, Bob Schulte, as a guinea pig. Results indicate that "Balz's unpatentable posterior Cooler" using a foot square slab of dry ice, heats instead of cools, and Schulte claims it felt like the good old days in the woodshed. . . . Almost everybody in the Engineering Section is complaining or bragging about who they are going to sit beside when the sections get moved around. . . . The experts on how to get a good sunburn are Mary Evelyn Maitlen, Phyllis Hines, Joan Wunderlin, and Gloria Openlander. The girls spent their week-end over Labor Day at the lake and came back wearing bright, red faces. See them for any information. . . . Another proud father on the list is Dick Richards of the A.C. Section. His wife had a baby boy weighing nine pounds. Our congratulations to both of you. . . . Speaking of proud people, Frank Olney, Jr., made an announcement in the Aircraft Section the other day that he was now a grandfather of six Spaniel puppies. What comes next, we don't know. . . . Girls please note—Dwight Willits wearing pretty bobby socks and flashy suspenders. Now if he can only sing, he might even win over some of Frankie's business. . . . When a telephone conversation makes you fall off a chair, that's news. It really happened to Phyl Clark, of the Developmental Section. The call must have excited Phyl greatly; before she knew it, she was on her knees with the chair in back of her. . . . The guards didn't seem to like the idea of Pat Johnson not having her badge the other day, and when she finally got to her desk, she then found she didn't have the keys for her desk. . . . Jerry Duryee got tired of chasing his papers around the other day, so he quietly but quickly stepped to the nearest window and shut it with a bang. Everyone looked up as he turned around and meekly walked back to his desk. . . . The girls in the Sales Section had a wiener bake at Foster Park, Wednesday evening, September 5. It was reported that a good time was had by all. . . . Friends are saying goodbye to Wilma McKay, who is taking a leave of absence. . . . A. F. Welch, consulting engineer of the F.H.P. Engineering Section, retired from the G-E, on Friday, September 7. . . . Robert Koop of the A.C. Drafting Section also left Friday, September 7. Bob is going back to school. . . . Maurice Bennett of the A.C. Section stepped inside one of Detroit's department stories and pretty soon several people came over to him thinking he was a floorwalker. At that moment it must have been pretty embarrassing for him.



General Electric answers your questions about

PLASTICS



26,000,000 fusas. At the tip of this trench mortar shell is the M-51 fuse—most difficult mass production job ever done in plastics. Design was completed and mold started by G. E. the day before Pearl Harbor. Why was General Electric picked for this job?



You'll find the answer in your kitchen. The handle on your coffee maker, the clock case, the light switch—chances are they're G-E plastics. For G. E. has made more plastic products than anybody else. Some you'd never guess. For example . . .



Cloth that wears like steel. Steel against steel is noisy. Wears fast. Imagine, then, a gear made of cloth—packed in layers, impregnated with resin, pressed under heat. Engineers have found that for certain uses these quieter gears outwear steel.



Would plastic bazookas blow up? The first hundred plastics tried failed. Then G. E. laminated a rare paper with a special resin. The tube stood the shock of many firings, was non-inflammable. Now many planes carry these rocket launchers. G-E presses turn out dozens of war products.



Salt-water-proof binoculars won't mildew in the tropics. G.E. worked these out with the U. S. Naval Observatory and specialists in optics. Plastics were combined with metal; to make shrinkage the same, a new metal alloy was developed. Lenses are specially treated for night vision.



How do plastics get born? Designers say what shape, how heavy or light, soft or hard. Engineers design machinery. Chemists invent plastic to fit the need. Then a factory goes to work. In war or peace, G-E research and engineering count in plastics. *General Electric Co., Schenectady, N.*

Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

We now have a new Editor of the G-E NEWS, namely Leona Nelson. I know she will be a success in her new job as she has the background, schooling, and experience, plus a nice personality. Add these and the answer is Success.

We also know that the G-E NEWS can be no better than the news that is turned in from the various sections of the plant. Now it is up to each individual to get on the job and furnisb the news for Leona to publish.

Let's all help make a very good paper a better one, for this is OUR G-E NEWS.

Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Art Tarbeck would like some suggestions as to what he can do on his second week's vacation. . . . Ted Warner says that carp are really palatable and very tasty if you can keep their feet off the ground when scaling them. (And what could that mean?) . . . Robert (Plum-Bob) Till tried to sell "Frosty Alspaugh" some plums. But Frosty refused since he is already in the dog-house from the amount of canning his wife has done. Perhaps Frosty anticipates a long winter. . . . We were sorry to have lost another co-worker, Alpha Tyson, who has left us to take up employment in her home town of Huntington. . . . The individual may not delight in the fact that another year has crept by, but we certainly like the cake and candy we get from such an occasion. This week Martha Arnold was the victim. . . . If there is anyone that can give Joe Tricker some information on how to catch turtles, he would very much appreciate same, as after trying two months without any success, he is about to give up. (Talk turtle, Joe. Just talk to 'em). . . . Orville Robinson has left the second trick and joined the early risers. We do miss him, but we were fortunate to have him replaced by a big, husky fellow, none other than Paul Habecker. . . . We are glad to print that John Heine is convalescing at home from his recent illness which developed on his vacation. He spent several weeks in a Michigan hospital. We sincerely hope your next vacation will be a happy one, John. . . . Russell Deveny is happy these days. His tomato plants are recuperating from their mid-summer slump and are now beginning to bear fruit beyond Russell's wildest dreams. . . . What is this aromatic perfume "Millie the Miller" has in her hair? It sure does create an atmosphere. . . . Red Rarrick's weight has hit the two hundred mark and now he is climbing for three hundred. Well, it's possible, Red. . . . When Howard Poorman made a fishing trip to several Michigan lakes and didn't catch a fish, he came home to his own lake and caught a fine mess. Well, it's been said some people can't see things under their very noses. . . . A certain group of three boys have been planning a fishing trip; they don't know when, but they will go. Hold your hats for the stories, folks. . . . Ray Chrislieb attended the Auburn Fair September 7. That's all right, Ray, I noticed that it was "Kid's Day." . . . Wanted: Some good bowlers on second trick—like Dale Irwin, fer instance.

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Elizabeth Karolyi has left us to take up her duties in Bldg. 2-3 office. We certainly have enjoyed having you with us, and we all wish you success in your new job. . . . Nan Hope passed the candy last Friday as a going-away gesture, for she has left us to join the ranks of the married. Nan, we wish you all the happiness in the world. . . . We are happy to report that Polly Brown seems to have fully recovered from the sprained back she received several days ago from falling off a diving board. . . . A. Wedler (the "A" stands for Achoo!) is slowly recovering from his hay fever. Art says the rag weeds don't get him, but—oh boy!—those daisies. . . . Things I can't figure out: Why Ralph Fishback doesn't wear that big bow tie any more; why Eldon Bell let that bear get away; why Mary Jane Adams likes candy so well; why Carl Reeves' son catches larger fish than his dad; why we don't get more news from this section. . . . Earl Greenlee wants to withdraw his cat wanted item that appeared in last week's WORKS NEWS. It seems that Earl's coon dawgs read this in our column, and now neither Old Rin nor Jack will speak to him.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

Vacations are almost over, summer resorts are closing, schools has been resumed, the football games are starting, and wiener bakes are being planned; all which makes it look very much like the autumn season is almost here. The salaried employees started out right with a wiener bake Thursday, September 6, right after work. Mary Cooper thinks the holes in the floor of the old pavilion should be fixed so she wouldn't have to wear Max Baer row's gym shoes to keep from falling in. The shoes must have been pretty comfortable, because Mary was dancing in them. That, you should have seen! . . . Say, I'll bet you people didn't know that Pat O'Brien and George Langenberg were jitterbugs. They were really doing some fancy rugcutting at the picnic. . . . Everyone enjoyed the community singing of a lot of old favorites with H. G. Seibold beating the tunes out on the piano. . . . The biggest share of the credit for such a swell picnic goes to Miss Trott for all his hard work. He also acted as chef in roasting the wieners. . . . It looks like farewells are in order to some of the personnel in Bldg. 4-5. Joe Bent and Jo Vesey have left the Company; Dick Siefken, Harold Whitmer, "Red" Renbarger, and Bob Chew have been transferred; and Ernie Baade is bidding us goodbye soon to attend Indiana University. . . . The BC Stock Room welcomes Jo Jinks into their midst from the Aircraft Stock Room, and Kay Keller and Juanita V. Linkens into the Brush Section. . . . Small Lot also has Audrey Turney, Mary Gilleff, and Cecelia Horstman as newcomers transferred into their group. . . . Bill Thield is the father of a new daugbter, Mary Kathleen, born August 31. Edith, his wife, formerly worked in the Section 15 Order Service group.

More than 10,500,000 expeditionary force messages have been handled by Western Union since June, 1942, between overseas servicemen and their friends and relatives at home.

LIBERTY BELLES



HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

Hester Root is just beaming with pride, for she is in receipt of a copy of commendation letter to her sailor husband, Dale, from his commanding officer. Dale designed and manufactured a new magnetic clutch for electronic equipment, restoring important radar equipment to service. Hester is planning on having her "inventive" husband on his return from service to be master repair man around the house, with the electric clock, vacuum sweeper, toaster, etc., already lined up. . . . Welcome back in our office, Carmen Sordelet and Geraldine Garrison. It is so good to see their smiling faces after so many months away. . . . Jack Heiniger doesn't have to put in calls on all three floors of the Holywood Building to locate Charlie Siders. Jack just bends an ear—Indian fashion—to the floor, and Charlie's new steel heel overshoes tip him off as to Charlie's whereabouts. Charlie said his new shoes are a gift from his soldier brother and are English. . . . Mary O'Connor has returned from her vacation. Mary bought a new bedroom suite and redecorated her room. She likes it so well that she expects to be in bed each night by 8 o'clock from now on. . . . Henry Borne and his wife have returned from an interesting tour through Canada entering at Detroit and returning via Cleveland. Jim Craw was a little more conservative in his travels. He took his family to South Whitley over the Labor Day week-end. . . . Mary Henry is tripping the light fantastic on the streets of Chicago this week on her vacation. . . . We may now address Ann Schlotzhauer as proud "Auntie." Her new little niece, Cynthia Dale, weighs all of 7 lbs. and 11 oz. Ann is spending her vacation this week buying all the baby clothes in Bluffton and explaining her bargains through the nursery window to Cynthia. . . . Ruth Stier spent one week-end at Bear Lake. Where are the fish, Ruth? . . . Cozette Walper was certainly glad Wednesday was payday, for the horse races at Van Wert were everything but fair to her. . . . Elnora Miller has returned from her vacation, and William Yarman is winding up his vacation this week. . . . There was an exciting moment via telephone the other night for Thelma Clevenger when her husband, Johnie, docked at San Pedro, Calif. Thelma was so excited she could hardly speak but managed a weak hello at the start. . . . Margaret Isaac has returned to work after doctoring up a bad sore throat. . . . One of our proud "anglers" is Bette Walker. She landed a three-pound bass at Snow Lake last Sunday. Bette said her pole even broke during the ordeal but we have no picture to prove the catch. . . . All excited is Betty Kyvik, who is entertaining her fiance, home on furlough. . . . Florence Calkin's ice delivery comes at the oddest times, so says Coleen Johnson, Mary Jane Brand, Helen Brown, Jean McNeal, Ilene Shroyer, and Betty Stemmler. The girls were lunching there during one very warm noon when the ice man arrived with his cake of frosty substance. Wow, was the bathroom a crowded place! . . . Two interesting letters were received the other day by "yours truly" from Robert Firestine, CM 3/C, and Lt. George Knoll. Bob is in the "CB's" on one of the Philippines, and George is moving out of Okinawa. They both are counting the moments until they can be released for home. . . . That's all, folks.

Suggestion Paid Off



Al Timme, Bldg. 4-3 (above) recently suggested changes in turning operations to reduce "out of parallel" rejections in certain fractional field frames and received a $75 suggestion award. He topped last week's list of suggestion winners.

17-3 Newsies

Hello, everybody, here we are back in Bldg. 17-3, and we hope you are all enjoying these nice week-ends. . . . We wonder why Ruth Sites seemed so quiet last week. Sometimes we just wait and wait for those calls to come through. . . . It seems that Floetta Zartman had to take a vacation when her daughter got married. . . . Our other vacationists last week were Doris Pogue and Bill Martin. We hope you both had a good time. . . . Lois Brubaker seems very happy; she got a letter saying her husband is on his way home. We'd be happy too, Lois. . . . Doris Crispen, who used to work with us but lately has been in Bldg. 4-6, Catherine Tucker, and Robert George all left the G-E home; Katie is taking a leave of absence; and Bob is leaving for the Army. Good luck to the three of you, and we hope to see Katie and Bob back with us in the near future. . . . It seems that we forgot to mention that Mary Wright and Jeannette Smith had a very good time in Chicago over Labor Day. It also turned out to be a lucky week-end for Mary. Bet you're fond of horses, aren't you, Mary? . . . Well, folks, that's all, 'bye now.

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

Speaking of fun, nothing could top the week-end the Employment Office Gang spent at the "Edrene Cottage" at Lake George as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ofenloch. Saturday morning two carloads with the Ofenloch's, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Moss, Phyllis Hubhartt, Norma Jean Carr, Charlene Craig, Helen Karnau, and Jock, (The Moss' dog) left for the lake. Swimming, fishing, and eating were the main events of the week-end. However, Saturday evening the women took a moonlight cruise, serenading the passers-by. Other special features of the evening—Mr. and Mrs. Moss performed with a "rug-cutting" routine (or what was that?) A ghost greeted Ed Ofenloch at the door—could the ghost have been Charlene? Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Beer, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Loeker, and Mr. and Mrs. John McMahon and families joined the party Sunday. Norma Jean and Charlene really got themselves a beautiful tan, or should we say "burn." . . . The welcome mat is put out to June Hurd, Mary Floyd and Lela Ewing, all new members of the Accounting Section. . . . Last Wednesday Thelma Olander, Employment Office, left the General Electric Company. . . . Sorry to report that Thelma Henderson, Employment Office, fell and broke her wrist. Certainly hope it won't be long until she'll be back with us again. . . . At this time we'd like to announce that Pearl Baldwin, Bldg. 18-3, has been named "Miss Apple of 1945." Must be more details to that story, but we're without them at the moment.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

Happy birthday to Ruth Schafenacker, who celebrated her birthday last week. . . . Fred Haag has returned to work after being off for a week with poison ivy. . . . When Wilma Buick invests a nickel in a candy bar, she would like to make the selection herself, as witness, the expereince she had with LeRoy Seitz. After dropping a nickel in th candy machine, Leroy hurriedly pushed a lever on a bar of his own choice. As a result, Wilma, not getting her nickel back and being unable to sell the bar to anyone else, is still picking seeds out of her teeth. . . . Helen Kellogg is on pins and needles waiting for her husband, after hearing his voice from the state of Washington. . . . Don Schultz reads the newspaper literally. On the opening day of school he was seen, during the noon hour, playing on some swings at a local park. . . . Now that gas rationing is over, Bob Blomker will probably take his trip to St. Louis. Any passengers, bub? . . . We know that shoes are still rationed, but we didn't know that Gladys Hugenin was so desperate. It seems that Gladys was seen working in stocking feet. Cheer up, Gladys, shoes are soon to be taken off the ration list. . . . We want to welcome to our office Nanette Havert, who comes to us from the training school. We hope you like it here, Nannette. . . . Jean Ewing has an awful time trying to keep stray bugs from dying on her desk. . . . Lois Elzey received a letter from her friend in England and in it was a bracelet made from English coins. Very nice, too. . . . Pat Schnurr is anxiously awaiting the arrival of her brother, Tommy, who has been in the Navy overseas for three years. . . . Beulah Jones can't remember what kind of razor blades she uses. Beulah purchased some double edged blades and she needed single edged ones. She makes a good salesman, though, since she sold some of them to a man who uses an electric razor. Oh, those feminine wiles! . . . Jack Hively would like to inform everyone that he does not have curly hair. It just grows that way. . . . Who is Testabelle Tassel???? . . . Jack Leedy was seen smoking a cigar the other day. What's the reason, Jack, did somebody have a birthday? . . . Would Ray Moore like to sell his outboard motor to Henry Lojek or Everett Keese? Some negotiations seem to be afoot. . . . Who is the pin-up boy that Mary Louise Foulks has in front of her all day? . . . Donnabel Dawson is spending a very restful vacation at home, 'tis said. . . . Question: "Where does Joan Hottman get all her pep?" . . . If anyone has a No. 620 camera they would like to sell, please contact Mary Louise Foulks. (Nothing like helping out a friend with a little commercializing). . . . Does Donnabel Dawson like baked softball? Better ask her. . . . The candy was abundant last Friday when both Margaret Schneider and Curly Mannan celebrated birthdays. . . . We regret to see Paul Hammond, engineer, Bldg. 31-2, leave today but wish him lots of luck in his new work in the Commercial Department at Schenectady. . . . A good man leaves; a good man arrives. Welcoming, Warren Bradley from Taylor Street, to our Bldg. 31-2 roster of engineers. . . . Eileen Gebhard has been learning what a rugged life the pioneers really had. She has been coming to work limping and with bruised and skinned knees and shins, all because of a few hours of horseback riding. What our forefathers could have told Eileen is that the most important thing about riding a horse is to be firm with 'em, Eileen.

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

The office girls of Bldg. 17-4 had a farewell party for Caroline Finch, who left the Company on August 31 after doing her bit to help the manpower situation during wartime. The party opened with a dinner at the Colonial Inn. (Caroline's place was marked with a corsage of gladiolas). The rest of the evening was spent at the home of Emma Haberkorn, where games were played. Several piano selections were given by Cleo Hubbard—one especially appropriate was "Auld Lang Syne" with variations. Refreshments were served later in the evening. The girls all went home assuring Caroline how much they would miss her smiles and sunny disposition. . . . Edith Williams is back after a week of what should have been rest, but instead she cleaned house and worked hard. We thought vacations were for rest, but Herman Deister didn't rest either. He spent his vacation painting. Such ambitious people. . . . Both Helen Umbach and Edna Buist are walking on the clouds these days. Both girls were very much surprised and thrilled when their husbands came home on furloughs. We only wish for them that they were here to stay. . . . The welcome mat goes out to Bill Hurtt, who joined our group on Monday. Lots of luck, Bill, and we hope you like your work. . . . Charley Wise left our Inspection Section to go into business for himself. Here's hoping you have the best of luck. . . . The Test Section welcomes three new members and we sure hope they will like their jobs and stay with us for a while. They are James McClure, Ed Proegle, and Earl Hendricks. Good luck, boys.

A new transmission system makes is possible to broadcast as many as 12 programs at once from a single radio transmitter.

Eager Beaver



6-B BUSY BODIES

Hello again, and a very happy birthday to Lydia (Fran) Miller and Viola Jacobs. May you both have many, many more. We gave them a handkerchief shower, and now they can make a clean wipe of everything. Thanks for the treat, Viola. Fran, after reading the news about the lowering of points of Army personnel, is floating on air cause she knows now that her husband will be home before Christmas. How about that? Great! . . . Carl Steinbacher went to the lake a few days ago, and what do you think he did. He fell into the lake and there wasn't a big fish on the other end of the line, either. . . . Fred Lenz got back from his vacation last week, and from all reports, he enjoyed himself immensely. Is that right, Fred? . . . Clare Fryer came into work one morning last week with his nose and face scratched up. It looked like quite a mess. There are rumors that it was the garage door. . . . We've all heard of fish stories, weird stories, and tall tales but this one is really tops. Dan Augenbaugh has the nerve to tell us that he has corn that grows ears to the extent of one foot and six inches. Tell us another, Dan. . . . Speaking of faces being scratched up—Norval Banter also had some trouble. What happened? . . . Oh yes, Vickie Walker sorta got wet the other noon and not once but three times. We guess no one ever told her that drinking fountains are to drink from. For further details, see your reporter. . . . Well, time to breeze off for now—want to take a quick dip in the ole swimmin' hole before summer is really gone.

Snooper

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

Here it is potato digging time, and Clouse Sesler thinks he'll have to apply for a pair of safety shoes because his potatoes are bigger and better than last year. If you remember, two of them filled a peck sack. . . . Shirley Cunningham returned to work after a week's vacation at the lake. About the only tan she received was on her nose, or was that a burn, Shirley? . . . Famous last words of Kenny Rinker, "Call the mechanic." . . . Fayne Harter says the vacation was grand, but now she needs a rest. . . . Ann Bennett is on her way to California to make her future home. Lots of good wishes, Ann. . . . We were happily surprised by a visit from "Pete" Prince this week. He looks ten years younger, and says he feels that way. . . . We extend our sympathy to Richard Beck in the loss of his wife. . . . Those returned from their vacations this week are Frank Schlink, Edna Etzler, Lee Anderson, Gladys McMillan, Gratton Buchan, Lloyd Brown, Don Fox, and James Kelley. . . . Bob Lauer probably remembers a certain ball game with deep sorrow. Bob went to Detroit to see the game and Philadelphia was leading Detroit 6-3 in the eighth inning. It started to rain, and Bob took off. You've guessed it. Detroit won 7-6 in the ninth.

Kokomo Foremen Form Association



J. Kaade	E. Harnert	H. Chism	L. Dukes	J. Reith	C. Eylenberg	J. Pearce (top row)
R. Smith	O. Turley	H. Weliver	E. Brown	C. Griffith	R. Kallmyer	
L. Martin	E. Meissnest	W. Johnson	R. Armey	H. Wirick	C. Myers	

Shown above are members of the Kokomo General Electric Foremen's Association formed earlier this year. Wayne Johnson serves as president of the group; Ralph Armey, vice-president; and John Kaade, secretary and treasurer. The group sponsored a picnic in August, and plans are now being made for a party. Harold Wirick and Harry Chism are serving as co-chairmen.

Turret Tattles

The very warm evenings of late have brought forth several queer methods of "beatin' the heat." The most novel was the shirtless plan used by Wilbur Close, but we can't understand why he put his hat back on. . . . We regret Giles Pierre's leaving, but the call of business was too great. The Big Job is over, and he feels it necessary to return to the legal profession, from which he departed at the call for help from industry. Youse is a nice guy, Pierre. Come back and say hello now and then. Jim Sternberger will be settin' in the driver's seat, vacated by Giles. Welcome, feller, make yourself "ta home." . . . It has been noted that the second trick creates some very hefty appetites, but why anyone would be carrying TWO gallon cans in for lunch is a mystery. A second trick super was noted doin' same t'other eve. . . . Leo Gaff has left us for the more elevated climes of Bldg. 26-2. 'Bye, Leo, don't forget to write. . . . Have you ever seen the bald pates of three of the better known second trickers shinin' in the moonlight at supper time? Boy that sight sure would be an invitation to a flyin' ship bomber! . . . I wonder if you've noticed the Pike's head, mounted in the office to testify to the ability of some of Bldg. 27's better fishermen. We appreciate the appendage tacked onto the mounting board more than the size of the fish. Sumpin' about if the fish had kept his mouth shut, he wouldn't be where he is. Some very brainy thought behind that! . . . We want to acknowledge a couple of nice letters from way out in the Pacific, the ocean that at long last is living up to its name. Len Bressler "drapped" a line to say howdy, recently, and we say howdy right back. Len is anxious to get home and hear his li'l gal a'talking'. 'Sbeen a long time, no see, Len; we hope you're on your way home before you read these scribblin's. And Li'l Ol' Dale Brown is busy sendin' us "pitchers" of the celebration at Pearl Harbor on V-J Day. Whyn't you jest hop on a boat and some on home, quick like, feller? . . . We advise all and sundry to stand at the corner of Wall and College just to watch Lake Parrish swing the Pontiac around. Boy you can't tell, sumpin' might fall out. And we want to be there to help pick it up. Clhk! Clhk! (How does one cluck on a typewriter??) . . . Well it looks like rain, gang, so I guess I'll hafta stop. 'Bye.

Many drivers operate their cars at speeds beyond their visual qualifications. Adequately safety lighting lengthens horizons at night, the most dangerous driving time even for those with normal vision.

Eager Beaver



Is Zat So?

A lot of familar faces are missing from our section for the present, but we hope that they will all be back with us soon. "Beany" Rodgers left first shift and is now working on second. Best of luck, "Beany." . . . We bid farewell to Joan Hastings, who quit to take up full-time duties as a housewife. Our best wishes go with her. . . . Ruby McBride received a pleasant surprise when she picked up the evening paper and saw her brother-in-law's picture taken during the Jap surrender negotiations in Japan. . . . Bob August, Army, sends his regards to all his former co-workers. Bob is now stationed in the Philippines. . . . Ernie Barr, who recently retired on pension, paid us a welcome visit last week. He is surely looking good. . . . We wonder if Betty Gunning would like to go bicycling again, after the way she got tangled up with her bike on her last ride. Betty was black and blue for a week. Better luck next time, Betty! . . . Johnny Shanahan has been on the sick list. Hurry up and get well, Johnny; we miss you. . . . Birthday congratulations are in order for Ray Smith, Ernest Jones, and Marion Sprague. . . . Three of our "old timers" passed another milestone in their service records. Congratulations to Walter Prince, Bill Putt, and Jack Neuman. . . . We were glad to receive the camp paper from Charley Lauer. The paper was passed around among Charley's former co-workers, and we were proud to see that Charley turned in a good performance on the camp's ball club. We were just wondering, though, why he allowed those three runs to come in during the ninth. How about it, Charley?

Plastics

(Editor's note: Plastics is back in the news again. The reporters were sorry to disappoint the readers—but here they are again, and welcome back, Plastics).

Bldg. 12-1 Third Trick

Hiya' all—Have you missed us? Oh! what a wonderful vacation! And, now that we are working five days a week, we really enjoy those two nights' sleep. . . . With the season nearly over, Will Osmun has converted his car into an open air model. In fact, so much so, he has only the rear glass left. Will doesn't recommend his method of conversion, though. . . . We had a swell time at the farewell party for Ruth Nelson Friday night. Ruth has left to start nurses' training at the Methodist hospital. Good luck and 'bye, Ruth. . . . Alice Parquet has taken over as inspector for third. . . . Marjorie Kimball has been absent several weeks due to an appendicitis operation. Speedy recovery and hurry back, Marj. . . . It's just like old times having Gene Diehm back on third. But where did you lose your songs, Gene? We miss them. . . . Welcome, Marian Roy, who hails from second trick and Howard Teeter, recently returned from the services. Hope you like it with us. . . . So long now. See you again next week.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Here's a little help in solving your meat problems. Mildred Oyer reports frog legs are delicious and lots of fun to hunt. By the way, Mildred reports she has 22 in the refrigerator. . . . Glad to have Wanetta Shulte back with us after spending a 30-day leave of absence with husband, who recently returned from Europe. . . . Have you noticed Carolyn Reynolds this past week? We wondered why that swollen jaw, but are glad to see her back, after having two wisdom teeth extracted. . . . No wonder Naomi Eicher has that "extra" gleam in her eyes. She is expecting her husband home in the near future. . . . Bertha Poole is back to work after two weeks' vacation. . . . Joan Johnson has returned to work after recently being married to Cpl. Earl Johnson. Congratulations and best wishes, Joan. . . . Come on girls and report all the dirt about the people around you, so we can have more of a column. 'Bye till next time.

Office

We had another familiar sight in the Plastics office on Tuesday morning. Jim Denney again left his keys somewhere and had to again jimmey his desk drawers open. Better have some more keys made, Jim. One party suggests you fasten one key to a finger ring. . . . A wiener bake was had by the girls in the office Thursday at Foster Park. Everyone thinks she ate too much, but all agree they had a swell time. . . . We want to welcome newcomers Bob Chew and Harold Scheer to Plastics. Hope you like it here, fellows. . . . Phyllis Guillot is back to work after a week's vacation spent at the lake. . . . We want to wish a late happy birthday to Loretta Mulligan, who celebrated hers September 4th and also a happy birthday to Irene Bultemeier, who has one the 21st. . . . Have you noticed the cute "Baby Bob" of Roseanne Roemers'?

Postwar industrial use of electric power is expected to be almost 80 per cent higher than in prewar 1939.

...E Club Avenges ...ast Defeats By ...enton Harbor, 6-1

...Braden's Men Score All ...Runs In First Two ...Innings Of Ball Game

By Walter Histed

...Doing all of their scoring in the ...st two innings, the G-E Club ...artially avenged past defeats by ...eduing the Twin City Independ...ls from Benton Harbor, Mich., ...d in a game last Friday night at ...enger Park.

...Held to six hits by Fizz Clupper, ...e Club men combined three of ...ese hits with two walks, a sacri...e, and three errors to score four ...ns in the first and two runs in ...e second inning. Meanwhile the ...itors could get only five hits ...f the slants of Emil Bildilli and ...only the fourth, when they com...ed two of these hits following ...walk, were they able to tally a ...n.

...The Club wasted no time in start...g the scoring. In the first inning ...attier started things going with ...single. Young sacrificed, and ...hen Clupper threw past first base, ...th runners were safe and moved ...o second and third on the error. ...arnett promptly supplied the hit ...o drive in the two runs. Bohonko ...reed Barnett for the first out. ...obilya hit a perfect double play ...all to Dodson but he tossed the ...all over Gierke's reach and both ...nners were safe. Schlaffer popped ...Dodson for the second out. Seiple ...ove a long hit between right and ...nter on which he circled the bases ...t was called out for missing ...ird, receiving credit for a double.

...In the Club second, Bush walked ...nd Bildilli sacrificed. Wattier hit ...a Clupper, who trapped Bush off ...econd, where he was retired for ...he second out. Young singled to ...ght and when Snyder's throw ...ent through Leach at third, Wat...er scored and Young pulled up at ...hird, from where he scored on a ...ild pitch.

...Benton Harbor threatened in the ...econd when Leach pushed off with ...a double down the left field line ...nd Deal walked. Bildilli eased this ...hreat by picking Deal off first. In ...he fourth, Snyder walked and, ...fter Borowski popped out, ad...anced to second on Leach's single. ...Deal went down on strikes but ...elby tallied the run with a single.

The summary:

TWIN CITY	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
...erks,ss	4	0	0	Wattier,rf	4	2	1
...emark,cf	3	0	0	Young,lf	2	2	2
...dson,1	4	0	1	Kestner,lf	1	0	0
...yder,rf	2	1	0	Barnett,ss	3	0	1
...orowski,lf	4	0	0	Bohonko,3	4	1	1
...each,3	4	0	2	Bobilya,1	4	1	0
...eal,c	3	0	0	Schlaffer,cf	4	0	0
...elby,1	4	0	2	Selple,2	4	0	1
...upper,p	2	0	0	Bush,c	3	0	0
...chumacher	1	0	0	Bildilli,p	1	0	0
Totals	31	1	5	Totals	30	6	6

xBatted for Clupper in 9th.

...win City	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—1
...-E Club	4 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 *—6

...Errors—Bohonko 2, Clupper, Dodson, ...each, Gierke. Runs batted in—Barnett ...Seiple 2, Selby. Two-base hits—Seiple, ...each. Stolen base—Barnett. Sacrifices—...oung, Bildilli. Double play—Bohonko ...Seiple to Bobilya. Left on bases—...win City 7, C-E Club 7. Bases on balls—...ff Clupper 3, Bildilli 4. Strikeouts—...lupper 1, Bildilli 2. Wild pitch—Clupper. ...assed ball—Deal. Winning pitcher—Bil...illi. Losing pitcher—Clupper. Umpires—...chner and DeHaven. Time—1:40.

Sailor, walking into recruiting ...ffice: Gimme that sales talk again, ...m gettin' kind of discouraged.

A man who is on his toes is ...ardly ever down at the heel.



"NOTHING WRONG—WE'RE JUST KEEPING OURSELVES FROM RUSHING OUT TO BUY EVERYTHING IN SIGHT!"

"Color" Is Added To Baseball When Jersey City Decorates Scoreboard

Fort Wayne Also Enters Sphere Of Moderns With New Board At Municipal Beach

Color was added literally to the colorful game of baseball this season, and a little more nervous tension was subtracted from the fans when the Jersey City Giants put Christmas-colored lights to a practical use on their scoreboard in Roosevelt Stadium, N. J.

One glance at an amber light glowing next to the team position listed on the board tells the fan which batter is up. And, as soon as the batter gets down to business, two closely spaced red lights announce the strikes on him, while three green bulbs tally up the balls. In opposite corners of the board a green and a red light mark up individual hits and errors respectively. Fans no longer have to strain their eyes at printed ciphers or cock their ears to the loudspeaker to keep posted on the split-second plays of the game.

A miniature control panel, which duplicates the layout of the scoreboard and is located in the press box, operates this modernized board by individual control switches set next to washers corresponding in color to the lights on the board. The instant an official decision is made, the operator flicks a switch, the scoreboard lights tell the story, and the fan knows at once whether to boo or cheer.

Glass, gasket-sealed doors are arranged to protect the lighted board from weather and daytime glare, and floodlights for illuminating the board were designed and manufactured by General Electric. Bulbs of different watt strength are used for each color—100 watts for amber, 200 for red and green, and 300 for blue.

The lighting system was devised and installed by E. T. Luck of the Jersey City park department.

Fort Wayne entered the sphere of the moderns too last month when it completed installation of a new electric scoreboard at the Municipal Beach softball diamond. Control of the board is from switches located adjacent to the official scorer. As the inning progresses, there is never a doubt as to the number of strikes, balls, or outs. Four amber lights indicate the balls; three green lights the strikes; and three red lights the outs.

G-E Announces New Line Of Sphere Gaps For Measurements

A complete line of sphere gaps, for the accurate measurement of high voltages used in a-c or d-c testing, has been announced by General Electric's Transformer Division, Pittsfield, Mass. Available in standard diameters of 2, 6.25, 12.5, 25, 50, 75, and 100 centimeters, for spark-over voltage ranges of 8.5-45 to 261-1338-kv crest, the sphere gaps are furnished complete with current-limiting series resistance assemblies.

In addition to providing the most direct and accurate method of gauging test voltages, the gaps serve as protective devices to prevent overvoltage on the test specimen or apparatus during high-potential testing. They also offer the following advantages: Indicate crest voltage regardless of wave form; relatively unaffected by humidity changes in the air; have practically no time lag; and spark-over voltages are very consistent.

The 2- and 6.25-centimeter gaps are both of the table-type, with electrodes mounted horizontally in wooden supports. The larger sizes are of the floor type with highly polished spheres mounted vertically in a rectangular frame. All of the sphere gaps are provided with precision adjustments for gap spacing.

Sphere gaps of 25 cm and larger can be provided with casters for easy mobility, and a motor drive for gap adjustment if desired.

The current limiting resistance assemblies are made of non-inductive, wire-wound rods mounted on treated wooden frames.

G-E Club Softball Team Is Tied In City Series Playoff

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club Softball team lost the second playoff game to the Reserve Club 1-0, September 11, at the Beach.

Reserve Club obtained their one run in the fourth inning on a walk, a fielder's choice, an error, and one hit.

This tied the series at one apiece.

The summary:

C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	RESERVE CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenberg,3	2	0	0	Speck,lf	2	1	0
aCook	1	0	0	Miller,2	3	0	0
Stanski,ss	2	0	0	Culbin,3	3	0	0
bVanRyn	1	0	0	Nolan,cf	3	0	0
Hilgema'n,sf	2	0	0	Huth,rf	2	0	2
cRarick	1	0	0	Yarman,c	2	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1	2	0	0	S.Kowal,sf	2	0	0
Hess,lf	2	0	1	F.Kowal,ss	2	0	0
Scherer,cf	2	0	0	Simmons,3	2	0	0
Anderson,rf	2	0	1	Lundquist,p	2	0	0
Ecterline,1	2	0	0				
Bohde,c	2	0	0				
Starkel,p	2	0	1				
Totals	23	0	3	Totals	23	1	2

aBatted for Lindenberg in the 7th.
bBatted for Stanski in the 7th.
cBatted for Hilgemann in the 7th.

Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
Reserve Club ..... 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—	1	2	0
C-E Club ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	3	1

The G-E Club Softball team won the second half championship of the Major League at the Beach, Saturday night, September 8.

The club's two runs were the result of a walk, a fielder's choice, an error, a passed ball, and an outfield out. The Clark's run came on two errors and one hit.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	CLARKS GRILL	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenberg,3	2	1	1	Ness,3	3	0	1
Stanski,ss	2	1	0	Holman,lf	2	0	0
Hilgema'n,sf	3	0	0	Ueber,sf	3	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1	2	0	1	Kostoff,1	3	1	0
Rarick,rf	2	0	0	Keueneke,p	3	0	1
Anderson,lf	1	0	0	Vorick,c	2	0	0
Scherer,cf	2	0	0	Romano,rf	2	0	1
Esterline,1	2	0	0	Roembke,ss	2	0	0
Bohde,c	2	0	0	Augninoff,cf	2	0	0
Starkel,p	2	0	0	Frazier,2	2	0	0
Totals	20	2	2	Totals	24	1	3

Struck out—By Keueneke (Lindenberg, Stanski, Anderson, Scherer 2, Esterline). Base on balls—Off Starkel (Holman); off Keueneke (Lindenberg, Steuernagel, Anderson). Two base hit—Romano. Sacrifice hit—Stanski. Double play—Roembke to Kostoff to Ness.

Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
Clark's Grill ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—	1	3	1
G-E Club ..... 2 0 0 0 0 0 *—	2	2	2

The G-E Club Softball team won the first game of the 3-game playoff by defeating the Reserve Club by a score of 2-0 at the Beach, September 10. It was a typical game between these two teams, i. e., few hits and taking advantage of all the breaks to obtain runs.

The Club's runs came in the second inning on a hit, an error, a fielder's choice, and an infield out.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	RESERVE CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Lindenberg,3	2	0	0	Speck,lf	2	0	1
Stanski,ss	2	0	0	Miller,2	3	0	0
Hilgema'n,sf	2	0	0	Gulbin,1	3	0	0
Ste'rnagel,1	2	0	0	Nolan,cf	2	0	0
Rarick,rf	2	0	0	Huth,rf	3	0	0
Scherer,rf	0	0	0	Kammer,c	2	0	0
Anderson,cf	2	0	0	S.Kowal,sf	2	0	1
Hess,lf	2	1	1	F.Kowal,3	2	0	0
Esterline,2	2	1	0	Zurbrugg,ss	2	0	1
Bobde,c	2	0	0	Lundquist,p	1	0	0
Feldheiser,p	2	0	0				
Totals	20	2	1	Totals	22	0	3

Struck out—By Lundquist (Lindenberg, Stanski 2, Rarick, Feldheiser). Base on balls—Off Feldheiser (Speck, Nolan, Lundquist); off Lundquist (Lindenberg, Stanski).

Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
Reserve Club ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	3	1
G-E Club ..... 0 2 0 0 0 0 *—	2	1	0

The first three-color electric traffic signal was installed in 1924.

More than 140 operators are required to handle telephone calls at the New York Port of Embarkation.

Bradenmen Come From Behind To Drop Kansas City

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club won its fifth consecutive game last Tuesday night at Dwenger Park, coming from behind in the eighth inning to beat the Kansas City Monarchs of the Negro American League 6-4. Charley Schupp pitched the win for the Club, and while hit harder than usual, was tight in the pinches and was helped by two fast double plays at critical moments.

After the Monarchs had tallied single runs in the third and fourth innings, the Club marked up one in their half of the fourth on a single by Augie Schlaffer and a double by Charley Schupp, who, incidentally, had a big night at the plate with three hits in four trips to the plate.

In the fifth the Monarchs assumed a 4-1 lead when Smith doubled off Barnett's glove in short left and then scored ahead of J. Williams on the latter's long home run to right center. The Club got one of the runs back in their half of the fifth, when Kestner and Barnett were safe on errors and Kestner scored on Bohonko's hit.

In their half of the sixth the Club came within one of a tie when Bush and Schupp singled and advanced on Wattier's sacrifice. Kestner rapped a sharp single to left to score Bush, but the rally ended when Barnett hit into a fast double play, Renfro to J. Williams to Moody.

In the winning eighth after Bush flied out, Charley Schupp singled for his third straight hit and stopped at second on Wattier's single. Mel Kestner singled to center to score Schupp with the run that evened the game. Odie Barnett grounded to short, and everyone was safe when Williams fumbled the ball. Johnny Bohonko crashed through with a sharp hit, driving in Wattier and Kestner with the winning runs.

The summary:

MONARCHS	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
J.Wil'ams,ss	4	1	1	Wattier,rf	4	1	1
Renfro,2	4	0	0	Kestner,lf	4	2	2
Souell,3	4	0	2	Barnett,ss	5	0	0
Scott,cf	4	1	3	Bohonko,3	4	0	2
E.Wil'ams,lf	4	0	2	Bobilya,1	5	0	0
Moody,1	4	0	1	Schlaffer,cf	4	0	2
Matchett,rf	3	1	1	Selple,2	4	1	0
Gray,rf	1	0	0	Bush,c	4	1	1
Hanies,c	3	0	0	Schupp,p	4	1	3
Smith,p	3	1	2				
xMcDaniels	1	0	0				
Totals	35	4	12	Totals	38	6	11

xBatted for Smith in 9th.

Kansas City	0 0 1 1 2 0 0 0 0—4
G-E Club	0 0 0 1 1 1 0 3 *—6

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Edward M. Long (3)*	R. 1, Andrews, Ind.	26-1	Peterson	7:00- 3:30
Lewis Croves (3)*	R. 4, Columbia City, Ind. Coming in on 33 through Churubusco.	26-5	Hoffman	4:00-12:30
Robert Davis (2)*	Markel, Ind. Coming in on 3 through Zanesville and Waynedale.	26-2	Holloway	3:30-11:48

* Number of riders desired.

Cincinnati Reds Will Play G-E Club Thursday



Bildilli Or Schupp To Go Against Big Leaguers

By Walter Histed

On Thursday evening, September 20, at 7:30 o'clock the G-E Cl... will bring to Fort Wayne fans the National League Cincinnati Re... This game is scheduled as a treat for the supporters of G-E Cl... baseball and will bring to Fort Wayne a team managed by ... McKechnie, long considered to ... among the canniest of big lea... managers. The Reds, as do ... McKechnie teams, present a tig... fielding aggregation featuring gr... pitching. McKechnie has alwa... been considered tops as a handl... of pitchers, and the staff of ... Reds contains such top notche... as Bucky Walters, Ed Heuss... Vernon Kennedy, and Elmer Ri... dle.

In the infield are such stars ... Frank McCormick at first base, ... veteran of Cincinnati's champio... of 1939 and 1940. Steve Mesn... former boy wonder, holds do... third base for the Redlegs in t... majority of their games. At sho... stop the Reds have a flashy field... in Eddie Miller, who was bou... from the Braves a few years ag... to fill that spot in the Red's infie... Playing first base recently h... been Hank Sauer, recently ... charged from the Coast Guar... In the outfield Gerry Walker, lo... a favorite of the fans at Bri... Stadium in Detroit when a membe... of the Tigers, is now around th... charmed circle of 2,000 total hi... in his big league career.

For this game Manager Brad... will have ready his two ace pitch... ers, Emil Bildilli and Charl... Schupp, and will start whiche... one appears most ready at game time.

Tickets for this attraction ar... now on sale at the G-E Club a... the Main Auto Supply Company. Admission is $1.00 plus tax wh... a special rate of $1.00 tax paid being made for holders of Boost... tickets. To gain the reduced rate Booster ticket holders must buy their tickets at the G-E Club. Tickets will all be reserved by sec... tions.

G-E CLUB BATTING AVERAGES

Here are the Club batting averages, including last Tuesday's game:

	G	AB	R	H	TB	RBI	Ave.
Bohonko	15	59	12	22	33	15	.373
Barnett	35	142	31	50	61	18	.352
Schupp	14	33	4	11	12	4	.333
Bildilli	19	49	8	15	19	5	.327
Miller	11	16	3	5	5	3	.313
Young	28	90	20	28	35	15	.311
Seiple	37	132	24	38	45	18	.288
Bibilya	34	134	28	38	50	21	.284
Wattier	33	120	14	34	37	17	.283
Bush	35	113	23	29	40	14	.245
Kestner	35	95	18	23	31	15	.240
Schlaffer	6	25	5	5	6	1	.200

Owl League Bowling

At the meeting for the formation of the league Monday, 12 teams were formed. This league is scheduled to bowl on Saturday, September 15, at 11:30 A.M. All bowlers be present and ready to bowl at that time. Please note the time is now 11:30. If you are a bowler and are not on a team, be present anyway, as there are openings on some teams.

The following are team captains:

Team 1, D. Irwin; Team 2, W. Sweet; Team 3, T. O'Connell; Team 4, F. McBride; Team 5, F. Garland; Team 6, M. Walchle; Team 7, R. Zelt; Team 8, R. Dressel; Team 9, R. Crosley; Team 10, H. Lepper; Team 11, H. Richardson; and Team 12, C. Tarney.

R. Zelt was elected president of the league, while R. Dressel will retain the secretary-treasurer position. If you want to bowl, see a team captain, and arrangements will be made.

The Clowns Will Meet G-E Club Team In Return Engagement Tonight

G-E Girls Lose Out-Of-Town Game To Logansport

Softball Season Closed With 13-6 Victory Over G-E Decatur Team

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Club Girls' team traveled to Logansport, September 6, to be soundly whipped 7-0. Although Butch Whiteleather did some really fine pitching, the girls behind her just weren't playing ball. Errors accounted for the loss plus the fact that they were unable to hit Wells, Logansport pitcher, who gave up only two hits.

Last Friday, they closed the ball season with a game against Decatur G-E winning 13-6. Everyone of the girls was hitting that night, with Getty and Evers coming through with home runs. Chuck Drewitt, club manager, pitched the last two innings, relieving Getty. Chuck even came through with a double.

So ends a rather successful season, with the Club team bringing another trophy to the G-E. Full credit must be paid to "Chuck" Drewitt and "Boots" Puff, the manager and coach. May the next season be a bigger and better one.

A Vienna hospital was first to use X-rays—three months after their discovery in 1895.

Tilt Scheduled At State School Diamond At 8:15 P.M.

By Walter Histed

The Clowns, Negro American League "Showmen" deluxe, return to Fort Wayne to meet the G-E Club at State School Diamond tonight in a game beginning at 8:15 o'clock. Featuring the clowning of Ed Hamman and King Tut, the Clowns put on a show that keeps the fans in an uproar most of the time. In addition to all the clowning they have a fast, clever ball team, which was runnerup last year in the Negro American League.

The Clowns were here in July and at that time pinned a 4-2 defeat on the Club tossers which G-E wants to reverse tonight. Manager Braden will send Emil Bildilli to the mound for this game. The Clowns are one of only two Negro teams ever to defeat the G-E star left hander. The Clowns present a strong well-balanced lineup, among whom are such performers as Armando Valquez, snappy fielding first sacker; Alec Radcliffe, third baseman who bats in the cleanup spot, and Verdes Drake, left fielder, who caused so much trouble in the earlier game with a double and a triple.

The Club will be out to even the score for the season with the visitors, and playing the game they have displayed lately, the Clowns will have to be at their best to stay in the game.

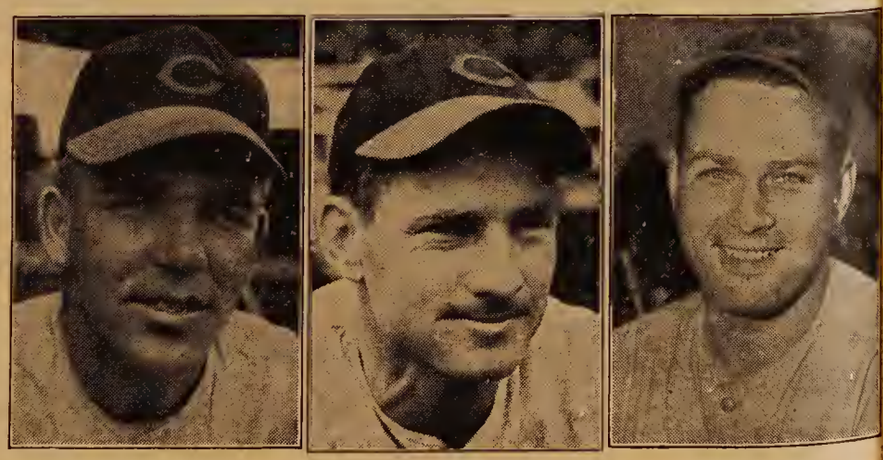
Club Softball Team To Play Doubleheader At Beach Saturday

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club Softball team will play a doubleheader with Auburn and Ossian Saturday evening at the Beach. G-E will play Auburn at 7 and Ossian at 8:30 o'clock.

The Club has also entered a tournament at Uniondale to be held Wednesday, September 19.

With The Cincinnati Reds



ELMER RIDDLE GERALD WALKER STEVE MESNER

The three men shown above will be included in the strong aggregation Manager Bill McKechnie of the Cincinnati Reds will bring here to meet the G-E Club Baseball Team Thursday night.

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What we do in America from now on to preserve and create the opportunities for free labor is likely to determine the future of this nation and of the world.

President Charles E. Wilson

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GENERAL ELECTRIC FORT WAYNE WORKS PREDICTS POSTWAR EMPLOYMENT TO DOUBLE PRE-WAR FIGURE

Education Courses To Be Resumed

Company Reveals Plans To Start Program

With a steadily increasing number of its employees returning from service in the Armed Forces, the General Electric Company revealed this week that plans are being made for the full-scale resumption of its Company-wide educational programs, which have graduated nearly 24,000 persons from technical and non-technical courses.

Designed to give college and high-school graduates practical instruction to equip them for positions of responsibility in General Electric's operations, the Business Training Course, the Test Course for engineers, and the Apprentice Course for high-school graduates have been operating at a reduced scale during the past several years because of the Company's 100 per cent concentration on war production.

Whereas the program of classroom instruction had been virtually suspended by 1943, the practical work programs in offices and factories have continued uninterrupted but on a reduced scale, General

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Works Manager M. E. Lord Announces $12,000,000 Has Been Allotted for New Local Facilities

Estimates of postwar employment at the General Electric Company's plants in Fort Wayne are double the pre-war average, M. E. Lord, Works manager, told meetings of plant supervisors and union officials today, and at the same time announced that about $12,000,000 has been allotted for new facilities at the local works, among them a new wire manufacturing plant.

A postwar employment figure of about 11,000 for the G-E plants in Fort Wayne, in contrast to a pre-war average of about 5,500, was predicted by the works manager in a comprehensive review of the Company's plans for the future.

In its plants throughout the country, General Electric expects total employment postwar to double the pre-war peak figure of 70,000, Mr. Lord said. In a recent announcement concerning the Company's postwar plans, Charles E. Wilson, G-E president, stated that postwar production is expected to double that of pre-war years.

Mr. Lord also revealed that General Electric will cease to operate the Taylor Street plant now that war orders for superchargers have been cancelled. The structure is owned by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and was supplied by the government for the temporary use of General Electric. As a part of the relocation plans of the Company's plastics manufacturing division, the local plastics plant will ultimately move from Fort Wayne.

The $12,000,000 allotted the local G-E plant will cover new construction, new machinery, new equipment, rearranging, and retooling. Mr. Lord said that reconversion to peace-time production is taking place as rapidly as possible, but that no definite time limit has been set for the new expenditures.

Divisions Enlarged

Concerning probable postwar business for the manufacturing divisions in Fort Wayne, Mr. Lord said: "We expect that the demand for fractional horsepower motors will be doubled. An increase of two or three times is anticipated in the Transformer Division."

He said that to meet greatly expanded requirements which result from increased motor and transformer production "it may be necessary to make as much as three or four times more wire." Production of large motors and generators may go as much as 50 per cent above the pre-war level if the anticipated business is realized, he explained.

Winter Street Plant

Concerning production at the Winter Street plant, where air-conditioning and commercial refrigeration equipment is made, the works manager said, "We think that the increased air-conditioning and commercial refrigeration business will justify an increased employment to about the same extent as the rest of the local facilities."

To meet expanded production estimates, new satellite plants are now being built at Danville, Ill., and Tiffin, Ohio. An additional plant is being purchased at Clyde, N. Y. "We

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CASUALTIES

Cpl. Robert E. Coddington, Bldg. 17-4, who has been missing in Holland since Sept. 22, 1944, is presumed to have lost his life on that date.

PFC Lester M. Gick, Taylor St., who was reported missing in action on November 8, 1944, in France, now has been declared dead.

NOTICE

Identification Badges

Effective at once, the use of employees' identification badges at the Fort Wayne Works will be discontinued. Employees may retain their badges.

M. E. Lord, Manager

New Magnet Wire Plant Plans Given

Land Being Purchased On GR and I Railroad

Land is being purchased on the GR & I railroad and along the western end of State Street extended, for the erection of a new building and facilities for the production of magnet wire, it was announced today by Works Manager M. E. Lord.

This expansion of Fort Wayne facilities is to support the anticipated increased demand for motors and transformers, the production of which is expected to provide for about double the pre-war employment in Fort Wayne. and the new satellite plants recently announced —Tiffin, Ohio, Danville, Ill., and Clyde. N. Y., as well as Decatur and Kokomo.

About 40 acres will be acquired and as soon as plans are complete, contracts will be let for building construction and ordering of equipment, and will entail an expenditure of about $3,000,000, and is a part of the local overall postwar program.

All of the operations of the Wire Division now carried on at Broad-

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

1 September 1945

Dear Charlie:

I am addressing this letter of appreciation to the General Electric Company on the day of the surrender of the last of our enemies.

Our strategy of attack, with all the risks it implies, was made possible by our ability to build—or, if necessary, to rebuild—a vast fleet ranging from aircraft carriers and battleships to small boats.

Among the companies which gave our fleet the power to attack, yours has been preeminent. You and all the men and women who have worked with you deserve, therefore, to carry into peace a special pride in a great national achievement.

In this day of final victory the Navy sends you its sincere thanks.

Sincerely yours,
James Forrestal.

Charles E. Wilson, Esq.,
President,
General Electric Company,
570 Lexington Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

W. R. Herod Is Elected Head Of I. G. E.; Succeeds C. H. Minor

W. R. Herod, formerly Executive Vice-President of the International General Electric Company, has been elected President and a Director of that Company, it was announced last week following a meeting of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Herod, who returned to the organization recently, after service as a colonel in the United States Air Forces, succeeds Clark H. Minor, who has retired after 20 years as President of I.G.E. and after more than 40 years of activity in foreign business circles. Mr. Minor will continue as a director of both General Electric and I.G.E. and has been elected Chairman of the Executive Committee of the latter Company. Mr. Herod joined the G-E in Schenectady in 1919, later serving as special assistant in the construction engineering department.



W. R. Herod

Positions Listed

In 1929 he was transferred to I.G.E. From 1934 to 1937 he was assistant to the managing director of the Associated Electrical Industries in London and in 1937 re-

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Not "Home, Safe Home"

The welcoming hand goes out to all our returning veterans, and no family in America but tries its best to make the homecoming one of the great events in the life of the boy who comes back with the crown of the victor. Nothing can possibly be too good for him. Trying to picture this great composite scene the other day, we wondered, just to be different, not how many of the boys would come back wounded, but how many wounded members of their families the boys would find.

For there will be a great many. The National Safety Council says that last year one person out of every 400 families died by accident *and that there was one disabling accident in every three families.* So, more than a few of these fine young men will find tragic absences from the welcoming groups, due to preventable accidents; many more will find one or more members of their families with a permanent limp, a sightless eye, or a missing finger.

As though it were not enough to have been away so long and to have suffered so much in a gallant cause! And the final, ironical touch in one's own return, perhaps unharmed after exposure to death in war, is to see grief in one's home, when a timely thought of safety might well have prevented it!

Many of the returning boys may, in the deadly peril of the foxhole, thought of "home, sweet home" as "home, safe home," but they were wrong. Home is safe only if the family makes it so. In the United States, 112,000 persons perished through home accidents last year.

These are things to think about as we plan to welcome the boys back. America must have fewer accidents of all kinds in 1945.

Christmas Package Time

Even though the war is over, millions of Christmas gifts will go overseas again this year to our armed forces. Scheduled mailing time for both Army and Navy personnel is from September 15 to October 15. It's going to be especially difficut to deliver these gifts safely and on time, the Office of War Information tells us, unless families of service men and women cooperate in starting them off right.

OWI makes these suggestions:

1. If your service man is en route home or about to come home, *don't* send him a Christmas package. If he's to be moved soon, it's safer to wait. In short, don't mail the package unless you're sure of his address and know he'll be there to get it.

2. Use a heavy box and strong cord, and send only usable gifts, like razor blades, canned luxury foods, fountain pens, etc. Never mail perishable foods.

3. Your package must not weigh over five pounds nor be more than 15 inches long or more than 36 inches in length and girth combined.

IT'S NOT OVER...



Gas, it seems, is cheaper and better—also much more plentiful. It is a joy to put your foot on the accelerator and feel the old-time burst of power that makes you think for a moment that you have wings. But it is well to keep the wing business in the field of the purely imaginative and not sprout the kind of wings that take you out of this world.

For the papers are beginning to carry the pre-war type of headlines that tells of woe and carnage on the highways, particularly on Sundays and holidays. One has only to listen to the oil companies' daily radio lament on the death of 5,000 cars a day from old age to realize that there is a period prior to a car's death when at high speed anything may happen.

Time, then, to take several grains of undiluted, old-fashioned common sense with every gallon of the new supergas!



By Frank Leech

Some sweltering early September Saturday afternoon you will suddenly realize that the fight for this year's Victory garden is won—or lost. And perhaps you will be one of the many hundreds of thousands who'll be saying, "The heck with it! I sweated through two (or three) years of Victory gardening and I'm through!"

If that's the situation, brother (or sister), well and good. And our candid advice to you is not to read another line of this. But the odds are against you. The chances are that, come next January, and the postman's load of new seed catalogs, you'll be a backslider; and first thing you know you'll be working over that vegetable seed list again, and probably end up by ordering twice as much stuff as you've got room for.

So the purpose of this column is not to urge you to have a vegetable plot again next year—even though, at this writing, there is every prospect that the food situation will be little, if at all, improved. I merely want to emphasize that, if you are going to grow some of your own food again next year, the way to have a better garden is to start right now.

Look Around

Look around (at your leisure, for it may be too hot to get all stirred up about it) and try to figure out where you can improve things. By allowing yourself plenty of time, you can take it easy, in a step-by-step program, and you'll find yourself getting much better results with no more—and probably less—effort than heretofore.

Let's suppose that on this Saturday afternoon, you've finished your mint ju—mint lemonade—and the westering sun has got low enough to enable you to roll out of your shaded hammock and, without too much discomfort, take a stroll about the garden. Don't look now with the idea of finding any work to do at the moment, but it's none too early to be lining up a few things that can be done as soon as a drop in temperature begins to revive your sagging ambitions.

Succession Crops

First of all, there are bare spaces beginning to show up here and there in the vegetable plot, and there'll be more where early cabbage, early beets and carrots, and first plantings of bush beans and other early midseason crops have been used up or have gone by. Some of these spaces—if you're a proper gardener—will have been replanted, with succession crops and winter crops. But the chances are that some vacant strips exist even today, and there will surely be others as the days go by. The exposed surface dries out or bakes in hot weather, and in heavy rains loses much of its accumulated plant foods by leaching even if the surface isn't partially eroded or washed away.

So why have it bare? The remedy is a simple one. You merely provide yourself with a quantity of rye or buckwheat, or both, if you like to do a little experimenting. Then you rip out the remains of every crop, just as soon as it goes by. The ground it occupied needn't be dug—merely loosened up with a hand hoe or a wheel hoe—sow your winter rye or buckwheat, and rake it in. If the soil is dry, and water is available, give

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Turbosupercharger Played Great War Role

Taylor Street Engineers Made Important Developments

The story of the B-29 and how it bombed the Japanese nation into destruction has occupied the front pages of our nation's newspapers for many months. But the news behind that news—of great interest to the people of General Electric—was the role played by the turbosupercharger in the triumphant success of the B-29 bomber.

The Taylor Street Plant of the General Electric Company produced a great portion of the turbosuperchargers that equipped the fighting bombers of the United States, and so it is interesting to look behind the news—at the story of this war development.

Airplane engines, like people, must have oxygen to breathe at high altitudes. Until cabins, like the B-29's, were pressurized, the crew members solved the problem by the use of an oxygen mask which fed them oxygen stored somewhere in the ship. The problem was not so simple for the airplane engine, but an "oxygen mask" was devised that turned the trick—and that "mask" in effect is the turbosupercharger.

Principle Explained

Turbosuperchargers compress the thin air of the stratosphere into a mixture approaching in density and oxygen content the air at lower altitudes. The turbosupercharger gets its power from the hot gases coming from the engine exhaust. These hot gases spin the turbine wheel at speeds in excess of 20,000 r.p.m. On the opposite end of the turbine wheel shaft there is an impeller, or air compressor, that draws in the cold air and compresses it before it goes to the engine's carburetor.

The impeller end of the turbosupercharger often operates at temperatures as low as minus 67° F, while the wheel end maintains a temperature of approximately plus 1550° F.

Developed in 1918

The turbosupercharger was developed and tested successfully as early as 1918. The experience of the design engineers had been confined almost entirely to steam turbine equipment, so naturally this experience influenced to some extent their thinking on turbosupercharger design. The mechanically fitted, or dovetail method of fastening buckets or blades to wheel blanks, was one of the design features that was carried over, for example.

But great strides had been made in aviation since World War I. Daylight bombing raids were desired, and that required larger and larger ships. Both the B-17 Flying Fortress and later the B-29 Superfortress were designed to fly at high altitudes with tremendous loads and at very high speeds—but in order to do this, the turbosupercharger had to keep pace by delivering more and more of the precious air to the engines.

Welding Decided On

It was agreed by the design engineers that the mechanically fitted bucket had about reached the maximum of its endurance at the speeds and temperature at which it was operating; therefore it was decided to weld the buckets to the wheel blank. In order to meet the production requirements, it was necessary to develop an automatic welded wheel, and to the Taylor Street Laboratory fell the job of developing such a wheel.

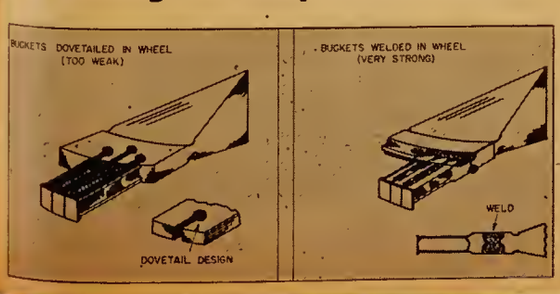
The complexity of the job, which dealt with new materials, new methods, new controls, and new designs, required the skill of engineers, metallurgists, chemists, X-ray technicians, and welding experts. The engineers required specific dimensions and close tolerances; the metallurgist evaluated many new materials as his contribution; the chemists analyzed thousands of buckets, wheel blanks, and welding materials; the X-ray technicians developed methods of showing and evaluating flaws, and the welding expert carried on the actual welding development. The field was entirely new, and each step required experience, originality, persistence, and endless hours of work. Everyone in the Supercharger Engineering and Laboratory played some part in this outstanding coordinated development.

Tests Completed Rapidly

The development of the welded wheel was started April 14, 1942, and the first wheel had passed the final tests at Wright Field on January 1, 1943.

While G-E spent a great deal of money to develop the automatic welded turbosupercharger wheel, the expenditure paid off, because we were able to produce them in the quantities that the plane manufacturers required in order to meet their schedules. And due to the increased speeds that it was possible to obtain with this and other welded wheels, it gave such ships as the B-17s and the B-29s an increased measure of effectiveness.

Welding Development Shown



They Supplied the Know-how for Developments Here



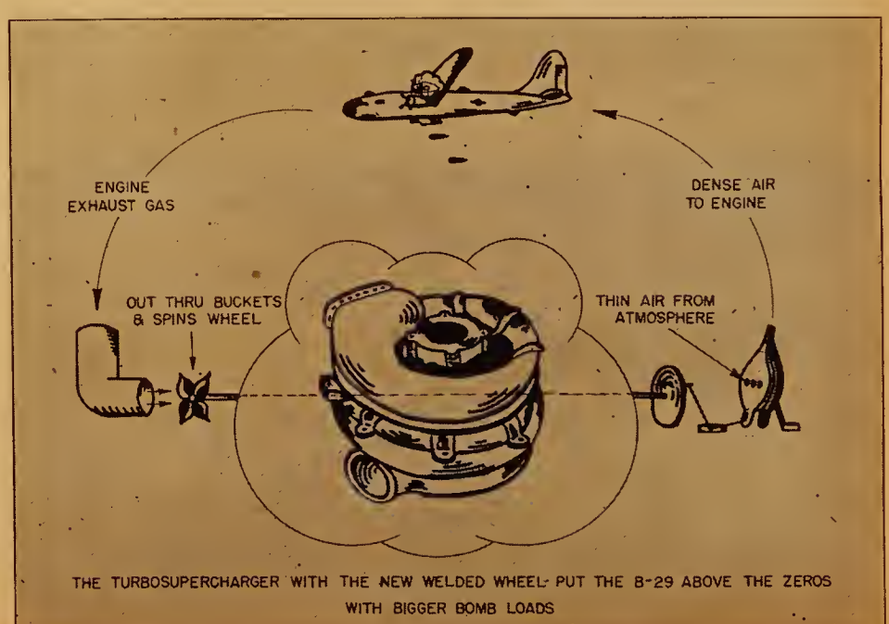
Shown above are men who were largely responsible for the successful development of the automatic welded wheel for the turbosupercharger at the Fort Wayne Works. First row, left to right, J. J. Clarkson, H. D. Kelsey, W. B. Kruse, and W. L. Knaus. Top row, left to right, H. L. Timms, J. P. Morrissey, J. A. Cameron, and R. C. Skiles.

Here's the B-29 . . . .



Pictured at left is the giant B-29 Superfortress in flight. Eight superchargers are installed on this plane—two under each motor, and it was the Fort Wayne Taylor Street Plant that supplied a great share of them.

Principle of Operation Illustrated



R. A. VanHorn Named Head, Motor-Generator Drafting

R. A. VanHorn was recently named Supervisor of Mechanical Drafting in the Motor and Generator Engineering Division.

Mr. VanHorn joined the General Electric organization April 16, 1916, and was first employed in the Blueprint Department. After several months on this job, he was transferred to the General Drafting Department, then located in Bldg. 18. When the DC Motor Department was moved to Fort Wayne from Schenectady and the General Drafting Department was split up, Mr. VanHorn was transferred to the DC Apparatus Department under John Felmlee.

In 1937 the DC Apparatus Engineering Department and the AC Apparatus Engineering Department were combined into the Motor and Generator Department, and Mr. VanHorn was placed in charge of tbe DC work in this combined department as Assistant Supervisor, and was later made Assistant Supervisor for both AC and DC sections.

He served in this capacity until receiving his present appointment.



R. A. VanHorn

G-E MOVIE HERE

The G-E movie, "Look and Listen," will be playing at the Easten Theatre Friday and Saturday, September 21 and 22.

Goin' to the Fair?

G-E Foremen's Club Announces Family Program October 12

The G-E Foremen's Association will sponsor a County Fair for members and their families at the G-E Club Friday evening, October 12, William Walt, chairman of the Entertainment Committee, announced today.

"The County Fair will be something new and different in entertainment for the whole family," Charles Kensill, president of the association, said in urging all members to set aside this date. Mr. Walt is now organizing a committee to assist in making this affair one of the outstanding association events of this season.

This is the first year that the association has had an entertainment evening for the whole family, although for the past two years it has sponsored a Ladies' Night.

Details of the County Fair will be announced later, Mr. Walt said, when the committee is organized and plans completed.

A. J. Brock Gets Job

A. J. Brock has been appointed manager of the General Electric Company's Home Bureau, it has been announced by C. R. Pritchard, general sales manager of the Appliance and Merchandise Department.

The G-E Home Bureau is a technical and advisory service in electric wiring, equipment, kitchen planning, heating and air conditioning, offered by the company to architects and builders.

Garden Grows

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it a thorough soaking, and in a week or so you've got a good green manure crop growing to protect your soil from washing, and to store up, in its roots and tops, the soluble plant foods in the soil which otherwise would be largely lost. The green manure crop merely borrows these plant foods; they are returned to the soil when you dig it under.

Benefits Shown

But the green manure crop does your soil another great service—two of them, in fact. It replenishes the humus in the soil—and humus must constantly be replenished because it can't be stored in the soil and carried along, like your bank balance, from year to year. Then, too, the root growth of the cover crop improves the mechanical condition of the soil by penetrating it in all directions.

When you come to work your ground next spring you'll find a vast difference between a strip that has gone through the winter under a green manure cover, and one which has lain exposed to the elements and to the compacting effect of beating rains and the puddling effect of melting snows.

G-E Employment

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will not only have these new plants," Mr. Lord said, "but our local Fort Wayne facilities will require a level of employment about twice our peace-time normal."

In summarizing his report today, Mr. Lord said: "We know that everyone in Fort Wayne will be happy to hear this news. We are more than pleased to announce it. It demonstrates again General Electric's faith in this community, the electrical industry, and this country."

Wire Plant

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way will ultimately be transferred to this new plant, the capacity of which will be about two and one-half times the present plant.

Jet Engine Story on Air

The story of the beginning of jet engine development in the United States by General Electric, one of the most dramatic events of the war, will be the bright spot on the Army Air Force radio program, "I Sustain the Wings," from NBC in New York Saturday night at 6 P.M. and 11:30 P.M., it was announced Wednesday.

Station WGL will carry the program at 10:30 P.M. The jet engine story will be the first of a series of narratives of G-E war achievements, the rest of which will be broadcast on various future Air Forces programs.

L. A. Zahorsky Has Article Published

L. A. Zahorsky, design engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, has written an article on "Designing the Power Plant for a B-29's Gun Control," which was published in the September issue of Electrical Manufacturing.

The article describes some of the design features of amplidyne motor-generators used in the Superfortress.

Educational

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Electric educational officials explained.

Classes To Resume

With the Company's attention now focused on peace-time production, the classroom courses will be resumed and work programs increased as soon as sufficient numbers of former employees return from military service, and as soon as recruits are again available from college and high-school graduating classes—sources which were greatly depleted by calls to military service.

In peace-time years, and to a reduced extent during the war, General Electric representatives toured the country, interviewing candidates for the Test and Business Training courses. Hundreds of young men were brought annually to G-E offices and factories. Within the Company itself, large numbers of promising young factory employees were chosen for the Apprentice Course and trained for skilled factory work. Some of them were awarded college scholarships.

Development Stressed

"The principle of training which was first adopted in 1892, when Geenral Electric was formed, and which has been continued up to the present has been, first, to develop men by providing them with practical classroom courses, designed for which they are paid," beads of the educational system explained.

"In addition, they are given an opportunity to assume responsibility and are required to take practical classrooms courses, designed to broaden their understanding of the electrical industry and of business in general. As a result, many of the officers and executives in responsible key positions in General Electric today are graduates of our educational system."

G-E Suggestors Get $523 In Awards in Two-week Period

Section 15 Employees Have Picnic To Honor Slater and Campbell

Charlie Slater and Fred Campbell, both of whom were transferred from positions in FHP Motor Section 15, were honored by their former co-workers Saturday, September 8, with a picnic at Pokagon State Park.

A softball game featuring George Langenberg's "Production Flashes" vs. Cleon Oyer's "Mudturtles" headed the activities before lunch. Mr. Oyer also served as umpire, and it's reported that some highly interesting decisions resulted as the Flashes rolled on to win. The margin of victory proved to be Fred Campbell's "Overhand twist" pitch.

H. G. Siebold, on behalf of the group, presented each of the men gifts as a token of gratitude for their years of service in Section 15. During the afternoon the group enjoyed volleyball, tug-o-war, darts, and swimming.

C. J. LeGras headed the committee in charge of arrangements.

W. H. Herod

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turned to New York as a Vice-President of I.G.E. Called to active service with the Army Air Forces in 1942 as lieutenant colonel, he was shortly promoted to colonel and served with the Air Technical Service Command at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and at Detroit. He was elected Executive Vice-President of I.G.E. on his return to the Company.

Mr. Minor joined Western Electric in 1902 following his graduation from Hamilton College and for the following seven years worked for that Company in various capacities throughout the United States. In 1909 he went to Antwerp, Belgium, as managing director of the Bell Telephone Manufacturing Company, continuing there until 1915 and for the last three years of that period also served as district manager of the International Western Electric Company.

Sent to China

Following a brief period in the United States, he went to Peking, China, as organizer of the China Electric Company. From 1921 to 1924 he was European commercial manager of the Western Electric Company with headquarters in London.

In 1924 Mr. Minor was elected a Vice-President of the I.G.E. Company and became President a year later. In this capacity he has supervised the expansion of the Company to its present size. For his work in business he has been decorated by the Chinese, Italian, Japanese, Spanish, and French governments.

For the past several years he has been president of the British War Relief Society, president of the China Society of America, has served on numerous official and private foreign trade committees, and has been very active in promoting extension of the reciprocal trade agreement.

Over a two-week period, 65 suggestion awards were made to employees, according to lists released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Bernard P. Kramer, Bldg. 17-1 headed the list with a $35 award given him for his suggestion on changes in facing and breaking corners operation on 8104670A housings. Twenty-five dollars was presented to Harold L. Frazier, Bldg. 19-5, for his idea involving changes to shaft material size so as to reduce costs.

Other awards ranging from $3 to $20 were given to the following:

Bldg. 2-2
Virgil I. Guiff.

Bldg. 4-1
Frederick W. Schaaf, Leo M. Ebert, Clair E. Allen, Ralph J. Begue.

Bldg. 4-2
Roy F. Bracht, Charles H. Gordon.

Bldg. 4-3
George M. England, James Charles Hoelle.

Bldg. 4-5
Forrest R. Allman, Chalmer L. Hart, Felix J. Neuman, Harry A. Schmidt.

Bldg. 6-2
Irene H. Pulfer, Pansy L. Reed, Art C. Skevington, Harold Waters, Robert C. Johnson.

Bldg. 10-1
Louis D. Hopper.

Bldg. 17-1
Herschel S. Forman.

Bldg. 17-3
Harold Drage.

Bldg. 19-1
Edmund L. Auth, George Paul Moses.

Bldg. 19-2
Lloyd C. Brown.

Bldg. 19-4
Herbert C. Braun.

Bldg. 26-1
Robert A. Bunyan.

Bldg. 26-2
Wendell A. Miller, Savannah L. Stokes.

Bldg. 26-4
Marjorie Dowty, Raymond R. R. Fairfield, Neva Lutz, Robert Snyder.

Bldg. 26-5
John P. Lauer, Robert L. Mesing.

Bldg. 27
Hoyt J. Lynch, Joseph Miller.

Bldg. 31-1
Rita Fleckenstein.

Hamilton Bldg., Murray St.
Paul A. Witte.

Winter Street
Harry Kessens.

Taylor Street
Linus A. Schmitt, Frank E. Walling, Kenneth S. Drew, Donald L. Comer, Curtiss Dailey Mast, Robert D. Hanson, Owen V. Ake.

Decatur Plant
John H. Habegger, Ralph Lloyd Egley, Harold J. Gray, Peter J. Koenig.

Kokomo Plant
Oma S. Kaade, Clifford C. Fouts, Raymond E. Tilley, Ralph Bischoff, J. A. McConnell, David R. Boring, Fred. C. Shoemaker, Eldon Oral Cooper, Pearl L. Kiser.

Lighting engineers recommend that fluorescent lamps be washed with soap and water once a month to insure efficient, long service.

G-E Is Host to Indiana State Chamber of Commerce Saturday



E. O. Shreve, Vice-President of the General Electric Company in charge of Customer Relations, who came here to speak at the banquet for the state group Saturday night, is shown above (without hat) talking to F. N. Reynolds and Austin W. Stults.



Fred L. Schafenacker, assistant to superintendent in the Supercharger Manufacturing Division, is pointing out an interesting item to members of the group as they tour the Taylor Street Plant. Members of the State Board of Directors were guests of the Company throughout the day. The science show at the G-E Club also was presented for them. Sessions were continued Sunday at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce.



Robert Wylie, general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works, conducts Russell L. White, John Barnett, and Harry Reid through the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division in the tour of Fort Wayne G-E Plants Saturday. Many operations of the Fort Wayne Works were shown to the visitors.

S. A. Moss, G-E's Developer Of Supercharger, Gets Holley Medal

Dr. Sanford A. Moss, consulting engineer with the General Electric Company's Lynn, Mass., River Works, and pioneer in aircraft superchargers and the famous turbosuperchargers which are largely responsible for the increased range, speed, and altitude of modern aircraft, has been awarded the Holley Medal for 1945 by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

The citation accompanying the award to Dr. Moss praised his "many contributions over a long period of years to the development of centrifugal compressors, particularly as related to the highly successful application of turbo-superchargers to internal combustion engines in the field of aeronautics."

Attended Cornell

Born in San Francisco, Dr. Moss was graduated from the University of California with the degree of bachelor of science in mechanical engineering in 1896 and with the degree of master of science in 1900 after completing work in connection with gas turbines. Following work as a draftsman on internal combustion engines at General Electric, he went to Cornell University, where a thesis on gas turbines earned him a doctor of philosophy degree in 1903.

It was after his return to the General Electric Company at the Lynn, Mass., River Works that Doctor Moss did extensive work on turbines which ultimately led to the development of the supercharger. Because of the success of his turbines and his wide range of experience in this field, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics turned to Dr. Moss during the first World War for a solution to the problem of giving military planes more power. His answer, worked out in cooperation with the Air Corps, was the now famous turbo-supercharger and later the gear-driven supercharger.

Returned From Retirement

In 1938 Dr. Moss went into a well-earned retirement at the age of 65 but in that same year war clouds were beginning to gather over Europe. Dr. Moss was in London the day the infamous Munich pact was signed. He returned to this country, and, at the age of 67, voluntarily resumed his work as a consulting engineer for General Electric.

Dr. Moss will be presented with the Holley Medal during the annual meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers sometime in the latter part of November.

The Holley Medal was instituted and endowed in 1924 by George T. Rockwood, past vice-president of the A.S.M.E., to be bestowed for some great and unique act of genius of engineering nature that has accomplished a great and timely public benefit. Dr. Moss is the second General Electric scientist to receive this honor. Dr. Irving Langmuir, of the Schenectady Works, was awarded the Holley Medal in 1935 for his outstanding contributions in the field of incandescent lighting.

"Does this package belong to you? The name is obliterated."

"No, it can't be mine. My name is O'Brien."

Thirty-eight per cent of the motor vehicle-grade crossing accidents during 1944 occurred at crossings protected by gates, lights, bells or watchmen, according to the National Safety Council.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We are sorry to see Norma Long and Esther James leave us. It was nice knowing you girls, and we hope you'll think about us once in a while. . . . Our birthday wishes go to Ruth Ann Coonrod and Ellen Gerbers. Ellen says "she is just a kid." Hope you both have many more happy birthdays. . . . Anita Slusher reports she will give a fish fry providing she catches any fish. She is on her vacation. Have a nice time, and we hope the big ones don't get away. . . . We would like to know what it is that Jean Snyder eats that makes her so brave. The other day there was a bug on Jean, and she didn't even yell. Then she said, "See how brave I am?" Come on, Jean, let us in on the secret. . . . Jean Wieant is spending a few days hunting in Canada. Good luck, Jean, and we hope you bring home the bacon. . . . Was sorry to hear Carolyn Reynolds had to take a 30-day leave of absence because of her mother's health. Don't forget to come back as we all miss you lots. . . . Helen White is the lucky gal on vacation this week. Have a nice time, and we'll be looking for you back next week. . . . Sorry to have Katie Parrish, Maxine Johnson, Florence Schmidt, and Helen Shott leave us. We hope you can all be back again soon.



Christian Steenstrup, Famed Inventor, Leaves Company

Christian Steenstrup, the "Daddy of the G-E Hermetically Sealed Refrigerator Mechanism" and consultant for the General Electric Company's Refrigeration Engineering Division, retired September 1. He had completed 44 years of service with the Company.

Best known of Steenstrup's accomplishments is the hermetically sealed refrigeration unit, which he developed and built in 1925. For the first time these units, which had previously been cumbersome and expensive, were brought within reach of the general public.

Was Leader

Steenstrup's machine, which was efficient, simple, and economical to manufacture, became the prototype of the millions of sealed refrigeration units that followed. Thousands of the early sealed G-E units are still in operation today.

With this unit Steenstrup made refrigeration history and won for a second time General Electric's coveted Coffin Award for outstanding contribution to the electrical industry. He had earlier won this recognition for his development of a method of hydrogen copper brazing which made the process practical for commercial work.

Typical Story

The story of Chris Steenstrup is typically American. His career began at the age of 14, when he became an apprentice machinist in a Danish machine shop. As a young Dane he rowed a boat to work across an ocean inlet every day for five years, studied at night to gain the equivalent of a college education, and saved money so that at the age of 20 he might achieve his dream of coming to America as a master mechanic.

Lack of knowledge of the English language proved such a handicap that the only work he was able to obtain was as a ditch digger in Bridgeport, Conn. By studying nights, however, he soon mastered enough English to get a job closer to the machines he loved.

Genius Shown to G-E

His inventive genius came to the fore soon after he began work for General Electric in Schenectady in 1901 as a toolmaker. As a result of his development of an automatic indexing device for use on punch presses, the value of employee suggestion was recognized and the suggestion system now in general use by the company was born. Steenstrup later became chairman of the Suggestion Committee to which all employees may turn in suggestions to be evaluated for cash awards.

A total of 113 different patent assignments has been chalked up to Steenstrup's credit. He made an outstanding contribution to the service of his adopted country during both World Wars by serving as superintendent of the munitions department at Schenectady during World War I and by working on the development of airplane cabin superchargers for regulating air pressure during World War II.

A speed violation was reported for one out of every three fatal motor vehicle accidents in 1944, according to the National Safety Council.

A woman is a person who can hurry through a drugstore aisle 18 inches wide without brushing against the piled up tinware, and then drive home and knock the doors off a 12 foot garage.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Navy Is Great



Harold R. Mason

"I am sure glad to come back and see my fellow employees that I used to work with," **Harold R. Mason**, A/S, former Bldg. 4-2 employee, stated when he visited the G-E recently. "The Navy is a great life if you don't weaken. It will sure be great to get to come back to the G-E and work again after I am out of the service. I know if I were home to stay that I sure would enjoy just going to the lake and fishing until I had enough. Well, best of luck, everybody."

In Tokyo

Three former General Electric co-workers were among the first American troops to enter Tokyo, all members of the 472nd Glider Field Artillery Battalion, a unit of the Eleventh Airborne Division. They were T/4 Roy D. **Crum**, a paratrooper, formerly employed in Bldg. 6-4; T/4 **Richard M. Frede**, a gliderman, Winter Street; and Cpl. **Thomas R. Harmon**, gliderman, Bldg. 4-2.

All three men wear battle stars for their participation in the New Guinea campaign.

Dear Editor:

. . . I can't resist saying how happy I am because the war is over. It certainly is a wonderful feeling—now just to get back in civvies, and I'll be one of the happiest guys in the world. I'm sure proud of the G-E because no one did more to bring the war to an end than they. I guess G-E just can't be beat.

. . . 'Bye now—give my best regards to "everyone."

Sincerely,

A. L. Steigmeyer A.M. 3/c



Gottingeu, Germany
August 17, 1945

Hello:

It's been a long time since I have written to you. Hope you understand and take this letter as an apology.

Lots of water has passed under the bridge since I turned in my resignation August, 1942. I certainly have seen a lot and experienced a lot in many good and bad ways. I can't or couldn't write everything. I would like to, but I haven't the space nor the time at the present. Will try and give you a few of the high spots. Naturally the best or highest thing that happened was V-E Day, and then V-J Day. When V-E Day occurred I was located with my original ack-ack outfit. We were on the east side of the Elbe, guarding a pontoon bridge so the rest of the Army could come across. Yes, it was plenty hot for a while, as we were the first mobile outfit across at that certain spot. We have three battle stars and our ETO ribbon, and also I have a couple other ribbons, but not the Purple Heart, thank God. After V-E Day we were put in the 2nd Military Railway Security; that is we guard supplies on all railways in Europe that belong to the Americans, and that surely is plenty. I have traveled many miles on car, boat, and railroad, and have been to every big place in Germany.

Well, I must end this, but before I do I want you all to know that the production line of America and the good ole G-E was what turned the tide. I hope within a few months to be back there in civilian production line. What are my chances?

I would like to find out if Fred Pyle is still in Bldg. 4-1. If he is, hello, Fred; how are things with you?

Sincerely,

Cpl. Warren G. Harding

Dear Editor:

It appears that before long I'll be heading back to the States. . . .

I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation and thanks for all the WORKS NEWS I've received since being overseas. Most of them arrived promptly and were a real treat always being tops in reading interest. My buddy, Ed Schafenacker, joins me in expressing his appreciation.

Thanks! Thanks for everything!

Sincerely,

Cpl. Max M. Pippenger

Awarded Bronze Star



Max A. Kimble

The Bronze Star Medal has been awarded to S/Sgt. Max A. **Kimble** for meritorious service during June 13, 1944, to September 20, 1944. As chief radio repairman for the 999th Signal Service Company, Max installed and maintained radio facilities when his superior officer was wounded, and the communications continued uninterrupted.

Sgt. Kimble was a former employee in Bldg. 26-2. He enlisted in the Army in August of 1943, and has served overseas since February of 1944. He holds five battle stars from the European theatre.

Recent Army Visitor



D. R. Thompson

Capt. D. R. **Thompson** of the Infantry was a recent visitor to the plant to see friends in Bldg. 20-2.

Marseille, France
August 30, 1945

Dear Editor:

I have received the G-E NEWS regularly and was very glad to have that little link between home and a land so far away.

Please say hello to all my old friends at the plant, and tell them I am hoping to see them all soon.

Give my regards and wishes to all my old friends and my old boss, Walter McKinley.

Sincerely yours,

Sgt. William A. Cook

P.S. We'll ship for the good old States soon.

In Tokyo Bay

MM 2/c **John M. Kuhlman**, Bldg. 17-4, now aboard the USS Compton, said of his experiences in Tokyo Bay: "We left Okinawa, of which you have heard plenty and of which we have seen plenty, on the 25th of August, headed toward Japan. Came the dawn on the 27th and we could see the big battlewagons, the Missouri, the Iowa, and the Duke of York dead ahead, leading the parade as the fleet steamed toward Japan. And we saw a great many other ships, for we traveled up and down almost the entire line. Battleships, carriers, cruisers, destroyers, and transports—we were very much impressed, and the Nips who saw the parade must have been flabbergasted for it gave them thoughts to think about, no doubt. About mid-afternoon the 27th, the Compton slipped into formation ahead of the transport group and entered the harbor, which the Japs call Sagami Wan. No one had told us exactly where to anchor, since we were rather strangers to the group entering, so we picked out a good spot right between the Missouri and the Iowa and dropped the hook."

On August 30 the Compton reached Tokyo bay near the Naval Base at Yokohama.

Sept. 7, 1945

Dear Editor:

I've been in the hospital for sometime now, and am in the good old U.S.A. once more.

I was also home on a convalescent leave and spent a few hours in my old department 17-3 talking with a few of the people there.

Yours truly,

Robert E. Farrell, Rdm. 2/c

Marine Visitor



Albert C. Winkler

A short time ago, T/Sgt. Albert C. Winkler, USMC, visited friends in Bldg. 20-1, where he was formerly employed.

August 19, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . The last time I wrote you was when I was in Australia. Since then I have been in Dutch New Guinea, Montrai, Bieak, Leyte, and I am now in Manila. I arrived in Manila April 7, and am now packed for my trip to Japan.

I am hoping to be back on the job before many months. It will surely be a pleasure to get back with G-E once more. Thank you for the WORKS NEWS that I have so regularly received. I read it immediately when it arrives since it is taken soon after I lay it down by one or the other of the fellows and passed around in turn to others. They all enjoy it.

Yours truly,

Sgt. John Laymon

Merced, California
August 22, 1945

Dear Editor:

I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS since I have been in the service, and enjoy reading about the doings of Bldg. 26-3. It is really swell to be able to read what the plant is doing. . . .

Sincerely yours,

Pvt. Mary K. Bowman

In a recent letter received from **Sgt. Morgan Fortney**, he said that he is back in the States at his new post. He said that he hopes to be working here in the future.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

INTER STREET RUMBLINGS

WINTER STREET GOLF LEAGUE

The final night of golf has been played in the Winter Street Golf League, and the Planners have finished the league with a record of 21 victories and 3 defeats. Executives and Power Drive tied for second and third with 8 victories and 7 losses. Engineers and Grinders tied for fourth and fifth with 6 victories and 9 defeats while Machinists finished sixth and last with 5 wins and 10 defeats. Members of the winning Planners team are: Capt. Glen Macy, Win Kirke, Kenny Allway, Ray Dumbold, Harvey Petty, and Leo Meuser.

As to the results of the final night of play, Planners defeated Executives, 205-206. Machinists defeated Engineers, 198-206, and Power Drive was edged by the Grinders, 204-205. Ed Bireley had high score with 42 while Don Lynch and Hal Staley were tied for second with 44's.

Hal Staley wins the honors for the year, as he finished with an average of 44.4. He edged out Don Lynch by one-tenth of a point, as Don finished second with 44.5. Ed Bireley was third with 45.7; Win Kirke was fourth with 46.8; and Al Cunningham and Arnold Benade tied for fifth with 49.1. That's all for this year. See you at the bowling alleys for the Winter Street Bowling League.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Tom Piepenbrink, who set the pace in the Winter Street Golf League until he dropped out at the end of 10 games, continued his winning ways in bowling, as he was high man for the first night of bowling with 194-222-192 for 608. Royal Roeger was second with 581, and John Schwartz was third with 552. The 200 scores included C. Leegard 223, for high single game of the evening, R. Roeger 222, W. Schmidt 221, R. Billings 215, J. Schwartz 214, W. Kirke 208, G. Castle 206 and Ben Beaty 200. Some pretty hot bowling for the first night, or is this league just going to be tough this year?

Designers, captained by Dean Stonehart, and Drafting, captained by Win Kirke, were the only teams to win all three of their games for the evening. Designers defeated Planners while Drafting won from Power Drive. Machinists won 2 games from Compressors; Toolmakers won 2 games from Testers; Engineers won 2 games from Maintenance; and Evaporators won 2 games from Grinders. Drafting had the best team score for the evening with 2633 while Engineers had the best single game, a 980.

These games are played each Tuesday evening at 8:30 P.M. at the G-E Club alleys. Spectators are welcome at any time, so why not come out and cheer your favorite team on to victory if you do not care to bowl yourself?

The league will be played in two halves, the first half to end December 18 and the second half to end April 16, 1946. Fifteen sets of 45 games will be played each half. Royal Roeger is secretary again this year; therefore, if you have any special questions, he is the man to see.

MACHINE SHOP

We are all wondering why Fred Zurcher is wearing his jacket. Hope he doesn't get too warm. . . . A wad of cotton placed on the screen door will keep flies away. Tack it on with thread or a hair pin, say the experts. Use cotton about the size of your fist or bigger. Any helpful household hints will be appreciated. . . . We were glad to see that Charlie, the sweeper, was back to work after being off a week due to illness.

FACTORY OFFICE

A miscellaneous shower was held last Monday night in honor of LeNor Stephenson, who today was married to Clarence Figel. The shower was given in the form of a potluck supper with Mina Cleverly and Florence Case as hostesses. Guests were Marcella Chevillot, Luella Burnsworth, Sue Thompson, Mildred Clark, Jean Sheets, Margaret Motherwell, Millie Steward, Helen Dueter, Frances Bouse, Velma Sorg, Josephine Treech, and Helen Dammeyer.

ORDER AND STORES

In the Order and Stores Section we have a new face. The name is Mabel Cook from the Supercharger Plant. Hope you like us, Mabel. . . . F. D. McMyler knows some new words for the song "In the Shade of The Old Apple Tree". When do we start the private lessons, Mac? . . . Dick Ashton has returned to work after spending a Sunday in Chicago. We'll give you one guess why he went there. That's right—to see the Chicago Cubs play ball. I'll bet he had to stay home the rest of the week to get his voice back.

PRODUCTION

The Production Section is rather quiet this week, or is it? . . . However, Eileen Kagey was breaking the speed laws week and, worse luck, there was a car ahead of her that stopped, just as she came along. No damage to the car we hear, but she got rather banged up. Better watch out or that bike will throw you yet. Then, to make the day complete, she rode her bike down town in the evening, and when she crossed Calhoun Street, she had a flat tire. Was she embarrassed!!! . . . Mickey McClain has taken his belongings and moved on the other side of the wall. The Navy line has claimed his undivided time there. . . . You know Ralph Schlup went to the lake for the week-end with the Phi Delta Kappas. We understand it was a very dry week-end; he didn't get all the Pepsi-Cola he wanted. . . . Mike Hunter has that Big Smile today. Why? He has received one of those form letters telling him that his brother will soon be on his way home. . . . You know the old saying—"An apple a day keeps the Doctor away." Well, Francis Miller and Leverne Murphy are firm believers. They are not fattening either. . . . Anyone wishing a ride downtown with Ed Rosenberger can be assured of return transportation as long as Bill Stockwell is along to furnish the seven cents bus fare. For full details of last week's "New Deal," get in touch with Bill.

Bulbs Helped Blast Japs



A Christmas tree light bulb ampoule of the type used as a vital unit in fuses developed by the Navy in an outstanding new scientific achievement, which gave anti-aircraft shells near magic effectiveness in the shattering of Japanese suicide planes and other attacking aircraft during the latter part of the war, is being held in the right hand by an employee of the Lamp Department of General Electric Company. In her left hand is a regular Christmas tree bulb. Both the bulb and the acid-filled ampoule were made on the same Christmas tree light machinery at the G-E bulb works at Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio. (See story on this page).

Tiny Christmas Tree Bulbs Helped Blaze Trail to Tokyo

How tiny Christmas tree light bulbs, adapted to a precise wartime specification and harnessed in a weapon of super efficiency, served in helping blaze the trail to Tokyo was announced last week by the Lamp Department, Nela Park, Cleveland, with permission of the Navy.

Filled with strong acid, these glass ampoules, similar in size and shape to Christmas tree bulbs, were basic parts of a scientifically advanced fuse of a new type for shells used by the Navy in antiaircraft operations.

Many Japanese aerial attacks, including a high ratio of suicide thrusts resorted to by enemy pilots, were shattered in split second timing by the precision of Naval antiaircraft fire, which reached new peaks of effectiveness through this new fuse, in which the "Christmas tree bulb ampoule" functioned.

The achievements reached under Naval direction in the development of this fuse were so far reaching that precise details concerning its actual construction and internal operation cannot yet be disclosed. In fact, this mention is the first reference to the brain-like fuse and its accomplishments which has been permitted for publication.

Size of a Thumb

The ampoules are shaped much like the thumb of a woman's hand, and are about as long. They are filled with the acid and sealed. Every measurement is precise to the thousandths of an inch, including the thickness of the glass walls.

The demand for manufacture in volume was immediate after development. The obvious need was to find peacetime facilities that were already available for this pressing wartime job. The answer—General Electric's skilled glass workmen and the Christmas tree lamp machinery they operate—was found quickly by the Navy at the Lamp Department.

Adjustments Made

Since the tiny amopule had to be made with watch-like precision and it was slightly different in shape from the Christmas tree lights, adjustments were made quickly in the production machinery by Lamp Department experts. There also was the delicate and exacting job of filling the ampoule with acid and then sealing it.

An important phase of the almost overnight conversion for war purposes was the saving of money by the Government. Because these already existing mass production facilities could be used quickly, the Navy had to pay only one-eighth of the price it previously had paid for a similar unit, a saving of millions of dollars. As the conversion circle becomes complete again, Christmas tree bulbs are being produced in volume in place of the wartime acid-filled ampoules.

6-B BUSY BODIES

Greetings, everybody! We are very glad to see you again. . . . Welcome to Bldg. 6-B, Fred Thompson. Hope you like the second trick. . . . Also, Gerald McClug (he's bashful). He, too, is working second trick. . . . Lydia Roemke must have had her mind on something other than coming into work because she walked past the time clock so free and easy last Wednesday morning. Must have been that it was pay day. . . . Speaking of absentminded people, we watched a man lock and unlock his car doors three times and then he walked away with one window rolled down. Public, meet the absentminded professor, George Maloney. . . . Glad to see you back, Bill. That is Bill Tracey, who was injured a few weeks ago. . . . Flash! Flash! Herb Garletts went on a vacation some time ago and what do you think he did. Yes, he got someone a beautiful diamond. The gal's name is Thelma Purdue of Bldg. 26. Congratulations, you two. . . . Everyone had a lovely time last Wednesday night, and the food was delicious too. Mildred Furst, Mary Laughlin, Fran Miller, Wava Runion, Clara Zielke, Freida Hartman, Betty Caley, Helen Lantz, and two guests had a dinner at Oriental Gardens and then went to a show. It took a whole row of seats for them—hoarders. . . . Goodbye, Marjorie Putman and may you have a lot of happiness and luck in the future. You guessed it, her friend is due home any time and she is leaving the Company. Wanda Fidler is also leaving us. Joe Ferguson and Doyle Battershell are also departing from our quarters. 'Bye everybody and hope to see you some time in the future. . . . Robert Dammier, you didn't let us in on all. When is the happy occasion to occur? The little lady's name is Wiladeane Overmeyer. Congratulations. . . . The second trick has joined the first trick, and we all welcome them and hope they enjoy working with us as much as we like having them.

SNOOPER

2-3 Office

The Cost Section's own Edna Grossman finds life to be especially beautiful, and growing more so as the week passes, because her special friend is coming home from "Over There". We share your joys, Edna. . . . This one is rather difficult to comprehend, but Frank Calkins doesn't attempt to deny that he got that beautiful black eye by running into the usual door. After a little wrist twisting he gave a story that goes something like this: "I was chopping kindling in the the basement and—Oh, I can't even finish this one; most people won't believe it anyway."

W. H. Wells Appointed

W. H. Wells has been appointed quality control engineer of the Heating Device Division of the General Electric Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by E. E. Folsom, quality control engineer for the Department.

Mr. Wells has recently been coordinating engineer for the Company's gun charger program. His new headquarters are in Bridgeport.



TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR, BLDG. 10-2.

1. I HAVE HEARD THAT a gude job o' C.R.* in The Fort Wayne Works will mean more and better jobs for all o' us.

2. I HAVE HEARD THAT nylon has proved tae be a very gude insulation. Will nylon hose keep girls from being shocked?

3. I HAVE HEARD THAT scrap dealers plant tae pass G-E by from now on. There won't be enough scrap tae make their trips worth while, when postwar C.R.* gets into full swing.

4. I HAVE HEARD THAT die castings are cheap. Sintered metal parts are cheap. But they can't always be used. Should we turn in suggestions on them when we think they could?

5. I HAVE HEARD THAT G-E Electric Sinks (including diswasher and disposal) will be cheap enough for guys like me tae buy if C.R.' does its stuff.

6. I HAVE HEARD THAT Fort Wayne Works is growing faster than other G-E Works. Doesn't this make bigger opportunities for C.R.*?

7. I HAVE HEARD THAT nylon will be used for tires. Why can't the stocking makers put non-skid treads on the soles o' nylon hose, thus eliminating shoes?

8. I HAVE HEARD THAT soldiers coming back to work will not want tae talk about their experiences. Will they want tae listen tae Uncle Angus tell, for the 1000th time, how he fought with T.R. in '98?

9. I HAVE HEARD THAT asking an Inspector tae take a gude look at the first two pieces ye take off your machine, after each set-up. may save a lot o' waste. Ye should not have to make several hundred wrong before ye find it out.

10. I HAVE HEARD THAT Cousin Colin may trade off his Model T. Could it be possible thot he would go in for one o' these new-fangled contraptions like a Model A?

Please don't give me the true facts o' these situations, let me guess!!! Or will you?

Signed, Sandy.

The smallest incandescent light bulb, developed for surgical instruments, is the size of a grain of wheat, barely a sixteenth of an inch in diameter.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT GE WAYNE

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ELIMINATE RETURNS



THIS IS A FRACTIONAL HORSEPOWER MOTOR ON TEST.

Quality in any motor, generator, or transformer is a characteristic or attribute that can be determined by performance.

ELIMINATE DEFECTS
AND YOU
ELIMINATE RETURNS

Build "Customer Satisfaction" into Each Unit

CORRECTION

Picture in the "QUALITY-INSPECTON-TEST" article in the WORKS NEWS of September 14, 1945, was upside down.

Our people know their gages—and told the Editor.

Teacher: "Do you know what a grudge is?"

Little Boy: "Sure, it's where you keep a car."

Mess Sergeant: "Why don't you eat your fish? Something wrong with it?"

Private: "Long time no sea!"

Eighteen per cent of home accident fatalities were children under five years of age during 1944, reports the National Safety Council.

Facts and Fun FROM 3

Just to keep this story clean seems Eloise Dawson must have been listening to some of the operas on her vacation. She into the tub early one evening enjoy a bubble bath and d wake up until early morning the water started to chill off a At least that's the story as heard it. . . . When you find p decide to go on a camping don't invite Rita Fleckenstei furnish the foodstuffs. Last Sa day some of the girls from B 31-1 went to Lake James and tailed Rita to furnish just ONE —the meat. Yep! You guesse They got to the lake and of co the first thing that came to girls' minds was to eat, and meat. . . . Those Jones girls stay out of the news. This Hannah gets the honors. One nour she dashed into the office ran straight to her desk gasped, "Was I lucky! Just bef I left the gate I remembered badge was here in my desk. now where did I put it. Well, wh do you know, here it is in my p I had it all the time." . . . Sev of the fellows in the Planning tion were heard moaning one this week. They had seen the football prediction in the pa and had already started to wo about the rest of the gang call their wives when they win a on the side. It's been a long since we've had to "cough up," fellows? . . . Who said some of city gals aren't "corn-fed?" morning (4:30) recently Schafenacker and Dorothy B cooked and ate several "roast ears." Now we can't decide whet they were finishing the evening starting the day. . . . "NO BLOW" seems to be the wat word of both hay fever patients those suffering from head col Dern it, wish I could blow mi away. . . . Our deepest sympat goes to Laverne Engelbrecht the members of her family in t death of her father, Henry Enge brecht, who worked in the Sha Section, Bldg. 19-3. . . . Al Stilw sure missed his calling. He shou have been a detective as several his co-workers have been telli In fact he has acquired the nic name "Ears" through his effor Helen Kellogg thinks his ears going into a twist trying to he some of those "vital" messages gives to Ruth Schafenacher.

About $90,000,000 worth of far property, one-fifth of the natio fire loss, was destroyed last ye by fire, according to the Natio Safety Council.



Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett

The signing of the Peace Treaty ...s given us all great joy indeed, ...e some are now having a greater ...rill—such as Erma Augsburger, ...ose friend has received an hon...able discharge. . . . Summer is ...ctically over, and Dorothy ...lden has not yet taken her swim...g lessons. Oh, well, Dorothy, ...er up. In about eight months, ...will be warm enough to start ...again. . . . Betty Gaff, the pride ...d joy of Churubusco, has in...rmed us that the onion crop is ...out to be harvested, so it is now ...e to get your winter supply, ...ks. . . . One of the sure signs ...fall is the fact that Herb Ort ...allowing his chin whiskers to ...ow. . . . We are wondering if ...va Waikel is on a diet. She ...s seen pouring her chocolate ...lk in a glass which was partly ...ed with water. . . . Herb (Black...) Ort has taken a sudden liking ...r frozen sherbert. If anyone has ...y prewar sherbert left, Blackie ...ll gladly consume any amount. ... Herman Lepper can hardly ...it for the time when he can ...r his potatoes. Why? So that ...e can get his back in shape for ...e coming bowling season. . . . ...rlo Hawk says his wife likes ...e idea of his gaining weight. ...ell, Arlo, nothing like keeping ...ace in the family. . . . What is ...e reason for Ralph Hach walk...g around with his head in the ...uds? Or do we already know. ... If anyone wants a prediction ...n the coming weather, inquire of ...erbert (Limpy) Gase. He never ...ils. . . . Carl Kloepper got his ...owshoes out of storage and ...xed up the rawhide. He wants ...e be prepared for the coming ...owdrifts. . . . Rosemond School...'s suntan won't improve. The ...eather man didn't help. . . . Clara ...ake completed 26 years' service ...st Tuesday at the G-E. Con...ats, Clara. . . . Hope Mary Do...ne found her lake for her va...tion. She didn't know where it ...as last Friday evening. . . . ...ings you could never imagine: ...ul Beauchamp capturing an al...gator way down South in Georgia ... Albert Birch trying to be a ...ssian Count. . . . Ted Warner's ...ir-raising accounts of the week ...ll appear in the following issue. ... Mr. Gerald Briggs' favorite ...ng: "Oh, it's nice to get up in ...e morning." . . . Lenore Kimble, ...o left our midst, says she will ...ve to stand up to sleep after ...rking on her new job. . . . Sorry to hear Ray Christleb is leaving us. Good luck, and it was good to have known and worked with you, Ray. . . . Dale Irwin will add another candle to his birthday cake next Tuesday. Dale will not be here so that we can all express our best wishes to his personally, as he will celebrate the anniversary at home. (He'll be on his vacation at that time.) We think that was a "planned" vacation, but nevertheless the best wishes from the whole floor are extended to him. . . . DeLos Martin was recently surprised by some of his co-workers at a potluck supper, the occasion being his birthday also. Plenty of delicious food was eaten by all, topped by a large, decorated birthday cake, which was presented by the gang along with an album of piano recordings. This was, of course, very welcome to DeLos. Everyone had a whale of a good time, but that buzzer always rings too soon, and back to work we go. . . . Speaking of more birthdays. Frances Miller and Wilma Rodocker were also birthday children recently and celebrated with pretty decorated cakes and candy. The cake always tastes as good as it looks. . . . A stag wiener bake was recently had by a group of second trick fellows, immediately after work. The location was ideal; the weather was perfect; and the $64 question is, "Who ate the most hot dogs?" . . . A few of our people are still vacationing. Glenna Hyatt has been vacationing the past few weeks at one of Indiana's famous lake resorts and reports the fishing isn't so good, but she and her husband are living in the good old "back to nature" style and are really enjoying themselves. Who said lakes were only made to fish in? . . . Pat Perny of the Flange Inspection Section is also enjoying her late-in-the-season vacation. . . . Tom Harber took in the scenes and sights of the Windy City last week. It was his first trip there, and we hope he didn't get lost in all the confusion. . . .



At the G-E Science Show



The scientific developments of General Electric laboratories went on parade Sunday, as approximately 3,000 persons attended the three showings of the G-E science show, "Future Unlimited." Shown above at left is Edward Hilbert, of the Aircraft and Marine Department, and at right, Moorhead Wright, Jr., of the Advertising and Sales Promotion Divisions, Schenectady, who handled the demonstrations. E. R. Atwell, research technician, Schenectady, also assisted.

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Harold Hart found out something, much to his annoyance. Harold forgot his badge and do you know that as long as he's worked here and been a foreman, not one of the Employment Office personnel knew him. Harold, you really ought to get around more. . . . We have several people added to the second shift roster. Grace Campbell came from Bldg. 27 to work with Group 13x15, and Marlin Roussey is with the same group, transferred from Bldg. 4-2. Bernice Dafforn and Alma Wilkinson are placing coils in Group 13x55 and Edith Croxton is with the same group as coil winder. Gail Wurm of 13x59 Switch Assembly formerly worked in Bldg. 4-5. Wallace Castle is a grinder in 13x58. Jim Collins works in the stock room. Clyde Skinner was transferred from Taylor Street to preliminary field inspection. Robert Purdy also came from Taylor Street but he works first trick on flange inspection. Glad to have you with us and hope you like the Bldg. 4-3 gang. . . . Ralph Shanlin, better known to us as "the barber," left us to return to barbering. So next time you're in Kendallville let Ralph give you a trimming. His shop is at the corner where the second stop light is, on the main drag. Sorry to see you leave, "Barber," and we wish you lots of luck. . . . Margaret Merchant and Hester Bonjour left us, Margaret to return to school and Hester on doctor's orders. Good luck to both of you. . . . John Echer has taken a job in Bldg. 18-3. He formerly worked in Group 13x71. Come see us some time, Johnny. . . . Fred May and Ernie Tatman are convalescing very nicely, according to latest reports. Hurry back, you two; we miss you. . . . Irene Kipfer had three more days' vacation, and Juanita Masterson was off one day. Arlene Gaskill began a two-week vacation Monday and Helen Hageman started one week, also on Monday. . . . Margie Voyls is really walking on air these days. By this time her husband should be home on furlough after two years spent overseas. We don't blame you, Margie. . . . We heard a rumor that Les Wittie dislikes red-headed motorcycle cops since a certain Wednesday. What's this all about, Lee? . . . Gaylord Evans was wondering what happened to the Dispatchers Club since they didn't have their meeting on September 11. Guess he misses things like that. Better luck next time, Gaylord. . . . Walter Kammeyer is open for suggestions on how to campaign for the Dispatchers Club offices. Any help would be appreciated. . . . "Popeye" Patterson came back to work after being off for a while. Glad you're back, "Popeye." . . .

A lot of familiar faces are leaving us and new ones coming in. Among them are Pat Sipe, who is being replaced by Carl Linker in the Stator Section. Lenone Kimbel left recently for Bldg. 17-3, and her place is now filled by Mahlon Grubbs. . . . Kenny Johnson is a new face in the Flange Inspection Section, and Carl Plantner is taking over in the Test Section, replacing Grace Wall. We are sorry to see these persons leave and extend a hearty welcome to the newcomers, and we hope you will like us. . . . I have made a few contacts with people on the floor to obtain better coverage of the floor for Four Forums. The following persons have graciously consented to serve as a "collection point" for news. If you have anything, jot it down and hand to one of the following: Virgil Hammond, first trick; Ted Slough, second trick; Mae Schnitt, first trick; Katherine Norr, second trick; Mary Hakes, first trick; Francis Tanner, first trick; Jim Crockett, anytime; Carl Reeves, first trick; and George Husek, second trick.



The Kokomo G-E Club sponsored a picnic for members and their families at the Izaak Walton Club House, Thursday night, September 13. A picnic supper of hot dogs, potato salad, cokes, and ice cream was served. Everyone had a pleasant evening, and the party committee was more than pleased at the large turn out. The committee wants to thank everyone for the splendid cooperation. . . . Our best wishes go to Mary and Nola Cagley, who left us to begin their freshman year at I. U. . . . We miss Helen Moffit, who moved to Arizona last week. . . . Personnel of the Shipping Section think they have an up and coming Barney Oldfield. If you don't think so, just get in John Wheeler's way when he is on the little yellow jeep. We have just learned that Dorothy Rudicel, the Shipping Section typist, is a lover of fine, old cheeses. She had a tasty morsel of limburger hidden under her typewriter the other afternoon, and to try to create an appetite for it among her friends, she rubbed some on the telephone receiver so that all might capture its fragrance. What next, friends, what next? . . . Congratulations to Jack Brunk, who is the proud papa of a new baby girl.

Rose Podner took her vacation and went to Florida, where she was married to Virgil Hueston, formerly of Bldg. 2-3 office, now in the service. Congratulations and best of luck to you both. . . . Well, folks this is it—the column we've been hating to write. You see, this is the last "Howdy, Folks!" to be written by us. Most of you have guessed who the writers of this column are. We really have enjoyed getting the news together and combining it into a column. We hope we haven't said anything to make anyone angry, as it was all in fun and no personal "digs" were intended. If someone else would like to take over this column (and we would like it very much if they would), please see Charlie Winans, foreman over the Winding Section on second trick. Arlene is being transferred a little later on and Helen is leaving the factory. Goodbye and good luck to all of you.



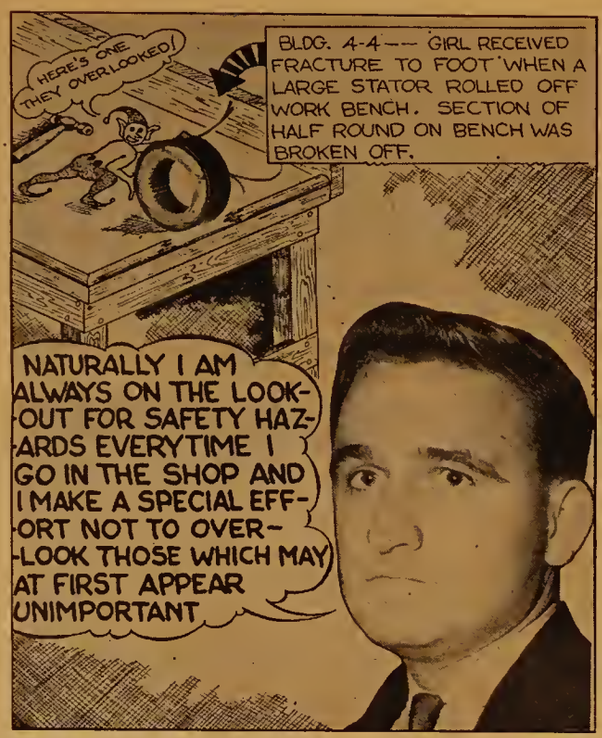
Hi-Nites In 17-1

Well, it's getting to be a job to write this column what with so many of our helpers and our material being transferred to other sections, but we will endeavor to get a line on things anyway. . . . Bowling season has started, and the pins are really being knocked around, to hear the boys tell it. . . . O. Shelper has been rather quiet about a particular game he bowled with his wife. It so happened she beat him two out of three games. He soon found out that bribes would not keep it out of this column, even if it did cost him a few cigars. . . . Garland Myers was all set to bowl on Saturdays, but he apparently has dropped such plans now. Maybe there's a later development by this time. . . . Also, what now! I think we need a "Helping Hand Section." . . . "Blue Gill" Pierce wants to know what to do for fishing when it's too warm for ice fishing and too cold for summer fishing. (Well, he could give the sardine industry a little business and buy a few cans until the ice comes on)....Famous last words of Keith Brickley, "Why does everything happen to me." . . . Virg Best is wanting to swap his outboard motor for a Christmas tree with a new 1946 automobile under it. If interested write to Santa Claus, c/o Virg Best. . . . Paul Geiger has proven that he can grow corn as tall as they do in Iowa. He has the most scientific way of making what would otherwise be normal corn grow so tall that picking it presents a new problem. His method is not to worry about bugs, corn-borers, etc., but get rid of the wild bunnies. Last winter the hunter that "rid" his farm of rabbits made three separate trips and bagged one lonesome bunny. Now this bunny was either lost or had strayed on this farm in search of a few grains of corn. But anyway the corn grew, and Paul has a picture to prove it.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

A housewarming party was held in honor of Elma Berger. She received a nice gift from the girls —Leona Luttman, Loretta Bloom, Emma Meyers, Gladys Freeman, Golda Mentzer, Velma Meads, and Betty Hawk. . . . Don Edgar really knows his horses. He won a horse-pulling contest—and then turned around to win a prize for being the best horseman. Don't pop your buttons, Don. . . . We are proud of Rosemary Furry. She came home with a trophy—third in bowmanship. Now, you'll have to shoot us a deer with your little bow and arrow, Rosemary. . . . We welcome home Cloyd (Red) Dillmon, who has been missing from the Bldg. 26-2 Tool Room for five weeks. . . . Howard Shippman and Henry Webster are back to work from vacationing. We hear that Henry almost joined the "Skunk Club" while he was away. . . . Don Hollman and Connie Fiest bragged just once too often; they now belong to the Skunk Club—too bad. . . . Al Miller should really be careful what kind of candy he buys. Carmels are rather hard on the teeth, huh, Al?

It Is a Long List



BUT YOU MAY SAVE YOURSELF A LOT OF GRIEF BY READING IT TO THE END. THE FOLLOWING REPRESENT NEARLY ONE-HALF THE TOTAL LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS SO FAR THIS YEAR —THEY ARE FALLS OF PERSONS OR MATERIAL.

Conveyor gate fell on employee's hand, (FRACTURE END OF MIDDLE FINGER). . . . Nozzle box fell on employee's foot, (CONTUSION OF FOOT). . . . Box of freight fell on employee's foot, (FRACTURED TOES). . . . Stator dropped on employee's foot, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Radiator, which was being lifted, fell on employee's foot, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Roll of paper rolled off hand truck, striking employee's foot, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Die slipped out of employee's hand, striking foot, (FRACTURED TOE).

Employee slipped on ice in yard, (CONTUSION SHOULDER AND CHEST). . . . Employee in turning tripped over foot, (SPRAINED ANKLE). . . . Fell on ice in yard, (BACK SPRAIN). . . . Slipped off of foot rest, striking body against table. . . . Casting fell off crane hook, (FRACTURED METATARSAL). . . . Large can filled with water fell on employee's foot, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Motor-generator set (wgt. about 400 lbs.) fell on electrician's foot, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Stator rolled off work table of Kayser winding machine, (CONTUSION TO TOE).

Fell on stairs, (LACERATION TO KNEE). . . . Turned ankle and fell, (CHIP FRACTURE TO METATARSAL). . . . Fell backwards off of platform, (CONTUSION LEFT LOWER RIB REGION). . . . Tripped on piece of material on floor, (SPRAINED ANKLE). . . . Tripped over tool box sitting in aisle, (SPRAINED ANKLE). . . . Stubbed toe on incline in building, (SPRAINED ANKLE). . . . Spool of wire (wgt. about 280 lbs.) fell on employee's finger when being handled with hoist, (AMPUTATION DISTAL PHALANX LEFT MIDDLE FINGER).

Employee slipped when walking on roll conveyor, (INJURED KNEE). . . . Slipped on vomitus on floor, (CONTUSION TO FOREHEAD AND ELBOW). . . . Dropped pallet on foot, (CONTUSION AND ABRASION TO FOOT). . . . Spool of wire rolled off platform, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Employee dropped armature, striking wrist, (CONTUSION). . . . Two employees tilted barrel, it fell back striking one of them on the shin, (CONTUSION). . . . A piece of sheet metal fell from fork, striking man's hand, (SEVERED TENDON).

Molder slipped on flash on floor, (CONTUSION TO HIP). . . . Employee pulling on coil spring in a vise. The spring broke causing him to fall, (CONTUSION TO LOWER CHEST WALL). . . . Stator (wgt. about 5 lbs.) fell on right foot, (CONTUSION). . . . Moving steel posts with crane—post fell and struck foot, (CONTUSION). . . . Stator fell from bench, striking left large toe, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Dropped paper basket on toe, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Piece of sheet metal fell, striking right lower leg, (CONTUSION).

Truck handle slipped out of hand and struck right ankle, (FRACTURED ANKLE). . . . Tripped and fell over pallet, (BACK INJURY). . . . Foot slipped while walking down stairs, (CONTUSION COCCYX). . . . Slipped when lifting coil, (RIGHT LOWER LEG INJURY). . . . Fell over tote box in work area, (LACERATION BELOW KNEE). . . . Slipped on oil on floor, (SPRAINED RIGHT KNEE). . . . Turned left ankle when leaving work, (SPRAINED ANKLE). . . . Stumbled on mat in cafeteria, (STRAINED BACK).

Crow bar with which he was working fell on foot, (CONTUSION TO TOE). . . . Chain on crane caught frame, causing it to fall, (CONTUSION AND ABRASION TO ARM). . . . Crane hook slipped off box, causing it to fall on toe, (FRACTURED TOE). . . . Rack loaded with steel fell when being loaded on to another rack, (INJURED THUMB AND INDEX FINGER). . . . Box of castings fell off hand truck, striking man's head, (DEEP LACERATION TOP OF HEAD). . . . Employee dropped six inch wheel, weighing 300 lbs., on toes, (FRACTURED TOES).

Employee was unloading boxes—one fell and hit right knee, (INFECTED ABRASION TO KNEE). . . . Bearing slipped off platform, striking employee's toe, (FRACTURE). . . . Casting which was leaning against platform fell, striking employee's left foot, (FRACTURES TO THREE TOES). . . . Pedcstal fell over on right large toe, (FRACTURE). . . . Right foot slipped from platform, (SPRAINED ANKLE). . . . Employee slipped and fell, hit right knee on stair post, (LACERATION TO LEG).

If you are not already on this list you may now know what to do to keep off of it. These accidents prove the importance of the statement made in the above picture by Ex-Sergeant Clarence Young, formerly of the 416th Bomber Group, Ninth Air Force, who is now heading up the Safety Committee at our Kokomo Works.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

The postman was kept busy this week delivering birthday greetings to Jayne Hahn, Wanda Casterline, Mildred Harmeyer, and Norma Langmeyer. . . . We'd have liked to have seen Bonnie Asie's face when "Skippy" took off with the morning paper that he had been trained to bring in. It was some race for Bonnie, thinking he might drop it. Well, he did come home though, about eight hours later. . . . Joe Hofer, Kenny Wills, Red Yinger, and Amos Hibler formed a foursome fishing trip to Lake Leelenau, near Traverse City, Mich. The fellows said they had a nice trip, but the fish were also on a vacation. . . . Anyone needing a good man to do their fall house cleaning may contact Bob Stute. He says he has finished his fall house cleaning at home, and we shouldn't let him get out of practice. . . . Roy Hasty returned from a week's vacation at Prairie Lake, Wisc. . . . We are sorry to hear of the illness of Rex Mericle. We are pulling for you, Rex, and hope that you will be back with us soon. . . . We extend our sympathy to the family of Henry Engelbrecht. . . . Matt Barnes, from the service, happily surprised us with a visit this week. . . . Kenny Wills thought outdoor dining and dancing places are quite the stuff, until he was locked in and had to climb the wall to get out. . . . A swell party was held at Franke Park this week, when 18 of the AC girls had a get-together. The party consisted of present employees and former employees. Those present were: Hilda Sellers, Mary McNeal, Betty Grooves, Luella Boyce, Irene Schultz, Florence Fisher, Violet Trammel, Eileen Gault, Helen Sienkiewicz, Evelyn Poling, Bertha Shelly, Rosemary Dougherty, Nettie Longsworth, Virginia Reed, Cecil Hinton, Ruth Baumgartner, Clara Krauskopf, and Gladys McMillan. The next party will be a Christmas party at the home of Evelyn Poling.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

"Remember now! Don't be la... be here at 7 a. m. sharp. Don't f... get!" These were the last min... reminders coming from Wal... Gusching last Saturday about be... to work early Sunday morning. ... and behold, Sunday morning ro... around and everyone was here b... Walt. Those alarm clocks that do... ring sure take a beating! . . . Ja... Koontz and O. Winefer are ba... to work after a week's vacati... and we are glad to see Helen Pap... brock return after three weeks' i... ness. . . . Clarence Schieman is a... sent from work due to illness. W... wish you a speedy recovery, Cl... ence, and hope to see you back ... us real soon. . . . Howard Swa... Test, has left the Company, ... Max Barrows has gone up in ... world—to Bldg. 4-6. . . . Have y... noticed Gaynel (Sue) Blessin... third finger left hand? You sho... she has a beautiful engagem... ring. Good luck, "Sue," and c... gratulations to the lucky guy. N... we are wondering when you'll ... adding the mate to your ring. .. Warning! If the people on Bl... 4-5 don't get busy and cause so... excitement or do something so ... can have some news for this ... umn, you just aren't going to ha... anything to gab about!

Is Zat So?

We hope you were able to s... the G-E Science show at the Cl... last Sunday. It was very enligh... ening and interesting since ... showed the application of ma... motors and parts manufactured ... Fort Wayne employees. . . . W... wish to welcome Maxine Mey... the new office girl for the To... Room, to our section. Hope y... like us, Maxine. . . . Glad to hea... from Kenny Dwyer, who is now li... ing in Iowa, where the tall co... grows. Kenny would be glad to he... from his former co-workers. ... his address from Johnny Miles. .. Speaking of corn—Paul Gei... brought in a snapshot to prove t... the stories he told about his "... corn" were true. They sounded ... fantastic that we could hardly ... lieve that Paul wasn't feeding ... a line. We will never doubt yo... word again, Paul. . . . After a lea... of absence, Alta Reed is back wit... us again looking like her old chee... ful self. . . . Famous saying of E... Brosche: "Of course, you will ha... to exercise discretion." . . . M... Kestner left our section and is no... working at Winter Street. Best ... luck, Mel. . . . Charles Stone, V... Hall, and Mabel Lieberenz ha... added another year to their servi... records. Congratulations. . . . ... really was a blue Monday fo... George Mosshammer. He came ... work without his glasses. . . . Be... birthday wishes to Clayton Schult... Allen Woodward, Walter Baue... meister, Ruby McBride, Willia... Bade, and Elmer Jockel.

DID YOU KNOW that limite... numbers of prewar model elec... blankets are being manufactur... again and that a new model m... go into production before next wi... ter?

our Returning Servicemen Here on "Refresher Course"

The Fort Wayne Works was host to four more returning servicemen, ednesday, September 12, who were here on the Company's "Refresher ourse" for G-E Sales engineers. H. H. Barr and M. P. Chitterling, o were released from active military service last month, and J. W. gan and L. A. McGraw were the itors.

Before entering military service, . Barr had been resident agent Allentown, Pa., and later was signed to handle the DuPont ac- unt. He served as a Major in Ammunition Division of the ef of Ordnance and handled portant war contracts with some the largest procurers of ord- nce during the military service.

Mr. Chitterling, a graduate of United States Military Acad- y, was an industrial sales gineer at Newark prior to re- tering military service as a jor. He was later promoted to Colonel and was assigned to ty as physical science instructor West Point, where he gave urses in electrical engineering, emistry, and surveying.

A statistician before his entry o service, Mr. Logan served erseas from August, 1942, to tober, 1944, in the Headquarters ropean Theatre of Operations the Army Air Forces. He rved on General Eisenhower's aff as Research and Development ison Engineer between British d American agencies on aircraft, gines, and components.

Major L. A. McGraw was placed inactive duty in July. While in service, he had the responsibil- of activating signal company of Twelfth Armored Division. ith G-E since 1927 (in 1928 he s in the DC Apparatus group re), he was in Jackson, Miss., as sales engineer when he entered service.

Chattin' In 2-2

By Delores King

With vacationing over and prac- ally everyone back in their ces, we finally decided we would new our column. . . . We wonder y Dick walks around with a ile on his face? Bells, Bells and re Wedding Bells. No wonder, e lucky girls happens to be Gwen vendar. Congratulations and od luck! . . . The wiener bake and n roast was enjoyed by LaFern, th Sitton, Ardella, Pat B., Alice, ivia, Delores, Bernice Bollen- cher, Bldg. 26-4, and Elizabeth. ch of the girls had a grand time. anyone wants to know how to ke a fire, just ask Elizabeth— s easy, just use someone else's e. . . . We wonder why Pat Blan- n has been looking so happy ely. Could it be her husband is his way home? . . . We want to lcome Ruth Laman, Bernadine ay, Patricia Culberston, Erma insette, Christle Boyd, Louella ocke, and Mae Lebold to our or and hope they like their new s! . . . Good luck wishes go with len Geiger, Mary Brown, and nabelle Zumbrun on their new s. We hate to see them go. . . . you want to know how Chicago ask LaFern; she was there over e week-end. . . . Lillian enjoyed rself at a ball game in Cincin- i Sunday, 'tis reported. . . . ll for this week. Lend us a help- g hand by giving us the news wdown.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

In anticipation for bigger and better parties during the coming season, our alert president of the Regional Parts Warehouse association, Gillie Plummer, has appointed two additional helpers on the entertainment committee: namely, Margaret Rectanus and Marjorie Meyers. . . . Anyone who wishes to prove your own good neighbor policy and especially if you have a strong back, please report with your shovel on Saturdays at the J. Emmet Mills' residence. Emmet is putting in a drive and said he could use some extra hands. By the way, your reporter doesn't get one cent remuneration for this solicitation. . . . Farewell to Florence Calkins, who has left our office to join her husband, who has received his honorable discharge from Baer Field. . . . Taking advantage of their Saturdays off, Coleen Johnson and Joyce Archbold enjoyed a week-end recently in Chicago. Joyce still carries a doubt about tipping the doorman on their departure from the hotel. Being Coleen's first visit to the Windy City, she came home with blisters on her feet. . . . Ida Davis has returned from her vacation and with a whirlwind of real estate problems. . . . If you want to learn the canning business, you must start at the bottom, so says Wilma Noyer and her sister, Maxine. They should know, for they pealed three bushels of peaches for their mother over the week-end. . . . To ask Virginia Linvill when she expects her husband home from the South Pacific will get you this answer: "That's a 64 dollar question, as Herb has to date 63 points." . . . Another Crowning Glory permanent adorns the office. This time it is Kathryn Rectanus who possesses the curls deluxe. . . . Margaret Lissner recently spent a week-end at Indiana University and also took a tour through Brown County State Park. . . . We regret losing Kathryn Lahrman Welper, who was transferred to the Main Office. . . . Herny Borne is now matching his strength with Clair Lieurance helping unload heavy material here in the warehouse. Henry brags that he doesn't need a tire pump to blow up his arms. . . . Cozette Walper and her husband survived an automobile accident in the city the other day, emerging with only scratches; but their car was wrecked. . . . Here's wishing belated birthday greetings to Viola Haiber and Marian Amsden. Yesterday Coleen Johnson celebrated her birthday, and today Bonnie Swihart celebrates hers. Hommy Fox will also reach another milestone this Sunday. Happy birthday to you all. . . . Some of Betty Meyers' close associates held a little potluck one noon hour as a farewell to Betty, who is retiring in favor of housewifely duties. Her husband is expected to return any day from the European Theater. Those attending the party were Hester Root, Helen Friddle, Jean McNeal, Betty Stemmler, Ilene Shroyer, Rohalind Sollberger, Elnora Miller, Helen Brown, and Dick Goetz. We know now how Dick got in on the party—he loves baked beans!

Here on "Refresher Course"



J. W. Logan and L. A. McGraw, sales engineers who have returned from service and are now taking the Company's "Refresher Course" are shown in the picture at left getting some tips from G. R. Glenn, of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Manufacturing Division, in their tour through Bldg. 4. Behind Mr. Glenn are M. P. Chitterline and H. H. Barr, also returnees. In the picture at right, C. J. Monroe, of the FHP Motor Commercial Division, is pointing out a manufacturing method of interest to Logan and Chitterling. (See story on this page).

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

The second shift wishes to say "goodbye" to: Robert McCoy has left us for a newspaper career in Warren, Ind. So all you who want to know the latest, see Bob. Wilbur Krebs will soon go into business in Columbia City. . . . James Kelley again makes the news after an all night adventure at Angola retrieving his airplane. A farmer was good enough to let Jim haul the pieces back on his hay wagon. How did this happen? Well, a friend of his tried to set the old crate down in a pasture that looked smooth until the wheels hit the dirt. Then the poor plane no longer had a landing gear and had to land on its belly. . . . Ralph Thomas and George Patterson have decided to leave us to try the day shift. We miss you fellows on nights. However, it's swell that you can have this chance, and we know you'll like it. . . . Mary Mobley is back with us after a short illness. . . . Lillian Kidder was all excited when she received a telegram saying her husband had just arrived home from overseas. He has been in the European Theater and will be home for 30 days. . . . Goldie Putman came back from her vacation looking swell. . . . There was a collision at a narrow intersection in Bldg. 17-4 the other day. When we went to investigate, we found Charlie Hunt and Cecil Stair picking themselves up from the floor. Now, you boys should watch those corners and not pull out until you're sure someone is not coming from the opposite direction. . . . George Fann is on his vacation. How we miss that boy and his smile. . . . Bill Giest is back on nights again; just like old times, Bill. . . . Bldg. 17-4 really is proud. It has a group of men who are very outstanding in athletic events. Last year they were the champions in basketball, softball, and golf. Now, they are champions in golf for the second year, which is really an honor. They have worked hard for what they have won, and we want to congratulate them on winning. The "champions" are Ralph Thomas, Virgil Kimes, James Young, Marion Williams, Earl Stauffer, Clifford Imbody, Art Schmidt, and Jim Kelley.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Mary Ellen Fox and Hazel Hardwick wish to thank all of their fellow workers in the General Tool Check Room for the nice cards and fine gift each received as they left that section. . . . We welcome back to our midst Mervil Lowden, who has just finished working for the government on a project which materially helped the Jap decide on a change of face. . . . DeWayne Schele returned to work this week after having his tonsils removed and says he is feeling much better. Everyone offered to buy him some peanuts or popcorn, but he refused all offers. Wonder why? . . . Lyman Steele wants it known that if he wants to pay $3 for a haircut, it is his own business. . . . Dave Lewis is shopping around for an automobile that has an adjustment on the valves other than grinding off the stems. He says that he has had them ground off three times, and they are still too short. . . . Henry Wittber went traveling again on his vacation—as usual—the fabulous and entrancing trip to Chicago. . . . Claude Bobay had the unprecedented experience of having a large fish break the same line twice. The first time it broke above the cork, and after trailing cork and fish to some reeds, he got hold of a line remnant, only to lose by another break—which resulted in a third break for Bobay (heartbreak).

Q. Why is the retina of the eye likened to a telephone exchange?

A. Optical specialists say the retina of one eye contains 130,000,000 tiny nerve-endings which are the sensitive receivers or "telephone" connections. The scale on which Nature works is indicated by the fact that there are only 40,000,000 telephones in the world.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Darned if there isn't the tang of autumn in the air! Crisp, cool days are ahead, and soon the leaves will rustle companionably beneath our feet. The beautiful autumnal shades of red, yellow, and brown will enliven the countryside. There is a feeling of richness and fruition about autumn in Indiana that is equalled nowhere else in America. . . . We hear by the grapevine: that Jim Crockett is having a difficult time getting Carl Reeves to repay his exchange cigarettes, but Reeves promised to come through—one at a time. . . . Johnny Burnett planted a garden on the vacant lot next to his home and lavished on it all the loving care of an inveterate gardener. Now Johnny has discovered that the lot has been sold, and he is grieving over the sad fate of his beautiful garden. . . . Talk about delayed action! Norbert Gase has been crippling about with a game leg. When a sympathetic friend inquired about his trouble, Norbert replied that a horse had kicked him on that leg about fifteen years ago. . . . We wonder who's been throwing things at Clarence Shaneheck? He sported a swollen jaw for several days, but it's all due to a bad tooth, says Clarence. . . . The Dispatchers Club was treated to an interesting talk on football and the incident problems of a football coach at their last meeting September 12, at the Chamber of Commerce. Joe Saitta, new coach of Central Catholic High School, was the speaker. At the business session the first reading of an amendment concerning membership of the club was read. A committee was appointed to review possible nominations for officers of the club to be elected at the December meeting. . . . Scientists say we utilize about 10 per cent of our mental powers. I wonder if by diligent application we could raise the average?

Your Grapevine Editor

DID YOU KNOW that an automatic screw driver for wood or metal with detachable self-filling magazine that can be replaced in a few seconds is a major aid on high speed war production assembly lines?

Sleuthing In 4-6

Robert Sharrow reported back to work Monday morning, September 10, but was still in that honeymoon daze. He admitted he was pretty broke. . . . Phyllis Hardy, of the D.C. Section, left Friday, September 14, to go to Art school in Philadelphia. . . . Both Rosemary Pond and Jim Whonsetler left to go to Indiana University. Rosie is a senior, and Jim will probably be seen wearing his green skull cap. . . . Bob Getts of the Production Section left Friday, September 14, to go into the Commercial Finance Business. Two more goodbyes go to June Schrader of the Renewal Parts Section and Larrv Spoor of the Sales Section. June left September 14 to accept a job in a bank in her home town, Columbia City. The girls in the Section presented her with a lovely gift when she left. Larry left us September 15, to take up his new duties as Director of Sales, at Eicor Inc., Chicago, Ill. A stag party was held in his honor at the Squares Hall on Thursday evening, September 13, and he was presented with a very nice gift. We will certainly miss both of you and we wish you the best of luck in your new jobs. . . . Al BeVier of the Sales Section will be leaving the 22nd of September. He is being transferred to the Toledo Office. We hope you will have lots of luck also, and certainly will miss seeing you around. . . . We were sorry to hear of H. E. Priwer's absence from the office, due to an appendectomy. Here's hoping you will have a speedy recovery. . . . Lois Biggs of the Development Section is a new member of the "I forgot my badge club." . . . If you have noticed Marian Menze walking around a little "stuck-up," the problem is that she had a very stiff neck and admitted that playing the violin in a draft caused some of it. Now, Marian, you should know better than to do your fiddling that way. . . . Rosemary Pond was explaining to a few curious onlookers, as to why she walked with a slight limp. It seems that she was in a hurry to get to work one morning, when the telephone rang. As she hurried to answer it, she knocked a flower pot off a shelf on the wall, and in the meantime landed herself on the floor, as the flower pot likewise landed on her. It sure is amazing what some people have to go through to answer a little instrument, as the telephone. . . . Dwight Willits is still announcing to anyone who is interested that he has three beautiful and intelligent Springer Spaniel puppies and one pup is for sale. For further information see Dwight. How's that for advertising, Dwight? . . . The girls in the Engineering Division planned a wiener bake for last Thursday evening to be held in one of the pavilions at Foster Park. However, the weather man didn't agree with them, and decided to turn on the rain and the wind. This necessitated a change in the plans, so 35 girls decided to invade Marian Menze's home. The wiener forks were laid aside in favor of the stove, and the dining room table, minus the traditional picnic ants and mosquitoes, was spread with a white table cloth and laden with dishes of food. After stuffing themselves, the girls adjourned to a room above the garage, where rug cutting and waltzing was in style. The main attraction of the floor show was a specialty dance number by Nina Andress and Marjorie Young. The girls wish to thank Marian's grandmother, Mrs. Johnson, for the use of the house. . . . There are ways and ways again to fall off a chair. When Jean Clark's chair refused to move, she decided to anyway, and soon found herself on the floor; but Phyllis Hines just laughed herself off her chair. Jack Jennings can also add his name to the list. More people think his attention was distracted by something more interesting. What next?

19-B's BUZZ

We welcome Bob Kiermaier and Gail Baughman to Bldg. 19-B. Bob and Gail hail from Blg. 19-1. . . . Lost——Some cheerful smiles from behind the stock room fence. Yes, Betty Wiston and Lois Hull are among those waiting for transfers. Best of luck to you, girls. . . . A visitor to the basement last week was Ed Harrison of the Air Corps. Nice seeing you, Ed. . . . Lela Kline is all smiles these days since she received the telegram stating that her sailor son, Chalmer, will arrive home Sept. 26. Chalmer has been stationed at Pearl Harbor and has been in the service 6½ years. We are happy for you, Lela, and it's a wonderful birthday present for you, don't you think so? . . . We offer our deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Ellen Nies, who lost her mother last week. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scip celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary Saturday. May you both enjoy many more happy years together. . . . The girls of the process room wish to thank Herbie Kreager for the beeootiful yellow pencils he passed around. Just what we wanted, Herbie. . . . Have you seen Blg. 19-B's new mascot? She is a beautiful (???) orange cat which the girls adopted, thinking she would "take care of" the little four legged animal which insists on playing "hide-and-go-seek" among the boxes—much to the utter dismay of the girls. But what does she (the pussy) do all day? She crawls into her corner and sleeps. Personally I suggest we keep the rat for a mascot as we don't have to share our milk with him. . . . We are sorry to bid farewell to Marie Harper who left us this week. Loads of luck to you, Marie, and thanks for the treat. . . . Happy birthday to Virgie Mayer on Saturday, September 22. May you enjoy many, many, many more, Virgie. . . . Fall must be here at last! Have you noticed the nice, new sweaters Pat Aberilla has been wearing this week? . . . The girls of the basement seem to be taking advantage of the easier way to obtain pass slips. So far this week we have added three new members to the Forgotten Badge Club; namely, Zola Johnson, Lela Kline, and Connie Filus.

Q. What common "garden variety" electric product soon will be available in paper cartons like eggs?

A. Electric light bulbs. Consumers will be furnished sets of five bulbs in the box, designed to reduce breakage and to provide storage in limited space.

Just a Dot in the Sky . . .



The B-29 Superfortress that flew over the General Electric Company Saturday noon as a prelude to the G-E science show, "Future Unlimited," filled the sky for just an instant, but its speed was such that our cameraman considered himself lucky to get that small dot in the sky. But there it is, with the General Electric sign a fitting underline in the foreground.

17-3 Newsies

Harold Bowker is trying to invent a new sort of muzzle for calves. It seems that the other night he went out to the barn to try his new milking machine, and the calves had already been there. . . . Congratulations to Hildred Johnston, who celebrated her birthday last week. . . . Deloris Miller is back to work after spending a few weeks with her husband, who just returned home from overseas. . . . Vacationists this week are Mary Bohnstedt, who is spending hers in Alabama, and Ida Walling. Have a good time, gals. . . . We want to welcome Margaret Swain, Iley Sauder, Betty Oberlin, and Vivian Irving to Group 510. . . . Eileen Bartels' friend has returned to camp after a 30-day furlough. He has just come home from the South Pacific, and is a former employee. . . . We were sorry to have Mabel Kabish quit last week. . . . Well, that's all for now. 'Bye.

W. B. Hill Will Head Manufacturing Of Home Refrigerators

W. B. Hill has been appointed manager of manufacturing for the Household Refrigerator Division of the General Electric Company, it has been announced by H. L. Andrews, Vice-President.

All refrigerator manufacturing operations at Erie, Pa., where Mr. Hill will make his headquarters as well as at Schenectady, will be under his general direction.

Mr. Hill was superintendent of the refrigerator unit factory at Schenectady from 1930 to 1942, when production was suspended for the war's duration. He has recently been superintendent of motor manufacturing at the Schenectady Works. His association with General Electric dates from 1908.

An occupational death took place every 30 minutes during 1944, the National Safety Council reports.

First Postwar Washer Goes to Navy Seabees On Island of Tinian

The first postwar household washing machine to be built by the General Electric Company is on its way by air to the Navy Seabees on the island of Tinian in the South Pacific. The washer, a gift of the Company, will replace a makeshift contraption built by the Seabees.

An offer to trade the new electric washer for the windmill-powered makeshift was made by the manager of G-E's Home Laundry Division to Vice-Admiral George Murray, commander of the Marianas group, stationed at Guam. The admiral accepted by cable August 24, the day General Electric resumed production of washers after a three-year interval during which its home laundry factory turned out hundreds of thousands of bazookas, searchlights, and torpedoes.

Chemical Treatment Serves as 'Raincoat' For Gas Masks

A chemical treatment which completely waterproofs an important element in gas masks, thereby assuring wearers greater all-round protection against possible gas attacks by the enemy, has been developed by General Electric in collaboration with the Chemical Warfare Service.

This new waterproofing process enabled the wearer to use his gas mask as effectively in wet weather as in dry and eliminated the hazard of the mask becoming unserviceable if it is accidentally wetted while the bearer forded a river or took cover in a fox hole at least partially filled with water.

In performing these functions the new treatment filled a long-standing need for a moisture repellent that does not prevent the passage of air.

Application of the waterproofing was made on the mask's air filter. This is a soft, specially prepared sheet of paper that filters out any dust or foreign bodies that may be in the air, and where the chemical agent is removed. In previous, untreated gas masks, the air filter when it became clogged with moisture, would not permit the passage of air, thus preventing the wearer from breathing.

In the recently perfected process the paper filter is coated with an extremely thin orange-silicon film, this chemical "raincoat" causing whatever moisture that might collect on the filter to assume the form of small, isolated drops, much like drops of water on an oily surface. It prevents wetting by keeping the water from spreading and thus allows the filter to soak it up, like a blotter.

Basis of the process is dri-film, a chemical substance developed by G-E research engineers. In applying this, the paper is exposed for a short time to vapors of a chemical mixture which react with the slight traces of water present on the surface to deposit the coating of water repellent.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that _____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed _____

Location _____

...lub Softball Team Loses ... League Championship Game

By Ernie Spaulding

The G-E Club lost the third and ...al playoff game to Reserve Club ... at the Beach Thurdsay evening, ...ptember 13, thus losing the ...ague Championship to this ball ...b.

This game was played in a very ...ld rain.

G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.	RESERVE CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
...denberg,3	3	0	0	Speck,lf	3	1	2
...derson,cf	3	0	0	Miller,2	3	1	0
...ss,lf	3	0	1	Gulbin,1	3	0	1
...ema'n,sf	3	0	1	Nolan,cf	3	0	0
...ick,rf	3	0	1	Huth,rf	2	0	1
...rnagel,1	2	0	1	Yarman,c	3	0	0
...ntki,ss	3	0	0	S.Kowal,sf	3	0	0
...erline,2	2	0	1	F.Kowal,ss	3	0	0
...ndo,c	2	0	0	Symonds,3	2	1	2
...ldheiser,p	2	0	0	Lundquist,p	3	1	1
Totals	26	0	5	Totals	28	4	7

Score by innings—	R.	H.	E.
G-E Club ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 —	0	5	3
Reserve Club ..... 0 0 2 0 2 0 * —	4	7	2

Struck out—By Feldheiser (F. Kowal, Lundquist); by Lundquist (Lindenberg, Merick). Base on balls—Off Feldheiser (Speck, Huth); off Lundquist (Steuernagel), 2 base bit—Culbin.

...uture of After-Dark ...thletic Contests Is ...right, Says Expert

The outlook for after-dark sports ...more encouraging than ever, ac...rding to R. J. Swackhamer, Gen...al Electric sports lighting expert. ...tural trends and wartime recre...tional habits, he says, have been ...rgely responsible.

"Night baseball has been the ...ost important factor in keeping ...e game alive," he pointed out. ...uring the past fifteen years, ...ght crowds have been averaging ...ve times the afternoon weekday ...rnouts. There were 237 Major ...ague night games scheduled for ...e '45 season alone, which meant ...at some 2,500,000 more fans wit...essed these games than if they ...d been played during the day."

Sports lighting has reached such ...gh illumination standards, he ...id, that fans see practically no ...fference between day and night ...mes any more. The main differ...nce is that they're free to attend ...e night games, and attend them ...ore comfortably in the cool of the ...ening. The fact that the whole ...mily can go together has also ...lped to strengthen the future of ...octurnal playing.

The wonderful love of a beautiful maid,
The love of a staunch, true man.
And the love of a baby, unafraid,
Have existed since life began.
But the greatest love—the love of loves,
Even greater than that of a mother,
Is the tender, passionate, infinite love
Of one drunken bum for another.

Two women discussing a mutual ...quaintance: First—"She has a ...agnetic personality." Second—"She ought to have. Every stitch ...e has on is charged."

G-E GOLFERS

The Annual G-E Blind Bogey Golf Tournament will be held at Brookwood, Sunday, September 23. This tournament is open to all G-E employees. If any G-E employee is planning to play in the Public Links Tournament Sunday, he may qualify for the G-E tournament by submitting score cards for any 18-hole rounds played at Brookwood on Saturday, September 22.

C. W. Reynolds

Plant Protection Pistol Squad Takes Second in Shoot

Allen County Defense Organizations Sponsored Match For Teams

The Plant Protection Section took second place in a team pistol match shoot sponsored by the Allen County Defense Organization last Sunday morning with a team score of 986 for the 22 cal. event.

Individual scores by members of the G-E squad were: C. Conklin, 197; J. Gutermuth, 188; C. Blaising, 219; E. Flaugh, 173; and G. Earl, 189. The team also placed second in the 38 cal. event with a team score of 637. Scores in that event were: E. Flaugh, 51; J. Young, 109; C. Blaising, 195; J. Gutermuth, 131; and G. Earl, 151.

The Vigilantes took first place in both events, with the Brink's Express team winning both third-place positions.

Owl League Bowling

By R. F. Dressel

Team Standings

	W.	L.
Team No. 2	3	0
Team No. 9	3	0
Team No. 8	2	1
Team No. 5	2	1
Team No. 4	2	1
Team No. 12	2	1
Team No. 11	1	2
Team No. 3	1	2
Team No. 6	1	2
Team No. 7	1	2
Team No. 1	0	3
Team No. 10	0	3

High Games

Three games: team 8,2562; single game: team 8, 948; 600 series; A. Stanger, 193, 210, 215, total 618; other 200 games: G. Egts, 202; P. Stiver, 208; R. Schaab, 207; F. McBride, 201; A. Lantz, 200; F. Garland, 220; M. Walchle, 207; B. Kiep, 225; A. Hawk, 206; S. Newell, 206, 221.

Club Veteran



Kenny Wattier

One of the veterans on the G-E Club baseball team, both in point of years of play with the Club and age, is Kenny Wattier, shown above.

Kenny has been hitting well this season and now has a batting average of .282. His average doesn't show his value to the team as a stickman, however, says Manager Red Braden, because many of Kenny's hits this season have been made at critical times.

"He always comes through and hits that ball when it counts most," Red said, in commenting on his veteran ballplayer.

Kenny spent several seasons with Milwaukee in the American Association in his earlier years in the game and also was a member of the Fort Wayne Central League when it was in operation here. He has been playing the right field position with the Club the last part of this season.

Carlson Appointed

George Carlson has been appointed design engineer for the Conduit Products Division of the General Electric Company, with headquarters in Bridgeport, it was announced last week by D. J. Murray, manager of the Division.

Mr. Carlson was formerly assistant design engineer for the Wire, Cable and Conduit Section. During the war he was engaged in the development of rocket igniters and control stick assemblies for P-47 fighter planes. He is co-designer of the tow-rope position indicator for gliders.

A lot of drivers get into traffic trouble by hugging the wrong curve.



Club Tossers Defeat Clowns For Sixth Consecutive Win

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club tossers won their sixth consecutive game and their fifteenth game in 16 starts at the State School diamond last Friday evening when they defeated the Clowns 4-1 in a game halted by rain after six and one-half innings. Emil Bildilli pitched six-hit ball in racking up his eighth victory in a row. The Clowns had two doubles and a single in the first inning, which they managed to convert into only one run. After that shaky start Bildilli was never in serious trouble again, as he struck out five while walking only one visitor.

The Club lost no time in getting the opening inning run back again, going to work on Haywood in their half of the same inning to score two runs for a lead which held up. With one out, Kestner hit a long double to left but was nailed at third. There was some discussion at this point to the effect that the Clown's second baseman had interfered with the base runner. During the course of the discussion Manager Walker of the Clowns spoke words which were offensive to Umpire Eley's ears, and he was excused for the balance of the evening.

After the debate was over, with Kestner still out, Barnett was safe on Valquez's error, and Bohonko walked. Bobilya grounded to Williams at third, but everyone was safe when he fumbled the ball. Augie Schlaffer showed the Club's appreciation of the errors with a clean single to left center to score two runs.

In the second the Club increased their lead on a single by Bush, Bildilli's perfect sacrifice, and Mel Kestner's second hit. After passing up scoring opportunities in the fourth and fifth innings Braden's men finished off the evening's scoring in their half of the sixth. Bildilli walked and on Wattier's bunt went all the way to third when that base was left uncovered. Kestner drove out his fourth hit to score Bildilli, Wattier stopping at second. Barnett sacrificed after which Watson replaced Haywood on the mound for the Clowns to retire Bohonko and Bobilya.

Mel Kestner drove out a double and three singles to pace the Club's 11-hit attack. Bush and Schlaffer had two singles apiece. Kestner and Augie Schlaffer divided honors as each drove in two runs.

The summary:

CLOWNS	AB.	R.	H.		C-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Drake,lf	4	0	1		Wattier,rf	4	0	1
Holmes,2	3	1	2		Kestner,lf	4	0	4
Valquez,1	3	0	0		Barnett,ss	3	1	0
Barbee,rf	2	0	1		Bohonko,3	3	1	0
Hairston,c-3	3	0	1		Bobilya,1	4	0	1
Navarro,ss	3	0	0		Scblaffer,cf	3	0	2
Merchant,cf	3	0	1		Seiple,2	3	0	1
Walker,3	0	0	0		Bush,c	3	1	2
Williams,3	2	0	0		Bildilli,p	1	1	0
Watson, p	1	0	0					
Haywood,p-c	3	0	0					
Totals	27	1	6		Totals	27	4	11

Clowns	1 0 0 0 0 0 0—1
G-E Club	2 1 0 0 0 1 *—4

Errors—Holmes, Valquez, Williams 2. Runs batted in—Barbee, Schlaffer 2, Kestner 2. Two-base hits—Holmes, Kestner, Seiple, Hairston, Merchant. Stolen base—Schlaffer. Sacrifices—Bildilli, Barnett. Left on bases—Clowns 6, G-E Club 10. Bases on balls—Off Haywood 2, Bildilli 1. Strikeouts—By Haywood 1, Bildilli 5, Watson 1. Hits—Off Haywood 11 in 5 1-3, Watson 0 in 2-3, Bildilli 6 in 7. Losing pitcher—Haywood. Umpires—Eley and McCarry. Time—1:50.

Worry about rain ruining the living room rug or curtains can be eliminated by an electrical device, scheduled for early production, which opens and closes windows thermostatically.

Looking At The CLUB BATTING AVERAGES

Here are the batting averages for the G-E Club Baseball team, including Friday night's game:

	G	AB	R	H	RBI	Ave.
Bohonko	16	62	13	22	16	.355
Barnett	37	145	32	50	18	.345
Schupp	14	33	4	11	4	.333
Bildilli	20	50	9	16	6	.320
Miller	11	16	3	5	3	.313
Young	28	90	20	28	16	.311
Seiple	38	135	24	39	18	.289
Bobilya	35	138	28	89	21	.283
Wattier	34	124	14	35	17	.282
Kestner	36	100	18	27	18	.270
Bush	36	121	24	31	14	.250
Schlaffer	7	28	6	7	8	.250

Departmental Leaders (includes players not now active with the team):
Two-base hits—Bobilya 13, Seiple 8.
Three-base hits—Winter and Bohonko 4.
Home runs—Winter 3, Bobilya 2.
Total Bases—Winter 65, Bobilya and Barnett 61.
Runs batted in—Winter 35, Bobilya 21.
Walks—Brann 31, Barnett 21.
Sacrifices—Barnett 8, Seiple 5.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Standings

	W.	L.
Motor Generator	4	0
General Service	3	0
Firemen No. 4	2	1
Plastics	2	1
Series & Specialty	2	1
Transformer	2	1
Wire & Insulation	1	2
Screwballs	1	2
Shipping	1	2
Laboratory	1	2
Tool Room	0	3
Firemen No. 2	0	3

High Games

200 Games: Weimer, 232; Walker, 225; Hanauer, 223; Koorsen, 223; C. Rose, 203; Barney, 208; France, 202; Buckles, 211; Growell, 215; Oescb, 204; Kreigh, 218; Yaney, 207.

July Death Claims Listed Under G-E Insurance Plans

Death claims were paid during July to beneficiaries of 75 G-E persons and pensioners throughout the General Electric organization under provisions of the G-E Insurance Plans, according to an announcement of the Company this week. The total paid amounted to $166,027.50. Of this, $43,027.50 represented Company Insurance, and $123,000 represented Additional Insurance.

Three claims were paid to beneficiaries of employees who were in their second year of service, and six to beneficiaries of employees who were in their third year with the Company.

Payments were made to survivors of Schenectady Works employees for a total of $24,760; to beneficiaries of Bloomfield policyholders for a total of $2,150; Erie $9,700; Fort Wayne $12,935; Ontario $1,150; Philadelphia $9,905; Pittsfield $12,635; West Lynn $9,635; River $9,400; Appliance and Merchandise Department $5,380. Payments made to all G-E beneficiaries brought the grand total of death and disability claims paid since the plans were started in 1920 to $25,703,688.38.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
...rrell Jones (3)*	R. 5, Decatur, Ind. (Coming in through Monroeville, and Wayne Trace).	26-5	Schafenacker	7:00- 4:00

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

...re Zielke	Latty, Ohio	6-B	Herman	7:00- 3:30
...da Frauhiger	R. 1, Uniondale, Ind. (Lives 1½ miles north of No. 224).	26-4	Ellenwood	7:00- 3:30

G-E Employees Conclude Busy Sports Season . . . and Look to Winter Contests Ahead



CORA EMENHISER played third base and earlier in the year, left field for the G-E Girls' Softball team.



BETTY WHITELEATHER helped pitch the G-E Girls to a championship, and sometimes handled first base.



Top row Fleckenstein, Drewett, Evers, Wyneken, Getty, and Dahman. Bottom row—Emenhiser, Whiteleather, Varner, and Buesking. These girls captured the City "B" League championship this season. Ruth Bird also played with the team, but was not present for the picture.



RITA FLECKENSTEIN did a good job of handling second base for the Club team.



JUNE GETTY alternated with Whit leather as Club team pitcher and also handled the first base spot with her help.



Shown here are members of the Decatur Girls' Softball team, with their coaches. The Decatur team has concluded a very successful season. Top row—L. Hoffman, A. Sheets, N. Snyder, V. Smith, M. Butcher, V. Sprunger, K. Hoffman, and J. Moser. Center row—J. McLean, M. Whitaker, R. Richey, H. Moser, R. Kohn, A. Painter, and B. Bower. Front—P. Owens, E. Miller, M. Martin, and O. McCoy.



VIRGINIA CRONKHITE was centerfielder on the Club team.



Here are members of the Owl League Softball team, which won the Y.M.C.A. Industrial League Championship. Front row—R. James, manager, D. Hensler, D. Girardot, and P. Stiver. Back row—L. Booher, P. Ringwalt, B. Crosley, L. Tucker, and C. Plattner. Other team members, not present for the picture, were B. Edmunds, B. Hildinger, F. Vondran, V. Christlieb, and W. Scott.



Pictured above is the Production quintet, Taylor Street Golf Champs for '45. Team members, left to right are: Robert Hames, Maurice Connally, Captain Dale McNutt, Robert Woehr, and Safara Shanebeck.



LORETTA WYNEKEN did a good job of holding down the short fielding berth on the Club team.



ALICE DAHMAN handled the shortstop position capably for the Club team this season.



CHARLOTTE DREWETT did a swell job of managing her first team to a City title.



GLADYS VARNER, catcher, performed excellently in that difficult spot.



PEG EVERS was the Club team left fielder this season and handled a mean bat too.



MARY JANE BUESKING combined duties as Elex Club prexy with the right field spot on the Club team.

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What we do in America from now on to preserve and create the opportunities for free labor is likely to determine the future of this nation and of the world.

- President Charles E. Wilson

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ealers Will Have Some G-E Radios By Christmas

eneral Electric radios will be back on the market this fall in time Christmas buying, Paul L. Chamberlain, manager of sales of the eiver Division, announced last week.

The first table model production e is scheduled to start October ith others following at approxiately one-week intervals. Sets ll begin appearing in dealers' res in November. By Christmas is expected a total of 12 models ll be available, including an AC- battery portable, a radio phonoaph console incorporating the w G-E electronic reproducing stem, and 10 table models in inets of wood and plastic.

"By the time the Christmas rush at its height," Mr. Chamberlain id, "we will have been in produc- almost three months and should in a position to supply our deal- with enough merchandise to et the most urgent of the antici ted radio demand.

"All of these plans are, of course, ntingent upon the availability of terials and components," he ex- ined. "General Electric will be- production of its full radio

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Notice
EMPLOYEES' STORE

The Employees' Store, Bldg. 10-2, will be closed Monday, October 1, for inventory.

Regular storc hours (12 noon to 4 P.M.) will be resumed Tuesday.

H. R. Shepherd
Bldg. 10-2

Appliance Retailers Get Sales Advice

Results of New Teague Survey Given Slores

Identify your store as an electrical appliance store if you want to build sales and be able to meet competition in good times or bad. That is the advice now being given to appliance retailers by the General Electric Company in a new book entitled "Your G-E Appliance Store."

Citing the results of a survey made specially for the Company by Walter Dorwin Teague, famous designer and industrial consultant, the book points out that "retail stores, in their very effort to attract attention, have defeated their own purpose. A disordered, frenzied clamor for attention, in which nothing can be heard for the shouting, should give way to a unified, clean, distinctive impression."

On the basis of this finding, the new G-E publication offers concrete suggestions for the unified design of the five basic types of appliance stores.

Pointing out how even the finest painting can be spoiled by a bad frame and improved by a good one, the G-E book asserts that "appliances, too, make far hetter impressions if they are presented in at-

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ransformer Division Announces New Ballasts for Mazda F Lamps

Two new special ballasts have been announced by the Specialty ransformer Division here. One is a single-lamp type, designed for e operation of a new line of 13-watt Mazda F lamps used primarily show cases and other similar installations. The other, available in ther single-lamp or Tulamp odels, is for the instant-starting eration of the new line of Slim- e Mazda F lamps designed for corative and other special light- g purposes.

The single-lamp type for the 13- att lamps have been designed for e on 118-volt, 60-cycle circuits d are equipped with a step-up totransformer providing the nec- sary 200 volts to facilitate lamp arting. They are available in ther uncorrected- or high-power- ctor ratings. Because of the all, cross-section cases with leads t of the end, they may be easily talled in out-of-the-way places. The single-lamp and Tulamp yles for the Slimline lamps can be obtained for operation at 100 or 200 milliamperes. They are of the high-voltage type and do not require separate starting equipment. The single-lamp type is available in both uncorrected- and high-power-factor ratings, while the Tulamp style is of high-power-factor design. Both styles are housed in two-way lead cases allowing the leads to be brought out either the end or the bottom and permitting greater flexibility of installation.

Additonal information is contained in Supplements 1 and 2 of Bulletin GEA-3293F, available upon request from the General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, New York.

Sue Cameron Elected Elex Head, New Appointments Announced



Sue Cameron

Sue Cameroon, Receptionist's Desk, has been elected president of Elex Club and will head activities of the group during the new Club year. Martha Arnold, Bldg. 4-4, will serve as vice-president of the organization, and Dorothy Heckman, Bldg. 17-3, secretary.

New directors elected by Club members are Berniece Freiburger, Bldg. 19-5, who will serve a two-year term on the Executive Board, and Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-1, and Harriet Geary, Bldg. 17-3, both slated to hold directorships for one year. Dolores Baker, Bldg. 26-2, and Dorothy Volz, Bldg. 18-4, were elected trustees.

Annette Bauman, Bldg. 18-2, will continue to serve as treasurer, and Eileen Underwood, Bldg. 16-3, has been named assistant treasurer. These positions are filled by Company appointments.

Mary Jane Buesking, Rose Ulrey, and Marian Menze, past officers, and Selma Bradtmiller, Bldg. 31-1, who is starting her second year as a director of the Club, will also serve with the newly elected group.

Miss Cameron announced that executive board members, contact girls, and newly appointed committee members will meet Tuesday, October 2, to plan and discuss events to be included in the coming Club year calendar. The Fall Rally will be held at the Y.W.C.A. at 11:30 A.M. for night girls and at 6 P.M. for day girls.

New committee appointments were also announced:

Christmas Card Chairman—Lorine Peters, Bldg. 10-2.

Serving Committee—Eva Tucker,

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Dr. C. E. Reed To Head New Division

Chemical Engineering Is Added to Department

A new division to be known as the Chemical Engineering Division will be established as part of General Electric's Chemical Department on October 1, Dr. Zay Jefferies, Vice-President and General Manager in charge of the Department, announced last week. Dr. Charles E. Reed, at present loaned to the Resin and Insulation Materials Division, Schenectady, by the G-E Research Laboratory, is appointed manager of the new Division.

The Chemical Engineering Division, Dr. Jefferies said, will be responsible for supervising the development of chemical processes and the design of chemical plants for the G-E Chemical Department. A native of Findlay, Ohio, Dr. Reed entered the employ of the General Electric Company in March, 1942 and has devoted his time to silicone and permafil pilot plant design. More recently Dr. Reed has worked on the design for G-E's silicone factory to be built at Waterford, N. Y.

Dr. Reed took his B. S. degree

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Windy Weather?

Navy Planes Land at Schenectady Airport To Dodge Nor'easter

Dodging the nor'easter which, though only the "little brother" of the southern hurricane, smashed hard at the North Atlantic coast last week, 114 Navy planes landed in a hurry on the Schenectady County Airport next to the G-E flight test hangar and avoided what might have been serious danger. All the planes, which included Corsairs, Avengers, Helldivers, Hellcats, and A.-T.-6 training planes, came from Groton, Conn., which lay in the path of the storm.

Airport officials were notified during the morning that visitors were coming, and they were on hand at noon, causing a minor flurry while accommodations were being arranged for personnel at various fraternity houses at Union College. Curious Schenectady folk flocked to the field, which had never had so many planes at one time before. One ship suffered minor damage in a belly landing, without injury to the pilot, and fellow flyers refused to give his name, accusing the Gremlins of jamming his landing gear.

Credit Union

The Credit Union office will be closed Saturdays, effective immediately.

Regular office hours will be 7:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday.

Lee Cupp, Treasurer

Two Get Appointments



Cyril E. Ort



Nolan D. Riley

Two G-E employees have recently received appointments as foremen in the Wire and Insulation Division. Nolan Riley was appointed foreman in charge of one rotating shift operation of the Wire Enameling and Wire Drawing Sections, and Mr. Ort will have charge of similar operations. The appointments were made by Harry E. Hire, superintendent of the division.

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The CED Market Survey

The Committee for Economic Development because of its painstaking studies and non-partisan recommendations to business, labor, and government has earned our praise and commendation in these columns on past occasions. Last month the CED completed its most notable work, "American Industry Looks Ahead," a business estimate of postwar markets for manufactured goods.

David C. Prince, Vice-President of the General Electric Company and vice-chairman of CED's field development division, brought together more than 50 of the country's leading market research experts and business economists to make the study. For a year and a half the marketing committee of CED, under the chairmanship of T. G. MacGowan, manager of the marketing research department of Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, has been getting American business to do a job of forecasting. The complete market appraisal is a composite view made by housewares and appliance manufacturers and linens and domestics manufacturers as well as by all other kinds of manufacturers.

We have drawn out the forecasts that relate to the particular fields covered by this publication wherever such a breakdown existed in the study. As far as our particular fields are concerned, high optimism for 1947 is justified, assuming that the CED is correct in picking that year as the first peacetime year of high level production, sales, and employment.

The CED undercores the necessity for something more than plans to make the postwar years prosperous ones. The plans must be put into effect by manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers, importers, and exporters—plans for better merchandise, better design, better color co-ordination, better styling, better packaging, better display, better advertising, and above all, better salesmanship.

To make the peace a success will require the same kind of earnest and unselfish cooperation that made military victory a success.

—Editorial by Julian Elfenbein, Editorial Director of the Home Furnishing Group of publications.

Postwar Value

You will value that new refrigerator or suit of clothes or gadget because it comes out of your own pocketbook after a long wait. The cost in money and time will make you use it carefully.

On the job, you don't pay for most of the things you use. But your company does, and its costs help decide whether or not it can meet postwar competition. Do your part by treating materials and equipment as if *you* were footing the bill.

Remember, job security increases as unit production costs come down.

Ready for Change

G.I. Joe has shown that Americans can take on a new job and do it well. Now, many workers are up against a big change. Are you ready for peacetime production?

Wartime experience made many workers more expert in their jobs. It gave others entirely new skills. The man who learns all he can from everything he does fits himself for whatever comes along.

Make sure you are using every chance to increase your skill, no matter what job you are doing.

WHAT MAKES THE WHEELS GO 'ROUND



America, even before the war, had a standard of living that was the envy of every othe nation. With almost limitless resources and boundless energy, our people had conquered a wilderness, bridged a continent with railroad, telegraph, and telephone and still preserve the freedom guaranteed by the Constitution. We still have both freedom and that high li ing standard.

In the process of becoming a great nation we learned by experience that our standar of living was not guaranteed by the Constitution or some other law; it was earned by unite hard work. We learned also—and this was at a rather later stage in our process of develop ment—that the best progress in raising our standard of living came when mass productio permitted the making of more goods for more people at less cost.

This is General Electric's theme as it presses ahead on its great peacetime journey. Onl over this path can America itself fulfill its destiny.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

HOW TO STORE PERISHABLE FOODS

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Advice from the General Electric Consumers Institute is not to overload your refrigerator with products that do not require cold temperatures at the expense of having your essential greens, etc., spoil. But if you do find a little extra refrigeration space, there are many foods which may be stored there to be kept especially fresh and flavorful in the hot weather.

Passed on to you from the Institute is some sound advice about proper care, preparation and storage of perishable foods for refrigeration which will help prevent the loss of vitamins and edible appeal.

Fresh Fruits

Tender-skinned fruit (peaches, pears, plums, etc.) should be spread out on lower shelf of refrigerator to prevent bruising.

Store berries in a shallow dish on lower shelf of refrigerator or in moist-cold fruit drawer. Do not wash or cap berries until ready to use.

Do not store bananas in refrigerator; they should stand at room temperature.

Fruit and vegetable juices should be covered and stored in refrigerator to conserve vitamins.

Do not chop or crush fruits until ready to use. If chopped and allowed to stand they lose too many vitamins.

Store quick-frozen fruits in freezing unit only for short periods of time; serve as soon as possible.

Fresh Vegetables

Remove spoiled leaves from lettuce, cabbage, etc., and wash well under cold running water. Store in refrigerator vegetable pan, if available, or wrap in waxed paper or a damp cloth.

Reduce bulky vegetables to their edible portion before storing, to save space. Place in vegetable pan or in a cellophane bag and use as soon as possible to prevent vitamin loss.

Wash, drain and store cooking greens in vegetable pan or cellophane bag in refrigerator. Give them plenty of room to prevent bruising.

Butter and Other Fats

Store all table fats in covered dish in your refrigerator. Store o shelf next to freezer compartmen away from foods with strong fla vors and odors. (Your postwar re frigerator may have a Butter Con ditioner which will keep your but ter at spreading consistency an free from foreign flavor).

Return all fats to refrigerator immediately after use. Keep cook ing fats in refrigerator, not stand ing on range.

Miscellaneous

EGGS—Place eggs in moist-cold compartment, if available, or i covered dish. Improperly stored eggs will not "stand up" when fried or beaten, and will absorb flavors Do not wash eggs before storing

CEREALS—Keep cereals crisp and fresh by placing them in gen eral storage compartment of re frigerator.

DRIED FRUITS—Store in gen eral storage compartment.

BREAD — Bread stays fresh longer, especially in hot, damp weather, if kept carefully wrapped in general storage compartment o refrigerator.

OPENED CANNED GOODS— Opened canned goods may be stored in the original cans without harm to flavor, appearance, or nutritive content. The opened can should be covered to prevent absorption of other flavors and odors, and retain vitamin content.

Questions on Pension Age, Sales Discounts, And Suggestions Answered in First "Rumor Clinic"

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How About Suggestions On New Products?

I have heard that suggestions can be made in regard to new products and products made by other Works or allied plants.

FACTS

Yes, this is so, and has been, since the inauguration of the Suggestion System in 1923. The Suggestion Booklet, GEQ-23C, which has been distributed to employees, gives the answer to this question. In Paragraph 2 of this booklet, it is stated that suggestions are particularly welcome which propose suitable new products to manufacture. Paragraph 5 of the booklet points out that "suggestions may be filed by anyone in the employ of the Company and may apply to any department or work or any activity in which the Company is engaged." Paragraph 26 of the booklet states in part, "There are suggestions which may mean no savings but rather an increased cost of the product, or in the extension of the application of a given product, thereby extending the Company's field of activity. These are very desirable suggestions and more of them are wanted."

In 1933 and 1934 a Company-wide campaign for "new products" suggestions was conducted.

Certainly, such suggestions are appropriate and welcome.

Move The Pattern Shop?

I have heard that they are going to move the Pattern Shop.

FACTS

Yes. We are going to move it back to Broadway as soon as space is available.

Pension Age To Be Lowered?

I have heard the pension age will be lowered to 60 years for men and 55 years for women.

FACTS

An amendment to the Company's Pension Plan was announced on November 30, 1944, which gives optional retirement for men at the age of 60. It reads as follows: "Any man employee who has reached the age of 60 years and has not reached the age of 70 years, and who has been 20 or more years continuously in the service, will at his request be retired on pension, or he may be retired by the Pension Board."

This is the pension plan policy as it applies to men. The pension plan as it applies to women has not been changed. Women retire at the age of 60 and enjoy the same rate in calculating the pension as men at the age of 70.

On January 1, 1936, the Federal Social Security program became effective. Employees hired on and after that date are not covered by the Company Pension Plan.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that_____

Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed .....

Location .....

Air-Condition Bldg. 31?

I have heard that Bldg. 31 would be air-conditioned. How soon?

FACTS

There is no plan at the present time to air-condition Bldg. 31. Doubtless there are many other similar areas that might also be considered for air-conditioning, but at present there are no plans for such installations. There is still a shortage of necessary equipment, and in some cases there will be moves from present locations to others to fit in with our postwar program. We are unable to forecast when such installations will be made.

General Wage Increase For Employees?

I have heard that the Company intended giving a general increase in wages for all employees.

FACTS

This question pertains to a matter that is negotiable with the Union in accordance with their contract with the Company. It will be recalled that it wasn't planned that the Rumor Clinic would handle negotiable matters.

We could not answer this in person, direct, as we could not locate any employee record of the signed name.

Do Away With Employee Discount?

I have heard that the G-E Company is seriously considering elimination of employees' discounts on G-E products such as lamps, refrigerators, other appliances, etc.

FACTS

There is no foundation for this rumor. A survey has just recently been finished by the Employees' Sales Division of the Apparatus Department which covered all major appliances, such as refrigerators, dish washers, washing machines, ironers, ranges, kitchen cabinets, and any other item which is sold by a dealer and installed in the employee's home, and the survey also covered such items as toasters, waffle irons, mixers, small radios, and other items which we sell in the Employees' Store over the counter, in order that the Appliance and Merchandise Department could set up allocations for each Employees' Store in the General Electric Company. The merchandise will move to Employees' Stores just as soon as the materials becomes available from the manufacturing source.

Jobs For Service People Not Released By G-E?

Is it possible for one to get their old position back or one similar to it if they are now in the armed forces and did not get a release when leaving?

FACTS

It is possible for employees who entered military service without getting a release to get their old job back or one similar to it provided they entered military service within one month after quitting work with the General Electric Company and had no other employment in the interim period.

Suggestion Pays Off



Bernard Kramer, Bldg. 17-1, won a $35 suggestion award recently for his idea on changes in facing and breaking corners operation on 8104670AC housings.

R. P. Allison, Jr., Is Named Manager G-E's Poughkeepsie Works

R. P. Allison, Jr., has been appointed manager of the General Electric Company's Poughkeepsie Works, it has been announced by W. Stewart Clark, manager of manufacturing of the G-E Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Mr. Allison has been in charge of the factory since it was established in May, 1944, to make insulating wire for the Navy.

A graduate of Clarkson College of Technology, Mr. Allison joined General Electric in 1935. After six months on the Company's engineering test course, he was sent to Newfoundland to rebuild a large hydraulic power station that had been flooded out in a storm. The trip, which was supposed to last a week, actually took six months.

Fifteen months ago he was sent to Poughkeepsie to lay out the new factory, which started actual operations in September, 1944.

Anderson To Head G-E Home Laundry Equipment Division

L. E. Walkley Named Auditor of Appliance And Merchandise

C. E. Anderson, assistant comptroller of the General Electric Company, has been appointed manager of the Company's Home Laundry Equipment Division, it has been announced by H. L. Andrews, vice-president in charge of the G-E Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Mr. Anderson succeeds J. M. Wicht, who has resigned. He will be responsible for all engineering, manufacturing, and sales activities concerning G-E washers, ironers, and dryers.

At the same time, Mr. Andrews announced the appointment of L. E. Walkley as auditor for the Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Mr. Anderson, a native of Gloucester, Mass., and a graduate of the Bentley School of Accounting and Finance, joined G-E in 1924 as a member of the Company's Business Training Course.

Mr. Walkley has been assistant auditor of the Appliance and Merchandise Department in Bridgeport since 1941. For the preceding eight years he was a traveling auditor for the Company, working out of Schenectady.

He came to General Electric as a member of the Business Training Course in 1930, after his graduation from the University of Michigan. He was born in Muskegon, Mich.

Lindemann Appointed

C. A. Lindemann has been appointed quality control engineer for the Wiring Device and Accessory Equipment Divisions of the General Electric Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by E. E. Folsom, quality control engineer for the Department.

Coshocton to Have G-E Plastics Plant

Options Are Taken On Land For 285,000 Square-Foot Plant

An extensive plant for the manufacture of laminated plastics will be built by the General Electric Company at Coshocton, Ohio, William H. Milton, Jr., Manager of the Plastics Divisions, said this week as he revealed that options have been taken on land there for the purpose of building a 285,000 square-foot plant. Practically all of the land on which the option has been taken is farm land, he said, and lies between the Muskingum River and the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The first articles produced in the new plant will be parts for G-E refrigerators, Mr. Milton said, and as rapidly as possible other items of manufacture will be introduced. These include industrial plastics materials, decorative plastics sheets for table tops, plastics sheets for factory work benches, plastics wall coverings, large molded shapes and smaller parts fabricated by sawing, drilling, and other methods from standard sheet, rod, and tube stock. There will also be introduced new laminated translucent materials which are expected to have a wide use in the tubular fluorescent lighting line.

The selection of Coshocton as the site of the main plant for the manufacture of laminated plastics products, according to Mr. Milton, was made by G-E officials after a thorough review of possible locations and was chosen, not only because of its good geographical location, but also because the type of personnel required for such a factory is available. The plant will employ approximately 800 people.

Construction on the new plant is expected to start this fall, and manufacturing operations are planned to begin on a preliminary basis in March. The boiler and the high bay section of the plant that houses the large presses will be put into operation first; the remainder of the plant will be completed as soon thereafter as possible.

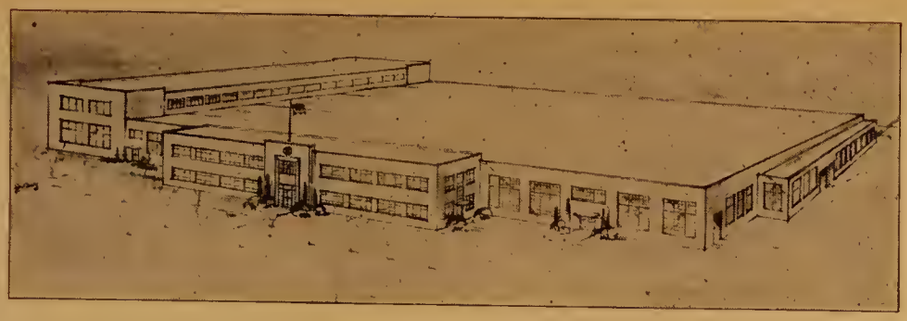
The boiler plant will be fully contained, and plans are now under way for the city to furnish chloride-free water for this operation. There will also be a well-equipped tool room for the making of molds, drill jigs, dies, and fixtures, in addition to adequate facilities for maintenance. Housed in a separate building will be a complete plastics resin and varnish plant to supply materials that are required in the finished product.

Dr. Reed

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in chemical engineering at the Case School of Applied Science and did his graduate work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was appointed full-time instructor in Chemical Engineering at M. I. T. in the fall of 1936 and took his Doctor of Science degree there the next year. In 1938 he was appointed assistant professor of Chemical Engineering at M. I. T. and later became consultant to the Chemical Warfare Service, which worked with the chemical engineering laboratory at M. I. T.

Artist's Conception of New Plastics Plant



Here is Plastics Divisions Designer C. T. Masterson's conception of what the Coshocton, Ohio, Plastics Plant will look like when it is completed. Construction of the proposed 285,000 square-foot plant is scheduled to start some time in the very near future, and is expected to be in production by early 1946.

New "Jack Rabbit" Starter Announced for Fluorescents

Fort Wayne Works Participated in Five Years Of Research To Develop Product

A new split-second starter for fluorescent lamps—aptly called the "Jack Rabbit"—has been announced by the General Electric Company.

Employing a new principle in fluorescent lamp starting, the development constitutes a major advance in fluorescent lighting practice. The split-second starting action of the device is accomplished with higher operating efficiency than is obtained with any other instant-starting systems.

The new starter, which is used with G-E 40-watt instant-starting lamps, is the product of some five years of joint research by General Electric's laboratories at Nela Park, Cleveland; Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Bridgeport, Conn.

It brings new benefits to the fixture manufacturer, wholesaler, and user.

Choices Shown

Manufacturers can provide split-second starting in fixtures equipped with conventional low-cost ballasts. A choice of three variations of starting for one fixture now becomes available. There is the FS-4 for conventional starting; the FS-40 Watch Dog No-blink starter for long service life; and now the SS-400 "Jack Rabbit" for split-second starting and with automatic no-blink cutout.

Wholesalers may now offer a selection of starting means with a minimum of fixture lines.

Users may enjoy split-second starting of their fluorescent lamps with high over-all efficiency. Used with conventional low-cost ballast, the "Jack Rabbit" provides approximately 13 per cent greater operating efficiency than high-voltage instant-starting ballast systems.

Design Given

Designed to fit in conventional starter sockets, the "Jack Rabbit" should be used with instant starting lamps. It is somewhat larger than standard starters, measuring about 2¾ inches long, 2½ inches deep, and 1 inch wide. White in color, it harmonizes with the recently announced Twin Turret Lampholder in design. When used with standard sockets, these devices should be located in the fixtures to provide clearance for the starter. The "Jack Rabbit" can also be used for replacement in existing fixtures that have the proper clearance for the starters dimensions.

The "Jack Rabbit" will be available in late October.

Dealers Get

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line early next year," Chamberlain said. The Company will devote much of its immediate manufacturing resources to low-priced sets, all of new design and containing some features which were unknown or limited only to the higher-priced sets before the war. "We plan to start with the more standardized and lower-priced merchandise so as to make available to the public the greatest number of needed radios as soon as possible," he added.

"The console radio-phonograph combination will be in the medium-price range. This receiver will have seven tubes and two tuning bands. The phonograph will be equipped with an automatic record changer and the recently perfected General Electric electronic reproducer. This system of record playing has been hailed as one of the outstanding contributions to home entertainment since the application of electronics to the phonograph. It virtually eliminates all chatter, needle radiation and scratch, and gives a new tone balance never achieved in pre-war sets," Chamberlain stated.

Sue Cameron

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Bldg. 16-1, Hazel O'Brien, Bldg. 16-B.

Contact Chairman—Georgia Garrett, Bldg. 4-6.

Utility Committee—Cathryn Essley, Bldg. 17-3, chairman, Modesta Nichter, Bldg. 17-3, June Martin, Bldg. 6-4, Betty Thiele, Taylor Street, Belle Buchan, Bldg. 2-3, Rosamond Schooley, Bldg. 4-4, Ceal Romary, Bldg. 26-2, Esther Sears, Bldg. 18-1, Mamie Allen, Bldg. 4-4.

Social Committee—Selma Bradtmiller, Bldg. 31-1, chairman, Carolyn F. Walker, Hollywood Bldg., Betty Puff, Bldg. 26-2, Ruby Musselman, Bldg. 26-2, Alvena Greber, Bldg. 4-3, Marcella Boyle, Bldg. 4-5, Velma Mead, Bldg. 26-2, Helen Yeranko, Winter Street, Miriam Bolyard, Bldg. 31-1, Frieda Wahli, Bldg. 18-1.

Hostess — Ruth Papenbrock, Bldg. 6-2.

Experimental Radar Work Proceeds As G-E Hanger Nears Finish

With work being rushed on the new hangar at Schenectady for General Electric's recently-created Flight Test Division, experimental radar work is already being done on a G-E-operated Army B-24 bomber, located temporarily on the Schenectady county airport adjoining the Company site, according to an announcement made last week. The work is being done under an Army contract, and the ship is the first General Electric-operated plane.

C. G. Talbot, head of the Flight Test Division of the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory made the announcement recently, revealing that more planes will be brought to Schenectady after the G-E hangar, now being constructed, is completed.

G-E has conducted flight test experiments at Brownsville, Texas, for more than a year, and the B-24 came from that locality. It is expected that the bulk of radar experimentation ultimately will be done at Schenectady.

Mr. Talbot declared that the huge new hangar has 160 feet of door opening space and is 175 feet long. It will house either four B-24's or two B-29's. He said that while the hangar will be completed about Nov. 1, it will take time to equip it.

Appliance

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tractive surroundings—given the proper stage-dressing and harmoniously arranged."

In order to help retailers build "the frame that sells the picture," the book also presents detailed suggestions for laying out the five basic types of stores. In announcing the new book, A. L. Scaife, advertising and sales promotion manager of General Electric's Appliance and Merchandise Department, asserted that it is probably the most comprehensive yet published by a manufacturer in an effort to help electrical appliance retailers to set up modern, sales-building stores or departments.

Scrap Book—Bess Brown, Bldg. 16-1.

Song Leader—Cora Polhamus, Bldg. 16-1.

Trotty-Veck Books—Clara Gidley, Bldg. 19-4.

Night Executive Board—Peggy Cook, Bldg. 26-3, secretary, and Hilda Scott, Bldg. 4-4, and Eileen Foor, Bldg. 17-3, floor representatives.

G-E Introduces New Device for Traffic Control

Timing Changes May Be Made Every 12 Minutes Automatically

A new program device which permits changes in timing of traffic control systems as often as every 12 minutes a day for six days without repetition, has been announced by General Electric's Lighting Division, Schenectady, N. Y. This device supervises the functions of the master controller in an interconnected traffic control system and can be furnished to take care of any desired number of circuits. The minimum adjustment of 12 minutes is considerably less than that obtainable with the usual time switch method.

With a six-circuit device, a selection of three resets, three cycle changes, and three dials can be made—a total of twenty-seven combinations. Dial number one operates when both dial circuits are turned off, and dials two and three come into operation when their respective circuits are turned on. Selection of resets and cycle changes are made in the same manner.

The device has a weekly program cylinder which permits the six different programs to be spread out over a weekly period by making one of the programs do for two days. In addition, a program which takes into account seasonal, special event, and holiday variations in traffic conditions can be set up twelve weeks in advance on the weekly cylinder.

To obtain any desired program, the pins are placed in the correct holes on the daily and weekly cylinders. The time during which it is desired to have this circuit energized is on the large daily program cylinder, which moves at the rate of one revolution every 24 hours. Each horizontal row of holes corresponds to the dial of a time switch, with each hole representing twelve minutes. The circuit can thus be energized in 12-minute steps for any desired length of time up to 24 hours.

The daily timing schedules are selected by inserting pins in the proper holes on the smaller, weekly cylinder. This cylinder determines which row of holes on the large cylinder is to be used during any one day of a 12-week period. The smaller cylinder moves around one notch every 24 hours and takes 12 weeks to make a complete revolution.

The equipment is driven by a Telechron synchronous motor and can be housed with the line relays in a standard 27-inch controller box for outdoor installation, or it can be mounted on an indoor central-station-type master control panel.

It is considerably less complicated and much more practical than the large number of time switches otherwise needed to perform the same function. In addition, a multiplicity of wiring needed to connect time switches is elminated. Furthermore, different circuits can be set to operate simultaneously. Most of the parts are the same as those furnished for the automatic control of signals and bells in factories and schools.

HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

Your entertainment committee has officially announced via posters on the bulletin boards throughout the Hollywood Building that our Halloween Party will be held on October 18 at the Sear's pavilion. This is to again remind you folks to be sure to reserve this night for the big event. . . . Today our physical inventory starts, and before it is all over many of us will be a little more accurate in counting the sheep in our dreams, so says Fred Gerhard. . . . An inventive genius is Robert Archibald, whose style is aptitude supreme. Archie practically rebuilt his daughter's bicycle. Including the regular driver's seat" he has a "bombardier seat" installed right over the front wheel. Our inventor is so proud of his mechanical contrivance that demonstration rides are in the making. So far, Viola Haiber seems to be Archie's first prospect. Vi, you better sign up for more insurance. . . . Probably our best movie critic on the lot is Martha Topp. Her hobby seems to be shows and more shows, therefore Martha can pass pretty good judgment when the conversation leads down her path. . . . It's nice to have Virginia Grace back after conquering a two-week-old cold. . . . The other day Ruth Stier and Audrey Schuster were shopping through the market for a large, dressed chicken. Ruth stopped at a stand and promptly spoke up, "How much for the capon?" The indignant farmer responded, "Lady, that's a duck." Girls, there is nothing like calling your birds first, then the price. . . . A birthday surprise party was held last week during the noon hour here in our little makeshift dining room for Coleen Johnson. Those attending were Betty Raile, Thelma Clevenger, Marian Amsden, Ann Schlotzhauer, Martha Crothers, Virginia Linville, Wilma Noyer, Marylinn Bullerman, Joyce Archbold, and Mary Jane Brand. Coleen blew all the candles out in one breath, and they say Betty Raile was up nearly half the previous night preparing the deviled eggs. Again we say many more happy birthdays, Coleen. . . . By the way, Charlie Ellis had a birthday this week, so here's wishing you many more. . . . Marjorie Pressler recently spent a week-end at Virginia Linvill's home near Wawasee, and Marjorie's soldier friend came home unexpectedly and searched a full day for her, but all in vain. Marjorie, you had better leave a map or a forwarding address the next time you leave town. . . . Doris Laughlin has been as busy as a bee during the noon hours this last week, shopping for all the little things to set her apartment off with in preparation for her soldier husband's return from service. . . . At 5 A.M. the other day Helen Friddle took a call from the roundhouse for her husband to report to work for the next run. Helen got the family bicycle out and started pedaling through the North Side in Paul Revere style, looking for her husband (who was helping his son with the morning news route). After a long chase the dispatch was delivered, but gee, wouldn't radar have been a welcomed instrument, especially at that hour of the day.

Inspection QUALITY Test

FORT WAYNE

No. 167 September 28, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

PLEASED TO MEET YOU



We are "the little men who are not there," when you buy a G-E Quality Motor; but believe you me, we played THE big part in testing this motor to give you long life and perfect performance.

We are delicate and precise, so handle us with care, that we too may live long and give the best service.

TESTERS! KNOW YOUR INSTRUMENTS

Chattin' in 2-2

Since we don't have to wear badges anymore, what are these girls going to use for an excuse for being late, ask the witty ones in the section. . . . If anyone happens to be going away, be sure to report to Mildred Raymond and Jenny Kemp, as they always present a going away gift. Ask Lillian, she got a super-duper! . . . Nina Newcomb spent her vacation at Tampa, Fla., for the last two weeks, and has been having a wonderful time. . . . Basil Bowley spent his vation a little differently from most. He began building his cottage at Blue Lake, and from what I hear, he's still at it. It must be catching, Chester Price is also building a cottage at Blue Lake, and incidentally it's right beside Bowley's. . . . Did you know we have a poet among our co-workers? Her name is Christine Burns, and very good, too. . . . Midge Virden is wearing a sparkler on her third finger, left hand. When is the happy day to be, Midge? . . . Alice Swaim surprised us all and took the final step last Friday night. Lots of good luck, Alice. . . . You can sure tell gas rationing is over. Lawrence Jentsch, for instance, spent his vacation in Ontario, Canada. Got any new fish stories for us, Lawrence?

H. E. May Promoted

H. E. May has been appointed supervisor of the commercial service section of the General Electric Company's Household Refrigerator Division, it has been announced.

He will be responsible for servicing household refrigerator orders, with headquarters at the Erie Works.

17-3 Newsies

We were all glad to see Ted Budecki the other day, when he stopped in to say hello to those who worked with him on dynamotors. Come back again sometime, Ted. . . . We don't blame Bill Martin for being proud of his brother, who risked his own life for his buddies and was awarded the Bronze Star. . . . Congratulations to Madonna Gerardot and Belle Buchan, who celebrated their birthdays last week. . . . One would think Eileen Bartle and Lorelei Prior were back in school to hear them talking about their first-grade readers. . . . We miss Dessie Spears, who quit last week to resume her duties as a housewife, but we want to welcome Dorothy Fuhs, who will take her place. . . . Ida Sinn, Clara Hoch, Gwen Chorpenning, Mildred Reinhart, Phyllis Hall, Christiana Coppolino, and Irma Sheumann have also come back to work with us. . . . We hope Olympia Olson enjoyed her vacation last week. . . . We can just see the proud looks on Eva, Emma, and Gladys' faces as they took turns holding Mary Fisher's new daughter, Nancy Ann. That's all, 'bye now.

Husband: "I finally got two tickets for the theater."

Wife: "Then I'll starting dressing at once."

Husband: "Good idea. The tickets are for tomorrow night."

Twenty-five thousand fingers were permanently injured during 1944, the National Safety Council estimates.



"Say, Pop," said Sandy, Jr., "what does this mean? It says that Napoleon said that he was more interested in what a soldier did the day AFTER the battle."

"Mebbe," Cousin Colin suggested, "he was interested in whether the soldier slept under 6 ft. o' sod, or was up and about, the day after."

"Joking aside," I cut in, "he wasn't so interested in what the soldier did in the heat o' the battle, doing what he had been well trained to do, and rising to new heights o' bravery, but,—the day after, when he has free time, does he do something to improve himself, or does he go on a wild celebration, and lose all the self respect he gained the day before?"

"Ah, yus," said Colin, "glory, honor, medals, and praise won't buy his meals after the war."

"No, and the nice letter we got from the Secretary o' the Navy, thot was in last week's WORKS NEWS, won't give us any new Navy business, either, but it was nice tae read all thot praise he handed out. At least, I, for one, don't think there's a big future in Navy business for us right now."

"I saw another big item in the NEWS, tho," said Colin, "thot sort o' praised us in a way, and held out a bright future,—the one about the new Wire Plant and the new 11,000 employment figure. The G-E must hai thought the working people o' Fort Wayne and vicinity hai done a gude job, and will keep on doing a gude job."

"Yus," I observed, "and, since all conversations wi' me end up in C.R.*, we might as well swing tae it right noo,—just think o' the C.R.* opportunities thot will open up here, with a new Wire Plant, and with twice as many people working here as there were before the war. We did a gude job in the war; we are trusted tae do a gude job after the war, so, we gotta make good. The way I figure, with twice as many employees, and with twice as many things tae make, thot means four times as many gude C.R.* suggestions ought tae be turned in, or are my figures cockeyed!"

"They were on that arithmetic problem you worked out for me," Sandy, Jr., slipped in.

*COST REDUCTION.

PEACE?

(Editor's note: This poem was written on V-J Day by D. H. Goodwin, RT 3/c, a former G-E employee who is overseas. It is being reprinted here because it may symbolize the same feelings thousands of our young men had on that historic day).

They've quit at last, the peace is signed!
Upon our terms is underlined;
But deep inside I hear a voice
That bids me think, ere I rejoice.

This battle's won, I will admit;
But how much good will come of it?
Will all this blood, in battle shed,
Accomplish naught for those who bled?

We shall go home, before too long,
To peaceful lives where we belong;
But will it work; can it be true;
That war-mad men are really through?

Bred for battle and weaned on blood,
Trained to charge through flame and mud;
What other race now draws a breath,
Who worship life much less than death?

Treat them as men? God spare, I say,
Or once again our sons shall pay:
We lost one peace and fought this war
Oh, Lord, forbid they do this o'er!

"Take all their guns" some wise men say;
But what of those they've cached away?
Oh, God, please help our leaders make
A wise, just peace no one can break!

D. H. Goodwin, RT 3/c, U.S.N.R.

Cpl. Charles F. Morris, formerly a Taylor Street employee, mail clerk with the 825th Engineers Aviation Battalion, recently spent a seven-day furlough in the U. S. Riviera Recreational Area at Nice.

During his stay on the famous Blue Coast, the "Cote d'Azur," frequented by millionaires before the war, Charles enjoyed the many vacation pleasures organized by the U. S. Army to give its soldiers a chance to rest and relax.

Cpl. Morris has been overseas for 27 months and is entitled to wear the E.T.O. ribbon with four Battle Stars for construction of airstrips in Normandy, Northern France, Central Europe, and the Rhineland.



NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Sept. 16, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . This base is used as a basic training center and also as an advanced training center for specialized work.

I have already come across the supercharger in my examinations of B-17's.

Pvt. Clifford D. Bieber

Dear Editor:

I have enjoyed the G-E paper very much throughout my time across and also here in the States. I am now back in camp after a big 30 days at home. This country of ours is really something after what you see over there. We are in Camp Shelby, Miss., and just kinda spending our time. It's a new Army life over again. I'm looking forward to the day when I can get out of here and get home and back to work again. Well, I guess that's about all, so here's hoping I get back to the G-E before too long.

PFC Richard W. Sanson

P.S. I wish to congratulate Bobilya on his work on the team this year and hope to be playing basketball with him this coming season.

Headed for Japan

Dear Editor:

I am no longer in France now. I was one of the unfortunate ones who were sent straight to the Pacific.

I am on Okinawa guarding Jap prisoners and will probably be going into Japan soon.

Tell the gang in Bldg. 26-4 I said hello, that is, if any of them are still there, as it has been over three years since I left them.

Since the war is over, I will be hoping to get back to the good old U.S.A. and the good old G-E.

You can't imagine how happy I was when I came here to find the WORKS NEWS here at Okinawa from Fort Wayne. It sure is nice to be able to tell what is doing at the G-E so far away.

Your friend,

PFC Robert A. Federspiel

Dear Editor:

I enjoy receiving the NEWS. After several months in Bavaria in the vicinity of Augsburg and Munich, I am now stationed at Marburg, Germany.

Lt. Col. Lloyd J. Dockel

In a recent letter from Pvt. Clarence L. Hull, formerly of Bldg. 26-5, he said that he is in a good outfit now, but he'd be glad when he can go back to his old job.

Back to Visit



Lawrence Schuster

Back to visit friends in the plant recently was PFC Lawrence Schuster, who was home on leave after 16 months overseas. A former Bldg. 4-3 employee, PFC Schuster holds the Bronze Star, Good Conduct Ribbon, Combat Infantryman's badge, presidential citation, and the E.T.O. ribbon with five battle stars.

PFC Schuster saw much combat in his overseas duty, and went into Normandy the second day after D-Day. He was awarded the Bronze Star for his part in helping stop enemy armored resistance, when, as a member of a bazooka team, he crossed the Rhine in advance of the first wave of our troops.

Mindanao
August 10, 1945

Dear Editor and Gang
of Bldg. 17-2:

Sorry I haven't written sooner, but my time has been pretty well occupied. I am thankful for one thing and that is that I receive the WORKS NEWS quite regularly. I have already received two issues for July.

In case you are wondering where Mindanao is, it's in the Philippine group. It's very warm and, of late, kind of wet. I am near the ocean now. In fact if I'd walk 20 yards out of my tent during high tide, I'd fall in. Things are quite calm out this way now, but believe me it's just the calm before the storm.

Tell all the old third trick gang I said "Howdy." I hope to be back in the shops before many more months.

A fellow worker,

PFC Lawerence Poorman

August 31, 1945

Dear Editor:

Lawson Field, Fort Benning, Ga., is really a fine place.

Although I am rated Supply Technician again, I am doing the work of a typist in Administrative Supply. The work is slightly different from my former experiences; but, one finds difficulties at every new camp, anyhow, and so must cope with the situation. The functions are the same, however, and somewhat like that at my former station, Maxton, N. C., although here at Administrative Supply every organization and squadron sends their requisitions to the Administrative Supply for consolidation by us and, thereafter, picking up its own supplies from our drawing account or warehouse. Such an organization can be firemen, engineers, specialties, publications, ordnance, and many tactical units operating in and around Lawson Field. So, as you can see, much paper work is involved, too.

There are about 700 E.M. at present in the squadron with several leaving for discharge and O.R.D. shipments.

The mess-hall gives out a fine meal. Well, they should, too, as every E.M. on the Squadron payroll has a chance to improve and carry on the achievements in every day mess-hall duty!

I am, indeed, thankful that the Guard-duty Rostrum was debated out, especially since it was a necessity in Squadron duty. I would not have liked this every day chore, nor had I liked it in basic, either.

Under the circumstances I can see that I won't be able to get my discharge before the first of the year, anyway, as I have just 55 points to date and 3½ years in the Army.

This being the only Squadron of Lawson Field, including Squadron D, colored section, I'm sure it will be of immediate note that a series of volleyball and tennis courts were erected yesterday, immediately behind the Administrative Supply and Orderly rooms; P.T. which is held here every night except Saturday and Sunday, should become likeable to all.

Saturday morning's inspection is coming closer each minute, so I'll close: A Mop in the hand, now, is worth two in the bush later—with, however, lots of soapsuds!

Yours sincerely,

Sgt. Robert F. Crick

With The Engineers

Dear Editor:

Just a word or two to let you know I'm O.K. now. I'm with the 826th Aviation Engineers now, who are a swell bunch of fellows. They have 57 air fields to their credit from England to Germany. They have been over here three years today, August 19. I hope to come home with them soon. I'll bet I do not know very many in Bldg. 17-2 any more, but I still want to come back and work for you.

Hello to everyone who can remember me. Now that the war is over, I hope there can be an everlasting peace. There are lots of fellows who will never come back and I knew quite a few of them too.

I am getting the G-E NEWS, and enjoy reading up on the things that are happening back there. It is good to see that the Fort Wayne Works ranked well at the top in the "Mighty Seventh" Bond Sales.

There are many things I've seen I could tell, but I'd rather not talk about them, so will close for now and write more later. I hope to be back soon. Thank everyone for their cooperation in helping to win this war, for it was a very large job for both you and us over here. Again I say goodbye and good luck 'til I see you all.

PFC Elroy Miller

Cpl. M. W. Estep has been assigned to the occupational forces as a member of the 954th Air Engineering Squadron, 528th Air Service Group, stationed near Foggia, Italy. He was employed in Bldg. 26-5 prior to his entering the armed services. Cpl. Estep arrived at Casablanca, Morocco, in July of 1943.

The 528th Air Service Group was organized at the close of the European War and was formed from a nucleus of the 50th Air Service Squadron, 19th Air Service Group, 68th Air Service Group, 324th Air Service Group, 975th Military Police (Avn.), and other units, which had outstanding war service records.

This group is a new type organization styled to support the tactical group, the 97th Bomb Group (B-17), under any conditions and in any locality where the problems of aircraft repair, maintenance, and supply of heavy bombers are concerned.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Facts and Fun FROM 31

We always have people who watch a foundation being excavated or a flagpole being raised—but more than anything else, we have people who look over other people's shoulders while they are playing cards. These people are commonly called kibitzers. We have one in Bldg. 31, but it has taken almost seven years for him to speak out and give advice to a card player. His name—Bud Fisher; his error—telling Jerry Frye that the Jack of Clubs was a left bower; his victim—Bert Bolyard. . . . Now that gasoline isn't rationed, I can give all the fellows in Bldg. 31 who own cars a tip. Mary Vorndran, our tall lovely in the Material List Section, wants to learn how to drive. . . . The other day Gladys Huguenin was wandering about the office, now and then flitting from desk to desk, obviously searching for something. After going to all the desks she had visited earlier, she stopped at Pappy Archbold's. Seeing the young maiden in distress, "Sir Launfall" asked if he could help in any way. "Yes," answered Gladys, "I've lost my watch." "Oh, did you now?" asked Pappy. "Was it a yellow gold wrist watch with a black strap and—?" "Yeh! That's it," cried Gladys, "did you find it, Pappy?" "Nope, it's on your arm." . . Recently Helen Barry, Blue Print Service, must have had the feeling of being a queen or a movie star or something when everybody looked at her feet and then whistled. Then realizing a few giggles mixed in with the whistles, she glanced down, and her castles came tumbling down. No golden slippers, no nylon hose, only two different kind of shoes. . . . Art Voelker, one of the eligibles in the Production Section, had trouble holding his chair the other day. In fact, he didn't! As he reclined on the floor, Betty Bright, after laughing to her heart's content, asked him if he fell. "Heck no, this is the way I always sit down." . . . Don Schultz, in the Planning Section, must have had some experience around the farm. Every once in a while he slips into the cow country lingo. In fact, the other day he was heard mumbling something about being bossy to Rosebud and Bright Eyes. . . Paul Perry caused quite a commotion in the Drafting Room last Monday when he brougbt a five-inch puff adder snake into work. He caught it in Michigan and decided it would make a nice pet for the office, but in order to keep his popularity with the women, Paul had to give the snake away. How about a nice tame tiger next time? . . . Cigars and candy were being passed by Lawrence Painter last week announcing the arrival of a new boy in the family. May we offer our congratulations! . . . Helen Gifford is leaving the Drafting Room to live in sunny California. Lots of luck, Helen; your stay with us was short but pleasant. . . . Welcome, Dorothy Swank, from Taylor Street, as Mr. Stough's stenographer. . . . Harold Garrett has returned from his vacation in Michigan with 80 fish, he says. Anyone looking for a good, tall fish story, see Garrett; I'm sure he knows them all. . . . The biggest news of the week is the retirement of our former supervisor, John Felmlee.

Three Times Winner



OF THE MERITORIOUS SAFETY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE IN TWO AND ONE-HALF YEARS. This is the very splendid safety record of employees in BLDG. 26-4, TRANSFORMER DIVISION. The General Foreman of this group of SAFE WORKERS is DEAN LOCKWOOD. The following comparative figures in accident frequency will give you a clear conception of how GOOD a job they are doing:

ALL GENERAL ELECTRIC WORKS—7 LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS PER 1,000,000 MAN HOURS
FORT WAYNE WORKS— 5.96 LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS PER 1,000,000 MAN HOURS
BLDG. 26-4 TRANSFORMER DIV.— 0 LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS PER 3,000,000 MAN HOURS

Mr. Lockwood presented each employee under his supervision a pocketbook size certificate similar to the above bearing his signature.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

P.S. The illustration appearing in this column last week showed a stator rolling off work bench in Bldg. 4-4, due to a half-round guard being broken out, which caused a foot accident. Tbis accident occurred in 1940, not 1945. Safety Committeemen, planners, and other employees in Bldg. 4-4 were displeased, and rightly so. We apologize.

H.L.S.

Is Zat So?

The announcement that identification badges were no longer necessary brought forth many comments. For example, Olin Chookman kidded that now he wouldn't have any excuse for staying home or being late. Too bad, "Shookie." . . . **Loyal** Decker would glady accept any badges to add to his badge collection. If you are interested in joining his Rogues' Gallery, just see Decker. . . . Neil Allen is the new foreman of Group 19x73. Best of luck, Neil. . . . We wish to welcome Joseph Johnson and Nelson Klopfenstein to Group 19x73, along with Miner Bishop, who keeps our section clean. . . . Mary Jane Meyer and Lloyd Pinkerton are the group's new inspectors. Hope you all enjoy working with us. . . . Lloyd Pinkerton spent the week-end fishing and caught a nice bunch for a good old fish fry. . . . Bill Fisher is still the same old cut-up, only wittier, if possible. . . . Again the old adage, "Necessity is the mother of invention," was brought to mind when we noticed the novel way Naomi Zimmerman keeps her bobby socks from sliding down into her shoes. Bet when you removed the tape, it really hurt, didn't it, Naomi? . . . When told that the world was supposed to come to an end last Friday morning, Virginia Meyers exclaimed, "Oh, and I was going to see Van Johnson Friday night." . . . John Lennio is now working at Winter Street. Best of luck John. . . . That was some ball game Sunday, but strategy and tragedy was synonomous for "Red" Braden's ball team. Better luck next year, boys'. . . . Just because Ollie Ramsey's and Jack Lewis' birthdays are on the same day, Ollie insists that they are the same age. Ollie wanted to be the first to wish Jack a happy birthday, so he called Jack right after midnight. . . . We have five co-workers who are adding another year to their service records this week. Congratulations to George Mosshammer, Ed Hahn, Fred Shutt, Dermond Walker, and Russel Gibson. They are some of our old-timers and have a total of 123 years of service.

After 35 years with G-E, he has decided to take life easy, and we wish you lots of luck, John.

DID YOU KNOW that the life of fluorescent lamps for household use is as much as 2,500 hours?

DID YOU KNOW that tests have revealed that summer temperatures in farm kitchens equipped with electric ranges averaged 8.4 degrees cooler than the same kitchens with wood ranges and 4.7 degrees cooler than when oil stoves are used?

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Vacations certainly are wonderful. What a grand and glorious feeling to know you can sleep as long as you please and do as you please. This was tbe experience of Charles Schild and Charles Haberkorn on their vacations last week. Charley and Hobby decided to go fishing, taking Charley's outboard motor. Hobby did the rowing, and Charley was to run the motor. Well, Hobby rowed and rowed and Charley cranked and cranked, and the motor would not start. Finally Charley discovered that the carburetor was not turned on. Can't run without gas, Charley. Crickets were plentiful, if you could see well enough to catch them, so Hobby went cricket hunting. Everytime he would reach for a cricket, it got away, and the bread he put out for bait to catch the crickets with looked mighty queer indeed. Hobby could not imagine what was wrong until someone informed him he had on the wrong glasses. No wonder his vision was blurred. Talking about glasses, Charley hunted his glasses and wasn't able to find them, so he asked Hobby if he had them (since he had the wrong ones on the day before). Hobby looked at Charley and said, "Why man, you have them on."

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Bldgs. 8 and 12

Gertrude Edwards is very happy to see her husband, who is home on furlough before going overseas. . . . Margie Degitz changed the name but not the letter when she said "I do" to William Deetz. . . . Porky Schoenefeld recovered successfully from having his tonsils removed. . . . Peggy Hamm became the blushing bride of Herbert Hontz, who recently returned from 18 months overseas with the Navy. Peggy is very busy learning to cook. . . . Rosella Smith has been showing a very beautiful picture of herself and the young man whom she met at the altar. Max Snyder is the man. . . . Kay Kigar has just returned to work after a five weeks' vacation, during which time she entered double harness with Bob Reitz, who is home for good after three years overseas. . . . Hazel Leichty has returned to work after a nice visit with her husband, wbo was home from England. . . . Slim Lothamer is nursing a sprained arm because he tried to drive his horse through a wire fence. . . . Evelyn Flory and hubby attended a bingo party, and hubby was lucky—he brought home a basket of groceries. . . . Alfred Rudasky and wife are proud parents of a new baby girl. They call ber Donna Lu. . . . Glenn Greek says he has teeth now that sure stay put, and be can eat with them, too. . . . If anyone has an item for the NEWS, please contact Mary Coggeshall, Bldg. 8-2. Dig some up, won't you?

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Naomi Eicher was really hungry the other day—at least she seemed to be. She rushed in the cafeteria, slid across the floor, and nearly knocked three people down before she got stopped. Don't you know you could be arrested for speeding, Naomi? . . . Birthday greetings go to Effie Yinger, and may you have many more happy ones. . . . Joan Johnson is taking a leave of absence to be witb her husband. Sorry to bave you go, but we'll be looking for you back. . . . Helen White has returned to work after having a week's vacation. . . . Effie Yinger's third brother has returned home from Europe and is bonorably discharged. . . . Everyone was wondering what Gert Poiry was so happy about. Well, you guessed it. Good news from her husband, who will soon be home. Good for you, Gert. . . . Anita Slusher said they had plenty of fish last week and a nice vacation. . . . Helen Wyss is on vacation this week. Have a nice time. . . . Jean Snyder seems very happy, as she had good news from her brother. He is on bis way home. Oh, bappy day.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

We're sorry to see so many girls leaving us, but we hope to see them back to work real soon. We certainly miss the gal who always had a good word for everyone—that's Edna Walter, who was always around Bldg. 12-3 with Eileen Betz and Dot Bacon. Hope to see them soon. Miss that sweet smile of Therma Carrison's. We will all miss Phyllis Symonds, who is leaving us this week. She is going back to school in January.

And It's A' Fishin' They Will Go....



Here's a picture of those fishing pictures the G-E Joes have been proudly displaying, and it seems to prove that some of them were really t-h-a-t long. (1) That's Elmer Haugk, Bldg. 18-3 gingerly displaying a tiny fish. O. K., we'll tell—it's the end one of a big string. (2) Paul Stiver, Bldg. 27 Garage, shows his catch from Hart, Mich. (3) Clarence Kreischer, Winter Street, proves that there are still bass in LeLanau, Mich. (4) Jack Herney (left) and Therman Liechty, Winter Street, have something to show

(5) That's Ray Lepper, Bldg. 4-1, with a catch of pike. (6) Mr. and Mrs. Louis Harber, Winter Street, prove a point too. (7) Rheinhold Lepper, Bldg. 12-3, displays a 10-pound pike. (8) Left to right are Rheinhold Lepper, Bldg. 12-3, F. L. Richards, Bldg. 16-3, Bud Gilbert, Bldg. 12-3, and Ralph Foust, Bldg. 12-3, with a catch of five pike and two bass.

(9) L. W. Brayton, Bldg. 19-1, says they really grow fish in Carp Lake, Mich. (10) Dee Hamilton, Bldg. 27, and Perry Shoher, Hollywood Bldg., smile about their luck. (11) Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Patton and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trenchet display a catch taken in Batchewona Bay, Ontario, Canada.

(12) Gus Herhst, Winter Street, caught this at Bear Lake. (13) Bennie Patton, Bldg. 27 Garage, shows a catch of northern pike, the longest one at right being 48 inches long. (14) Ralph Foust, Bldg. 12-3, with a 13-pound pike.

(15) Paul Gellert, Bldg. 18-3, proves his skill. (16) Left to right are Russell Braden, Dee Hamilton, Don Lewis, and Charlie (Red) Braden with a fine catch. (17) Bill Irwin (at right), Bldg. 26-2, says he can catch them with the aid of his mother-in-law and cousin.

"Electronics Park" Buildings To Be Constructed Soon

Headquarters Plant To Be Located Near Syracuse, New York

Construction of buildings at "Electronics Park," General Electric Company's headquarters plant for its Electronics Department, will begin immediately at Liverpool, five miles from Syracuse, Dr. W. R. G. Baker, Vice-President in charge of the Department, has announced.

The Walsh Construction Company of New York City will be the general contractor, Dr. Baker said. The plant will be constructed on a 155-acre plot of landscaped ground and will cost about 10 million dollars when all buildings are completed and equipped, with various services installed.

Floor area involved will be in excess of one million square feet. Buildings to be constructed include administration, reception, laboratory, transmitter, receiver, specialty, restaurant, service, boiler house and substation.

Rough grading and construction of culverts is now being done by the Salina Construction Company of Syracuse. The D. W. Winkleman Company, Syracuse contractor, is putting in water mains and sewers and underground electrical distribution ducts. Railroad tracks are being installed by Fred Ballard Company of Syracuse.

To Be Electronics Headquarters



Photo shows model of 155-acre tract and buildings where fast-growing G-E Department will produce radio and many similar products at "Electronics Park," Syracuse, N. Y.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

We're a little late in welcoming Jean Funk into Bldg. 16-3. She is a transfer from the Transformer Division. Our welcome mat is also put out to Kathryn Walper and Betty Colvin, two new members of Bldg. 18-3. . . . Mr. R. E. Woods, Employment Office, has been transferred to the Danville Plant. Here's wishing him the best of luck. . . . The Accounting Section, Bldg. 18-3, is now in a position to challenge any and all comers. Virginia Winegart will very expertly demonstrate the perfect John L. Sullivan form upon request. . . . Phyllis Thompson, Bldg. 18-3, can once again be seen nightly at Bell's Skating Rink. Who knows, one of these days we might even see Phyllis' name in headlines as a famous fancy skater.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

Greetings, once more. So the vacation ended, and once again I have taken up the business of "snooping." . . . Two scholarly gentlemen, Johnny Carr and Paul Vance, were faced with a proposition for a transformer to operate an electric fence of much higher voltage than they deemed necessary. Boys, when it comes to applications of this nature just consult Ruth Turner, and she'll be glad to give her advice. . . . Welcome back "Pritch" from a two weeks' vacation. You were missed around here, but from that restful look in your eyes, we know it was a vacation well spent. . . . The boys of the Commercial Section are planning a little golf game next Saturday afternoon. One of those handicap affairs. I guess the least we can do is wish for nice weather for their game. . . . The bowling season is now underway, and the Commercial Section is well represented with Chuck Graham, Joe Coughlin, O. (Snuffy) Smith, and Johnny Carr as members of the Transformer League. . . . Sounds like there is a star in the Transformer League, namely Bob Rowe, if Sunday night's game is a sample of what he can do. Look out fellows. For the records, Bob had a score of 622 on 3 games. Not bad, eh? . . . Although "Snuffy" Smith is not a newcomer to us, by any means, I'd like to take this opportunity to say, "Welcome, and I hope you'll find everything to your liking here." . . . Betty Foltz, the former Betty Helser, has returned to the Service Bureau after being in Arizona the past several months. . . . Eileen Daniels receives more roses from her husband for more occasions. Now she has them for their fifth wedding anniversary. Congratulations to both Eileen and Ken. . . . In the Engineering Section I find many changes have taken place in the past few weeks. Hank Jones has moved downstairs to work with Charles Kronmiller on the ballast line. Kenny Stucky has transferred to O. Kiltie's group in Bldg. 26-3. And finally Wendell Hughes is once more working on the ballast line. . . . Congratulations are in order for Bill Oswalt, who will be the superintendent of the Danville plant, and for Don Poland, who has been appointed superintendent of the Clyde Plant. . . . Our congratulations also to Dennis Jennings, who has been selected as the engineer in charge of ballasts in the Danville Plant. . . . O. Kiltie and Chuck Kronmiller took on Bob Rowe and Harold (Pritch) Pritchard in a golf match Saturday. It was nip and tuck all the way, but Kronmiller says he appreciates the monetary donation he received from "Pritch." . . . Our belated birthday wishes to Ruth Gebhardt, who celebrated another birthday on Sunday. . . . Bob Smith entered Indiana University this fall. Good luck, Bob. . . . Well, looks like that covers it for this time, so long now.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

We always thought Gene Berg, Mike Trott, Dick Stauffer, and "Red" Renbarger were just boys at heart, but now we know. One day last week these boys were playing their usual euchre game at noon, holding cards in one hand and an ice cream cone in the other. Imagine! Next thing you know they will be eating all-day suckers while working. . . . If you see a redhead fluttering hither and yon all flustered and excited, you will know it is Doris Taylor with the news that her husband is back in the States and will be home soon. Doris had been on vacation this week since she was expecting Dale (her husband) home last week-end. . . . A budding Shelley has been discovered in Bldg. 4-5. In our mail for this week was this horticultural ode, supposedly contributed by Mr. O. C. (Blackie) Winefer:

There are those
Who like a wild Irish rose.
There are others
Who are daffodil lovers.
My enjoyment,
And spare time employment,
Is relaxation
In dahlia cultivation.

We certainly hope that "Blackie" will favor us again with another of his poems. . . . Seen in the office during lunch hour last week was Bob Neeb having his head massaged by D. Connors, while he was trying to play a good game of pinochle. Maybe a few massages would help to make his hair grow—oh, excuse me, Bob, I have been informed that you do have more hair than I was led to believe. . . . If Ben Franklin really wants to go to the G-E baseball games, he is going to have to learn to make up his mind sooner. After debating—for heaven only knows how long—he finally broke down and decided to go, only to find he arrived too late to get any tickets. Too bad, Ben, and better decide quicker the next time. . . . Looking at Gene Firestone's desk, you will see a picture of "The Great Firestone" holding a dahlia in his hand and wearing one in his lapel. Funny, but that picture looks exactly like a picture of "The Great Gildersleeve" cut from a movie magazine—with the dahlias painted on as an added touch of color. Someone tells me E. D. Lehman was responsible for that.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear via the grapevine: That Don Tetlow is having trouble with his moustache. Half of it' has changed from its normal dark brown to a definite sandy shade. Don is now comparing the merits of black paint, stove blackening, and eyebrow pencil to restore his moustache to its former luxuriant appearance. . . . That Joe Trentadue is now to "Q" in Webster's Dictionary. Joe says it is very interesting. . . . That Henry Burch lost his reputation as a top-notch euchre player at the last Dispatchers Club meeting by losing four out of six games played. The Grapevine editor will call for his best horse and deuling pistols if Henry dares to blame the losses on his partner. . . . That Joe Bruns says the first thing he wants to know from the "Rumor Clinic" is whether some poker decks DO have five aces in them. . . . That Gerald Brown has been making a collection of the various kinds of new brands of cigarettes that have appeared on the market during the recent shortage. Brownie's worst fears are that he may get caught short some day and actually have to smoke some of them. . . . That "Howdy Folks," the Bldg. 4-3 column, scooped us on Gaylord Evans' failure to locate the Dispatchers Club meeting September 11. Due to our age and general disability, we don't get around much any more, so will someone please enlighten us about the affair? . . . That the real truth about Harry Magner's recent trip to Chicago to hear Jeanette McDonald is that his seat was so far from the scene of activities that he not only couldn't see Miss McDonald—he could hardly see the stage! . . . Oratory: The art of making deep noises from the chest sound like important messages from the brain.

Carver Club Opens New Club Year Sunday

The Carver Club will open its fall season Sunday, October 7, with a meeting at the Wheatley Social Center at 3 P. M. Mrs. Georgia Dixie, president of the group, announced that the Club now has its own meeting room in the Wheatley Social Center Building and urged every member to be present for the first meeting of the new Club year.



Four Fourums

By Jim Crockett
Bldg. 4-4 Floor

Found attached to George Hosek's news: Attention, Mr. Crockett. Following is off the record. Please hereafter spell my name Hosek and not Husek. Thanking you in advance I remain ribbingly yours (probably the typewriter stuttered) and we're so veddy, veddy sorry, George. . . . Discovered what caused the Florida hurricane. Hank Epple, our lusty-voiced bowler, spent that week in Florida, and Florida had to blow up a breeze of hurricane force to compete with Hank. . . . "This is all the news I have this week," says Lil. "This is my last week, so I'm sorry I can't help you more. It was fun while I could help you. Be good now." Thanks a lot, Lil, and luck to you. . . . Lost: One wad of chewed "chewing gum." Finder see Neva Waikel. "Oh dear, where could it be?" . . . Anyone can see that cheese rationing days are over as Myrt Barfell and Maxine Warnock were seen eating their daily lunch of "cheese and crackers." . . . More new faces are appearing lately in Section 14. Among them are Larry Huffman, who replaces LaMaille O'Neill, in Rotor Inspection. Norbert Getz is the new man on Phil Fousnought's job, while Alvin Voltz is now operating the lathe formerly run by Lavon Miller. . . . Harold Stagdell is replacing Barbara Wilson on Flange Inspection, and Dewey Baumgartner is the new field inspector replacing Lil Hinman. A hearty welcome to all you newcomers, and good luck to those of you who are leaving us for good, or for other jobs. . . . Viola Baumgartner and Lil Hinman are two employees leaving the Company, Saturday being tbeir last day. Viola is going far south to Texas to bask in the warm sunshine, and Lil is going to be a housewife. Both girls were presented with lovely farewell gifts and cards Saturday night from their co-workers. And incidentally, the candy was delicious. . . . This saying "that the younger generation is much further advanced" is not just talk. George Hosek gave his young son a flashligbt tbat he figured was no good, as he tried several times to fix it, but to no avail. Lo and behold a couple days later his wife informed him Sonny had the flashlight burning. . . . Congratulations go to Joe Tricker, who has become a proud Daddy. Joe said, "Even if it was Carol Rose instead of Junior, we are mighty proud of her." He now has three girls. . . . We wish to welcome Mary Kramer and Vickie Walzer to the "Nite Owl" trick. . . . Wilma Lynch's latest peacetime job is plastering. She is ready to take jobs providing the individual is not particular if it is a "rough finish" job when completed. . . . George Houck believes in using his ingenuity. He has finally discovered how to chase a knurled thread on the lathe. . . . Si (Frosty) Alspaugh is very reluctant about handing out his wife's culinary recipes. Herb Ort was about six months getting one for pecan pie, now Russ DeVeny has waited three weeks for a beet recipe. Be patient, Russ, you still have some time to go. . . . Maurie Vonderhaar believes in getting all he paid for. He rented two batteries for his new electric boat motor, and after boating most of last Sunday afternoon, he just barely got back to the landing when the batteries gave out. . . . Russ DeVeny's wife solved the problem of the missing spoon. It seems Russ forgets to put his spoons back in his lunch box. So she now ties it to the box with a 3-foot cord. . . . Clarence DeArmond had a hard time finding a WORKS NEWS last Friday. He wandered all around Bldg. 4-4 Floor asking everyone about them and finally discovered that they had not been distributed yet. Be patient, Clarence, everytbing in due time. . . . Carl Kloepper told us why Charlie Knock can't catch any fish. It seems Charlie is superstitious about dragon flies sitting on his fishing bobber. He never lets them get settled, consequently neither does his bait. . . . We miss our Jovial "Millie." She has now gone to Bldg. 17-3. Well, our loss is their asset. We wish her a lot of luck and are looking forward to a visit from her soon. . . . Howard Poorman was showing his son how he rode a coaster wagon during his younger days—and lo and behold, the axle broke. Maybe you're a little heavier now, Howard. . . . Herb (Blackie) Ort challenges anyone on the floor to sneeze louder than he can. . . . Charley Knock, Carl Kloepper, and Howard Poorman went out to get minnows. After they had got what they decided was enough, they started to the car. Carl met some elderly man and was telling him what a nice mess of fish they had caught; then and there Knock and Poorman tried to explain to Carl those minnows were not to eat but to fish with. We wonder if Carl sampled any? . . . Please ask Gladys Strong the name of pickled rabbit. . . . Eric Helwig and his wife caught 52 pike and bass at Coldwater Lake. What, no picture? . . . Virgel Snyder says he is afraid to go fishing again because they bit so well the last time he went. (What, no pictures here either?) . . . Herman Lepper bowled over 200 last week (in 3 games).

Bldg. 4-4 Office

Our office has a new pilot, namely Earl Greenlee. He attended the Auburn fair with a Mr. Delegrange. It seems that they tried to set a new sustained upside down flight as the Tilt-A-Whirl stuck, and they flew upside down as Earl says, "for hours and hours." . . . Our Section 14 G-E golfers were either bragging or complaining all day last Monday after the G-E Blind Bogey Tournament. . . . We wish to welcome Beverly Redmon to our office force, and we hope you like our gang real well.

He 'Cashed In' His Idea



Harold L. Frazier, Bldg. 19-5, received a $25 suggestion award recently for suggesting changes to shaft material size so as to reduce costs. SUGGESTIONS PAY OFF.

Turret Tattles

It is a source of constant wonder for the lads of Bldg. 27 garage as to what Bill Pomp and Ralph Wickliffe converse so often about. It is also good to find two people that enjoy each other's company. . . . Russ Genth has a genius for tatting—you know, making pretty doilies and such from thread, at the expense of great effort and concentration. In his spare moments, Russ also does a li'l sheep shearing. Quotations upon request! . . . Kenny Seymour is walking on clouds since the "boy" is home from Europe. . . . We've seen chopping blocks in the wood sheds of yore and cutting blocks in butcher shops, but Tommy Hendricks topped all by trying to use his knee for a cutting block—we are at a loss for words. Li'l boys should not be allowed to play with sharp knives! . . . The lads with the wolf whistles were a li'l bit surprised t'other evenin' when a pretty member of the WAVES came in to visit. Many a surprised and embarrassed lad saw Sam Baumgartner greet his daughter home from the services and in for a visit to Dad's shop. There's a moral here, fellers. . . . There was a bit of weepin' and wailin' on the part of some of the political wranglers, when Benny Patton left us to start his own business. Good luck, Benny, but you left us in an awful hole when it comes to settlin' big questions, of finance and such. . . . The gals in the office want to know what they have to do to get their name in the NEWS. Anything spectacular, gals, anything. But keep it clean!

J. M. Lang Named Head, G-E Ken-Rad

J. M. Lang has been appointed manager of the Ken-Rad Division of the General Electric Company's Electronics Department, with headquarters at Owensboro, Ky.

This announcement has been made by George W. Nevin, manager of the Tube Division at Schenectady, who is also responsible for the Ken-Rad operation.

In this capacity, Mr. Lang will be in charge of the operations of G-E Ken-Rad plants in Owensboro, Ky., and Huntingburg, Ind., and will also be responsible for the management of government-owned G-E tube plants at Bowling Green, Ky., and Tell City, Ind.

Mr. Lang succeeds C. J. Hollatz who will make his services available in a consulting and advisory capacity for the present.

Since January 15 of this year, Mr. Lang has been assistant manager of the Ken-Rad Division. Previous to that he was accountant of the G-E Tube Division at Schenectady, N. Y.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

For the past several weeks, while it was difficult to obtain a record of events and happenings as they occurred during the time the section was going through so many swift changes, our column has been absent from the paper. Since we are gradually returning to normal conditions, we hope to again be able to obtain and print the news. . . . We are happy to greet so many of our old friends who have returned to us after their short stay at Taylor Street. . . . Ed Gebhart is finding out how it feels to get up early in the morning, since he and all the rest of the commutator group are working on the first shift. . . . Greetings to Bill Shuler, a newcomer in our office. He has succeeded Charlie Slater, who has left to accept a position in Employee Relations. We wish you both success and prosperity in your new work: . . . Jean Herrman has left us to enter into nurses' training at the Lutheran Hospital. We all hope she will be happy in her new undertaking. . . . In a three-way conversation held a few days ago regarding shoes, Ed Lingdren said he has decided to discard his old white shoes because the soles are so thin he can tell the name of any gum wrapper he happens to step on. . . . In spite of the easing of rationing, Irene Geiger still hasn't been able to get filled up. . . . In case you haven't noticed it yet, take a good look at that diamond on the left hand of Helen Stookey. . . . Carl Stadelman, who plays the organ in church, modestly admits that he's good,.too. . . . The friends of Margie Rouch in Bldgs. 4-2 and 6-2 want to know where she got the pretty pair of shiny bracelets she was seen wearing last Saturday night; they were really exclusive weren't they, Marge?

The Bazookas Move Out



Spare parts for bazookas are removed from the manufacturing floor at Bridgeport Works to make room for General Electric's washing machine line, already turning them out. Thousands of bazooka parts, rendered obsolete by victory over the Japs, will probably be salvaged for some peacetime purpose.

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CANDID CAMERA

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"SHORT SNORTER CLUB" MEMBER AT PLASTICS . . .
Sidney Barker, new Pittsfield designer and war veteran, shows Eileen Perry his short snorter, with bills from 18 different lands. He was wounded by V-bamb in England.



A Star to Philadelpia Works . . .

Picture of the Month....

JOE O'LONE COMES BACK TO G.E.
Pacific Navy veteran finds old job waiting for him at Philadelphia Works and stows a hero's sea gear for overalls. Thousands of war veterans are rejoining mates throughout G-E organization, and many more are expected. Joe saw dangerous duty on landing craft.

Photo by Harry Flournoy



AMONG 25-YEAR MEN AT PITTSFIELD . . .
Louis Tukey, a drill press operatar in the tank shop, smiles braadly as he accepts his pin from T. C. Volsky. In recent ceremonies nine others entered Quarter Century group and one 40-year man was honored.



WHO'S IT? . . .
Is guard in doghouse, or are dogs in guard-hause? Harold Faulkner, Schenectady, tries to decide as he pets litter barn under gate-house af Bldg. 37.

The Men and Women of G.E. Face the Future with Confidence



Esther Diffin operates vertical milling machine.



Harriet Polutys uses Roto-Clone machine.



Joe Stevens tests ports in flow balance

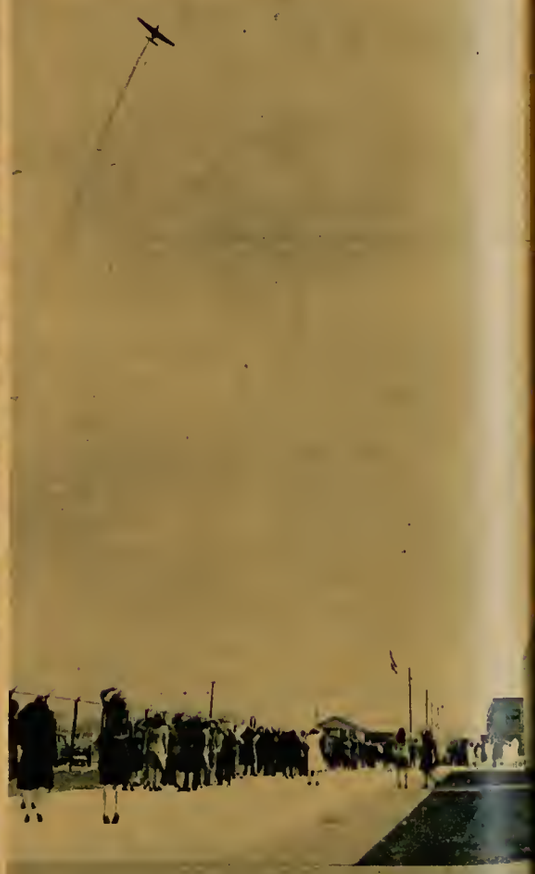
SYRACUSE (Turbine Plan



Alfred Moore and million-volt X ray.



Grinding welded parts for jet engine.



Famous jet plane performs for Plant employees



Rose Cimilluca welds for jet engine.



The trim "land battleship" USS Knox.



Stanley Govendo uses engine lathe.

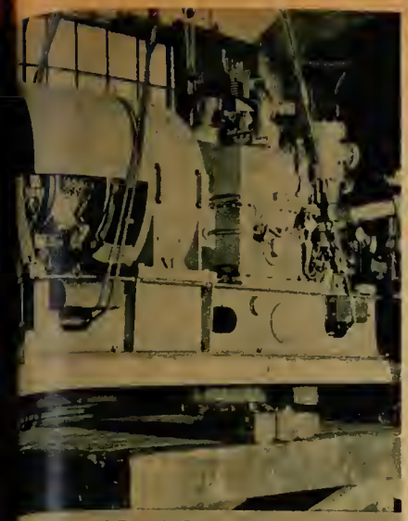
ONE OF THE WAR'S MIRACLES occurred at Syracuse. Bodly in need of sub-hunters, the Navy saw G.E. build and equip the Syrocuse Turbine Plant for DE's almost overnight, from which soon came a stream of propulsion units. The Plant also built and operated o "land battleship," the "USS Knox," for training.

Famed for its record job of producing propulsion units for DE's, the Plant then entered the era of the gas turbine. When the war ended, it was in production of super jet engines for the Lockheed P-80 "Shooting Star," the fostest plane in the world, and this remains its chief job.



Wrapping jet engine in heat-sealed bags.

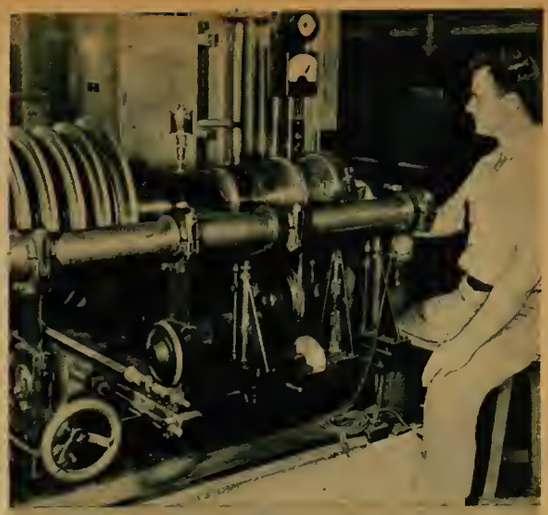
"I personally urge you to continue to invest as high a percentage of



Morin and Frank Emma ship turbine



W. Moy hardens dovetail cutters.



Clark Craig and turbine rotor balancing machine.

FITCHBURG



hburg's war record shines in service flags.



Ray Boucher and cutter grinder.



Louis Bedard spins babbitt for bearing.



Anthony Mezeski polishes nazzle plates.



James Kent operates metal cutting shear.



Girl operators burr dovetail and tenon.

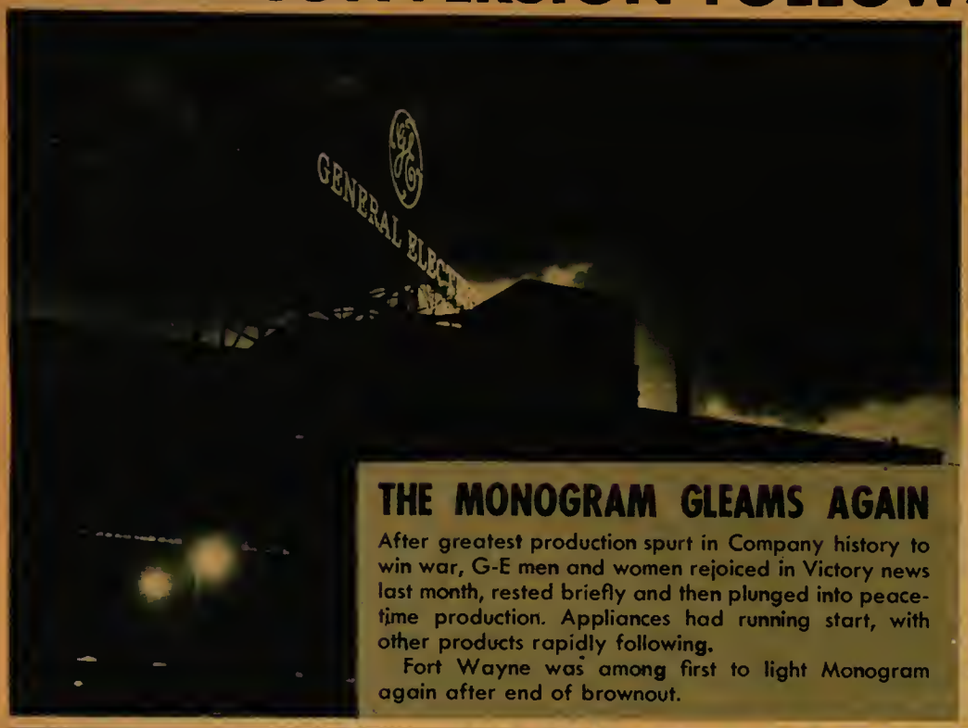
THE FITCHBURG PLANT is also famous for turbines. During the war it specialized in the creation of the propulsive force of many ships, not only for the Navy, but for the Merchant Marine as well, turning out these machines with watchlike precision. Fitchburg thus had a potent share in Victory, as its Navy "E" and Maritime "M" awards testify.

The Plant goes confidently into the postwar period prepared to furnish mechanical drive turbines in a wide range of sizes, from small to large units. These are now widely used aboard ship as auxiliaries and are expected to find favor for postwar industrial applications in many fields.



A. Scipione seal welds blades.

QUICK CONVERSION FOLLOWS BIG WAR DRIVE



THE MONOGRAM GLEAMS AGAIN

After greatest production spurt in Company history to win war, G-E men and women rejoiced in Victory news last month, rested briefly and then plunged into peacetime production. Appliances had running start, with other products rapidly following.

Fort Wayne was among first to light Monogram again after end of brownout.



Victory News delights shift at Pittsfield.



Ontario celebrates with annual barbecue.



Quick batterychargers roll off line at River. Left to right, Al Dowe, Elmer Daigneau, Virginia Fortin and Staurla Stamapopulous.



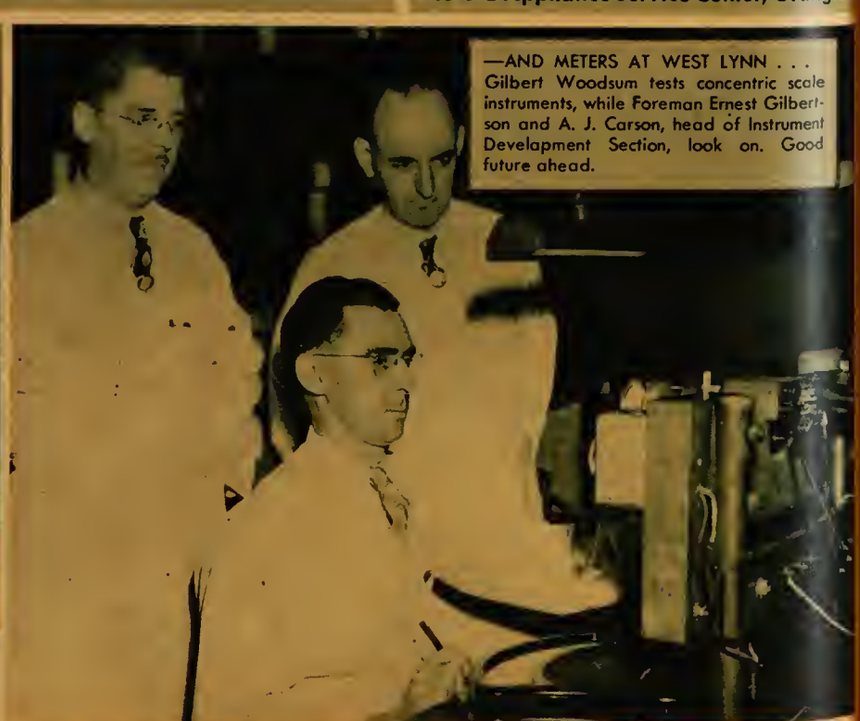
Erie Works make nation's first line-produced refrigerator. Sales Manager A. G. Chaffer and Helen Mioduszewski.



Repairs resume after war lull. John V. Eckert goes from war job at Bloomfield to G-E Appliance Service Center, Orange.



WASHERS RESUME AT BRIDGEPORT WORKS . . .
George Hoydie grins at future as he examines gear cose from stack of new parts. Little infontile poralysis patients get benefit af first machines.



—AND METERS AT WEST LYNN . . . Gilbert Woodsum tests concentric scale instruments, while Foreman Ernest Gilbertson and A. J. Carson, head of Instrument Develapment Section, look on. Good future ahead.

A Second of Carelessness May Destroy a Lifetime of Carefulness

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

COST

It seems that several people have been wondering where the Cost Section has "disappeared to." Well, here we are, moved up to the second floor now. And howdy, folks, 'tis way up here.

MACHINE SHOP

Well folks, here I am again. I'm never my contrary spell, and really wasn't coaxed. . . . Yes, Emma J., we all know you're back. We heard you come in Wednesday. You say you're not, but the general opinion around here seems to be you are. . . . We have a new time clerk in our section. He came from Broadway to relieve Velma Keller. We all welcome you, John Leeuw. . . . Rosaline: How come you left us for a third trick? We miss you, but we know you'll like your new job. . . . In our most recent survey, the presence of Mrs. (Honey) Carrier is most welcome in the machine shop. It seems to encourage Joe (Pappy) Carrier's ability. . . . Through the careful maneuverings of Haggenjos and Houser, and the merging of two great teams, Red Bond is bowling in the Monday Night League. . . . Won't someone ever conceive some sort of an idea to quiet Ed Bireley. (Just kiddin', Ed; don't know what we'd do without you). . . . We have a very familiar face back with us once more. He is Joe Zephyr, back to work after a long illness. Best of luck and health to you, Joe. . . . We wonder where Grover gets all the stories he has been telling lately. He never tells the same one twice. . . . Someone saw Bob Bauch across the street last payday. He said he was trying to sink a putt. . . . Did you kids see Bob Scherer trying to keep up with Art Kabisch the other day? Well, I did. He finally had to take his hands out of his pockets, then he did all right.

PRODUCTION

Laverne Murphy said she was going to present Clark Leips with a dry cleaning bill. Last week it rained, and it seems that Laverne was near when Clark drove by. . . . Was Eileen Kagey surprised the other day when she came back to her desk and sat down. Someone had "fixed" her chair. Oh, these little helpers. . . . Dorothy Schmidt received the call, and then Sunday morning Bud presented himself. Was she happy, and who wouldn't be. . . . Nelda McClain went to the lake all last week with her husband, Gene. While there, they wanted to go fishing, so they rowed out to what they thought a good spot. Then to their chagrin, they found forgotten the bait. Maybe it was just for the ride. How about that, Nelda. Then on Monday morning she forgot her badge. Later in the morning she found out she didn't need her badge after all.

ORDER AND STORES

Otto Dobler took his wife and son to Detroit and Cincinnati on his vacation. His son is on leave from the Marines after duty in the South Pacific. . . . The new man in our office is David Bonhuer, formerly of Broadway. Hi, Dave!

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

Elmer Fuller seems to have an awful time with his new molars. Stick with them, Elmer. . . . The following are new employees in our gang. William Allen, Ivan Lawman, Joseph Hahn, Ned Spade, Charles Liggett, Melvin Kestner, Norbert Hegerfield, and Paul Ringwalt. We welcome all of you and hope you will like us. . . . The gang swears that Jule Warnement is young again.

ENGINEERING AND DRAFTING

The Chamber of Commerce in San Francisco would probably be surprised to hear that Edna Kuhlman saw the sun just twice during her stay in their fair city. However, the presence of son Bud brightened up her visit considerably. Other vacationers were Lester Didier and Al Mounce. Lester's diversion consisted of golfing, fishing, and more golfing, while Al returned to Highland Park, N. J., with a trip to New York as an added attraction. . . . We hope Kenny Berner has completely recovered from his tonsillectomy and can now join the ranks of those who believe that tonsils are better without than within.

FACTORY OFFICE

Everyone had a wonderful time at the reception given by LeNor Stephenson Figel's parents at their home on Reed Street. LeNor was married to Clarence Figel last Friday night, and we wish them much happiness. . . . Bob Bachman left the Company last Friday after 21 years' service. The Screw Machine Section gave him a party and gift Friday night. We wish you lots of luck, Bob.

Six Retire on Company Pension



William Rehm
Christian Doenges

Otis W. Uran
Scott Claudy

Charles Greber
Joseph J. Horstman

The retirement of six long-service G-E employees under the Company Pension Plan was announced today. William C. F. Rehm, patrolman at the Winter Street Plant, leaves G-E with continuous service to date of retirement of 28 years and 8 months. Otis W. Uran, machinist in the Motor Development Section of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, retires with service amounting to 22 years and 5 months. A packer in the Receiving and General Stores Sections at the time of his retirement, Charles W. Greber retired with a continuous service of 27 years and 10 months.

Christian Doenges, an operation planner in the Motor and Generator Division, has been retired with continuous service amounting to 34 years and 7 months. Scott E. Claudy, an employee of the Air Conditioning Department, Winter Street Plant, left the Company with a service of 22 years and 3 months. Also employed in the Air Conditioning Department, Winter Street Plant, was Joseph J. Horstman, who left his job as a welder after a service of 39 years and 6 months.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

You can blame all this rain we are getting lately on Merlin Sweet and Vic Bautwell, who are taking no chances on the Cubs losing the lead they have over the Cards. If they can't win the pennant, they can be washed into it, say the boys. . . . Will Howard Oesch please truthfully explain the fish story about getting eight fish that weighed 68 pounds. . . . From the way Ceal Romary felt after bowling her first game of the season, we take it that she was a regular "Bouncing Betty." How about it, Ceal? . . . Connie Feist took home some tomatoes from Schuster's garden. Since they were a new variety, Mrs. Feist entered them in a Garden and Flower show. The said tomatoes won a blue ribbon. Nice going, but how about Schuster at least seeing the ribbon. . . . Rolly Wickliffe must be riding in the back seat of the Cardinal's band wagon this year. We don't hear a word out of him, or from Gus and Emil Schurenberg either. . . . Along about this time of year the natives of Lake Gage begin to drift back to the lake as Goldie and Roy Mentzer are about to close up the cottage for the winter. Last year even the wild ducks came back after they (the Mentzers) had left. . . . We extend our sympathy to Walt Lang in the death of his mother. . . . Well, Lawrence Schuster surely had a b-i-g smile last week for both of his sons were home from the Army and the Coast Guard. . . . We are glad to have Jack Leeth and Robert Bubb with us again. They did their little job overseas and say it seems good to be back to work. Good luck to both of you. . . . Evelyn Bill's husband, Paul, is home from overseas—to stay. . . . We're glad to have Pauline Baker back with us. . . . Loretta Bloom doesn't seem to be doing so good with her bowling lately—too many gutter balls. What's the matter, Loretta?

2-3 Office

Paul Koogle, general foreman of the Inspection Section, is enjoying a restful fishing vacation in Canada. No wonder he beamed so last week—who wouldn't beam about fishing in Canada, or fishing anywhere for that matter? . . . Harry Beitel is losing one of his right hand men, Raymond Dills, who will be leaving for Schenectady, New York, (better known to New Yorkers as "God's Country"). We always regret these partings, but we are certain that you will make good on your new assignment. Best regards, Ray! . . . Dorothy Saalfrank, of the Production Section, seems to have been chalked up for a birthday last Friday. At any event, all the nice gifts seem to be indicative of that fact. Your reporter was unable to use any detective tactics, because no mention was made of age. . . . Another fellow-worker enjoying another atmosphere is Harold Niswander, Jr. Harold left in such a rush, he forgot to reveal how he planned to spend his vacation. . . . We understand that Dr. N. Bell, an authority on model postures, and an ardent follower of Josephine Lowman, newspaper writer, is in a position to help anyone needing information on how to obtain a model figure in six easy lessons. How about that Mr. Bell? . . . Rumor has it that Janet Odgen, of the Cost Section, has quite a unique collection of pictures. In fact, she has pictures in each room of her home, but we ask, "What's so unusual about that?" The answer to that is that the pictures are of the same Ensign. Is that true, Janet?

19-B's Buzz

The first trick welcomes Elfrieda Wolfe from second. . . . Paul Harding has returned to work after spending a vacation of four weeks doctoring oak poisoning. Did we say vacation? Well, that's a matter of opinion, eh Paul? Anyhow glad to have you back. . . . Birthday greetings for the week are extended to Lela Kline and Connie Filus. . . . One of the main attractions of the basement is the little "spit curl" which adorns the top of Herb Wendt's head. How about a purty red ribbon for it, Herbie? . . . Two more of our pals are leaving us this week. They are Ernestine Nelson and Mamie Dial. Both were working to help our boys during the duration and have now returned to be housewives. You've done a good job, girls, and we're sure those sons of yours in the service think so, too. Good luck to you both. . . . New additions to second trick are Bob Kiermaier, Charles Dunifon, Gail Baughman, and "Rusty" Simpson. All hail from Bldg. 19-1. . . . One of the proudest grandfathers we've seen for a long time is our own Johnny Dellinger. Johnny says, "It's a girl! Shirley Ann—weight eight lbs. and cute! She looks just like her grandpa." . . . One would think something of the atomic nature had hit the basement Monday morning from the looks of the floor. But don't be alarmed—it was only water that blew it up, I think. . . . Starke is happy about the rain, anyhow; he says it sure is making his 'pickles grow. Good deal! . . . A welcome visitor this week was Dick Rapp. Dick has been stationed in Manila and is now convalescing. . . . Glad to report Clarence Bradbury's son-in-law is on his way home from Lugdig, Germany. . . . When asked for "NEWS" items, the boys of the stockroom said "No Gracie anymore—no gossip." I think the boys are kidding you Gracie, but anyways, we surely miss you.

Sleuthing In 4-6

A little excitement started in the Raw Material Section the other day, when Hildegard Kraft noticed a string lying underneath her calendar pad. She gave the string a tug, and out came a large live bug that someone had put there. That same day Marjorie Young was seen carrying the bug around as a pet, showing it to everyone. Some say it resembled a small crab; others say it's a foreign specie, but most people just got the jitters looking at it. . . . For those who have noticed John Wheeler limping up and down hall ways, the following story may be of some interest: Indian Village formed a tree trimming association, and as the trimmers moved from place to place, John got the idea, for reasons which he will gladly relate, that his trees would receive a little better treatment if he trimmed them himself, so here are the details. Eighteen foot ladder propped against tree, John at top sawing off limb. Ladder slides out at bottom, John rides it down, ladder stops halfway, John doesn't. Result, two skinned shins and one sprained ankle. Moral: If you want to learn tree trimming, start with a gooseberry bush. . . . It seems that someone is always trying to rush the season. Beth Draper received a pair of red flannels for her birthday September 18 and when Beth opened the present, it was difficult to tell which was the redder, Beth's face or the flannels. P.S. The flannels were really pajamas presented to Beth by some of the girls in her section. . . . Marguerite Middendorf's birthday was last Friday, September 21, and as she walked in to her desk that morning, the typists in the A.C. Section serenaded her with a rousing "Happy Birthday" song. The girls also presented Marge with a lovely gift. . . . Grank Chayka of the F.H.P. Motor Sales Division will be married on Oct. 13, to Betty Stump, who formerly worked in the F.H.P. Engineering Division. Congratulations to both of you, and the best of luck. . . . This is just a little reminder to Joe Gardt that you can get along much better at the cafeteria with a tray than without one. . . . If you have noticed that happy look from Mary Smoak, it's just that her husband left Okinawa, September 7, and should arrive in the states anytime now. Which we hope will be very soon. . . . Arlein Yates, of the D.C. Section, will be leaving us Friday, September 28, to return to housekeeping.



Roll Out the Washers



As the washing machine skirts suspended from the overhead conveyor pass behind him, Frank Kloc of the Bridgeport Works assembles a wringer. First washers built since 1942 by G-E are wringer models —good news for the housewives of the nation.

Transformer OFFICE CHATTER

Belated, yet sincere, are our birthday wishes to Helen Nettrour, who celebrated her birthday September 23. A dinner party was held in her honor at the Oriental Gardens. Those attending were: Virginia Cox, Katherine Dinkel, Nellie Clark, Doris Nettrour, Mary Allen, Lucille Mumma, Marjorie Hart, Frances Miller, Roedean Veazey, Ruby Clausen. . . . Ditto, our sincerest congratulations to Peggy Ford, who today September 28 has chalked up nine years of happily married life. May there be 90 more, Peggy. . . . Bob Deward of the Production Section has his aches and pains. Seems Bob fell from a ladder recently. Could it be, Robert, you forgot to don your oxygen mask before ascending up the rungs to the stratosphere, or was it a case of merely imaging a rung was where it wasn't? . . . We regret that Francis Cheak has left the Company. Francis shall be remembered for his wonderful personality and ever-present smile. Best of luck, Francis. . . . Excuse department: Our orchid this week goes to Jack Shaw for his oft-repeated excuse for the tape that adorned his upper lip. Very naively Jack insisted he had poison ivy! . . . Carl Weber, recently returned from his vacation, boasted no fish stories or how the largest one he had seen escaped. Instead, he merely stated he could really elucidate on the ones that he didn't catch. Better luck next time, Carl; maybe a change of bait might help. . . . Among other interesting sidelines, we were wondering how the adolescent adults enjoy their odd moments of leisure. One person in particular we discovered seems to enjoy the merry-go-round. Place: Auburn Street Fair. Person concerned: Jim Voirol. Did you get the brass ring for a free ride, Jim? . . . The fair with its varied aromas, pop corn, salt water taffy, carmel corn, hot dogs, and, of course, the voices of side show barkers lured still another family. The Dusty Rhodes family seemed quite happy mingling with the crowd Friday evening, taking in all the sights. . . . Speaking of conversion, and who isn't these days, we couldn't help but pause and muse over the fact that the able "Isaac Waltons" around here will shortly be left wtihout any material for those fish stories. However, many of them can be found at various bowling alleys limbering up that "old bowling arm" in preparation for the coming fall and winter season. Just how many potential 300 percenters there will be we won't hazard to guess at present; but at least there are cards to verify bowling statements. . . . Bearing in mind that "dog days" have passed on into memories and the plaintive song "Farewell to Indian Summer" is once again the theme, we cannot help but wonder if the weather man is absolutely immune to our feelings. Though the summer's heat has vanished with time, here inside there is a varied assortment of coats, sweaters, vests, and jackets. Just about the only group with a gleam of triumph in their eyes are the chronic hay fever sufferers, who, having put up with Mother Nature's cruel joke of scattering pollen thick and heavy all summer, wait anxiously for the pollen drop that comes with the early frost. . . . May we add a note department: Our genial Mr. Crouse seemed to be in fine mettle Monday morning, gaily paying Mr. Persing a small bet. How is the bowling coming, fellows.

Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

We want to welcome Bernine Freiburger, Melba Flanders, and Lucinda Fitch to our section. We hope you girls like your work and stay with us. . . . We see that Leota Raver is wearing a ring on her left hand. When are you going to get the other one, Leota? . . . Geniere Frazier, Mable June Harding, and Bonnie Mechling are working nights. We sure miss you girls on days. . . . Hazel Herron had a birthday a couple weeks ago. Congratulations, Hazel, even though it is late, and we hope you have many more happy ones. We also want to congratulate Hazel Stauffer on her birthday, just last week. (See, we're improving). Hope she has many more of them. The cake was good too, Hazel. . . . Can you imagine Margaret Hilgemann not going fishing on her vacation. That's harder to believe, Margaret, than some of your fish stories. . . . No wonder Fern Painter goes around grinning from ear to ear; her husband is on his way home to be discharged. We think that's wonderful, Fern, and lots of good luck. . . . Veva Healy has returned to work after recovering from an operation. Good to see you back, Veva. Also, her son Mike is home again for 90 days. . . . Doris Holloman sure is a happy girl. Her husband arrived in the States last week. Boy, did those eyes of hers sparkle the next day at work.

Nine Divisions Get Perfect Safety Record in August

Fifteen lost-time accidents were suffered by Fort Wayne Works employees during the month of August, with nine divisions having no lost-time accidents, according to the monthly report released this week by W. J. Hockett, Supervisor of Safety and Employees' Activities.

Year-to-date lost-time accidents now total 139. Accident frequency, year-to-date, is 5.96 per cent, compared to 4.56 per cent in 1944. The year-to-date severity figure is now .20 for the entire Works as compared to .349 for 1944.

Breakdown of accident frequency and severity rates by divisions is as follow:

Division	Freq. Rate	Sev. Rate
Kokomo	1.24	0.01
Motor-Generator	7.47	0.13
Series & Sp. Motor	4.67	0.05
Fractional H.P. Motor	4.33	0.1
Transformer	4.35	0.1
Wire	13.33	0.8
Insulation	9.45	2.8
Tool	4.22	0.0
General Service	9.07	0.0
Distribution	20.94	0.3
Decatur	5.36	0.3
Power Drive	8.07	0.3
Misc.	1.64	0.0
Refrieration	5.83	0.0
Plastics	7.49	1.5
Supercharger	7.05	0.3
Total Works	5.96	.2

Leland W. Mosher To Head Company's Insurance Division

Leland W. Mosher, who for the past year has been an auditor of war contract terminations in General Electric's Apparatus Accounting Division, has been named manager of the newly formed Insurance Division of the Company's Corporate Affairs Department, effective October 1, it was announced this week by W. W. Trench, Secretary of General Electric.

The new division will consolidate the work of the Corporate Affairs Department in the fire, marine and casualty insurance fields. Mr. Mosher will be responsible for matters relating to insurance in these fields, including fidelity bonds, contract bonds, and workmen's compensation.

Mr. Mosher, a native of Northville, N. Y., was graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Union College in 1922 and from Brooklyn Law School in 1928 with the degree of LL.B. He is a member of the New York State bar.

In 1922 Mr. Mosher joined General Electric as a member of the business training course at Schenectady and in 1924 went to New York as assistant to J. W. Lewis, now the treasurer of the Company, who at that time was assistant to President Gerard Swope, now retired. In 1929 Mr. Mosher was elected an assistant secretary of the Company, in 1931 was named stock transfer agent with headquarters in New York City, and in December of 1940 came to Schenectady as a member of the comptroller's staff. In September, 1944, Mr. Mosher was assigned to war contract terminations work.

DID YOU KNOW that electrons travel up to 149,000 miles a second in X-ray tubes?



Cincinnati Reds Treat Fans to Good Ball Game Thursday











It was a big night for Fort Wayne baseball fans last Thursday when the Major League Cincinnati Reds tangled with the G-E Club Baseball team in an exhibition match here. The Club lost the ball game, 9-2, but the crowd of 2,500 left feeling satisfied with a good performance by the Big Leaguers.

Shown at top left (left to right) are Eddie Miller, star shortstop for the Reds, Bill McCorry, traveling secretary of the club, Jimmy Wilson, acting manager of the Cincinnati team in the absence of Bill McKechnie, and Walt Histed, G-E Club sports writer. Top right shows famed old-timer Hank Gowdy, now a coach with the Reds, Umpires DeHaven, Fryback, and Runser, and G-E Manager Red Braden talking it over just before the start of the game.

Lower left is Frank McCormick, stellar first baseman with the Reds, about to take a healthy cut at the ball. Lower center picture shows Hank Gowdy tossing up the ball to give the boys some infield practice. That's big Al Libke, lower right, about to slam out one of the sizzling hits he got during the evening.

Cincinnati Reds Turn Back Club Team 9-2 Before Crowd of 2,500

By Walter Histed

Paced by big Al Libke, the Cincinnati Reds turned back the G-E Club at Dwenger Park last week before a crowd of 2,500 fans, 9-2. Libke, big right fielder, hit the ball hard on each appearance at the plate and collected two singles, a double, and a home run, besides being safe on an error in five appearances at the plate. Sipek and Williams for the Reds each collected two hits as did Mel Kestner for the Club.

Charley Schupp, starting for the Club, was hit hard, giving up nine hits in five innings and being further handicapped by miserable support, five errors being committed behind him so that the home run which Libke hit in the third was the only untainted run secured by the Reds all evening. After Sipek had started off the fifth inning with a triple, on which he scored with the aid of an error, Schupp was replaced by Emil Bildilli, who gave up only four more hits in the rest of the game, three of which in the eighth following an error brought home the Red's last pair of runs.

The Club in the meantime was having all kinds of trouble with Hetki who gave up only four hits in his seven innings on the hill.

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Girls' Basketball

All girls interested in playing with the G-E Club Girls' Basketball team this year should report to the G-E Club gym Monday, October 1, at 5:30 P.M. Practice will continue till 7:30 P.M.

Andy Smith, Coach

Club Rings Down Season Curtain, Drops Final Game to Dayton

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club rang down the curtain on the season last Sunday afternoon at Dwenger Park, dropping the final game to the Dayton Acmes, 3-2.

The supposedly heavy stickers of the Club had tough going against the left handed pitching of Gillian, amassing a total of four singles, none of which aided in the scoring. In the first inning, Mel Kestner walked with one out and worked his way around to the plate, when Barnett and Young were both safe on errors.

In the fifth, after Colburn had robbed Kenny Wattier of a hit with a fine shoestring catch, Mel reached base again, this time on an error. He stole third and tallied when the catcher threw the ball away on the play.

Meantime, Chuck Bobilya, who started for the Club, was getting by in good shape and had allowed only two hits in the first five in-

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Softball Team Has Good Season



Shown above are members of the G-E Club Softball team, runners-up for the championship of the Main Auto Major League.

Back row, left to right: Jerry Duryee, coach, Red Rarick, J. Allen, Marv. Steuernagel, Clyde Hess, Dohr Krieg, Jim Hilgemann, and Charlie Wilt, manager.

Middle row: Don Scherer, Art Lindenberg, Bud Feldheiser, Bob Starkel, Tony Stanski, Perry Esterline, Dick Bohde, and Tom Anderson.

Front row: Ernie Spaulding, scorekeeper; Otho Mahler, bat boy.

Ty Cook, Bob VanRyn, and Ross Leakey were absent when the picture was taken.

Statistics Given on G-E Club Softball Team's '45 Season

Here are the statistics on the G-E Club Softball team for the season just concluded:

Player	G	AB	R	H	E	PO	A	SH	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	Ave.
Leakey	8	13	7	5	1	5	4	0	0	0	0	2		.384
Rarick	29	55	5	17	0	12	0.	1	4	.0	0	9	9	.309
Cook	11	13	2	4	2	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	.308
Hilgemann	32	92	15	22	8	74	18	0	3	0	1	5	5	.239
Scherer	29	61	10	14	0	23	1	0	4	0	1	7	3	.229
VanRyn	13	35	4	8	1	75	2	0	0	0	1	1	0-	.228
Starkel	22	54	.8	12	4	5	46	0	0	0	0	2	0	.222
Hess	30	78	11	17	3	31	1	0	2	0	0	6	3	.218
Steuernagel	29	81	8	17	9	212	13	0	0	1	2	12	5	.210
Stanski	30	104	13	21	9	21	72	3	1	1	0	8	11	.202
Anderson	29	72	6	15	7	24	3	2	1	0	1	8	3	.194
Esterline	34	100	20	19	3	51	31	4	2	0	0	10	8	.190
Bohde	30	65	5	12	4	97	8	2	0	0	0	2	5	.185
Lindenberg	34	87	14	13	13	33	75	0	1	1	0	3	26	.149
Feldheiser	17	33	5	4	7	13	14	0	0	0.	0	3	0	.121

Pitching Averages

	Games	Won	Lost	Ave.
Leakey	9	3	2	.500
Starkel	22	9	8	.529
Feldheiser	17	9	4	.592

G-E CLUB BATTING AVERAGES

Here are final G-E Club baseball batting averages. This includes all players with the team this season:

	G	AB	R	H	TB	RBI	Ave.
Carey	9	11	1	5	5	1	.455
Winters	27	105	17	41	55	35	.387
Bohonko	15	52	13	22	38	15	.355
Barnett	39	153	33	51	52	19	.333
Schupp	15	34	4	11	12	4	.324
Bildilli	22	53	9	17	20	5	.321
Young	30	94	20	28	35	15	.298
Miller	13	17	3	5	5	3	.294
Seiple	40	142	24	39	47	18	.275
Kestner	38	107	21	29	41	18	.271
Bobilya	37	145	28	39	51	21	.270
Bush	38	128	24	34	45	14	.266
Wattier	35	133	14	35	38	17	.254
Bowen	2	4	0	1	1	0	.250
Schlaffer	8	31	6	7	8	3	.226
Brann	29	90	19	18	25	10	.200
P. Hisner	9	21	3	4	7	2	.190
Kisler	7	17	2	3	5	3	.180
Braden	3	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Gershmehl	1	1	0	0	0	0	.000
G. Hisner	1	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Piecbota	1	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Majorki	1	3	0	0	0	0	.000
Laird	1	3	0	0	0	0	.000
Team	40	1357	241	389	521	205	.287

More than three times as many people died from burns and scalds last year in the United States as died in the eight most disastrous fire catastrophes since 1871, according to the National Safety Council.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Standings

	Won	Lost
General Service	5	1
Firemen, No. 4	5	1
Motor Generator	4	2
Series & Specialty	4	2
Transformer	3	3
Wire & Insulation	3	3
Laboratory	3	3
Firemen, No. 10	3	3
Plastics	2	3
Screwballs	2	4
Shipping	2	4
Tool Room	1	5

600 Series

Kuntz, 640; Burnan, 608; C. Rose, 602.

200 Games

Glenn, 220; Marks, 200; Elward, 210; Ponsot, 224; Thiele, 255; Burnan, 210, 216; C. Rose, 223; Kuntz, 211, 229, 200; R. Rose, 204; Meeks, 201; Mesing, 202; Maier, 200; Crowell, 217; Berning, 203, 201.

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

The 1945-46 bowling season for the Kokomo G-E Men's League was officially opened at the Evans Alleys at 6 P.M. Friday, September 21, with plenty of bang and clatter and a host of well wishing spectators. With the league being enlarged to 12 teams this season, we noted quite a number of new names along with the familiar ones from previous seasons, and we wish all, both newcomers and veterans, a successful season.

To initiate the season, four teams got off to a flying start with clean sweeps: Rotors over Test; General Service over Production; Planning over Order Service; and Wage Rate over Winders. Punch Press took two from Small Lot as did Receiving from Assembly.

Although there was a wide variety of scores rolled the first evening, and we noted some very fancy pin toppling, Hubert came right out in mid-season form with 195, 212, 203 for a 610 total. R. Smith was next high with 568. Besides these there were nine other 500 series performances. Single game honors go to Fridlin for his scorching 244 and a 544 total. Other 200's came via Lahmon, 207; Kallmyer, 207; R. Smith, 205; Walker, 202; and Bassett an even 200.

Indications are that this year's league will be able to report some very fine kegling. Now that the averages are established and the teams will have a handicap for the next session, the lower average teams should make a creditable showing.

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Loyd Siebern	R. R. 1, Roanoke, Ind.	26-2	Sweet	3:30-11:48

Club Ends Season with Cincinnati, Dayton Tilts

CINCINNATI

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Two of these came in the fourth, an inning opening double by Mel Kestner who scored when Odie Barnett followed with a single. Odie got to second on a wild pitch and scored when Wahl threw low on Majorki's grounder.

The Reds played a snappy game and with a couple of exceptions used what has been their regular lineup in recent weeks. Eddie Miller was held out of the game because of an injury, while Al Lakeman, regular catcher, appeared at first base late in the game. While he did not play, Gerry Walker spent several innings in the third base coaching box, from which point he entertained the spectators along the third base line.

The summary:

REDS	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Clay,cf	3	1	1	Wattier,3	4	0	0
Lukon,cf	2	0	0	Kestner,lf-rf	4	1	2
Mesner,3	5	1	1	Barnett, ss	4	1	1
Libke,rf	5	1	4	Bobilya,1	4	0	0
M'Cormick,1	5	1	1	Schlaffer,cf	3	0	0
Fox,p	0	0	0	aYoung	1	0	0
Sauer,lf	2	0	1	Majorki,rf-lf	3	0	0
Sipek,lf	3	2	2	bMiller	1	0	0
Williams,ss	5	1	2	Seiple,2	3	0	0
Unser,c	3	0	0	Bush,c	3	0	1
Wahl,2	4	1	0	Schupp,p	1	0	0
Hetki,p	2	0	1	Bildilll,p	2	0	0
Lakeman,1	2	1	0				
Totals	41	9	13	Totals	29	2	4

aBatted for Schlaffer in 9th.
bBatted for Majorki in 9th.

Reds ..... 0 1 3 2 1 0 0 2 0—9
G-E Club ..... 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0—2

Errors—Barnett 4, Unser, Kestner 2, Wahl, Hetki, Seiple. Runs batted in—Hetki, Libke 2, Williams, Clay, Barnett, Mesner. Two-base hits—Libke, Kestner, Mesner, Three-base hits—Clay, Sipek. Home run—Libke. Stolen base—Kestner. Sacrifice—Hetki. Left on bases—Reds 8, G-E Club 4. Bases on balls—Off Schupp 2, Bildilli 1. Strikeouts—By Hetki 4, Schupp 3, Bildilli 1, Fox 2. Hits—Off Schupp 9 in 5, Bildilli 4 in 4, Hetki 4 in 7, Fox 0 in 2. Winning pitcher—Hetki. Losing pitcher—Schupp. Umpires—Runser, Fryback, DeHaven. Time—1:45.

Thirty-Five G-E Golfers Take Home Prizes in Tourney

Thirty-five G-E golfers finished "in the money" Sunday at Brookwood in the annual G-E Blind Bogey Golf tournament.

Prizes were paid in merchandise to those shooting low scores in the 70-90 bracket, 91-100 bracket, and the 101 and above bracket. E. Stauffer led the 70-90 bracket and won $5 in merchandise. F. Garland and M. Hennigh won $3 each; L. Ray and H. Staley, $2 each; and R. Link, H. Ulrich, and A. Johnson, $1 each.

Winning order in the 91-100 bracket was F. Richards, Ray White, C. Long, Ted Reed, Ed Birely, R. Dunlap, B. Hartough, and E. Ponsot. Ray Zook won the 101 and above bracket, with B. Bliss, M. Tarney, E. Gallmeier, W. O'Neill, W. Grosh, J. Jennings, and Pat Hayes also finishing in the prize money.

B. Hamilton had the lowest score of the day—a 72. Other low scores were N. Staley, 77; G. Ludeman, 77; C. Holmes, 78; W. Link, 78, and C. Saaf, 79. Each of these men received $1 merchandise prizes.

Due bills for these awards can be secured by contacting Carl Reynolds, Bldg. 4-4, Phone 2330.

R. Karasek won the 1946 membership ticket to Brookwood, which was donated by Miss Emma Kline, owner of the course. The "jackpot" was won by E. Ponsot, first; M. Harwick, second; G. F. Imel, third; and R. F. Barrier, fourth.

DAYTON

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nings. In the top half of the sixth Colburn and Rowlands started things going with singles, but Furry succumbed on strikes for the first out. While Gearhart was at bat, the runners advanced on a short passed ball, after which Gearhart walked to fill the bases. Max Miller came in to pitch and immediately committed a balk to permit Colburn to score and the other runners to advance. Miller disposed of Winters on a pop up, which Bush gathered for the second out. With Bowman batting and the count one and one, Rowlands broke for the plate, and when the pitch was wild he scored, being followed by Gearhart when Miller failed to cover the plate. Emil Bildilli replaced Miller and Bowman greeted him with a single to left, this being the last Dayton hit of the afternoon, but the damage had been done.

With the loss of the last two games the Club's record for the season stands at 24 victories against 16 defeats, a good record anytime.

The summary:

DAYTON	AB.	R.	H.	G-E CLUB	AB.	R.	H.
Yadolsky,rf	4	0	0	Wattier,3	5	0	0
Colburn,cf	4	1	1	Kestner,lf	3	2	1
Rowlands,2	4	1	2	Barnett,ss	4	0	0
Furry,1	4	0	0	Young,rf	3	0	0
Gearhart,lf	1	1	1	Laird,cf	3	0	0
Winters,ss	4	0	0	Miller,p	0	0	0
Bowman,3	4	0	1	Bildilli, p	1	0	0
Bucher,c	4	0	0	Seiple,2	4	0	0
Gillian,p	2	0	0	Kisler,1	3	0	0
				Gershmehl,rf	1	0	0
				Bush,c	4	0	0
				Bobilya,p	3	0	0
Totals	31	3	5	Totals	34	2	4

Dayton ..... 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 0 0—3
G-E Club ..... 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—2

Errors—Furry, Rowlands, Wattier, Winters, Bowman, Bucher. Stolen bases—Kestner 2, Barnett, Yadolsky. Left on bases—Dayton 5, G-E Club 5. Bases on balls—Bobilya 2, Gillian 3. Strikeouts—Bobilya 1, Gillian 7, Bildilli 1. Hits—Off Bobilya 4 in 5 1-3, Miller 0 in 1-3, Bildilli 1 in 2 1-3. Hit by pitcher—by Bobilya (Gillian), Bildilli (Gearhart). Wild pitch—Miller. Passed balls—Bush 2. Balk—Miller. Winning pitcher—Gillian. Losing pitcher—Bobilya. Umpires—Ely, C. Blauvelt. Time—1:55.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

George Haggenjos had a nice 62[illegible] total to lead the bowlers for the second night of bowling in the Winter Street Bowling League. The individual scores were 224, 201, and 198. Other 200 scores included O. Rodenbeck 229 (high single game of the evening), W. O'Neill 225, Leegard 215, Leo Houser 209, and A. Benecke 201.

Drafting, captained by Win Kirke, won three more games and now leads the league with six victories and no defeats. Machinists, captained by Ed Bireley, was the only other team to win three games as they trounced the Planners. They are in second place with five wins and one defeat. Toolmakers, captained by Glen Castle had the best single game, 916, while Drafting had the high score for three games, 2649.

Haggenjos now has the best average for the league, 194. Tom Piepenbrink has a 189 average, Royal Roeger has 178; and C. Leegard and Win Kirke have 177 to round out the first five.

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What we do in America from now on to preserve and create the opportunities for free labor is likely to determine the future of this nation and of the world.

President Charles E. Wilson

G-E Automatic Blankets Are Back



Stacks of finished and unfinished automatic electric blankets show that General Electric is again producing these prized sleeping comforts after more than a three-year interval during which it built electrically heated flying suits and allied flying equipment for the Army Air Forces. Here, Tessie Rozdil sews the shiny, satin rayon binding on a new blanket. (See story below).

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Here's "Solid Comfort"

New G-E Electric Blankets Now In Production at Bridgeport

The automatic electric blanket, one of the first completely new electrical appliances, went into production at the General Electric Company's Bridgeport plant recently.

It was built on the same assembly lines by the same people who built the electrically heated flying suit and casualty blanket that were developed and produced by the company for the Army Air Forces.

Described as the first basic improvement in sleeping covers for many centuries, the automatic blanket provides evenly distributed, constant warmth. Once the thermostatic control is set at the beginning of cold weather, the heat of the blanket is automatically regulated to allow for all changes in room temperature.

Improvements Made

"This new blanket is the successor of the blanket that was first developed by General Electric in 1936," D. C. Spooner, manager of the Company's Automatic Blanket and Sunlamp Division, explained. "But it incorporates radical improvements resulting from our work on flying equipment."

Principal improvement is the use in the blanket of a new long-life single-strand, spiral-wound, insulated wire. "The design of the new wire, in turn, has enabled the Company to eliminate the transformer

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Squares Will Have Season's First "Open House" This Evening

The social season of the G-E Squares will get underway tonight with the first of a series of open houses to be held each Friday night for members and their guests.

J. J. Clarkson, program committee chairman, said the first open house would assure all a gala time, with dancing, bridge, and other games being planned. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Linke, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Donahoo, and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hayes will be hosts for the evening.

The club rooms will be open at 8:30 P.M.

Squares Club officers last year instituted the practice of having the club rooms open on certain nights for members and their guests, with various club members serving as hosts for the affairs.

Foremen's Club Completes Plans For "County Fair"

Entertainment for All Family Promised by Foremen's Committee

Entertainment for all the family has been promised by William Walt, Bldg. 2-1, chairman of the entertainment committee, at the Foremen's Club "County Fair" Friday night, October 12, at the G-E Club.

The novel party for G-E foremen and their families opens the winter season of the Foremen's Club, and entertainment is scheduled to begin at 7:30 o'clock. Ortho (Shorty) Lawson, Bldg. 20-1, will present a specially-adapted magic show for the occasion. Gifts and treats will be given the children, and many games are being planned for the adults.

Movies will bring the entertainment to a close, Mr. Walt said, and they have been selected "to make you laugh."

Committee members include Bernard Gausepohl, Taylor Street, Paul Koogle, Bldg. 2-3, Harry Beitel, Bldg. 2-3, Bernard English, Taylor Street, Carl Steinbacker, Bldg. 6-B, Jack Neuman, Bldg. 17-1, and Harold Smith, Taylor Street.

Charles Kensill, president of the association, urged all members to come and bring their families to this opening club affair.

Committee Heads Named For G-E Club Affairs

Six committee chairmen were named this week by Merlin Sweet, president of the G-E Club, to head activities of the Club during the coming year.

Charles McAfee, Bldg. 31-1, will head the athletic activities sponsored by the Club for all G-E employees. Paul Vogt, Bldg. 6-2, is chairman of the entertainment committee; Frank Newport, Bldg. 19-1, is in charge of boxing; Denton Manecke, Bldg. 4-6, golf; and Maurice Cox, Bldg. 26-2, bowling. Robert Parker, Bldg. 18-5, will head the publicity committee of the G-E Club.

Mr. Sweet emphasized that these committee chairmen had been appointed because of their past interest in Club activities, and employees should feel free to call on them with their ideas and criticisms of Club affairs.

The present board was elected July 31 and August 1 by G-E employees of the Fort Wayne Plants, after elections had been waived since 1942 because the press of war work made it inadvisable to spend the time and money required to conduct such a large election.

The G-E Club has sponsored many affairs for employees and their families, and has gained statewide recognition for its participation in athletic activities. The new board is just beginning to outline plans for the new Club year, and will announce activities planned for

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Betty Bower Is Elected Head Of Gecode Club

Sanna Kunkel, Mary Fuhrman, Florence Schultz Also Named

Betty Bower, Decatur, was elected president of the Gecode Club, organization for women at the Decatur Plant, at the recent election participated in by all members.

Sanna Kunkel will serve as vice-president of the group during the coming club year, and Mary Fuhrman was elected secretary for next year. Florence Schultz will serve as treasurer of the club.

Miss Bower, a winder, has been active in all club activities and is also well-known to all Decatur employees through her participation in softball, basketball, and bowling activities.

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A New G-E Range But No House



Most Americans have a home and want some of the new postwar appliances to put into it. But hark to the sad tale of ex-Army Sergeant Wayne L. Woods and his wife, Olga. They have at least one of the appliances—the first electric range to come off the General Electric Company's reconverted assembly line, but no house to use it in. The trouble arose when Woods, who is just back in civilian clothes after 56 months in the Pacific, won a contest conducted on the G-E radio program to find the serviceman in the studio audience who had served longest overseas. What to do? That's what the Woods are discussing as Mrs. W. dishes out their first "home-cooked" meal backstage of a Los Angeles radio studio.

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Insurance, Not Loss

Within the memory of men still alive, the great steelmaker, Andrew Carnegie, scandalized the whole industry by cooly scrapping machine tools before they were worn out. They were outmoded, and new machines did the work more cheaply. Forwarded-looking manufacturers have done that ever since.

There is a similar problem in the enormously complicated business of converting to peace production. The war ended suddenly, with vast amounts of materials on hand, both on fighting fronts and in factories. Some saw their day of battle; some did not and are still ready to fight. Some, like merchant ships, can be used in peace time; others, like General Sherman tanks, will be useless.

As a cold dollar-and-cents proposition, the unfought, unusable products are a dead loss. But so are the sums spent in the past for fire insurance by a man whose home has never been on fire. He never regrets the money spent, for it has bought him insurance, the conviction that if he had a fire loss he would have been paid for what the fire destroyed.

What to do with the stuff left in the factory is one of the most intricate questions of reconversion. What can be saved and used in the days of peace? What must be scrapped or thrown away because there is no use for it, now that the war is over? The government and General Electric are daily making decisions, so as to clear the decks completely for peace production. A small portion of the material left stranded when the cancellations came will certainly have to be discarded. But before this decision is made there is a tremendous effort to put it to use. Here are the steps taken:

The material is carefully scrutinized by (1) G-E manufacturing, planning, cost and production men, to see whether any parts can be used elsewhere; (2) commercial departments; (3) design and application engineers. After deciding what G-E cannot use, they refer the remainder to the government with recommendations. Then other companies are circularized. Serviceable items not so disposed of are taken over by the R. F. C. and stored for future sale. Material classed as unserviceable must be scrapped. Most of it is sold at auction, and the money received reduces the cost to the taxpayer. A small proportion of products, intricately built and impossible to salvage, except at a loss, is destroyed with the full approval of the Company and government agencies.

Of course, as it turned out, these products were made at a financial loss, but the money paid for them will have bought insurance—the best guarantee our people could give against the catastrophe of defeat. Without such willing expenditure, can anyone doubt that we would have failed?

Help Prevent Fires

"That Which Burns—Never Returns."

The slogan of Fire Prevention Week, October 7-13, tells well, in just a few words, the calamity of loss by fire. It reminds us too of another saying, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," because it's a well-known fact that a small spark can cause thousands of dollars damage, while preventive measures, on the other hand, may save that loss.

Your Plant Fire Department is on the job constantly to guard against dangerous fires to materials and personnel, and each of us must assume a personal responsibility to do our part in this job. In short, plan to make the principles of Fire Prevention Week a year-round activity.

Anything less than that may endanger your fellow-worker's life—and your own.

ORDERS OF THE DAY



War is necessarily a wasteful, as well as a tragic business. We are now being told that America's precious underground stores of vital minerals have been sadly hit by a tempest of destruction which has littred the floor of the sea with precious ships and has used up almost uncountable tons of metals like tin and copper. Tropic beaches are covered with useless crates which but yesterday were stately trees.

With these materials, as well as with the blood of some of our finest young men, we purchased our freedom once again, and it was a fair trade. But as peace dawns, there is a "morning after the night before" feeling, and it is time to think of peacetime conservation. The men and women of General Electric have done a memorable job of tackling the wartime problem of waste. Yet inevitably in the stress of war production on the double-quick, there have been losses.

The competition which G-E products face in the future will involve a whole new attitude on the part of many of us. Now it is economy, rather than time, which will be stresseed. We should be equal to this new task, too.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

HOW TO WASH "SPECIALS"

By the
HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS
of the
General Electric Consumers Institute

Are you troubled about "special" laundry problems—such as washing pillows, spreads, etc.? Most often such items can be laundered very successfully by a homemaker if she has the know-how. Here are tips from the General Electric Consumers Institute on how to wash those "specials."

Pillows

Select a warm, breezy day when the sun is not too hot. Make a small opening at one end of the pillow for circulation of air. Wash in two lukewarm suds waters for 5 minutes each time. Rinse in two or three lukewarm clear waters, and extract water by spinning or by hand. Pin to clothesline. Shake and turn them often so that all feathers will dry thoroughly.

Bedspreads, Slip Covers, Etc.

Soak first, then wash in lukewarm water with mild soap. Rinse thoroughly. If fabrics are colored and dye shows in water, rinse until no dye remains in water. Extract water by spinning or by hand. Hang in shade.

Rag or Chenille Rugs

Wait for a warm breezy day. Take the measurements of your rugs before washing by tracing the outlines lightly with a pencil on a sheet or large piece of muslin. Wash for not more than 5 minutes in lukewarm water using a mild soap solution mixed with a little ammonia. Woolen rugs require more soap than cotton. Rinse thoroughly in lukewarm water and place the rugs over their outlines, stretching gently to original size. When hanging, fold over line and fasten two clothespins down each hanging side, pinning together the double thickness. Shake or brush when nearly dry to fluff up nap.

Curtains

Put curtains of fine material such as lace or scrim, in a net bag. Wash in lukewarm water and mild white soap suds for no longer than 5 minutes. Starch keeps them fresh, crisp and clean longer. For starching, use a large kettle so that all curtains for one room can be starched evenly and at the same time. Do not hang curtains on the line to dry, but roll them up in a sheet. Iron when damp-dry.

Gloves

Follow directions enclosed with gloves. Wash leather gloves only if sold as washable; never wash leather gloves, washable or not, if they have been previously dry cleaned. Do not hang up, but smooth out wrinkles and place on a towel (where it's breezy but not sunny), or dry on a glove frame of the correct size. To hasten drying, gloves may be put in front of a fan. Avoid putting any type of glove on a radiator to dry, and only white fabric gloves may be put in the sun.

NOTICE

RATION OFFICE DISCONTINUED

Automobile tire rationing is now being handled by local rationing boards, since the local Plant Area Board has been discontinued. Applicants for tires are no longer required to have Company certification on their applications.

The Ration Office in Bldg. 10-2 will be discontinued effective Monday, October 8, 1945, since this service is no longer required.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters estimates that during 1944 over $400,000,000 went up in flames.

"That Which Burns - - Never Returns"

Fire Prevention Work in Plant s Important

G-E Volunteer Group Has Been Trained For Emergencies

The work of fire prevention never ...ops in an industrial concern, Er...est Hanauer, G-E fire chief, said ...ently in reviewing the work done ... the regular staff of fire inspec...rs and the large group of volun...er and auxiliary firemen on the ...oors. Fire Prevention Week is ...eing celebrated nationally Octo...er 7-13, and employees are urged ... become acquainted with fire pre...entive measures at that time.

"That Which Burns—Never Re...urns" is the slogan of Fire Pre...ention Week, Chief Hanauer said, ...d pointed out that much work is ...one here to prevent fires. A staff ... inspectors periodically look over ...re equipment, such as hoses, ex...inguishers of all types (pyrene, ...amite, carbon dioxide, water ...mp tanks, booster pumps, steam ...mps and gravity tanks for the ...prinkler system)—to see that ...erything is in perfect condition.

These men check fire service ...lves, indicator posts, and safety ...ns for inflammable liquids, and ...rforms many other functions to ...ure safe manufacturing methods.

Indicative of the far-reaching in...rest of the G-E Fire Department ... taking all possible steps to pre...nt fires is the fact that all trucks ...rrying inflammable liquids are ...t by a fireman, who stays with ...e truck and guards the area ...ere it is unloaded.

Regular fire inspectors also in...ect all cutting and welding jobs ...ne with portable welding outfits, ...l spray booths, varnish dip baths, ...ens, and exhaust pipes.

If a fire occurs and an alarm is ...ed in (or the telephone may ... used), the alarm system within ...e plant (at Broadway, for exam...e) flashes a signal to headquar...ers in Bldg. 10-2 and to the two fire stations, where all volunteer firemen report to await instructions. The alarm is also sent automatically to Fort Wayne Fire stations 5, 3, and 8.

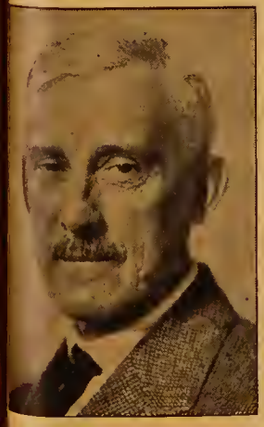
These stations report on the first call when a full force is not present (at present 11 P.M. to 8 A.M. during the week, and all hours on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays), but report on the second call when the plant is fully operating and fully staffed. Needless to say, most small fires are handled on the floors by the regular and volunteer firemen of General Electric.

G-E Firemen Train to Fight Fires



Picture upper left shows the salvage company in action. This company functions to provide as much protection as possible against water damage, and also cleans up the fire area after the blaze has been extinguished. Jim Daley, upper right, has one sprinkler plugged and one to go as he tries his hand in a practice drill. Lower left shows the hose company in action. The chemical company (picture at lower right) is trained in the use of carbon tetrachloride, foamite, and carbon dioxide, and demonstrate their wares here.

Founder and Present Leaders



E. A. Barnes



Ernest Hanauer



Dee Hamilton

Back in 1895 E. A. Barnes, then general superintendent, organized the first Volunteer Fire Depart...ent of the Fort Wayne Electric Works. Ernest Hanauer is the present chief, and Dee Hamilton heads the ...olunteer Firemen's Association. (See story on this page).

G-E Volunteer Fire Department Celebrates Fiftieth Anniversary

This year the Fort Wayne Works Fire Department is celebrating its fiftieth year as an organization—and it can look back with satisfaction at the progress made since the days when "cops" really looked like characters in the old Keystone Comedies.

It was in September of 1895 that the first Volunteer Fire Department was organized here, with E. A. Barnes, general superintendent, giving the department his personal support and acting as the first Fire Chief. There were just two companies in those days—Company A for ladders and hose, and Company B for large hose in the yard. Rivalry was so high between the two companies that tieing up the other's hose in a practice drill was almost standard procedure.

The fire alarm at that time was a real trick of inventiveness. When a fire broke out, a messenger was dispatched to the engine room, the whistle was blown, and the volunteer firemen assembled to battle the blaze. Needless to say, that system was soon modernized. In August of 1896 the first annual picnic of the V.F.D. was held, and 14 street cars turned out to transport the crowd to Robison Park. It was a huge success and was voted an annual affair.

In 1899 a demonstration was arranged for city officials, and everything was expected to run off with stop watch efficiency. Unfortunately, the officials were late in arriving, and when Mr. Barnes finally gave the signal to start the fire drill, the engine room attendant was so startled that he pulled the whistle cord so hard he broke the rope. By the time he located a ladder and succeeded in blowing the whistle and getting the drill underway, the city officials had practically discarded their stop watches for alarm clocks, it's told.

During the next few years, the department expanded and a full-time chief, William Wurtle, was appointed to handle the department. The first annual social was held on Wall Street in July 1906, and has been held every year since by the firemen. By 1909 it was decided to form a separate organization for the volunteer firemen, and

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Sixty-five Suggestors Get Awards in Two-week Period

Covering a two-week period, 65 suggestion awards were made to G-E employees, according to lists recently released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

An additional $200 award was presented to Robert R. Goshorn, Bldg. 26-2, for his suggestions regarding changes to drive coil of vibrator inverters to improve the product.

The following were awarded $5 to $20 for their ideas:

Bldg. 2-2

Charles W. Scarlett, Adele M. Kuckuck.

Bldg. 4-1

Frederick W. Schaaf.

Bldg. 4-2

Charles H. Gordon, Joseph B. Howard, Arland D. Stine, Edward N. Miller, Betty M. Kummer, L. T. Johnson.

Bldg. 4-3

Fletta E. Erickson, Claude E. Warner, Doc Cramer.

Bldg. 4-4

Evan E. Aulton, Russell L. Thurber, Mary M. Dvorak, Lewis H. Botteron, John M. Dewald, Opal C. Snyder, Forest E. Grim, Albert J. Smith, John F. Wilson, Solomon Andorfer, Martha J. Arnold.

Bldg. 4-5

Robert L. Richardson, Maynard Ray Cope, Jr., Earl R. Liechty, Karl K. Bowman.

Bldg. 6-2

George H. Hahn, Robert C. Johnson.

Bldg. 10-1

John N. Madden.

Bldg. 17-2

Chalmer L. Carper.

Bldg. 17-3

Madaline L. Briggs, Edward F. Andrews, James Leon VanZile.

Kokomo

Ralph Bisschoff, Mearl N. Wisehart, Vivian H. Ancil, Marie Y. Blessing, Charles D. Hollingsworth, Grover C. Foust, James D. Marlett, Granville W. Edson, Oma S. Kaade, Ray Massey, Fred C. Shoemaker, Meredith Turnpaugh, Richard W. Heronenus, Golie Alcorn, Lewis C. Luttrell, James Godfrey Butcher, Frank Guffey, Morris C. Gross, George F. Rockey, Leslie B. Thompson, Charles Edward Cook, Clarence T. Smith, W. Herbert Parson, Sr.

G-E Volunteer

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William Bracht was elected first president. In 1910 William Melching was elected president and Fred Duryee treasurer, which positions they held till 1940.

There was a Fire Department band too in the early 1900's, with John Verweire directing, and it won its share of prizes in contests, while the firemen won many contests in hose laying, ladder practice, etc.

In 1924 Paul Grimme became Fire Chief after the death of Chief Wurtle; George Doehla was appointed chief in 1939, and after his death in 1944, Ernest Hanauer served as Acting Fire Chief, with his appointment being made early in 1945.

The Volunteer Firemen's Association had expanded considerably too, as the growth of the Fort Wayne Works made it necessary to include more and more volunteer firemen on the floors. In 1940 William Melching died, after serving as head of the group for 30 years, and Howard Bennigan was elected president and served till 1943. Joe Henry headed the group during '43-'44, and Wallace Geller followed him as president of the volunteer association.

The present head of the organization is Dee Hamilton, who has served in the Company Volunteer Fire Department for many years.

Betty Bower

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The annual conference will be held later in October, Miss Bower announced, at which time all club members will participate in planning the program of activities to be presented during the year. The drive for new members will follow immediately after the conference. Committee chairmen for activities throughout the year will be appointed at the conference, she announced, and these appointees will serve as contact girls for the programs to be presented each month.

Sleeping Comfort

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required in the prewar blanket," Mr. Spooner said. "Thus the efficiency of the blanket is materially increased."

Tests have shown that the new wire is 12 times as durable as the prewar multi-stranded wire which it replaces.

Wire Is Flexible

Further flexibility of the wire is made possible by the manner in which it is incorporated in the blanket: It is inserted into channels woven in the fabric so that it is free floating, capable of resisting more than the normal amount of flexing or folding.

Despite the fact that the automatic blanket can be washed like any ordinary blanket, G-E believes that the wire will outlast all standard blanket fabrics.

When it goes on sale across the country within the next 30 days, the new automatic blanket, which is standard double-bed size and weight, will be available in two colors, rose and blue. The blanket fabric is 50 per cent wool, 25 per cent rayon, and 25 per cent cotton.

Price Not Set

The prewar blanket sold for $34.50. Price of the new improved model has not yet been established.

As quickly as blankets are available for sale at the Employees' Store, notice will be given in the WORKS NEWS, H. R. Shepherd, Employees' Store manager, said today.

Committee Heads

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the employees as soon as possible.

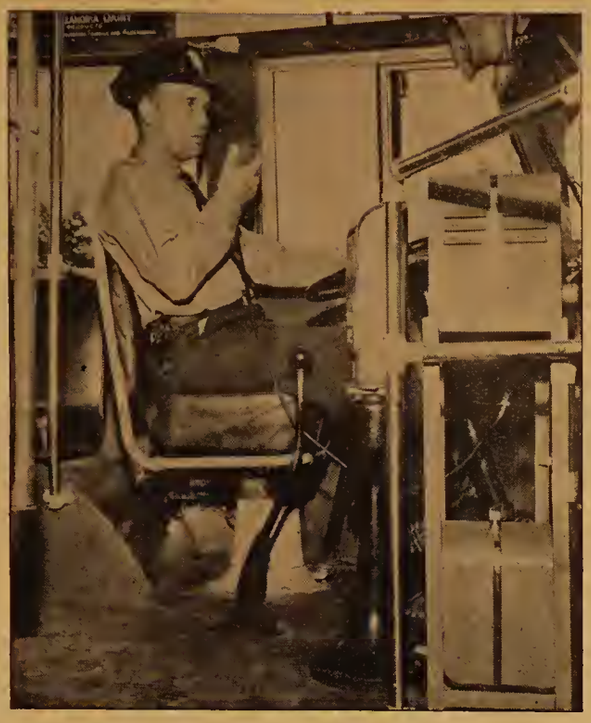
Mr. McAfee announced the following managers of athletic contests, all of whom will serve on the general athletic committee: Charlie Wilt, Bldg. 4-6, assistant chairman of the general committee, chairman of the equipment purchase and awards committee, and manager of major softball; Francis Richards, officials for basketball, softball, and baseball; Robert Kessens, manager of major basketball; William Schible, assistant manager, major basketball.

Others are Walter Histed, inter-division basketball manager; C. M. Magers, assistant manager of inter-division basketball; William Hessert, inter-division volleyball; Lore Ferverda, table tennis; Andrew E. Smith, assistant chairman girls' athletics; Betty Eisenacher, girls' basketball manager; Charlotte Drewett, girls' softball manager; Russell James, manager, owl athletics; Robert Crosley, assistant manager, owl athletics.

Also on the committee are Jerry Duryee, major softball assistant manager; Mike Sorgen, inter-division softball manager; John Braden, baseball manager; and Joe Henry and Jim Daley, assistant managers of baseball.

This committee will meet Tuesday, October 9, at 6:30 P.M. at the Colonial Gardens to plan events for the coming year. Men and girls' major basketball is already under way, and meetings for inter-division basketball, volleyball, and table tennis will soon be announced.

From Bus to Headquarters by Radio



The nation's first radio-equipped bus is now in operation experimentally on lines of the Washington, Virginia and Maryland Coach Company, using FM radio equipment supplied by General Electric. The radio is being used to test its effectiveness in improving bus service and to operate in public emergencies. The bus driver is shown reporting to the company's headquarters in Arlington, Va. Transmitting and receiving equipment is at the right. The bus line authorities and General Electric engineers expect that the experience gained in this pioneer experiment will furnish them with valuable information, not only on the public service aspects, but also for the future design of FM radio equipment for the transit industry. (See story on this page).

General Electric Announces New Sheathed Cable Line

A new small-diameter non-metallic sheathed cable with thermo-plastic insulated Type T conductors has been announced by the General Electric Company. Bearing the trade-marked name "PVX," it is made in two- and three-conductor assemblies in sizes 14 to 4 without ground wire.

The thermo-plastic (plasticized polyvinyl chloride) insulation used on PVX Type T conductors has long life, is high in dielectric and mechanical strength, flame retarding, and unusually resistant to oils, acide, and alkalies. It has a smooth, hard finish which requires no additional protecting braid.

This feature, together with an improved crushed-paper armor, makes PVX cable lighter in weight and smaller in diameter than standard non-metallic sheathed cables. It is approved by the Underwriters' for 60 degrees C operation.

PVX cable assembly consists of the thermo-plastic insulated conductors, a spiral-wrapped impregnated crushed paper armor, waterproof jute fillers, a longitudinal paper wrap and a moisture-resisting, flame-retarding over-all braid. This braid has a hard, smooth finish that is both non-marking and non-tacking. It will not soil hands or mar walls during installation.

The construction of PVX cable makes it simple to strip. The crushed paper armor on the individual conductors is easily removed and the thermo-plastic insulation strips freely, leaving a clean conductor ready for connection.

First G-E Radio-Equipped Bus Is Now in Operation

Installation Made On Experimental Lines

The nation's first radio-equipped bus is now in operation experimentally on lines of the Washington, Virginia and Maryland Coach Company (Arnold's Lines), according to General Electric engineers who supplied the FM radio equipment being used.

Installation followed receipt by the coach company of the first permit issued by the Federal Communications Commission for operation of this type of service.

The radio is being used to test its effectiveness in improving bus service and to operate in public emergencies. It will be used as a two-way communications medium between the bus operator and the company's headquarters in Arlington, Va., and parallels service of this kind in operation since July between headquarters and the company's service and supervisors' cars.

Wartime Type

General Electric engineers here explain that the FM equipment is of a type developed for wartime emergency communications and now being used by other utility companies and police departments.

The radio is installed in one of the regularly scheduled buses of the company. It will not be confined to any one route. Before tests are completed, the bus will have operated on 87 miles of routes of the company, covering about 30,000 miles in the experimental period, according to Joseph L. Arnold, vice-president and general manager.

Examples Cited

Here are a few examples of how this kind of radio installation might benefit public and company alike. The bus operator will be able to report immediately any emergency confronting him, or the passenger of his bus, or the public at large along his route of travel. A tire picks up a nail or some glass and goes flat. Headquarters is notified immediately and a service car quickly dispatched to the scene, thus speeding up the repair and resumption of service. A shopper running to catch the bus suddenly suffers a heart attack which necessitates immediate medical attention, or the bus approaches the scene of a bad auto wreck.

These cases would justify an immediate report to headquarters for help. A big fire, heavy congestion, or other similar justified reasons for detouring traffic can be reported by headquarters to the bus driver and be guided along another route. A thief pulls a holdup and grabs the bus cash box—if he can remove it—or some other unlawful act. The bus radio will assist in a more speedy apprehension of the criminal in such cases.

The bus line authorities and General Electric engineers expect that the experience gained in this pioneer experiment will furnish them with valuable information, not only on the public service aspects, but also for the future design of FM radio equipment for the transit industry.

Carbon Brush Treatment Developed by G-E

Process Found To Increase Brush Life at High Altitudes

Of all the developments made by G-E during the war that helped slap the Axis nations into defeat, perhaps the one hardest to write about in "conquering hero" terms is the story of the treatment of carbon brushes for use at high altitudes. Yet, here is a story that involves all the drama of military secrecy, scientific exactness, and engineering achievement by our Works Laboratory and the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division.

Those of us who have become accustomed to thinking of brushes in terms of bristly gadgets that are used on our teeth or hair or clothes doubtless will experience somewhat of a shock when our engineering friends politely point out that the brush they're talking about is a piece of carbon (and it may vary greatly in size and shape) that is used as a sliding contact (sort of a connector) to pick up current from one part of the motor and transmit it to another.

Principle Shown

It's common engineering knowledge that electric current must be supplied to both stationary and rotating parts in many motors. Electrical connection to a stationary part, such as a stator, is usually as simple as making the connections for an ordinary lamp cord. To supply current to a rotating part, such as a motor armature, however, is not so easy—and it's then that a sliding contact, which usually includes carbon brushes, comes into play.

A common example of a sliding contact, and one on which carbon brushes are often used, is the trolley on a street car or trolley coach.

Early in 1941 the startling discovery was made that carbon brushes on devices such as gun director motors, which had a life of hundreds of hours under normal conditions, might wear out completely in one hour, when operating at altitudes of more than 20,000 feet. The discovery was quite startling, because engineers were familiar with the performance of brushes on vacuum cleaners and automobile generators, for example, which had years of life.

More Life Needed

Obviously then, many of the motors, generators, and the like being built at Fort Wayne would have had little value to our fighting air forces if they could not have been depended upon to run more than an hour at high altitudes.

A study of friction and wear of carbon on copper had fortunately been started by the Research Laboratory, Schenectady, several years before the war. It was found that the oxygen and water vapor present in the ordinary atmospheric environment were responsible for the normal low friction and long life of carbon brushes. Work had also been done on an impregnation process for improving brush life when oxygen and moisture percentage in the atmosphere surrounding the brush were low. While not providing the life desired, this process was a step in the right direction.

The process as finally evolved at Fort Wayne, as a result of the combined efforts (in strictest secrecy) of the Fort Wayne Works Laboratory, the Research Laboratory, the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, and brush vendors, is a refinement of the original process. It consists essentially of a vacuum-pressure treatment of the brushes (plus a bake) with special materials (a water solution) which perform those resistance functions to wear at high altitudes that atmospheric oxygen and moisture do normally at low altitudes.

Many Tests Taken

Hundreds of tests in the Bldg. 17-4 high altitude chambers showed the absolute necessity of controlling the amount of the retained impregnating material within narrow limits—to as little as a fraction of one per cent in some brushes. Too much retained material within the carbon is just as objectionable as not enough. No brush used weighed more than one-half ounce, and some weighed less than 1/28 of an ounce.

To maintain control of the process in the factory, it was necessary to install a laboratory-type balance in the factory and to train inspection personnel in its use. And then the production of consistent results was further complicated by unpredictable variations in the brushes themselves and by the fact that a treated brush looks no different than an untreated brush.

Engineering and production problems were finally solved—which in the final analysis meant that those small pieces of carbon placed in G-E's motors and generators were another factor in helping our combat planes fly in the stratosphere.

Contributed to War Development



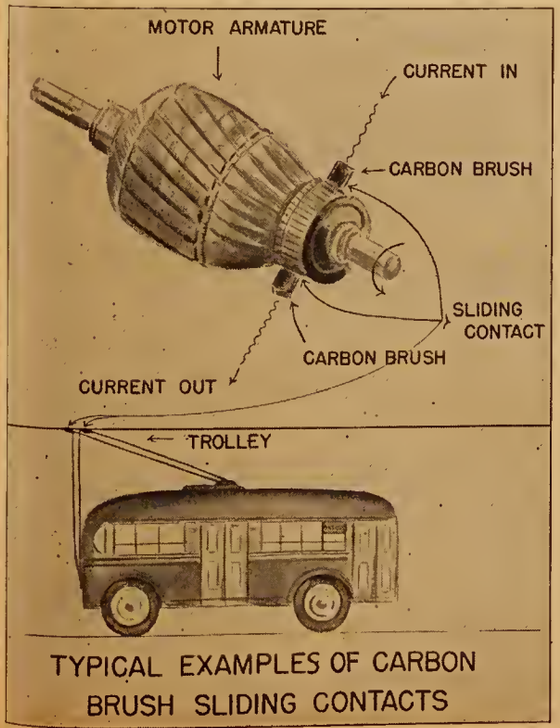
R. L. Hupp and C. J. Herman, of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, and R. E. Kohl, of the Works Laboratory, (left to right) are shown examining an amplidyne, brush mechanism, and brushes. The brushes shown here are typical of those requiring treatment for satisfactory life at high altitudes. These men contributed much to Fort Wayne's development of a process to treat carbon brushes for high altitude use.

Product Gets Altitude Test



S. A. Zimmerman, Works Laboratory, is installing an amplidyne with treated brushes in an altitude chamber for testing under high altitude conditions. Hundreds of tests like this showed G-E engineers the effect of experimental work on the carbon brushes and led to the perfecting of a suitable method.

Brush Performance Illustrated



TYPICAL EXAMPLES OF CARBON BRUSH SLIDING CONTACTS

Young Named

J. F. Young has been appointed engineer of the advance engineering section of the General Elctric Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by J. W. McNairy, manager of engineering and planning for the Department.

Q. How can the care of the infant in the family be simplified?

A. A new-type sterilizer for nursing bottles has been developed. It holds a 24-hour supply of bottles and has a patented heating element which automatically shuts off the electricity when the bottles are sterilized.

W. S. Hay Appointed

W. S. Hay has been appointed sales manager of the York Wire and Cable Division of G-E's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by M. H. Owen, manager of the division.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Civilian Life Soon

Camp Lucky Strike, France

Dear Editor:

Just a word to you and my friends of the Broadway and Taylor Street plants on the eve of my departure from here in France back to the good old U.S.A. . . .

I was assigned to the 58th General Hospital. This is an assembling area at this camp, and I've been here three weeks waiting for a ride back home—we finally got one coming up for us in the morning. We will be taken in the morning by truck 40 miles from here to port of LeHavre where we board the ship for home, and then be discharged and be a civilian again.

PFC Roe Funderburg

Coming Home

Dear Editor:

I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS for almost three years, and it was wonderful to know what my friends have been doing and also keep up with changes there. I can also say I don't know of any other works that gets the shop news to their employees like the General Electric. I am leaving here soon on my way home. . . .

Tell everyone I said hello and hope to be back after a short rest.

As ever,

PFC John A. Kennell

Writes from England

Southampton, England

Dear Editor:

For the past few months, I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS regularly. I wanted to write you before now, and thank you for your thoughtfulness and interest, but unfortunately my work has been keeping me rather busy.

I am no longer in the hospital, and my injuries are all well. I am assigned to a Port outfit, being unable to do anything but light office work.

Our job here in England is to take care of the troops that are being sent to the States; either by processing them or loading them on the boat. It seems rather strange and heartbreaking at times, to see them heading home and we staying here behind sweating it out wondering when our turn will be. I guess that somebody has to do the job and that is us.

I want to take this opportunity to say hello to all my friends at the G-E and especially those in Bldg. 28. I do hope to see all of you soon, and thanks for a splendid job well done.

Yours truly,

S/Sgt. Eddie J. Bateh



WELCOME BACK TO G-E

Veterans of World War II

Listed below are former G-E employees, veterans of World War II, who have returned to their jobs during September. Look them up. Welcome them back to G-E.

Name	Location
William R. Kite	Bldg. 19-1
Douglas Heckman	Bldg. 19-2
James F. McClure	Bldg. 17-4
Eugene W. Garrard	Bldg. 26-4
Russell Gebhart	Bldg. 4-1
Loren H. Garr	Bldg. 20-1
Robert W. Dent	Bldg. 4-6
Ray L. Fischbach	Bldg. 6-2
Richard A. McNiece	Bldg. 26-5
Jee M. Pittinger	Bldg. 4-4
Flyod E. Snyder	Bldg. 4-3
Kenneth J. Petgen	Bldg. 18-B
John L. Leeth	Bldg. 26-2
Joseph H. Halley	Bldg. 12-1
Paul G. Bucher	Bldg. 19-5
Miles Waggoner	Bldg. 28-2
Robert Busche	Winter Street
Robert Ringle	Winter Street
Wayne Bergman	Bldg. 19-5
Joseph B. Olry	Bldg. 4-5
Thomas Collins	Bldg. 26-B
John M. Haberkorn	Bldg. 4-3
John Bobay	Winter Street
Kenneth Beery	Winter Street
Sanford Gordon	Bldg. 26-1
William Schmieman	Bldg. 17-3
Raymond Philo	Bldg. 17-1
William Gepfert	Bldg. 26-4
Bruce E. Winebrenner	Bldg. 20-1
Robert O. Scheumann	Bldg. 27
Lester F. Menze	Bldg. 4-4
Harold Hastings	Bldg. 26-3
William P. Grimme	Bldg. 4-3
J. Russell L. Case	Bldg. 2-2
Robert J. Bubb	Bldg. 26-1
Leland H. Bradley	Bldg. 26-4
Dale Hilbert	Bldg. 4-3

Dear Editor:

. . . I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation for the WORKS NEWS. It certainly helps a man in the service to at least in some measure keep up with the happenings in his company. It also helps to polish up his memories of the home town. In short, thanks a million for this wonderful service.

Ens. Forrest A. Tomkins

Aboard Ship

September 13, 1945

Dear Editor:

It's been some time since I have written you and now finally I have some time. Now I am aboard the U.S.S. Pickaway about two days from Manila. We are on a liberty ship, and I have seen so much G-E equipment on the ship I often think I am back at the plant itself.

The navy food is excellent and puts the Army to shame. We have entertainment, such as boxing, shows, movies, and a few productions of the fellows themselves.

All in all we have had a fine trip, being a bit crowded though. V-J Day we passed the international date line and we lost a day, so that day was V-J Day. Where we are going from Manila, I don't know. Some of us may stay there.

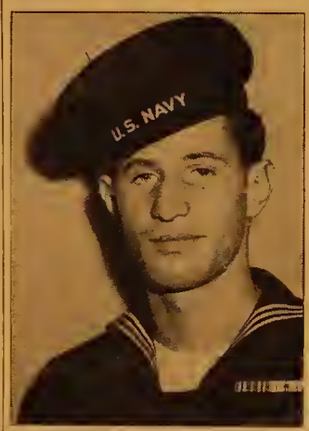
Give my best to all my friends in Bldgs. 4-4 and 26-1.

Yours,

PFC Charles H. Beckman

According to a recent letter from Cpl. Gerald E. Miller in the Philippines, he says that his best regards and wishes go to all, especially the Transformer Division in Bldg. 26-2.

Writes from Tokyo



R. J. Hurst

U.S.S. Gasconade
September 2, 1945

Dear Editor:

Greetings from Tokyo! In company with a vast task force composed of transports, cargo ships, and escorts we have just steamed in to participate in the first landing of sea-borne U. S. Army forces on the soil of Japan—under the protecting guns of the greatest combat fleet ever assembled. Aboard the U.S.S. MISSOURI, anchored nearby, the surrender is being signed that brings to an end this greatest of all world wars.

At the time of this ship's commissioning, March 11 at San Pedro, Calif., most of us didn't expect to be debarking troops on Nipponese shores within six months—and even the most optimistic among us didn't dream that those landing would be unopposed. It's a real thrill to be here on the scene and see world history being written under our very eyes.

It's a great climax to the GASCONADE'S tour of duty which has already included three trips across the Pacific Ocean beginning May 9, when we left San Francisco for Samar Island in the Philippines. After brief stops at Pearl Harbor, Eniwetok, and Ulithi, we arrived at our destination and discharged passengers and cargo. Our next assignment took us directly back to San Francisco carrying a full load of naval officers and men to the States for leaves and discharges. We remained just long enough to take on close to a thousand replacements for the Fleet and departed for Leyte Gulf, where we were anchored at the time the news of Japan's surrender was announced.

From there it was "on to Tokyo," stopping only at Manila to receive our present load of combat troops and to form the convoy with which we are now traveling. This is an occasion none of us will soon forget, and I'm happy to be able to send you greetings in its honor.

Your very truly,

Robert J. Hurst, SM 3/c U.S.N.

Dear Editor:

. . . I'm leaving here very soon headed for Stuttgart, Germany, as the first step in being returned to the United States. Needless to say, I'm very pleased at the prospects for the immediate future—home, family, and friends.

Very truly yours,

S/Sgt. Robert H. Jefferson

Paul B. Wine S 1/c hopes to be back home in Indiana very soon, according to his recent letter.

In States Again

September 24, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I'm back in the States now, and it's wonderful when one steps on American soil again.

I want to thank you kindly for the WORKS NEWS that I received while overseas, and here in the States. The G-E sure did a wonderful job getting the things that we needed over there. The radio I operated used a dynamotor which the G-E made, and I never had to worry about my radio not working.

I would like to say hello to the gang in Bldg. 26-4 and to Bill Roberts.

Well I'll close for now and get busy. Again I thank you for the NEWS and hope to see you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Cpl. Donald R. Jackson

In Personnel Work

September 26, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I want to thank you for sending me the WORKS NEWS every week. I really looked forward to getting them.

I really have an interesting job here at Camp Patrick Henry. I interview the boys who are getting discharges, and then after they have left I type up their discharges. In the afternoons they come back and sign their discharges. They are always so nervous and happy when they sign their papers.

Well, I must close now and will you please say hello to my old gang in Mr. Somers' section in Bldg. 20-2.

Sincerely yours,

Pvt. Hedwig G. Graue

On Leyte

Leyte, Philippine Islands
September 15, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . We are on Leyte now resting after the Luzon show. We have been here about a month now. We're not doing much except getting ready for the big show in Japan.

Yours truly,

S/Sgt. Harvey Slater, Jr.

In a recent letter from Charles Hall, S 1/c, he wants to know how everything is here at the G-E and wants to say hello to everyone. He also states that he is in the hospital, but hopes to be out soon.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Ten G-E Employees Join Quarter-Century Club



William Walt
Lawrence Schnieders

A. H. Bieberich
Frank Mitzner

J. L. Ulman
Ross Cohagen

Clara B. Lake
J. Kenneth Eady

C. H. Smith
E. C. Bengert

Ten G-E employees joined the growing ranks of the Quarter-Century Club in recent weeks on the completion of 25 years of continuous service. Other new members of the veteran employee organization, all of whom were admitted recently, will be presented in next week's WORKS NEWS.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Cupid has really been busy on our floor. First to be struck by Cupid's arrow was Louella Richardson; Bettie Shank was next. Then the Army discharged Vonnie Sponhouser's friend after three years of service. Not that we were surprised, but she came to work then with a lovely diamond. My, how that little fellow Cupid gets around. . . . If Bertha Goeglein looked rather sick the other day, let me tell you why. The secret was Bertha was downtown the very day nylons were on sale at one of the stores, and she didn't even know it — and my how she would have loved to have had a pair. Wouldn't we all? But relax, girls, maybe we will all be wearing them by Yule Tide. . . . Vonnie Sponhouser came hurrying in the gate one day and flashed her badge for the guard to see. He took it and explained, "You don't need that any more." Von thought he was kidding, but found out later that badges are only keepsakes now.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Did everyone notice Nora Dudgeon's nice birthday presents? . . . We were glad to have Addia Mashaum visit us the other day. Addie is now discharged. Best of luck, Addie. . . . We are sorry to hear that Pete Leitch is sick, and hope he is well soon. . . . Jean Weiant has returned from her hunting trip to Canada. She had a grand time, even with loading one duck full of five rounds of lead. She said the duck was so full of lead that it sunk as soon as it hit the water. . . . Congratulations go to Helen Scott, who was married last Sunday to William Schurek. They are honeymooning at Niagara Falls. . . . Birthday greetings to Leona Henry, Anita Slushei, and Nora Dudgeon. We wish you gals many more. . . . Lucky gals on vacation this week are Gertie Poiry and Florence Rekeweg. . . . Did you notice that ear to ear smile on Florence Rekeweg's face this week? She has a good reason to be wearing it too. Her brother has arrived in the States and is expected home soon. . . . Leona Henry had a nice surprise this past week. Her sailor son came home with his honorable discharge.

NOTICE

We have in stock, for sale, a quantity of stainless steel wire, 1/8 inch in diameter, suitable for clothes lines, in lengths of 50 feet, 100 feet, and 200 feet.

Store hours are from 12 noon to 4 P.M. Monday to Friday.

H. R. Shepherd
Employees' Store, Bldg. 10-2

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Now that inventory is over with, maybe we can settle down to running our jobs at a normal pace and really enjoy these postwar days. Charles (Buck) Buchanan was so heated up with the pressure of work last week that he discarded his necktie one day regardless of the mild September weather. Gil Bond's cry was, "Don't lose those inventory cards." Undoubtedly Henry Reidenbach could have stood in a corner to sleep after his marathon on all three floors during the "count." . . . It is nice to have you back with us, Vivian Gunkel. . . . Jesse Moser just got under the 8 A.M. "deadline" the other day. He said he missed his "special," the first time in many a blue moon, and it's true. . . . A week ago Saturday Perry Shober, after wrestling a few hours in his yard to put in some stepping stones, took a recess, and as the porch furniture was already in winter storage, Perry took to the comforts of his car, which was parked in front. The relaxation turned into a siesta amidst the autumn breezes, when behold a squad car pulled alongside and awakened our unshaven friend with a battery of interrogations, detective style. Perry soon rose up from his "relaxed" position behind the steering wheel and proved to the cops that the car was his, as was the house, and to further prove his worth, Perry told them the duplex next door was his too. You guessed it, the cops withdrew baffled, and their proponent a free man. . . . Three "Hot Shots" are forming a bowling team—Marylinn Bullerman, Kathryn Rectanus and Mary O'Connor. Marylinn chalked up a 180 score in one tryout game. Not bad, Aye. . . . Viola Haiber was generous the other day with her candy kisses. . . . Melvin Schrader is attending night school at Purdue Extension. According to his list of subjects, Mel will be a potential "MC" for our coming Christmas party. . . . Wren Herbst is holding a shucking bee on his farm soon. The contestants are veteran Clair Lieurance and Tommy Fox. Tom has various conceptions of a farmer's duties in harvesting corn. He believes that shucking corn involves rubbing the ears together, so that the grain falls off freely. You know now why we are all placing our bets 50 to 1 on Clair to win the contest. . . . One noon Betty Raile had a surprise visit from her uncle and aunt from Oakley, Kansas. They stopped in front of our Hollywood Building and picked up Betty. The group had lunch and a nice visit. Betty was presented a box of fancy towels brought all the way from New York City. Yep, just one more item for the hope chest. . . . Ann Schlotzhauer's collection amounted to four cents and other valuable assets. Ann, it's a good thing you found your spectacles. . . . During the New Haven street fair, Elsie Fabian stopped at a stand to have her age determined, and she emerged the winner of a cut glass vase, also her youth personified.

Sweet



John Dellinger

This bonnie little cherub, who was the apple of his mother's eye, is none otber than Bldg. 19-B's own Johnny Dellinger about 60 years ago. Co-workers admit that there's been some change since this picture was taken. John has 29 years of service with General Electric.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Walter Coggeshall has come to the Wire Section to work in the enameling room. Hope you like your work, Walt, and "welcome." . . . Folks, do you know who causes us to have so much rain? It is none other than Slim Walters. He enjoys exercising his throat, so he imitates "Old Jim Crow" and everytime he crows it rains. Let's gang up on him. . . . Ray Fisher, better known as the "Tomato King," is reaping a big harvest. . . . Bill Hattendorf says the Big League is in a bad way with both the Cubs and the Cardinals likely to finish as co-winners of the National League pennant. But that's all settled now, Bill, with the Cubs now gunning for Detroit. . . . We hope Adolph Schultz doesn't venture in green pastures and get lost while on his vacation. Have a nice time. . . . Ham Miller wants 100 motor scooters. Tut! Tut! Ham, the transportation problem isn't that bad. . . . Congratulations on your birthday, Francis Isenbarger. . . . Practice makes perfect, so keep throwing those horseshoes every night, Earl Gebert, and it will soon be a ringer every pitch. . . . If you hear a loud noise at the front of the office, don't be alarmed—it is just Herb Thompson's chair falling apart. Just don't fret too much, Herb; soon your chair will be repaired as good as new. Then you will be able to rock and twirl as you used to do in the old days! . . . Some people really go to great lengths to "draw" attention. Art Gardt even went so far as to spill a can of glue all over our clean floor. It's a good thing it happened at work, rather than at home, or I'm afraid his future address would have been "Dog•House."

Turret Tattles

We again have Murray Johnson tangled with an outboard motor. Remember how he got the starting rope trussed around his hand about a year ago and darned near broke it? This latest episode is less vicious. We have Murray and his wife leaving for a short ride, Murray turning ON the gas and giving the starter a pull. They glide along for almost a block when the motor stops. Then ensues terrific tugging at the rope, various implications at the motor, and finally Mrs. Johnson gets out the oars and they continue on their ride while Murray sets back to recuperate. Gazing balefully at the motor, Murray gives a start and loudly questions, "Who turned OFF that gas?" . . . We welcome Loren Babcock to the Turret Gang. Hi, feller!! . . . Ralph Harwood had quite a time with a hat not so long ago. Seems he traded hats and came out second best some way. Maybe you'd better ask him for the details. . . . Leo Gaff, late from our inspection bench, but more recently holding down the same kind of job in Bldg. 26-3, reports his son is home from the war, after four years, and making the long step this week. We don't know the lady, but it seems kinda silly to get out of one battle and start another. Hey, we're kiddin', Leo. Lay down that bayonet souvenir. Give 'em our best, Leo. . . . Any old dinner pails, bent up and smashed, are solicited by Pop Seals of the center aisle. He loves 'em, the more they get bent up the better he likes them. . . . One of the wags from "hyar" kindly acted as go-between for a watch repair job recently. However, after delivering the watch to be repaired to the proper person, he returned to the owner with a badly smashed up dollar watch and told him the watch maker had a little trouble with his watch. The expression on the watch owner's face was something to behold, until he found the mess of gears, etc., he held, was not his good watch. Sich goin's on! . . . Big John, the retail merchant from the west gate, does not consider a used G-E Badge worth fifty cents in trade. For further details, contact the Head Man in the garage. . . . Famous last words during inventory, "No, no, Joan, we don't throw away those stubs!" Another sally: "Who's walking around with whose hands in whose pockets?" Another: "Where's my writer?" Still another, "What's that under there?" Gosh we didn't know, we never saw it before.

To Please the Operator



GUARD DESIGNERS "BEND OVER BACKWARDS." Like sugar coating a pill, they make a special effort to design and install guards and other safety devices so they will be "EASY TO TAKE" as well as ELIMINATE THE HAZARD.

This is especially true with point of operation guards, as shown in the above illustrations of circle saw guard. Mr. Ray Sink, leading operator in Bldg. 12-B, is shown demonstrating the flexibility and ease of adjustment of this recently designed saw guard. It has been in use for approximately four months.

Figure No. 1 shows the self-adjusting feature of this guard. When the saw is raised or lowered, with the crank wheel below the table, the guard automatically follows the saw.

Figure No. 2 shows ripping fence close to the saw. Since the guard covers only one side of the saw, it is possible to rip strips of ¼" or less.

Figure No. 3 shows the guard and saw raised to permit ripping material approximately 3" thick.

Figure No. 4 shows the guard in use on a cut-off operation. Note the parallel splitters which support the guard.

Figure No. 5 shows the nomenclature of the guard, which is mounted below the table. The two parallel support arms are actuated by tie rod "A" when saw is raised or lowered. In this manner the guard is always parallel with table. Block "B" is moved forward and backward to accommodate different saw sizes.

Figure No. 6 shows how guard is being used for very thin material. The guard is made of transparent material to permit light and allow better visibility of saw.

These photographs are shown here for the purpose of calling attention to this new type guard design and TO POINT OUT TO WHAT EXTREMES GUARD DESIGNERS WILL GO IN THE INTEREST OF YOUR SAFETY TO MAKE A GUARD "EASY TO TAKE."

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

We are sorry to lose Doris Fishback, who left recently and is getting married this month. We want to wish you lots of luck, Doris. . . . Ruth Harsch left us on account of her health. We hope you get better soon. . . . Congratulations Elmo Kohne, on the new baby girl that arrived in your home last week. Hope she brings you lots of happiness. . . . That cough of Jerry Kraft's leads us to ask if his cigars are getting him down. And while we're speaking of Jerry, we wonder just where he took his dancing lesson. It's reported he cut quite a figure on the floor the other night—and we do mean on the floor. . . . Do you have any more trouble, Lillie Benz, with someone else wearing your coat home? Did the coat fit you, Bernadine? . . . Margaret Coughlin came to work last week with a beautiful diamond. Congratulations, Margaret. . . . Lee Raver's favorite greeting is, "Hi, Toots." . . . We want to welcome Charles Dougherty to our section. Hope you like us, and stay a while, Charley. . . . Good to see Irma Kasner back on days. Hope you stay with us, Irma.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

Hello, Readers. I am happy to report that the boys in the Commercial Section got to play their golf tournament Saturday. There was some doubt as to whether it would become a reality, and then at 11:50 A.M. all voted in favor of weathering the rain, mud, cold, and what have you. The team medal was won by the "old men;" but the "young men" came through to win the team match. Chuck Graham won the prize for the longest drive on 1 fairway. Cy Stonehill won the Blind Total. Johnny Carr and Del Roloff tied for the low Blind Hole and Snuffy Smith won on the High Blind Hole. Snuffy claims he is the only man to hit a ball which landed 30 feet back of where he was standing. That's what might be called going well in reverse. Chuck Graham provided the acrobatic feat by standing on one hand in a pool of water. Cy Stonehill spent most of the afternoon in casual water, or what might be called watery sand traps. Which all goes to prove the weather can't keep these "he men" down. . . . Chuck Graham's luck held for more than the golf tournament. In fact, we are inclined to believe he carries the proverbial rabbit's foot. . . . Anyway, with the luck of Chuck Graham, how is Avennell Stanton to have the beautiful hat she has been longing for these many weeks. She'll admit there isn't much to the hat, but so glamorous. Well, Avenell, there'll be more baseball seasons, and who knows, maybe the football season will serve as well. . . . "Old Man MacDonald had a farm—" Well, his name isn't MacDonald nor is he old, but Cyrus Stonehill has a farm too. At least, that is what he calls it, although he doesn't plan to be a farmer. . . . Del Roloff's son, Don, proved himself a near-hero Sunday. Don saw smoke coming out of the hole where the school stores its coal, and sure enough the firemen found a fire which might have proven quite destructive to the little ole schoolhouse. . . . It was decided the Commercial Section should have a Family Day for the mutual admiration of their offspring. Then when the appointed day came, only Cy Stonehill showed up with pictures of his children, Judy and Dave. Anyway, Cy proved he has plenty of room for feeling proud. . . . Evidently the rain has squelched most people's activities, and there seems to be nothin' further to report.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Harold Grossnickle tried his ha at being the Pied Piper of No Manchester, but one rat was that he got rid of. This particula rodent crawled upon the manifo of Harold's car, and when the ca got hot, Harold said that it w too much for both him and the ra . . . Imagine Cliff Dunten takin his usual noon hour euchre lesso . . . Don Carrier says that the early bird gets the worm, but all D got was a soaking in the rain an the loss of one hour of sleep due the fact that he forgot to tu back his clock. . . . "When it rai it pours," is absolutely correct a cording to "Marsh" Foelber. Som mean person dumped a whole buck etful of water on him last Monda morning as "Marsh" was walkin to work enjoying the pitter-patt of a light rain. . . . Earl Brando was seen marching in the Americ Legion Parade at the Auburn Stre Fair with the group from Post 9 in Garrett. Earl, who belongs Post 47 in Fort Wayne, really mus like parades. . . . The boys in Bld 26-5 are glad to welcome back work R. McNiece, who has be in the Service for two years. Rich ard is finishing his Apprentic Course in toolmaking under Fran R. Hoffman. . . . George Houser be lieves now that he is a full-fledge lumberjack, since he cut down s trees on his lake property. Too ba though, that there aren't enoug trees to build a cabin out of, isn it, George? . . . On a recent fishing trip Art Dicke and Jack Schem horn really put Johnny Allen i the shade. It seems that Art an Jack caught all the fish, and Johnn just tagged along for the ride Johnny says that he doesn't feel s badly, though, because he doesn believe in having to step on hi fish to make them come up to size.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by the grapevine: Tha plans are being made for a Dis patcher's Club Halloween dan again this year. A committee com posed of Joe Bruns, Joe Trentadue Bob Klingel, and Mike Hunter agreed upon preliminary arrange ments for the affair at the board o directors meeting held Tuesda evening, October 2, at the Chambe of Commerce. Those who attende the dance held last year recall with pleasure the gala time we had. Th date of the dance and the plac where it will be held will be an nounced later. . . . Don't forget the Dispatcher's Club regular monthly meeting to be held at 8 P.M., Tuesday evening, October 9 at the Chamber of Commerce. A civil official of Fort Wayne wil give a very interesting and timel talk on the subject "What Happens to Your Tax Dollar." We would lik to have a big turnout for this af fair, so please make every effort to be there.

Something for Bossie

New G-E Device Designed To Keep Elsie and Her Pals Contented

One of the first to benefit from new peacetime electrical products will be Elsie the Cow and her barnyard pals. General Electric has developed a device to keep old Bossie's drinking water from freezing over in the long cold months ahead.

It's an electric stock-tank de-icer that floats on the surface of the water to keep ice from forming. G-E engineers who enlisted the cooperation of a neighboring herd last winter to test the device say that the cows more than showed their contentment. With appreciative nudges, they nosed the device around the tank in drinking, thereby helping the device keep ice from forming.

The de-icer is not supposed to heat the water in the tank and doesn't. But tests proved that its electric heat will keep a drinking hole open even with the mercury down to a frigid 22 below zero.

About the size of an overgrown pancake, the de-icer is a hollow metal disk encircled by a heating element like those on electric ranges. A thermostat inside the device turns the current on and off as required to keep the heating element at just about body temperature. There is no danger of shock or burn to livestock. The de-icer operates on regular household voltage and can be plugged into any standard outlet. It uses about six cents worth of electricity per day.

De-icer Keeps Cows Contented



Bossie's drinking water won't freeze over during the cold months ahead with G-E's new electric stock-tank de-icer. A hollow metal disk encircled by a heating element, this device floats on the surface of the water to keep ice from forming.

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Bein' as how you-all wants to continue this column, which is swell, one of your "country cousins" is back for you this week. First of all, we would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to George App, and to all of you for the interest you have shown in this column. We want to thank Mr. Weaver, Charlie Winans, Gaylord Evans, and Don Arnold for their cooperation. We are very glad to announce the column will be continued by another "country cousin." The best way to show your appreciation to us is to help her all you can. The little box is still by the center time clock, eagerly awaiting your news items. Keep it filled. Also note the change of time to turn in your items. They must be in by 3:25 P.M. Thursday. . . . Sincere sympathy is extended by all of us to Helen Hageman in the loss, through death, of her father. He died of a sudden heart attack, Monday, September 17. Many of Helen's friends will be happy to know she is still with G-E. She's doing office work on days at the Supercharger. . . . Charlie Winans received a letter from our old friend, Lucy Rogers, H. A. 2/c. Lucy is through basic training and awaiting orders. She's fine, and wants to say "hello" to everyone. Lucy says she hasn't seen Charlie's name in the paper lately, so we fixed that! . . . We have a new Test Engineer with us. He is Carl Boggis from Colorado. . . . Norma Beach is leaving Saturday morning for two weeks' vacation in Florida. She is visiting her folks. . . . We wish to welcome Don Renkenberger to our floor. He comes from Bldg. 4-5, and joins our test group. . . . Betty Strohmeier quit to become a full-time housewife now that her husband got his discharge through the point system. We wish you lots of luck, Betty, and we'll miss you. . . . Ede Roler, now Mrs. Everett Harris, received a beautiful blanket for a wedding gift from her co-workers. Congratulations, Ede. . . . We're glad to see Helen (Dolly) Smeltzer back after her three months' leave. . . . You know, we wonder if anyone ever expressed any thanks to our many candy women. Well, we're different. We thank them now. To us who love to eat, their whistle is the sweetest of songs. . . . We are sorry to see Georgianna Arnold leave us. It has been swell working with you. We'll miss you, but good luck. Her husband is coming home. . . . Just what would we do without Harold Gick's whistle? . . . George P. Green has left the Company for another job. He worked on final inspection. Sorry to see you leave, but good luck. . . . Marion Miller, Small Lot, days, arrived on second trick on the 3:30 train last Monday. . . . Added to final test are: Garret Mann, Harris Roger, Marion Gilgen. You are all welcome. We hope you like us. . . . By the way, if there are any of you who would like exclusive information on fluorescent light bulbs or hammers, any kind of hammers, see Willard Knopp. We are sure he can help you. . . . Ruth Jacobs goes on two weeks' vacation starting Monday. Have a good time, Ruth. . . . Harold Ferguson and Max Decker wait each day for Copenhagen Cart (the candy wagon). Better double your purchases, boys, in order to supply our friend, Leo Carney. . . . We lay out our welcome mat to the following who join Group 13x54: Bernice Dofforn, Alma Wilkinson, Ursula Clark, and Mary J. Judt. . . . R. Springer was with the night gang for one week. . . . Dale Hilbert is the newcomer in the Stock Room. He joins us after serving in the armed services. . . . Transferred from days to nights in Group 13x54 are: Geraldine Fredrick and Hattie Pelkey. . . . For your information, Betty Boldt is on a two weeks' vacation. We hope you are having a good time, Betty. . . . C. McKee was transferred from 13x12 to the Winter Street Plant. . . . George Bartles is checking up on the 1945 deer crop. Do you suppose George has ideas of going deer hunting? . . . O. Brubaker is now working in Group 13x43. He was transferred from Bldg. 19. . . . From Group 13x54, Irene Kipper, Esther Reiter, and Mary McNutt were transferred to days. . . . Frieda Shady is on vacation, and several of the kids have received cards from her from up Canada way. Sounds like you are having fun, Frieda. . . . Margie Voyle joins Group 13x56. She has been off work a few days, and guess why? Her husband is home from overseas. . . . Pat Monroe tells us his wife, Lenna, is working for Charlie Winans in Group 13x56. She was transferred from Bldg. 26-4. We are very glad you are with us, and we hope you like us. . . . This winds up the news for this week, but may I leave this thought with you all? Try thanking everyone for the little things they do for you, and watch your disposition improve. . . . Again thank you for your cooperation, and remember to keep right on the beam, for you will have a good reporter. Good-bye and good luck to everyone.

Your Country Cousin,
Arlene Gaskill

17-3 Newsies

We didn't have much luck in getting pictures of fishermen holding their catch, but we did hear a few good fish stories. Bill Martin is definitely not a fisherman, but he can sure tell 'em. Harold Bowker mixed fishing and picking strawberries once, and since then he's never fished and he still doesn't eat strawberries. . . . Here's the best one though: Joe Jensen went fishing with his brother-in-law, and when they went home, Joe had won a 25 cent bet for catching the biggest fish. But Art had lost nearly two dollars worth of Joe's tackle. . . . We're sorry to hear that Art Drewery hurt his foot, and we hope he'll be back to work soon. . . . Don Maken was up to see us last week. We're glad you're home and looking so good, Don. . . . So Doi. Williams has a new kind of electric pencil. Does it work, Don? . . . Doris Pogue left us to go on the night shift. . . . June Trumbell's husband is back in the States and she's radiant about it. . . . We are sorry to have Grace Caster leave us next week; good luck, Grace. . . . The best way to keep from losing your tools is to tie them to you; isn't that right, Henry? . . . We think we really should put a plug in for Amanda Langwell's husband's Deluxe cab service. . . . Katy Polka says we needn't say anything about her wedding as yet, because she's not getting married until December 24, 1948. (So we just won't mention it). . . . Lois Brubaker is a very happy girl. You're right, it's because her husband is home from overseas and is getting a discharge. . . . We want to wish Eva Webber the best of luck; she's leaving us this week.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Don't be surprised if this column comes out looking something like a relic from an Egyptian tomb. If so, it will be because Bob Haugk has written it. Brother Haugk has taken up foreign languages and goes around muttering to himself all night long. It sounds like entogopy-mo-co. . . . Brother Schelper was frantic the other night when the skunk visited the well known euchre session and paid its compliments to Schelper and Joe Robinson. Schelper thinks he has solved the problem of the unwelcome visitor by throwing away the deck. . . . Bldg. 17-1 golfers wound up the past season with high spirits Sunday at the Brookwood Golf Course. Marshall Tarney won a prize in the Blind Bogey tournament. All the rest of the boys came through with scores well under the hundred mark, except Joe Eifried, who got a 101 (in nine holes). . . . Have you noticed all the color lately in Marge Dietsch's cheeks? Reason is, Marge has become a farmerette by choice for a hobby. . . . We will take this time to say good-bye and good luck to some of our co-workers who were transferred last week—Bill Sterling, Orlando Surface, Beaney Rodgers, Eve Hiatt, and Wally Scherchell. We hope to see them once in a while, even if they don't all work together. . . . The phone rang for Ferne Bermes the other night, and soon the wedding bells will ring. . . . Winter really must be on its way, because Hutson's dragged out that very heavy dark blue shirt.



We Can Consume Only What We Produce

This is one of a series of articles on matters affecting the company and its employees.

The standard of living which a nation can enjoy depends almost entirely upon how much and how well that nation can produce goods not only to satisfy its own needs and wants but also to exchange for commodities which are made or grown in other lands.

A nation's ability to produce, on the other hand, depends pretty much upon the extent, diversity, and availability of its natural resources—the number, intelligence, skill, and initiative of its men and women—and the abundance of its capital.

The standard of living is high in the United States because this country, rich in its traditions of freedom and democratic opportunity, rates high in all these factors affecting production. Other countries of the world can hope to attain to our standard of living only as they are able to duplicate these conditions.

AMERICAN LIVING STANDARDS ARE HIGHEST

Just before the war, a British economist made a study of the standards of living in the various countries of the world. Basing his calculations upon the average real income of the working population in each of the various countries during the period from 1925 to 1934, he found that the American standards were the highest and compared with the standards in the other countries of the world as follows:

United States	100	Germany	47
Canada	97	Belgium	43
New Zealand	94	Norway	39
Great Britain	77	Austria	37
Switzerland	74	Japan	26
Australia	71	Poland	25
Netherlands	63	Italy	25
France	50	U.S.S.R.	23
Denmark	49	India	About 12
Sweden	47	China	Even Lower

How much bread can the average factory worker—in the various countries of the world—buy with the money he earns in one hour of work? A survey published in 1940 revealed that nowhere else could as much bread be bought with the earnings of an hour of work as here in America, as the figures below indicate. This is a typical example of what our high standards of living mean to us.

One hour of Work	Pounds of Bread
United States	
Great Britain	
France	
Belgium	
Italy	
Germany	
U.S.S.R.	

We Can Produce More When We Have Capital

Capital (factories, machines, power plants, railroads, and other forms of wealth used to produce goods—all of them coming from the invested savings of the people) takes its place, and a very important place it is, along with the other factors affecting a nation's ability to produce.

Capital is the means by which a country makes the most efficient use of all its human and material resources. Capital is vital, very vital, to business.

Obviously, then, if we Americans are going to be as successful in the future as we have been in the past in raising our standard of living ever higher, we must continue to make the maximum use of capital. We must continue to make more capital available to business.

In every way we can, we must encourage and help business to enlarge and to improve its capital equipment, build more factories, and install more machinery. With adequate capital America can rise to new heights of achievement.

MOTOR-GENERATOR *Static —*

Gene Miller is the proud father of a baby girl, and is spending his vacation keeping house while his wife is recovering. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Miller. . . . Congratulations are also in order for Mr. and Mrs. Elmer France, who are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mrs. France is one of our former co-workers. . . . Jim Rehrer is still trying to get used to the daylight, after spending the past eight years working nights. Jim is back on first trick. You are a welcome sight, Jim, and we all hope you like us. . . . Oscar (our Bldg. 19-2 mouse) put on quite a show the other noon, performing a trapeze stunt on our window shade cord. . . . Norma Langmeyer received that long awaited telegram from hubby, that he is in the States. We'll miss you a few days, but we are happy for you. . . . One of Shirley Cunningham's most embarrassing moments was to get caught in the rain and have her dress shrink. . . . Lenora Stieglitz has been furnishing the gang with a variety of fresh fruits brought in from the farm. They certainly are tasty just about 9 o'clock every morning. How we will miss it when Mr. Jack Frost comes. . . . Lillian Young says she never sees her name in the WORKS NEWS, so here it is. We hear that you have resolved not to move again until it is in your own home. Hope it won't be too long a wait, Lillian. . . . Now we've seen everything. Kennie Rinker has a new mascot, a baby mouse on a leash, so it can be tied to his work table and let run. What next? . . . Our welcome guests this week were Bob Lester and Max Fore, from the service. We are happy to learn Bob is home to stay. . . . Wally Bruner returned this week from a week's vacation spent painting his house and taking short automobile trips. . . . We welcome Emmett Zollinger back on winding stators.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Bonnie Newhart has left us to take up housekeeping. She was married recently to Sgt. Bill Flood, and they have moved to Canton, Ohio, to live. . . . Red Blomenberg is really getting up in the world. He soloed recently at the Municipal Airport after receiving instructions from Buck Meagher. . . . Sid Fletcher retired recently after 28 years with the Company.

PRODUCTION

Tip to "Do or Die" Barrick. Why not take along high top boots when you insist upon wading to a train. . . . Now that the end of inventory is over for some of us, we can start off with a clean slate. However, there is still some work for some to finish. . . . There are a few new members to be introduced to the "Ole Gang" in the Production Section, so meet Sue Lauer, recently transferred from Broadway, and Kenneth Betts. They are Mickey McClain's new co-workers. . . . Mike Hunter brought in the clipping from the Journal-Gazette which listed his brother's name to arrive in San Francisco. It won't be long now to wait for the celebration. . . . Dorothy Schmidt's friend left for Kansas Saturday. Have you noticed that far away look in her eyes this week? . . . Cara Lou Lichty is all smiles too; her Gene is sailing this way. She will be absent one of these days to welcome him home. . . . And now we have one of our ex-service men with us again. Bob Ringle is one of us too. Welcome to all of you.

ORDER AND STORES

Mr. McMyler has returned from his vacation. We hope he had a good time in spite of the weather. . . . It won't be long until Margaret Petro will be hearing wedding bells. Good luck, Margaret. . . . Vivian Stevenson will be leaving the company in a couple of weeks to be married. Congratulations and all the best of luck to you both. It has been nice working with you. . . . Dick Ashton went to Portland for the week-end. No place like home, is there, Dick?

MACHINE SHOP

From the latest reports coming in, it seems my request for an all-family affair for the Winter Street families is the coming thing. It is set for October 12. Now let's all us kids out here set that one evening aside, cause it comes on Friday night, and we can rest all day Saturday. . . . All of you folks who can really sing please contact your reporter, Red Pond, and let's get a group organized and entertain these people up to a point. They'll eventually drift over on their own. Bob Gass and George Graue are the big guns for this most recent event. . . . Don Beery is back in the shop after serving Uncle Sam for many months. Good luck, Don. . . . I also got a glimpse of Bob Ringle this week. Looks like he's coming back to work after a long siege of battle. . . . Del Ehle says he thinks he'll buy that farm machinery from John Bryie. He says he thinks it's the week's best buy in used hardware. . . . John Kline is on his vacation this week, and we hope he has a nice time. . . . We're all wondering if Leona will play us a tune some time on her Spanish guitar. She has been taking lessons for a long time now. . . . A yellow light bulb placed by your front or back porch instead of a white one will keep bugs and insects from your home. Yep, folks, that's the latest.

COST

Justine Luyben is all a-flutter these days, because her sailor husband is home getting used to civies again. . . . A perfect demonstration of going in like a lamb and running out like a lion was performed by Clarence Kreischer, when he was temporarily "floored." He forgot to read the writing on the door.

FACTORY OFFICE

Greetings to Bill Charleston, foreman in the Screw Machine Section, who hails from Taylor Street. . . . When LeNor Figel came to work Monday, she found her desk beautifully decorated with streamers of pink, blue, and white crepe paper, and it was covered with a pretty white angora rug. She also received a gift from her co-workers. LeNor was married recently to Clarence Figel.

No More Light in Your Eyes



These two new street lights, hailed by General Electric engineers as the greatest advance in residential street lighting in 40 years, are designed to eliminate that old source of annoyance, light shining in through your bedroom window. They project all useful light away from the house to the street and provide two to three times the seeing ability of the commonly-used radial-wave type. They were unveiled recently at a conference of G-E outdoor lighting specialists in Lynn. Shown with the new luminares are, left to right, John E. Bock, head of test in the G-E Illuminating Laboratory, and George A. Eddy, head of sales promotion in the Lighting Division.

Is Zat So?

The World Series again takes the spotlight for all baseball fans. Too bad, Heinie Wichern's favorites, the Cardinals, didn't quite make it. Better luck next time, Heinie. . . . Frank Williams and Veora Habig seem quite confident that the Cubs will take the Series. . . . Football is more interesting to Ed Brosche, and he proudly displayed tickets for the Notre Dame-Illinois game. Guess he paid so much for the tickets, he had to hitch-hike to the game to save transportation expenses. That game was worth it though, wasn't it, Ed? . . . The best laugh of the week was furnished by Elizabeth Love when she dropped the candy bar that George Mosshammer handed to her. The next day George gave her another bar but had the wrapper securely fastened with safety pins. . . . The theme song of the Hand Machine Section seems to be "Playmates." Chummy little group! . . . We were glad to hear that Don Cobb and Charley Lauer are just about through their basic training, and we are looking forward to a visit from them soon. . . . The office is going through a metamorphosis but shows promise of emerging with some order soon. . . . Marilyn Kiebel had a little difficulty getting home from her vacation, but says she really had a wonderful time. . . . That dreamy expression Bob Beber has been wearing isn't entirely due to his transfer to first shift from third. 'Tis rumored that wedding bells will soon be ringing for Bob.

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

Clara and Ed Blotkamp are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy named Edward, "too." Clara previously worked in Bldg. 18-3 and Ed works in Bldg. 18-B. Our belated congratulations are extended to both of you. . . . Our best wishes are with Leatha Knoelke, Bldg. 18-3, who is leaving us this week. . . . Hilda Johnson, Bldg. 18-1, was a victim of the blackout on the south end of town a week ago Monday evening. When the lights were on again, instead of setting her clock at 8:30, she set it at 9:30. Consequently she got up at 5:30 in the morning instead of 6:30 and arrived at work at 6:45 A.M. Imagine her surprise when she found an empty office and that she had gotten to work an hour early. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Pauline Sinnegan and Betty Hirneise, Payroll Section, on the death of their fathers. . . . Last Thursday some of the girls from Bldg. 18-1, Payroll, had a wiener bake at Foster Park. Katherine Sauer played "Boy Scout" and built the fire, but soon it began to rain; however, this did not stop the girls, because they all wanted a piece of the watermelon that Bonnie Sullivan had brought. Janice Lenz found an umbrella in her car, but this didn't help the situation much so the girls spent the remainder of the evening at Mary Brinker's home. Others enjoying the fun were: Fern Fisher, Sylvia Dirig, Millie Franz, Dot Lisius, Evalyn Musser, Frieda Wahli, Gert Kasimier, Nancy Woodhull, Ginny Pulver, and Thelma Stone. . . . This week we are happy to welcome Mabel Fan and Lela Ewing, two new members of the Accounting Section, Bldg. 18-3.

6-B BUSY BODIES

Hello again and do you know what? Fall has arrived in full swing and fashion. Rains, cool breezes, and a new color in dress. That reminds us of all the fun we can and are going to have. Wiener bakes (with marshmallows, of course), hay rides, and horseback riding. The latter, I'm not quite sure if I really care to participate in or not. Fun while it lasts, but the after effects ruin it all. Know what I mean? . . . Fred Hoffman is one worn out man, but he also is very happy and relieved. He is now the proud papa of an eight pound baby boy. Congratulations! . . . The Bldg. 6-B Inspection gang had another of their monthly potlucks. Whoever the chefs are, they certainly know how to dish out the food. Three cheers—we want more, we want more! . . . Nick Cramer had a very good Japanese silk fishing line that he wouldn't take a hundred dollars for (so it says here). He went fishing and hooked an enormous pike and almost had him captured when the line broke, the fish got away, and he threw the line away. Pretty good, pretty good.

Chattin' In 2-2

There's never a dull moment in Bldg. 2-2, I'll tell the world. Thursday morning it even got a little "warm" in here, and it didn't take the girls not yet wide-awake long to move when the siren sounded. . . . We want to welcome some more newcomers to our floor: Rachel MaCague, Pauline Lecheidner, Freida Fullenkamp, Nina Clifton, and Lela Grant. Hope you like us, girls. . . . Glad to see Katie Hendricks and Theresa Marchal (second shift) back to work again, after being on the sick list for some time. We sure missed you girls. . . . The love bug certainly has been getting around a lot here lately. We have some more girls that were married recently. One of them, Lorene Gilkey, (second shift) took the notion while on her vacation. Also, Gusty Fuller came back Monday looking very radiant, and Dorothy Bowman, who left last week for Mauldin, Mo., is to be married there. Her maid of honor will be Edna Churchward. We want to wish you girls the best of luck and lots of happiness. . . . Pat Blanton left for Detroit to meet her husband, who recently got his discharge. . . . Sylvia Bowers is having herself a time in West Palm Beach, Fla., on her long-awaited vacation. . . . It seems Chet Price was carrying three dozen eggs home one day, and just as he got in front of his home, BAM!!! Down went Chet. Presto—no eggs. . . . Good luck to Josephine Click, Leatrice Steel, and Gladys White, who recently left second shift and Bldg. 2-2. We will miss you, girls. . . . 'Sall for now folks. Be with you next week, if you guys and gals give out with more news. How's about it??

Sleuthing In 4-6

You can see that something exciting happened to E. M. Stanbery by the way he beams. The reason is, he is the proud father of an eight and one-half pound baby daughter, born September 26. Congratulations! . . . Chuck Skove was also pleasantly surprised, only in a different way, on September 26, which was his birthday, when the girls in the File Room presented him with a nice gift. It sure pays to be a good boss, eh, Chuck? . . . Close friends of Arlein Yates had a going-away party for her at Georgia Garrett's house. There were 18 guests present and Arlein received a lovely gift from the girls. She left the 28th of September. . . . Lloyd Grodrian is leaving the A.C. Section October 19. He is going to take up studies at Purdue University. . . . Doreen Gardner is leaving for San Francisco, Calif., to meet her husband on Tuesday, October 2. The girls in Central Production took her out to luncheon at the English Terrace last Friday, and presented her with a lovely purse. We hope you two have a lot of happiness. . . . Margaret Sheteron, Irene Whelan, and Marjorie Young all decided they would like to buy a new hat. So one noon hour they went hat shopping down town, and when they returned to work, each came wearing the same hat they wore to town. But Maxine Link also went hat shopping and she came back with two new hats. Maybe you girls should ask Maxine to teach you the technique of buying a hat during the noon hour. . . . Speaking of Irene Whelan, we want to report that the other evening she went to a party, and when she went to go home, it was raining very hard outside, so she decided to take her shoes off and walk out to her car barefoot. What's the idea, Irene, trying to catch a good cold, or preserve your new shoes. . . . The D.C. Section had a stray canine visitor the other day and from all appearances it was a friend of all, but no one would claim ownership. (Strange thought, how it was most content to lie at the feet of Bill Pringle). After causing quite a lot of confusion and riotous disorder, Ray Jones finally took pity on the poor pup and carried it bodily to the elevator and deposited it personally in the yard outside Bldg. 4. . . . By the same disturbance some people in the A.C. Section thought that Dwight Willits had brought up one of his puppies and was auctioning it off. . . . From some of Jack Cochran's friends, it was learned that one morning when the share-a-ride car came around to pick him up, he was seen leaving a tent in his backyard. They are wondering if Jack had a refreshing sleep in the tent that night. (We can't quite believe that story). . . . Alice Bennett, of the File Room, is another girl who is proudly displaying a diamond. . . . Since the Aircraft Section has twin boys working there, the File Room felt that something ought to be done, so they now have twin girls.

It took a war to bring the aircraft and electrical industries together and to demonstrate that Vit[illegible]nsive electrical systems in ——— would enhance their de-[illegible]ility.

Inspection QUALITY Test

FORT WAYNE

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CUSTOMER SATISFACTION MEANS A JOB WELL DONE



CUSTOMER REQUIREMENTS FOR G-E BUILT APPARATUS ARE TRANSMITTED TO THE MANUFACTURING ORGANIZATIONS THROUGH ENGINEERING DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS.

- **FOLLOW ENGINEERING INSTRUCTIONS**
- **ELIMINATE DEFECTS, AND YOU**
- **ELIMINATE RETURNS**

Build Customer Satisfaction Into Each Unit

G-E Equipment Powered Navy's Floating Dry Docks

Disclosure of how electric equipment, supplied on a rush basis by seven major General Electric plants, operated in the Navy's ABSD —Advance Base Section Docks—to speed repairs on fighting craft ranging from small vessels to cruisers and the largest U. S. battleships, has been sanctioned by the Navy Department.

The mammoth floating dry docks were recently announced by the Navy as in strategic locations in the Pacific. Each of the sectional docks is literally a combined floating factory unit and hotel in itself, since each has its own repair equipment, power generating, distribution, and power utilization equipment, pumps, windlasses, compressors, and ventilating, and refrigerating units, as well as full facilities for accommodating a crew of 40.

System Explained

An elaborate system of motor-operated valves and powerful pumps driven by 200-hp vertical motors submerge and raise these docks, and capstans operated by 30-hp motors warp the damaged vessels into them. Remote operated level indicators in a control house, showing the level of the water in the various ballast chambers, assist the dock master to direct these operations over an inter-communicating system to operators stationed at control panels in each section.

The docks are equipped to supply the vessel under repair with both a-c and d-c service. A-c is derived from a bus fed by generators rated 438 kva, two of which with the necessary switchgear and related equipment are located in each section. The d-c service is obtained from a 300-kw, 250/125-volt, three-wire sealed ignition rectifier. The power generating equipment is unique in that it is designed so that when a ten-section dock is used for repairing a battleship, thus requiring all twenty 438-kva generators to be operated in parallel, current-limiting reactors are connected in circuit to limit short-circuit currents.

Other Equipment

In addition to the major electric equipment, each section is equipped with one 1-hp and three 5-hp fresh water pump motors with full voltage starters; one 7½-hp salt water circulating pump motor; one 3-hp ventilating fan motor; and a number of other motors of various sizes for refrigerating, compressor, anchor windlass, sewage disposal, and fire-fighting purposes. Each dock also has two electrically driven revolving jib cranes, both of which are protected by crane-stability gages.

Other than being selected with the view of meeting the rigorous conditions imposed by dry dock service, much of the electric equipment is, but for minor modifications, of standard design. The metal enclosed switchgear for controlling the generators, however, was custom-made for the application, with the power output connected to a specially designed distributing system.

Tilting Angle Great

Also, the 10-, 25-, and 50-kva transformers for ship service, lighting, and heating circuits, respectively, as well as the 300-kw rectifiers for supplying d-c service, were required to be designed to mechanically withstand the 90-degree tilting of the wing walls of the docks. This tilting takes place when the wing walls are folded flat to the decks of the sections to facilitate towing the docks from one location to another.

A special manual on the fundamentals of the electric equipment used on these docks, prepared by General Electric, was employed to instruct the personnel aboard so as to assure that they would be thoroughly familiar with the equipment and its operation.



Saturday, Sept. 29, 1945:

Backward, turn backward, oh tim[e]
in your flight,
Drop back an hour, to Peace Tim[e]
tonight!

Sunday, Sept. 30, 1945: Ho[w]
Mon! Back tae Peace Time again
O' course I hated tae get up
2:00 A.M. this morning tae tur[n]
the clocks back, but then, I g[et]
one extra hour o' sleep this mor[n]
ing tae make up for it. And no[w]
I have one hour longer tae wri[te]
"Sandy Says."

But something's wrong here! W[e]
gained one hour o' daylight whe[n]
we set our clocks up tae War Time
so, how can I gain another hou[r]
now, even if I do sit up an hou[r]
longer and still get tae bed at th[e]
same time!

And another thing, what I can[']
understand is, thot, if "Daylig[ht]
Saving" is so good for War tim[e]
why isn't it good for Peace Tim[e]
too?

Weel, I don't know the answ[er]
tae thot one, but I DO know th[e]
answers to a lot o' other questio[ns]
as to why some things are good i[n]
War and not in Peace. Like, fo[r]
oxample, the wastes thot are in[-]
evitably part o' war. Wars ar[e]
costly tae win, but it's better ta[]
waste money on high productio[n]
scrapping sub-standard material[s]
wasting fuel and ammunition, tha[t]
tae lose battles or men.

Now thot Peace is here, and no[w]
thot "Peace Time" is here, it's tim[e]
tae think in terms o' Peace Tim[e]
economy.

In the War, our "Competitors"
were the Axis, and we HAD ta
beat them at their own game—w[e]
had tae out-invent them, out-pro[-]
duce them, and out-fight them a[t]
ANY cost.

Now, in the Peace, we will ha[ve]
tae beat our competitors at the[ir]
own game, too. We will have ta
out-invent them, and out-produc[e]
them, at LESS cost! And thot[']
where C.R.* comes in.

And in "Peace Time," since w[e]
have one hour less o' daylight, w[e]
will have one hour more o' "lam[p]
light," in which tae figure ou[t]
C.R.* ideas.

Ah, yuss, I can see Cousin Coli[n]
now, laboring over a piece o' wra[p]
ping paper, wi' a borrowed penc[il]
sitting there in the window, in th[e]
light o' the street-lamp!

*COST REDUCTION.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

"I got more things today that are usually on the 'hard-to-get-during-war-times' list. I bought some gum, film, carton of cigarettes, etc.—." This is somewhat the run of conversation with Helen Bell last Friday. She says she is finally beginning to realize the war is actually over now that one can at last get some of these "few and far between" items. . . . Tom Wilkinson, Mike Trott, and Cliff Long enjoyed the Notre Dame-Illinois football game last Saturday. Lucky guys! . . . While they were enjoying the game, a lot of people here were working all day Saturday and Sunday on inventory. We hear they really had a "bread line" outside the cafeteria at noon Saturday. The line extended from the cafeteria to down between Bldgs. 2 and 8. Someone said Mr. Weigman was bringing up the end of the line. We wonder if there was anything left for him to eat when he finally got inside. . . . Mary Felber visited the floor last Friday for the first time in a year. Mary is doing very nicely now in her restaurant in Garrett. . . We have a newcomer in Small Parts now, Alice Klingel, transferred from Bldg. 6-2. The welcome mat is out to you, Alice. . . . Dick Stauffer has had a stiff neck for the last couple weeks and can't seem to get rid of it. He's had several offers from people who would like to work on it but he refuses the aid. The only person so far who has earnestly tried to help Dick is Mike Trott. He was really massaging Dick's neck last week. We didn't know you were a masseur, Mike!

Despite wartime driving restrictions, 2,050 school age children were killed in motor vehicle accidents in 1944. One hundred and ten thousand school age children were injured by motor vehicles last year.

Approximately 900 persons are fatally shot each year in hunting mishaps, the National Safety Council reports.

Start of G-E Plant . . .



Shovels get busy on 65-acre plot which will eventually house entire Resin and Insulation Materials Division at Waterford, N. Y., near Schenectady, and employ 800 persons. First to be completed will be $4,000,000 silicone plant, which is expected to be in operation by late 1946.

Work Started on G-E Silicone Plant at Waterford, N. Y.

Construction work in General Electric's new silicone plant at Waterford, N. Y., first step in a $12,000,000 development which will expand and eventually center the G-E Chemical Department's Resin and Insulation Materials Division on this 65-acre plot,. has been started by the United Engineers and Constructors, Inc., of Philadelphia.

At present, workmen are grading the land, the Delaware & Hudson railroad is busy laying a spur into the plot, and the concrete for the three buildings to be erected now will be poured before frost this fall. The silicone plant is expected to be completed and ready for operation by the latter part of next year.

This first step, utilizing about 15 acres of the plot and providing about 60,000 square feet of floor space, will cost about $4,000,000. Within a month engineers will begin work on plans for the remainder of the plant, bringing the floor space to 600,000 square feet and resulting in an additional expenditure of about $8,000,000. This part, now housed in the Schenectady plant, will not be completed for several years.

Principal products of the plant will be insulating resins, waterproof compounds, hydraulic oils and greases, finishing materials, and synthetic rubber. An outstanding feature of the silicone products is that they can withstand extremely high temperatures without altering their characteristics.

San Jose Will Have G-E Apparatus Plant

The General Electric Company has leased a large building comprising 50,000 square feet of floor space on the outskirts of San Jose, Calif., for the manufacture of electrical apparatus, it was announced last week by John Hood, manager of the Company's Oakland, Calif., Works. The building will be an addition to the Oakland plant and its operations will be under the supervision of Mr. Hood. The plant will be a branch of the Oakland Works.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Standings

	Won	Lost
General Service	7	2
Motor Generator	7	2
Series & Specialty	7	2
Firemen No. 4	6	3
Transformer	5	4
Laboratory	5	4
Screwballs	5	4
Wire & Insulation	4	5
Firemen No. 10	4	5
Plastics	2	7
Shipping	2	7
Tool Room	1	8

High Games

600 Series: Mathews 615; C. Rose 603.

200 Games: Meeks 258; Bobay 231; Dickey 231; Mathews 223, 201; Oesch 222; Castle 220; Ponsot 212; Berning 209; Rose 208, 206; Kreigh 207; Rump 205; Boyers 201; Alivine 201.

New "Phosphor" Will Permit Invisible Ultraviolet Rays

Discovery of a new "phosphor," resembling the powder used in fluorescent light tubes—the first of its kind to permit manufacture of revolutionary lamps producing invisible ultraviolet in desired proportions for both humans and for poultry—was announced this week by the Lamp Department at Nela Park, Cleveland.

A very thin coating of the new white powder on the inner surface of present G-E germicidal lamps serves to produce an ideal combination of germ-killing and health-giving radiations long desired by poultrymen. Two sizes of these "Poultray" lamps have just been developed by G-E at Nela Park.

A heavier coating of the new phosphor in similar tubes has also made possible a super G-E sunlamp for human application. Two sizes of the latter type have been developed. Each is many times more efficient in producing biologically effective ultraviolet and suntan than present sunlamps.

The smaller G-E "poultray" lamp is a 15-watt tubular unit 18 inches long; the other is a 30-watt tubular type 36 inches in length. Samples of each will be available to fixture manufacturers on October 1.

Special Glass Used

The new G-E super "suns" are also tubular shaped. One is a 20-watt-24-inch unit; the other is a 40-watt-48-inch size. Both tubes are made of special glass which screens out the few germicidal rays not converted by the phosphor coating into desired radiation found in natural summer sunshine. These super G-E sunlamps will be commercially available as soon as reconversion facilities permit.

The phosphor achievement culminates 10 years of persistent research at the Nela Park laboratories for a fluorescent powder capable of efficiently converting the wealth of "2537" germ-killing waves, generated by low pressure mercury discharge lamps, into longer ultraviolet rays desired.

Considerable progress in capturing the elusive phosphor was made at Nela by the late Dr. Willard A. Roberts. Since his death, the research work was continued by Dr. H. C. Froelich of the Lamp Development laboratory.

Lamps coated with the new Roberts-Froelich phosphor emit only a faint bluish glow. This hails chiefly from the radiation of the lamp's mercury discharge.

Nela scientists, however, sight still further phosphor developments which would give birth to improved fluorescent lamps producing a wealth of light, beneficial ultraviolet and genuine sun tan . . . all from the same source. They sight a new indoor day with persons enjoying continuous exposures to the combined radiations over long periods of time. They sight lower wattage consumptions resulting in lower costs. They sight year-long coats of tan for the millions who spend much of their time indoors and are unable to bask in Southland sunshine.

Use Phosphor Powder

"All of the various colors with which we are familiar in the fluorescent tube," says George Inman, who guided much of G-E's new phosphor development at Nela, "are created by use of various phosphor powders. We have found that certain chemicals, coated on the inside of a clear fluorescent tube, will lengthen the invisible ultra-violet rays to almost any desired wave length in the visible spectrum. The new phosphor works on that principle. But instead of lengthening the invisible rays to a certain color, as in the common fluorescent lamp, greatest efficiency is reached at wave lengths from which humans get their health and tanning rays from the sun."

Speaking for the new G-E poultray lamps, L. C. Porter, Nela Park's engineer specialist in this field, points out that:

"The new lamp has been tested in chicken hatcheries. Results indicate extensive benefits in all fields of bird and animal husbandry. Now, for the first time, hatchery operators can get continuous protection plus benefits of the sun's rays, all from a single source. This one source can be economically operated 24 hours a day at very low cost and with a minimum of attention."

Components Listed

The new G-E poultray lamps emit ultraviolet in about the following combination: 75 per cent germ-killing "2537" radiation and 25 per cent health-giving "2967" radiation. The lamps may be used in the hen house in two ways: shielded and positioned so as to irradiate the birds' legs only; mounted high enough above the chickens to minimize the potency of the "2537" emitted, yet near enough to provide sufficient health maintaining "2967" for irradiation of the birds' combs and bills.

Among advantages made possible by the new G-E poultray lamps are: high efficiency radiation for curing and preventing rickets in poultry; healthier and bigger birds; increased egg production; and, greater reduction in mortality of chickens through disease germs which are killing an appalling number annually.

GENERAL ELECTRIC RUMOR CLINIC FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that _____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed _____

Location _____

FROM THE RATIONING DESK

BROADWAY PLANT

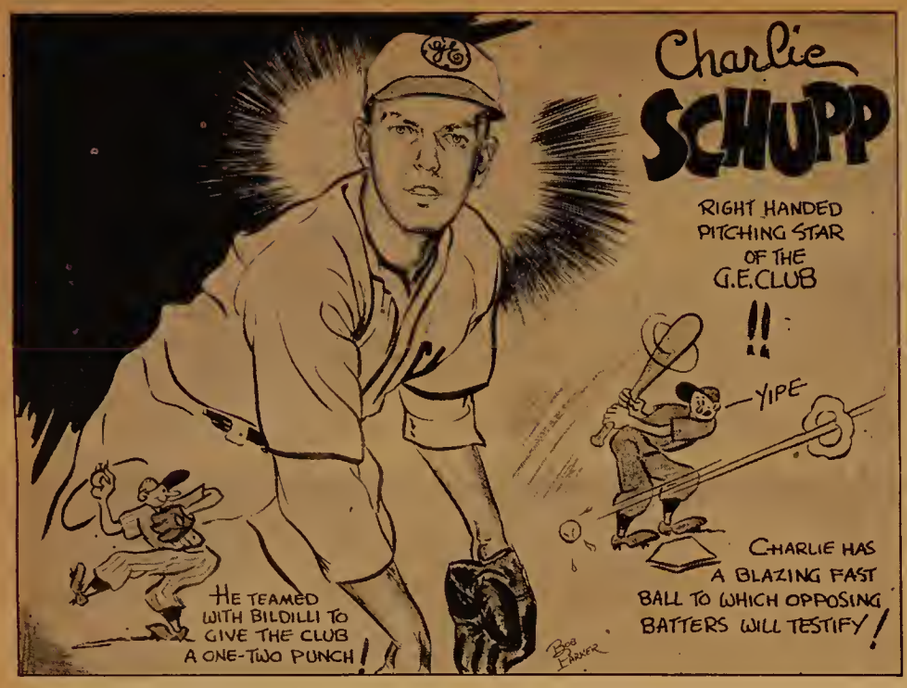
Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Art Pearson (1)*	Poncto, Indiana (Coming in on No. 1, through Bluffton)	20-2	Brayer	8:00-
Earl Elliott (2)*	Ray, Indiana (Coming in on No. 27 and No. 427, through Waterloo and Auburn)	6-3	Demsey	3:30-11:

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Kathryn Brandt	656 E. Franklin, Hunt'gton	26-2	Holloway	3:30-11:
Howard Hockensmith	R. 5, Huntington	17-1	Hall	3:30-1 :48
Dick Maxton	Superior St., Huntington	17-2	Garland	3:30- 1:48



Review Shows Club Team Had Good Season Record

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club Baseball team under the direction of Manager R. Braden has concluded another successful baseball season, in which th returned victorious in 25 games out of a total of 40 played.

Handicapped during the early season by poor weather, the C won only 9 of their first 21 games, after which with the coming of hot weather, the return to form of Emil Bildilli and the acquisition of Charley Schupp, coupled with timely hitting, Braden's men won 16 of their last 19 games against the best competition obtainable.

Heading the pitching winners was Emil Bildilli, the former St. Louis Brown's left-hander, who finished the season with 11 victories against 3 losses. Emil was troubled early in the season with a sore arm, but came back strong to close out the season with 8 victories in a row. Joining the Club staff in late June, Charley Schupp (pitching part of the season under the name of Thomas) gave Manager Braden two dependable hurlers and insured good pitching against all comers. Charley won 7 games while losing 4 times.

Star of the dismal early season was Parnell Hisner, young right-handed speed baller who won 4 games in 6 decisions before leaving for the Army in June. Max Miller broke even in 4 decisions, while Jack Bowen and Scott Carey pitched some good ball for the Club.

Leading hitter of the team for the season was Bobby Winters, who in 27 games batted a robust .387. Of Bobby's 41 hits, 7 were doubles, 4 were triples, and on 3 oth trips he belted out home ru Bobby was head and should above his teammates in the imp tant "runs batted in" column w a total of 35. Others finishing ab the .300 mark were Johnny honko, hard hitting third base who compiled a .355 average in games; Odie Barnett with .343 39 games; and the pitching a Charley Schupp and Emil Bild gave the lie to the idea that pit ers don't hit, with averages of and .321 respectively.

Others, while not batting all had their games in which hit they made at the right t brought in the runs necessary victory. Roy Brann, dimunitive fielder and lead-off batter, drew total of 31 walks in 29 games.

High spot of the season was winning of the State Semi-Championship in the tournam held here in Fort Wayne, sponso by the G-E Club. The Club by tue of their tournament victory qualified for the trip to the Nati Semi-Pro Tournament at Wich Kansas, but were prevented f making the trip because of tra restrictions.

The climax to a successful s son came with the visit to F Wayne of the Cincinnati Reds the National League.

Softball Team Manager



Charlie Wilt, Manager

Ernie Winds Up Softball Season With Low-down on Charlie Wilt

By Ernie Spaulding

We'll wind up this year's "Dust Off Home Plate" with a sketch on Charlie Wilt, popular manager of the G-E Club Softball team.

Charlie has been interested in many phases of sports and athletics around the G-E for many years. He has played with and managed teams in the Interdivision League in softball, baseball, volleyball, and other sports.

Teams managed by Charlie have always fought for top position, and he has brought in his share of champions.

Charlie's enthusiasm, fighting spirit, and all around sportsmanship have always been an inspiration to the players and is reflected in their team spirit and will to be at the top of the heap.

This is Charlie's third year as manager of the G-E Club Major League team. He has brought in two championship teams and this year fought up to the last for a third championship.

Charlie is also president of the Main Auto Major League and vice-president of the G-E Club.

Men's Basketball

There will be an organization meeting of the Men's Interdivision Basketball League for the 1945-46 season in the lounge of the G-E Club on Wednesday evening, October 10, at 7:30 o'clock.

It is desirable that all sections planning on entering a team in the league be represented at this meeting.

W. E. Histed
League Manager

Owl League Bowling

SATURDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Team No. 8	5	1
Team No. 4	5	1
Team No. 3	4	2
Team No. 7	4	2
Team No. 1	3	3
Team No. 2	3	3
Team No. 9	3	3
Team No. 5	2	4
Team No. 12	2	4
Team No. 11	2	4
Team No. 10	2	4
Team No. 6	1	5

High Games

200 Games: E. Newman 211; B. Kiep 215; C. Witham 201; C. Tarney 202; W. Rietdorf 202; R. Krugh 219; G. Roehling 200; P. Stiver 214.

Team high three games: No. 8 with pins.

NOTICE ALL BOWLERS: Bowling will e resumed this week, Saturday, October 5.

Accidental deaths in the United tates during 1944 decreased 4,000, or 4 per cent from 1943. The total last year was 95,000.

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

The second session of the league on Friday, September 28, evidently found the Keglers in a more neighborly mood, as no team won a clean sweep, In fact, two matches had ties in their first games. In the roll off of these ties, Production nosed out Order Service and Wage Rate bested Small Lot.

Also toning down from last week were the individual performances. There were but three 200 games and nine 500 series. Parsons shot a 223 and a 454 total. Hollingsworth counted a 222 and 556 series, and Bergman came in for a 201 and the high three game of 563.

As anticipated, the averages acquired last week fluctuated considerably in both directions. Most improvement was shown by Reynolds, who raised his average 28 pins.

This week on Tuesday, October 2, the six team Girls' G-E League starts its season at the Recreation Alleys on the 8:30 o'clock shift. The girls have been working hard to get organized and should be commended for their efforts. Officers of the Girls' League are Mary Critchly, president; Helen Smith, secretary; and Jacque Nellans, treasurer.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Carl Miller put together games of 221, 161 and 228 for 610 to be high man for the third night of bowling in the Winter Street Bowling League. Tom Piepenbrink also had a 600 series, getting 235 (high single game of the year so far), 169, and 202 for a 606 total. Whitey Michelfelder had 203 and 202, while Dean Rinehart had two fine 200 games, 233 and 214. Ellsworth Geller had a 210 to round out the 200 games for the evening.

Compressors, captained by Leo Houser, and Evaporators, captained by D. Traster, were the only teams to win 3 games each for the evening. Drafting, captained by Win Kirke won 2 games but suffered their first defeat of the season and now lead the league with 8 victories and 1 defeat. Evaporators are in second place with 7 wins against 2 losses. Designers, captained by Dean Rinehart, had a three-game total of 2719, which is high for the year so far.

Tom Piepenbrink has the best average, a nice 193, George Haggenjos is second with 188, Dean Rinehart is third with 178, Royal Roeger is fourth with 177, and C. Timme is fifth with 175.

Engineers, captained by C. Kolmerten, had games of 841, 841, and 841. This is quite a coincidence, and Royal Roeger, secretary of the Winter Street Bowling League, is considering sending it into Ripley and to the American Bowling Congress.

At this time I want to personally welcome Bob Ringle back to the Winter Street Plant, and I am sure that goes for all the bowlers as well as everyone else who knows him. Bob formerly wrote this column and always was keenly interested in bowling. He came back to work last Monday morning after almost three years in the Army with a Tank Destroyer Battalion. Bob suffered a broken collarbone in the invasion of Germany last winter and recently received his honorable discharge. Bob wants to start bowling again, and I am sure we can find a spot for him.

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"We can't ever have another war unless it is total war, and that means the end of our civilization as we know it. We are not going to do that. We are going to accept that Golden Rule, and we are going forward to meet our destiny, which I think Almighty God intended us to have, and we are going to be the leaders."

—President Harry S. Truman

G-E SOLICITORS TO OPEN CHEST DRIVE OCTOBER 22

Wilson Sees Bright Future For Engineers

Vast Opportunity Seen, But Personal "Drive" Still Essential

American industry needs trained hnical men more than ever be- re in the postwar era as the ntry begins to make up the round lost in the war period, and erein, says President Charles E. lson, is the big chance for the ung engineer. The statement was de in an address this week by . Wilson at Clarkson College of chnology, Potsdam, N. Y., which nferred upon him the honorary egree of Doctor of Engineering. ing to the unexpected last-min- e inability of Mr. Wilson, a trus- e of the college, to be present, e address was read by Owen D. oung, Honorary Chairman of the oard of General Electric.

Pointing out that it was human or to see only a rising tide of ung engineers and other profes- nal men, without seeing the cor- ponding ebb tide of deaths and irements, Mr. Wilson pointed that the war had created a ch more serious situation than t of normal replacements. "We not mislead ourselves," he said, ith facile talk of a push-button vilization. When we push that tton, something has to happen— that something involves re- arch, development, design, appli- ion, manufacturing, sales, serv- and maintenance. . . . There his characteristic of technologi-

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Where Your War Chest Dollars Go



Over 9,680 days of care were given to youngsters like the above at the College Club Day Nursery in the past 12 months. The College Club Day Nursery is a Community Chest agency and is one of the worthwhile things supported by the dollars you give to the Community Chest.

Scrapping of War Materials Should Not Be Feared — Muir

"We believe the American taxpayer need have no fear of unnecessary waste in the present housecleaning of G-E plants," said Vice-President R. C. Muir, General Manager of the Apparatus Department, this week, as useless material left over after termination of most of our war contracts was being moved out of all of our works, and some of it destroyed. "The government-supervised system of deciding what cannot be used is efficient and protects the citizens.

"General Electric," continued Mr. Muir, "must move into the postwar period with a clean slate. We are having to clear our decks of the leftover war products. Where they are useable or saleable, they are used by us or sold. Those that are useless, even for melting scrap, are being destroyed under government rules.

"Many individuals fill their attics with useless property of their own because they cannot bear to put it in the fire. General Electric and the Government are business organizations; they cannot indulge the 'attic complex,' storing things for years, only to throw them away in some later year. That is why some of the war products and parts left in our hands are being destroyed as we clean up our war contracts. It would be more wasteful and expensive to keep them than to throw them away promptly.

Consult With Army-Navy

"During the past few weeks, Army-Navy officers and G-E men have been in close consultation with

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"Let's Be Generous in Victory" Is 1946 Campaign Slogan; Soliciting Plans Told

The annual campaign to solicit funds for Community War Chests will be conducted in the various plants of the Fort Wayne Works by employee-solicitors during the week of October 22-27, J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, announced today, with this year's slogan being, "Let's Be Generous in Victory."

Money collected during the drive and throughout the year will benefit county and city charitable and service agencies, as well as our men and women still in the service and the downtrodden peoples of foreign countries. Decatur Plant contributions go through the Adams County Community Chest; Kokomo Plant, Howard County; and Broadway and Winter Street Plants, Allen County.

The Works drive, which precedes city campaigns by a few weeks, will have as its goal the subscription of one day's gross pay from each employee. Mr. Crise announced that the same soliciting organization would be used that has proved so effective in previous bond and Community Chest drives. Division solicitors will meet some time next week, he said, to collect supplies and get the campaign under way.

The current quota of one day's gross pay from each employee is about the same as that set in previous campaigns. Employee contributions are to be taken on a weekly payroll deduction basis, although cash contributions will be accepted by solicitors, Mr. Crise said.

Attractive award banners, "Generous in Victory," have been designed and will be placed in each division meeting the suggested

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Elex Club To Open New Season Monday

Popular Radio Artists To Appear on Program

Tom, Dick, and Harry, popular entertainers on "The Hour Glass" program over the Blue Network, will be the featured performers at the opening Elex Club party Monday, October 15. New officers of the group also will be installed.

The program for the day girls will be at the G-E Club, with dinner being served from 4:45 to 5:45 P.M. The night girls will have their party at the Y. W. C. A. at 12 noon.

Tickets for this party, the opening affair of Elex Club's winter season, may be purchased from contact girls for 55 cents, and they must be bought on or before Thursday, October 11, Sue Cameron, Elex president, announced.

Well known as radio entertainers, Tom, Dick, and Harry in the past have appeared on such radio shows as the Armour Hours, Edgar A. Guest, Plantation Party, Fels-Naphtha Soap, Farm and Home Hour, and Studebaker Champions. They also have made many recordings for both Brunswick and Victor.

Stop Us if You've Heard....

G-E's Elevated Water Tank Is "Growing Taller" Day by Day

(See pictures on Page 8)

Maybe you haven't noticed it, but the elevated water tank adjacent to Bldg. 26 on the west side of Broadway has been "growing taller by inches" the past week.

Raising of the huge tank, which supplies water pressure for the Broadway Plant fire sprinkler system, is no small matter, since it involves "lifting" a 75,000 gallon tank another 40 feet into the air. The original height of the tower was 145 feet 10 inches, measuring from the foundation to the top of the tank.

The work is being done by the Eichleay Corporation of Pittsburgh, after long and careful preparation and consultation with G-E engineers.

Eichleay workmen may have wished often for the proverbial "sky hook," but the actual work of lifting the tank is done on the ground by the use of jack screws

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Wilson Sees High Employment Level Despite War Cancellations

Orders received by General Electric Company during the first nine months of this year amounted to $660,846,000, compared with $1,094,199,000 in the same period last year, a decrease of 40 per cent, President Charles E. Wilson announced this week.

Cancellations of orders booked during the current year to date totaled $362,029,000, of which $325,770,000 were recorded in the three months ended September 30, principally as a result of the end of the war with Japan. The latter amount exceeded by $34,650,000 the new business booked during the third quarter.

"Our total cancellations and adjustments applying to orders booked in 1945 and prior years have amounted thus far to about $650,000,000," Mr. Wilson stated, "but we still have a backlog of about $500,000,000. Such a substantial backlog together with a relaxation of controls on the production of peacetime goods should enable us to keep employment at a high level for some time to come."

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Back To Our Regular Jobs

Our war production jobs are over, for which we should be thankful. Now we must get back to our regular jobs of producing more and better goods for more people at less cost. This will be our contribution towards improving living standards—truly a most worthy job of infinite duration.

More goods at less cost will come from improved methods and better use of materials. The persons employed to make these improvements likely will never be able to do their work so well that there will be no "better way." Our mutual interest is to produce so well that the benefits of fullest employment may be enjoyed. *You on the job, at the bench, machine, and desk can help with your suggestions.*

Improvements will probably come from many ideas, many simple ones, but each a gain in itself. Improvements may well come from the very suggestions that you are quite able to make. With the present changes in our production program, the opportunities for worthwhile suggestions are many and the needs for them are great. We need your suggestions. We will help to develop them.

—Your Suggestion Committee

Handle Materials Carefully

Dangers in handling materials were stressed recently in a Safety News letter sent to section heads and safety committeemen by the Works Supervisor of Safety and Employees' Activities. Since almost every industrial employee is required to handle materials and objects manually, it is well to review the facts presented there.

"Because the handling of materials is an almost universal activity," says the letter, "it has become one of the leading sources of industrial injuries. One-fourth of all permanent disabilities were the result of unsafe handling methods or conditions. In over one-fifth of the 'handling' injuries recently analyzed, unsafe lifting methods were important factors. These include lifting with bent back, lifting while standing in an awkward position, or lifting with sudden motions. Placing hands or feet in danger zones was almost equally important. Typical examples are: placing hands in pinch points when setting material down, and using feet to block rolling material."

Use good work practices when handling materials. Remember that not remembering may cause an injury.

Our Women Fought Well

Among all the millions of Americans who fought hard and well both at the front and at home, none have made a more brilliant record than the women of General Electric. All remember how badly they were needed, both skilled and unskilled, when the country reeled under the shock of Pearl Harbor and an invasion was thought possible by some of the most optimistic of our people.

Their country called, and they came, many of them entirely new to industry. Some of the shop jobs were dirty. Very well; they donned overalls and tackled them. Some of the office jobs were monotonous. Never mind; they pushed on with them. Some managed a home and a family while they were doing their 48 hours a week at G-E.

It is no reflection on the patriotism of any of these fine women to say of those who had a husband or a son in the Armed Forces that it eased the heartbreak of separation to have jobs that absorbed their thoughts with the urge of the immediate task. They gave generously of their strength, and in spirit and in truth they fought beside their menfolk.

It is comforting to know that G-E women will have a share in the future that beckons as we turn confidently to the postwar era. We shall all be the richer for the gift of their skill, their enthusiasm, and their good sense.

SOMETIMES TOMORROW NEVER COMES



General Electric's proud record of minimized fire loss is not something achieved by simply wishing fires away, or uttering mysterious incantations to scare off the fire devil. It exists because thousands of people have worked hard at it with good housekeeping in shop and office, by banishing piles of inflammable material, by smoking only in designated places, and by doing the thousand and one little thoughtful things that spell a clean place to work.

We are in a period of transition now, with the reconversion process incomplete. This means added fire hazards in many unsuspected places, as alterations are made, things are packed and unpacked, and new wiring replaces old. The war techniques are out, and many will have to re-acquire skills in which they have grown rusty during the war years. It is a time when more than usual thought should be devoted to fire prevention. Let's work even harder at it during the coming year!

High School Physics Trick Gives Birth To New Business ——Electrocoating Of Fabrics

The old high school physics trick of rubbing a glass rod with a piece of silk, thereby attracting bits of paper to the rod, has given birth to a new business—that of electrocoating fabrics—and in future years the design on milady's dress, the upholstering on a chair, and even the nap of a rug on the floor may have been electrocoated rather than woven.

The principle behind the old trick—that of creating static electricity—has been known to mankind for 2,500 years, but it was not until a few years ago that Behr-Manning Corporation of Troy, N. Y., with the aid of General Electric equipment, began to apply it in making coated abrasives or sandpapers.

Then followed the question: Why not fabrics? Experimentation with successful results ensued, but the war intervened, and the new wrinkle, as far as large scale production is concerned, was tabled for the duration.

Process Explained

Electrocoating fabrics, or the rod and silk trick "grown up," is a process whereby cloth fibers sent through an electrostatic field become charged, stand on end, and are hurled perpendicularly against an adhesive-coated "backing" fabric. The result is creation of either a new fabric or a design on the original fabric.

The electrostatic field is set up by General Electric high voltage electrical equipment. Loose fibers, or flock, when conveyed on a belt through the electrostatic field, receive a charge of the same polarity as an electrode at the bottom of the field.

Because of the similar polarity, the fibers are repelled upwards with such force that they are hurled perpendicularly into an adhesive-coated "backing" fabric, which is being run simulatneously through the field. Ends of the fibers are buried in the adhesive of the fabric. Final step is conveying the resultant electrocoated fabric through a dryer for "curing."

Design Possible

In making designed goods, the pattern is printed with adhesive on the "backing" fabric. When run through the electrostatic field, the fibers cling only where the adhesive design appears. In final form, fibers resemble fine embroidery.

Through the electrostatic process, fibers will cling to nay kind of adhesive-coated "backing," even paper of the quality of rough newsprint. An entirely synthetic fabric can be created by impelling synthetic fibers upon a sheet of cellophane. As novel as it may seem, the resultant fabic is a tough, densely napped cloth that might be used as a table runner.

"Suede" Created

Extremely short fibers can be impelled against leather or leather facsimile so as to create a new kind of suede shoe leather. In like manner, "velvet" lining, for anything from a jewelry box to a casket, can be made. A recently conceived application is that of upholstering metal turntables on phonographs. Tests have proved that greater density of electrocoated fabric provides better acoustics for a record player.

Through the electrostatic process, a fur coat could be made in such a way that the fur would be much more densely napped than that of a hide and in such a way that the wearer need never fear the hair falling out.

Field Is Broad

The full field of application is virtually unexplored as yet, according to Behr-Manning engineers. Applications now conceived for postwar production, however, include women's dresses and

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G-E's Steam Turbine Production Expected to Double Pre-war

Production of steam turbines, source of two-thirds of the nation's electric power, is expected to be doubled in postwar years by the General Electric Company, in comparison with the pre-war average. This estimate was made this week by C. H. Lang, Vice-President and Apparatus Sales Manager of the Company, which has produced two-thirds of the country's present steam-turbine capacity.

G-E has a backlog of over $30,000,000 in turbine-generator orders, covering both new installations and replacements of obsolete machines, Mr. Lang said. Full-scale peace-time production is expected to be reached by December in the turbine divisions at the Schenectady and Lynn River Works and the Fitchburg Plant. Many of the orders were placed before V-J day, but only recently went into production when materials were released by the War Production Board.

Big Backlog

The backlog of turbine orders at present includes over 40 machines with a total capacity in excess of one and one-half million kilowatts, according to C. S. Coggeshall, manager of General Electric's Turbine Division at Schenectady. Some of the machines will be new models. "Turbine developments are the results of years of research and experience," said Mr. Coggeshall. "In building the new units, we will add to our previous experience the knowledge gained through our war production and research."

The turbine-generator most recently completed at Schenectady is a 65,000-kilowatt giant for the Consolidated Edison Company. This hydrogen-cooled machine is now being installed in the New York City area.

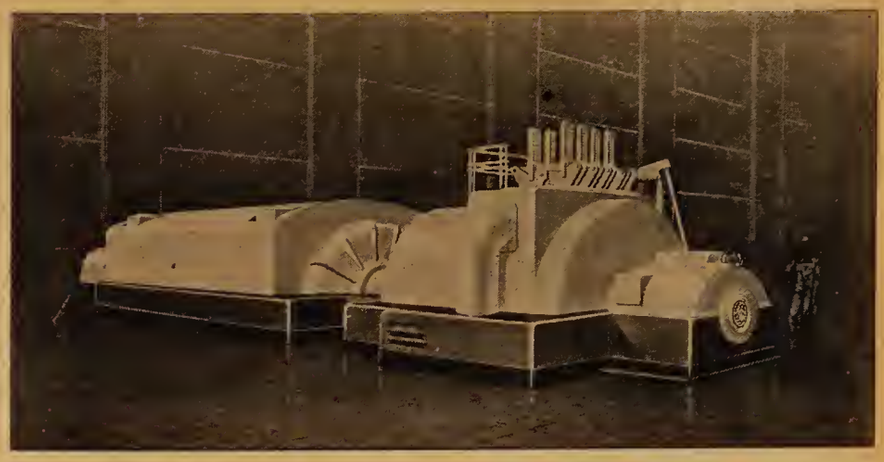
Mr. Coggeshall also revealed that during the four war years General Electric's turbine production was nine times the average pre-war yearly production. Factories were operated at Erie and Syracuse, in addition to the plants at Schenectady, Lynn, and Fitchburg. Approximately 75 per cent of the turbine horsepower now driving U. S. Navy fighting vessels is produced by machines made in General Electric's turbine factories or designed by the Company and made elsewhere.

Much Greater Efficiency

Comparing land turbine generating efficiency during this war with that of the first World War, Mr. Coggeshall said that six times the power was produced during World War II with only twice the amount of coal. He pointed out that this greatly increased efficiency in the use of fuel was a great boon to the already overburdened rail transportation facilities over which the coal would have been hauled.

Some of the new improvements and developments which are looked forward to by G-E turbine engineers were described this week. First, with the development of new alloys, higher pressures and higher temperatures can be used. General Electric has recently built turbines designed to operate at 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit and at pressures up to 2,400 pounds per square inch. This is the highest pressure ever used in an electric power generating station in the United States.

G-E Offers Better Turbines to Postwar World



Drawing of turbine generator recently made for big New York utility shows that eye appeal has been added to other improvements, which give greater efficiency.

During World War II turbines produced six times energy developed in World War I with only twice amount of coal. G-E has recently built turbines to operate at 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit and at pressures up to 2,400 pounds per square inch.

Yes, They're Really G-E Irons



Irons come off the overhead conveyor at the Bridgeport Works, where they are inspected by this pretty G-E worker. Automatic irons like these will soon be available to anyone and everyone who needs them, production officials say.

Floating Power Plant Performed War Duty

A queer-looking, propulsionless barge seemingly relegated to home front duty during the war not only crossed the Atlantic and entered combat but supplied the city of Antwerp, Belgium, with emergency electric power for several months, it was disclosed recently. The barge was half the length of a city block.

Named the "Resistance," the craft was a huge American floating power plant with a General Electric turbine generator set capable of generating enough electric power to supply a city of 100,000. The "Resistance" was one of many such floating power plants built to meet temporary power shortages expected in the United States in the early stages of the war.

When it became necessary to "draft" her for combat action, the "Resistance" was towed under convoy the entire distance across the Atlantic. Averaging a speed of three knots per hour, the craft took 51 days to make the crossing.

After a comparatively quiet voyage the convoy was attacked by U-boats at the Scheldt estuary but the "Resistance's" escorting craft destroyed the attackers in a full night's engagement.

At Antwerp, the huge floating power plant was connected directly to lines of the Belgian power system, and for several months furnished electric power for Antwerp. During the period, the Germans poured in 2,600 V-bombs in an attempt to destroy the port, but the power barge remained unscathed. The "Resistance" generated a maximum of 30,000 kilowatts of steam turbine power with its General Electric turbine generator set.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

7 September 1945

Mr. Charles E. Wilson, President
General Electric Company
Schenec dy 5, N. Y.

Dear Charlie:

Your company has played a very important part in producing the equipment and supplies which have been such a decisive factor in winning the war. You and your associates and employees must have a deep sense of satisfaction as you look back upon your accomplishments on the war production front.

Now that the war is won, I want to express to you the gratitude and appreciation of the Army Service Forces for the magnificent achievements of your organization.

The energy, initiative, and efficiency which industrial concerns like yours have demonstrated in the war effort give me complete confidence that the problems of transition to normal peacetime production will be met with the same effectiveness as those of war time and will be as swiftly and as successfully solved.

With all good wishes for the future,
I remain

Very sincerely yours,
BREHON SOMERVELL
General, Commanding

High School

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blouses, scarfs, neckties, overcoats, window drapes, curtains, bedspreads, bath mats, hosiery, hats, upholstering for furniture, automobiles and airplanes, and rugs and carpeting.

According to the maxim that stamina of any fabric is approximately proportional to its density, the durability of electrocoated fabrics will surpass that of woven goods. Electrocoated fibers in one square inch of fabric number as high as 300,000, which amounts to ten times the density of fibers in woven goods. Each electrocoated fiber, moreover, is exactly perpendicular to its base, affording a greater resiliency and uniformity in appearance.

Comparison durability tests on standard textile testing machines show ratios of three to one in favor of electrocoated fabrics.

Wagner Gets Job

E. A. Wagner has been appointed engineer of the Home Laundry Equipment Division of the General Electric Company, it has been announced by J. W. McNairy, manager of engineering and planning for the G-E Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Vast New World Of Science Opened, Says Dr. Hawkins

Universities Cited as Having Greatest Chance For Pure Research

"Physical science stands today where the Old World stood when Columbus proclaimed the discovery of a great new world, of unknown but presumably vast resources, calling for explorations and vigorous development." So declared Dr. Laurence A. Hawkins, consultant of the General Electric Research Laboratory, in speaking in Chicago, Oct. 2 before the dinner meeting of the Mexican American Conference on Industrial Research, sponsored by the Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology.

"The awesome explosion at Hiroshima," he continued, "signaled the shattering of the barrier which has kept atomic energy locked away from exploration and development by man. The specific hopes and speculations we may now prematurely entertain may prove as illusory and disappointing as did the visions of El Dorado, the Northwest Passage, and the Fountain of Youth four hundred years ago; but we may confidently expect that by hard work and courage such as were shown by the pioneers who explored and developed the Western Hemisphere we shall develop in the new atomic world riches as unforeseen today as were our present huge industries, high standards of living, and democratic institutions unforeseen by the Europeans of 1492. In pioneering these developments, the universities have the greatest opportunity ever presented to science."

Dr. Hawkins endorsed the bill recently presented in the Senate by Mr. Magnuson and in the House by Mr. Mills. "If that bill is passed," he said, "we can count on effective governmental aid to much needed research in public health and in the basic sciences in our colleges, universities and endowed research institutes, and effective military research in governmental laboratories, supplemented by help on specialized problems by industrial research laboratories possessing the specialized knowledge and facilities applicable to them."

For most industrial research laboratories, he said, "applied research, which seeks new facts about a definite thing for a definite purpose, is the appropriate and profitable activity. They must remain content to leave fundamental research chiefly to the universities."

Water Tank

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under each of the four corners of the tank structure. As the tank is jacked up, pieces of shoring (or wood cribbing supports) are placed under the tank structure. When the tank has been raised approximately 14 feet, a box-like steel framework is put under the original framework. This same process is then continued, until the added height of 40 feet is attained.

It was advisable to raise the tank, J. B. Greer, superintendent of the General Service Division, said, because the bottom of the tank was not sufficiently high above the top sprinkler in Bldg. 4-6, which resulted in inadequate fire protection. The addition of 40 feet will increase water pressure so that that danger will be past.

Three Get Supervisory Appointments



H. E. Koehlinger



F. H. Campbell



F. A. Arnold

The appointment of H. E. Koehlinger as superintendent of Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 13 and F. H. Campbell as superintendent of Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 14 was announced recently by Robert Wylie, general superintendent. H. E. Hire, superintendent of the Wire and Insulation Division, also announced the appointment of F. A. Arnold as assistant superintendent. All appointments were effective Monday, October 8.

Mr. Koehlinger was originally engaged February 11, 1914, as a messenger in the mailing section. He has held a number of supervisory jobs, including the general foremanship of Bldg. 4-1. He comes to his present assignment from a postwar planning supervisory job in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division.

Mr. Campbell started with G-E June 28, 1922, as a cost clerk. He served as assistant superintendent of Section 15, and later as assistant superintendent of Section 14 prior to his present appointment.

Mr. Arnold was originally engaged June 19, 1923, as a draftsman in the Plant Engineering Section. He served as supervisor of tools in the Supercharger Division preceding his new appointment.

Scrapping

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the purpose of salvaging everything worthwhile from the great quantity of things being built for war and no longer needed for this purpose. Some will be saved for peacetime use, yet unavoidably there will be many things being built for specific wartime purposes which are now utterly useless for anything but scrap, and some of what is left will actually have to be thrown away. There are some things on which we worked overtime yesterday, but which today are good for nothing but scrap or junk. They are like shells and bombs which were built to be destroyed, but which are not needed to fight the enemy and so have no purpose any longer.

"In August the war against Japan ended suddenly with enough unused war materials in the hands of the Army and Navy to win a long campaign. They will not need any more fighting equipment from America; only the supplies to complete the job of occupation and demobilization. What they do not need will be left in this country. If it cannot be used here, it must be destroyed here.

"Can G-E use any of the material that was in our shops, in all stages of manufacture, when the contracts were terminated? To determine whether it can, our manufacturing, planning, cost, and production men, our commercial divisions, design engineers, and application engineers carefully look it over. We use all that we can, on war contracts that have not been cancelled or on our peace-time products. The remainder is referred to the government, with G-E's recommendations as to the best possible disposal, and these recommendations are subject to review by the government.

Government Stores Some

"Such items as are not needed by G-E but are serviceable are taken over by the government and stored in its warehouses for future use or sale. Material classed as unserviceable must be scrapped, and most of this scrap is sold to the highest bidder to be melted down and the metal reused for entirely different purposes. Our Company takes some of it for use in our foundries.

"But there are some products which by their very manner of construction are unfiit even for melting scrap. Thesé are mainly assemblies of unlike metals welded firmly together, which would cost more to take apart than the value of the metals that could be recovered. These items which are left after the long, careful process of always using what possibly can be used, are destroyed.

"Could even these parts and subassemblies be stored against the chance that sometime in future they might be used by the Army or Navy? Such future use is entirely contrary to what has been found to be true after other wars. Storage costs money, and there is great danger in keeping war materials which will soon be obsolete. Our government was left after the last war with many Liberty motors. Our postwar aircraft were designed to use them, instead of striving for improvement. As a result, experts declare that our aviation progress was set back several years.

"The government-supervised system of deciding what cannot be used is efficient and protects the citizens. Our inventory is scrapped only after thorough review by government officers. We believe the American taxpayer need have no fear of unnecessary waste in the present housecleaning of G-E plants."

Coming Out?

Foremen's Club Will Fete Families Tonight

Final arrangements for the Foremen's Association "County Fair" tonight at the G-E Club have been completed, William Walt, general chairman of the affair, has announced and urged all members to attend this opening function with their families.

Entertainment is scheduled to start at 7:30 P.M. and will move on continuously until late in the evening, the program committee has promised. Bingo and other games of chance, games and refreshments for the children, a magic show by Ortho (Shorty) Lawson, and movies are to be put on for the "fair-goers" during the evening.

Committee members include Paul Koogle, Harry Beitel, Bernard Gausepohl, Bernard English, Carl Steinbacher, Harold Smith, J. Neuman, and Ross Strodel.

War Chest

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quota. The 1944-45 Community Chest contribution pledge ends with the December 8 payroll, and newly authorized contributions to the Community Chest are effective in the payroll week ending December 16, 1945.

Pledge cards will be distributed to each employee at the beginning of the drive, Mr. Crise said, and collected by solicitors later.

The advantages of the payroll deduction method of supporting the War and Community Chests were stressed by Mr. Crise. The deduction is made by the Company weekly, and the employee is put to no trouble in making the donation and little personal sacrifice.

"Go Signal" Given Priority by G-E's Traffic Master

Mechanical "Brain" Puts Accent on Pedestrian, Driver Convenience

Priority on the "go" signal for the heaviest flow of traffic—pedestrians and vehicles—in any one direction at peak hours is assured by General Electric's new device, the traffic master.

Its mechanical "grain," which automatically controls a city traffic light system, puts accent on driver and pedestrian convenience, and will eliminate that foot-tapping impatience brought about by blushing lights.

By allowing automatic changes in traffic light systems as often as every 12 minutes during a day under six different programs, the new device will prove a boon to many cities now struggling along with signal systems which seem to flash more red than green.

The device can be set weeks in advance to select any one of the six programs for a day's operation. It also takes into account when the busiest intersections need more "go" time, and the side streets require less.

In other words, when the heaviest traffic is flowing toward the factory or the downtown area, the traffic master tells the system when to rearrange the "go" signals in order to give the rush traffic a non-stop route. Then, when there's a reverse in heavy traffic at the end of the working day, the device again tells the system to rearrange the "go" signals for the opposite direction.

When necessary the "walk" cycle of a traffic system also can be lengthened or shortened according to pedestrian traffic. Already the new device is being installed in Detroit along several miles of Grand River avenue—a street averaging 40,000 vehicles a day with 2,000 in one direction at peak hours.

It's "Open House" Time Again Tonight For G-E Squares

With the season's first "open house" for Squares members last Friday night voted a huge success, plans were made this week to have the Club rooms open again tonight for another informal party.

Committee members promise a slick floor, a new shuffleboard court, bridge lamps, and a "juke" box ready to go for the "fun house" entertainment at the Club rooms tonight. Membership cards from the 1945 season, or those already issued for 1946, will be required for admission.

Last Friday's open house drew 63 couples, and the committee believes the club rooms may host more than 100 couples in succeeding weeks. Plans have been made by Squares Club officers to have the open house parties continued throughout the season.

Tonight's reception committee will include Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Herman, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Mellon, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wightman, and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Shawrow.

Sixty-six Awards Totalling $410 Paid G-E Suggestors

This week 66 awards, coming to a total of $410, were paid to G-E suggestors, according to the list S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee, released recently.

Harry R. Frauhiger, Decatur Plant, headed the list with a $30 award presented to him for his idea pertaining to changes to provide for the stamping of stators automatically on the welding machines instead of by hand.

Close behind him was Tony W. Arthur, Bldg. 20-1, who was given a $25 award for his suggestion on improvements in the installation of heating elements in compound pots.

Other awards ranging from $5 to $20 were made to the following employees:

Bldg. 4-1
Robert C. Winkler.

Bldg. 4-2
Raymond H. Christman.

Bldg. 4-4
Edwin G. Rodenbeck, Herman F. Lepper.

Bldg. 5-1
Floyd McCague.

Bldg. 6-2
Robert C. Johnson.

Bldg. 9
Clifford Geller.

Bldg. 10-1
Charles E. Scott, Harry J. Kruge, William Fuller, Robert Wayne Bastian, Philipp Verholzer, Harold L. Kniffen.

Bldg. 10-2
Walter H. Hyatt.

Bldg. 15
Walter Cook.

Bldg. 19-4
Glen Earl Ulrey, Harrison M. Bennent.

Bldg. 19-5
Bobby Owen Black.

Bldg. 20-1
Wallace D. Reed.

Bldg. 20-2
John A. Birchmeyer.

Bldg. 26-B
Willard G. Chapman, Harry C. Ribel, W. H. Bartels, John L. Winesburg, Frieda E. Kiene, Hovy L. Schrader, Clara A. Wiebke.

Bldg. 26-1
Charles H. King, John F. Altekruse, Lawrence Smith.

Bldg. 26-2
Harry A. Freeman, George Bir, Arthur F. Pequignot, Howard C. Oesch, Joseph C. Armstrong, Don Farthing. Kenneth Doeden, Kenneth Disler, Robert Elliott, Henry H. Webster, W. E. Guldice.

Bldg. 26-3
Alice M. Snyder, Noah E. Kuntz, Robert Corl, William Robinson, James Lillich, Floyd Dillon Chilcote, Don S. Raber.

Bldg. 26-4
Carrie E. Green, Lester B. Redding, Elfrieda Furge, Roy Cayot, Virginia L. Mileski.

Bldg. 26-5
Dick Hemrick, John A. Inches, Russell C. Jones.

Bldg. 27-1
Frank A. Fordham.

Wilson Sees

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cal advancement—it not only creates new opportunities but multiplies the old ones."

Must Have Technical Skill

A complex mechanism such as an electrical manufacturing company, he said, depends as much on a flow of human technical skill as on materials such as steel and copper, and it has adjusted itself to "a calculated inflow of technically-trained young men. This is our most precious asset. We seek it out with considerable pains, cultivate and refine it, work it—and protect it. Without it we would truly be bankrupt." He added that since 1940, this source of skills for American industry has virtually been stopped.

"If a single modern corporation that customarily adds to its resources as many as 500 technically-trained young men every year, has had to do without those men, then the war has cost that corporation 7,500 man-years that are lost to it forever in the irrevocable dimension of time. . . . We do not presently feel the results of this loss, but we shall eventually. I am confident that our demonstrated ability to make up lost time . . . will make up much of the ground. But this is still to be done, and it presents one of the greatest opportunities for technically trained men, for American youth, that has ever come down the pike. There are fields to conquer which far outrank those of our pioneering past."

Considering the point of view of war-processed young men, Mr. Wilson said, "Frankly, industry is afraid of it, for obvious reasons. In the last 15 years, the nation has suddenly been made painfully aware of one word—security. That awareness was long overdue, to be sure, and now that it is come, we are suffering from the shock of exaggeration. There is nothing new about the desire for security—against sickness and unemployment and old age. We have been educated in its virtues by experience, an experience that has included depression and chaos.

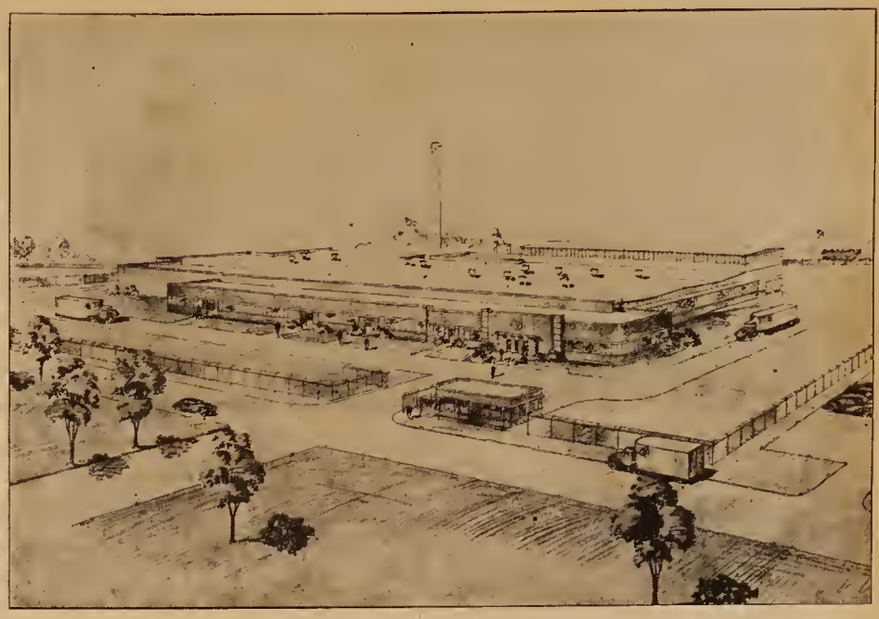
Industry Aware of Need

"Believe me, the managers of business are today completely aware of the need to provide the element of security in every job they project, both as broad social insurance and more specifically as a necessary adjunct to efficient operation. But business asks one thing of the young men who are entering upon an interneship—that they apply their native good sense to the problem. Security cannot ever be provided by mere legislation, by the command of government, by the clamor of special groups who are long on propaganda and short on arithmetic and who care not where the chips may fall so long as the axe goes home. . . .

"We can have high wages if increased production and wider distribution of our products earn the money to pay those wages. We can have guaranteed employment, but the guarantee must be founded in the healthy stabilization of our economy, not imposed on it arbitrarily by executive order. We can have shorter working hours if we prove that we can pack into those shorter hours the performance that is needed to keep up volume. . . . If (today's young man) expects that social legislation, efforts to guarantee employment, machinery to pay unemployment benefits, collective bargaining, and fair employment practice acts . . . will provide him with a right to support and advancement independent of his own efforts, he is tragically mistaken.

"None of us, I believe, has a right to a job—although it is fashionable to say so. The most we have under the traditional guarantees of this republic is a **right to an opportunity**, and at that point we are on our own. This is the fundamental distinction between the American capitalistic system and a theoretical managed economy by any name. Mark it well, because it is your birthright, and on the record it is worth defending."

Architect's Drawing of Tiffin Plant



The plant sketched above will house G-E manufacturing operations at Tiffin, Ohio, under Fort Wayne Works supervision. Steel framework for the new plant is already partially up, and building is proceeding rapidly. Designed for the manufacture of fractional horsepower motors and fluorescent ballasts, the G-E plant will start manufacturing operations as soon as construction is completed.

G-E Equipment Helped . . . .



Coast Guardsman Frank Perrault, Chief Motor Machinist's Mate, is taking a hydrometer reading of one of the General Electric batteries that helped slap the Japs into defeat.—U. S. Coast Guard Photo.

Atom Power Uses To Be Discussed By G-E Scientists

Radio Broadcast Times Given for Six Weekly Addresses

Postwar applications of atomic power will be discussed by General Electric Research Laboratory scientists in a series of six weekly addresses on the G-E Science Forum over WGY, beginning October 3 through November 7. The broadcasts will take place at 7:30 o'clock on those Wednesday evenings.

The speakers and their subjects will be: October 3—"Within the Atom," by Dr. Roman Smoluchowski; October 10—"Energy from Mass," by Dr. Lewi Tonks; October 17—"Splitting the Uranium Nucleus," by Dr. Kenneth H. Kingdon; October 24—"Nuclear Fuel," by Dr. Ralph P. Johnson; October 31—"Sieves for Sorting Nuclei," by Dr. Herbert C. Pollock; and November 7—"Postwar Jobs for the Nucleus," by Dr. C. G. Suits, vice president and director of the G-E Research Laboratory, and Dr. Laurence A. Hawkins, consultant of the laboratory.

Handicapped

New Hand-washing Device Aids Returnee

As a part of a general program being conducted to aid handicapped returned veterans in orienting themselves to factory work, a special hand-washing device has been developed by the Carboloy Company, General Electric Company affiliate.

Installed in factory washrooms, the device aids the man who is missing a hand by soaping, scrubbing, and rinsing. Virtually no effort is required on the part of the user.

The entire problem of the handicapped veteran is being closely studied by all General Electric organizations, with the aim of designing other special devices wherever practicable.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

G-E Man Writes From Tokyo Bay

Tokyo Bay, Japan
September 19, 1945

Hello:

I wrote to you before, but couldn't "say" anything.—(censorship). Now, I feel I can write without anybody watching over my shoulder. Ha, ha.

Everything here is quiet, on the beach. The other day I was over at Yokahoma, and everything is in a mess, wreckage strewn everywhere. Most all the larger offices and warehouse buildings are either badly damaged or "absent," nothing left but the basements and they are half full of "rubble." The word we got from the English-speaking Chinese we talked to was that the air raid lasted only about two hours. It will take 10 years of extra hard work to rebuild it.

I can tell you now where I stand watches. It's on a 750 K.W. Turbo-alternator. The alternator end was built by the Fort Wayne Works, the gear reduction by Bloomfield and the turbine at Schenectady. It's really a sweet little running job. It has never even grunted at a load which sometimes jumps from ten amps to two hundred fifty, and our little plant's right there asking for more.

The only trouble we've had is

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Flies Navy's "Fireball" Fighter



Ensign John R. MacKay

Ensign John R. MacKay, a former G-E employee, is shown above on the wing of the Navy's first jet-propelled fighter plane, the Fireball, attached to Fighter Squadron 66. Ensign MacKay, who attended Purdue University after leaving G-E, was selected for the important aviation tests on the basis of past records in this work.

The Fireball never saw combat, but has won an important place in aviation.

Powered by both a G-E Jet and a reciprocating engine, the Navy's new Ryan FR-1 fighter plane was unveiled at a dramatic flight demonstration recently at Anacostia Naval Air Station, near Washington, D. C.

New Field

This plane, known as the Fireball and of the type that has tapped a new field of aerial power development by being the first to harness both jet propulsion and a conventional engine for propeller drive, brought admiration from old timers in the aviation business. Both engineers and writers expressed praise when it zipped into the sky at such sharp angles that the Fireball looked as though it was climbing a string.

A series of acrobatics and maneuvers followed, during which the plane was flown on the jet engine alone, then on the reciprocating engine and again on both at the same

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"Rationed" Over There



Myron Freeland, MM 2/c, former Winter Street Plant employee, is shown above in the first row, with head turned, as he and his buddies were relaxing at a rest camp in the Southwest Pacific. His letter, reprinted above, indicates that rationing is a pretty general thing, because, says Myron, "we get two cans or bottles of beer every eight days."

Sgt. Charles Henderson Kept General Yamashita "In Line"

(Editor's Note: The letter reprinted below was written by Sgt. Charles Henderson to Bill Walt, foreman in Bldg. 2-1. Sgt. Henderson gives the lowdown on some of the former Japanese big-wigs.)

September 17, 1945

Dear Bill:

I received your very swell and welcome letter and was sure glad to get it. It's been a long time since I had heard from anyone in the basement, and I was kinda wondering about a few things. Oh yes, you can thank the boys for me for the delayed Christmas letter and especially Jake, he's running true to form, "slow as heck."



Charles Henderson

Well, with this war finally over I keep wondering when I'll get home, and I'm hoping it will be within the next six months. Right at the present we are here on the beach of Luzon waiting to load for our trip to Japan; we are going to the island of Kyushu. I was hoping we would go to one of the northern islands where it would be plenty cold, but it looks like I'm doomed to spend my remaining months here in the tropics.

I'm plenty glad that this war's all over; there were several times on Leyte and here on Luzon, too, that I wondered if I'd ever again see all those swell people I knew back home. Any time anyone tells you an infantry M.P. don't catch plenty of enemy artillery and small arms fire, you can tell them they are crazy, at least that's so here in the 32nd Division.

I don't know whether you heard or not, but I had charge of the M.P. detail that flew General Yamashita and his party from the airshrip in the mountains to Baguio, and it was quite an experience. He was a friendly, congenial old fellow, and had a smile on his face from the time I took charge of him 'til I turned him over to the base M.P.'s at Baguio. He thanked me many times for the courteous treatment I showed him and his aides during the trip. If I was treating him so nice, I didn't realize it.

On board our plane was myself, five other M.P.'s, Yamashita, Admiral Okishi, General Muto, and 16 other Japs ranging from Colonels on down to two privates who were Yamashita's orderlies. It was a pleasure to look down the aisle of that plane at their faces and think, "you were big shots once, boys, but for the duration of this trip you'll take orders from Charley," and that's exactly what I thought. I didn't let them move unless they had my permission.

Yamashita's orderly carried his saber throughout the trip, and I examined it very closely. It was a beautiful thing with jewels in the handle, and the blade was spotless. It is seven hundred years old.

I guess I have something as a souvenir that is really very rare. Few now have it, and few will ever have it. This souvenir is a Peso note with Yamashita's autograph on it. He signed it for me during the plane ride. I have already been offered $150 for it, but I don't think I'll ever sell it. Yep, I was king for a day. Little did I realize when I came in this army that some day I'd have in my charge "The Tiger of Malaya," later called "The Gopher of Luzon" by the American doughboys 'cause he was always underground.

. . . Tell all the boys I said hello.

Your friend always,

Sgt. Charles Henderson

Word has been received that T/5 **Milford Crick** is now stationed at Brussells, Belgium, and he hopes he can visit the G-E again some time in the future.

In a recent V-Mail from him, **Cpl. Leonard J. Boner** said that he will be starting enroute for the U.S.A. soon to be a discharged soldier, and hopes to see everyone soon.

Welcome Back to G-E
Veterans of World War II

These discharged veterans, all former G-E employees, have returned to work during the last week. Look them up. Welcome them back to G-E.

Name	Location	Name	Location
Harry Moser	Decatur	Edwin R. Barnbrook	Bldg. 26-4
Louis A. Holthouse	Decatur	Howard E. Welsh	Bldg. 31
William E. Noonan	Decatur	Cornelius L. Brown	Bldg. 28
Richard C. Myers	Decatur	Fred Uhrick	Bldg. 4-3
Thomas Lee Blackwell	Bldg. 4-5	Joseph A. Parker	Bldg. 4-3
Richard Lee Miller	Bldg. 19-1	John M. Sillaway, Sr.	Bldg. 6-2
Robert E. McKee	Bldg. 26-5	Jack E. Byrd	Winter St.
Charles S. Barnhouse	Bldg. 10-1	Elizabeth Engle	Bldg. 26-3
Virgil R. Guebard	Bldg. 19-5	Joseph T. Hazlewood	Bldg. 4-4
Milton S. Marks	Bldg. 4-4	Laurence D. Call	Bldg. 4-2
Boyd M. Young	Bldg. 26-2	Paul G. Rowan	Bldg. 26-B
Carl Koester, Jr.	Bldg. 26-5	Paul R. Frederick	Bldg. 19-2

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

A party was held in honor of Bessie Chapman in her fortieth year with the G-E. One hundred guests were at the dinner, where she was presented a lovely gift. Messrs. Elmer Paul, Fred Banks, Ray Hoffman, and Earl Dillon gave short talks. Among the many guests at the dinner was one of our soldiers, Charley Fels. We all extend our best wishes and good luck to Bessie. . . . Lowell Kronemiller doesn't know his riders. He picked up the wrong man—only to let him out again. Better luck next time. . . . Duke Dafforn spent a week pheasant hunting in South Dakota. He came back with the limit of birds (40). We would say that he had a banging good time. . . . Anyone wishing directions as to how to get somewhere, see Fred (Tiny) Vodermark, he can fix you up. No matter where you want to go from coast to coast or from border to border, Fred will route you through Edon, Ohio, and a stop over at the "Bunny Cafe." . . . That happy smile on Harry Bonewity's face this last week was there because his grandson, Davy Lee, came back home to stay with them again. Davy Lee had been spending a few months out on the West Coast with his daddy, Raymond Coe, who is with the Naval Air Forces, and worked formerly in Bldg. 26-2. . . . Chuck Graham and Joe Uttal really sweat out the last two innings of the game last Monday. . . . Have you noticed how many of the week-end football dopesters turn out to be Monday morning quarterbacks.

Tokyo Bay

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with "original" G-E equipment and that spent three months under water at Pearl Harbor, but it is still working and only slight trouble. (It's a wonder it works at all). We have G-E parts on here dated 1923 and still in passable shape and working good. The new equipment, like the 750 K.W., a little cleaning and brushing off is all it ever requires.

The personal snap (shown on Page 6) was taken while we were in a rest area on an island. (Incidentally we got two cans or bottles of beer every 8 days). I'm the one in the front row with my head turned.

I hope to be back "Stateside" soon, and I also hope to be back at G-E. Please give my best wishes to the gang in Tool Room and Maintenance, especially "Pop" Smith, the "tool honing man."

According to the "history summary" of our ship, they didn't mention the noise and action accompanying that ammunition expenditure, but we who heard it and experienced it will never forget as hard as we try.

Myron Freeland, MM 2/c

The most powerful aircraft engine in use anywhere in the world today is the G-E Jet, the gas turbine designed and developed by General Electric engineers to drive the Army Air Forces P-80 Shooting Star faster than any other plane will fly. This super engine already is in volume production for the AAF at the General Electric plant at Syracuse, N. Y., and by Allison Division of General Motors.

Jitterbug Dancing Loses Crown



Professional dancing couples at fashionable Arthur Murray's Fifth Avenue studios "beat feet" as G-E vibration meter jumps to the tune of 120 mills per second. Couples later hopped up the meter 50 more notches as the old-fashioned polka really set the "joint a-jumpin'" at 170 mills, to leave the jivers flatfooted.

Large mirror in background is one of many in the studio reflecting progress of learning dancers.

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"The Joint's A' Jumpin"

Vibration Meter Proves Polka Steps Outjump Jitterbugging

Jitterbug dancing, for many years now the self-acclaimed king of all things "jump," recently lost its title to the kind of dancing they did in grandma's day. A General Electric vibration meter scientifically proved that the old-fashioned polka sets the "joint a-jumpin'" some 30 per cent more than jitterbugging.

At Arthur Murray's Fifth Avenue dancing studios, the vibration meter departed from its usual environment of industrial machinery and tested vibration (scientist's synonym for "jump") for a variety of old and new dances including samba, tango, rhumba, fox trot, and waltz besides jitterbugging and polka.

The polka made the "joint jump" to the tune of 170 mills per second vibration, while the best effort jitterbugging could muster was 120 mills per second. Jitterbugging even had two chances to prove itself, being demonstrated first in the subtle Arthur Murray manner and then in the "knock-me-down-and-beat-me" Harlem version. The latter ran 120, while the former was good for only 40 mills per second vibration or "jump."

The highly sensitive G-E device, which can measure anything from a pin-drop up, offered undisputed proof. A pickup with super hearing that rested on the floor caught every vibration as a dozen professional dancing couples performed. Vibrations were transposed to voltage pulse, then transmitted to a G-E photo-electric recorder, where they were written down in black on white in terms of number and speed. From such graphic illustration, a mean vibration for each dance could be computed.

The General Electric vibration meter, in less sleek surroundings than Arthur Murray's, determines vibration of industrial machines and adjacent apparatus, so that correction can be made or machinery constructed strong enough to withstand the checked amount of vibration.



Congratulations to Ralph Bischoff, who was married while on his vacation a few weeks ago. . . . The Service Section welcomes Marilyn Bowlsby, Martha Merryman, Marilyn Summers, and Ada Middlesworth. . . . Evelyn Ausman went to Chicago two weeks ago to see the Northwestern football game. . . . Grant Garritson has taken Moine Waggaman's place. Moine has moved to Florida for his health. . . . Mr. Brake needs a vacation after listening to the squeak in Evelyn Ausman's chair for the last month. They say that a hint to the wise is sufficient, so why doesn't somebody hunt up an oil can? . . . Our advice to Clarence Young is to keep his feet on the floor instead of on his desk, and he might not fall off his chair. . . . Rose Lovegrove has acquired "Nibbles" for her nickname. She reminds everyone of a little mouse, 'tis said. . . . What happened to Betty Lou Hahnert and Virginia Rudolph, who started the I.U. extension course but dropped it—is the current question. . . . We all hope that at the next meeting of the Izaak Walton, Mr. Jones will park his car where he will be able to find it.

"And to think I mortgaged the house to send my boy to college. All he does is go out with girls, drink, and smoke."

"Do you regret it?"

"Sure. I should have gone myself."

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

This is your last reminder, folks, to keep open this coming Thursday evening October 18, for the Halloween party at the Sears' pavilion, sponsored by the Regional Parts Warehouse Association for members and their friends. There will be eats, games, prizes and dancing galore. . . . This is not a precedent; however, it is worth while mentioning. Geraldine Dochertman and Jesse Moser failed to turn their clocks back one hour during the changeover, and the duet reported for work in the dark on "Inventory" Sunday. What disappointment; . . . Recently a farewell dinner party was held in Margaret Lissner's apartment for Betty Lochner, who left us to take up housework for her returning soldier husband. Those attending were Bette Walker, Margaret Isaac, Martha Topp, Viola Haiber, Betty Kyvik, Marjorie Meyers, Kathryn Rectanus, and Geraldine Garrison. The honored guest was presented with a lovely gift, and Margaret Lissner was called upon to give several selections of classical songs. . . . It was a long intentional wait, but worth it, so says Margaret Rectanus and Bonnie Swihart, whose vacation plans are now materializing. They are living the better part of this week at the Morrison in Chicago, then a couple of days at the Oliver Hotel, South Bend, with the main issue there to see tomorrow's game, Notre Dame vs. Dartmouth. Mary O'Connor and her girl friend will join the wise vacationers for the game and spend the week-end together. . . . Virginia Grace and Viola Haiber are also late vacationers. Viola also expects to spend several days in Chicago. . . . Elda Mertz has a vacation next week, and one guess who she'll spend her time with, for her honorably discharged boy friend has just planted a neat little ring on Elda's third finger. . . . Doris Lamle is learning the game of bridge the hard way, direct from one of Uncle Sam's captains. Doris is a very attentive pupil, we hear, and soon she should be able to set in on one of Eli Culbertson's hand deals with matched wits. . . . Along with the historical data of the 1945 World Series we may list the "Hot Shots" who won some of the local "pools": namely, Emmett Mills, Jack Heiniger, Mel Schrader, Dick Geetz, and Wren Herbst. . . . Jack Heiniger won his on shrewd bargaining. How? See Jim Craw. . . . An apostle of patience is Gillie Plummer, who was returning his family home one Sunday evening from Bourbon in a downpour. As the family drew near Columbia City, his car, which was drowning by inches, stopped. Gillie crawled out with more rags in his hand than on his back. He dipped down until he could find his electric fittings, then stood bravely in the middle of the road thumbing for a shove. After half an hour of refusals, the Mrs. got out and with one good overhand swing pointing to Fort Wayne, the first set of blazing lights skidded to a stop to rescue the stranded road setters. Gillie patiently grabbed the steering apparatus and thanked his lucky stars he was a married man.

Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

We have some more new girls with us. They are Alpha Piercy, Oline Elliott, Olga Hart, Evelyn Ayers, and Mildred Colemar. Hope we will be seeing a lot of you. . . . Also a new welcome to Corine McGill and Welma Tinker. Corine and Wilma used to work with us. . . . Mary Ellen Bentz is a happy girl again. Her husband just came home on furlough. . . . We haven't been seeing much of Fern Painter lately. Fern is spending her vacation with her husband, who was discharged last week. . . . Doris Hollaman is another on our lucky list. Her husband arrived home too. . . . I see by the calendar today is Columbus Day. Sure wish I could discover something. Now that vacations are over, our news is getting less, so how about a hand with the gossip, gang! We'll print it (no kiddin'). . . . It just seems as though Lewis Clark and Arlie Pence never get their names in the paper, so "Hi, Fellows." . . . Congratulations, Ralph Mennewich. Ralph was just married, and we have been hearing a lot about a new farm. The best of luck to both of you. . . . For gosh sakes, we forgot to welcome Irvin Lindzy. Irvin came back to work with us after receiving his honorable discharge from the Army. We think it's great to have you!

Flies Navy's

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time. Once the Fireball was piloted at tremendous speed close over the heads of aeronautical experts and observers with the propeller feathered. The G-E Jet then was doing the job alone, and it was estimated that the plane was cruising along at nearly 300 miles an hour.

Range of 1,500

In releasing statistics about the "Fireball," the Navy pointed out that it has a maximum range of 1,500 miles while cruising at the economical speed of 207 miles an hour.

Its climb performance of more than 5,000 feet per minute was described by the Navy as greater than that of any conventional fighter, since it can maintain a high rate of climb all the way to 25,000 feet.

The Navy said also that it has the shortest turning radius at comparable speeds of any modern fighter.

The G-E Jet is installed in the fuselage of the Fireball, between the cockpit and tail. This engine, of the I-16 type, needs no warm up and can develop tremendous power within thirty seconds after the starter is pressed. It gives the Fireball the extra punch it needs for the type of high pressure flying demonstrated by Conover. The conventional engine is in the nose of the plane.





Hoot Mon, this is Fire Prevention Week, and Sandy, Jr., had tae write an essay on Fire Prevention. I got ahold o' his original "manuscript," before he had a chance tae correct it or have his mother read it. He has her read all his essays. It's his "Fire Prevention." It prevents him from getting fired into the Principal's office.

Here it is: "This is fire preventsion weak. it is the weak when peopel keep from having fires making it a dull weak for boys of my set. my relatives or the clan as dad calls them are specialy carful. uncle Colin takes the matches off the top shelf and puts them on the roof so cousin Douglas cant get them. Uncle Angus takes all the cans and bottles of gas he was saving since before ratoning and burys them in the ground. Uncle Colin moves his load of G-E wood from behind the furnis to the other end of the basement and puts his ashes in a big steal barel he says they charge 10¢ to haul them no matter what the size of the contaner so he uses a big one—then he takes it out to uncle Anguss farm and dumps it hisself to save the 10¢ anyway my relatives never start a fire. they say they cant afford it coal costs too much to burn let alone burning down a house as the heat you get out of it never warms anybody in the rite place. Sigerettes start fires too when people flip them out there car windows and the grass is dry which it isnt much this fall. My relatives dont flip sigerette buts out the car window they smoke pipes and when they are thru smoking the fire is out anyway. i sat down by the road once on a flipped sigerette but and it puts out heet alright but in the rong place as my pants got burnt and so did i in a very uncomfortabel place and my mom had to doctor me. She sed it was series and she put some salve and in fact took several stitches—in my pants.

Which shows how series fires can be and the only way to prevent them is for Nobody ever to start one. if everybody; every one of us; never started a fire or left anything laying around that could start one wed never have any fires wether its fire prevention week or not."

Plastic

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Our congratulations to Viola Best on her engagement. You have all our best wishes for luck and happiness in the future, Viola. See how Cupid kept busy in our section? . . . Everyone knows how hard it is to find laundry soap flakes these days, but if you need some, just see Agnes Vaughn. She will supply you. There's a lady who finds what she's looking for. On her way to work Agnes does her good deed for the day by stopping at a store or two and getting a box of soap for an unfortunate one who can't find it. . . . If anyone knows the whereabouts of four new tires, please notify Vonnie Sponhouer at once. Your information will be greatly appreciated.

It's Going Up . . . . . And Up



The 75,000 gallon water tank adjacent to Bldg. 26 has been "growing" this week. The huge tank is being raised 40 feet in addition to its already towering height of 145 feet 10 inches. Picture at left shows the tank already about 15 feet off the ground, with the framework of wood cribbing supports underneath. The tower picture at right was taken from the roof of Bldg. 19, and the wood cribbing supports can again be seen at the bottom of the original steel structure. (See story on Page 1).

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Bettie Beaman has returned from a week's vacation. Aren't vacations wonderful though? . . . We want to thank Mr. Buckmaster for the candy and cigars passed out. He is the papa of a new baby girl. . . . How did all of you people come out with the baseball series? Were you lucky? Don't fret, they'll be around again next season.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The first issue of the Dispatchers Directory was distributed last week, and we wish to commend the committee for the good job they have done. The only disappointing thing about the directory is that so few names were included. This was due to the lack of response to the appeal of the committee for information. If you are a dispatcher and your name is not in the directory, please jot down your name, your division or section number, the name of your chief dispatcher, your G-E telephone number, and your home telephone number, and send this information to Elmer Pion, Bldg. 2-2. The directory will be reissued as often as enough new names are received to be added to the directory, or enough corrections are received to make a new issue worth while. Your Grapevine Editor earnestly hopes that a new issue will appear in November with the name of every dispatcher in the Fort Wayne Works included.

We hear by the grapevine: That William Weber, Sr., has returned to work in Bldg. 4-4 after a five months' leave of absence because of illness. We welcome him back to the Dispatchers Club. . . . That Clarence Rentschler is confined to his home recuperating from a minor operation. We sincerely wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Special! Carl Reeves announces that he has paid back all the exchange cigarettes he owed Jim Crockett—snipes and all. . . . That Elmer Pion and Ed Kimmel are going to South Dakota for a week of pheasant hunting the last week in October. The Grapevine has heard from one of its most reliable sources that the pheasants have heard of the proposed trip and have all migrated to Idaho. . . . That Jim Crockett is leaving his dispatching job in Section 15 and is going to the Taylor Street plant to do some special work on terminations. . . . The Dispatchers Club Halloween dance will be held Friday evening, October 26, at the Chamber of Commerce. The committee has engaged a seven-piece orchestra and has completed all plans for decorations and entertainment. We urge all dispatchers who have tickets to see that everyone in the sections they work in has an opportunity to purchase a ticket.

Turret Tattles

We should be in for some very, very tall tales from away out west in the Minn-e-haha country. Bill Pomp and his sidekick, Ralph Wickliffe, have just returned from a hunting trip amidst the great plains. Soon to return are Tony Wickman, Nahrold Drake, and Sam Baumgartner. Those pore ol' Western "Geeseers" and sich, out thar, have had to do more than their share of duckin' buckshot these last two weeks. . . . From good authority it has come to light that Howard Hickman has a new and different teck-neek when it comes to enticing bluegills into his boat. He uses mittens. We haven't determined how he uses them, but he was seen on Crooked Lake recently with a nice catch and mittens. Come on! Give with the info, Howard. How-ja-do-it? . . . Art Eizinger also regales us with the time he "got 'em where they couldn't be got," and carefully shielded his catch from nearby anglers, so he could garner all the glory, only to find the bottom gone from his fish bag when he lifted it out. The top for this comes when he claims he recaught most all of them the next day. Whew! . . . Comes now a tale of the agility of Carl Nix upon the beams in the attic of his residence. He very carefully steps from one to the other except for ONE. The lady downstairs still isn't as cordial as Carl thinks she should be. No wonder Carl, it'd scare the wits out of most anyone to see one of your number tens protruding from the ceiling. . . . Have you heard any of the ole time ball tales, some of the fellers are telling on each other? The time Joe Henry chased a high, high popfly from the bat of Babe Ruth in an exhibition game, round and round in circles only to miss the catch completely by 15 feet, and have the mighty Sultan of Swat grinning broadly at him from second base when he did recover? Or the time 'nother feller caught an infield blooper on his noggin' instead of his mit? Heh! Heh! Must-a-bin fun. . . . Hi there, Harold Misegades. Welcome back to the second trick gang once more. . . . Some time when you're tired of living, ask Adam Farrel if he still persists in getting ahead of a duffer golfer when he nears the eighteenth hole. We recall a time when he stopped a beautiful drive with the calf of one leg. Wham-O!

Chattin' In 2-2

It sure is good to see Ole Sol out again, after the continuous rains we've been having. Hope he stays with us awhile. . . . We sure miss Norma Comer and Dorothy Cook, who left us recently. Good luck, girls. . . . We want to welcome Sadie Wolfe back, after being on sick leave for sometime. You're looking tops, Sadie. . . . If you want to know why Eileen Stemmler and Josephine Gfell are looking so happy, it's because Eileen's boy friend is expected home most any time, and Jo's brother is here on furlough. . . . Jerry Sthalman is back from his vacation after spending a couple of weeks in and around New York. By the way, he came to work an hour earlier. Were you ambitious Jerry, or did you forget to set your watch back? . . . It can't be done. Ask Gratnia Patterson. It seems she was trying to find her way around in the dark. Result, a broken toe. . . . Welcome to Bldg. 2-2 Hilda Nafzinger and Betty Feasley. We hope you like us, girls. . . . It seems Jennie Kamp and Jo Gfell walked three blocks out of their way to to avoid a chow dog, but all in vain, they met the same dog at the end of the three blocks. . . . Jimmie, the G-E's talking, singing, counting dog, appeared on a program Friday night in Grover Hill, Ohio. His costume consisted of a royal blue sweater with the Orange Letters G-E on the side. He was accompanied on the trip by his owners and trainers, Christine Burns of Bldg. 2-2, and Carmelita Sheeley of Bldg. 12-3. . . . 'Sall for now, folks; see you next week.

A bus filled mainly with old ladies going shopping pulled up when the air-raid warning sounded. The ladies scrambled off the bus and ran to the nearest shelter.

"Strange," said the conductor, scratching his head, "and those are the old dears I've been helping on and off for years."

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Jay Hensler sure was surprised the other day when he discovered someone was only fooling. That whistle did sound like the candy lady's, didn't it, Jay? . . . John Hillsmeier received word from his son that he will be stationed in Manila for a while at least. . . . Cal Langohr won't freeze now that there is a brand new window pane in the window beside his bench. Here we always thought he worked to keep warm. . . . The beautiful sparkler Cleo is wearing these days is nearly as bright as the sparkle in her eyes. Her lucky husband-to-be has a sparkle in his eye, too. To Paul and Cleo we wish every happiness and good luck. Just be sure, kids, you tell us when the big day is to be so we can all come to the wedding. . . . Carol Elder is back from his vacation minus his hay fever. Chicago sure is good for that, so we hear. . . . The way Bill Hurtt talks to himself while he works is a puzzle. We are wondering if he is trying to entertain himself or just loves his work so much he wants to talk about it? Bet his wife has a time getting a word in edgewise. . . . Carl Cochran came to work Monday all decked out in blue. We saw him laugh, though, so guess it wasn't a blue Monday. . . . Edna Buist went to Chicago vacationing with her husband, who got an extension on his furlough. . . . If you are interested in making your meat points go farther, see Dick Reuter. They have a new family of rabbits, and Dick says you'll have to wait a couple of months 'til they are big enough to eat. This is in direct competition with John Howard, who also raises rabbits. Better check both men for an estimate before buying.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

Joe Hill is home on furlough and paid a visit to the Wire Section, where he formerly worked. . . . Could it be that Carl Borchert is slipping, or is he too busy to know all that goes on in his section. He was trying to locate Kathleen Reitz, who was supposed to be working in the section, but no one could enlighten him. When he finally found her, she was sitting right in front of him. "Mrs. Reitz" was none other than Kay Kigar, who was recently married. . . . Earl Gebert enjoys parties, and we might suggest that he give a party for his employees who have birthdays this week. They are David Kappel, Verna Kohart, Agnes Bensman, and Lester Faus. . . . Anyone having a pair of roller skates they are not using, please loan or give them to Donna Jean Wagoner so she can get to work on time. Her excuse is: "We had a flat tire." . . . I would say it is "sour grapes" for Cleon Noyes, Ray Sink, William Mattendorf, and George Wirges. They believe the pictures in the WORKS NEWS are from catches of 1944, as they have tried again and again without so much as a nibble this year. . . . Well, folks, this is all for this week, as my assistant was too busy filling in for the vacationists to gather any news this week, but a bumper crop is promised for next week.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Greetings to everyone from Bldg. 6-3. . . . Since we last reported to you, we have several newcomers. They are: Hazel Smith, Dorothy Fetter, Ilene Fitch, and our little messenger girl, Doris Wolfe. . . . Sarah Harris seems to have a bit of trouble deciding which pair of shoes to wear to work. She solves her little problem by wearing one of each pair. Good deduction, Sarah; they'll last longer that way too. . . . Have you noticed the third finger on Betty Smith's left hand? The gleam in her eye matches the glitter of her ring. Congratulations, kids. . . . Sherm Welch has been telling some tall tales since he got back from his fishing trip in Michigan. Catch any fish, Sherm? . . . Janie Rauner could hardly wait until Rosie Houser got back from her two weeks' vacation. Glad to have you back, Rosie. . . Mr. Burke wants some more of that pop corn he ate while attending the World's Series last weekend in Chicago. . . . Delores Brinker reports a grand time on her vacation. . . . Irene Draper celebrated her birthday when the girls remembered her with a gift. She was really surprised though when she received the news that her husband will be returning home soon from the Pacific. Best present ever, huh, Irene? . . . Rosie Broxon and Mareen Hendricks plan to attend the Homecoming game at Indiana this week-end. . . . Everyone is glad to see Xercie Sinish back at work.

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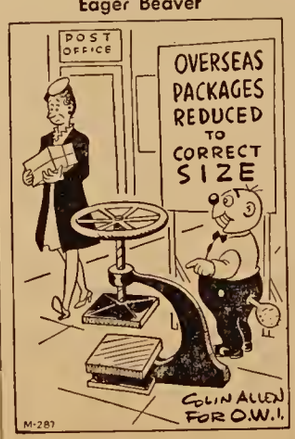
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HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

After all these weeks of waiting, Bldg. 6-2 has finally been moved over in with us. Seems just like old times to have you back, and we hope you'll all feel at home soon. . . . Lelia Byall celebrated her birthday with a dinner. There was plenty of good food and also a beautifully decorated cake. Grace Spackman surely enjoys those dinners, even if she does overcat, says she. . . . Charley Prine, now in the Army, was back in the section recently for a short visit with the old gang. . . . Ralph Reinking unknowingly went home with some G-E property the other night. It proved to be nothing more than a piece of steel in his hand, but he had to have it removed with a magnet. . . . Therese Rumbaugh is another one of those lucky girls wearing a beautiful new diamond on the third finger, left hand. . . . Ed McKering is going around with slits in his shoe just like Andrew H. Brown. He says he hasn't made up his mind just what's wrong with his foot, but he knows its something. . . . Bob Neeb has left us for Bldg. 4-5, but we see him occasionally when he has to come back on business. He's all enthused about that trip to South Dakota to hunt pheasants that he is starting on soon. On his way out he will probably pass Virgil Allmandinger, who should be on his way back from the same place. Hope you both have lots of good luck. . . . Viola Wyss is recovering nicely at St. Joseph's Hospital following an operation, and Beatrice Roach, who is ill at home, reports she is feeling much better. . . . Elmer Fretz, another of our boys, is back from Taylor Street and is now located in Bldg. 4-1. We'll probably see him now and then since he has to come up here occasionally. . . . Trella Mae Geiger almost had to take time off to read the 32-page letter she received from her sailor friend in describing the boat trip from Leyte to Okinawa. . . . We miss Myralene Liddy, who is working in Bldg. 4-5 office, and hope she'll be back with us again before long. . . . We all hope Ed Klomp is enjoying his vacation. He's spending it where he spent last year's, at Delta Lake. He says it's so convenient to his home.

Eager Beaver



17-3 Newsies

We wonder if there were any beautiful baby contests when Dorothy Heckman was a baby, and why she didn't win first prize. If you haven't seen her latest baby picture, ask her to show it to you. . . . The passengers on the South Wayne bus are wondering if it's Eileen Brown's height or Ina Smith's weight that makes their seat on the bus creak so. . . . Mary Wyss likes peanuts so well that she eats any she sees and then asks to whom the peanuts belonged. . . . We want to wish Gertie Beekner a happy birthday. Gertie's birthday was last Saturday. . . . We want to welcome our newcomers, who are Callie Small, Garnet Zollinger, Jeanne Gladieux, Grace Somers, Pearlene Campbell, Willodene Hall, and Freida Farley. . . . Mary Jane Buesking and Mildred Pfaller are now working on the fan-motor line. . . . Good luck to Katy Polka and Maxine Sporleder, who both quit work last week. Katy is going to work in her home town, and Maxine left to be with her husband who is on his way home from overseas. . . . Have you noticed the smile on Lillian Jonhson's face lately? We wonder if her brother has anything to do with it? . . . Geraldine Wagner left for Nevada to be with her husband, who is stationed there. . . . We're glad to see Mildred Kuhn back to work after her recent illness. . . . Margaret Beerman is on her vacation this week, and we hope she is enjoying every minute of it.

Is Zat So?

Well, we finally got a little news about our good friend Ermond Tickel. "Tick" awoke one morning and noticed how light it was already, so he grabbed a bite of breakfast and rushed to work, thinking he was going to be late. He was surprised to find none of his office associates had arrived as yet, and then discovered that it was only seven o'clock instead of eight. Changing back to Standard Time makes quite a difference, doesn't it, "Tick"? . . . 'Tis rumored that after the experience he had last week, Bill Walt is considering going on a diet. Bill was attending a meeting in the private dining room of the cafeteria when his chair gave way, and Bill fell under the table. Was his face red? . . . Some of the boys in the office are trying to start a new fad. Have you noticed Eddie Kronmiller's and Joe Kramer's big bow ties? Mary Pete called Eddie "Frank Sinatra." No kiddin', there is a slight resemblance! . . . Wonder where Arnold Berning's mind was the other day when he went to the wrong parking lot for his car? . . . It's a baby boy at the Cobb residence. Papa Don was granted a furlough so he could come home to greet his new offspring. Congratulations! . . . We welcome Irene Varner, a discharged WAC, to the second shift bond room. . . . Agnes Cordes, Elizabeth Love, Lloyd Buchanan, Loyal Decker, and Frank Guinn are enjoying their vacations this week. . . . Birthday congratulations to Francis Bennett and Bob Beber.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

We're going to have to call Garland Myers "Lucky" from now on. Lady Luck was really good to him. Twice last week. . . . Well, we see the tool crib is being changed about a bit and we also have a new tool crib attendant, Steve Slauf. And we also want to welcome Irene Varner, a former WAC, as our second shift blueprint girl. . . . Even if the weather is getting colder, we still have some ardent fishermen. Gerry Pierce has been singing the blues about the blue gills that got away. Monday, Hoy Bastian came in and told us about the two big fish he had for dinner, but he hastened to add they were caught by his son. Come on you guys, tell us more! . . . Mary Pete is getting well acquainted with us since she is working second shift too. . . . Wonder if Ray Huhn ever got all those Luckies he had coming? . . . Joe Eifrid claims any nickel with a buffalo on it as his very own. So beware! . . . Brickley and Andy Degler head the list on the skunk club this week. When Best, Brickley, and Hutson get together on a job, that's teamwork, Bud. But we notice Keith is the anchor man on the heavy end. . . . Have you noticed that Fred Crickmore always has a big smile when he walks down the aisle. . . . Elmer Mourning was seen "preaching" from an elevated platform recently. Have you taken up a new profession, Elmer? . . . Weaver, an ardent Cub fan, found it takes more than four games to put the Cubs over; much to his regret. . . . B-C-N-U.

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

The past few days calls to mind the old song, "Shine On Harvest Moon." Or hadn't you noticed? Anyway the weather lately feels like we should have a full harvest moon and all that goes with it. All joking aside, it is an exalted, precious feeling to be free in a free country, to be able to enjoy such luxuries, as the moon, sun, stars, and even the air we breathe. This is a wonderful time of year. Don't wait until New Year's eve to make new resolutions. Start now and have a better feeling of kinship toward your fellowman. . . . Paul Bowman is attending the Veterans of Foreign Wars Convention in Chicago. Hurry back, Paul, we miss you. . . . Marie Ellert celebrated her birthday with the gang Wednesday, October 3. They had a delicious potluck for her. Many more happy birthdays, Marie. Are you going to tell us how many you already celebrated? . . . Florence Stanski is floating around on a fleecy cloud these days. Her fiance is on his way home, and we think "middle-aisle" ideas may not be too far off. We wish you good luck, Florence. . . . We regret to report that Gale Wurm is ill at home with a severe case of the flu. We wish you a very speedy recovery, Gale. Hurry back, we miss you. . . . Rose Ulrey wants to pass this advice on to all of us. No matter how dreadfully your teeth are aching, take it easy! Here's what she means: The other day Rosie flew out the door of her home, jumped into her car, and dashed to the dentist. She forgot all about the little red lights in the center of the street. A motorcycle cop proceeded to remind her. When asked what she did, she calmly stated: "I paid my little old fine and went merrily on my way." . . . Eldon Daily wanted to know if Arlene Gaskill was working her way through college when she looked so business-like the other day. . . . We welcome Alice Lester and Beulah Hayden to Group 13x56. Hope you like us and your new jobs. . . . The birthday club of the second trick girls terminated with a potluck one day last week. They decided because of the sudden changes that have taken place in their group to discontinue the club. The potluck they had was in honor of Irene Warner and Orpha McCreary. Their birthdays are not for a while yet, but we wish both the girls a happy birthday, now, too. . . . We welcome Bessie Monroe to Group 13x59. She came to us from Bldg. 4-5 and is working second trick. We hope you like us, Bessie. . . . Clar Nochrwold seems to get quite a thrill out of going for an airplane ride, and we wonder why? . . . We wonder what made Hattie May Pelkey change her mind about going on nights? Glad to have you with us night gals, Hattie Mae. . . . It's nice to see Eva Gault back on the job after being on the sick list for sometime. She also had a birthday while she was off so here's best wishes a little late, Eva. . . . Florence Stanski sure is proud of that new jacket she just received from the G-E Club for being on the Inter-Department Softball Championship team last year. Who wouldn't be? . . . A hearty welcome goes to Joseph Barker, who returned to us from 14 months' service in the Marines. He is working on mechanical inspection on the second trick. We certainly are glad to see you with us again. The old place has changed a lot, Joe, but we hope you like us. . . . Edna Chancsee left our inspection department for parts unknown. . . . Verdine Shields was transferred to the Small Lot Section on second trick from Group 13x13. . . . Jerry Manns should have had a nice steak dinner, since he had the right ticket on the first game of the World Series. . . . Ode to the public: Harold Ferguson and Leo Carney eating hot peppers and only Leo liking them. We don't blame you, "Fergie!" . . . Willard Knop is working days for a while. . . . Lady Luck was with Charlie Heater. He held the winning number on the World Series game Wednesday. . . . Of our number there are quite a few suffering from the worst enemy of the human race, the common cold. Some of those with an exaggerated case of the sniffles are: Wayne Chrystler, Harvey Kerr, Beatrice Hull (in her head), Robert Sowards, Dick Shaughnessy, Bob Williams, and Mary Batchelder. . . . Ethel Ayers, Group 13x56, left us for somewhere in Ohio. Sorry to see you go, Ethel, but good luck. . . . Take it from your reporter, Harold Ritchie, if you don't stop eating so much and so often, you are going to get fat! . . . Dortha Beasely, Small Lot, has been transferred to second trick. . . . Bing Crosby doesn't have a chance. Gilbert Brown announced the arrival of his fifth baby boy. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Brown. . . . Hugh Vail was transferred from Bldg. 26 to Group 13x13 on the washer. . . . Alva Hagy has a fish story for us. He says he caught a bluegill 18 inches long. How about a picture, Alva? Of course, we don't mean we doubt you. . . . When we asked Ethel Gardner if she knew anything newsy, she said, "Well, I ate too much at the potluck the other day, but that's not news." We fooled you, Ethel. . . . Lindsey Eastes passed cigars to his friends on the floor Thursday. Occasion: The birth of a son. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Eastes. Mother and baby are fine. They call him John Phillip. . . . Don't forget the little box by the center clock folks. Let's make this column the best. . . . Signing off this time.

Your Country Cousins.



No - - He Didn't Fall



THANKS TO THE SAFETY BELT. Harold Kniffen, machinist, General Service Division, shown in the above picture, would have fallen approximately 20 feet, when working on top of an accumulator in the Power House, if he had not "TAKEN TIME" for safety before starting the job.

Two weeks ago we published, in this column, a long list of accident briefs on FALLS OF PERSONS OR MATERIAL, which represented 50 per cent of all lost-time accidents so far this year. Since that publication a stator rolled off a work bench and fractured a man's foot; a man fell off a work bench and dislocated his shoulder; a man at Schenectady fell off a ladder and was fatally injured. The kind of SAFETY THINKING demonstrated by Harold when he used the safety belt is the only way YOU and I can keep our names off this list.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

COST

Girls of the Cost Section enjoyed a luncheon at the "Y" on Friday noon in honor of Bernadette Yeranko, who is leaving us. Good luck, Bernie.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

The Tool Room gang recently held a stag party at the home of Howard Bennigan as the aftermath of a bowling match held last summer at the Court Street Bowling Alleys. Present besides the host were Dale Weaver, Kenny Smith, Orten Anderson, Mike Daley, Herman Brandt, Mart Thullen, Dan Barkley, Everett Kelley, Paul Darnell, and Jim Madden. Card playing and singing featured the evening's entertainment. Music was furnished by the Three Musketeers Orchestra with Orten Anderson leading the singing. Mike Daley and Herman Brandt were named card champs for the evening. Mart Thullen drank the most lemonade and Jim Madden ate the most hot dogs.

PRODUCTION

Ralph Schlup is vacationing for the past week. Nicely arranged for the ball games. Did your side win, Ralph? . . . Phil Rockefeller was vacationing the past week also. Hope he enjoyed listening to the World Series games. In between time he got his house rewired. . . . This week's lucky winners were Ray Jennings and Estelle Welling twice, and Steve Buchanan and Shorty Redding. Wonder who will be the final winner. . . . Some people have been suffering along with the old fashioned alarm clock, wishing for the new electric alarm clocks to be on the market again, but I am wondering if Wayne Cook and Heiny Mutschlecner will recommend them. Theirs stopped for an hour the other night and as a result they were late getting to work. How about that, fellows?

PAYROLL

If you are wondering why Francie Bouse and Hortense Stevenson are beaming, it is because Eddie is home on furlough and Steve has received his discharge. Lucky girls! . . . Gloria Wissler has promised to take the girls to dinner since she won so much in the World Series pool. Your generosity is overwhelming, Gloria!

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

We are out of luck for our fish fry this year. Vic Cartwright already has closed his cottage for the season. . . . Clem Leffers is so wrapped up in his Beagle dogs that every now and then you can hear him bay like a hound. . . . J. Warnement has been shifted to the second trick. . . . H. Reiter is sporting a new set of molars. . . . A fellow worker brought Ed Gerdom some spring chickens and put them inside of Ed's car with their feet tied. Some kind-hearted friend untied the poor chickens so they could roost on the soft seat cushions.

ORDER SERVICE

Jeanette Sheffield has returned to work after a nice vacation spent in Chicago, visiting and shopping. . . . Congratulations are extended to Dorothy Palmer upon the arrival of a baby boy. Dorothy formerly worked in this Section a[nd] is better known to many of us [as] Dot Lauer.

SCREW MACHINE SECTION

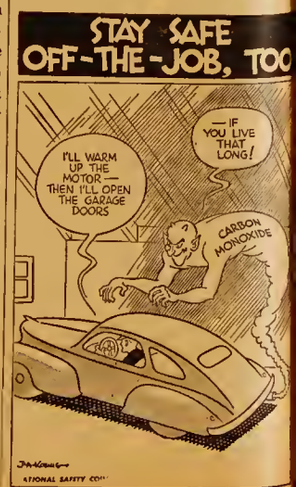
Maxine Hartnett and Vera Po[l]tious wish to thank the person[s] persons who so kindly sent the[m] their Christmas presents ahead [of] time. Someone must have h[ad] sympathy for their eyes. (No mo[re] squintin' with those sun visors).

MISCELLANEOUS

When the girls go out for a snack and order a sundae, Ma[r]garet Motherwell orders a "Bu[f]falo," which turns out to be not[h]ing else but a sundae. Which prov[es] that a sundae by any other nam[e] would taste the same. . . . Charl[es] Spice is spending his vacation fis[h]ing with his brother, who is hom[e] on furlough.

2-3 Office

Clinton McClure will not n[eed] that extra blanket this winter, [be]cause the Florida climate does[n't] need that much attention. M[any] sunny days for you, Clinton, [and] best regards. . . . No one was h[appier] pier last week than Larry G[ay] who became the father of a lov[ely] seven pound beauty. The office [will] not overlook the essence of th[is] momentus occasion because so[me] colleagues very elaborately dec[o]rated his desk when he return[ed] . . . We in Bldg. 2-3 are happy [to] welcome Mary Jean Birkholder [to] the Cost Section. She was former[ly] of Bldg. 19-5. The same kind [of] greeting is also extended to Ma[r]guarte Miller, who hails from W[in]ter Street. . . . Paul Horstmey[er] is now a full time Section 13 m[an] and seems to fit nicely into [the] neighborly group. . . . It's hard [to] find the proper words to welcom[e] a very fine gentleman into Secti[on] 13. We'll dispense with the f[or]mality and speak rather frankly [and] "Mr. Koehlinger, welcome to S[ec]tion 13." After that hearty han[d] shake, we know we'll be friend[s]. As we all know, Mr. Koehlinger [of] Section 13's new superintende[nt] Mr. George Auer, who so ably a[nd] admirably managed our section [by] assuming another big job in S[ec]tion 16. We know you will ma[ke] good, Mr. Auer! . . . Our deepe[st] sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Na[t] Wander, who lost a beloved memb[er] of their family.



Sleuthing In 4-6

It is a well known fact that some men can be gentlemen farmers but Walter Whonsetler wins the State Fair leather medal for the chicken coop he built on the rear of his massive estate. It is a marvel of carpentry, with venetian blinds, foot warmers, and automatic shower baths. The interior decorating is in all shades of pastel to confuse the chickens into thinking they really have something. Anyone wishing a photograph of this marvel of the age, please see Mr. Whonsetler, whose nephew was good enough to take the snapshot for him, showing some of the prime hens peaking out of the windows to see who had rung the doorbell. . . . The friendly chatter of Helen Klopfenstein is certainly missed in Bldg. 4-6, since she left the fifth of October to meet her husband, who is on his way back from the South Pacific. The Central Production Section presented Helen with a lovely gift before she left. We wish the best of luck to both of you. . . . Some more people who left us last Friday were Alice de la Motte, of the Farmout Station, who is taking a two months' leave of absence. . . . Robert Washburn left last Wednesday for Schenectady to take up his new position with the Patent office there. . . . Mildred Raney is leaving us today to join up with the "Housewife's Brigade." We'll miss you, Mildred, but we know that your chief ambition is to learn to be an A-1 cook for Wilton. . . . On the first of October congratulations were being given to Maurice Aubuchon, because he became the proud father of a seven pound baby girl, named Elaine. . . . The typists of the A.C. Section had one big birthday dinner party on October 3 for Betty Hein, Julianne Bowman, and Marguerite Middendorf at the Varsity Club. Betty's birthday was October 3 and she received a nice present from the girls. Julianne and Marge's birthdays were both in September. . . . No news has been made of the fact that Hildegard Kraft has been wearing a lovely diamond for the past month from a certain guy in the Air Corps. . . . Marjorie Murphy reports that she had quite a mosquito chase in her room the other evening. . . . If anybody happens to be wondering why Jean Goldsmith has been walking around whistling "Anchors Aweigh" lately, here is the answer. In the very near future Jean will tie that old knot with Ensign Richard Kyle. Jean will be a good Navy wife, and in the future you will probably hear her speak of her house work something like this—she'll go below decks to stoke the boiler, topside to make the bunks and stow the gear, then she'll swab the decks and hit the chow line, etc. Carry on, Jean, and smooth sailing. . . . The serious act of the absent-minded professor who winds the cat and throws the clock out the door has been surpassed by a well-known engineer in the D.C. Section. (We're not mentioning any names, but somebody hid somebody's ten-o'clock bottle of milk and substituted a bottle of cold water, and the second somebody drank the "milk" wholly oblivious to the fact that he was drinking water). Oh well, we've always heard he'd drink anything.

Veteran Employee Honored by Co-workers



Bessie Chapman is shown standing, above, with Foreman Earl Dillon at the party given in her honor Thursday, October 4, on the completion of 40 years of service. Employees of the Winding and Assembly Sections held the potluck lunch in the factory, Bldg. 26-2, during the regular lunch hour of the group. Bessie is one of the very few women employees having service of this length, and most of it has been in the Specialty Transformer Division.

Medal Winner?

G-E Mail Truck Stops Production Shut-down

To save a possible shutdown of a refrigerator assembly line at the Erie Works recently, the interworks mail truck service carried a rush order of 16,000 pounds of refrigerator housings from the Schenectady Works to Erie in record time, it has just been revealed. Receiving a telegram from Erie, F. D. Gould, supervisor of the punching tool and die division, Schenectady, sought the aid of one of the speedy trucks used in the regular mail service to works other than Erie, which is not a part of the G-E overnight mail truck system.

Quickly loaded at Schenectady, the truck left that city at 3:45 o'clock in the afternoon and arrived at Syracuse at 8:00 o'clock at night, where a relief driver, who had paralleled the route by train, immediately took over. Hitting the trail immediately, he drove into the Erie Works at 6:00 o'clock the next morning. Much of the route was through torrential rains which hit the Syracuse region at about the same time that the hurricane was lashing the Atlantic Coast.

The entire trip of about 375 miles had taken slightly over 14 hours and had prevented serious delay which would have occurred had the usual transportation schedule been used. Result: The assembly line at Erie kept going.

An elderly, unkempt man stood before the judge on a drunk and disorderly charge. As he was about to be sentenced his belt broke and his pants fell down.

"Take this man out and get some rope," the judge ordered as a constable rushed up.

Another prisoner whispered hoarsely to his solicitor, "For cryin' out loud, they can't hang a man for that, can they?"

Victory Lighting Jubilee Will Be Sponsored by G-E

What promises to be the largest and most comprehensive lighting exposition in the history of the industry—sponsored by General Electric's Lamp Department and called the "Victory Lighting Jubilee"—will be held in New York City, November 26-30.

The 5-day exposition will, for the first time, have brought together under one roof a representative cross-section of the combined talents of the lighting fixtures and portable lamp industries. Virtually every manner of fixture designed to help "bring the sun indoors" for commercial, industrial and residential needs will be featured in the forthcoming postwar victory lighting exposition.

The outstanding event was conceived by E. D. Stryker, sales manager of lighting equipment promotion for G-E Lamp Department, Nela Park, Cleveland. He will serve as director of the lighting jubilee exposition, assisted by Arthur F. Loewe of Lamp Department's advertising division.

Would Stimulate Production

In announcing the event, Stryker said, "This Victory Lighting Jubilee has for its principal objective the collective presentation of all the postwar thinking and designing of the fixture and lamp industries for mass acceptance of buyers and users throughout the nation. G-E and its allied equipment manufacturers believe the exposition . . . will stimulate immediate production of peacetime goods to satisfy the pent-up demands created during the past five years."

Invitations to exhibit have been sent to several hundred interior lighting fixture manufacturers and makers of portables in all parts of the country. Initial response indicates that it will be a real problem to house all those who will have accepted. Fixture folks seem anxious to show retail store buyers and wholesalers the results of their designing artistry and manufacturing ingenuity.

Many Will Attend

While the exposition will not be open to the general public, it is expected that the jubilee will attract many representatives from the electric utility, wholesaler, contractor, chain store, furniture store, building, and architectural fields. Extensively featured will be equipments using the new G-E "circline" and "slimline" fluorescent lamps. It is also expected that the latest fixtures using germ-killing, heat-ray, and health-maintaining ultraviolet sources will be exhibited.

Included in the space to be occupied by the G-E Lamp Department will be recent developments out of the Nela Park laboratories and demonstrtaions of new phosphors, Sealed Beam lamp types, photolamps, and the new repeating flash tubes.

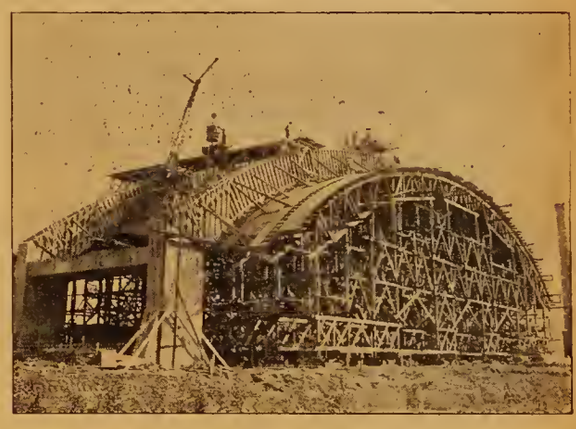
An all-time high in enemy planes shot down by U. S. warships in a single action was recently established off Okinawa by the destroyers HUGH W. HADLEY and EVANS. Between them, the two "tin cans" shot down 42 Jap aircraft, the HADLEY, 23, and the EVANS, 19.

Woodson Appointed

T. T. Woodson has been appointed designing engineer for the Home Laundry Equipment Division of the General Electric Company, it has been announced by J. W. McNairy, manager of engineering and planning for the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Mr. Woodson was formerly a project engineer for the Laundry Division. His headquarters are in Bridgeport.

G-E's Flight Test Hangar



Construction on General Electric's hangar-home for a new "Flying Laboratory" gets under way at the Schenectady Airport with the pouring of concrete in the first forms for the gigantic structure. Employing a novel type of construction to speed its erection, the hangar will be constructed entirely of poured concrete. The entire scaffolding, including the formers for the arched roof, is mounted on wheels. When the concrete in the section shown above has set, the scaffolding will be moved forward to serve as the form for each adjoining section.

Large enough to house four superfortresses, the hangar, when completed, will accommodate four B-24 bombers converted to "Flying Laboratories" for the flight-testing of new equipment. This structure will also be the site of development and test work on all types of jet, gas turbine, radar, and electronic aircraft equipment.

Ten G-E Employees Join Quarter-Century Club



Carl Hankel
James Sarsien

Wilbert Hevel
Harry Magner

Max Pomper
Ralph Leonard

Walter Beeth
Paul C. Menze

Edwin Kortum
Howard G. Miller

New members admitted into the General Electric Quarter-Century Club in recent months on the completion of 25 years of continuous service are shown above. Other employees recently admitted to the veteran employee organization, which sponsors some social events for its members, will be shown in next week's WORKS NEWS.

SCIENCE FORUM
By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. How can the acoustical quality of a school auditorium be improved?

A. Soft surfaces such as heavy velvet drapes, for instance, or heavy carpets, upholstered seats, and some kinds of composition wallboard are effective absorbers which tend to reduce the period of reverberation. The desirable period should be determined by an acoustic expert or an acoustical engineer. It varies somewhat depending upon the use to which the auditorium is to be put and also on the size of the room. A longer period is required for a larger room than for a small one, and likewise for an auditorium used for music rather than one used for speech alone. If the school auditorium is for both music and lecturing, the reverberation period should be a compromise between the ideal periods of each.

Q. Why is wool warmer than silk?

A. The individual hairs in the wool are slightly curled and have little scales which keep the individual fibers apart. The air spaces that are created act as insulators and keep the heat in.

Q. Where does the water go when the tide goes out?

A. The moon raises the tides in the oceans on the earth which move like very long waves over the surface of the earth following the moon. When the tide goes out, the water returns to its original position until the next "wave" is formed by the pull of the moon.

Q. How effective is the protection of lightning rods to a building on which they are installed?

A. Well-grounded lightning rod systems protect buildings against damage in the majority of cases. In fact, the lightning rod, if properly installed, is the only known practical method of protection for buildings during electrical storms. What the rods do is to form a path of low resistance to conduct the current of the lightning safely to the ground. If the discharge were to pass through the building, it would probably start a fire or wreck the building.

Q. Is there an alloy made of gold, silver and copper?

A. The 14-carat green-gold used for jewelry is composed of 58 per cent gold, 36 per cent silver, and 6 per cent copper. Another example is the 22-carat yellow dental plate which is composed of 92 per cent gold, 5 per cent silver and 3 per cent copper. In addition, there are many others.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that.....

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed .....

Location .....

Hold Your War Bonds

With the coming of peace, financial authorities in various parts of the United States counseled against the cashing of war bonds for other than sound purposes, such as permanent home betterments. The following appeared recently in "The Burroughs Clearing House":

"Some recent bank advertising has stressed the monetary advantage of holding war bonds to maturity. Sometimes this is expressed in terms of comparative percentages of return, but The United States National Bank of San Diego (California) illustrates the point that 'war bonds increase in value faster the longer you hold them' with some plain dollars and cents figures that everyone can readily understand. In a newspaper advertisement it states:

'When you pay $75 for a $100 bond, here is how it goes to work for you earning interest:

'After 2 years, it is worth $76.50—$1.50 profit for you (75 cents per year).

'After 4 years, it is worth $80.00—$5.00 profit for you ($1.25 per year).

'After 6 years, it is worth $84.00—$9.00 profit for you ($1.50 per year).

'After 8 years, it is worth $92.50—$17.00 profit for you ($2.12½ per year).

'After 10 years, it is worth $100.00—$25.00 profit for you ($2.50 per year).'

"A footnote reads: 'Note that during the last two years, your bond earns more than 5 TIMES as much interest for you as it did during the first two years!'

"All of which is sound advice on personal finance."

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Maisie was the peach of the Screw Machine Section. She was a blonde. Her hair was as gold as Morgenthau's thoughts. Moreover, she could poke it and perk it and lift it and lower it till it wasn't like hair at all but like the 40-karat-gold Tiffany setting for the ...inoor diamond. ...Maisie was a creature to ...ke a Quarter-Century ...set his time card down, ...d sh... knew it. In her street-clothes she was, that is.



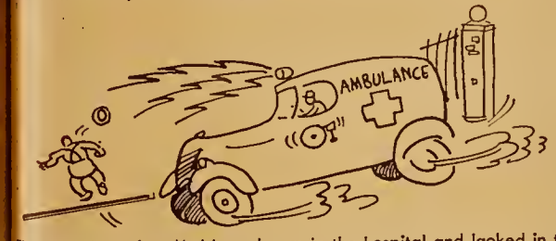


But, every day, before she went into the shop, she suffered herself to cover her hair, her best feature, with this potholder known as a safety cap.

She suffered it and she suffered it until one day she could bear it no longer. It was the morning after Emile, the Impassioned, of Fifth Avenue, New York, had taught her how to construct the halo upsweep—four braids of hair wound over a single strand of pearls. And she had it just right.

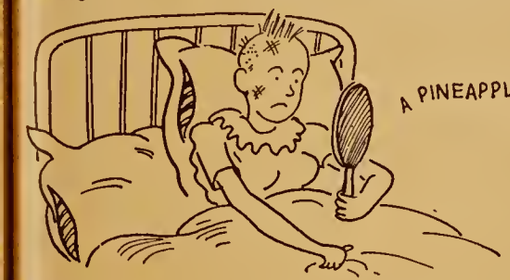
"And, now," she thought, "I put this mouse trap over it—this safety cap. No," ...thought, "I won't." And she didn't.

...Right after that the ambulance siren rang and rang because Maise caught ...r hoir, as she acknowledged a compliment, in the first screw machine ...e come to. She caught her hair and the machine went round and ...nd with it. They were picking up the pearls from the flaor all day.



...The next day when Maisie woke up in the hospital and looked in the ...rror she found that she was no longer the peach of the Screw Machine ...ection.

...She was a pineapple, because she had no hair at all on her head ...xcept far that on the very tap and for a few short bunches here and ...ere throughaut.



...ORAL:

...Girls, if you want to keep your pate intate, don't trust to fate. You'll ...ave to wear that cap to escape mishap.

...M. P. Miles Named

...M. P. Miles has been appointed ...sistant to the manager of manu...cturing of the Appliance and ...erchandise Department of the ...neral Electric Company, it was ...nounced last week by W. Stewart Clark, manager of manufacturing for the Department.

Mr. Miles was graduated from Cornell University in 1931 and joined General Electric the following year. Prior to his new appointment, he was staff assistant to Mr. Clark.

"Fair Sex" Leads In Number of G-E Stockholders

All-time High Reached By Company Holders

Housewives and other members of the "fair sex" lead in the number of stockholders of the General Electric Company, which announced this week that stockholders as of September 21 totaled 239,824, an all-time high.

The figure, said Secretary W. W. Trench, represents a gain of approximately 6,000 stockholders over the previous year's total of 233,828, and a gain of 1,330 over the number of stockholders who received dividends last July 25 for the quarter ending June 22.

September 21 is the record date for the 40-cent dividend payable October 25 to the 239,824 stockholders, Mr. Trench said

Approximately 45 per cent of the Company's stockholders are women, as compared with men, 43 per cent; and business enterprises, 12 per cent.

General Electric stockholders, Company officials point out, reside in all states and possessions of the United States, with the eastern seaboard states taking the lead.

One-third of the total number of stockholders are residents of New York State and Massachusetts, the majority of which reside in the former.

Pressed Globe for G-E Form 81 and 101 Luminaries Released

A new pressed globe known as the No. 232, designed to reduce utility maintenance expense and improve appearance, has been announced by the General Electric Company's Lighting Division, Schenectady, New York. The largest of the pressed type, it is currently available for use with G-E Form 81 and 101 luminaires.

The new globe, shorter than those now employed, is available in clear glass only. Because it is pressed in molds for uniform thickness, annealed to eliminate strains, and has a smoothly-finished edge which eliminates the strain on cracked surfaces of blown glass edges, its life is expected to be considerably longer than that of blown globes.

This globe can be used with either the present style Form 81 and 101 globe holders, or with a newly designed holder similar to the detachable holder used with the Form 79 luminaires.

Owl League Bowling

SATURDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Team No. 4	7	2
Team No. 8	6	3
Team No. 3	5	4
Team No. 7	5	4
Team No. 9	5	4
Team No. 1	5	4
Team No. 12	5	4
Team No. 5	4	5
Team No. 10	4	5
Team No. 2	3	5
Team No. 11	3	5
Team No. 6	2	7

200 Games

P. Stiver, 215; L. Hindman, 207; E. Marsh, 204; D. Chaney, 200; T. Rockhill, 203; O. Surface, 215; F. Garland, 220; R. Krugh, 204; L. Auglinbaugh, 202.

Bowling will be on Saturday this week. All team captains are to meet after the league to discuss this change of bowling days.

G-E Heaters Are Versatile



Proof that General Electric's portable electric heaters can perform a number of jobs probably is "in the eating" here, as Miss Eleanor Nijelski clocks the roasting of a marshmallow in the test room of G-E's Automatic Blanket and Sunlamp Division. Heater models are now on the production lines at the Bridgeport Works.

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G-E Heaters Toast Marshmallows Or Heat Rooms, Engineers Prove

General Electric portable electric heaters will do anything from toasting marshmallows when there's no fireplace handy, to warming up the brooder chicken house, plus doing its usual job as a supplementary home heater, it has been tested and proved by G-E engineers.

The two heater models now on the production line at the Bridgeport Works are the Arizona, the radiant convection type, and the Sunbowl, which features an easily adjusted 14-inch copper reflector that throws heat to any part of the room.

Uses for the G-E portable electric heaters are virtually unlimited and practical: They can be set up in the bathroom, plugged in 20 minutes before the baby's bath and the room will be warm and dry. Set in a corner behind children playing on a drafty floor, the attractively finished grey Arizona heater will help to prevent needless colds by warming the entire room (and the cockles of your heart).

Odd paint jobs can be quickly dried by the heater's reflection; school rooms can be made comfortable for Kindergarteners; and last-minute drying of socks, gloves, etc., is hastened with a G-E portable heater.

As for toasting marshmallows by a portable heater, just follow the usual fireplace procedure. Select a good plump marshmallow; place firmly on the end of a stick or long cooking fork; and hold steadily just inside the wire guard.

Tests show that it takes only 30 seconds to obtain a tantalizing medium brown crust!

A particle of carbon black so tiny that 700,000 of them in a line would measure only an inch can be inspected by scientists through use of the electron microscope, which is capable of magnifying an object 100,000 times.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

Any employees seeking riders or rides should report the necessary information to the WORKS NEWS office by Tuesday noon of the week publication is desired.

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
George A. Helsel (3)*	209 E. Arthur, Hicksville, O. (Coming in on No. 37, through Harlan)	26-1	Peterson	7:00- 3:30

* Number of riders desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

Martha Vergon	R. 1, Huntington, Ind. (14 miles east of No. Manchester on No. 114)	6-8	Grossjean	8:00- 5:15

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

The Girls' League got off to a good start Tuesday, October 2. No team won a clean sweep. Highest team game of 525 was rolled by Team 6, followed closely by Team 4 with 512. Best individual performance was shown by Z. Turner with 163 and a 418 total. M. Critchly rolled second high with 161. Although the scores were of a wide variety, the girls should be commended for their efforts and determination.

In the October 5 rolling of the Men's League, the Rotors showed off by winning the only clean sweep of the evening, which gives them a firm grip on first place since they have lost only one game so far. One pin margin victories were scored by Production over Planning and Punch Press over Wage Rate.

Individual honors go to Newlon for a high 232 and a 579 total. Other scores were: Bergman 212 and 577; Black 199, 209, and 568; Hollingsworth 555; Pennycuff 207 and 541; Fridlin 536; Blackburn 526; Griffifth and Parson each 516; Dick 512; Wikel 510; Samuels a second high 222 and 505; Stodgel 502; and Kretzmann a 215 single.

Apologies to Parson, whose score last week was 544 instead of 454 as stated.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Ellsworth Geller and Royal Roeger tied for high individual score in a rather cool evening of bowling with a 550 count. Roeger's score included a 203, while Geller had a 202. Other 200 scores were Clarence Kolmerten 211, Dean Rinehart 201, Win Kirke 201, and Whitey Michelfelder an even 200. Engineers had high team score with 2615, which included the first single game over 1000, their score being 1005.

Drafting was the only team to win all three of their games, and they now lead the league by a wide margin. They have won 11 while losing only 1. Machinists and Evaporators are tied for second place with 8 wins and 4 losses, while Designers are next with 7 wins and 5 losses.

Tom Piepenbrink still has the highest average with 189, while George Haggenjos is second with 185. Roeger is third with 178, C. Timme is fourth with 175, and Rinehart rounds out the first five with 173. Piepenbrink has the best individual game to date, 235 while Haggenjos has the best series, 623.

NOTICE

OWL BASKETBALL

All managers wishing to enter a team in the inter-division basketball league should be at the G-E Club Monday, October 15, at 2 P.M. sharp. This will be an important organization meeting, and all interested should be present.

Russell W. James
League Manager

Firemen Take Softball Crown



The members of the Fire Department Softball team, which won the InterDivision League championship for the second straight year after a hard season, are shown above.

Back row: left to right, J. Allen, C. Ramsey, G. Emil, E. Hanauer, J. Daley, E. Easterday, and M. Mercurio. Front row: L. Long, A. Lindenberg, D. Scherer, R. Parker, A. Leazier, C. Rose, Mgr., J. Trentadue.

Speed Artists of Sport World Can Be Clocked by G-E Meter

How fast is pitcher Bobby Feller's "fast one?" How slow is a "slow ball?" How many miles per hour does one of golfer Byron Nelson's drives travel? How fast is one of gridder Sammy Baugh's "bullet" passes?

Long a matter for conjecture on the part of sporting hot stove leagues, such speeds are just a few of many that can be clocked scientifically by the General Electric time interval meter, versatile electronic device with a vareity of uses.

Capable of checking extremely short time intervals, ranging from three seconds down to 1/10,000th of a second, the time interval meter can measure velocity of any moving body, can determine speed of a camera shutter, can check synchronization of flash and shutter on a camera, and can test electrical relays, according to G-E electronics engineers.

Light Beams Used

In measuring speed of a moving body, be it a baseball, football, golf ball, or even a rifle bullet, two photo tubes with light sources aimed on them are set up at a known interval apart directly in line of flight of the moving body. The light sources shining on the photo tubes create two beams of light.

The meter begins timing when the moving body in flight breaks the first beam of light and ceases timing when the moving body breaks the second beam. Amount of time consumed between breaking of beams is indicated in milliseconds on the meter dial. With the distance between beams known, the speed of the moving body thus can be computed.

Shutter Operation

In measuring shutter speed on a camera, the time interval meter clocks time consumed by one shutter operation at any speed setting. A photo tube picks up light and transposes it to voltage first when the shutter opens and second when the shutter closes. Difference in time between the two pulses is indicated in milliseconds on the meter dial. This measurement is made without any mechanical connection to the camera which might retard its action.

A Swede entered a saloon, asked for a drink of good old squirrel whisky. The bartender said: "We have no squirrel whiskey, but we have some good Old Crow." "Oh," said the Swede, "I don't want to fly; I yust want to hop around a little."

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Standings

	Won	Lost
General Service	9	3
Motor Generator	9	3
Series & Specialty	9	3
Firemen No. 4	8	4
Laboratory	7	5
Transformer	6	6
Screwballs	6	6
Firemen No. 10	6	6
Wire & Insulation	5	7
Plastics	3	9
Shipping	3	9
Tool Room	2	10

High Games

600 Series: Ludeman, 606.

200 Games: Ludeman, 239, 200; Kleimichert, 236; Kuntz, 236; Starke, 228; R. Rose, 223; Meeks, 222; Cuney, 219; Hanna, 217; Ropa, 217; C. Rose, 216; Mathews, 207; Thiele, 206; Tobias, 204; Saaf, 201; Berning, 201; Bobay, 200.

Table Tennis Fans To Have First Practice Thursday

G-E Men To Have Two Teams in Y. M. C. A. City League

Table tennis fans will soon given a chance to dust off th paddles and get the kinks out their elbows and knees. Lore Ferverda, chairman of table tenn actiivties, has arranged with Yahne, G-E Club manager, to ha the tables and lights set up in t G-E Club Gym Thursday evenin October 18, and all men who li to play are invited to come out practice.

According to Mr. Ferverda, t Club will again be represented th winter in the Y. M. C. A. City Tab League, and will probably spons two teams. Naturally, the best t ent available is wanted for the teams, as the competition in th league is tough.

The Inter-Division League w also be formed and will opera under the direction of Pete Ura who is well known to the local e ponents of the art. This will be t third season for this league a should be a good one, for equi ment and players should be mo plentiful than in recent years.

The past few years have se table tennis increase greatly popularity, particularly among t younger men and women, many whom have learned to play wh in the armed forces. Since they a returning in increasing numbe the game should move ahead at still more rapid rate, and Mr. Fe verda says he expects the leagu mentioned above to meet with gre enthusiasm.

As more detailed plans a formed, they will be announced the WORKS NEWS, and in the mea time, don't forget the practice da Thursday, October 18, at 7:30 P.

Owl League Softball Champs



Above are members of the Firemen's team, which won the Inter-Division Owl League championship b defeating the Motor Generator Owl League team in two straight games in the playoff.

The winners are shown above from left to right: Front Row: George Hosek, Orville Scheer, Jac Laurie, Bob Crosley, Manager Ivan Parrish. Back Row: Elmer Sloan, Oscar Mize, Carl Plattner, Bob Ga rison, and John Stanek.

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BY PRESIDENT CHARLES E. WILSON

To the many employees who wrote in answer to my recent letter, and to the others who may have expected to see a column in the WORKS NEWS before this, I offer my apologies. I had delayed writing until a series of meetings were held in New York, at which time the heads of the various departments were to report their plans and progrss. On the day of the last meeting I became ill and for the first time in my life was confined to a hospital for several days. It now appears that a brief period of convalescence will bc necessary, but nevertheless we have made a beginning on this column, and I will endeavor to make up for lost time.

In line with the promise made in my recent letter, I want to put before you some facts and figures that are emerging from our reconversion period, as well as some estimates of future developments that your management has made, and which were recently reported to the board of directors.

The reconversion period is vitally important, and we are in it now. At another time I want to tell you my point of view on the pricing of our products, on fair wages, and on the relation of both these things to full production and employment. But back of every point of view, whether it is held by the directors of the Company, by you, or by me, there are always some hard facts that have hclped us to make up our

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"VICTORY LOAN" OPENS HERE NOVEMBER 5

Which Would You Rather Have?



Harold Patterson, Bldg. 4-3, looks happy about holding a United States War bond in his right hand and a Japanese bond in his left. Harold has reason to smile, because he personally took the Jap bond off a dead Japanese soldier in Burma—and he and his wife have firm intentions of cashing in their United States bonds in 10 years. A Master Sergeant with Merrill's Marauders, famous volunteer outfit for men having at least two ycars jungle experience, Harold has four battle stars, the American Defense Ribbon, Asiatic Ribbon, presidential citation, Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and a citation from Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek. Incidentally, the Japanese bond is worth about $4 in our money, but now it probably would make excellent wallpaper in Japan.

G-E Employees Will Have Goal Of $158,000

Dr. E. Burns Martin Will Be the Speaker For Rallies

The Eighth War Bond Drive, the "Victory Loan," will open at the Fort Wayne Works Monday, November 5, with G-E employees working toward a goal of $158,000 in cash sales, J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, announced today.

The goal set for this Works includes the Decatur and Kokomo Plants, but the Winter Strcet Plant is separate, with its goal being $12,000.

Martin To Speak

Dr. E. Burns Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend, will address employees in divisional rallies throughout the Works. Dr. Martin is well known to Fort Wayne residents, as he served as pastor of the Wayne Street Methodist Church for seven years prior to 1940, at which time he left to accept his present pastorate.

Although plans for the Victory Loan are still in the formative stage, Mr. Crise felt sure that some entertainment would be brought for

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Annual Campaign for Chest Funds Will Begin Monday

Final plans were completed today for the campaign to solicit funds for Community War Chests, and employee-solicitors prepared to start contacting their co-workers Monday. With this year's slogan being, "Let's Be Generous in Victory," the drive will continue throughout the week.

G-E contributors will be lending support to agencies in their own community, as well as giving a part of their "one day's pay" for the relief of distress of unfortunate persons of all ages abroad. Men and women still in the services also benefit from War Chest funds. Decatur Plant contributions go through the Adams County Community Chest; Kokomo Plant, Howard County; and Broadway and Winter Street Plants, Allen County. The Works drive precedes city campaigns by a few weeks.

"The goal of one day's pay from each employee spread over a period of 52 weeks seems like a small thing indeed," J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, said, "when you compare it to the vast amount of good our total contributions will accomplish." Pledge cards will be distributed by solicitors for deductions on a weekly basis, but cash contributions will be accepted if the employee prefers to handle his donation in that manner.

The 1944-45 Community Chest contributions pledge ends with the December 8 payroll, and newly authorized contributions to the Community Chest will bc effective in the payroll week ending December 16, 1945.

Attractive award banners, "Generous in Victory" will be placed in each division meeting the suggested goal.

Colored Television

Samples of New Sets Will Be Available By End of January

Samples of color television sets manufactured by General Electric will be available by the end of January, according to a statement a few days ago by Dr. Peter Goldmark, television engineer for Columbia Broadcasting Company, in whose laboratories receiver develeopment, both direct-viewing and projection, is now being carried out. Dr. Goldmark's statement came, according to New York papers, during a hearing before the Federal Communications Commission.

Earlier, Paul W. Kesten, CBS executive vice-president, had disclosed that high-frequency color television broadcasting had been satisfactorily accomplished in New York City. Color television plans for CBS, Dr. Goldmark said, in-

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A. W. Bartling Is Promoted In Motor Division Changes

A reorganization has been made of the Motor Division in the General Electric Company's Apparatus Department, according to an announcement today by K. H. Runkle, Manager of the Industrial Divisions, Schenectady, N. Y.

In view of the large volume of electric motor business and the advisability of segregating it into a natural arrangement of operating units, the Motor Division is separated into four divisions and one section.

W. H. Henry, formerly manager of the Motor Division, is appointed assistant manager of the Industrial Divisions in charge of the motor business.

Division Heads Named

The following division managers have been appointed:

A. W. Bartling, manager Fractional-hp Motor Division.

Elliott Harrington, manager Induction Motor Division.



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Now More Can Be Told

The war may be over, but the story of the part played by the people of General Electric is far from completely told. When peace came, the Armed Forces had already released long-secret information on such G-E achievements as the B-29 armament, in which so many took part. In the past few weeks, other rigid controls have been relaxed so as to permit the stories of the radio proximity fuse for shells and bombs, hailed as one of the greatest developments of the war, in the manufacture of which all major Works took part; and the jet engine for the Ryan Fireball plane, which, with its two propulsion units, can climb 5,000 feet a minute. River Works is the center of jet engine development.

Meanwhile the Fort Wayne WORKS NEWS has been allowed to tell of joint development by its Works Laboratory, its Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division and the G-E Research Laboratory of a process which makes it possible to use small motors at extremely high altitudes without quickly wearing out carbon brushes. The importance of this advance, which undoubtedly played a part in every flight of a B-29, can readily be judged by the great secrecy under which the work was done.

It is not anti-climax to tell about these G-E triumphs. The spotlight may be on reconversion, but there are still some important actors on the stage, the people who worked on the vital, hush-hush products that could not be described until long after the victory. And for those who are still waiting in the wings, may the time soon come to applaud them!

An Individual Responsibility

The individual citizen has a definite responsibility in helping to keep the economy stable during the transition from a wartime to a peacetime economy, says the Office of War Information. One responsibility is the necessity of studying reconversion problems and becoming acquainted with the basic policies being pursued by the Government.

To keep the economy from going into a nose-dive during the transition period, it is of the utmost importance that individuals keep their perspective and preserve their balance. There may be numerous dislocations—unemployment, falling business stock, and commodity markets. But, these dislocations should prove only temporary—unless we take fright.

A fear-induced stoppage of buying while we are shifting our economic gears from war to peace is the one thing that could paralyze our economy.

In helping to clinch the fight against rising prices, there are three specific things the individual can do, each of them important:

(1) Spend sensibly—For some time to come, goods will still be scarce in relation to buying power. The individual can help himself and serve his country by taking it "slow and easy."

(2) Save—So long as the supply of goods remains inadequate to satisfy demand, a continued high level of savings is necessary to relieve pressure on prices and combat inflation. Remember that bonds are still one of the most important bulwarks against inflation. Remember too that the Government needs your money to meet the grave responsibilities of war's aftermath.

(3) Cooperate with the stabilization measures which remain in effect—Rationing, price, and wage controls are being relaxed as rapidly as possible, but in peace as well as in war, anti-inflation measures will work only if the people want them to work and give them their active, day-by-day support.

WELL DONE!



The fleet's in, and Navy Day this year will be the greatest in the history of America. It will also be the greatest Navy Day for General Electric, which had an epoch-making share in the building of the mighty force of armadas that was rushed into being in time to save our country after Pearl Harbor paralyzed our naval power in the Pacific.

In the engine rooms of many of those ships which proudly pass the Statue of Liberty this week hum many a turbine electric unit from G-E. Inside the hulls also are auxiliary units, switchboards, cables of our make. In their turrets and on deck the gleaming armament tells of G-E fire control, and they proudly bear that new shield, the magic eye of radar.

This is only a part of the story. G-E had more to do with the war at sea than helping equip the Navy, but this is the Navy's day, and all those men and women of General Electric who helped are entitled to share in the glory. Without a strong naval power in the future, America would be unfortunate indeed. Long live the Navy!

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

PASTRY TIPS

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

Probably "simple as pie" applies to the pie-making routines of most homemakers; but here are a few suggestions even the best pastry cooks may want to tack in the front of their cook books.

These are little "extra" Consumers Institute tips which will take the edge off of your baking day and add a zest to your fruit pie.

Tart Shells

Shape a 3-inch circle of pastry (about ⅛ inch thick) over the back of a custard cup. Trim pastry edges and prick perforations with the back of a fork, or make a crinkly edge with a pastry wheel. Bake at 425° F. for about 10 minutes or until crust is light brown. Fill with your favorite cream-filling.

Cheese Layers

Combine leftover scraps of pastry. Don't squeeze scraps together in a ball, but make neat, flat piles of them. Roll out in a sheet about ⅛ inch thick and sprinkle with grated cheese. Fold the pastry over in a loose roll. Again sprinkle with cheese and fold, making layers of cheese. Cut in strips or fancy shapes. This cheese pastry is nice with fish or canape entrees.

Prevent "Too Juicy" Pies

To prevent your fruit pies from running, fit the lower crust into the pieplate, and with scissors cut the lower crust so that it extends about ⅜ of an inch over the edge of the plate, all around. Fill the shell with fruit just slightly rounded to the top of the pieplate. Put the top crust on, extending it about an inch over the edge. Fold the top pastry edges over the lower extended edges and press together firmly. Stand the edge up and crimp or press together with your thumb or with the back of a fork, being sure not to prick through the crust. Bake fruit pies at 425° F. for 40 to 45 minutes.

Meringue Pies

Try using slices of bananas on the bottom crust of a meringue pie.

To make the pie more attractive, peak or ridge the meringue instead of smoothing it on.

Bake meringue pies slowly—325° to 350° F. for 20 to 30 minutes depending on the thickness of the meringue.

To brown any pie evenly on the bottom, try baking it in an enamel pie pan or in a heat-resistant pie plate, rather than in a bright shiny pan.

Pastry Cover

It helps to have a regular pastry cover (heavy toweling, or canvas) for your rolling pin. Rub the covered pin slightly with flour first to prevent the pastry from sticking. To use cover again, merely shake it and scrape off excess flour. When rolling pastry, remember to avoid stretching and tearing by handling pastry very gently.

Suggestions

Let the glistening reds and purples of fruit pies shine through a pinwheel crust decoration.

In your rhubarb pie, use combined chunks of pineapple, fresh strawberries and rhubarb.

Tuck fresh fruit into cream pie fillings.



Many G-E Clubs Open Busy Activities Season

War Veterans Announce "Feather Party" November 9

Public Is Invited to Affair in G-E Club

The General Electric World War ...erans' Association will hold a ...eather Party" Friday, Novem... 9, at the G-E Club that will be ...n to the general public, George ...son, president of the group, an...nced today.

The G-E Veterans' Association ...nsors annually a bingo party ... the public, Mr. Ellison said, and ...ets will be in the hands of con... men on the floors this week. ...es of fowls will be given to ...ners in the contests, which led ... the novel title for the party.

The party will start at 8 P.M., ... several attendance prizes will ... given.

Vic Boutwell, Bldg. 26-1, is sec...ary-treasurer of the association, ... Royal Roeger, Winter Street, ... vice-president. The club officers ...e arranging the party with the ...lp of some members to be an...nced later.

Contact men holding tickets were ...ged to acquaint co-workers with ...is fact so that all wanting tickets ... the party will get them.

Tiny War Gadget Will Improve Home Radio Reception

A tiny gadget developed by Gen...al Electric for making better ...dio reception possible aboard the ...ant B-29's will be an important ...tor in bringing better radio re...tion in the homes and else...ere, now that industry again is ... a peacetime basis, according to ... W. Frick, G-E engineer.

Known as a radio noise filter, the ...vice is being widely used to elim...ate static or buzzing in electrical ...uipment, such as household ap...ances, so the disturbances will ...t interfere with radio "listening ...asure."

In the case of the B-29, Mr. ...ick explained, the motor which ...ives the gyro used in the compli...ted gunfire control was produc...g such a buzz or hum that it was ...ficult for the crew's radio oper...or to pick up distant signals. ...plication of the filter to the gyro, ...though it was particularly diffi...lt due to the limited space avail...le, stopped the disturbance before ... reached the radio and greatly ...proved the reception.

The device used on the Flying ...rtress, he said, was designed for ...rticular conditions that applied ... military communications and ...erefore is of limited application ...ly.

However, improved filters devel...ed in the Company's General En...neering and Consulting Labora...y have been applied to apparatus ...ch as generators, exciters, ampli...ers, inverters, dynamotors, and ...uipment not only in aircraft, but ... other machinery which helped ... win the war.

Squares "Open House" Parties "Pack' Em In"



Proof that the recent Friday night "Open House" parties at the Squares Club Rooms are both informal and entertaining is shown above. Members and their guests drop in to dance, play bridge, shuffleboard, or just catch up on small talk with their friends. (See story below).

It's Ladies' Night Tonight

Plans for Parties Tonight and October 26 Told by Squares Club

With a steadily increasing interest in the Friday night "Open House" parties in the Squares Club Rooms, club members were reminded today of two more Friday night affairs that are designed to "pack the house."

Tonight the Women's Division of the General Electric Squares Club will hold a "Square Fair with Pappy There." Mrs. Norwood Blankenship is chairman of the party, and Mrs. Kenneth L. Kimmel is serving as co-chairman.

Only members of the Women's Division will be admitted to the party tonight, along with their husbands, and an interesting program has been planned for the evening. A Dutch lunch is to be served.

At the same time Marion C. Halleck announced that plans have been made to hold another informal Squares "Open House" next Friday night, October 26, in the club rooms at 219 East Berry Street.

In addition to card playing, dancing, and shuffleboard, there will be a table tennis exhibition by Lore Ferverda, table tennis champion of 1945, and Ted Reed, runner-up. Admission will be by the 1945 or 1946 membership cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion C. Halleck, Mr. and Mrs. George Stone, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Becker will act as hosts for the evening.

G. C. Mapelsden Gets Quality Control Job

G. C. Mapelsden has been named quality control engineer for the new quality control section which has been set up by the home laundry equipment division of General Electric's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by E. E. Folsom, quality control engineer for the Department.

The function of quality control is to provide a service for engineering and manufacturing sections to evaluate the quality of products marketed by the company.

W. H. Smith Dies At Devon Home

W. H. C. Smith, General Electric wire and cable expert who retired a few years ago after nearly 40 years of service, died recently at his home in Devon, Conn.

Mr. Smith's association with G-E began in 1900 at the Schenectady Works. The first price list for varnished cambric insulated cables is credited to him.

During ensuing years, Mr. Smith became a wire and cable specialist. In 1923, when the production of building wires and cables, portable cords, etc., was transferred to Bridgeport, he came along as manager of wire and cable sales. His close interest in wire and cable manufacture and sales continued through his long association with G-E.

Long-time member of the building wire group of the National Electrical Manufacturers' Association, Mr. Smith served at various times as vice-chairman and chairman of the group. He also was on the advisory committee of the approved cord movement for many years.

In 1936 Mr. Smith became assistant to J. H. Crawford, manager of sales for the Construction Materials Division of General Electric. It was from this position that he retired in 1939.

Wire of cobweb consistency only a third as thick as human hair, is used in instruments that measure electronic circuits. A pound of the wire stretches 62 miles.

G-E Rod and Gun Club Members Will Meet Tuesday

G-E Rod and Gun Club members will open their winter indoor season next Tuesday evening, October 23, in the South Side Rifle Range, H. R. Beitel, secretary-treasurer of the group, announced today.

The meeting will start at 7 P.M., and all members and prospective members are urged to be there to settle some details for the winter season. Plenty of ammunition is available, Mr. Beitel said, and members will get in a lot of practice during evening.

Those who will attend this opening meeting of the group are to come in the north entrance.

Ralph C. Dean Named G-E Sales Manager Of Conduit Products

Ralph C. Dean has been appointed sales manager of the Conduit Products Division of General Electric's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by D. J. Murray, division manager.

Mr. Dean came to G-E in 1930, upon graduation from Washington University, St. Louis. In 1940 he became secretary of the Defense Committee, which planned the conversion of A. and M. Department factory space for the manufacture of war equipment.

He was later commercial engineer, then manager of sales for the Ship Fittings Division of the Company.

Inspector: "Don't you know you can't sell life insurance without a license?"

Salesman: "I knew I wasn't selling any, but I didn't know the reason."

Decatur G-E Club Plans Halloween Dance October 27

Winter Season To Be Opened at Sunset Park

The Decatur G-E Club will open its winter season with a Halloween Dance Saturday night, October 27, from 9 P.M. to 12 M. at Sunset Park, Jay Moser, committee chairman, announced today.

Myron Pearce and his All-girl Orchestra will play for the affair, and prizes will be given for outstanding costumes at the dance.

This will be the first time since the beginning of the war that all shifts of the plant can attend the dance together, Mr. Moser said, and urged all Decatur employees to come out for this opening club affair. Arrangements are being made to accommodate a large crowd, he said, as indications were that a huge turn-out would be present.

The All-Girl Orchestra presents a smooth dancing style, as well as singing entertainment throughout the evening. Most of the girls in the orchestra combine in various singing groups to assure patrons an evening crammed with a variety of good numbers.

The club committee in charge of the affair urged Decatur G-E employees to attend the dance, whether or not they wish to mask.

Wanta' Join

Model Railway Club May Originate Here

Maybe you've thought of this too, but three G-E men said it first and therefore will have the distinction of being club founders if their idea to form a Model Railway Club clicks with G-E employees.

Maurice J. Libbing, Bldg. 19-5, William Cripe, Bldg. 26-2, and Floyd Brown, Bldg. 26-2, have been interested in tinkering with model railway units for years, and recently discovered by chance that all three had the same idea about the possibility of getting all G-E model railway fans together.

In many large cities, notably Chicago, Milwaukee, Cleveland, and New York, large associations have been formed so that members could enjoy this hobby with others. The clubs create and develop a model layout, pool their equipment frequently, and exchange ideas on improvements. If the idea clicks here, Messrs. Libbing, Cripe, and Brown think such an association would be a lot of fun.

Employees interested in the idea should see one of the three men.

The story is told that an Italian prisoner of war working on a peanut farm in the South recently told the owner that Mussolini had told the Italians that they would soon be marching across the plains of the United States. "What he didn't tell us," the prisoner said, "was that we'd have to pick up peanuts on the way."

Where Your War Chest Dollars Go



Mrs. Jess W. Lipkey is shown above interviewing applicants for Room Registry Service, a Community Chest agency which in the past 12 months has aided 10,451 soldiers and local persons in finding suitable living quarters. This is but one of the many services offered through the Community Chest agencies, and dollars contributed to the War and Community Chest help keep this vitally needed service going.

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minds. This time I will report only on some of those facts, as they relate to people, plants, and floor space.

In putting together this report I have taken figures as they existed on January 1 of this year, and with the help of the various officers and managers have tried to project them to the end of 1947.

As you know we acquired many plants during the war, in a great hurry. There was no time to pick the locations or the kinds of buildings that would work out best for us in peacetime. In order to do the job we were called on to do we had to expand tbe Company—the space it occupied and the number of its employees—far beyond anything we had planned. The extent to which we will reconvert successfully, from your standpoint and mine, depends a great deal on how much of this greater volume of business and how many of these added employees we can retain and still operate sensibly.

At the end of 1947 we now expect that General Electric—and I mean the parent Company—will have one more plant, in total, than it had last January. Our affiliated manufacturing companies* will have six more plants. In floor space the parent Company will have added almost a million square feet, and our affiliated companies over two million square feet. That adds up to a grand total, at the close of 1947, of about seven more manufacturing plants and three million square feet more of floor space than we had at the wartime peak. That will be the margin of physical improvement which your company now hopes to contribute to postwar American industry.

The period of change, from 1945 through 1947, offers some interesting sidelights. The parent Company, although it will increase its total of plants by only one, will actually add some 27 plants. The difference is accounted for by the fact that we will be discontinuing some of the government-owned temporary war-time operations, carried on largely by our Apparatus, Electronics, and Appliance Departments. You will appreciate the difficulties involved when I tell you that the Electronics Department alone, if its peacetime business comes up to our expectations, will need a million square feet less of floor space than it required to make radar and the other electronic war products. This is the kind of problem we are trying to solve with the least hardship to all concerned. It needs your understanding.

As to people, the picture looks this way. By the end of 1947 General Electric will have reduced the number of its employees by only about 13,000, but our affiliated companies will have added about 4,000—making a net reduction of about 9,000 and a grand total employment of about 140,000. Before the war we employed only about half that number. This reduction from the wartime peak does not necessarily mean unemployment for lack of work. It means that a great many emergency employees, and others who have been working for patriotic purposes will leave the Company for reasons of their own. This has been going on for some time. Many of the temporarily laid-off are back at work, and as of today there has been less than 10 per cent reduction from our full wartime load. I mention these things simply as facts. They do not represent any Company policy.

We older employees know that the Apparatus Department has a special character. It is continually developing new small businesses and these are transferred at the proper time to other departments so that they can expand directly and serve our customers better. This keeps our Company in better balance. Therefore, when we note that employment in the Apparatus Department will probably be down about one-sixth by the end of 1947, and that employment in the Electronics Department will probably be down about one-third because of the cancellation of its wartime jobs, we should particularly note that employment will rise sharply in the Appliance Department—by about 50 per cent—that employment in the Air Conditioning Department should be up by a third, and that employment among the affiliated companies should rise about 50 per cent. These are merely the signs of healthy expansion and rearrangement. They promise greater production and employment, not less. I hope they show our confidence in the Company's future, and in yours.

These things—plants and machines—are the real raw materials of industrial reconversion. Rearranging them for the greatest utilization of the Company, its employees, and its customers, requires a good deal of time and thought. In my next contribution I want to talk about the locations of our new plants, why they are being set up, and their relation to existing plants. What I have outlined briefly above is what we hope to do if we are given a fair opportunity. Of course it is subject to change, and its successful administration in any case depends upon your understanding and support.

*Carboloy Co., Edison G-E Appliance Co., G-E X-Ray Corp., Locke Insulator Corp., Monowatt Electric Corp., Trumbull Elec. Mfg. Co., Warren Telechron Co.

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clude installation of a one-kilowatt television transmitter in the Chrysler Building. He indicated that the General Electric-made receivers would be produced under a cooperative licensing arrangement with CBS whereby G-E will take Columbia receiver developments and turn them into commercial products.

Believe it or not, the women are the stronger sex. Women live longer, by about five years, die less easily, and don't have as many accidents.

Do You Like Long Walks?

Harold Hastings Is Typical G-E Returnee--Despite 500-Mile Hike

(See pictures on Page 9)

If you're interested in discussing the pros and cons of a 500-mile hike through war-torn enemy country, Ex-Private Harold Hastings, now a packer in the Specialty Transformer Division, is your man.

Harold is the soldier featured on Page 9 of this week's WORKS NEWS and although his story is much like those of other honorably discharged servicemen who have returned to General Electric to take up civilian jobs again, it is, on the other hand, stranger than some.

Take that 500-mile hike, for instance.

Harold was in the thick of the fighting in Africa, and it was there that the Germans caught up with them, and he and about 50 of his buddies were forced to put down their arms for the duration. His was not an isolated unit, however, Harold explains, because in the same period, the Germans captured 3,000 Allied soldiers before more reinforcements started turning the tide.

Taken to Naples, Italy, by plane, Harold and others in his group were then herded into box cars for the trip to Germany. He spent some time in Stalag 7A, a German prison camp near Munich; then was transferred to Stalag 3B, near Furstenburg, and also was confined at Stalag 2B at Hammerstein, which is near the Baltic Sea.

That "hike" referred to above was in connection witb movement of prisoners of war when the Allies were beginning to close in. He and his group were forced to walk—day in and day out—from the 19th of February to the 11th of April. They covered the distance between Schlawe to Tangenmunde, an estimated 500 miles. It was at Tangemunde that the boys were liberated and finally sent home.

Conditions at the prison camps were not too bad, Harold said, after the first four or five months because Red Cross boxes started coming through then. At first, there was very little to eat.

Harold handled a 60 mm mortar in action and participated in the Tunisian battle and the invasion of Africa. He wears the pre-Pearl Harbor ribbon, Good Conduct ribbon, and the European campaign ribbon with two battle stars.

Glad to be back at a civilian job again, he expressed a lot of pleasure at the way G-E has handled his return to work.

Welcome back, Harold.

L. J. Male Named G-E Superintendent At Schenectady

Succeeds B. G. Tang, Who Retires After Long Service With Company

Lewis J. Male, Assistant General Superintendent of General Electric's Schenectady Works, has been appointed General Superintendent, effective October 1, according to an announcement made by J. M. Howell, Works Manager. Mr. Male succeeds Bernhard G. Tang, whose retirement September 30 concluded 45½ years of service with the Company.

Mr. Male is a native of Schenectady and first worked as an apprentice in his father's blacksmith shop. From there he went to the Forge and Blacksmith Department of the American Locomotive Company, and in 1913 he joined G-E as a machinist in the Commutator Department. In 1916 he was transferred to the Piece Rate Department, establishing, in 1920, the Rate Department of the Switchboard Department at the Philadelphia Works. The next year he moved to Baltimore to continue this same work.

After six months he was again transferred to Schenectady's Rate Department. In August, 1926 he was appointed foreman of the Drop Forge Department, with the succeeding promotions of General Foreman in 1928, and of Superintendent in 1931.

Having served as Assistant Superintendent and Superintendent of the Industrial Control Manufacturing Division, he was appointed Assistant General Superintendent of the Schenectady Works on June 1, 1944.

Mr. Tang, a native of Copenhagen, Denmark, came to this country in 1892 and completed his education in Brooklyn, N. Y. He came to G-E in 1898 as a toolmaker, to leave the following year. He returned in 1900. After holding various positions in the Works, Mr. Tang was appointed Assistant General Superintendent in 1925, and then General Superintendent in 1928, the position he held until his retirement.

Victory Loan

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the divisional meetings, or made up from within the divisions themselves. Present plans are to use much the same soliciting organizations that has been used in previous campaigns and award divisional banners to groups meeting the goal.

Bring Boys Back

"We must remember that although the war is over, great sums of money are still needed to pay off and provide benefits for eight million or more veterans to be discharged by next July. In short, let's bring the boys back home," Mr. Crise said, in explaining why employees would be asked to support another bond drive.

Money collected in the Victory Loan also will be used to pay the bills for munitions and material already delivered and used; to pay the cost of guarding Germany and Japan; to pay for the care of our wounded and disabled; and to keep the lid on price inflation.

COLD WEATHER NOTE: Only half as many people died from excessive cold as those who died from excessive heat during 1943, the National Safety Council reports.

G-E's Radio Dynamotor Played War Role

Fractional and Laboratory Engineers Made Development

G-E employees who helped build the million radio dynamotors that left the Fort Wayne Works for a "war job". probably found it difficult to tie up their routine tasks with the drama of a fighting vessel, or a bouncing jeep, or a speeding airplane locked in battle with a Jap or German ship far above the clouds. But they contributed much, as engineers of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division and the Works Laboratory, who developed a great new dynamotor for the war effort, can tell you.

The importance that dynamotors and radio sets played in the war cannot be over-emphasized. These multi-channel radio sets were required to direct artillery fire, to keep in touch with Patton's fast-moving tanks, to direct landings, to consolidate hard won positions, to issue split second orders to fighters and bombers, and finally to send out the SOS that saved so many lives.

For the operation of radio tubes in radio transmitters, radio receivers, and radar devices, a high DC voltage supply is required, and it is the dynamotor that is used for this source of high DC voltage on war apparatus. Every airplane, tank, naval vessel, command car, and jeep had one or more dynamotors.

The radio dynamotor is a rotating device which operates from a low voltage source, such as a generator or storage battery, and which supplies the high DC voltage required for radio tube operation.

The latest dynamotor which helped clinch the argument with the Japs was developed specifically for the long distance, high flying B-29 Superfortress. This dynamotor had to be better in everything than any previous dynamotor.

It had to be rugged to withstand terrific vibration and light weight to permit carrying more bombs and gasoline. It had to give satisfactory operation in very wet air, in very dry air, and at temperatures as low as 58°F. below zero and as high as 158°F. above zero. And all this for long periods without service.

The engineering and precision workmanship built into this new dynamotor for the B-29 Superfortress is indicated by the following comparison of its performance with the old dynamotor built for the B-17 Flying Fortress:

Requirements	Old Dynamotor Used on B-17 Flying Fortress	New Dynamotor Used on B-29 Superfortress
Weight—max. lbs.	32	16
Output—DC volts	1000	400,750,1150
Output—watts	350	565
High Altitude Life—Min. hours	35	100
Transmitting ceiling—feet min.	15000	40000
Radio noise—micro volts max.	No limit	2.5
Load rating	Intermittent	Continuous

Many problems were encountered and solved by Fractional engineers and Works Laboratory personnel in meeting these requirements. For example, high altitude imposed increased stress on the insulation and involved a study of corona, which is the ionization and breakdown of air next to a high voltage conductor. Every dynamotor was tested to make sure no corona was present.

The hot, extremely humid climate found in the island jungles of the South Pacific presented a tremendous problem in insulation and finish of high voltage dynamotors. The insulation and finish broke down in a few hours on the first machines tested, but was subsequently improved to withstand long exposure. The magnesium alloys used to obtain the extremely light weight construction were found to corrode and go to pieces very rapidly, and special finishes had to be developed.

Elimination and measurement of the radio noise was one of the most difficult problems met and solved. Radio interference voltage had to be less than two and one-half millionths of a volt to avoid disturbing other radio equipment on the plane. This dynamotor was one of the first devices in the United States to have radio interference tests made on every machine.

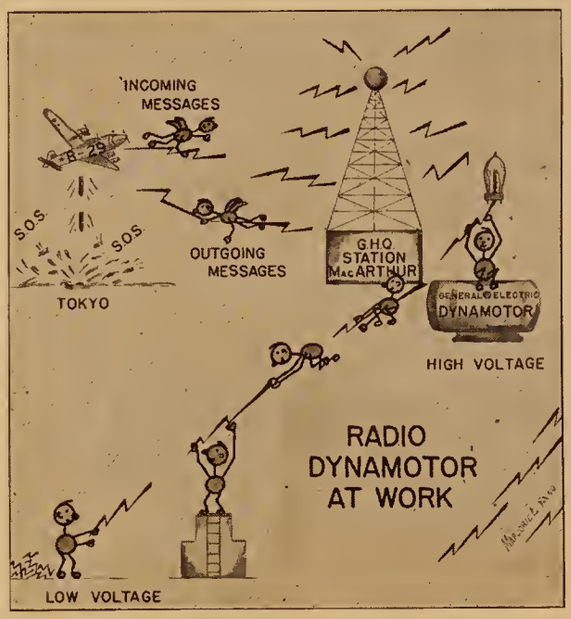
But the job was finally done, and done well, so that the new dynamotors gave such excellent service that the original orders for spare parts were greatly reduced.

Contributed to Development of New Dynamotor



S. L. Moore, E. M. Stanbery, W. R. Goss, O. A. Doherty, and R. D. Jones (left to right above), all of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, are shown examining a dynamotor used in the B-29 Superfortress. The smaller dynamotors shown are used in both "airborne" and "on the ground" radio equipment. These men contributed much to the success of tbe radio dynamotors used in the war.

Artist Portrays What It Does



Here is an artist's conception of the radio dynamotor at work. The gnomes, representing the radio dynamotor, are taking volts from a low voltage supply pile and lifting them up to the high voltage necessary for operation of the radio tube. Radio communication both ways between radio station MacArthur and the B-29 Superfortress is made possible with radio equipment including these dynamotors.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The Dispatchers Club held its regular monthly meeting October 9 at the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Otto Adams, comptroller of the City of Fort Wayne and superintendent of the City Light Company, was the principal speaker of the evening. Mr. Adams, an able official and a fluent speaker, spoke on "What Happens to Your Tax Dollar." He gave a brief outline of how a city government receives its income, how it allocates its money to the various branches, and the processes by which the city's business is carried on. Mr. Adams cited many examples, some serious and some humorous, of why a city government must sometimes do things that do not meet taxpayers' approval, and why it sometimes cannot do things that the taxpayers desire. After his talk Mr. Adams answered questions asked by members of the audience about civic affairs. Mr. Adams was introduced by Ernest Gallmeier, a member of the Board of Public Safety, who is also a member of the Dispatchers Club. . . . Don't forget the Dispatchers Club Halloween dance, which will be held Friday evening, October 26, at the Chamber of Commerce. Dispatchers who have tickets should make every effort to dispose of all their tickets before October 23, because the cash for tickets sold and the unsold tickets should be returned to Robert Hanes, Supercharger, on that date.

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

The series is over and everyone in Bldg. 12-B is tired, competition was pretty keen down there. Anyone would have thought it was Wrigley Field. . . . Marjorie Dietz is sure wearing a broad smile, and why shouldn't she? Her hubby is home on a 15-day leave. . . . We wonder what kind of farmers Bill Hattendorf and Butch Keniffen would make? ? ? . . . Russell Flaugh must be living right, as he was the holder of the lucky number twice this past week. . . . You tell us where Fred Zendlier gets those shirt and tie combinations, and what bright colors!!! . . . We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of William Braithwaite, who died last week. He was a former employee of Bldg. 8. . . . Congratulations, Harry Beltz, on becoming a "grand-pappy." It was a seven pound baby boy. . . . We wish to welcome George Brown, Jr., to the Planning Section.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Greetings to everyone from Bldg. 6-3. . . . We have another newcomer in the office, Betty Millhouse, our new file clerk. . . . Hope you like your new job. . . . Many are still enjoying their vacations. Helen Eggleman just returned from a grand vacation. . . . Glad to have Edith Biddle and Jerry Steller back with us after their recent illnesses. . . . That extra cheering at the Notre Dame football game was from Phyllis Trump and Naomi Knapp. Did your team win, girls? . . . Ginny Miller enjoyed some good old Southern hospitality minus the "fried chicken" while visiting friends this week-end in Louisville, Ky. . . . Loraine Wojack is beaming all over lately. Yes, her boy friend just arrived home from overseas. Lucky girl. . . . How did all of you come out on the World Series, especially you, Sherm? Were you lucky? We'uns

Doing Twofold Postwar Job

G-E Philadelphia Works Trains Wounded Vets at Naval Hospital

General Electric at the Philadelphia Works is doing a twofold postwar job which a short time ago brought enthusiastic praise from Naval Captain M. J. Aston, Medical Officer in Command of the Naval hospital at Philadelphia. It is maintaining for patients there a class for the training of draftsmen, and on the discharge of these patients, when their treatment is complete, it is employing some of them at the Works in their new profession.

The Company provides training class instructors and facilities, and the men are placed on the payroll while still patients. Several members of the class were wounded in the tough fighting in the Pacific. Among them is Marine James C. Scanlon, who, while recovering from wounds received during the invasion of Guam, took the drafting course during his recovery, went into the drafting section of the Panel and Equipment Division at the Philadelphia Works, and married a G-E girl in the Relay Section.

Pleased at General Electric's aid for the wounded veterans, Captain Aston wrote Works Manager C. A. Salmonsen, "We consider that you have made a notable contribution to the welfare, comfort, and future security of these young men, as well as having been instrumental in aiding materially in their rehabilitation."

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

We want to welcome Florine Coles, Stella Mailand, and Vivian Curran back with us. We also want to welcome Marian Miller and Gerna Ashcraft, who are new in our division. We want you girls to stay with us. . . . It seems as though there are a lot of happy wives in our division lately. Myrtle Jones' husband arrived home last week. . . . We're sorry to lose Doris Halloman, who left us to be with her husband. . . . We wonder if Charley Dougherty knows his own strength. The other day he hit himself on the head with the handle of the press. Did you see any stars, Charley? . . . Gee, was Helen Engle's face red the other night when the policeman handed her a pink slip. The stoplight was blushing quite a bit too. Oh well, what's two dollars anyway, Helen! . . . Charley Horsemeyer spent yesterday eating chicken. How many chickens did you consume, Charley? ? ?

Took G-E Training Course While Naval Hospital Patient



James C. Scanlan, in Marine Corps since 1942, took part in the Bougainville Campaign, saw service in the Marshalls, and was wounded during the invasion of Guam. While recovering in the Naval Hospital in Philadelphia, he joined the G-E Drafting Training Class established by the G-E Philadelphia Works for veterans who were interested in furthering their education while still in service. While under medical treatment at the hospital, the vets are placed on G-E payroll and upon discharge from the hospital a number have joined drafting sections throughout the plant.

Assigned to the Drafting Section of the Panel and Equipment Division at the Philadelphia Works after completion of the course, Jimmy says the training he has gotten at G-E has meant a good deal to him and he's learned a lot. While still in the Corps, he expects to be discharged soon and intends to stay on at G-E.

2-3 Office

Zoa Didier is greatly missed by her crew in the Cost Section. We sincerely wish you a speedy recovery and look forward to your return with great anticipation. . . . Ray O'Neil must be working on some mysterious angle, because he is wearing a bow tie to work. Just what can this mean to Mr. John discussing a man's years. Now the problem that seems to be encountering the Production Section is Noble Bell's real age? There seems to be an uncertainty in the minds of most people. At some recent neighborly gathering, he answered to a call of "FATHER." Mind you, his wife calls him that. . . . Well, it really is good to see you back to work, Larry! Lawrence Richert has been absent because of a bad leg. . . . We would like to see a large crowd congregated at the Bldg. 2-3 Hard Times Office Party to be held October 26, 1945. Perhaps if you recall some of the novel parties that Bldg. 2-3 is capable of having, you will be there without fail. Do make a specific effort to indulge in some genuine fun. . . . Your column, as you know, can only be possible if enough information is turned in to warrant writing. However, many people decline to give some very amusing incidents, because they may be afraid that the source of information may be revealed. We suggest that a box be placed at the front of the office, and it will be strictly confidential because it will be under "lock and key." Your cooperation is very much needed and very much appreciated.

Q. Public? Wouldn't you like to tell us the real story, or would you rather have us draw our own conclusions? That, we believe, is fair enough. . . . Mary LaTurner is elated beyond words since she received word that her husband is headed home. He has been serving our armed forces in the Philippines. We are truly happy for you, Mary. . . . We realize that it's unethical to discuss a woman's age, but there is nothing in the books about not

Q. What happens when a body is completely immersed in water?

A. The telephone rings.

News From ★★★★★★★★★★ THE SERVICES

G-E in Manila



T/Sgt. Carl Scott recently sent the picture reprinted above showing a G-E store in Manila that had certainly seen better days.

Headed Home

In a recent letter dated September 24, Sgt. Robert Maxwell stated that he will be sailing for the States and a discharge within the coming week.

W. J. Tumbleson, A MM 2/c, is another lucky fellow who is returning to the States soon, according to his recent letter.

Dear Editor:

I'm very happy to inform you that I soon expect to be picking up my own copy of the WORKS NEWS at the time clock on Friday nights.

Maurice C. Rogers, Cox.

Dear Editor:

I should be back home soon. It certainly will be wonderful to get the WORKS NEWS at the shop again, but I have enjoyed reading it ever since I have been in the Army.

As ever,

T/5 Dale H. Widdifield

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

These are former G-E employees who have returned to work during the last week after being discharged from the services. Look them up. Welcome them back to G-E.

Name	Location
Charles Faulstick, Jr.	Bldg. 26-1
Edward A. Harrison	Bldg. 19-1
Eugene Belschner	Bldg. 6-B
Orville E. Gamble	Bldg. 19-2
Richard Martin	Winter St.
Robert C. Lester	Winter St.
Warren B. Hawley	Bldg. 17-2
Harry O. Clagett, Jr.	Bldg. 26-4
Lyle M. Martin	Bldg. 26-1
Gale Dalrymple	Bldg. 4-4
Walter Bielski	Bldg. 19-4
Robert G. Harkenrider	Winter St.

Name	Location
Harold T. Boehm	Bldg. 19
Robert E. Ellingwood	Bldg. 6
Frank F. Schultz	Bldg. 26
Giles W. Ogg	Bldg. 26
Glenn W. Fletter	Bldg. 8
Vernon F. Daseler	Bldg. 4
Robert Green, Jr.	Bldg. 26
Robert W. Plasterer	Bldg. 26
Frank P. Sitko	Bldg. 2
Albert William Sible	Winter St
Edgar Davis	Bldg. 4
Ralph Hume	Bldg. 17

Has 73 Points

Manila, Luzon
Philippine Islands,
October 1, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I've really enjoyed receiving the WORKS NEWS for it made me feel that I wasn't quite so far away from home. The paper itself shows that the people on the home front have held up their end of this long and tiresome war and we can all thank God that it has come to an end. Our only hope is that there'll be an everlasting peace for that's what it (the war) was fought for.

I find myself very fortunate for having 73 points, which makes me eligible to come home as of today.

I've been with the Air Transport Command my entire time while overseas, and I'm fortunate enough to be flying on my return trip to the good old U.S.A. It's just a matter of two or three days now before I'll be leaving the Pacific for good, and truly I'm not sorry. I'd like to say hello to Joe Hambrock and the gang of the Guy Means Warehouse, and that I'll be seeing them soon, hoping to be working with them again, and that I can chalk this up as a three-year dream which wasn't pleasant by far. Thanks again for the WORKS NEWS.

Sincerely yours,

Sgt. Max Tinkel

Will Leave for States

Saipan, The Marianas
October 2, 1945

Dear Editor:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for sending the WORKS NEWS to me, and it has been a source of enjoyment and a means of keeping up with events at the Fort Wayne Works.

It has been almost five years since I left the G-E to enter active military duty and the NEWS has come regularly to all posts where I have been stationed in the States and in the European and Pacific Theaters.

I expect to leave here within the next ten days to return to the States.

Yours truly,

Lt. Col. Wilbur K. Boltz

G-E Equipment Fine

Camp Miami, France

Dear Editor:

Even though you have not heard from me for quite a few months, I thought it best at this time to write and let you know that my address is being changed again. This time it will be from somewhere in the States, and which will be very close to "that old home town."

Just wanted to let you know how very much I appreciated you sending me the WORKS NEWS every week. It sure was good to hear how everyone was getting along and how much the G-E was doing to help win the war.

What I have seen of the equipment made by the G-E in this war makes me feel very proud to know that I have at one time worked for the same company, and hope to work for it again in the near future.

Here's hoping this letter finds you all in good health, and hoping to see you all again soon.

Sincerely yours,

PFC V. V. Schultz

PFC John C. Collins is returning to the States soon for a discharge according to a recent letter from him.

Dear Editor:

It hardly seems possible, but after three years I believe my Navy career is almost ended. I am now in Wakayaham harbor, and unless a replacement is required, I hope to be off my ship and on my way home before the week is out.

Yours sincerely,

Wilbur R. Jones, A.M. 2/c

Antwerp, Belgium
Sept. 26, 1945

Dear Editor:

I just received a copy of the G-E WORKS NEWS again. I am always anxious to get it. . . . I expect to be back home again in the near future, and then I plan on joining the Company again.

S/Sgt. Paul H. Koldewey

Through his recent letter, Lt. Robert R. Kiester would like to say hello to all of the gang in Bldg. 26-4.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Since the definition of history is a narration of facts and events arranged chronologically with their causes and effects—thanks to Mr. Webster—and since the material for the publication of this column in our "Weekly News" is a precedent to the actual makings of such historical events as last night's Halloween party sponsored by the Regional Parts Warehouse Association, be on the lookout, folks, for next week's narration, which will be a "blow by blow" description. . . . In all sincerity we wish to publicly thank Edna Reid for the use of her radio during the noon hours, which gave us a "peak in" on the opening plays of each game of the World Series. Even to this day, Perry Shober is still a staunch Cub fan. You're not alone, Perry, there are a lot of us "Wrigley chewers" around. . . . Over a recent week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buchanan accompanied by another couple made a 650 mile round trip through northern Michigan. Their farthest point was Ludington. Buck was a little disappointed because he couldn't sight any deer for his passengers. . . . It seems as though the potential "Hot Shots" get engaged in the fall and marry in the spring. Here is another one to report, Kathryn Rectanus, and congratulations! . . . Geraldine Garrison has a fiance; we hear he is a veterinarian of the best caliber. We'll bring our household pets around later for a check-up. . . . It is a fact that Bette Walker was called "Skippy" the other day, when she sported a new studded leather belt and necklace to match, and Margaret Lissner was called "Firechief" the day she wore a new cardinal red jacket. . . . Speaking of wearing apparel, we know now where Carolynn Walker gets her ideas. Carolynn has been a long standing subscriber to "Mademoiselle." . . . "Doc" Marjorie Pressler gave Martha Crothers first aid one noon hour after Martha received a wasp sting. Marjorie's quick application of soda and water did the trick. . . . Among the happy war wives around here are Mary Jane Brand, whose husband is on a 45-day furlough, Geraldine Kunberger, whose husband cabled her from Antwerp, Belgium, that he is flying home immediately, and Doris Laughlin, who is expecting her discharged husband's arrival this week sure. . . . We understand that one noon hour Carmen Sordelet held up the traffic by waving farewell to her girl friends in the middle of Calhoun Street, then stepping in front of a row of skidding trolley busses. Saved by inches was Carmen, but a little weak in the knees on her "home-stretch" to the office. . . . It is O.K. for Dick Goetz to assist Charlie Siders in filling the soap bowls, providing soap is used and not disinfectant. . . . Geraldine Dochteman was in Chicago recently getting a physical check-up and included a tour through several department stores. What did you buy, Gerry? . . . Here are wishing belated birthday greetings to Thelma Clevenger and Edna Reid. Amongst Thelma's presents was a musical powder box playing "Anchors Aweigh." With her Navy husband, Johnny, out on the South Pacific, the powder box song drew a few tears from Thelma.

Tom: What you got there, Henry?

Henry: Danged if it ain't a letter from my girl.

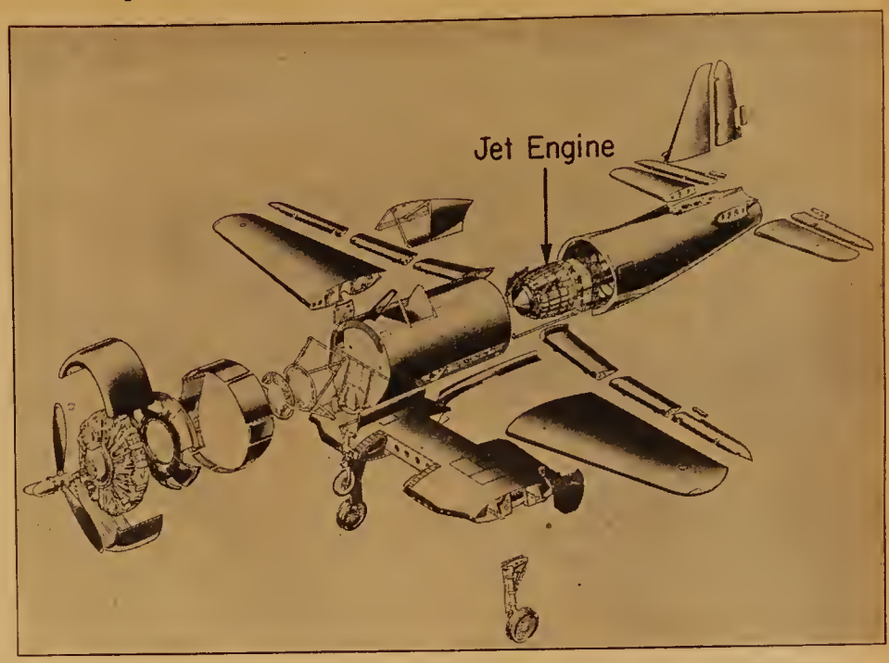
Tom: Why there ain't nothin' on the paper.

Henry: 'Course they ain't—she and me ain't speakin'.

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

The north end has settled down now that the Series is over for another year, but no one's grin was wider than Mel Azar's when Detroit won. Seems he had something on Detroit and when Chicago tied the series at 3 and 3, he was just a little bit worried. . . . "Zolly" told Bill Hurtt, our Cub rooter, that Detroit played the Daisies that last game. Was Bill disappointed. . . . When we talked about rabbits last week, we forgot that Paul Menze also raises bunnies. . . . Several of our men are trying their best to bring back the bow tie fad. Steve Kelker wore a beautiful brown striped job and Cal Langohr is displaying one of conservative black for work. He says it's not only attractive but a safcty mcasure as well. . . . Larry Reed says he isn't betting on the weather anymore, he always gets hooked. Russ Noll and Paul Menze must be close friends of the weather man. . . . X-actly 51 days left in which to do your Christmas shopping. Time moves on at such a rapid pace that I'm warning you guys and gals that you'd better rob the "piggy" bank and start some constructive thinking on "what to buy 'who'" for this special day. . . . "I got spurs that jingle, jangle, jingle" might well be the song of Cowboy Heller as he narrates his experiences of late of riding a buckin' bronko. No fooling, I bet the nag is sway-backed as all get out. . . . It is an established fact around the test room that if a guy wears a necktie or a gal wears a hair ribbon, it's a sure sign that he or she needs a morale builder. So if you see a guy with an Adam's apple binder or a gal with a purty bow, look out. . . . Harold Moore has been pondering over the article in "Life" on bubbles; ever since he's been "forever blowing bubbles." What's wrong, Harold, don't you get the same results? . . . Mannisto has confiscated a large file from his tool drawer to use in filing his finger nails. He has the appearance of a violin player. . . . Harry Prange reports a wonderful time on his trip to Hanover, Pa. There is always much ado about the in-laws, but Harry's case is sure different. The son-in-law took his father- and mother-in-law to visit his own father and mother and what a time they had. Harry said he had so many good things to eat, such as ham—good old-fashioned ham—crab meat, fish, duck, goose, turkey, chicken, lobster, in fact just everything. Oh, boy, does this ever make your mouth water. . . . Raymond Greek had a vacation but not as eventful as Harry's. Carl Swaim also had a vacation. He had some duck and fish, but he had to go after them himself, so that was different than having it put before you already prepared.

Ryan FR-1 Fireball with G-E Jet Engine



Component parts of revolutionary speedster are shown above. In front is 1350 hp Wright Cyclone Radial engine, conventional gas-powered type. Arrow points to G-E I-16 Thermal jet engine located in fighter's tail. Firepower comprises four 50-caliber machine guns, and two 1,000 pound bombs may be carried under wings.

And How She Climbs



And how she can climb! Recent news releases claim performance of more than 5,000 feet per minute, greater than that of any conventional fighter. With jet engine alone, speed is nearly 300 miles an hour; with the radial engine alone, maximum is 320 miles an hour, and Navy won't tell what she will do with both operating. Has shortest turning radius at comparable speeds of any modern fighter.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

Did you know we had triplets on the floor? Well, maybe not exactly triplets, but Bob Hoffman, Benny Batson, and Bob Short all have identical suits. Of course, just to make things more complicated, they all had to take off their coats and proceed to hang them on the same rack. You can guess what happened. We don't think any of them were too sure whose coat they did have. We hope you got straightened out, boys. The next time you should all tie a different colored ribbon to your coats or use some kind of identification. . . . Marcella Boyle, Irma Snyder, Gloria Wiebke, Alice Dahman, Barbara Stoops, and Abbie Hartman enjoyed a pot-luck at Joan Koontz's house a week ago. Joan formerly worked here in the Raw Material Section and left us to become a full-time housewife. She seems to be thoroughly enjoying herself in her new job. . . . Dick Stauffer should have consulted Ed Rodenbeck about his stiff neck. Last week Ed had a stiff neck and shoulders, and he discovered that heat lamps are a sure cure. . . . Did you see that big grin on Dick Walker's face? The reason is that his son, Lt. Richard Walker, who formerly worked in Bldg. 27-1, has received his honorable discharge through Davis Monthan Field in Tucson, Ariz. Lt. Walker enlisted in January, 1942, and was first a pilot on a B-17 and then later a co-pilot on a B-29. . . . When "Frenchy" La Gras goes somewhere, he really starts out early. He was seen standing in front of a barber shop last Saturday morning at 7:30 o'clock waiting to get in. . . . We wish a very happy birthday to George Langenberg, who was one year older last week. Honestly it doesn't show one bit, George! . . . We said goodbye to Tom Hatter recently when he left the Company. . . . Gloria Wiebke, Marcella Boyle, Jean Bartholomew, Jeanne Bott, Cora Zimmerman, and Abbie Hartman attended the wrestling match Wednesday of two weeks ago and almost had a case on their own hands. It seems that Gloria got so excited she was yelling, scratching, and generally crawling all over Marcella in her fervor. In the meanwhile Marcella was so angry at the wrestlers that the girls had their hands full trying to stop her from throwing her glass of refreshment at the wrestlers. Sounds like a gala time was had by all. . . . We wish to extend our deepest sympathies to Wilbur Tibbets, whose father passed away Thursday, October 4.

Powers Promoted

J. H. Powers has been appointed engineer of General Electric Disposalls, it has been announced by J. W. McNairy, manager of engineering and planning for the Company's Appliance & Merchandise Department.

Mr. Powers has been associated with G-E since he began work in Schenectady in 1912 on switchgear assemblies, and during his career with the Company, he has been stationed at the Fort Wayne, Ind., and Philadelphia plants.



Hoot Mon! Monte Cristo broke the bank o' Monte Carlo, but Christopher Columbus closed all the banks o' Fort Wayne, last Friday. If ye work in the office, and get your pay check on Friday, ye probably cussed Chris for discovering America on thot day.

Weel, Friday, Oct. 12, was quite a day for C.R.* in America. (In spite o' the fact thot for the first time in months, I didn't even mention C.R.* in the column).

AMERICA WAS DISCOVERED ON A C.R.* PROJECT. Chris turned in a suggestion to Queen Isabella. She adopted it, hocked her jewels and paid off, so he could put it into practice. He got three ships and crews and set out to discover a C.R.* route to India.

The trip around the Horn had been running the costs up too high, and so many ships were being lost thot the waste and spoilage committee was crabbing, and the dangers o' the trip had the safety committee up in arms. So, ye see why the suggestion committee O.K.'d his suggestion to cut doon on the time and cost o' the trip.

Weel, he never found the route to India, but like a lot o' other lads who aren't afraid tae try out a new idea, he ran into something he never oxpected, something thot was a lot bigger tan thot what he was looking for. He discovered a New World!

We can learn a gude lesson from Columbus. We can learn thot:

1. "There is always a better way."

2. But ye hai tae SEARCH tae find it.

3. Sometimes it takes a lot o' nerve and persistence tae carry out your idea.

4. If ye believe in it enough tae fight for it, ye may either prove you're right, or ye may discover something even better than thot which ye were looking for!

Which reminds me o' Cousin Colin, the time he thought he had made a wonderful discovery. It didn't do what he wanted it to, but in looking for one short-cut, he discovered another one. Ah, yuss, with his new glass oven, he doesn't hai tae say, "What's cooking?"

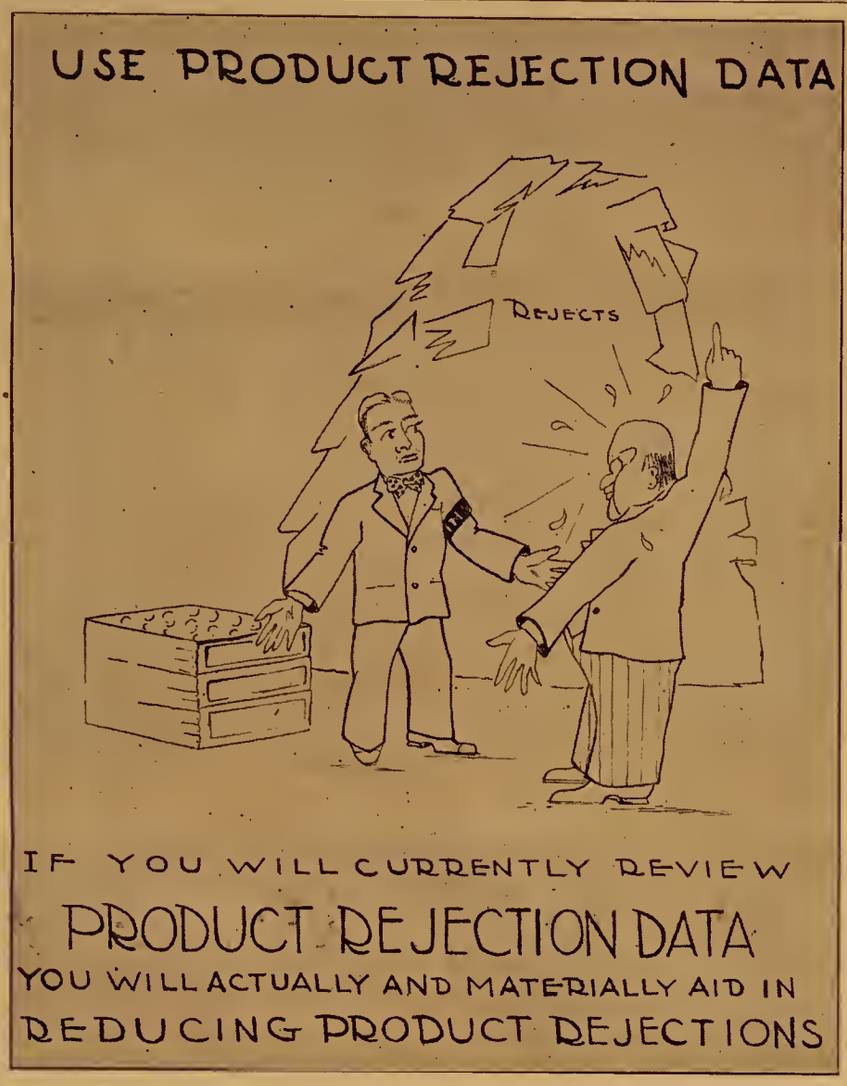
*COST REDUCTION.

Is Zat So?

Now that the World Series is over, we can return to normal. Football games will be the center of interest for many. Virginia Myer enjoyed the Notre Dame game last Saturday. Don't tell anyone we told you, but Virginia says those good looking sweaters she has been wearing belong to her brother. Lucky, isn't she? . . . Loyal Decker returned from his vacation in Florida with a most unusual fish story. When he told about "Henry, the pole-vaulting fish," we were about ready to suggest him as a candidate for the Liars' Club, and then he produced a pamphlet to prove his story was true. . . . The latest one to become a member of the bow tie group is Argend Denney. Wonder who will be next? . . . Mickey Kapelka surprised us all by coming to work wearing a bright royal blue shirt. Do you suppose he is trying to start a fad of his own? . . . Julia Hoopingarner had her worries last week when she drove her car to work. She worried every day for fear she would get a ticket for parking. One evening when she was several miles from home, the car stopped and refused to start again. Julia let the car set and when she got home, she sent her brother after it. He discovered that the car was just out of gas. How many miles do you think you can go on five gallons, Julia? . . . Alta Reed bid us farewell as she is going to Bldg. 17-3 to work. Best of luck, Alta. . . . If you need your watch repaired, may we suggest that you contact Norman Bender. He was practising on his own, so we are sure he must do good work. . . . We hope that Henry Gollmer, Frank Quinn, and Mike Kramer enjoy their vacations. . . . Birthday wishes are extended to Thomas Kunderd, Orval Haver, Dorothy Crist, Phillip Kraft, and Howard Eastman.

A large brewery uses refrigerating compressors which produce cold equal to more than a million pounds of ice daily.

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Plastic

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

The telephones have been ringing in good news for several girls the past few days. Helen Nord's husband called her from Rome, Italy. She said he sounded natural and was O.K. We hope your next chat, Helen, will be face to face. Alice Hahn's and Jean Snyder's brothers called from Camp Patrick Henry, Virginia, where they arrived Tuesday. Both are expected home soon. . . . Notice how peppy Florence Rekeweg has been this week? That's because she rested on her vacation. . . . Jean Weint informed us that since she and her husband have moved to an apartment she can get here on time. Keep up the good work, Jean. . . . Gert Poiry is back on the job and seems happy about it, since her husband has been discharged. . . . We extend our sincerest sympathies to Ralph Grieder, whose father passed away unexpectedly. . . . We hope Edie Yoder has a swell time at the Purdue football game. . . . We want to congratulate Collette on her wedding anniversary and hope she has many, many more happy ones. . . . Leola Leitch is back to work after a week's illness. Glad to see you back. . . . This nice weather sure ought to make us feel better. Everyone seems to be fighting a cold or sore throat. Keep fighting 'em. . . . 'Bye for now, see you all next week.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Everyone wants to say hello to Margie Kiester, who is new to our gang, and we want to give her a warm welcome. . . . Where do Doris Fulk and Jerry Lewton get all their energy? They can really work. . . . Louella Richardson received an adorable bracelet made by her husband with two hearts on it. Very cute, Lou. . . . Marcella and Loretta Ficher were really happy to see their brother home from overseas with a discharge. . . . Well, gang, that's all for now, but I'll be back again next week with more news from our floor.

A wartime version of the peacetime automatic sleeping blanket, developed by General Electric, is being used by the U. S. Army Air Forces for wounded crew members to prevent shock from excessive cold at high altitudes. It will protect a man to temperatures as low as 60 degrees below zero.

26-5 TOOL BITS

Carl Koester, Jr., who is back working with us after being more than two years in the Air Corps as a transport pilot, hereby receives our heartiest greetings. We're glad you're back, finishing out your apprentice course. . . . Guy Wagoner and Jack Hurless exchanged Christmas presents a little early this year, and it was with an effeminate taste, "perfume." . . . Walter Best is all refreshed after a week's vacation in that invigorating fall air. . . . The fellow workers of Don Carrier have been wondering just what his wife has been giving him for breakfast when he comes to work with different colored shoes on, one brown and one black. . . . Mildred Day and husband, Pat, just returned from a vacation in the Southland. The postcards she sent home were explanatory of life down there, with the exception of Charles Abbott's, and he's going to call in Costello for a more explicit understanding. . . . Dick Lenz, Merv Lowden, and Willy Garman were at Notre Dame helping to give Dartmouth a football trimming from the bleachers. . . . If there is anyone that would like to make a bet on the Tigers, talk to Marsh Foelber; he will, in all probability, still bet on the Cubs even though the Series is over. . . . Dohr (Santa Claus) Krieg started giving away presents very early this year. It seems that he wanted to save the boys some shoe leather so he bought them some screwdrivers just so they wouldn't have to walk up and borrow his. . . . Bernard Dammeier did not fare considerably well in picking out his baseball World Series events, and is considering if it is too late to reconsider, if he should consider it to be a considerably bad deal. . . . Marsh Foelber, the ace sports predictor of Bldg. 26-5, is having a difficult time explaining the ailments of the Cubs to his adherents. . . . Bldg. 26-5 was well represented at the Tool Machinists Party, Saturday evening, and did they have fun! . . . Kenny Sefton would like to buy a car with stronger rear axles on it. This is the second time that he has been pushed home with a broken axle, and this time he had added a couple of dented fenders for good measure. . . . Charlie Gatton and Gretchen Lynn Gatton are hereby congratulated on the arrival of their first-born, Steven Edward, a 6¾-pound boy, who, as Charlie proudly professes, is a chip off the old block. . . . Kenneth Doell is back from a week's vacation and fishing trip and is lamenting the loss of his best fishing bait, but admits a good time otherwise.

Grace Pennock Joins Consumers Institute

Miss Grace L. Pennock, formerly director of practical research for Bendix Home Appliances, Inc., has joined the staff of the General Electric Consumers Institute, it has been announced by Miss Elizabeth Woody, Institute director.

Well known in the home economics field, Miss Pennock was household editor of the Ladies' Home Journal for eight years and an editor of Delineator for five.

A Discharged Veteran Comes Back to G-E

Harold Hastings Is Typical of Returning Servicemen



Pvt. Harold Hastings is typical of the many discharged veterans that come into the Employment Office daily to return to their civilian jobs at General Electric. Charline Craig, receptionist, gets him started on the road to a peace-time job.



First Step Is The Interview with Warren Locker, who handles placement of all returning veterans and sees to it that they are fully advised of benefits, privileges of education, etc. Mr. Locker steers the boys through the necessary steps to re-employment and makes a follow-up to see that placement is mutually satisfactory.



It's Hay-Foot, Straw-Foot Now as Harold swings through the Broadway West gate to get an interview with the general foreman and "check up" on that job he left behind. The way has been cleared by Mr. Locker, and he also carries a Card of Introduction.



He Talks It Over with L. A. Bond, general foreman of Bldg. 26-3. Mr. Bond will proceed to explain the job being offered him, cite possible chance for advancement, give pay rates, and finally take him on the floor to meet the foreman he will work under.



See Those Smiles. He's back on the floor now in Bldg. 26-3 getting reacquainted with Lloyd Chilcote (at left), leading operator, and meeting for the first time Ralph Foreman, (right), who will be his foreman on the job. Lloyd also was leading operator at the time Harold left for military service.



Mr. Foreman points out details of checking and packing of transformers, which will be the job that Harold will be assigned to. Little explanation is necessary, however, since like many others, Harold is getting his old job back.



Each Returning Veteran Gets A Physical Examination, and Duane R. Stroud, medical technologist, here places Harold before the X-ray machine, an important part of the examination. All G-E applicants get this thorough check-up, incidentally.



Blood Pressure Up? Dr. H. W. Garton checks blood pressure of returning employees in the examination room as part of the routine physical check-up given by G-E. Most veterans, of course, pass it with flying colors.



He Signs On The Dotted Line. G-E plan for returning veterans includes placement on old job or one of like status and pay with all time spent in military service added to the veteran's continuous service record. Gladys Beverforden, Employment Office clerk, is shown with him.



And That's Ex-Private Harold Hastings back on the job. Fit and able despite long months in a German prison camp, Harold is glad to be working for G-E again.

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

This is your new country cousin with the latest, and here's a-hopin' we can carry on the good work of Helen Hageman and Arlene Gaskill. We know we can if everyone will help, so folks, let's show them we can. . . . We had a soldier and a sailor visit us this week, Tom Mentzer, who's home on furlough but planning to enlist in the regular Army, and Joe Douse, home on a 14-day leave after being overseas for 22 months. Joe has five battle stars to his credit. Congratulations go to him on his engagement to Mary Jehl from Supercharger. . . . Welcome back servicemen: Fred Urhick, who is in 13x14. He just returned after four years in the E.T.O. John Haberhorn, who is back in Small Lot at his old job, and also to two that are making their first appearance with the Company, Arthur Hanes in Group 13x62 and Earl Smith in the Test Section on second trick. . . . Glad to see Hulda Stuerzenberger and Alice Pfluger back again. Alice returned after spending three months with her husband in New Jersey. He is home now with a discharge, so Alice is a very happy girl. . . . Orchids to Ella Black, Small Lot, who brings such beautiful bouquets from her garden to brighten up the section and to present to her sick friends and those who have birthdays. A vote of thanks from everyone here, Ella. . . . Clarence Hughes is now the new leading operator in Small Lot; good luck, Clarence. . . . Ede Roller, now Mrs. E. Harris, said goodbye to all her friends to become a full-time housewife now that her husband got his discharge. . . . Virginia Martin has also left us, and the floor presented her with a gift. Lots of luck, gals. . . . The girls of 13x11 are wondering why Charles Odour comes to work with different kinds of shoes on. Perhaps he needs early morning glasses. . . . Group 13x54 has two new press boys, Bill Grimm and Vic Roberts. We hope you will like our gang, boys. . . . We wonder why Clara Nahrwold has decided not to take up bull fighting as a profession? . . . We take this opportunity to remind Sam Heur that he is now employed at the Broadway plant, and we leave our tray on the table in the cafeteria. . . . The most puzzling thing in Bldg. 4-3 is why does Peter Paul Karoyli take his new teeth out when he eats. . . . Harold Ferguson has left the Company for a job elsewhere. We are sorry to see you leave, Harold, for it has been nice working with you, so we send you good luck. . . . Mac McCoy is with the second trick folks again after quite awhile on third trick. Good to have you back with us, Mac. . . . Betty Bolt has been transferred to Bldg. 17-3. We are sorry to see you leave us, Betty, but we hope you like your new job. Good luck from us to you. . . . Herb Keyser, Assembly, was transferred to the day trick, and Frank Thieme joined the night owls. . . . Reber Burtch will be back with us working in motor packing. Reber was transferred out of this section some weeks ago. Glad to have you back, Reber. . . . Walter Biehl joins Group 13x12 and comes to us from Supercharger. Welcome, Walter, we are glad to have you with us. . . . Agnes Parcher left us the other day for parts unknown. It was nice working with you, and we are sorry to see you leave. . . . Walt Kesler, our welder on nights, leaves us to join the Decatur General Electric. . . . Mary Lou Sephiea and Mary Kauffman are leaving us too. . . . We are sorry to report that Orpha McCreary and Francis Day are on our sick list. We hope you recover quickly and are soon back with us. . . . Bessie Justus gets up with the chickens now that she has been transferred to days. . . . Bonnie Goodrich has been absent for quite a spell. Her mother is ill, and she is taking care of her. We hope your mother gets well soon, Bonnie, for we miss you. . . . Max Decker enjoycd three days' vacation last week, and we wonder how the ball game suited him. . . . H. Hoxie, inspector, has been transferred to Bldg. 4-4. You fellows in Bldg. 4-4 be good to him now, for he is a good inspector. . . . William Manger has sold his estate in Waynedale and moved to the country. Bill says he will be ready to take orders for chickens, rabbits, and other tame animals in about 10 days for Thanksgiving delivery, so get your orders in early. . . . Anyone wishing to buy a good used car, contact Charlie Odum. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to William Schumaker in the death of his wife last week. . . . Henry Dressler, Group 13x12, returned to our section this week after a week's vacation. Glad to see you back, Henry. . . . You folks know this, but the boys in the Shaft and Grinder Section through the medium of this newspaper wish to extend their heartiest congratulations to their friend and co-worker, Lindsay Easter, on the arrival of a baby boy. . . . Earl Johnson comes from Supercharger and is at work in the stockroom. We are glad to have you with us and we hope you like it here. . . . Thanks, everyone, for your splendid cooperation. Let's keep it up, Folksies.

Your Country Cousin

A Lot of People Wear 'Em



BUT THERE ARE STILL TOO MANY WHO DO NOT. WE WILL NEVER KNOW HOW MANY LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS ARE PREVENTED BY SAFETY SHOES, BUT WE DO KNOW THAT TWO OUT OF EVERY THREE FOOT ACCIDENTS SO FAR THIS YEAR COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED BY WEARING THEM.

Having worn Safety Shoes for nearly 20 years, the writer agrees with the statement made by Harry Shepherd, Employees' Store. Harry is an old timer at the shoe business. We respect his opinion as to quality of shoes and his ability to fit them.

A full line of sizes in both men's and women's Safety Shoes is available at the Employees' Store. WEARING SAFETY SHOES IS JUST ANOTHER WAY OF AVOIDING INJURIES CAUSED BY FALLING MATERIAL.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

17-3 Newsies

Olive (The Voice) Seimek has found a most appreciative audience among her fellow workers. The other day in the middle of an aria, it suddenly rained pennies. Going to make it a career, Olive? . . . Dorothy Firestone's friend has been discharged from the service. . . . How do you suppose Esther and Betty felt the other day when they dropped a board of coils? Pretty messy, isn't it, girls? . . . We welcome Margaret Boyd, who came from second to first shift. . . . Lots of luck to Esther Fuller, who left us last week to go back home. . . . We hope Georgia Trevey had a nice vacation last week. . . . Boy, can Walter Kryder ever make a box of candy disappear.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Franklin Ross looks super-super happy this week. He went to Philadelphia last week-end (so we are told), and who do you think he visited—none other than little Phyllis Hardy, a former member of the D.C. Section. You all remember her, don't you—the little red-headed artist—she is furthering her study of art in the East. . . . We all welcome Mildred Walden back—Mildred was absent from our midst for approximately nine weeks due to illness, but she is back and looking happier and better than ever. Good for you, Mil! . . . Forrie Carlson passed candy last week to treat the members of his section, because his generosity was overflowing due to his having won several World Series pools. Thanks, Forrie! But you didn't have to do it, you know; you won it fair and square. . . . Won't be long now, Jean, just two more weeks and two more days. Don't you hear dem wedding bells? . . . Wade Philpott is leaving the D.C. Section today to accept a position with the Remington-Rand Company, Elmira, New York. Lots of good luck, Wade, and don't forget us back h'yar in Fort Wayne. . . . M. Steuernagel of the Commercial Section left also today to go in business for himself. Lots of good luck from all your friends in Bldg. 4-6. . . . A party was held at Virginia Shaffer's home last Thursday, October 3, for Mildred Raney, who left to be a housewife. There were 16 friends of Mildred's present, and they gave her a corsage of yellow baby mums and a Fostoria console set. . . . Katherine Gardt, who attended a party one evening, left her husband, Joe, at home making cup cakes. It seems the Gardts bought a new stove, and Joe could hardly wait to try it out. We heard that the cupcakes turned out pretty good, only they were a little larger than the usual kind. Speaking of Katherine, one morning when she was coming in to work, she stopped at the gate, pulled up her coat sleeve, and started to show the guard her watch. We can imagine how you must have felt, Katherine, but we put this in so Joe could have one on you. . . . If someone offered you a stick of gum, and you gladly took it, only to find out, after you had it in your mouth, that you were chewing a hot stick of gum, you would probably look and feel the same as Ralph Guenther did when this trick was played on him. . . . If you have noticed Patricia Johnson wandering around in a dither, it is because her sailor is in the States and will shortly be home.

6-B BUSY BODIES

Greetings! Glad to be with you again, but there is one thing that we all hate to see happen—and that is the departure of Wilma Engleking. We have her a potluck party last Thursday noon, and everyone enjoyed it to the last bite. Wilma, we hope you have the best of luck in the future and do hope that we will continue to hear from you. . . . Bob Dammier and the new Mrs. are back from their honeymoon and, believe it or not, there hasn't been any change in Robert at all. . . . Art, Little Artie, Holterman is rushing the season a little bit by reciting the poem 'Twas the night before Christmas, etc. Of course, we prompt him once in awhile, but so far he knows about half it fairly good. A little more practice and he will know it all. . . . Someone on second trick knows the difference between a stator and a rotor. The hole on the stator is on the inside, and the hole on the rotor is on the outside. Isn't that right? We won't reveal who the person is, but we all know. Quick answer anyway. . . . Jack Gibson came in Thursday with a big box of good candy and treated everyone because the Tigers pulled through and won for him. Lucky, isn't he? . . . Bert Herrman is a happy man too. His son just returned home for good. That sure is swell. . . . Lydia Roemke is preparing for the occasion when her husband comes home, and we hear that it isn't too far away. . . . Jerry Slamin was asked one day last week to write his John Hancock on a slip of paper and before he gave it a thought that is exactly what he wrote down. We caught him when he wasn't thinking. . . . Sorry to leave you now, but Snooper doesn't feel too well and you know why—horseback riding again. Been warned several times too. Be seeing you soon.

Receives Degree for Wilson



Owen D. Young, Honorary Board Chairman of G-E, accepts the honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering from Dr. John A. Ross, Jr., president of Clarkson College of Technology, Potsdam, N. Y., in absentia for Charles E. Wilson, G-E president, who was unable to come to the ceremony. Mr. Young, who read Mr. Wilson's address, and Herbert Hoover, former President of the United States, were principal speakers at Clarkson's recent fiftieth anniversary convocation.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

MACHINE SHOP

Well folks, it's Monday the 15th after Friday the 12th. All Winter Street employees who were present at the family party will long remembers the occasion and hope for another such event to take place in the near future. Those who weren't there really missed a grand time. Cash prizes were awarded as follows: First, Margaret Motherwell; second, Bob Gass; third, Velma Sorg; and fourth, Marjorie Krock. The highlight of the evening was the ladies' hat modeling act as put on by the entertainment committee. First prize went to Red Pond. Honorable mention only, went to Clark Scheid for his ability as a make-up artist. . . . It really looks like wedding bells for Emma Jean. She left on Wednesday, the 10th, to join her friend in Pueblo, Colo., and plans to be married there. . . . Mayme Carney is back in the Machine Shop after five months on the sick list. . . . Red Pond got his wheat sown last week, and J. Earl Elzey says he has found someone to combine his beans. . . . Bill Franke is all smiles since his daughter and son-in-law are home to stay. . . . Mr. Cunningham is back after a pleasant three weeks' vacation. . . . Joe Snider is the proud father of a baby boy. Congratulations, Joe!

FACTORY OFFICE

Famous Last Words: "Monday. Production meeting, Tuesday. Tuesday. No production meeting. Wednesday A.M. Production meeting today. Wednesday P.M. Production meeting to be Thursday afternoon. Thursday. Last call for production meeting." . . . We had a grand time at Local 901 last week when Bob Gass and co-workers threw a party for Winter Street. Let's do it again SOON.

PRODUCTION

We understand that Herman Rockhill went fishing at Crooked Lake. The results sounded more like that of a baseball game—2 Cold, 0 Fish. . . . Dolores Kiel, Laverne Murphy, Mary Joe Suelzer, and Margaret Petro started out in the wee small hours of the morning Saturday for the big football game at South Bend. Their first stop was Warsaw for the first eye opener, coffee, with the Petro family. Was a beautiful day, so all had a good time and enjoyed the game too. Charlie Lammiman wanted to go along, but he didn't have his jumper finished. . . . Mike Hunter returned from a week's vacation getting acquainted again with his twin brother, who was recently discharged from the Army. . . . Cara Lou Lichty had a pleasant surprise Sunday evening. Gene arrived in Warsaw for a furlough. Hurrah for the Navy. . . . Wayne Ellis and Wayne Cook are on vacations this week. That's right, this is the time for the yards to be cleaned up and begin to rake the leaves and other small chores. Sure is starting out with a grand day. . . . Nelda McClain spent the week-end at Columbus, Ohio, with Gene. We are hoping he gets a discharge soon.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Miscellaneous Section has moved into its new home, in 1-1. Everyone is happy now, we hope. . . . Charles Chevillot, better known as "Frenchy," is working the second trick. We all hope to see you again on the first trick when you complete that front porch. . . . Charlie Spice is on vacation this week. He is spending it with his brother, who has just been released from the Navy. They went fishing Saturday night for bullheads, and caught 36 of them! . . . Stanley Lewandowski is all smiles. His son, Ted, has been released from the Army Air Force and is now renewing old acquaintances in Fort Wayne. . . . Harry Woodward is in the hospital for an operation. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. We all miss you. . . . Joe Carson has been going around with a long face this week, because his best coon dog died. You have our sympathy, Joe. . . . T. (Whitey) Colvin is all smiles since he received word that his sister, Edna, is back in this country. Edna is a WAC and was stationed in England for the duration.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

Ed Moellering claims he never had his name in the news, well here it is, Ed. . . . Charley Foulks has a new helper, Berle Beaman. Hope he likes us. . . . Carl Miller's son was home last week on a furlough after finishing his boot training at Great Lakes. . . . Jack Herney had a funny experience fishing over the week-end. Jack claims that every time they made a trip out on the lake, they could catch only one bluegill. Eight trips and eight fish. . . . If anybody wants any walnuts, see Harry Bell; he has about 20 bushels laying in his backyard ready and waiting.

SPARE PARTS

The Spare Parts Section took advantage of the beautiful autumn moonlight night last Thursday evening and enjoyed a wiener bake at the new pavilion in Memorial Park followed by a hay-ride around the lovely roads of New Haven. Those attending were: Ruth and Millard Jones, Ann and Butch Vetters, Ethel and Louie Ehrman, Annie Chomey, Mary Lieter, Dorothy Schmidt, Bea Huss, Marcella Schwartz, Frances Walker, Lorraine Johnson, Jerry Geroff, Bill Stockwell, Bud Schubert, and Tommy Falls. Bill Stockwell reached back into his memory of kindergarten days and cut into the pumpkin faces for the get together. He did a good job too. Community singing by the group on the hay ride was the entertaining feature of the evening. . . . One morning recently Jerry Packard came in to work overflowing with happiness. While he was passing cigars and candy, everyone looked at one another in amazement. They were wondering what the occasion was. When asked, Jerry replied, Oh, it's just a girl." . . . After many months of waiting we are glad to hear Florence Koch's husband is on his way home from the European war. . . . We sure hope Ed Neagle gets home pretty soon from France, or Dorothy Schmidt will be a nervous wreck. Each week she prepares for his homecoming, but no Ed. . . . Mary Sauter came in to work the other day beaming all over with happiness, and why not? Dick just got home from Europe. She is now sporting a diamond ring on the third finger, left hand. Congratulations, Mary! . . . We wonder why Bea Huss could hardly sit down the other day. Could it have been from too many miles of bicycle riding. . . . After the wiener bake Jerry Geroff took part of the gang over to her house and entertained them until the wee hours of the morning. . . . Mary Lciter enjoyed the football game at Notre Dame Saturday immensely.

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Since his recent operation, Buck Meagher can now compete with Rudolph Brown at telling stories that always start, "Say did I ever tell you about my operation?" . . . Kenny Wyatt is on the sick list, and Paul Schoenherr is pinch hitting for him at the noon euchre games. . . . Carl Lester wants Kenny to hurry back as he can't seem to win any games against Paul. . . . The Tool Room boys have a lively card game going at noon now with Kenny Smith and Herman Brandt the champs so far. . . . By the way, Herman's son, Captain Henry Brandt, was recently discharged from the Army. . . . Bud Scheffer has left the Company and moved to Wisconsin. . . . The World Series had the boys talking plenty what with players falling down, running circles, and going on hunting trips. Anyhow we picked up some of the following observations: Dale Weaver, "I was for Detroit and I'm glad they won, but why can't they make their runs in the right inning?" Howard Bennigan, "Greenberg made a first down between first and second base and he wasn't even carrying the ball." John Schoedel, "The ball bounces over the outfielder's head, the catcher loses the ball, the pitchers walk in runs with the bases loaded, what kind of a game do you call that?" Dan Barkley, "The Cubs will win the series, I just know they will."

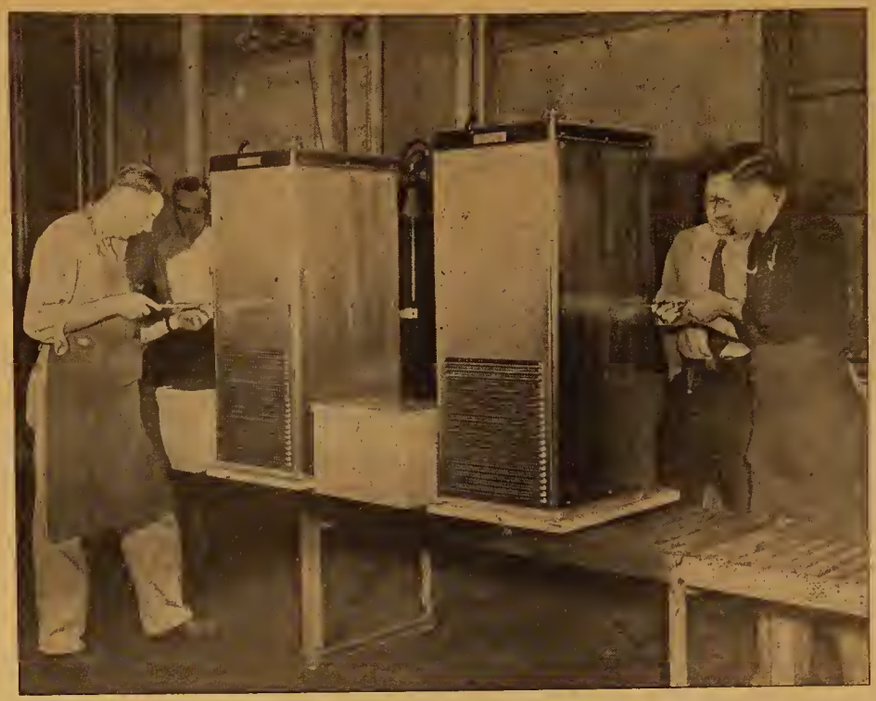
ENGINEERING AND DRAFTING

Even though C. Kolmerten didn't do so well in the World Series games, his future still looks bright—all due to his winning four General Electric light bulbs. . . . Speaking of the World Series games, Vern Gingher attributes his streak of luck to that bit of shrubbery he refers to as a mustache. Wouldn't the old fashioned rabbit's foot do, Vern? . . . Dorothy Roehm was seen picking up tin cans on the corner of Washington and Calhoun last Saturday evening at approximately 5:30 P.M. Lookers-on thought maybe Dorothy was making a last minute drive for the tin can salvage, but it seems the cans were overseas containers that she had dropped in her haste. Needless to say, she got a lot of attention. . . . Helen Yeranko is anxiously hoping that someone will ask her to play the piano at the next social gathering she attends. She would love to display her talents by presenting her concerto "On the Atchison, Topeka and the Santa Fe" played by Helen with both hands—one hand at a time. She attributes her success to her teacher—Eileen Salmon.

COST

A hearty welcome to Albert Sible. Hope you like it here, Al. . . . It seems Justine Luyben has started a new style. She came to work one morning last week wearing red paint on her hands. Husband Augie painted the cupboard one night and it didn't get dry. He had better hang up a "Wet Paint" sign next time.

Water Coolers Roll Off Winter Street Line



These gleaming, stainless steel water coolers are the first to roll off the production lines in peacetime at the Winter Street Plant. Of special design and construction for Navy use, the coolers are being rushed to replace worn-out equipment. Civilians will soon have water coolers of Winter Street make again, production officials promise, as coolers of pre-war design are now coming off the assembly lines at the rate of 350 per week. Shown above completing the first units are (left to right) John Bobay, Howard Reese, foreman of Main Assembly, Harvey Smelser, foreman of Condenser Units and Compressor Assembly, and Asal Igney. The Winter Street Plant is a division of the Air Conditioning Department.

NOTICE

The Winter Street Basketball team will practice at the G-E Club Gym at 7 P.M. tonight. Anyone that I have not contacted and who wishes to play basketball this year should report at this time.

Everett Kelley, Mgr.

Chattin' In 2-2

Here we are again, back with more news from the busy little bees in Bldg. 2-2. . . . Back from vacation this week is Charlie Masel and Sylvia Bowers. It seems Sylvia had quite an experience while in Florida. When walking along the beach, a monkey (seemingly hungry) swung down from a tree and snatched a flower out of her hair and ate it. He wasn't satisfied at that, and pulled her hair too. Funny, she doesn't like monkeys any more. . . . Brice Martin and Ross Domer are the proud fathers of two very fine boys. Congratulations, fellows. Better watch those buttons on your shirts, or they will all be poppin' off!!! . . . Ruth Layman is spending her vacation in Wisconsin this week, and Lillian Voirel also believes in going south in the Winter. How about wrapping up some of that sunshine and bringing it back, Lil? . . . Chet Price is sporting a very good-looking watch, presented to him by his wife on his birthday. Many happy returns, Chet. . . . Elsie Patterson went to Chicago on her vacation to meet her daughter from California. . . . By the way, Gusta, how's the new iron? . . . Dolores King spent the week-end in Chicago; had a very nice time, too. . . . We are very glad to hear Mary Redding's husband was released from the hospital. We hope you have much better luck from now on. . . . Beulah Buckland is very happy these days, and who wouldn't be, because her husband is home from overseas, to stay this time. . . . Good luck wishes go to Alice Hobday, Annabelle Dennie, June Stevenson and Edna Churchward who recently left our floor and the G-E. We will be missing "you all." . . . That's all the chatter for this week. Be back next week, if everyone cooperates as well as they have been doing.

Five G-E Employees Admitted to Quarter-Century Club



Karl M. Feiertag | Charles J. Druce | H. D. Kelsey | J. E. Greider | R. D. Hamilton

New members recently admitted to the Quarter-Century Club, veteran employee organization of the Fort Wayne Works, are shown above. On the completion of 25 years of continuous service, employees are issued invitations to join the growing ranks of this association for "veteran" employees of General Electric.

Turret Tattles

Did you happen to notice the "new" operator on the milling machines, one evening recently, when he asked for help in moving a heavy jig? Wonder who he is and what he was making. Looked like a pretty tough job to us. . . . Can you imagine anyone becoming upset because he couldn't find a purchase he had made, in time to take it home with him? And it's so easy to remember others who have been in the same "boat!" . . . Has anyone heard from the "Garrett Flash?" We're afraid he just simply forgot all about us! . . . We still think a good contest could be held between "Red" Smith and Wilbur Close for the most rakish angle of their caps. There must be bumps or "sumpin" to hold them on at that list. . . . Have you noticed how fast these five-day weeks sail by? Whew! Nice, isn't it? . . . Some of the lads put forth some very earnest effort recently to aid Jack Young, late of the Turrets, to a li'l outside work. We wonder how it turned out. . . . Our old friend C. Brooks from the vertical boring mills is now happily employed at Winter Street. Seems kinda funny without ya aroun', Brooks. Good luck and come in and see us now and then. . . . Where did Ernie Kahlenbach get those perfectly super suspenders? We have a suspicion that the midriff would not cooperate with a belt any longer so that Ernie had to ask his shoulders to take over. We're thankful you're not round-shouldered, Ernie; that would be AWFUL. . . . Just from looking at Joan King's eyes we would venture a guess that she was skating last Thursday evening. We'll be reading palms soon. Line forms to the right. . . . Have you something large, heavy, and unyielding? See our ace move man Glen Seip, Jr. He could move the world and do it pleasantly! . . . Charley Mowery was startled recently to see one of the members of the Turret Section as he wheeled down the street in his '37 model, minus the front and rear ends. Charley thought sure something was agonna get him. . . . Will someone take the time to explain to Florence Case how the Detroit Tigers happened to beat the Chicago Cubs. She feels it couldn't happen, but it did. But how? . . . Will the time ever come when George Pranger doesn't have a story up his sleeve? Some of them are good, too.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Bob Haughk found a new tune to add to his collection of famous songs. It is the Notre Dame Victory song, and judging by the sad expression on Bob's face when he sings it, the odds must have been terribly against him. . . . Virg Best seems to be getting economical in his old age; he buys caramels and chews on them all night. . . . A letter from Modoc Runyon, who is in Japan, was a swell surprise this week. How about returning that surprise in the near future by a letter from each of us. . . . Gerry Humbarger has bought a new bowling ball and hopes to improve his score. With it, Good luck, Gerry. . . . Marshall Tarney rolled a sweet 259 pins in one game last Saturday and hit the Jackpot with the score. Marshall said it was just like working for time and one-half only not as many hours were required. . . . We wish to take this opportunity to welcome two of our ex-servicemen back into our midst. H. Blombach and Joe Collins, formerly of the U. S. Navy. . . . All we have to do is glance towards the automatics, and we can see that familiar cotton top of Red Bauermeister's. It's just like a landmark. . . . In closing, we wish to inform the public that G. Pierce has not as yet disclosed his latest fishing story. . . . So long.

G. H. Wotring Named

G. H. Wotring has been appointed engineer of automatic dishwashers, it has been announced by J. W. McNairy, manager of engineering and planning for the Appliance and Merchandise Department of the General Electric Company.

A graduate of the University of Michigan, Mr. Wotring joined General Electric in 1929.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

By Mary Ellen May

Dear Readers: Now for a bit of news, at least that is what I call it. It's good to have Del Roloff back in our midst after his week's vacation. I think Del possibly vacationed too much, though, if his pallor on Monday morning was any indication. . . . Ruth Turner is anticipating and preparing for a week's vacation in her home state of Iowa. She was overheard stating she would have to shop every noon hour to get ready. All Johnny Carr wants to know is, "Do they dress so differently in Iowa?" . . . Always in the autumn the Commercial Section gets the wanderlust and to prove our point, Pete (The Boss) Staehle and Harold Pritchard went to Pittsfield on Sunday for a few days, and Monday Cy Stonehill left for Boston. I won't ask what the East has that Indiana hasn't, someone probably would volnnteer an answer. The rest of we "like-to-wander" souls confine our travels to the week-ends. At any rate Avenell Stanton reports her trip to Lafayette for the Purdue-Iowa game was very enjoyable. . . . If you notice Joe Coughlin and Johnny Carr holding their necks a bit straighter, it is just a habit developed by living in formal attire for a day and a half, while being feted in South Bend this last week-end. . . . We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Ann Rastetter, whose mother passed away last Friday. . . . Ruth Hosler, who is about to leave the Cost Section to become a home-body upon the return of her husband after serving in the South Pacific area for 22 months, was entertained at the Berghoff on Wednesday evening. Ruth was presented with a corsage of red and white carnations, and the following were present for the dinner: Joan Augsburger, Virginia Graff, Lois DeBolt, Caroline Emrick, Agnes Mason, Betty Thomas, Mildred Kouder, Katherine Ernsberger, Helen Kespohl, Eileen Burns LaRayne Andrist, Peggy Ford, Therese Ueber, Esther Walda, Lois Danehy, Pat Jackson, and Ann Wade. Ruth, we know you are very happy and wish you and your husband the greatest of luck in the coming years. . . . Joan Mundy of the Service Bureau left last week to take a position at Baer Field. The girls entertained her at dinner at the English Terrace on Thursday evening and presented her with a gift. Then Joan entertained with a house party at her home near Huntington for the following girls: Rita Luebke, Margaret Hoffman, Audrey Waltz, Emily Kelly, Eileen Daniels, Jane Foltz, Betty Foltz, and Joan's sister. . . . That's all, folks.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

It seems that no one knew the handsome stranger that stepped in line for a piece of Florence Weimer's birthday cake, but I guess he follows the rule of "When in Rome, do as the Romans do." It was very good cake, Florence, and many happy returns of the day. . . . The fellows and girls had a farewell potluck on Mildred Harmeyer and Charlotte Beaty, who are leaving the Company to resume their jobs as housewives. Good luck, girls, we hate to see you go. . . . Ernie Allmandinger and Clarence Nichter just returned from a week's vacation spent pheasant hunting in South Dakota. Ernie says, "It was a long ways to go hunting, but we sure enjoyed the trip and brought back our share of the pheasants." . . . We welcome back Orville Gamble from the service. It seems good to see those familiar faces with us again. . . . News we get on the grapevine, is that Dewey McDowell and Fred Wenk went deer hunting on their vacations. . . . We can't say anything about Stanley Stults. For two dollars an hour we would wash a truck for our wives too. (If they had a truck).

A ship disrupted communications a day after the first submarine cable was laid in 1842 in New York Harbor between the Battery and Governor's Island. The anchor destroyed 200 feet of cable.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Carroll Arnold, Bldg. 16-3, is mighty proud of his daughter WAVE Hospital Apprentice 2/c Evelyn Arnold, who had the high honor of shaking hands with Adm. Chester W. Nimitz at the Women's Military Service Club in New York on October 9. Evelyn was a former employee of Bldg. 8 and entered the services August 8. She recently completed her boot training and is taking hospital training at Hunter College, N. Y. . . . Norma Jean Carr, Bldg. 21, is hostess to the entire Employment Office gang and their families next Sunday at her home in Wilshire, Ohio. A chicken dinner is to be the highlight of the day followed by a wiener bake in the evening. . . . Mary Jehl, Bldg. 18-4, is flashing a brand new diamond ring. Joe, the lucky sailor-boy, just came home on leave after duty in the Pacific. Congratulations, Mary, and lots of happiness to both of you. . . . Our "maiden-in-distress" of the week is Joan Engleman, Order and Stores. Joan had a flat tire one noon last week, and the sad part was she had no spare. Joan promptly called her mother and said "What do I do now?" As far as I know, her mother couldn't solve the problem either. . . . Paul Lenz and Marjorie Hopkins are back at Broadway, after completing their assignment at Taylor Street. Welcome home, kids! . . . Edna Gilpin and Helen Janes of the Data Bureau seem to have had an exciting trip to a fortune tellers. They had a great time talking about it the next day. . . . Dolores Gerke, Bldg. 18-5, just got back from her vacation in Detroit. Glad to hear she got the car back in one piece, too. . . . Better late than never—we're extending the Data Bureau "welcome mat" to Al Tharp, who transferred from Taylor Street. . . . Other new members who joined Bldg. 18-3 are Tillie Priest, Annelle Virdell, and Mildred Adams. Dorothy Robinson is a new member of the Central Files, Bldg. 6-4. . . . Birthday wishes are in line for Lorene Steiner, Bldg. 16-3, who celebrated her birthday last Monday.

A Step into the Future....

G-E's New Electronics Plant Will Resemble University of Industry

A university of industry will begin to rise shortly on 155 acres of ground outside Syracuse, N. Y., as the General Electric Company begins the construction of its new $10,000,000 electronics headquarters plant.

Laid out and landscaped like a college campus, the new plant will be known officially as General Electric's "Electronics Park." Here employees will work under the most modern conditions in well-lighted, air conditioned factory buildings and offices, surrounded by an inspiring park-like atmosphere and reached by modern highways leading to and through the plant. Every modern facility for safe and efficient manufacturing operations also will be available. Floor area involved will be in excess of one million square feet. Buildings to be constructed include reception, administration, laboratory, transmitter, receiver, specialty, restaurant, service, boiler house, and a substation.

Electronics Center

From this G-E Syracuse electronics center will flow to the United States and the world a myriad of products which will help bring about that new world of tomorrow—television, frequency modulation radio, and wire recording for entertainment and education; radar for safety at sea and in the air; two-way radio for emergency communications for buses, taxi, construction jobs, forest rangers, campers, etc., to mention but a few. From here will develop other new applications of this bright new electronics science which will turn a wealth of war-won knowledge into practical peace-time products.

The new plant will house the main manufacturing units of the G-E Electronics Department. Other manufacturing units of the department will continue operating at Buffalo, Utica, and Schenectady, N. Y.; at Wabash, Ind.; at Owensboro and Bowling Green, Ky.; and Tell City, Ind.

Bright Future Told

Electronics has a bright future, Dr. W. R. G. Baker, G-E Vice-President, explains, because it is a branch of science like chemistry. As chemistry is not limited to plastics or synthetic rubber, neither is electronics limited to radio, communications, or radar. It will contribute to numerous fields and in some cases create new industries, like television, for example.

G-E will be a large contributor to this new billion dollar electronics peace-time industry spurred on by the war. The Company produced many hundred millions of dollars worth of radar war equipment alone, not to mention other electronics products. Although the war-time level will be reduced considerably, G-E is looking forward to a tremendous peace-time expansion in this field.

Two Retire on G-E Pension



Denis B. McKenzie



Rollo A. Browder

Announcement was made today of the retirement under the Company Pension Plan of Rollo A. Browder, chemist in the Works Laboratory, and Denis B. McKenzie, an employee of Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 20. Mr. McKenzie's pension was granted after continuous service amounting to 28 years and 4 months.

Mr. Browder retired from the Company after 28 years of service. A graduate of Valparaiso University, he began his career as a chemist with the International Harvester Company. He also was employed in the laboratory on the Mesaha Iron Range at Eveleth, Minn., and became associated with G-E in 1917, at which time the Chemical Laboratory work was handled by two or three persons. As chief chemist, Mr. Browder saw the work of the section increase many times, and left here with the genuine respect of his co-workers for his work in that field.

W. O'Connell Gets New Company Post

Named Engineer of Kitchen Cabinet Line

W. C. O'Connell has been appointed engineer of kitchen cabinets, it has been announced by J. W. McNairy, manager of engineering and planning for the Appliance & Merchandise Department of the General Electric Company. He will be responsible for the design engineering details of kitchen lay-outs.

A graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Mr. O'Connell joined General Electric in 1935. During the war, he was design engineer for the war projects engineering section of the Home Laundry Equipment Division.

Here's the "Funny Fuse" . . .



Hailed as one of the greatest developments of the war, the "radio proximity fuse," called "Funny Fuse" by General Patton, is being examined in the above photo by General Electric Company engineer S. D. Epstein. General Electric called on its major plants to make the fuse for the Army.

Only recently taken off the secret list, the fuse is placed in the nose of aircraft rockets, bombs, or other projectiles. The heart of the fuse is a vacuum tube which sends out electro-magnetic waves at the speed of light—186,000 miles a second. The waves are reflected back to the tube by any target which gives radio reflection, causing the projectile to burst at the distance which the target where the most damage will be done. Bombs dropped on a target would be made to burst before hitting the ground, thereby throwing the blast down on the target, in contrast to the former method of having the bomb hit the ground and explode, sending its blast upward from the ground.

General Electric plants at Schenectady, West Lynn, Pittsfield, and Buffalo, and the G-E Research Laboratory at Schenectady all combined to make the fuses ordered by the Army.

A. W. Bartling

(Continued from page 1)

J. T. Farrell, manager D-C Motor Division.

P. A. McTerney, manager Synchronous, Large D-C, and Gearmotor Division.

E. A. Green, who has during the war been on war manufacturing assignments, returns to the motor organization as general assistant to Mr. Henry.

Moorhead Gets Job

D. E. Moorhead, who has recently been returned from the armed forces where he served as lieutenant colonel in the Army overseas, is appointed assistant to Mr. Henry to give particular attention to motor sales activities.

O. F. Vea continues in charge of the motor marketing and promotion section, and A. A. Merrill in charge of forecasting, order budgets, and statistics group for all motor lines.

Mr. Henry was graduated from Rose Polytechnic Institute in 1914, at which time he entered the employ of the Western Electric Company in Chicago. In 1919, he entered the General Electric Company in the Chicago district office as fractional-horsepower motor sales engineer. He came to the Fractional-horsepower Motor Division in Fort Wayne in 1928, where he was named manager of sales, and remained until 1934 when he was named assistant manager of the motor division and was moved to Schenectady. He later became manager of sales of the Motor Division and in May, 1942, was appointed manager, which position he has held until his appointment as assistant manager of the Industrial Divisions.

Mr. Moorhead was graduated from the University of Cincinnati in 1930, at which time he same with the General Electric Company. In February, 1931, he joined the Motor Division in Schenectady and was placed in charge of motor sales of large induction motors prior to entering active duty as a captain in the U. S. Army on December 6, 1940. Mr. Moorhead returned to the General Electric Company in August, 1945, after being discharged from the Army to take up his present duties as assistant to Mr. Henry.

Harrington Given Post

Mr. Harrington was graduated from Beloit College in 1916 and took post-graduate work at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard. In July, 1919, he came with the company, where he served in the Industrial Control and Industrial Engineering Departments in Schenectady until he was transferred to the Air Conditioning Department in May, 1932. He later was made manager of sales of air conditioning, which position he held until December, 1941, when he was appointed manager of sales of Schenectady induction motors. In July, 1944, he was made manager of sales of all induction motors, which position he held until his present appointment.

Mr. Bartling was graduated from the University of Illinois in 1919, following which he came with General Electric on the Test Course and later the same year entered the Fractional-horsepower Motor Section in Fort Wayne. In January, 1923, he was transferred to the Chicago office as a fractional-horsepower motor specialist and in February, 1931, returned to Fort Wayne as assistant to Mr. Henry in the Fractional-horsepower Motor Section. In May, 1934, he was appointed manager of sales of the Fractional-horsepower Motor Section. He will remain in Fort Wayne.

Wide Experience Given

Mr. Farrell was graduated from Texas A & M College in 1926 and came with General Electric on the Test Course in September, 1928, from which he transferred to the Industrial Department in December, 1929. In October, 1930, he joined the Motor Division. In 1935 he was placed in charge of the d-c motor group and in July, 1944, was made manager of sales of the d-c motor section.

Mr. McTerney attended the New York University and in May, 1918, came with the General Electric Company. He was in charge of development and standardization of the Motor Division in 1934 and was placed in charge of the large motor and generator section in 1935. In December, 1940, he was appointed manager of sales of that section.

Sam Brand says—



WELL, folks, I don't know about you, but I get a big kick every morning when I come to work and see the American flag flying over our building. And every time that thrill chases up and down my spine I get to thinking how much it means to me and the missus to live in a country where everyone has faith in the flag.

Something like our brand name. That means faith, too, and if it wasn't for people having faith in what they're doin', then there wouldn't be much use stayin' in business.

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

In the October 12 rolling in the Men's League, the Small Lot team came through with the only clean sweep of the evening, Test being the victims. Rotors are still holding first place despite a two game loss to Receiving. Wage Rate took a pair from Order Service. Production bested the Winders in two games. General Service won two from Assembly, and Punch Press annexed two from Planning.

In the individual scoring we note some neat kegling, as one-fourth of the boys got themselves a 500 series. There were also nine 200 games. Bassett had the high single at 238 and a 562 total. Fridlin matched this total of 562, and his best game was 212. Pennycuff followed closely with a 561 and a 205. Kallmyer hit for 545 and a 204. Parson got 541 and a 202. Buesking took a 524 and a 213. Armey shot 523; Newlon a 520 and 204; Richards 517; Griffith 512; Reith 508 and 206; Bergman 505 and a 200; Adams 503; and Bishoff and Wikel each a 501.

The Girls' League is progressing nicely, as they met for the second time on October 9. The Five Misses team didn't miss but cooled the Hot Shots off for 3 games. The Hitem Squad out-hit the Hep Cats two out of three, and the Buzz Bombs blitzed two games from the Whizz Kids.

Best scoring was performed by M. Critchley with a 153 single and a 422 total. Z. Turner was next with a 414 total. A few new members tried their hand at tumbling the maples, and others are promising to start their kegling this week. If the determination and perseverance of the girls is any indication, this league should have a fine first season.

The first news dispatch via cable —August 26, 1858—stated that China had concluded a peace treaty meeting the demands of England and France, including establishment of embassies at Peking.

NOTICE

OWL BASKETBALL

An important organization meeting for all managers wishing to enter a team in the Owl Inter-Divisional Basketball League will be held at 2 o'clock sharp, Monday, October 22, at the G-E Club.

Russell W. James
League Manager



INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Standings

	Won	Lost
Motor Generator	10	5
Series & Specialty	10	5
Firemen No. 4	10	5
Laboratory	10	5
General Service	9	6
Transformer	8	7
Screwballs	8	7
Firemen No. 10	8	7
Wire & Insulation	6	9
Shipping	5	10
Tool Room	5	10
Plastics	3	12

High Games

600 Series: Haugk, 603.

200 Games: Haugk, 230, 214; Yaney, 223; Koorsen, 223; Rump, 222; Castle, 220, 207; Walker, 214; Elward, 214; Crowell, 209; Mathews, 208; Barney, 206; Ponsot, 206; Boyers, 204; Poinsette, 204; Weimer, 204; France, 203; Heaston, 201; Mesing, 200.

Sun bath lamps produce tan three times as fast as the sun itself in midsummer. Generating both ultraviolet and infrared rays, they can be screwed into any lamp socket.

Of the 3,299 motor vehicle-grade crossing accidents last year, 52 per cent occurred in daylight, Interstate Commerce Commission statistics say.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings	Won	Lost
Drafting	14	1
Machinists	9	6
Evaporators	9	6
Designers	8	7
Power Drive	8	7
Toolmakers	8	7
Grinders	7	8
Compressors	7	8
Engineers	6	9
Testers	6	9
Maintenance	5	10
Planners	3	12

H. Moore had a 580 count for the high three-game series for the night. This included a 236 for high single game of the year so far. Other 200 scores were W. Wiehe 235, A. Benecke 213, E. Geller 212, R. Roeger 210, G. Hooppengarner 208, P. Dannecker 208, G. Haggenjos 206, H. Luedeke 204, C. Miller 202, W. Kirke 202, C. Kolmerten 202, and W. O'Neill 200.

Testers, captained by Mike Walker, had high three games for the year, 2851. This included a 1009 game for high single game for the year. Power Drive had third high series 2739 and third high single game, 987.

Drafting continued their winning ways by taking 3 more games and now lead the league by a comfortable margin with 14 wins and 1 defeat. Power Drive also won 3 games, as they toppled the Engineers.

We hate to put this into print, but the boys say we must. John Schwartz became president of the 90 Club when he had a beautiful score of 94 his first game. The next player in the upper half of the standings that breaks 100 will become vice-president.

Tom Piepenbrink and George Haggenjos are tied for the best average, 185. R. Roeger is third with 175, Arnold Benecke, last year's leader, is fourth with 174, while W. Kirke, E. Geller, and W. Michelfelder are next, all with 172.

Final Organization Meeting Set for Men's Basketball

By Walter Histed

There will be a final organization meeting of the Men's Inter-Division Basketball League in the lounge of the G-E Club next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

At this meeting the rules for the coming season will be adopted and determination of open territory will be settled. At the present time managers or coaches have been appointed for eight teams, as follows:

Bldg. 12-2 and Tool Division—Paul Swaim, Bldg. 12-2; Winter Street—Everett Kelley, Winter Street; Firemen—Don Scherer, Bldg. 18-5; General Service—Olin Kauffman, Bldg. 20-1; Small Motor Office—J. E. McNamara, Bldg. 4-6; Small Motor Factory—Ken Young, Bldg. 4-5; Messengers—Eugene Hoffman, Bldg. 18-B; Transformer—Bob Coleman, Bldg. 26-B.

The season will open on Wednesday, November 14, and the league will play on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Starting time of the games will be determined at the meeting next Tuesday.

Teams desiring the use of the Club gym for practice should make arrangements with Ed Yahne at the Club for reservation of the gym floor.

Any players desiring to try out for teams mentioned above should contact their managers. Players not in territory covered desiring to play can contact any of the managers listed or the league manager, Walter Histed, Bldg. 10-3, phone 772 or 774.

Owl League Bowling

SATURDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Team No. 7	8	4
Team No. 12	8	4
Team No. 4	7	5
Team No. 8	7	5
Team No. 5	7	5
Team No. 3	6	6
Team No. 2	6	6
Team No. 9	5	7
Team No. 1	5	7
Team No. 11	5	7
Team No. 10	4	8
Team No. 6	4	8

High Games

600 Series: M. Tarney 180, 184, 259—623.

200 Games: D. Irwin, 229; D. Chaney, 201; J. Stanek, 206; M. Tarney, 259; C. Tarney, 214; A. Middaugh, 211; B. Kiep, 219; T. Roehm, 211.

New high team game, No. 12—955 pins.

The board of directors met after the session and agreed to bowl the first half on Saturdays. Teams who will lose bowlers are to contact the secretary, and bowlers will be furnished.

The high light of the session was M. Tarney's 259 single game with a 623 total. M. Tarney was a 154 average bowler, therefore, all you bowlers can do the same if you will get in and pitch. A. Stanger couldn't bowl his average this week due to a bad case of nerves. He is the proud father as of Thursday of a baby girl. Congratulations, Gus.

Your secretary would like to know of other reasons for some of the scores bowled, so please inform him so that they can be published.

Lindstrom Appointed

J. V. Lindstrom has been appointed quality control engineer for the Automatic Blanket and Sunlamp Division of the General Electric Company, it has been announced by E. E. Folsom, quality control engineer of the G-E Appliance and Merchandise Department.

The first telephone was installed in the White House in 1880, during the term of Rutherford B. Hayes.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

Any employees seeking riders or rides should report the necessary information to the WORKS NEWS office by Tuesday noon of the week publication is desired.

Employees Seeking Rides

BROADWAY PLANT

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Augusta Deville*	Woodburn, Route 1			3:30-11:48
Lois Shaw	On St. Rd. 114 One-half mile from State Road 24.	26-3	Jones	3:30-11:47

*Needs ride before she can return to work. Call Lois Miller, 461, for contact.

WINTER STREET PLANT

Arthur Macy	Spencerville on St. Rd. 1		W. Mueller	8:00- 5:00

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FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that_____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed _____

Location _____

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Today you, the people of the United States, are the possessor of the mightiest seapower the world has ever known. Because we are a democracy, you also have the right to say whether you will keep and preserve this seapower, or whether you will pat it on the back and let it die . . . I pray that we will not take the easiest way.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz

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G-E CLUB ANNOUNCES "FALL REVUE" FOR EMPLOYEES

Sales Billed Off Nine Per Cent First Nine Months of 1945

General Electric net sales billed, representing shipments, during the first nine months this year totaled $948,432,369, or 9 per cent less than the $1,036,634,375 billed in the same period a year ago, according to a recent announcement by President Charles E. Wilson. This lower volume reflected the cancellations and cut-backs of orders for war products and the starting of the reconversion program. As a result of these factors, together with a reduction in income from sources other than sales, the Company's total income was 26 per cent less than in the first nine months of last year, but this decrease was more than offset by a 35 per cent reduction in the amount set aside as provision for Federal taxes on income and for contingencies so that there was an increase in the profit available for dividends.

General Electric profit available for dividends for the first nine months of 1945 amounted to $36,242,727, or $1.26 a share of common stock. This represented an increase of 14 per cent over the $31,705,839, or $1.10 a share, earned during the corresponding period of last year.

A dividend of 40 cents a share of common stock will be paid on October 25 to 239,824 stockholders for the third quarter of 1945 making a total of $1.20 a share in dividends for the first nine months of 1945, compared with $1.05 a share paid for the same period in 1944. This will be the 193rd dividend paid on the Company's common stock.

A comparative statement of operations for the first nine months of this year and last year, partly estimated and subject to audit at the year-end and also subject to review by the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board, is shown below:

	9 months ended Sept. 30	
	1945	1944
Orders received	$660,846,000	$1,094,199,000
Net sales billed (shipments)	$948,432,369	$1,036,634,375
Costs, expenses and other charges	826,580,553	874,606,481
Income from sales	121,851,816	162,027,894
Income from other sources—net	5,890,911	10,677,945
Total income, before provisions shown below	127,742,727	172,705,839
Provision for:		
Federal income and excess profits taxes	88,000,000	128,500,000
Contingencies	3,500,000	12,500,000
	91,500.000	141,000,000
Profit available for dividends	$ 36,242,727	$ 31,705,839
Earnings per share on 28,845,927.36 shares issued	$1.26	$1.10

Shows Set for November 17, 18 At G-E Club

Employees May Get Their Tickets Starting Monday

A gala "Fall Revue" sponsored by the G-E Club for employees and their families Saturday and Sunday, November 17 and 18, was announced today by Paul Vogt, chairman of entertainment for the G-E Club, as newly-elected officers prepared to start off Club affairs on a rousing peace-time basis.

Shows will be given at 7 P.M. and 9 P.M. Saturday and 2 P.M. and 4 P.M. Sunday. Tickets for the performances may be secured at the G-E Club starting Monday, October 29. Employees may get as many as they need to accommodate each member of their families.

Good Show Promised

The Fall Revue promises to be an outstanding show, Mr. Vogt said, as a variety of acts have been booked that will be enjoyed by both young and old. Additional bookings will be made, but those already signed for the show include "The Five Leonards," an outstanding and sensational acrobatic act from New York, the DeLane sisters, a vocal trio, and the Thornton kids, with their instrumental and novelty acts.

Professional Acts Booked

Doug Hope will m.c. the show and will also do some clever acts with the audience participating. All acts, Mr. Vogt emphasized, will be done by strictly professional performers from New York, Chicago, and the West Coast. Bob Kreckman and his nine-piece orchestra will play for the shows.

G-E Research Laboratory Reveals New X-Ray Unit

In the presence of leading newspaper men and magazine writers at a meeting in Schenectady, the General Electric Research Laboratory was prmitted last week by the War Department to reveal details concerning its 100,000,000 volt "betatron" electron accelerator which makes possible a one-hundred-million-volt electron stream for the production of X-rays. The most powerful industrial X-ray unit hitherto announced by the Company was one of 2,000,000 volts.

"The new machine," said Dr. C. G. Suits, G-E Vice President and Director of the Laboratory, "gives out X-rays of a power never previously approached. . . . In fact, we have now arrived at the stage where we can generate in the laboratory radiations which formerly were available only in the cosmic rays, and we are just passing the borders of an entirely new field of atomic research." He declared that the X-rays would penetrate a thickness of metal considerably greater than the rays from G-E's 2,000,000-volt industrial unit.

Dr. E. E. Charlton, head of the X-ray section of the Laboratory and his associate, W. F. Westendorp, who had immediate charge of its construction, explained the operation of the device. They are authors of a paper giving details of the new machine, which will be published shortly in the October number of the Journal of Applied Physics.

Behind Three-Foot Walls

Located in a special building with concrete walls three feet thick, as a protection from the dangerous rays given off, the principal part

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Principles Of G-E Atom Smasher Are Discussed

Reverse of Atom Bomb Process Now Accomplished

(See picture below)

Creation of matter from energy —reverse of the process that occurs in the atomic bomb and that keeps the sun and stars shining—can be accomplished with radiation from General Electric's new atom smasher. This device, which is called a betatron and operates at energy of 100,000,000 volts, was shown to a group of science writers and editors who recently visited the General Electric Research Laboratory.

Formerly thought separate entities, matter and energy are now known to be equivalent. Theoretically at least, as Einstein showed in his relativity theory, one may be changed to the other. In producing atomic energy the conversion from matter to energy is util-

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Heart of G-E's New Atom Smasher



Assembling the huge vacuum tube of the 100,000,000 volt X-Ray machine is shown here. It is made of 16 molded glass seotors, each 15 inches long and ¼ inch thick, joined together so as to maintain the high vacuum required.

It's Our "Victory Loan"....

Plans Completed for Eighth War Bond Drive Here November 5-10

Plans have been completed to put on a rousing campaign for the Eighth War Bond Drive, the "Victory Loan," the week of November 5-10, J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, announced today.

A 10-piece band made up of G-E employees has been organized for the occasion and will be taken throughout the plants of the Fort Wayne Works in connection with the Victory Loan. Employees on all shifts will be reached by the campaign, with Dr. E. Burns Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend, scheduled

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CASUALTIES

T/Sgt. Wade J. Verweire, Jr., a former Taylor Street employee, has been declared dead by the War Department. He had been missing since September 27, 1944, when he accompanied a patrol through the Siegfried Line.

Chest Drive

As the WORKS NEWS went to press, a preliminary survey indicated that employees are responding generously to the appeal for funds for the War and Community Chest Drives. With the campaign winding up today, J. W. Crise, in charge of the campaign, announced that many sections have already hung their banners—proof that they have met their goal.

Complete results will be announced later.

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The Green Light Flashes

It is customory to tell young men of colleges and technical schools as they prepare to carve out careers that the country's future is in their hands. But when President Wilson gave his address recently to the men of Clarkson College of Technology, his was a much more urgent presentation of the message. The war, he said, had interrupted the steady flow of trained technical men on which all American industry depends for the future.

There is, he declared, much lost time to make up, and this "presents one of the greatest opportunities for technically trained men, for American youth, that has ever come down the pike. There are fields to conquer which far outrank those of our pioneering past." The stage, then, is set for the American boy with a talent for math, a well-coordinated hand, a healthy body, and a firm will.

The means are at hand. For those emerging from the Armed Forces, there is the scholastic aid promised from Uncle Sam; for those who were unable to serve in the war, there are scholarships, perhaps more than ever before. The green light flashes for the kid who really wants to be an engineer. His country needs him, and industry waits eagerly for him to get his training.

Eyes for Sale

The world's oldest and largest manufacturer of products to protect and preserve vision has entered a new field—artificial eyes. Sounds illogical, doesn't it?

But there are two good reasons for this development. First, most artificial eyes were previously imported from Germany. The war cut off this supply. Second, despite every effort by industry to provide scientific eye protection, many employees still refuse to wear goggles. The result—well over 2,000 eyes are lost annually as a result of industrial accidents alone.

If *your* job is an eye hazardous one, wear your goggles—even though you think the danger of an eye accident is practically negligible. Remember, people just like you are the ones who caused this company to go into mass production of artificial eyes. And, as an executive of this company pointed out, "In spite of the perfection of artificial eyes, *you still can't see through them.*"

Wear your goggles.

Quality Sells

Most folks are tired of clothing that gives out and gadgets that break down. Flimsy, war-time substitutes may have been necessary when materials were scarce. But they will be junked as soon as better goods are made.

Yesterday, American workers did wonders in quality production for war. So now, in peace, people expect a lot for their money.

Quality has become a "must" for every company, and for every worker. Be sure your workmanship will meet the test.



The call will soon come for the final mighty shove that is needed to clinch the victory. No war excitement now, no fear that if the drive does not succeed, we will be overrun by the enemy. The enemy is finished, but the job is not over by a long shot.

There are some obligations to pay, commitments which Uncle Sam has made and which must be fulfilled. And Uncle Sam is the people of the United States. The people of the United States are all of us. So we will have to do the paying. What for?

Well, there are the mustering-out payments to the men of the Armed Forces to whom we owe so much. Then there is the cost of restoring health to hundreds of thousands in veterans' hospitals—and many of them will never be fully restored. There is the expense of teaching the wounded new skills and of paying for the education promised our men by the G.I. Bill of Rights.

A husky job, this Victory Loan Drive. Let's finish it, over the top, as we have the other campaigns.

WITHIN THE ATOM

By Dr. Roman Smoluchowski
General Electric Research Laboratory
Schenectady, N. Y.

(Editor's note: This talk was delivered October 3, 1945, during the General Electric Science Forum from Schenectady, N. Y., over WGY, at 7:30 P.M., EST. It is being reprinted because of the present, wide-spread interest in the atomic bomb).

"Atomic" bomb, "atomic" power, "atomic" energies . . . wherever we turn, this term "atomic" or "atoms" occur. My colleagues who are going to talk on this program on the following six Wednesdays will describe various aspects of this new field of "atomic" power. The purpose of my visit with you, the first of this series, is to give the fundamentals: to clarify the notions of an atom, of its nucleus, neutrons, protons, etc.

All matter around us is made out of atoms of one or more of the 92 known stable elements like: iron, copper, carbon, oxygen, and others. These atoms are very small; for instance, in one cubic inch of air there are some 100 billion billion atoms. Or, to use another comparison, the dimensions of the solar system with the sun in its center and the planets around it are as much greater and the whole system is as much heavier than a human body is greater and heavier than an atom. One can say that man stands halfway between the solar system and the atom.

Atom "Almost Empty"

An atom is not only small and light, it is also almost empty. In its center there is a tiny, heavy particle which carries positive electrical charge. This particle, the atomic nucleus, is about 10,000 times smaller than the atom, but it contains all but a tiny fraction of its mass. The rest of the atom consists of a certain number of electrons which, like a nebulous swarm, surround the nucleus. These electrons are also very small so that only one million millionth part of the atomic volume is occupied. It is, as said before, almost empty.

Electrons are negatively charged and their total charge in one atom compensates exactly the positive charge of the nucleus so that the atom as a whole is electrically neutral. These electrons, swarming around the nucleus of an atom, determine the chemical nature and properties of the element. They are responsible for nearly all the phenomena around us and for the physical and chemical properties of all substances. In particular, the number of electrons in a neutral atom determines what element it is: if there are 29, it is copper; if 30, it is zinc, and so on.

Interactions Explained

We shall not go into any detail about the properties of the atom or the behavior of its electrons. Their basic laws and structure have been determined by physicists. The interactions between atoms and molecules are of interest to chemists. Both physicists and chemists have explored that field extensively for the last 20 years.

All we want to remember now is that nearly everything which happens around us, all that we see or touch, all life and growth, our own biological processes—all depend upon these atomic electrons, upon this swarm of electrons surrounding the nucleus. But the nucleus itself does not participate in these processes at all; that is to say, it

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G-E Helps Protect New Aircraft Carriers

Motor-Generator Engineers Make Important Contributions

The President Roosevelt, one of our Navy's largest and most modern aircraft carriers, will be christened by President Harry S. Truman tomorrow as part of Navy Day ceremonies. When the employees of the Fort Wayne Works see this giant ship roll down the ways in the news reels, few of them will realize that work done here in G-E's Motor and Generator Division has helped give it better protection against enemy aircraft than any other ship in the world.

Eighteen 5 inch electrically controlled anti-aircraft guns and many smaller weapons make the President Roosevelt practically invulnerable to attack from aircraft, and it is the G-E engineers who developed the electric power drive system for these large anti-aircraft guns that can claim much of the credit for this superb protection.

Developed at Schenectady

This new power drive for the 5 inch anti-aircraft guns was developed by the Aeronautics and Marine Engineering Division at Schenectady and is in principle similar to the amplidyne power drive used on our B-29 bombers except, of course, many times larger. Each 5 inch gun mount weighs approximately 38 tons. The tube, or barrel, of these guns is 22½ feet long. The complete gun fire control system, of which the power drive is a major part, consists of a director, computer, amplifier, generator, and the motor which moves the gun.

The director finds the target and determines the range, target bearing, and rate of motion. This information along with other data is fed to the computer, which is a mechanical brain that makes mathematical calculations and ballistic corrections to aim the gun as accurately as possible. A signal from the computer goes to the amplifier, which in turn gives a signal to the amplidyne generator. The generator amplifies this signal and furnishes power to the DC motor which moves the gun and keeps it trained on the target. Two sets of equipment are required, one for the train or horizontal rotation and one for the elevation or vertical rotation.

Motor-Generator Set Developed

The motor-generator set for the training motion, one of the principal elements of the electric power drive, was developed and produced by the Fort Wayne Motor and Generator Division. One of the difficult jobs was the development of a DC generator which would take a very weak signal and amplify it almost instantly thousands of times. The G-E amplidyne generator was the obvious answer to this problem, but none had been built of a size large enough to handle the training motion of this gun. It was here that the Fort Wayne Motor and Generator Engineering Division did its part in this program.

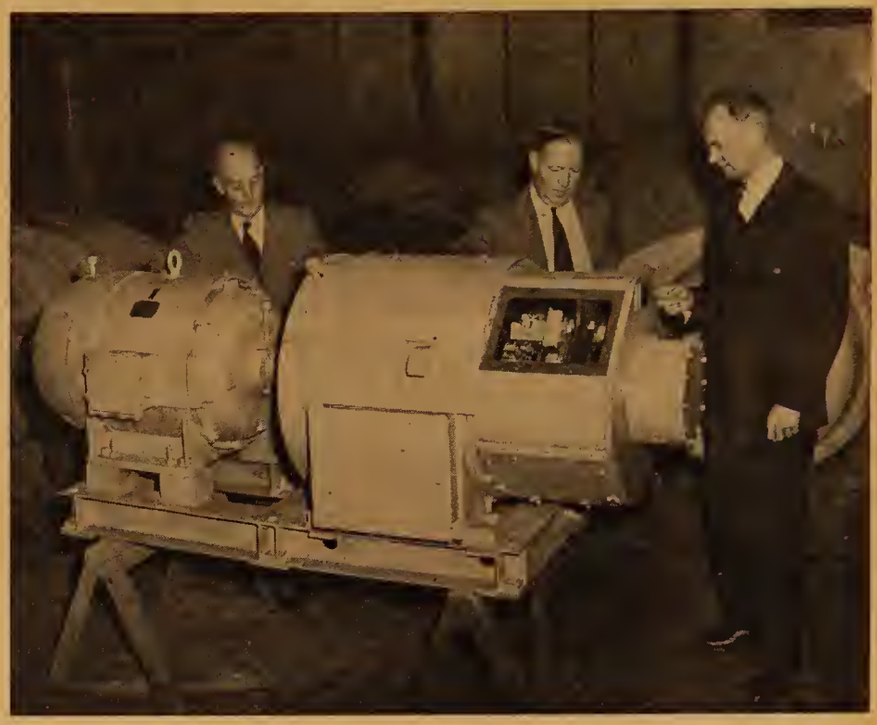
Fort Wayne engineers developed an amplidyne generator with a peak output greater than any previously built. In order that this machine would respond with "lightning speed" to the weak control signal and amplify it many thousand times, a very special design was required. So special was the design that new steels and insulating processes had to be developed. In this connection, the Fort Wayne Works Laboratory and the Motor and Generator Planning Division contributed greatly to the development.

Test Results Good

On actual firing test, this amplidyne power drive has proven very successful and is considered to be superior to the earlier hydraulic drives. It is more accurate, faster, completely automatic except for loading, less vulnerable, and has done away with the fire hazard ever present in the hydraulic drive. Three new aircraft carriers, the Midway, President Roosevelt, and another not yet completed, will be equipped with these amplidyne power drives on all 5 inch anti-aircraft guns.

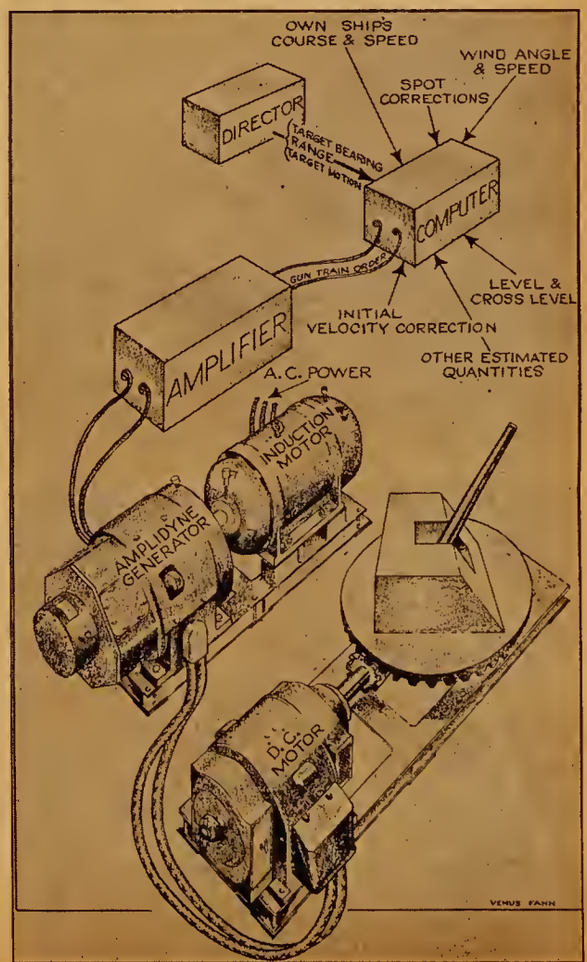
Believed to be the best gun fire control system in the world, the Fort Wayne Motor and Generator Engineering Division can well be proud of its contribution to the might of Uncle Sam's Navy.

They Developed World's Largest Amplidyne



I. N. Kellogg of the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, R. T. Reardon of the Works Laboratory, and M. A. Baker of the Motor and Engineering Division (left to right) are shown examining one of the finished amplidyne motor-generator sets used in the gun fire control system for 5-inch anti-aircraft guns on the new aircraft carriers. These men contributed much to the successful development of the amplidyne motor-generator sets.

Gun Fire Control and Amplidyne Power Drive System Illustrated



The Mighty Midway Carries G-E Power Control



—Official U.S. Navy Photograph

Here is the USS Midway, first of the Navy's 45,000 ton carriers. Launched March 20 at the Newport News, Va., Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, it can carry more than 80 twin-engined warplanes. Sister ship to the President Roosevelt, it carries G-E amplidyne power drives on all 5-inch anti-aircraft guns.

Fort Wayne Engineers Hear Ernest Johnson Wednesday

Ernest E. Johnson, recently appointed Manager of Engineering for the Apparatus Department, became acquainted with the engineers of the Fort Wayne Works Wednesday when he addressed them in a meeting at 3:30 P.M. in the G-E Club.

Mr. Johnson discussed the engineering situation as it is today, the place of engineering in the Company, and some of the problems that lie ahead. He also devoted some time to a discussion of his own "platform" as engineering head of the Apparatus Department, and made some concrete suggestions about how he thought an engineer might improve his stature within the Company.

Many questions had been submitted before the meeting, and Mr. Johnson spent much time during Wednesday's meeting givnig answers to the written questions that had been turned in to him.

Mr. Jonhson succeeded Harry A. Winne, who now serves as Vice-President in charge of Engineering Policy for the entire Company. The appointment, effective September 1, 1945, transferred Mr. Johnson from the Aeronautics and Marine Engineering Division, where he had been Assistant Engineer.



Ernest E. Johnson

Open House Tonight

The regular Friday night open house for Squares members will be held in the club rooms again tonight, committee members announced and urged all members to drop in during the evening to meet their friends.

A table tennis exhibition by Lore Ferverda, table tennis champion of 1945, and Ted Reed, runner-up, will be an added attraction of tonight's informal program.

Elex Announces Variety Show for November 5 Affair

A variety show has been booked for the November 5 meeting of Elex Club, Selma Bradtmiller, Elex Club social committee chairman, announced today.

Kenny Husted will act as master of ceremonies for the show and will also do impersonations and play the harmonica. Beverly Hull, an acrobatic and tap dancer, will also appear on the Elex program. One of the outstanding numbers will be "Aunt Effie's" comedy act. State Sheriff Ralph Tenley, an accomplished singer and well-known throughout the state, will also appear on the program.

Ralph Cook will accompany all acts on the piano.

Day girls will have a supper meeting at the G-E Club, with tickets available from contact girls for 55 cents. All reservations must be in by Friday, November 2.

Night girls will meet at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club on November 5 at 12 noon and will have the same program. Tickets for night girls are also in the hands of contact girls for the same price of 55 cents. The luncheon will be served in the room at the left of the Gridiron Room.

Hugh M. Stephenson Gets New Patent on Clutch Design

A patent covering a new and exceedingly unique type of light cluteh for motor and other general applications has just been granted to Hugh M. Stephenson, design engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division.



Hugh M. Stephenson

The outstanding features of this clutch lie in the fact that it allows the motor to reach full speed before picking up the load. Also, should the motor fail to start on inertia load at first trial, the clutch will again release, allowing the motor to reaccelerate and successively lock to the accelerating load until the entire device reaches normal speed.

Another feature of this clutch design is the ability to momentarily partially release the clutch surfaces when a sudden shock load is encountered and again lock up after the shock load has been absorbed.

Patent applications have been made for several special clutch designs conceived by Mr. Stephenson during the past several years. This is the first of this group of special clutch designs for which a patent has been granted, and 11 claims have been allowed.

This is the twenty-third patent granted to Mr. Stephenson. His patents cover the design of various motors, motor accessories, and appliances.

Carver Club Fall Song Fest Announced

The Carver Club will present a Fall Song Fest Sunday, November 4, at 3:30 P.M. at the Pilgrim Baptist Church, corner Eliza and Gay streets.

A fine program has been planned, to which the public is invited. Carver Club has many members with musical talent and promise their outstanding program to date. Members are to be present at 3 P.M.

Victory Loan

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to give short talks at each sectional meeting. Special plans are being set at the Decatur Plant, which will conduct a vigorous campaign of its own.

Bond selling stations will be set up on the floors as in former campaigns, Mr. Crise said. The $200 Roosevelt war bond will be featured in this campaign, he indicated, as many employees are not familiar with the new bond.

G-E is participating in the Eighth War Bond Drive, as it has in all others, Mr. Crise said, because employees realize that great sums of money are still needed to bring the boys back home.

The nation-wide campaign for the Victory Loan will be conducted October 29 to December 30.

Divisional quotas have been assigned to meet the goal of $158,000 set for the Fort Wayne Works. In addition, $12,000 has been set as the goal at the Winter Street Plant. Divisions and sections meeting the goal established will get attractive banners that will be hung in the section.

Dr. Martin spoke to employees in connection with the Seventh War Loan and was well received here. Well-qualified to speak on such matters, he is a veteran of World War I, serving as chaplain and later handling interviewing and guidance of veterans. Prior to his present pastorate, he was pastor of the Wayne Street Methodist Church in Fort Wayne for seven years.

Atom Smasher

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ized. The reverse has been observed over a number of years in connection with studies of the cosmic rays and also of the rays from radium and similar radioactive elements. Since a small amount of matter corresponds to an enormous energy, very minute amounts of matter can be secured, even with the expenditure of huge quantities of energy.

This reverse process is called "pair formation." When high intensity X-rays pass close to the nucleus of an atom the ray, or photon, by some process not yet understood may cease to exist. Instead there is created a new electron and a positron, which is an electron with a positive instead of a negative charge. Very quickly the positron happens near some other electron; the positive and negative charges cancel and both disappear, producing radiation again. The new electron created in the pair has mass, like the positron, and it is therefore a unit of matter.

To produce a positron-electron pair, the X-ray photon must have energy of a little over a million volts. This would create a pair at rest. With higher voltages the pair has extra energy and higher velocity. Thus, the pairs formed with the 100,000,000-volt betatron are the most energetic ever produced by artificial radiation.

Creation of the pair is shown in a "cloud chamber," in which a thread-like line of fog marks the track of an electron or positron. A V-shaped track, caused by the two particles, is visible when the pair is formed.

The property damage caused by motor vehicle accidents in 1944 amounted to $550,000,000, according to estimates by the National Safety Council.

G-E Research

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of the betatron is a huge electromagnet, made of 130 tons of laminated silicon steel. It is 9 feet high, 6 feet wide, and 15 feet long. In a rectangular opening passing through the magnet from front to back are the pole faces, 76 inches in diameter, surrounded by large coils of insulated 1-inch copper conductor. As electricity at 24,000 volts surges through these coils from a bank of condensers in an upstairs room, the magnet is energized, the intense magnetic field being concentrated in the horizontal space between the pole faces.

Here is the heart of the machine—a doughnut-shaped vacuum tube of glass. The doughnut has an overall diameter of 74 inches while the tube itself, of elliptical cross section, measures inside 8 inches horizontally and nearly 5 inches vertically. It is made of 16 sectors of molded and tempered pyrex glass, cemented together. The inner surface of this tube had to be made electrically conducting, so that it would not accumulate a charge that would upset the paths of the electrons within. This was accomplished by sandblasting the inner surfaces and then silvering them.

Speed Around Circle

Projecting into the doughnut at one point is an electron gun, consisting of a heated filament from which electrons are boiled off, to be given an initial impulse of several thousand volts to start them in their orbits inside the doughnut. The magnetic field holds them in a fixed circular orbit as they gain speed and energy on successive revolutions, gaining about 400 electron volts each trip.

The machine operates on ordinary 60-cycle alternating current. Acceleration of the electrons is confined to the first quarter of each cycle, lasting 1/240th of a second, during which the current goes from zero to its maximum in one direction. Then it goes back to zero, before building up in the opposite direction. If the electrons were allowed to remain in the tube during the second quarter cycle they would be slowed down again, so they are removed before this happens.

Just as the end of the quarter cycle is reached, a pulse of current passes through two smaller auxiliary coils on the pole faces. This causes the electrons to spiral away from their orbit and to hit a tungsten target which they previously missed. This causes the generation of X-rays, which emerge from the doughnut in a beam which is 2 degrees in diameter when the machine is operated at full power.

It may, however, be operated at a lower power, as the pulse may be applied at any time during the first quarter cycle. If, for example, it is done when they have made only 125,000 instead of the full 250,000 revolutions, they will only have energies of 50,000,000 electron volts. Or they may be taken out at any other stage so the device can produce X-rays from about 2,000,000 up to 100,000,000 volts, though at the lower energies the production is rather feeble.

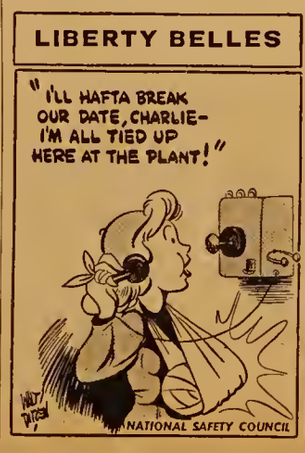
Million-Volt Dial

Control of the betatron is from a neighboring room. An elaborate series of switches and dials enable the operators to tell what is happening, since they cannot enter the machine room, or have doors to it open, when it is in operation. On one of the control panels is a unique instrument—a megavolt meter. A megavolt is a million volts, and the dial of this meter is graduated from one to 100 of these units. When the machine is operating at full power, this indicates 100,000,000 volts as casually as a small volt meter might show 5 or 6 volts when used to test an automobile battery.

Considerable energy is dissipated by the betatron while in operation, and to keep it cool the slabs of steel from which the magnet is made are separated so that air for cooling may be drawn through them. The magnet makes considerable noise when operating, due in part to magnetostriction—actual changes in the dimensions of the metal under the powerful magetic forces involved. To reduce the effect of vibration, the entire 130-ton magnet is mounted on rubber pads.

You undoubtedly have plans for a bright future—for your loved ones and yourself. What would happen to those plans if your earnings were suddenly reduced by total or partial blindness? Wear your safety goggles.

LIBERTY BELLES



THE RUMOR CLINIC

Will M.B.A. List Be Resumed in WORKS NEWS?

RUMOR:

The M.B.A. sick and hurt list has been removed from this paper. Why?

FACTS:

This list was discontinued on 12-11-44 due to the difficulty encountered in compiling it. Now that we have returned to peacetime operations, it will probably be resumed in the near future.

Is G-E Warehousing Washing Machines?

RUMOR:

Consumer's Union reported recently that Mr. C. E. Wilson had expressed publicly that G-E would attempt to sell its consumer's products at pre-war prices and saw no reason why it could not. Also Consumer's Union reported that G-E was warehousing its washing machines until O.P.A. granted a price increase. Please give the facts.

FACTS:

Mr. Wilson's statement which is referred to here was qualified. In his Atlanta, Ga., address of October, 1944, he said, "In the few items such as clocks and irons, which we have begun to make, we are applying pre-war prices, and that will be our policy to the best of our ability." It was further pointed out in this address that holding to these prices would depend upon a number of factors such as improved distribution, higher production and sales of products, and the realization of productive efficiency.

There is absolutely no truth in the rumor that General Electric washing machines are being produced and put into storage until O.P.A. agrees to a higher price increase. The O.P.A. has granted all home laundry equipment manufacturers a price increase of 7.7 per cent.

Due to extreme shortages of materials, General Electric has not been able to produce any great quantity of washing machines to date. In order to place these machines with all sales outlets throughout the United States at the same time, it is necessary to accumulate a sufficient stock of these machines before a distribution is begun. Our price schedules have been submitted to O.P.A. for specific authorization from them and sales of these machines cannot be made until this authorization is received.

It might be interesting to explain how this rumor was first started. Several months ago newspaper representatives were invited to the Bridgeport Works to get the story on G-E's return to production of home washing machines. At that time a telegram to O.P.A. from the president of the Home Laundry Manufacturers Association was read in which the statement was made that present price ceilings would not permit operating at a profit—and the manufacturers might as well warehouse their stock. One of the three press associations present erroneously reported this as a G-E policy—not a general statement of opinion made by a person not even connected with General Electric. This may have led to the rumor, which had no basis in fact.

How About G-E's Group Life Insurance?

RUMOR:

I have heard that our group life insurance that is taken out on employment is of no value to the employee before the age of 21 years.

FACTS:

This rumor is incorrect. There is no restriction on age. Any employee carrying the group life insurance is protected. An employee becomes eligible to purchase the group life insurance after one year's continuous service with the Company. Employees who purchase the Additional Group Life Insurance are also protected by the Free Insurance which the Company furnishes. Upon request to any supervisor, a copy of the Group Life Insurance booklet may be obtained. This booklet gives details on the plan. A copy is given to each person on his starting employment with us, and his supervisor gets copies of any new issue for distribution to his people.

Transfer Possible for Returning Servicemen?

RUMOR:

I have heard that a serviceman who has worked for G-E in one plant may request a transfer to another plant in a different city or state. Can this be done without going to work in the original plant?

FACTS:

It might be possible for an ex-serviceman to locate work in a plant other than the one which he left to enter the service and have his service credits transferred.

However, in order for an ex-serviceman to take full advantage of his privileges under the Selective Service Act, he must return to the same plant which he left to enter the Armed Forces.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that_____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed _____

Location _____

Favoritism in Handling Red Point Situation?

RUMOR:

I have heard that red ration points are used for office workers and officials while no meat has been available in 16-1, while restaurants along Broadway consistently have served meat.

FACTS:

The first part of this rumor is unfounded—that part which refers to using all red ration points for office workers and officials. The menus in all dining rooms of the Works Cafeteria have been the same. When meat substitutes were served in one dining room, the same meat substitutes were served in the others. During the past six months the amount of meat per person under the rationing program has been the lowest of any time during the war. Based upon a study made here in July, it was possible with the points available to serve only .076 lbs. of meat on the average per customer per meal. This meant that meat substitutes had to be used a good deal of the time.

We are all very thankful that the lowest ebb in the rationing of meats seems to have passed. The situation has eased considerably since V-J Day and meat is now to be found more regularly on the menus.

In regard to the second part of this rumor, we have no way of knowing the situation in other restaurants along Broadway. We can only assume that their problems were the same as ours since they were operating under the same rationing regulations as we were.

You've heard people say, "It's too much bother to wear safety goggles." Many of these same people have discovered that it's a lot more bother to wear an artificial eye. Wear your safety goggles!

How About Removing Married Women?

RUMOR:

I have heard that G-E Management may decide that it is necessary to remove married women from jobs to make places for returning servicemen. What will be the policy? And is this true?

FACTS:

No, this is not true. At time of layoffs, all employees are treated alike. Servicemen will be returned to our employment under the provisions of the Selective Service Act.

Will 19-3 Shaft Lathe Group Be Moved?

RUMOR:

I have heard that the 19-3 shaft lathe group are going to move to Bldg. 27. Is this true?

FACTS:

The Motor and Generator Division is now in the process of making postwar layouts for its operations. At this time there has been no definite decision on the location of the lathes referred to in this question.

Will G-E Manufacture Automatic Washers?

RUMOR:

Is the General Electric Company either now or in the future going to manufacture an automtaic washing machine similar to the Bendix and Westinghouse types? If so, how soon will they be available?

FACTS:

The Appliance and Merchandise Department of tbe General Electric Company does plan to manufacture an automatic washing machine. At this time it is impossible to state the exact date this machine will be available for sale, but it is expected that it will be on the market sometime in 1946.

Will Statements of Additional Pension Be Resumed?

RUMOR:

I have heard that statements of additional pension plan accumulations will be resumed.

FACTS:

Statements of additional pension plan accumulations were discontinued during the war because of the unusual demands placed upon the Payroll Section during this time. No definite time has been set for the resumption of this service to those who are paying into the additional pension plan. However, any participant in this plan may obtain a statement of his accumulations by calling at the payroll office in Bldg. 18-1.

How About Storage of G-E Washers?

RUMOR:

I have heard that G-E washing machines are being produced and put into storage until O.P.A. agrees to a higher price increase than the 5.2 per cent it has granted industry.

FACTS:

Due to the extreme shortages of materials, General Electric has not been able to produce any great quantity of washing machines to date. In order to place these machines with all sales outlets throughout the United States at the same time, it is necessary to accumulate a sufficient stock of these machines before any distribution is done so that no one portion of the country will have no stock to sell while others have it.

The O.P.A. has granted all home laundry equipment manufacturers a price increase of 7.7 per cent. There is absolutely no truth in the rumor that General Electric washing machines are being produced and put into storage until O.P.A. agrees to a higher price increase. It is necessary, however, to have O.P.A. approval on our price schedules before any sales can be made.

DON'T BE AN ACCIDENTEE!



DON'T BE AN ACCIDENTEE!



News From ★★★★★★★★★★ THE SERVICES

Has 78 Points

Manila, P. I.
October 11, 1945

Dear Editor:

As a former employee of the General Electric Company, I have received the WORKS NEWS, without fail, in all my travels which have taken me half way around the world.

At the present time I am located in Manila, P. I., but have high hopes of getting back home, for discharge, in the very near future, as I have 78 points. . . .

Yours truly,
S/Sgt. Harold D. Robison

At Tokyo

September 12, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I want to thank all the boys at the shop, as well as all the girls, for doing their part in this war. . . . I hope some day that I will be able to work there again. I have five stars and one citation, and three ribbons.

Just a Sailor,
Robert Louis Meeham, S 1/c

Marine In Japan

September 30, 1945

Dear Editor:

Now that we're in Japan, it's easy to see why they surrendered. We're in Saselo, Japan, and the main part of town is completely demolished. We're stationed in a naval academy barracks. It's not bad, but Fort Wayne would sure look good.

We use a lot of General Electric equipment here, especially motors and generators.

I really appreciate the WORKS NEWS. It helps to keep in contact with a lot of the gang.

Sincerely yours,
PFC R. W. Trott, U.S.M.C.

October 4, 1945

Dear Editor:

It has been quite some time since you heard from me. Just to let you and the gang at Decatur know I am still alive, I will drop you a few lines.

I am stationed between Buan and Bantangas, just on the coast of the Luzon Island. I have been able to watch the natives prepare their meals, and many other things. It would be like writing a history book to write all that one sees over here. For the first time in my life, I have eaten fried bananas, but among the Filipinos it is quite customary.

I have been seeing a lot of G-E equipment since I am here. Also, I have used some of it several times.

Give the gang my regards and tell them to keep up the good work. I am looking forward to the day when I can go back to my family, and go back to work at the G-E once more.

Yours truly,
Pvt. Ralph R. Bailer



Dear Editor:

. . . I'm in the Hospital Corps School and really like it. Quite a bit different from assembling motors though. I expect to be here in New York for about three weeks and then be located in a hospital.

Rita Stabele, H.A. 2/c

To Come Home

Tubaboo Island
October 4, 1945

Dear Editor:

As of today I am no longer with this 64th C. B. Batt. Today I was detached and put into a draft. I am now waiting for transportation to the U.S.A.

I would like at this time to tell you of what a lift the WORKS NEWS has been to me. It brought my G-E friends very close to me. It brought home close to me. All in all it's been one of the best things that's happened in my three years in the Navy.

I regret to say that I didn't see or come in contact with much G-E equipment. This C.B. outfit has all gasoline motors.

That's all. I hope my next WORKS NEWS will be laying by the time clock.

Yours,
Robert Firestine, C.M. 2/c

Returning To States

Dear Editor:

I am dropping you a couple of lines to let you know that I am leaving this area now for the States to be discharged, as I have 79 points, so I ought to be home before long. I want to thank you for sending me the WORKS NEWS all the while I was out here in the Pacific as it sure was nice to read about the people back there.

Of course, just how soon I will get to the States is hard to say, as that depends on how long we have to wait for our transportation. At least we are leaving our unit, and making the first step of our starting home today, anyway.

Many thanks again for sending the WORKS NEWS to me for the 39 months I was overseas, and I hope I will be back there soon receiving it in person, as I did before the war. It's been 42 months since I was back there, and believe me, that is plenty long enough for me.

It sure will be nice to be where it is winter again. Will close now.

Yours very truly,
Sgt. Harold A. Mundt

Studies In England

October 3, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I expect to take a course in Engineering and Commerce while here for a period of eight weeks. Shoivenham has historical background in that it is considered the O.C.S. of England. . . .

Yours truly,
PFC Paul P. Koehl

Dear Editor:

I am leaving the States soon and because of the nature of my work, will not be stationed very long in one place. . . .

I have enjoyed the WORKS NEWS greatly in the entire three years of my service in the Navy.

Sincerely,
Ens. Robert E. Kearney

Dr. Zay Jeffries Receives John Fritz Medal for 1946

Dr. Zay Jeffries, Vice-President of General Electric and General Manager of the Chemical Department, has received the 1946 award of the John Fritz Medal for leadership in the solution of problems affecting the production, conservation, substitution, and the scientific appraisal of metals and alloys, it was announced this week.

The John Fritz Medal was established in 1902 by the four professional societies, The American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, The American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. The award, which is often called the "Highest Award in Engineering," is given for notable scientific or industrial achievement and is international in scope. In past years the award has been bestowed on Lord Kelvin, Sir Robert A. Hadfield, Guglielmo Marconi, George Westinghouse, Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Edison, Elihu Thomson, General George Goethals, Orville Wright, Elmer Sperry, Herbert Hoover, Willis R. Whitney, Charles F. Kettering, and others.

Dr. Jeffries, who has an international reputation as a metallurgist and as a consultant in electrochemical and electrometallurgical work, was formerly technical director of the Lamp Department of General Electric. For twenty years he was consulting metallurgist for the Aluminum Company of America and during the war he has served as vice-chairman of the War Metallurgy Committee, chairman of the Advisory Division of that Committee, and chairman of the Metals Conservation and Substitution Group of the War Metallurgy Committee. He has made great contributions to the metallography of tungsten, on the constitution of steel, on the theory of hardening of metals, and on other fundamental subjects.

He has prepared more than 50 works on metallic and non-metallic engineering materials. The importance of his contributions has been recognized in earlier awards to him including the James Douglas Medal from the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, the Sauveur achievement award of the American Society of Metals, the Clamer Medal of the Franklin Institute, and the annual Powder Metallurgy Medal of Stevens Institute of Technology.



Dr. Zay Jeffries

He holds degrees of Doctor of Science from Harvard and from the Case School of Applied Science, having been on the faculty of the latter and a member of the corporation. Dr. Jeffries, besides being an officer in several corporations and past president of the Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, is active in numerous professional societies in engineering and science in this country and abroad.

G-E Takes Over Assets Of Electric Vacuum Cleaner Company

Stockholders of the Electric Vacuum Cleaner Company have just voted to transfer the Company's assets as of October 31, 1945, to the General Electric Company, it was announced this week. Approved by more than 90 per cent of the Electric Vacuum stockholders, transactions will be consummated on a basis equivalent to one share of G-E stock for approximately 1.3 shares of Electric Vacuum Stock. General Electric plans to operate the business as a division of the Appliance and Merchandise Department, President C. E. Wilson said.

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

These G-E employees have returned to work during the last week after serving in Uncle Sam's forces. Look them up—welcome them back to G-E!

Name	Location	Name	Location	Name	Location
James Andrews	Bldg. 17-2	Kenneth Hemlinger	Bldg. 8-1	Robert D. Hughes	Bldg. 20-2
Immanuel Stauffer	Bldg. 19-2	Warren G. Antoine	Bldg. 26-2	Walter J. Doctor	Bldg. 4-4
Richard G. Laue	Bldg. 17-3	Henry W. Simminger	Bldg. 4-3	Joseph R. Cerveris	Bldg. 17-3
Denver W. Fisher	Bldg. 8-1	Burl D. Teboe	Bldg. 26-4	Clayton Schultz, Jr.	Bldg. 4-1
Glenn E. Elder	Bldg. 28-2	Arthur Bleekman, Jr.	Bldg. 26-1	Harold F. Becker	Bldg. 17-2
William O. Doell	Bldg. 4-2	Martin P. Vogel	Taylor Street	Clarence K. Ladig	Bldg. 18-5
John Miller	Winter Street	John Willett	Bldg. 19-5	Adeline Masbaum	Bldg. 17-1
Bernard S. Kain	Bldg. 20-2	Leon F. Guillaume	Bldg. 19-5	Donald Macon	Bldg. 17-2
Aibert H. Vebert	Bldg. 4-4	John P. Leiendecker	Bldg. 26-5	Byard G. Herrman	Bldg. 26-4
Donald W. Wiebke	Bldg. 4-3	Darold B. Borne	Bldg. 4-3	Ned C. Frankart	Bldg. 28-2
Joe R. Collins, Jr.	Bldg. 17-1	Donald L. Marshall	Bldg. 6-B	Paul Plummer	Bldg. 4-3
Fred J. Immel	Bldg. 8-1	James B. Butler	Bldg. 27	J. Howard Stark	Bldg. 4-6
Donald E. Wiedman	Bldg. 4-4	Herbert Blombach	Bldg. 17-1	William R. Shoda, Jr.	Bldg. 19-5
Howard J. Ford, Jr.	Bldg. 20-2	Gerhardt Foerster	Bldg. 8-2	Jackson Ridings	Bldg. 20-2
Ervin Yoder	Bldg. 12-2	Elmer W. Scheer	Bldg. 4-5	Russel Hoffman	Bldg. 19-5
Gail G. Gordon	Bldg. 4-2	Frank Walzer	Bldg. 17-2	Frederick Schrader	Bldg. 19-5
Paul H. Ginder	Bldg. 19-5	Alfred H. Mundt	Bldg. 26-1	Richard Nichter	Winter Street
Jack Korlin	Bldg. 18-5				

A letter was received recently from Sgt. Orville L. Gonser saying that he will soon be coming back to the States to be discharged.

According to a recent letter, Lt. G. W. Macke expects to be a civilian in a few days, and hopes to be back with the plant soon.

Another former G-E co-worker who is on his way back to the States for a discharge is Paul Carbaugh, E. M. He hopes to be back as one of the old gang again very shortly, according to word received from him.

G-E Propjet Announced As New Milepost in Aviation

Two-Way Harnessing of Gas Turbine Force Drives Propeller and Boosts with Jet Thrust

Development of a new type aircraft power plant, which through two-way harnessing of gas turbine force, drives a propeller and boosts with jet thrust simultaneously, was announced this week by General Electric Company witb permission of the War Department.

Marking an advanced milepost in the development of aircraft power units, this G-E Propjet, developed under wartime pressure, gives the Army Air Forces and General Electric engineers another historic first—one that opens a broad and new field for civilian airplane propulsion development.

Designed primarily to drive large high speed military transports and bombers, this Propjet has been subjected to rigid test stand runs and in June of this year was installed in an experimental Army Air Forces plane of advanced design.

Either Single or Multi

The gas turbine with propeller is designed for installation in the wings of multi-engined aircraft or in the nose of a single-engine plane. The air rams into the nose of the Propjet through ducts opening forward. This air is compressed by axial flow units in the forward part of the engine and then forced into combustion chambers. There fuel is injected and burns intensely. This raises the temperature and velocity of the gases, which then, with great energy, strike the buckets of the turbine wheel. The turbine, spinning more than 10,000 times a minute at a temperature over 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit, absorbs the major part of the energy in the gases.

The turbine powers the compressor and through reduction gears drives the propeller. Reactive thrust created by the energy remaining in the gases passing through the turbine wheel and discharging rearward is utilized in jet propulsion so that the G-E Propjet combines both propeller and jet power.

The power generated by these new units already is great, and engineers see no basic difficulties in increasing the propulsive output of this type of gas turbine to almost any force visualized as necessary to drive the projected mammoth planes of the future. Here it opens a vast and unexplored field in aircraft propulsion, because aircraft engineers agree generally that the size and power developed by conventional reciprocating engines is reaching the peak which can be reached without prohibitive complexity.

Major Features Explained

Some of the major advances in air power established by this new gas turbine, which was designed and developed at the Schenectady Works of General Electric, include:

1. LIGHTER ENGINES: The propjet type of power plant will make it possible for planes to be powered by smaller, lighter weight engines.

2. SIMPLICITY: The propjet gas turbine is a simple and compact power plant in which the power is developed in a single high speed rotor, spinning many thousands of times a minute.

3. ENGINE VIBRATION ZERO: This new gas turbine power plant produces virtually no vibration, even when operating at maximum power.

4. HIGH POWER CONTINUOUSLY: The propjet gas turbine functions most efficiently and economically when producing full power continuously during long flights.

5. SPEED REDUCING GEARS: The swiftly revolving turbine drives a propeller through speed reducing gears. Development of this reduction gear has been an outstanding engineering accomplishment.

Broad Choice of Fuel

6. FUEL: The gas turbine can be developed to function efficiently on virtually any liquid fuel. Kerosene bas been used for the actual tests thus far.

7. RANGE: The range of planes powered by gas turbines of this new type will be extensive. Economical flights from New York to San Francisco, or from Washington to London, unquestionably will be possible with planes powered by such turbines.

8. GREAT SPEED: The speed limits on planes powered by the new turbine are unquestionably the compressibility barriers that are reached by all propeller driven planes somewhere slightly above 500 miles an hour. Planes powered by the propjet units can operate over long ranges at speeds close to this compressibility wall while planes driven by reciprocating engines cruise on long flights at reduced speeds.

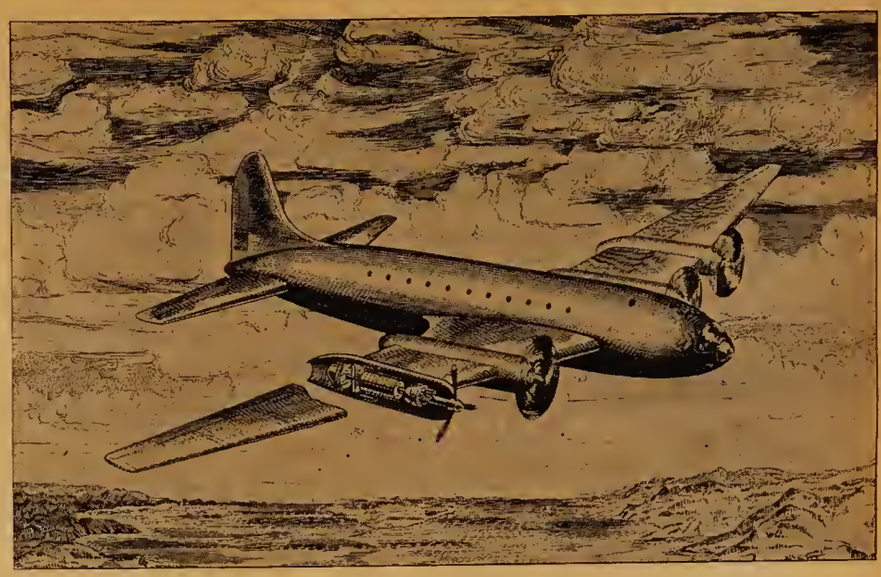
G-E Announces New Appliance Lead Wire

A new Deltabeston appliance lead wire for use where both heat and moisture are a problem is announced by General Electric's Appliance and Merchandise Department. This wire is insulated with a moisture-resisting cellulose acetate wrap next to the conductor, a layer of felted asbestos, and a lacquered glass braid over-all covering.

The new wire is designed for use with appliances and equipment such as sterilizers, etc., where medium high temeperatures and moistures are to be found. Its maximum operating temperature is 125 degrees C.

The smooth, modern finish of the wire gives it an attractive appearance. It is available in white, red, green, blue, brown, or black. It will, however, be shipped in white unless otherwise specified. The color of the over-all glass braid is permanent. It is obtained by dying the individual glass threads in color and not by coloring the over-all coating of lacquer.

New Gas Turbine Drives Propeller and Boosts with Jet



This drawing shows how the new type, powerful gas turbine, which both drives a propeller and boosts with jet propulsion, will fit snugly in the wings of big military and civilian planes. The G-E Propjet, which functions efficiently and economically when producing full power continuously during long flights, was developed for the Army Air Forces by General Electric engineers. Light and torpedo-shaped, it opens a new field in propulsion developments for both military and civilian aircraft, and engineers are confident tbat this type of engine will be harnessed extensively to power huge transports.

Here And There

BUILDING 17-4

Mike Schmidt is furnishing Larry Reed with spending money these days, since he lost the Series bet he made with Larry. Guess now our money will get a rest till the football games work up enough interest to get the betting started again. . . . This is to say so long and good luck to Dick Reuter, who is leaving us to go into business for himself. Our best wishes go with you and don't forget Bldg. 17-4—we'll be missing you. . . . The second shift welcomes Ben Minton, Orlando Surface and Earl Bowman to the Machine Section, and Paul Schlie to Test Section. We hope you will like Bldg. 17-4. Bill Geist has taken Paul Schlie under his wing to show him around the Test Section. . . . Our famous archers are on the prowl again. This time they decided to take a trip 300 miles north into wild country. Clifford Imbody, alias "Eagle Eye," finally succeeded (after crawling 40 miles on his hands and knees) in getting within a few feet of a beautiful buck deer. Quick as a flash he notched an arrow and drew a bead on the poor defenseless creature. Cold sweat broke out on his 40-pound bow!! Then the arrow whizzed through the morning air directly at the hear of the innocent victim. Two minutes later Cliff opened his eyes to find the deer had vanished and his arrow was swaying in the breeze on a nearby tree. Now it is our opinion that these boys will still make great archers, provided they will overcome the tendency to close their eyes when shooting on the range. . . . Darrel Troyer is spending his vacation digging potatoes. They raise them big and many up around Laotto. Darrel's father was potato king last year when he raised the largest amount of potatoes per acre ever raised in the United States—over 700 bushels per acre.

Is Zat So?

We extend a hearty welcome to the new office group and certainly hope they enjoy working with us. . . . Bob Beber has given up his single blessedness and joined the ranks of the married men. Much happiness ahead is wished for Mr. and Mrs. Beber. . . . All this talk about sweater girls, when we have Jim Stafford the "sweater boy" in our midst. Page Lana Turner! . . . Art Smith enjoyed his vacation fishing at the lake. Sure had grand weather too, didn't you, Art? . . . Henry Gollmer and family enjoyed a sojourn into Brown County. . . . Charlie Braden went pheasant hunting in South Dakota and had real good luck. . . . Jack Lewis came to work Monday all smiles. It seems that he turned out to be pretty lucky at predicting the outcome of last Saturday's football games. . . . We are glad to have Minor Bishop and Roy Donelson back to work after their recent illnesses. . . . The new stock helper in 19x73 is Erland Bubie, who was discharged from the Marines after three and one-half years service. We hope you like us, Erland! . . . Herman Johnson must have had spring fever last week. Anyway something had him a little confused, because he came to work with two different kinds of shoes on. . . . We don't believe it, but Bill Fisher promises to keep quiet this week. . . . Oscar Allen left our group to work in Bldg. 6-B for Eddie Kronmiller. Best of luck, Oscar. . . . Don Cobb has been transferred to Baltimore, Md., so get his new address from Henry Gollmer and send Don a line or two. . . . The vacationists this week are Vic Hall and Phillip Kraft. . . . Birthday congratulations to Earl Clifton, Kenneth Longenburger, and Dan Hoover. . . . Clyde Crabill, Carl Fisher and "Red" Gitter are enjoying a hunting expedition up in the Dakotas.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Much has been written, mostly in derision, about America being a nation of club men. That Americans are inveterate "joiners" is, to some extent, true but the conclusions drawn are not true. In H. L. Mencken's heyday, it was a favorite indoor sport of self-styled intellectuals to poke fun at Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, Masonic lodges, and the like, inferring that such were originated by purile minds and perpetuated by men of such adolescent and immature mentality that they must resort to organized back-slapping to bolster their ego. That adults should enjoy secret mumbo-jumbo of a lodge or the good-fellow luncheon meeting of a club seemed incomprehensible to tbese Mencken devotees. However, they seem to have entirely ignored a very important point. Some of our most noteworthy attributes as a nation are traceable to this national trait of being "joiners." Our penchant for organization resulted in an army ordnance department that was the envy of the world in World War II. Our ability to work so well together seems to be linked with a desire for collective entertainment, producing as a direct result organizations of industry, education, public works, charity, etc., that are of world importance because of their size and efficiency. That these things could be achieved by a nation less gregarious than ours is improbable. . . . Don't forget that tonight, October 26, is the Dispatchers Club Masquerade Dance at the Chamber of Commerce. The dance will begin at 9 P.M. and there will be prizes for the best costume, the funniest one, and many other prizes, including an attendance prize. Come and bring your friends. Tickets will be available at the door.

17-3 Newsies

We know shoes are rationed, but we didn't think it was so bad until we saw Charlie Rice with a wire tied around his shoe and in a neat bow on top. Afraid you'll lose your sole, Charlie? . . . We're glad to have Don Maken back with us after having served with the armed forces overseas. . . . Bill Martin seemed to get a kick out of something the other day. What was it all about, Bill? . . . Many more happy birthdays to Margaret Boyd and Mabel Staley. . . . It hasn't been cold enough to freeze ice yet, but we wonder what made Madeline slip and fall the other day. . . . We hope that June Trumbell and Phyllis Middaugh enjoyed their vacations this last week. . . . Olive Adams and Deloris Fink have been added to "our big happy family," and we hope you'll like working with us, gals. . . . It seems that it just won't work putting coils in the stators backwards, will it, Lois? . . . Well, kids, that's all for now, 'bye.

Within The Atom

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does not know anything about molecules or chemical reactions. Temperature or light do not affect it. It lives in a world of its own, aloof from the everyday happenings. It is this world of the nucleus which interests us today and which for the first time in history for better or for worse entered into our lives this year in New Mexico, Hiroshima, and Nagasaki. Study of this nucleus forms a relatively new and very fascinating branch of science, the nuclear physics. It is this nucleus which is the source of the new energy, of the so-called "atomic" power which, as you see, should really be called "nuclear" power.

Nuclear Structure

What is this nucleus? What is it made of? What changes can occur within it? I shall attempt to give here an answer to these questions by describing very briefly the fundamentals of the nuclear structure. I shall give here only such information as is necessary for the understanding of the other lectures.

According to our present knowledge, all atomic nucleii are composed of protons and neutrons. Proton is the nucleus of a hydrogen atom, and it carries a unit positive electrical charge. Neutron is a particle of approximately the same mass as a proton, but without electrical charge. One can imagine a neutron to be a composite particle made of a proton and an electron which, having opposite electrical charges, produces a neutral particle. The mass of the electron compared to that of the proton is very small and that accounts for the similarity of masses of a neutron and a proton. Thus we can picture an atomic nucleus as an aggregate of a certain number of particles of the same size and weight, some of them having a positive electric charge, others being neutral. The total number of particles in a nucleus is its atomic weight; the number of protons is its atomic number. Since the number of protons is not much different from the number of neutrons in a nucleus, thus the atomic weight is about twice the atomic number.

Isotopes Explained

There are nucleii with the same number of protons but a somewhat dieffrent number of neutrons, thus with a different atomic weight but the same atomic number. The difference in the number of neutrons does not affect the behavior of electrons in the atom, since the charge of the nucleous remains the same. Such nucleii are called isotopes of a given element. For instance, in a piece of copper about two-thirds of the atoms have an atomic weight of 63 while the rest have the weight 65. The notion of isotopes is a very important one, and you will hear a lot about them during this series. From the very fact that each element has only a few stable isotopes, it follows that the ratio of protons to neutrons cannot be changed arbitrarily. If by means of some processes we succeed in changing that ratio, then we obtain an unstable nucleus which disintegrates. Such a disruption can be obtained in many ways.

For us, the most important is the penetration of an extra neutron into a stable nucleus. A neutron having no electrical charge can penetrate relatively easily into a nucleus. Upon entering it, this extra neutron upsets the balance of forces between the other neutrons and protons, and the nucleus disintegrates. One of the ways in which such a disintegration can occur is, for instance, through ejection of an electron. In other words, one of the neutrons in the excited changes into a proton, and an electron, and this electron is ejected. Thus our nucleus has captured a neutron and emitted an electron; so in effect it has now one proton more than it had in the beginning. This new combination may not be stable either, and the new nucleus may disintegrate again until it reaches the form of one of the known stable nucleii. Many other transformations are possible and are frequently observed. The energies involved in these transformations are very high, which is best illustrated by the fact that the practical unit for these energies is one million volts.

Origin of Forces

From where do these high energies come? What is the origin of forces which hold these strange aggregates together?

If we measure very carefully the atomic weights of various nucleii, and we can do it now with an accuracy of 1 in 100,000, then we find that the nucleus is a little bit lighter than would follow from adding up the masses of protons and neutrons contained in it. Apparently, on forming the nucleus from its constituents some mass got "lost." The explanation of this fact is that this small quantity of mass has been transformed into energy, in particular into the binding energy of the nucleus. This sounds strange, doesn't it? But already in 1905 Einstein had shown that one of the consequences of his, now generally accepted, theory of relativity is the so-called equivalence of mass and energy.

The ratio of energy to mass is, according to Einstein's equation, equal to the square of the velocity of light. It follows, that a tiny speck of mass can be transformed into an enormous quantity of energy or vice versa. In the lecture next week, Dr. Lewi Tonks will go into a more detailed discussion of this fundamental law of the equivalence of mass and energy.

"Binding" Energies

Here let us note only that the enormous binding energies necessary to keep the protons and neutrons in a nucleus are due to the so-called "mass defects" or minute differences in mass of the nucleus as compared to the sum of the masses of its constituents measured independently.

And so we arrive at a very sketchy, to be sure, picture of an atom as a heavy nucleus surrounded by a cloud of electrons and the nucleus itself as an aggregate of protons and neutrons held together by enormous energies obtained through conversion of mass.

Genuine Heartfelt Satisfaction



IN THE BELIEF THAT HE IS PREVENTING HUMAN SUFFERING IS AN INSPIRATION TO ANY SAFETY COMMITTEEMAN. Joe Rodermund, shown in the above picture, who is now heading up the Safety Committee of the Winter Street Plant, has had this experience several times in a short period of Safety Committee work.

We have found that the successful Safety Committeeman must have special qualifications. Some of them are listed here:

SINCERITY AND ENTHUSIASM—He must believe in accident prevention from a humanitarian standpoint—must experience genuine heartfelt satisfaction in the belief that he is preventing human suffering.

DILIGENCE AND PATIENCE—He must realize that he is dealing with human beings who may be accustomed to doing things "the unsafe way." Therefore, it may be a "long pull" before he gets the things done he wants—but must have patience and not give up.

IMAGINATION—Must be able to visualize a combination of circumstances which are apt to cause an accident.

JUDGMENT AND DIPLOMACY—Must think things through before making a decision and always use diplomacy in getting them done.

COURAGE AND FORCEFULNESS—Must have courage of his convictions. If he is convinced in his own mind that a hazard exists, he must not permit an injury to occur because he lacks the courage to recommend a correction.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Service Message

Wilson Sends G-E Job Study to Servicemen

General Electric, from which 51,527 men and women left to join their country's armed forces, has reemployed 3,401 of them as of August 31, according to an announcement of the Company this week. Meanwhile it is believed practically all of those still in service have received the message from President Charles E. Wilson describing the study which has been in progress for some time for the purpose of classifying every possible job a disabled veteran can fill. The message includes also a statement of the Company's policy on reemployment of veterans, being a digest of the instructions on that subject already sent to all supervisors.

Among acknowlegments of receipt of the President's message is a letter of appreciation from T/5 Wallace Bush, 486th Ord. Evac. Co., written from Germany in which he says, "I feel very much relieved after reading it. You see, I expect to come home in the near future, and I have been wondering how much of a chance I would have of getting my job back again and now, thanks to your thoughtfulness, I know. I'm sure that this will make a number of men feel more at ease."

The Payroll Section reports that 4,590 men and women have left the Fort Wayne Works to enter the armed forces, and of this number 300 have returned to General Electric as of August 31.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

William Archer of the Commutator Section, who is to be retired soon, was honored by a group of men at an all-day outing Saturday at his home north of town. The day was ideal for outdoor sports including a game of baseball. No one has reported who won, but the sore muscles of the players is indicative of its speed. Floyd Loraine who showed his skill in making hamburgers, was ably assisted by Bob Schinbeckler and Dick Fisher. All in all it was a day to be remembered by all present. . . . Eugene P. Kelsey, wearing four battle stars, has arrived home after serving in Germany with Patton's Third Army. He is the son of Gayle Kelsey, and before entering the Army, worked in Bldg. 18. . . . Ethel Johnson found out there is a difference in time between Edgerton, Ind., and Edgerton, Ohio, which accounted for her being late for Eleanor Stotz' wedding. Being late didn't detract from her good time though, she just had to hurry a little to catch up with the rest. . . . Marguerite Stahl says she will have to sleep with one eye open, since she is starting to work days and has no alarm clock. So far, she's doing O.K. . . . Charlie Curtiss, whose avocation has been raising chickens, has added another line. He is now going into the dog business as well and is ready to take orders from anyone who would like a Doberman. . . . Betty Kummer has been sleeping with a piece of wedding cake under her pillow. We've had no report, so far, of the result. . . . When Bill Archer, with 32 years of service, retires it will break up a group of five men who have an enviable record of years of service in one section. The other four are Ivan Jones with 25 years, George Seibold and Floyd Loraine each with 26 years, and Ed Gebhart with 28, which makes a total of 137 years. . . . Betty Cox was so glad it rained last Friday. It was her birthday, and she was anxious to use the umbrella she received as a gift. She was also honored by a pot-luck dinner. . . . Tokens from abroad include a four leaf clover, which Lillian Crum received from her son, Don Crum, a paratrooper in Luzon, and pictures of French and English castles, which were sent to Helen Akey. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harold Anspach are parents of a six pound, nine ounce baby, christened James Michael, and were presented with a gift of a blanket and kimono. . . . Bill Bailey, who has left us, wishes to thank all his friends for the pen and pencil set and the leather billfold he received as a farewell gift. . . . Harold Blauvelt doesn't mess around with a shoe repair man anymore. From now on when he has trouble, you can see him standing in his stocking feet repairing the damage. . . . Ed Lindgren and his wife renewed old acquaintances at Indiana University, when they attended the homecoming football game.

The village wag met an excited bride one afternoon on the street.

He asked: "Why are you rushing about like this on a hot day?"

Bride: "I'm trying to get something for my husband."

Wag: "Have you had any offers?"



Hoot Mon! Navy Day! The first peacetime one since 1941: The first one in four years when the REAL doings o' the Navy is not a military secret. I imagine a lot o' "Now it can be told" stories will make for interesting listening to the Navy Day speeches.

We may learn, before the day is over, more about how the Navy licked the submarine problem, which at one time was more serious than you or I could possibly realize.

We may learn how the Navy was able tae handle the Pacific War, and how the Navy carried the Atom Bombs to the airfield from which they were flown.

We may learn more about the part WE OURSELVES played in making such a competent fighting force.

When Doolittle and his fliers took off from "Shrangra La" (the USS Enterprise or USS Hornet) tae bomb Tokyo the first time, his planes and bombs were hoisted tae the flight deck by power from transformers built in Bldg 26-1, generators from Bldg. 19, and motors from Bldgs. 4 and 19.

When battleship "X" (later announced as the USS South Dakota) did a task force job on the Japs its innards also contained transformers from Bldg. 26-1, and motors and generators from Bldgs. 19 and 4.

When the subs were hunted down and smashed, equipment from Fort Wayne helped do it. Radar parts and radar power supply came from our own hands.

And, best o' all, the U. S. Navy, whose real power is in its sailors, themselves, got lots o' thot power right from here—our sons, brothers, cousins, and neighbors.

Noo, what o' the Navy o' the future? One great Admiral says we won't hai surface ships in 1955 like we do now. Has he got C.R.* in mind? Will we need a mere three dozen row boats, cared for by robots, radio controlled, each carrying an atom bomb? Will we be able tae start a torpedo under the Taylor Street bridge and have it travel to any place on the seven seas and blow up whatever we want wiped out?

Tae say nothing o' Naval Aviation, or the 1955 version o' a PBY, which might take off in U.S.A., blow a couple o' nations off the face o' the earth, and fly back in time for dinner thot evening.

Thot is, if we are having regular meals in 1955, and not taking some kind o' vitamine and energy pills in lieu o' regular food—the 1955 version o' K-rations—thot is!

*COST REDUCTION.



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POWER GAGING



The latest development for gaging tapped holes by the use of thread plug gages is the Power Gaging Unit.

A slight downward pressure turns the thread plug gage clockwise and it quickly enters a properly tapped hole.

If the tapped hole is undersized, the clutch slips so that the thread plug gage is not forced, so it does not do the work of a tap or a burnishing tool.

A slight upward pull turns the thread plug gage counter-clockwise and it quickly leaves the hole.

Both the revolutions per minute and the torque are adjustable.

An inspector has gaged over 2,400 tapped holes in one eight hour period.

KNOW YOUR GAGES

HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

By E. A. Miller

You have been promised a narration of last week's Hallowcen Party sponsorcd by the Regional Parts Warehouse Association in the Sears Pavilion, so here goes. No doubt the party was a success, judging from the whoop-de-do and laughter from the 80 members and friends present. Of course, the main event was the food, which was handled admirably under the stewardship of Mrs. Gillie Plummer and her assistants, Margaret Rectanus, Marylinn Bullerman, and Marjorie Mycrs. A brief pause followed the buffet supper, then the games got under way. The first game called "musical tables" included all present with the music being furnished by our pianist, Dick Goetz. The winners at each table were Margaret Lissner, Joyce Archbold, and Ann Ripberger. The next game, a juggling act (carrying beans on a knife) was won by Ruby Levon. Ruby carried 22 beans to the winning post. Now we wonder what kind of nerve tonic she uses. The men's shoe race followed. All of the men participated. The shoe-less contestants resembled a center rush play between the Army and Navy in mid-field with a tieless score and one minute of game time left. Twenty-two men piled deep on a supposedly "sacred" spot was the effect. Henry Reindenbach thought it looked easy waiting on his chair to retrieve his shoes from the pile, but he said it was like hitting a stone wall. Charles Buchanan lost the race when he tried to bargain with Clair Lieurance for one of Clair's shoes. With odds approximately three to one against him due to his overseas shoes, one of our guests "Frosty" Henshaw broke through tackle to win the box of shaving lotion. Yes, "Buck" went home in his own shoes. The winners of the game, "Pin the Tail on the Cat" were Audrey Schuster, Gwen Fraser, and Betty Kyvik. Betty's prize was an abridged novel, "Gone With the Wind." What was your prize, Audrey? Next in line was the apple bobbing contest. Men's names only were drawn from the box to avoid over anxiety, and too, the men have the shorter hairdos, especially some of us, to take part in such a game. Anyway, our winner with the exact timing of four seconds, Bob Archibald, both to dip and another four seconds to dry off received a big oration. Bill Fryer was not so successful. His apple slipped around so that Bill had two minutes of "duck" splashing under the water before he came up with the fruit. Nevertheless, no artificial respiration for Bill was necessary—just a lot of paper towels. The finale was the pie eating contest for both men and women. Elsie Fabian won, considering we didn't have the advantages of a photo finish, with Kathryn Rectanus second. Four ex-soldiers contested next, and Chuck Brand succeeded, probably setting an all time record in this sport. Dancing followed the games. Rosalind Sollberger and her guest, Joan Byonski, showed us some of the late difficult steps, while the Fox brothers, Jack with a corn stalk and Tommy with a broom handle, clowned for us during a waltz number. So let's move this into second to have our secretary, Ann Schlotzhauer, place this in the archives of our Association and with a unified pledge to have bigger and better parties in the future. So that's all folks, hope you enjoyed yourselves and thanks to all helpers who made the party successful.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Dwight Willits has been riding his bicycle to work lately, so he can get his legs in shape to go grouse hunting next week on his vacation. Happy hunting. . . . Did everyone notice the beautiful orchid Helen Karolyi was wearing last Friday along with her usual smile. It could be that her friend, who has been in the Navy for four years, is home and discharged. . . . Josephine Fogel also had a lovely orchid. We wonder if this could be catching. . . . Harold Buck of the Development Section has a mysterious china dog that wiggles his ears. We are wondering what you feed him, Harold? . . . If you ever want to keep a secret, tell Mary Smoak. Some of the girls in the Production Section were having a surprise party on Janna Osterman, who left to work on another floor, last week. The morning of the party, Janna went into the File Room and Mary Smoak told her about a surprise party the Production girls were having; only Janna didn't catch on that the party was for her, until that night. The same party was also for Grace Schwab, who left the Company last Friday, and left to spend a few months in Florida. Lots of good luck, Grace. . . . Speaking of Mary Smoak, she left last Friday for a short trip to Virginia. . . . The engineers had a party for Harold Kuehn and Wade Philpot at the Squares Hall last week. Harold left Wednesday, Oct. 17, and Wade left today. Both received very appropriate gifts. . . . Pvt. Richard Weaver of the Army Air Corps, who formerly worked in the Aircraft Section, was in Bldg. 4-6 on a visit this week. Richard looked very nice in his uniform and had many interesting things to tell his friends. . . . Should you by any chance see a white car (fluid drive) being driven by a handsome man in uniform and wonder who the lucky girl is, well just ask Gloria Openlander.

Their Suggestions Paid Off



Edward Brosche
George Graue

Tony Arthur
Clem Freiburger

In recent weeks, these four men cashed in on their ideas. Tony Arthur, Bldg. 20-1, was given $25 for his suggestion on improvements in the installation of heating elements in compound pots. Sixty-five dollars was presented to George H. Graue, Winter Street, for his idea pertaining to changes in tooling and machining seal face on thrust and drain plug in compressors. Edward V. Brosche, Bldg. 17-1, was awarded $30 for his suggestion for the transferring of second operation on screw cups from hand screw machines to bench lathes. This was an additional award to one given sometime ago. An award of $25 was presented Clem J. Freiburger, Bldg. 19-3, for suggesting forming certain boxes from a single piece instead of welding several pieces.

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

Trick or treat; treat or trick; that's what you hear now a days, that Halloween is near. So, folksies, get your goodies ready for those kiddies. . . . C. Winans received a letter from A. Hanley, formerly of 13x56 and now working for Uncle Sam. Al said hello to the gang—and we hope he doesn't have any trouble spending his evenings. . . . Welcome Harry G. Johnson, who has just returned from 32 months in the E.T.O. . . . We also say hello to Jean Reynold in Group 13x57. . . . Charlotte Drewett, better known as "Chuck," is in 13x51. She was coach of the G-E Girls' Softball Championship team this summer. Glad to have you with us, Chuck, and hope you'll like us. . . . O. J. Meyers is all smiles these days because his two sons will be home from the Navy before too long. . . . Rose Ulrey is a very happy gal now that her husband has come home discharged from the Army; also Marcile Anderson and Catherine Winters have their husbands with them again too. We're all very happy for you gals. . . . Marjorie Huge, who worked in switches, is back in Fort Wayne with her husband from Texas to make their home here again. . . . Norma Beach has returned from vacationing at Florida with her folks, and she has a beautiful tan, the envy of everyone. . . . Betty Strohmeier wants to thank everyone for the gift. She is now making her home in Muncie. . . . Mary Jane Young was hostess to the Sewing Club at her home. Everything from embroidering to crocheting purses is done by the girls. . . . If you want to know anything about wrestling, just ask Phyllis Reber or Florence Stanski. They seem to really enjoy themselves at the wrestling matches. . . . The reason Edna Ward of Small Lot has been in the clouds is because her son, John Callon, is home from the Navy after spending 36 months in the South Pacific. Wish both boys were home, Edna. . . . Jim Collins is now doing the welding in 13x58 replacing Walter Kesler, who was transferred to Decatur in order to work closer to his home in Willshire, Ohio. Good luck, Walter. . . . Lindsey Eastes drove his car to work so he could make it home in a hurry after work, but did he? No, he took the bus as usual then had to get up early and come back to the parking lot to get his car. . . . Don't talk about troubles to Lee Wittie, for between the red-headed motorcycle cop and his car, he has plenty of it. First it was cop trouble; now it is flat tires and carburetors. The riders expect to lose the motor next. . . . Yes, that was our own Harold Hart's picture in the News-Sentinel. . . . Here's hoping Irene Fuelling is enjoying herself on her vacation. . . . Would Alice Pelkey be rushing the Christmas season, or does she just want to be sure the cards get overseas on time? . . . Anyone that would like to know how to kill a chicken the easy way, please see Clara Nahrwold. . . . Yours until the next edition.

J. J. Cone Named To New Position

J. J. Cone has been appointed accountant for the Range and Water Heater Divisions of the Appliance and Merchandise Department of the General Electric Company, it has been announced.

At the same time, the appointments of C. E. Sonnemann and R. D. Gage, formerly assistants to Mr. Cone, were made known. Mr. Sonnemann has been named accountant, general taxes, insurance, and royalties section of the Department, while Mr. Gage has been appointed accountant, general statistics section.

Mr. Cone has been with G-E since 1924. He has worked for the company in Schenectady and Cleveland, and came to Bridgeport in 1939. His home was formerly in Bennington, Vt.

Forty-Six Awards Made to G-E Suggestors in Two Weeks

Covering a period of two weeks, 46 awards amounting to $445 were made to suggestors, according to the lists released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

George H. Graue, Winter Street, headed the list with a $65 award for his idea concerning changes in tooling and machining seal face on thrust and drain plug in compressors.

Edward V. Brosche, Bldg. 17-1, was presented an additional award of $30 for his suggestion on transfer of second operation on screw cups from hand screw machines to bench lathes. Twenty-five dollars were given to Clem J. Freiburger, Bldg. 19-3, for his idea for forming certain boxes from a single piece instead of welding several pieces.

The following suggestors were presented awards ranging from $5 to $20:

Bldg. 4-1
Galen E. Krieg.

Bldg. 4-3
Cecil J. Vivian, Byrl R. Miller, Golda L. Lochner, Genevieve L. Oddou.

Bldg. 4-4
Ralph Callison.

Bldg. 4-5
Audrey A. Turney.

Bldg. 8-1
Max J. Lawrence, Vernon S. Wiseman, Clarence V. Pion, Virgil C. Summers, Ursal C. Springer.

Bldg. 8-2
Earl G. Rickey, Sr.

Bldg. 9
Carl F. Hankel.

Bldg. 10-1
Charles E. Scott, Sidney Rumsey.

Bldg. 12-3
Lester Faus.

Bldg. 17-3
Helen L. Alberson.

Bldg. 17-4
Donald F. Thomas, Richard D. Markle, Donald W. Kruse, Edith Mae Williams.

Bldg. 19-1
Olin K. Keller.

Bldg. 19-2
M. J. Libbing, Lillian Young, G. K. Buchan.

Bldg. 19-3
Edward C. Tipton, Ralph C. Root, Floyd R. Mutton.

Bldg. 20-1
George J. Fatscher.

Bldg. 27-1
Walter Frady.

Bldg. 31-2
Barbara E. Foster.

Taylor Street
Charley F. Hall, Vella Robison Lesh.

Winter Street
Roy B. Meeks.

Kokomo
Mary E. Holmes, Ralph Bischoff, Chas. D. Hollingsworth, James D. Marlette, Richard Earl Kinsey, Eugene Musgrave.



New Appointments To G-E Research Laboratory Told

V. C. Wilson, J. P. Howe, And J. F. Eckel Join Company's Staff

Three new appointments to the General Electric Research Laboratory, Schenectady, were announced recently by Dr. C. G. Suits, vice president and director of the laboratory.

They are Dr. Volney C. Wilson, former instructor in physics at the University of Chicago; Dr. John P. Howe, assistant professor in chemistry at Brown University; and Dr. John F. Eckel, former associate professor of metallurgy at Purdue University.

Dr. Howe and Dr. Wilson have been assigned to the physics division of the Research Laboratory, and Dr. Eckel has joined the metallurgical division of the laboratory.

Until recently, both Dr. Wilson and Dr. Howe were working on the Manhattan District Project. Prior to that time, Dr. Wilson did research work on radar and other equipment at the radiation laboratory of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and Dr. Howe taught and did research work at Brown University.

It's The News from Six-Two

Since Group 16x41 moved from Bldg. 17-2 to Bldg. 6-2 we have been sort of out of the news, but after having two months to get settled, we're emerging again and will try to let the "outside world" know we're still here. . . . Bill Strough just returned from two weeks' vacation which he spent in moving—just a change of jobs for two weeks, huh, Bill? . . . We're sorry to report that Jesse Wittwer has left the Company to return to his trade of brick mason. Good luck to you as you go, Jess! . . . Four new rotor inspectors have joined our group since moving to Bldg. 6-2, Merle Wasson, Phyllis Correll, Kurt Mast, and Gene Wheeler. . . . June Conner enjoyed a vacation at home last week. . . . We extend our sympathy to George Eshleman in the death of his mother. . . . Ray DeBolt is back with us again after two months' illness. Welcome back, Ray! . . . We were glad for the visit Marilyn Gunkel paid us recently. Marilyn's name used to be Fenton, and she was a rotor inspector before she became a housewife, which she says is a full-time job. . . . We wonder who's reporting on Roy Mentzer since we left him in Bldg. 17-2. . . . See you next week!

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Paul Snyder, the Wizard, had a unique experience at his expense. The solution was finally solved, but was his face red, and did his co-workers give him the royal razz! . . . Joe Carson is back on the job after three days of illness. . . . Elmer Platt was home last week nursing an injured eye. He struck it's eye on a shovel. Glad to see you back, Elmer. . . . We wonder who the Irishman is that gets free haircuts? . . . Helen Dammeyer entertained the girls with a chicken dinner Friday night in honor of Margaret Motherwell's birthday. Congratulations, Margaret. The girls all say Helen can sure fry chicken. . . . Carl Timme has left the Miscellaneous Section to return to his old job of operating a grinder. . . . Harry Woodward is still on the sick list. Get well, Harry, we all miss you. . . . Whitey Colvin made a flying trip to Ohio to see his sis, who just received her discharge from the WACS. . . . Tom Piepenbrink is going to South Bend to see the Fighting Irish play Iowa.

FACTORY OFFICE

Newcomers to our gang: Jake Geiser, Roger Andrews, Bill Charleston, Joe Cochoit, and William (Jack) Jackway. Welcome to Winter Street. . . . "I can vote today, October 20"—Iris Engel. Happy birthday, Iris. We enjoyed your party; may you have many more "21" birthdays. . . . Famous Last Words: "Deadline for time is Monday morning"—Time Clerks. "Hubba, Hubba"—Bob Ringle. "Aweeeeeeee" (Wabash Cannon Ball)—Clark Scheid. "Where is the Redeployment Schedule, where's my Max?" Luella Burnsworth. . . . Watch the Factory Office space for the announcement of the Shindig to be held soon. For particulars, see the girls in this office.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

Louren Poff has a new set of stores. Looks like they work good. . . . Paul Johnston returned to work after his recent illness. Sure seems good to have you back with us, Paul. . . . Thomas Ainslie is leaving us this week. He is returning to his pre-war job with his father.

ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL

Mary Geise and Jean Sawyer are happy girls since their men received their discharges. . . . Gloria Wissler had a wonderful week-end in the Detroit "hot spots." . . . Pete Dannecker and son spent the week at Lake Ann. They claim they went swimming, but yours truly would like to know which toe got wet.

PRODUCTION

Dorothy and Elsie Schmidt were in Chicago for the week-end visiting their brother. . . . Clara Lou Lichty had a couple days at home in Antwerp, feasting her eyes on Gene after a year or so absence. . . . And did you know that Delores Kiel is getting her mail back marked "Discharged, Returned to the U.S.A." Well, it won't be so long now. Happy days will be here again. . . . We have been noticing that Shorty Redding is wide awake in the mornings. . . . Eileen Kagey has left the Company. Was nice having you with us, and we wish you success in your new job. . . . Nelda McClain is all smiles. Gene has a 45-day furlough, then to Georgia, and after that home for good. Well, me gal, our day will come too, soon we hope. . . . Did you notice the roses on Laverne Murphy's desk last week. It was her wedding anniversary. Congratulations, Laverne! Jimmy was right on the beam. . . . Frances Miller has gone "back to the bottle." Last week when she had a cold and her cough was annoying her, she'd reach for her bottle, and pour down the medicine. . . . Remember Glen Bordner? We're glad to have him back with us again after several years in the Army, including many months in a German prison camp.

SPARE PARTS

Ann Choney was very happy on the return of her brother, Joe, who has been serving in the Pacific Theatre of war for the past three years. We can imagine they had a lot to talk about. . . . The girls of Winter Street enjoyed the annual fall opening of the Elex Club held at the G-E Club. A grand time was had by all attending. . . . Common saying in Spare Parts is: "Has anyone seen Kelly?" . . . We want to welcome Sue Thompson to the Spare Parts gang. . . . We would surely like to see Dorothy Schmidt model the brown dress she bought after trying it on reverse style. Gonna keep it, Dorothy?

MACHINE SHOP

Sorry, folks, not too much news this week, but we can tell you that Avis and Joe Rodermund had a big week-end. Joe gave his niece away in marriage. . . . Hollis Richardson is off work at this writing. . . . Don Brighton is back on the old Borematic. . . . Well, folks, the 1945 World Series has been history for the past two weeks. The Tigers (against my better judgment) won out. It did cost me a few bucks, but then I'm not lonesome. Fred Zurcher has squawked louder than I have. In fact I believe he's now betting on the Chicago Bears. . . . Bob Zimmerlee was home on furlough the week before last. The office girls got a peak at him through the window. Received a card from him today, girls, and he's really coming back. Yes, and that isn't all, he's going to work here too. . . . We are wondering why Red Pond didn't bring in some of the hats he modeled at the party last Friday night. Bet he looked like Tom Brenneman. . . . Avis Rodermund and Hollis Richardson had post cards from Jean Wireman. . . . We all wish someone would blow the fire whistle more often on nice days. Sure wonderful fall weather. . . . Machine Shop has been quite popular since there are things being moved in and out constantly. . . . We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Katheryn Koorsen, who lost her husband last Wednesday.

The U.S.S. New Mexico, back in the wars after sustaining material damage from a Japanese aerial bomb during landings on Luzon on January 6, was commissioned twenty-six years ago as the first battleship propelled by electricity. Although her history spans two world wars, and most of the important invasions of Japanese-held islands, the battleship had escaped damage until the attack in the Philippines.

NOTICE

BLANKETS ARE BACK

We have just received a supply of pre-war electric blankets, which will be placed on sale Monday, October 29. Store hours are from 12 Noon to 4 P.M.

H. R. Shepherd
Employees' Store
Bldg. 10-2

Three Blind Mice

And How They Got That Way



Three blind mice, three blind mice;
See how they run, see how they run—
This is the story we have to tell—
They knew the Safety Rules full well,
But all of 'em busted the Rules pell-mell,
The three blind mice.



Three blind mice, three blind mice;
See how they run, see how they run—
They all walked under a loaded crane,
Which isn't difficult to explain . . .
Each one has only a third of a brain,
Oh, those three blind mice.

(Courtesy Industrial Information Section—Canadian Information Service)

Retires on Company Pension



John W. Felmlee

Well known to employees of the Fort Wayne Works is John W. Felmlee, who retired on October 1 after 37 years and 3 months of continuous service with General Electric. Mr. Felmlee began his service with G-E at the Madison Plant of the General Electric Company January 12, 1908. When the Madison plant was closed in 1915, he was transferred to the Fort Wayne Works and placed in charge of drafting for the old Madison line, then being built in Fort Wayne's Apparatus Department. In 1925 he headed DC Apparatus drafting, a line transferred here from Schenectady. When the AC and DC Apparatus Departments were combined in 1937, he was named supervisor of AC and DC drafting. In August of this year, he was placed in charge of salvage in the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, which position he held to the time of his retirement.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

We want to welcome back George Charleston. Glad to see you around again, George! . . . Was Joe Eifrid's face red Monday night just because somebody was looking for somebody else and it wasn't Joe Eifrid. . . . Wonder what ever happened to Garland Myer's student? . . . After the Purdue-Ohio game Bob Haugk went back to playing marbles. . . . Marge Deitsch wants to know where they get that "So peaceful in the country" stuff. Every a.m. except Sunday, Marge is awakened by an artillery barrage laid down by would-be duck hunters. . . . Seems like old times with Herschel Foreman back on second. . . . My, isn't Virg Best ever going to stop growing, or is he getting thicker soled shoes? . . . Doesn't Andrew Degler do the cutest things? (Who said that?) . . . Harold Huffman wants a bean shooter for Christmas. . . . Humbarger would if he could, but he can't—buy a set of new tires. . . . Elmer Morning is still catching those Canadian trout. You should get him to tell you about that bear and watch him when he says woof! . . . Dorothy Crist is collecting favorite recipes now that she has gone in for cooking again. Why not let us sample some of those tasty dishes? . . . Stork news: Bob Davison has three girls and now he finally has a boy. Betty Rondot Yerks has a baby girl born October 15, and Helen Kemerly announced the birth of a son October 16. Betty and Helen were former inspectors. Congratulations, Moms and Pops! . . . Well we made it short and sweet this week, but look for the biggest story of the year in next week's column. So long.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Clarence Koch, Bldg. 18-3, is known as the "strong man" of the Accounting Section. All he has to do to break a window pane is just touch the glass. The other noon he opened the window and the glass broke—"How 'bout that?" . . . The "Day of chivalry" is back again, or at least Elmer Haugk, Accounting Section, has become a real gentleman. He recently gave his seat on a bus to a young lady. Nice going, Elmer. . . . The David Carrs of Wilshire entertained a large group of guests from Fort Wayne. Included were employees of the G-E Employment Office, their families, several former Employment Office workers, and friends. The day started off with a big chicken dinner with all the trimmings. A song-fest was held after dinner. Gradually a softball game started. The rain held it up awhile, but not for long. They enjoyed sliding into the first base "swimming hole." After the softball game, of course, everyone had a hand in the chores. A wiener bake had been planned for the evening, but not wanting to sit in mud and water, it was transferred to the house, which didn't bother in the least, because appetites were still of the hungry sort. A good time was really enjoyed by all. Mrs. Wally Beer and Evanell McIntosh were pianists. We enjoyed their music very much, too. . . . If anyone hears Dolores Orth, Bldg. 18-4, saying "you're welcome" when she should be saying "thank you," just inquire from anyone having seen the play "Dear Ruth." However, Dolores just returned from her vacation, and it might be catching. . . . The Production Division girls gave a farewell dinner for Marilyn Ream, who left last Friday for college, and also for Vivian Carnall, who is leaving soon to join the ranks of "Housewives." The dinner was held at the Colonial restaurant on Friday, October 19. . . . Lucille Zimmerman is back to work, after a week's vacation in Chicago. Your reporter isn't one to betray confidences, but might I suggest that you ask Lucille to relate her experience on Wedensday evening, October 17. Believe me, it will be very interesting. . . . This week the welcome mat is put out to Bessie Condon and Geneva Gingrich, both new members of Bldg. 18-3. . . . Kenny Petgen, Bldg. 18-B, is back in the old swing after being gone for over three years. . . . Ella Highlands, Bldg. 18-B, went to the hospital Monday. We all wish her a speedy recovery. . . . Gloria Baeske, Bldg. 18-B, is going to take over duty as a housewife—the best of luck, Gloria. . . . Pvt. Carl Click, formerly of Bldg. 18-B, and now of the U. S. Marines, was on a 15-day furlough and visited us before leaving Friday for Crane, Ind., where he is now stationed. . . . We wish to welcome Lillian Helmke to Bldg. 18-B.

Your lungs are literally your life line. Unless they function properly, you are seriously handicapped in every move you make. Keep this in mind the next time you come in contact with dusts, gases, or vapors—and wear your respirator.

They'll Play for Decatur Dance Saturday



Myron Pearce and his All-Girl Orchestra (shown above) will play for the Decatur G-E Club Halloween Dance Saturday night, October 27, from 9 P.M. to 12 M. at the Sunset Park. (See story below).

It's Witching Time Again....

Decatur G-E Club Opens Season With Halloween Dance Saturday

Witches will dance and cavort tomorrow night—when the Decatur G-E Club will open its winter season with a Halloween Dance at Sunset Park. The dance will last from 9 P.M. to 12 M. and will be an elaborate costume affair.

Myron Pearce and his All-Girl Orchestra will play for the dance, and prizes will be given for outstanding costumes at the dance.

Jay Moser, committee chairman, urged all employees to come, since this is the first time since the beginning of the war that all shifts will be able to attend a Club function together. Employees may attend the dance, whether or not they are masked.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

The leaves are turning into beautiful bouquets of color, the weather is getting "nippy," and we are now in the height of the football season; all of which indicates our autumn is finally here. Along with autumn comes Halloween next Wednesday with its pumpkins, hayrides, corn husks, and false faces. You will no doubt have many little callers these next few evenings yelling, "Trick or treat!" If you're wise it had better be treat. . . . Gene Firestone certainly has trouble with his drawers. In moving from one desk to another, he decided it would be easier to just transfer one of the drawers. What do you think! You guessed it! It didn't fit. Speaking of Gene, some people are very curious as to why he was needing two safety pins not so long ago. . . . Does anyone have an old rocking chair they don't need? Mike Trott could use one. Mike was rocking back and forth in his chair and leaned backwards just a little too far. They tell me he made a perfect three point landing. Maybe he will be needing some cushions in that rocking chair. . . . Ed Hardiek certainly is dressing classy for work here lately. He is sporting a brand new gray plaid suit that is really an eye-catcher. You other fellows really have some competition to keep up with there. . . . Evelyn Swaim is really in a "tizzy," as she has received word her husband will be home soon. . . . We welcome Georganna Osterman, a new personality, in the Order Service Section moved down from Bldg. 4-6. . . . Bob Neeb really got the bird excuse me, I mean gets the birds. He really went a long way to get them too. He spent his vacation last week hunting in Aberdeen, S. D., and brought back his limit of forty pheasants and one duck. That's really good hunting, Bob.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

We just about have our office back to normal now, with Mrs. Fryback, Herb Grueb, Mr. Grosjean, Jean Brown, and Kate Mineheart back from their vacations. They all must have had a good time—judging from the smiles. . . . Speaking of smiles, Martha Vergon displayed the biggest one Monday, and no wonder, she's wearing a beautiful sparkler. Congratulations, Martha. . . . We welcome another newcomer this week. She's our new file clerk, Lois Tritch. . . . Mr. Saurbaugh had a birthday last week complete with cake and good wishes. . . . Betty Smith got a nice surprise Wednesday night in the form of a wedding shower. The guests report that the party was a smashing success. . . . Three cheers for Harriet Weber, who treated us all with cake last Monday. Even if your sister didn't get the cake, the sentiment was there anyway, Harriett.

Sambleson Named Division Engineer

Robert F. Sambleson has been appointed engineer of the Automatic Blanket and Sunlamp Division of the General Electric Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, it has been announced by D. C. Spooner, division manager.

Mr. Sambleson has been with G-E since 1929 and has served as engineer in several divisions, among them the Conduit Products, Wire and Cable, and Wiring Device.

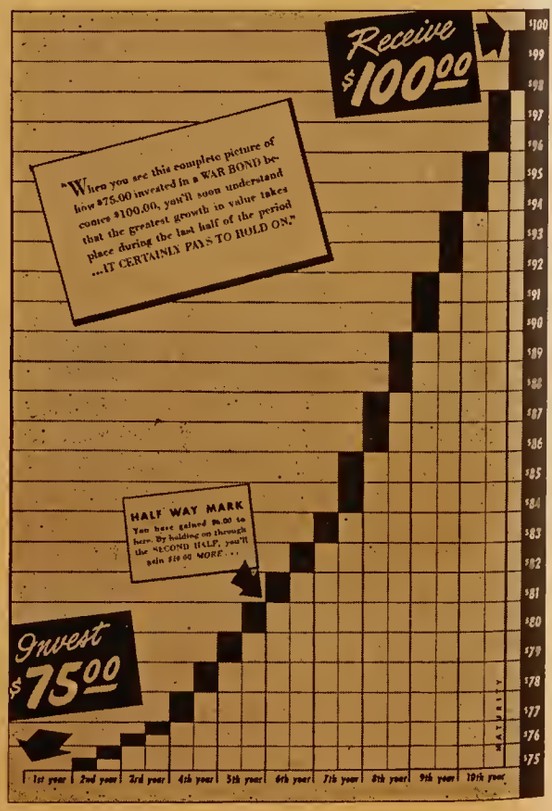
"Chattin' in 2-2"

'Tis your ole reporter back again but not with too much news this time. You guys and gals are going to have to make more news, so I'll have something to write about . . . On vacation this week is Esther Cameron and Elmer Pion. Elmer planned a hunting trip in North Dakota. Here's hoping you have good luck and really bring home the bacon!!! . . . Ruth Layman says what she enjoyed most of all on her vacation was the Skating Follies of 1946, which she saw while in Milwaukee, Wis. . . . If you wonder why Florence Furney looks a little sleepy in the mornings, it's because she's been transferred from second shift to first and isn't used to getting up so early every day. . . . Good luck wishes go to Donna Barnett and Mildred Raidy, who recently left us. They are opening a beauty shop in Waterloo, Ind. . . . What!!! Do we hear wedding bells again??? It kind of looks that way. Midge Virden is the lucky girl, and the day is Saturday. Lots of luck, Midge. . . . LaFern Bollenbacker was quite surprised and happy last week when her blond heart-throb unexpectedly flew here to see her. . . . Eileen Smoke spent the week-end in Chicago on a shopping spree. Did you buy a lot of pretties, Eileen?? . . . Dolores and Susie attended the Johnny Long dance at Baer Field's Officers Club, Friday night. So-o-ooo, that's why you girls were so tired Saturday???? . . . So long for now. See you next week.

"My wife doesn't understand me. Does yours?"

"Don't know. Never heard her mention your name."

How Your Bond Investment Grows



Dark Areas Show Increased Value of Bond During Period Indicated.
(Courtesy Central National Bank of Cleveland)

Company Leads in Adoption Of National Pricing Policy

The General Electric Company is the first manufacturer of a complete line of household electrical appliances to adopt a national pricing policy on all its appliance products.

In announcing this policy today, C. R. Pritchard, general sales manager of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, said that "from now on, each G-E major and small appliance will be sold at the same price to consumers in every part of the United States—whether they live in Seattle, San Antonio, or Augusta, Maine."

Prior to the war, the Company maintained a national-delivered-price policy on small appliances such as irons, fans, toasters and roasters.

"This policy had tremendous public acceptance," Mr. Pritchard said. "Consumers everywhere knew the prices of G-E small appliances because they were nationally advertised in newspapers, magazines, and over the air.

"Now we are extending this advertised price policy in order to give the public the same advantage on all G-E home appliances—on refrigerators, home freezers, ranges, water heaters, washers, dryers, ironers, dishwashers, and disposalls, as well as on small appliances."

The new General Electric prices will include the cost of delivery and federal excise tax, but because state and local taxes vary so widely these are of necessity excluded from the national prices. And because installation costs of ranges and water heaters also vary in different localities, the national prices on these appliances are exclusive of installation.

Mr. Pritchard said that General Electric expects to announce its postwar national prices on all appliances in the next few weeks, following approval by the OPA.

J. A. Foley Reassumes District Management

The appointment of J. A. Foley as manager of the East Central District of the General Electric Credit Corporation, has been announced by G. F. Mosher, President.

Foley will make his headquarters in the General Electric Building, 4966 Woodland Avenue, Cleveland 4, Ohio, and will reassume the position he held prior to special assigned work during the war period with the General Electric Company in Schenectady.

Foley joined General Electric in 1920, and was employed at the River Works in Lynn, Mass., and in the Industrial Department in Schenectady, N. Y., before being assigned in 1928 to the Industrial Department of the Cleveland office. In 1934, he became associated with the General Electric Credit Corporation, and was engaged in business development work at the General Offices in New York, and field operations in the Baltimore area.

Foley was first appointed East Central District Manager in 1936, and in 1942 accepted a special assignment with the Electronics Department of General Electric in Schenectady.

G-E Leases Farr Alpaca Plant for Transformer Work

General Electric has leased, with an option to purchase, the Farr Alpaca plant No. 2 in Holyoke, Mass., for the manufacture of transformers, according to a recent announcement by Robert Paxton, manager of the Pittsfield Works. Transformers will continue to be manufactured at Pittsfield, and the plant's operations are to be stepped up to a level higher than ever previously attained there.

The Holyoke plant, which has more than 300,000 square feet of floor space, will operate under Pittsfield management. Ultimately more than 1,500 people will be employed.

The G-E Plastics Division occupied part of the plant for the manufacture of artillery fuses during the last year of the war. These operations have now been completed, and the entire plant will be used for transformer manufacture.

No date has been set for the beginning of manufacturing operations, pending the receipt and installation of equipment. Harland P. Sisk, assistant superintendent of the Distribution Transformer Manufacturing Division at Pittsfield, has been appointed superintendent of the Holyoke plant.

Twelve Lost-Time Accidents Here In September

During the month of September, 12 lost-time accidents were suffered by Fort Wayne Works employees, according to the monthly report W. J. Hockett, Supervisor of Safety and Employees' Activities, released this week. Eight divisions had a perfect record of no lost-time accidents for the month.

Year-to-date lost-time accidents is now 151. Accident frequency, year-to-date, is 5.89 compared to 4.56 per cent in 1944. The year-to-date severity figure is now .218 for the entire Works as compared to .349 in 1944.

A breakdown of accident frequency and severity rates by divisions is as follows:

Division	Freq. Rate	Sev. Rate
Kokomo	1.03	.04
Motor-Generator	6.81	.12
Series & Sp. Motro	4.83	.15
Fractional HP Motor	4.23	.15
Transformer	4.51	.22
Wire	15.77	.73
Insulation	8.66	2.59
Tool	3.76	.04
General Service	9.55	.06
Distribution	18.93	.31
Decatur	5.35	.38
Power Drive	7.91	.32
Misc.	1.84	.04
Refrigeration	5.91	.09
Plastics	6.79	1.38
Supercharger	7.08	.39

Roasters Return--But Not in Time for Holiday Turkey



The G-E automatic roaster, which will be available to the general public after the first of the year, does many things that an electric range oven can do—it bakes, broils, roasts—and in addition it is easily portable and can be plugged into an ordinary electric outlet.

Finished roasters are preheated before testing. Accuracy of thermostatic control is recorded on graph (center). Here Ted Lake, of Bridgeport Works, records test data.

New 15,000 Volt Stationary A-C Test Set Designed

Transformer Division, Pittsfield, Mass., Makes Product Announcement

A new 15,000-volt, stationary, a-c test set, designed especially for the accurate fixed-location testing of medium-sized motors, generators, transformers, insulators, and other equipment where a portable set would be of no particular advantage, has been announced by General Electric's Transformer Division, Pittsfield, Mass.

Operating from any single-phase, 60-cycle, 115-volt supply circuit, it provides variable test voltages up to 15,000 volts a-c, with a capacity of 2 kva.

The set consists of an oil-insulated step-up transformer and a separate vertical-type control panel, permitting a variety of installation arrangements to meet individual requirements. With over-all dimensions of only 23 by 18 by 25 inches, it is suitable for installation where space is very limited. Included in the set is a variable-voltage autotransformer for smooth stepless control of output voltage, a highly accurate double-scale switchboard-type voltmeter energized from the voltmeter coil of the transformer, a voltmeter-scale selector switch, an air circuit breaker with instantaneous overload trip, and a red signal lamp.

For further information, write for handbook sheet 5111, page 101, General Electric Company, Schenectady 5, N. Y.

You wouldn't leave your money where a thief could easily steal it. Yet, by leaving your eyes exposed on a hazardous job, you may be robbed of your most priceless possession—your vision. Don't take needless chances. Wear your safety goggles.

G-E's New Automatic Blanket Cited as Off-peak Load Builder

General Electric's new automatic blanket is one of the best off-peak load builders the electrical industry has yet developed, according to J. E. McCarthy, sales manager of G-E's Automatic Blanket Section.

Quoting a new General Electric booklet, "When The Lights Go Off," that has recently been mailed to electric utility companies, he points out that, based on national averages over seven-months usage periods, the average annual consumption of every single automatic blanket sold and put into service is 119 kilowatt-hours.

Two automatic blankets equal the load of one electric refrigerator. Based on E.E.I. averages, they will increase load by 22 per cent in the average home.

"The beauty of these figures is that they represent power consumption at the very time when the load is lightest—from 11 P.M. to 7 A.M.," McCarthy says. "In other words when the lights go off, the blanket goes on.

"This means new residential off-peak load, increased revenue, and improved customer service and resultant good will for all power and light companies that build a market for this new electrical sleeping comfort."

From a revenue standpoint, McCarthy points out, the automatic blanket produces a higher net return per kilowatt of demand than any other major appliance. Based on the E.E.I. national average rate of 3.6 cents per kilowatt-hour in 1943, one blanket will yield from $4.00 to $4.50 per year per customer.

The new General Electric booklet contains suggested advertisements, mailing pieces and publicity releases to be used by power companies in promoting automatic blankets to their customers.

New Fuse Catalog Published by G-E

A new 32-page catalog on G-E cartridge and plug fuses has just been published by General Electric's Appliance and Merchandise Department at Bridgeport, Conn. This catalog contains full specifications on all fuses in the General Electric line and much other fuse information.

Detailed descriptions are given of the construction of G-E non-renewable and renewable cartridge fuses, Silvend fuses, and Pyrex plug fuses. The different parts of all these fuses are illustrated and described, and the purpose of each part is also outlined.

In addition to the presentation of G-E fuses in the catalog, there are three chapters of general interest. One deals with the operation of fuses and contains a technical description of short circuits, normal overloads, abnormal overloads, time-current characteristics of fuses, and high interrupting capacity. There is also a description given in this chapter of the tests General Electric makes on fuses at its fuse laboratory in Schenectady.

The other two chapters deal with fuse history and fuse care respectively. In the first of these chapters, fuse history is traced from the beginning of the electrical era. Photographs are shown of early wire fuses and early plug fuses. The other chapter, about the care and maintenance of fuses, gives practical suggestions for keeping fuses in good condition.

Experience is a great teacher—but if you wait for experience to teach you the value of eye protection, you may have no eyes to protect. Wear your safety goggles.

Basketball Teams To Start Play November 13

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

The October 16 rolling in the Girl's League was evidently "clean up" day as there were clean sweeps across the board. The Hot Shots with the high game of 576 and total of 1617, outshot the Hep Kats for all three games, while the Hit 'Em Squad hit for the second high game at 540, taking all three from the Buzz Bombs, and the Five Misses whizzed three from The Whizz Kids. Z. Turner was high in both single game and series at 179 and 442, while Powell had second high series at 399, and Pennycuff a second high single at 140.

Considerable progress has been made by some of the new bowlers, but most encouraging was the moral support from some of the men bowlers who put in an appearance as rooters and scorekeepers. The Girl's League is deserving of this interest and support, as tbey are the newest athletic organization in the plant.

The clean sweep epidemic dominated also the Men's League in their October 19 session. Production won three from Rotors, Planning three from Wage Rate, Receiving three from Small Lot, and General Service tbree from Test. The Winders took two from Order Service, while Punch Press banged out a high game of 971 (with three men getting 200 scores) and also set a high team series mark at 2640. Tbis team bested Assembly in two games and lost the last one by only three pins.

Top scorer this week is Bassett with a 598 series and a 228 game. Kallmyer rolled the best single game at 234. Newlon had second best series at 554, followed by Spahr with a 551 and a 212 single. Stodgell shot 541 and 206; Fridlin 533; Bishoff 531 and 222; Bergman 530; Dick 521; Adams 512; Eickenberry 510 and 203; Walker 508. Johnson hit for 224, and Armey scored a 201.

There are now three teams tied for first place with a close second place having two occupants. Looks like the maples are in for some heavy pounding as the season is going along.

Brown Appointed

Merrill Brown has been appointed counsel for the Appliance and Merchandise Department of the General Electric Company, it has been announced by R. H. Luebbe, vice-president and general counsel. He was formerly in charge of the legal staff of the A and M. Department.

Club Basketball Veterans



Johnny Allen



Dohr Krieg

Johnny Allen and Dohr Krieg are two of the veterans of G-E Club basketball that are expected to return to the squad this year, Bob Kessens, manager of the Club Basketball team, announced today. Johnny is the real veteran of the team, now starting his ninth year of play. Captain last year, Johnny is rated one of the best guards in the city. Dohr starts his sixth year with the Club team and plays center or forward. Well known in basketball circles, he has also played with the Fort Wayne Moose and Westminster teams.

Attention Bowlers

The G-E Club will pay the entry fee for four teams to participate in the ABC bowling tournament at Buffalo, New York, this year. There are still vacancies for 10 bowlers or two booster teams.

Anyone interested in participating should leave his name with Art Ackerman at the G-E Club immediately. Bowlers will be chosen for the trip on a first come, first served basis.

Maurice H. Cox
Chairman, Bowling

Mowry Gets Job

Ralph J. Mowry has been named sales manager of General Electric's Newark appliance distributing branch, it has been announced by J. C. Saur, branch manager.

Mr. Mowry has been merchandising General Electric appliances since 1928, as vice-president and general sales manager of the Alfred L. Hart Co., Long Island distributors of G-E products.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Drafting	16	2
Evaporators	11	7
Machinists	11	7
Power Drive	10	8
Designers	9	9
Grinders	9	9
Compressors	8	10
Toolmakers	8	10
Testers	8	10
Engineers	7	11
Maintenance	7	11
Planners	4	14

Win Kirke was the outstanding bowler with a nice 600 count by putting together games of 164-213-223. Win says that starting from October 16 the days will be counted by the 600 plus method. Other 200 scores were E. Dailey 213, T. Piepenbrink 206, C. Miller 204, D. Rinehart 203, C. Timme 203, H. Luedeke 202, D. Traster 201, L. Houser 200.

No team was able to come through with three games, as the Drafting, Power Drive, Grinders, Testers, Evaporators, and Maintenance all had to be contented with winning two games, which still leaves Drafting well out in front with 16 wins and 2 losses. They took high single game count of 987 and high three game count of 2738 for the evening.

Tom Piepenbrink leads the league in individual average with 185. George Haggenjos is second with 181, Win Kirke third with 177, R. Roeger fourth with 175, and E. Geller fifth with 173.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Erna Fuhrman	Winchester Road Four miles South of Poe.	17-3	Gillian	3:30-11:43
Callie Small	Roanoke, R. 1 Four miles East of Roanoke, one-half mile South—between Lafayette Center and Lower Huntington on Johnson Road.	17-3	Castle	7:00- 3:30
Jean Todd**	Stop at Wayside Garage on Highway 3	26-3	Bender	3:30-11:48

** Now on first shift. Starts second shift Monday.

Employees Seeking Riders

Norbert Hans*	Comes in from Churubusco	19-3	Wagner	3:30-11:48

* Can take 4 riders.

Many Contests Now Booked For Major G-E Club Teams

Announcement that the G-E Club Basketball teams will open the season Tuesday, November 13, was made today by Bob Kessens, manager of G-E Club major basketball.

Many semi-professional, amateur, and college teams have already been booked to meet the Club teams, Kessens said, thus assuring Club fans a stellar year of good competition. Doubleheaders will be in vogue again this year, Kessens indicated, with the G-E girls' team starting the contests at 7:30 P.M. and the men's squad taking over the court at 8:30 P.M. Most games will be scheduled on Tuesday nights, and some Saturday night contests will be arranged.

The G-E Club team games are open to employees and their friends at no charge.

Both teams have been practicing steadily and are shaping up very well, Kessens said. Bill Schible is coaching the men's squad, and Andy Smith is coach of the girls' team, and by next week they should be able to announce complete personnel of the teams and assign uniforms. The men's squad will appear in new uniforms this year, Kessens said.

A heavy schedule is being arranged for the Club teams, with many games being played on the home court in the G-E Club and some on-the-road engagements already signed for. G-E Club teams have in past years always occupied a prominent spot in industrial basketball circles.

NOTICE

OWL LEAGUE BASKETBALL

Last call for basketball players for Owl League teams. Anyone wishing to play basketball in the Inter-Divisional Owl League should come to the G-E Club lounge promptly at 2 P.M., Tuesday, October 30. Would especially like to have a representative from Winter Street. If you are unable to attend, call Russell James on 2174 or Robert Crosley on 2238 for further information.

Russell W. James
League Manager

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Standings

	Won	Lost
Series & Specialty	13	5
Motor Generator	12	6
Firemen No. 4	11	7
Laboratory	11	7
General Service	11	7
Screwballs	11	7
Wire & Insulation	9	9
Transformer	8	10
Firemen No. 10	8	10
Shipping	7	11
Tool Room	5	13
Plastics	4	14

High Games

600 Series: Rump, 680; Kuntz, 652; Ponsot, 639; Tobias, 625.

200 Games: Rump, 244, 222, 214; Ponsot, 243, 208; Kuntz, 234, 227; Mathews, 228; Hamilton, 222; Tobias, 218, 216; Haugk, 213; Keith, 210; Glenn, 203; Castle, 203; Allwine, 201; Cuney, 201; Starke, 200.

James Ramsey Dies From War Injuries

Lt. Col. James A. Ramsey, New England district manager of the General Electric Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, died recently at the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C., as a direct result of injuries received in London, England.

At the time Colonel Ramsey was injured, he was serving with the Eightb Army Air Force. Because his injuries did not then appear serious, he was subsequently assigned to the United States on special duty as liaison officer with the British and Russian Air Forces. Complications set in as a result of the original injuries, and he was confined to the hospital several months prior to his death.

A graduate of the University of California in 1917 Colonel Ramsey joined General Electric in 1930.

Owl League Bowling

SATURDAYS

Standings

	Won	Lost
Team No. 7	11	4
Team No. 12	11	4
Team No. 8	10	5
Team No. 4	9	6
Team No. 5	7	8
Team No. 2	7	8
Team No. 3	7	8
Team No. 9	7	8
Team No. 1	7	8
Team No. 11	6	9
Team No. 6	4	11
Team No. 10	4	11

High Games

200 Games: M. Marks, 224, 211; T. Rockhill, 226; A. Hawk, 222; M. Towns, 216; F. Diemer, 226; R. Dressel, 202; T. Roehm, 207.

The flash of the alleys was R. Dressel in his yellow suspenders. These blinded M. Walchle's team so that the former won three games. The session Saturday was one of the fastest bowled this year. All teams were done in two hours. The League can use a few more bowlers, and if you want to bowl be at the alleys at 11:30 A.M. More news from the different teams on why such scores are being bowled is still needed. Please turn in your remarks to the secretary on Saturdays before leaving the alleys.

Perhaps your job involves only a slight danger of eye injury. But remember—when it comes to losing your sight, just once in a lifetime is once too often! Wear your safety goggles.

FORT WAYNE WORKS

NEWS

Today you, the people of the United States, are the possessor of the mightiest seapower the world has ever known. Because we are a democracy, you also have the right to say whether you will keep and preserve this seapower, or whether you will pat it on the back and let it die . . . I pray that we will not take the easiest way.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz

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Elex Club Announces Chicago Trip on Saturday, January 12

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"VICTORY LOAN" DRIVE OPENS MONDAY

Sonja Henie Ice Revue, Style Show Planned

Maximum of 500 Girls Will Make Trip

An Elex excursion to Chicago on Saturday, January 12, that will include the Sonja Henie Ice Revue and a spring style show at Marshall Field's was announced today by Irene Meyers, club adviser.

The club trip, the first one since the beginning of the war, will take a maximum of 500 girls to the Windy City for a whirlwind one-day trip. A special price of $12 has been set for Elex members, with the price for non-members to be announced later.

Reservations End Dec. 1

Veora Habig, trip chairman, announced that reservations will be taken now and will continue until December 1. Girls interested in making the trip should get their reservations in immediately, since

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Variety Counts

Elex Club Offers Variety Show Monday

Elex Club will present a variety show for its members Monday, November 5, with four outstanding acts booked for the entertainment of the group. Day girls will have a supper meeting at the G-E Club, with dinner to be served from 4:45 to 5:45 P.M.

Night girls will meet at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club at noon Monday and will have the same program, committee members announced. The luncheon is to be served in the room at the left of the Gridiron Room.

Kenny Husted will act as master of ceremonies for the show and will also do impersonations and play several harmonica solos. Beverly Hull, an acrobatic and tap dancer, will also appear on the Elex program. One of the outstanding numbers will be "Aunt Effie's" comedy act. Ralph Tenley, the singing sheriff, will appear on the program, and Ralph Cook will be the accompanist.

Buy a Bond in Victory



Margaret Scheiber, Bldg. 18-2, displays one of the posters that were placed on bulletin boards throughout the Fort Wayne Works late this week as a prelude to the "Victory Loan" drive formally opening here Monday. Goal of the Fort Wayne Works is $158,000.

Ten-piece G-E Band Will Aid Bond Campaign

Dr. E. Burns Martin Will Speak Here

The music of a 10-piece G-E band will signal the start of the Eighth War Bond Drive, the "Victory Loan," at the Fort Wayne Works Monday morning, when G-E solicitors with the help of Dr. E. Burns Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend, will put on a rousing campaign for cash sales.

The special band, made up entirely of G-E employees for the occasion, will tour the plants of the Fort Wayne Works with Dr. Martin so that all sections and employees on all three shifts will be reached. The campaign will continue throughout the week.

Goal of $158,000

G-E employees will be hitting at a goal of $158,000, with the Winter

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"Open House" Tonight

Squares Club Plans Informal Party

Another of the informal parties for Squares members and their guests has been set for tonight in the club rooms on East Berry Street, thus continuing the successful "open house" parties that have featured Squares entertainment this year.

The usual entertainment will be available tonight, committee members announced, with cards, dancing, and shuffleboard on hand. With the party scheduled to get underway at 8:30 P.M., members may gain admission with their 1945 or 1946 membership cards.

Hosts for tonight include Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Elder, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Wright, and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Campbell.

Squares Club "open house" parties have been unusually successful this year, with nearly 100 couples attending most of the affairs. Club officers announced the regular Friday night parties at the beginning of the year.

G-E Foremen's Association Brings Sales Heads for November 12 Meeting

Approved Prices On Refrigerators, Ranges Announced

General Electric has just announced the approved retail ceiling prices on its new ranges and refrigerators. There will be one nation-wide price on each model of these appliances.

According to A. N. Sweeney, major appliance sales manager of the Appliance and Merchandise Department, the three range models

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The G-E Foremen's Association will hold its first dinner meeting of the 1945-46 season at the Chamber of Commerce Monday, November 12, at 6:30 P.M., with seven Sales Division heads scheduled to outline group plans for the future of G-E.

Slated to speak at the November 12 dinner meeting are A. W. Bartling, manager of Fractional Horsepower Motor Division; P. M. Staehle, manager of Transformer Sales; J. J. Curtin, manager, Magnet Wire Section Sales; J. P. McIlhenny, manager of Sales of the Air Conditioning Department, Bloomfield; J. T. Farrell, manager

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Gecode Announces Club Program For New Year

The year's program for Gecode Club, association for Decatur G-E women employees, was announced recently by Betty Bower, club president, following their annual conference on Saturday, October 27, at the Rice Hotel.

The program includes: December 15, "Christmas Holiday," Sanna Kunkel, chairman; February 9, "My

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The Dots of Death

Twilight and darkness. They descend early these days of Standard Time. And there is death for the jaywalker and agonized regret for the careless driver when something goes awry in the hurrying streams of traffic. It is too late to prevent *that* accident as the curious crowd gathers and the ambulance clangs up to the curb.

The dots have moved up an hour. The dots are the black specks on the National Safety Council chart, five deaths for each dot, and the chart shows what hour in each month is most deadly to the pedestrian. Two dots between one and two in the afternoon in August, a relatively safe hour; 20 dots between six and seven of a December night. That hour is 10 times as deadly.

But the chart was made under War Time. Now the Dots of Death will move up into a new band, five to six. That is when working America goes home in the glare of headlights, tired and less alert than in the morning. Most deaths in these dark hours can be prevented.

Postwar, like the war years, means a mind concentrated on safety in situations fraught with peril. There is peril for the pedestrian outside the plant when the whistle ends the day's work. For death rides just beyond the gate.

It's Cold in Berlin

It's going to be a cold winter in Berlin.

Fuel is scarce—and getting scarcer.

And as the German people chop what wood they can find to feed hungry furnaces in homes and offices where the central heating systems were spared by bombs, General Electric comes to the rescue of chilled American occupants of the United States Embassy in the capital city.

Shipped from Bridgeport this week in fast response to an appeal that they are "urgently needed in Germany" were 66 portable G-E "Sunbowl" heaters to help raise the temperature in Embassy rooms.

The heaters, among the first to come off the G-E assembly line since the end of the war, differ from the domestic model only in a special 220-volt heating element. With 14-inch copper reflectors, they are capable of throwing heat to any part of a room.

American production lines are still ministering to American needs on our war fronts—but now, we're glad to say, with items of peace.

When things looked black for England, Field Marshal Sir John Dill is said to have used this story in his pep talks to his troops:

A passerby saw two teams of kids playing baseball in a southern town. He asked one of the boys what the score was. "We're behind, 28 to nothin'," said the kid.

"Well," said the stranger, "you don't look very discouraged with a score like that."

"Discouraged? We ain't discouraged. We ain't come to bat, yet."

An ever-widening field of electronic applications is revealed by a survey of 796 companies, representing virtually every type of industry. This group is served by 16,805 electronic devices, the basic applications of which include heating, control, power conversion, counting, sorting, weighing, inspection, molecular vibration, measurement, analysis and safety.



By hoarding tools we are cutting down the efficiency of our fellow employees.

A tool missing from the section crib is a tool not available to a man who needs it. This man must wait until the proper tool turns up or he must use an inferior tool—one that is not especially designed for the task at hand. In either case, he is not able to do his job as well or as quickly as he wants to do it.

Let's give the other fellow a break—let's return tools we are not using to the section crib.

ENERGY FROM MASS

By Dr. Lewi Tonks
General Electric Research Laboratory
Schenectady, N. Y.

(Editor's note: This talk was delivered on the General Electric Science Forum over WGY, Schenectady, N. Y., at 7:30 P.M., Wednesday, October 10, 1945, and is being reprinted here because of present wide-spread interest in the atomic bomb principles.)

In last week's talk, Dr. Roman Smoluchowski explained how, if we think of an atomic nucleus as built up of neutrons and protons, the sum of the masses of these particles is a little greater than the mass of the final nucleus. That is, the whole is smaller than the sum of all its parts. And Dr. Smoluchowski also told how this mass defect is a direct consequence of the binding energy holding the elementary particles together. To separate them again, one would have to do work and that work would actually weigh the difference.

This startling idea—that energy has weight—is one with which we have become somewhat familiar through reiteration in recent weeks, and in the next few minutes we shall look into it in rather greater detail. There were numerous experimental confirmations of this point of view long before the day of the atomic bomb, and of these I have selected two or three by way of illustration.

Hydrogen, helium, and lithium are the lightest of the elements. The particular isotopes of these elements I want to consider are the most abundant ones; namely, hydrogen of mass about 1., lithium of mass about 7, and helium (which has no isotopes) of mass about 4. Experimentally we can shoot the dydrogen nucleus into the lithium nucleus and produce two helium nuclei. This is an actual transmutation of the elements. You see that the masses check roughly: 1 for hydrogen plus 7 for lithium gives 8 for two helium each of 4 units. But now let us examine this relation more quantitatively as we can because the masses are actually known more accurately than one part in 100,000, which is far closer than we need at the moment. To the accuracy we require, the hydrogen mass is 1 and 8 thousandths and the lithium is 7 and 18 thousandths, which add to 8 and 26 thousandths. But twice the helium mass of 4 and 4 thousandths is only 8, and 8 thousandths. The actual product falls short by 26 minus 8, or 18 thousandths of a mass unit.

Compensation Shown

This loss of mass is compensated by the appearance of energy. Einstein's 1905 Theory of Relativity requires that this energy is a fixed number of times the mass. The number of times is the square of the velocity of light—namely 9 with 20 zeros after it. It is so big that some economist is liable to want to pay off the national debt with it. Translated into more familiar terms, the annihilation of one pound of anything yields the same energy as the burning of

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HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

HOW TO WASH COLORED FABRICS

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

To save you moments of exa... peration (and incidentally a fe... cleaning bills) there are ways to protect, yet wash, those gay fa... rics. Specialists in the Gene... Electric Consumers Institute la... dry have found the following tip... if followed carefully, to be ... liable.

First, be sure the garment ... color-fast. If you're not sure, pla... a corner of the article in a bowl o... hot water and let it soak for a fe... seconds. Then squeeze it out, and notice whether the water has b... come colored. If the garment is fast, wash it according to the "fa... color" directions. If it runs, follow the instructions under "unfast co... ors."

Fast Colors

1. **Make a mechanical soak.** Fi... the washing machine tub with co... or tepid water to the water lin... start the activator, drop in the clothes, and run the activator for 3 to 5 minutes. Then spin or wring, and drain water from the tu... Longer soaking is not advisable fo... colored clothes, as even guaran... teed-fast colors will fade and oc... casionally bleed.

2. **Make quick activator wash in mildly hot water.** Fill tub wit... water not over 110° F. (not too hot for your hands). Hotter wate... might fade the dyes. Add liqui... soap, whip up suds with activato... add clothes, and wash for 6 to ... minutes.

3. **Damp-dry the tubful** in the spin basket or wringer.

4. **Make one quick mechanica...** rinse of a minute or two in wate... which is preferably slighty coole... than the washing water.

5. **Make another short mecha...** ical rinse in cool water.

6. **Add starch.** When starching colored clothes, do not have starch as hot as for white clothes. Let it cool after boiling until it is com... fortable to the hands. Group gar... ments of similar color, turn insid... out and dip in starch. Starch ma... show streaks when used on ve... dark fabrics. (If this happens, use gum arabic instead of starch).

7. **Hang in shade or dry in tum...** bler dryer.

Unfast Colors

Never soap garments with un... fast colors. The only way to wash them with any degree of safety is to wash them as quickly as possible in soapy lukewarm water, of 100° F. or less, and follow with two quick rinses—one lukewarm and one cool. A salt solution (ordinary table salt dissolved in water) added to the water **before** washing will help to "set" colors. Damp-dry the garments by spinning, or wringing, and hang at once in the shade. Never let wet colored fabrics lie in a heap.

If colors in a garment start to run during washing, do not hang up, but lay on a flat surface. Place a towel between any two layers of the clothing to prevent bleeding.

U. S. Cannot Keep Atomic Bomb "Secret"—Dr. C. G. Suits

The United States cannot keep the "secret" of the atomic bomb, because it is already generally known, Dr. C. G. Suits, Vice-President of the General Electric Company and director of its Research Laboratory, declared before America's Town Meeting of the Air, broadcast over the ABC network from St. Paul, Minn., this week.

"Lean forward and I will tell you the 'secret' of the atomic bomb," said Dr. Suits. "Uranium undergoes a process called fission, splitting into two nearly equal parts, with the release of 200 million electron volts of energy. Neutrons are also released which split other uranium atoms, leading to a chain reaction. The German scientist, Dr. Lise Meitner, probably first appreciated this secret. It was published in 1939 and is now known to all the world, but only the United States has the factories for producing atomic bombs, and most important, the technical and engineering know-how. Other nations will develop this know-how in about five years.

Five Years of "Grace"

"We have a period of grace of about five years in which to solve this problem of how to live at peace with our neighbor nations in a world of atomic bombs. If we fail, civilization fails. If we succeed, your children and mine will climb to new heights on the scale of civilization."

Explaining "what is good" about power from the atom, Dr. Suits pointed out that "science has broken into a vast, almost unlimited storehouse of energy, and we are presented with opportunities for benefiting mankind to a degree hitherto unimaginable. It has been the use of energy in its various forms—mechanical, chemical, hydraulic, thermal, and electrical—which has raised mankind from primitive levels to the high standard of living we already enjoy, and now we see before us a new, marvelously concentrated form of energy with which we may climb to heights we can only dimly foresee.

New World Opened

"It is indeed a new world which has been opened for exploration and development, but that pioneering will be arduous and beset by obstacles, requiring the cooperative efforts of the best scientific brains not of one nation alone but of all the world."

Each day, said Dr. Suits, the electric energy used in the United States adds up to nearly a billion kilowatt hours. "The nucleus of the atom," he declared, "contains ten billion kilowatt-hours for each pound of matter! It is true that the nucleus of uranium 235 or plutonium, as used in bombs, yields a mere ten million kilowatt-hours per pound today, but some day it will yield more! Here is the Colossus who can work for mankind on a scale that will make the industrial revolution appear a minor milestone on the road of civilization. Here is more power for the hand of man."

From reports of 24 states, 2 per cent of the drivers involved in fatal accidents were hit-and-run drivers.

New G-E Plant Being Built at North Waterford

Production of Silicones And Insulating Materials To Employ 1,200

The plant being built by General Electric at North Waterford, N. Y., will eventually employ about 1,200 persons in the production of silicones and insulating materials, according to E. L. Feininger, Assistant General Manager of the Company's Chemical Department in a recent address. Mr. Feininger, who will have charge of the Waterford operations as Manager of the Department's Resin and Insulation Materials Division, said this employment figure will be approached late in 1947.

"The first part of the plant," he said, "will be ready late next year and will employ about 100, including technical specialists and office and factory workers. The second part will be opened in 1947. It will require over 800 employees for the manufacture of insulating materials such as varnishes, fabricated mica and varnished clothes and tapes. Additional workers in various categories will be required as production is expanded."

Important Role

Mr. Feininger explained the important role which G-E silicones are expected to play in many fields of application.

"These new materials," he said, "are unusually heat resistant. The nature of their molecular and atomic structure renders them extremely versatile. They can be made as resins, greases, oils, filling compounds and fluids for various uses."

Are Water-Repellent

"One of these new products is a water-repellent for fabrics, paper and other materials that enables them to shed water," Mr. Feininger said. Other important uses are insulation for electrical equipment that will permit smaller apparatus without decrease in rating, and in the manufacture of paints.

Mr. C. S. Ferguson, engineer in charge of the division, discussed the specific characteristics of some of the new silicone materials.

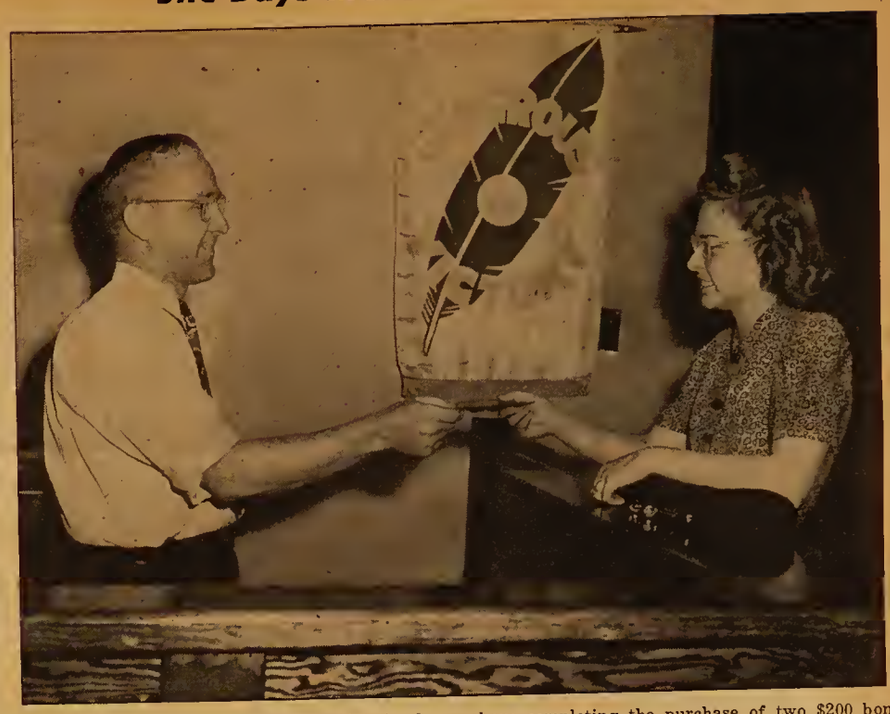
"While heat stability is a major characteristic of primary importance, there are a number of other properties which are naturally present in an outstanding degree in various silicone materials.

Many Combinations

"Silicones can be compounded in physical forms to obtain many combinations of properties. They possess not only unusual resistance to heat, air and moisture, but also are adaptable to many physical forms and have a noteworthy tendency to maintain the external physical features incorporated in their original fabrication.

"Silicone oils are also produced having a far more desirable viscosity behaviour than any other known oils and considerably greater chemical stability."

She Buys More Bonds in Victory



Betty Garber, payroll clerk, Bldg. 18-1, is shown above completing the purchase of two $200 bonds from George Yarian, cashier. One of the heavy purchasers in the Seventh War Bond Drive here, Betty bought $2,200 worth of war bonds then in memory of her husband, First Lieut. Marvin W. Garber, a B-24 pilot who lost his life in action. Betty shows her faith and belief in a "Victory Loan" by being one of the early purchasers of bonds for cash in the present drive, formally opening Monday.

Rajean Codish and Rosemary Axford on G-E Institute Staff

Miss Rajean Codish and Miss Rosemary Axford have been appointed staff members of the General Electric Consumers Institute, it has been announced by Miss Elizabeth Woody, Institute director.

A graduate of the Pratt Institute School of Home Economics, Miss Codish was an accessory designer with Elizabeth Hawes, a member of the editorial staff of Style and Pattern magazine, and assistant to the research director of the Brown Durrell Company, manufacturers of hosiery and knit goods.

For the past seven years she has been director of the consumers service division of the United States Testing Company, a commercial textile testing concern.

Miss Axford comes to the General Electric Company from Jersey City, N. J., where she served ten years as senior home economics advisor for the Public Service Electric and Gas Company.

It's not only the knowledge of safety but the practice that counts.



Christmas Tree Bulb Supply Will Be "Quite Limited" in '46

Christmas tree bulbs, a wartime scarcity due to the important role lamp machinery was playing in bringing about Allied Victory, will be in production again this holiday season, but the supply will be "quite limited," the General Electric's Lamp Department has announced.

Other G-E lamps, which were discontinued in 1942, are again flowing off the production line and into dealers' stock. These include the 50 and 75-watt inside frost lamps, 50-100-150-watt medium base lamps, colored fluorescent lamps, and lumiline lamps.

"With the change-over practically complete, and reconversion in some cases literally as simple as changing labels on packages, the Company's Lamp Department is planning an expansion program next year, particularly in the use of fluorescent lighting, Sealed Beam headlamps for new cars, and G-E photoflash lamps," officials said.

Several new types of lamps, such as the G-E Slimline and Circline fluorescent lamps, also will be manufactured.

During the war the Christmas tree lamp machinery at the G-E bulb works was converted overnight to produce important parts for radio proximity fuses, which were recently revealed by the Navy Department as playing such a vital part in the war. These fuses were used in shells which carried their own radar sets and exploded when near a target.

If you make a 10-minute safety speech—two persons probably will be accidentaly killed and 200 injured while you talk.

The safe worker proves value by performance.

Beat This One

Hopeful Youngster Tries To Crash Realm Of G-E Dealers

Deciding fairly who is and who is not going to be a General Electric dealer is one of the most difficult jobs assigned to a G-E electrical appliance distributor.

Ask A. R. Tessemer, sales counsellor of the Company's Pittsburgh Appliance Distributing Branch. He knows.

Traveling in Ohio not so long ago —when you still needed stamps to get gasoline—Tessmer, watching the gas gauge closely, followed up one request for a dealer appointment and found himself in the tiny town of Unionport, population about 350.

Pursuing his quest to the doorstep of the dealer hopeful, he rang the bell of a private home and was told by the lady of the house that the gentleman requesting the franchise was not at home but could be found at the playground where he was "playing with the kids."

The "gentleman" turned out to be a 14-year-old boy, Tessmer reports.

Considering his tender age no obstacle to success, the young hopeful said he could see the possibilities in the General Electric appliance business and "wanted in on the act."

New Exposure Meter Dustproof



A completely redesigned case renders the improved G-E exposure meter dust and moisturepreof. The directional hood has also been redesigned and is now finished with a special nonreflecting surface on the inside for greater accuracy in measurement. The meter is slightly more streamlined and approximately 22 per cent lighter than prewar model. (See story on this page.)

G-E Will Make Glyptal Resins in West Coast Plant

General Electric will manufacture glyptal alkyd resins for paint manufacturers on the West coast in a new plant to be built at Anaheim, California, E. L. Feininger, assistant general manager of the Company's Chemical Department, has announced. The project, now in the designing stage with engineering plans ready to be submitted to the Board of Directors, will be part of the operations of the Resins and Insulation Materials Division of the Department.

The plant will consist of a process building, storage building, two pump houses, a boiler house, and a gate house. All will be single story structures, except the process building, which will be three stories. The total floor area will be 35,000 square feet. Blaw-Knox Construction Company of Pittsburgh, Pa., has drawn the plans in conjunction with Albert C. Martin, Los Angeles architect.

The Plastics Divisions of the G-E Chemical Department are planning an additional plant at Anaheim for molding thermosetting and thermoplastic materials and for fabrication of laminated materials.

G-E Foremen

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of D-C Motor Division Sales; P. A. McTerney, manager of Sales of Large Apparatus Section of the Motor Division; and D. S. McKenzie, general sales manager, Plastics Department.

Invitations to the dinner have been placed in the mail, Charles Kensill, association president, announced, and are to be returned to him at the Winter Street Plant by November 8. Any member who did not receive a notice should contact Mr. Kensill, Winter Street, phone 263, by that date.

Admission to the dinner will be membership card or receipt.

Song Fest Sunday

The Carver Club will present a Fall Song Fest Sunday, November 4, at 3:30 P.M. at the Pilgrim Baptist Church, corner Eliza and Gay Streets.

A fine program has been planned, to which the public is invited.

Bond Rally

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Street Plant having a separate goal of $12,000. Divisions and sections meeting the established goals will get attractive banners that will be hung in the section for all employees to share.

The same bond-selling organization is being used as in previous campaigns, with bond selling stations to be set up on the floors to handle the cash purchases. A special drive is being made at the Decatur Plant which has in the past few campaigns conducted its own vigorous drive for cash sales.

Nation-Wide Drive

The nation-wide campaign for funds is being conducted October 29 to December 30, with the G-E again participating in the drive, J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, said because employees realize that great sums of money are still needed to bring the boys back home.

Well-known to Fort Wayne residents through his association as pastor of the Wayne Street Methodist Church here for seven years, Dr. Martin also spoke at the sectional meetings during the Seventh War Bond Drive and was well received.

Housing Service

Do you have a house or an apartment to rent?

W. J. Hockett, supervisor of safety and employees' activities, today urged employees to notify his office, phone 750, when they know of apartments, rooms, or houses for rent so that G-E employees looking for living quarters can be accommodated. Living quarters are very hard to find, and employees are urged to list those that are available.

General Electric Announces New Exposure Meter

An improved, splashproof, exposure meter, identified as Type DW-58, adapted for the correct exposure readings for the camera, in the darkroom, and for balancing light in the studio, has been announced by the General Electric's Meter and Instrument Division, West Lynn, Mass. By utilizing a new, compact, internal-pivot element, the weight of the new meter is reduced approximately 22 per cent with a gain in over-all sturdiness. This element was first developed for electric instruments for use on waterproof walkie-talkie radios and military aircraft.

Although slightly more streamlined, the meter in external appearance looks about the same as the prewar model. However, the case has been completely redesigned, rendering the meter dust and moistureproof and having the zero set on the front. The directional hood has also been redesigned and is now finished with a special nonreflecting surface on the inside for greater accuracy in measurement.

The military requirements for high-shock instruments are incorporated in this design to assure the photographer long life and dependable service.

Sonja Henie

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only 500 will be taken. The $12 fee must be paid at the time the reservation is made, either in Miss Meyer's office, Bldg. 16-3, or with the contact girl.

Arrangements have already been made to transport the girls on a special private train, Miss Habig said. Tentative plans are to leave quite early Saturday morning and return to Fort Wayne late Saturday night. Definite departure times will be announced later.

The fee of $12 includes train fare, transportation to the ice revue, a ticket to the ice show, and a dinner in the "Wedgewood Room" of Marshall Field's, which will precede the style show. It was emphasized that choice seats have been secured for the ice show. Girls making the trip will have to pay for their noon lunch.

The use of hand tools was the source of nearly one-fourth of the compensated eye injuries in 1944.

Lawrence F. Hemphill Gets Patent on Control System

Lawrence F. Hemphill, section engineer of the Aircraft Motor Section, Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, has just been granted a patent by the United States Patent Office covering a control system.



L. F. Hemphill

This is the eleventh patent that has been granted to Mr. Hemphill and seven claims have been allowed. This patent applies to the control of a direct current series motor, having one or more taps in the field winding.

An automatic control is provided which substantially reduces the no load or light load overspeed, but which does not decrease the high maximum power output of the motor when it is under load.

This type of motor is particularly adaptable for the operation of portable tools, such as sanders, drills, and saws.

Approved Prices

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now in production will carry the same prices that were in effect in 1942. The lowest priced range, known as the Leader, will sell at $116.95; the medium priced, the Airliner, at $177.75; and the deluxe Stratoliner at $259.75.

"All these ranges are built to the same high quality as our prewar models, and incorporate several improvements," Mr. Sweeney said. Improvements in the new ranges primarily take the form of material substitutions. Aluminum has replaced the porcelain that was used in 1942 models in thrift cooker pails, unit pans and economizers. Bright finishes have replaced synthetic finishes, and instead of the open-type units used in the 1942 ovens, the Company is now using Calrod bake units.

Ranges are available in some stores now, but will not be generally available to all consumers until about the first of the year. The two refrigerators now in production are seven-cubic-foot models. One will sell at $151.50, the other at $188.25. A third refrigerator, a 6-foot model that will be in production shortly, will be priced at $133.75. These refrigerators are all being built to the same standards as prewar General Electric refrigerators.

A sample refrigerator is expected to be in every dealer's hands within the next few days. Mr. Sweeney emphasized the fact that the prices announced will be paid by consumers, whether they live in Seattle, San Antonio or Augusta, Me. The figures include the cost of delivery and federal excise tax, but because state and local taxes vary so widely, these are, of necessity, excluded from the national prices.

In the case of the ranges, the national prices are also exclusive of installation costs, which will differ in every locality. Mr. Sweeney stated that the national-delivered-one-price policy on ranges and refrigerators is being extended to all other General Electric appliances both large and small.

L. D. T. Berg Named Welding Specialist, Atlantic District

L. D. T. Berg, for the past five years a sales engineer in General Electric's Electric Welding Division, Schenectady, has been appointed welding specialist of the Company's Atlantic District with headquarters in Phildadelphia, according to an announcement by K. H. Runkle, manager of the G-E Industrial Divisions.

Mr. Berg, a native of Sparta, Wis., was graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1937 with the degree of B.S. in Electrical Engineering and immediately joined General Electric as a student engineer. After taking the Test Course in Milwaukee, Schenectady, and Pittsfield, he was transferred in December, 1938, to the International General Electric Co., Inc.

In September, 1940, he was named a sales engineer in the G-E Electric Welding Division, reporting to C. I. MacGuffie, manager.

Gecode

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Best Beau," Harriet Pollock, chairman; April 20, "Easter with Mother," Esther Kistler, chairman; June 29, "Excursion to Milwaukee," Katherine Weiland, chairman; August 17, "Summer Frolick," Wilma Ross, chairman; and October 19, Annual Conference.

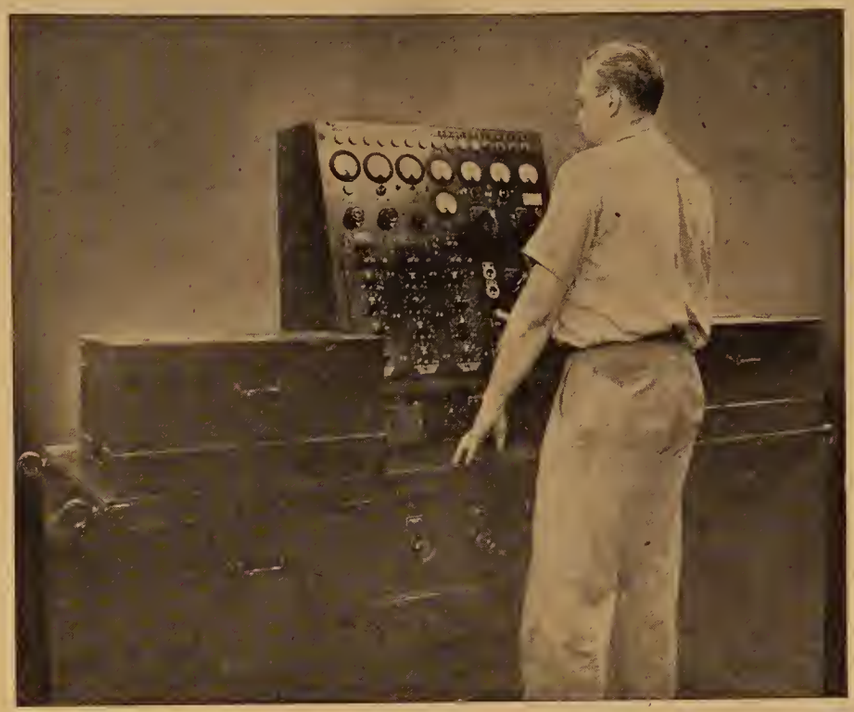
Preceding the business meeting, impressive installation services were conducted by Lorena Keller to formally put into office Betty Bower, president; Sanna Kunkel, vice-president; Mary Fuhrman, secretary; and Florence Schultz, treasurer. Emma Goldner and Katherine Weiland were the retiring officers.

In addition to planning the year's program, the conference group decided to sell chances on two turkeys, which will be given away November 16, to hold a bake sale some time in December, and also to conduct the annual sale of Christmas cards.

Music was furnished by Mrs. L. A. Holthouse during the dinner, for conference delegates, after which the Girls' Sextette from the Evangelical and Reformed Church entertained with several selections.

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PROCESSION OF PROGRESS



"WAR IS HELL" ONCE SAID SHERMAN, BUT OUT OF THE RUSH AND MADNESS OF WAR COMES PROGRESS.

Our Testing Equipment and Methods have advanced at a rapid pace during our association with Government Agencies. These will be perpetuated in GE Quality Motors, through the modern stator Testing Equipment pictured above, and similar advances in all branches of Testing.

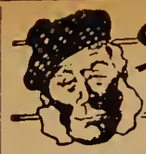
QUALITY MOTORS MAKE QUALITY APPLIANCES

Turret Tattles

From the recent hunting trips out West come the usual crop of stories. The pictures brought back by one of the boys are the best of the whole foray—we're told. We haven't seen them yet. Tony Wichman's cry of, "What is it?" as he raised his first jack rabbit and almsot forgot to shoot, probably tops the list. Seems as how a good time was had by all, however. . . . Iris Allen of the Tool Room wants to know why we don't write a full page. Lack of news and the censor's scissors tell the true story. However, if you happen to stay after a ball game some time, Iris, perhaps we could find more to write about. She really "knows" her softball, gang. . . . Paul Stiver is full of first-hand war stories since his brother-in-law is home from the Pacific. : . . Bob Harrold must be getting old or the "inventin' " bug bit him recently, for we saw him with the neatest contraption for holding his pipe in his mouth without even the necessity of clamping the molars shut. Gonna patent it, Bob? . . . If you are in the market to sell something, see Pop Seals of the center aisle. We heard of the smoothest sale recently. 'Course Pop is entitled to a commission—but don't go to any trouble as he can take care of himself. Ask Ralph Klaren. . . . Wendell Crum has been in the habit of missing the clock on his way in, much to his chagrin. He now comes forth with a sign that hangs near his clothes when he changes, reminding him to go punch the clock. We're waiting for him to miss the sign. . . . Won't some one please go hunting with Dick Poehler. Whenever they do, there's bound to be a story in it. I don't think we ever got around to telling you about Dick and his skis last winter. We saw him almost get all the way down hill on top the skis one time—but not quite. . . . Having any trouble with your oil heater? Contact the ace heater fix-er-upper, Arthur Fike. If they don't burn right just make a draft for them at the bottom—they'll burn. But what about the house, Art? . . . Did you ever have Herb Boltz dig a finger in your ear, or have Dixon explain a drawing to you, or hear Wilbur Close sing, or Buttercup Hildenbrand mimic Joe E. Brown, or Lorin Rex tell you about the "Home town"?? If you haven't, you've never worked in twenty-seven G. . . . There is sumpin' about the garage office—Li'l ol' Cupid done done it agin! Marie Wilson has made her "I do's" with Homer Difendorfer, late of the service. Smooth sailin', younguns, and may all your troubles be rather small! . . . Overheard near a welding booth, "That's four too many flashes, something must not be right," and it wasn't. Said t'other feller, "Aw, it wouldn't have worked anyway!" . . . One of the second trick's better dressed members is sporting the loveliest set of lavender shirts and trousers to work. I wonder where he gets them? . . . A sure sign of the times, "Dick" Walker back at the milling machines after a long sojourn with the Air Corps. Tickled pink to see ya, Dick. Quite a few flyin' tales to be heard here, too, fellers. Bend a ear, if'n you can get him to talk. . . . Good Ol' "Doc" Gordon showed up t'other evening, too, from away down there in the South Pacific. Durned glad to see him. I won't be arunnin' up to his twin brother all the time and gabbin' about how glad I am to see him back, and findin' out I'm a talkin' to the wrong guy. S'amusin' but confusin'. . . . Speakin' of twins, the latest dope, (woops!) says Len Bressler is on his way home at last. Hurry up, feller. . . . The gang got together one evening recently in P. Stiver's basement for some ribs and fun. Those attending say they never had a "hotter" time. Our flying dispatcher, James, suffered from the heat the most, from all reports. Pinochle champ o' the evening, in our estimation at least, is George Swartz.

2-3 Office

Irene Muzzillo was pleasantly shocked last week when her sister called to let her know she had received mail from a very special friend. As might be expected, Irene rushed home at the earliest possible moment to receive this message. Yes, it was a very sweet birthday card, one of unusual pleasantness; the person who sent it certainly must have had excellent taste and discernment! Irene, possessing a very good memory, recalled that she had sent a card to this very special friend only a few days previously, and hers was the exact replica of the one sent to her. Yes, dear friend, we are sorry to report that the postman simply would not forward the card due to shortage of stamps. . . . Cinderella has received very little attention from this fast age when people rush around in a great hustle-bustle, but Cinderella still exists, that we are certain of. Last week Roberta Martin was going out with some girl friends and being the interested listener that she is, was much taken up with the line of conversation. Much to her amazement she cannot balance herself very gracefully on cinders. This she discovered, incidentally, when she had walked out of her shoe and went on barefooted for some distance. The power of concentration is certainly a great asset, and you have it, Roberta! . . . The Bldg. 2-3 Office party seemed to be quite a success, but little was reported on it to date. However, a few odds and ends were picked up. For example, Paul Koogle seems to be a very successful supervisor, because he always leaves that coat of armour at home when attending a party. E. Morris really came in a very unusual attire. He was unrecognizable in that bear-trap outfit. He has not been seen much since the party, perhaps he had a carry-over from wearing the outfit that he invited himself into Canada for a real hunt. . . . Art Singleton paid his respects to Division 13 as a dual personality. He wore a very colorful pair of P.J.'s, but since society shuns such meager attire, he came fully dressed with his wife's playsuit over the P.J.'s, which, of course, made him appear absolutely proper.



SANDY SAYS—

Atomic Bombs! Atomic energy! Protons! Neutrons! U-235! No thot isn't part o' a school yell. It's what I cant pick up a paper or magazine now-a-days without seeing an article on!

Weel, the secret o' the atomic bomb will never be given away tae any foreigner by me! When he got thru quizzing me, he'd really be mixed up! The more I read, the less I know, and believe me, there's plenty tae read on the subject. In fact, maybe one reason people read Sandy Says, if they do, is as an escape from treatises on Uranium, Plutonium, cyclotrons, and how the world should harness atomic energy for peace.

Weel, I'll never discuss such subjects—BUT—I would like tae finish this one column on something about the subject, since I've started it.

Noo, how can I get from atom bombs tae C.R.* and still keep the column doon tae its usual length? Weel, let's compare atomic energy tae people! If a normal atom were as big as Bldg. 19, its nucleus would be the size o' a person—a small person. And the neutrons, floating around in it are in perfect balance.

Balance, did I say? They are in balance because they are pulling against each other. Hence the STATIC condition. Everything at rest—nothing going on—.

BUT, let the little neutrons get unbalanced—most o' them pulling one way—and blooie!—There goes Hiroshima!

Noo, in a building this same size, if people get tae pulling in the same direction—something's got tae move, and if it's C.R.* they're pulling for, we really get C.R.*

And another secret o' atomic power is thot there are sae many atoms—one atom alone couldn't do much, but a group of atoms does things. So one person alone can't do much but a lot o' us working together, for C.R.*—there go high costs!

My relatives ought tae get a lot done, according tae thot—there's sae many of them—and they do—if all their penny pinching were done on one penny, it'd be so thin the neutrons would look like bumps on the Indian's head. (Yus, they still hai Indian pennies.)

*COST REDUCTION.

News From THE SERVICES

Coming Home

Marianas
October 14, 1945

Dear Editor:

I want to thank you people very much for the WORKS NEWS, which I have received regularly since being in the service. . . .

I suppose it will be pretty swell to be a civilian again, not that I don't like it, but this is the life and I'm going to miss it very much. I have been pretty well fouled up here for 2 or 3 weeks while standing by waiting on the office force to make up their minds on whether to let me out on points or dependents, but at last they have it all doped out. My papers are all cleared and now standing by for the word. It's pretty warm out here, so I look to freeze all winter as I'll get there about December.

Tell the gang in Bldg. 4-1 I said hello, and I'll see them soon.

Yours truly,
Cpl. S. C. Ritchey, U.S.M.C.

New G-E Clocks Scheduled for Production Soon

Two Mantel Clocks Are Among Five New Models

Two mantel clocks, featuring Westminster chimes, are among five new General Electric clock models scheduled for production soon, R. O. Fickes, manager of the Company's Clock Division, has announced.

The Chorus Model, Federal American in design, has a grained mahogany finish and an easy-to-read dial, with black raised numerals on a silver colored dial, protected by a curved glass crystal. The hands are gold colored.

Finished in grained walnut, the Joy Model also has gold-colored hands and an easy-to-read dial, with black numerals on an ivory-colored background. Both chime clocks are self starting, require no winding, and have rotor units sealed in a life-time oil bath.

The New Hostess Model, one of two new G-E kitchen clocks, features simplified clean-cut hands with a black lacquered finish and a large sweep-second hand. The easy-to-read dial has black numerals against a cream-white face, and the case is available in white, ivory, red, or green plastic.

Also listed among the new models is the Garcon, a self-starting kitchen clock in a durable steel case, available in white, ivory, green or red, with storm-blue hour and minute hands and a distinctive vermillion sweep-second hand. The dial has black characters against a cream-white background.

Newest of the G-E alarm clocks is the Delegate, which has a case made of matched panels of golden mahogany. Requiring no winding and no oiling, the clock has tobacco brown numerals on a light cream background, protected by a curved glass crystal.



Studies C-54's

October 18, 1945

Dear Editor:

I am out at Santa Monica, Calif., studying the C-54 at Douglas Aircraft. It really is a nice ship. I would say the best they have.

I am hoping this finds the plant going right along and a better spirit in almost everybody.

Will close with thanks to you, and good luck to everyone.

As B-4,
Pvt. Donald J. Ladig

According to a recent letter from Cpl. Gustave H. Berghoff, he says that he will be returning to the States within a few days. He also expects to be discharged when he reaches his separation center.

Another person awaiting transporation back to the good old U.S.A. is Sgt. Ralph E. Clifton, according to word recently received from him.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company estimates that 200 deaths and many thousand serious injuries result each year from falls from ladders in and about the home.

Back from Okinawa

Dear Editor:

I just returned from duty at Okinawa recently and am back in the good old States again.

I was at Okinawa from the beginning of the operation to the end of the war so you can see we had quite a time. I was awarded the Air Medal and also recommended for the Distinguished Flying Cross, which I hope to receive soon. . . .

Thanks very much for being so faithful in sending the WORKS NEWS.

Yours truly,
Milton Goeglein, ARM 3/c

Dear Editor:

It will not be long until I will be started through the process of being released from active duty from the Navy. . . .

I have greatly appreciated the WORKS NEWS since I have been in the service, so have some of my shipmates who have never worked for the General Electric Company.

Sincerely yours,
Cdr. Leslie Wilson, (MC), USNR

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

"Surrender Ship" Gets G-E Radios



On the famed "surrender deck" of the U.S.S. Missouri, where the signal for the return of peace was sounded, two top officers of the great ship are presented the first home radios manufactured by the General Electric Company since Pearl Harbor. The big ship is equipped with G-E radar and turbines. Shown above are (left to right) Dr. W. R. G. Baker, Vice-President of General Electric who is in charge of the company's Electronics Department; Captain Stuart S. Murray, skipper; John L. Busey, President of the General Electric Supply Corporation, who presented the sets, and Commander Arthur F. Spring, executive officer. New G-E radios will be available to the public by Christmas.

G-E Engineer Lauds Development Of New Aircraft Control System

A new electrical system for the control of aircraft, quite revolutionary within itself and vitally significant to the increase in size of large transports for transcontinental and transoceanic flights with planes nearly twice the size of the B-29, "will largely solve the control problem of future aircraft," Dr. John Hutton, General Electric engineer, predicted this week.

An alternating current system to supply the electrical auxiliary power for the operation of radios, landing gears, lights, navigation instruments and other control services of large aircraft has been developed by the General Electric Company in cooperation with the U. S. Army and the Sunstrand Company of Rockford, Ill.

Dr. Hutton said the new AC system, developed under the stress of war and after two years of constant study and research, will reduce the weight of a plane's power system between 30 and 40 per cent, and will enable peace-time transports to fly at higher altitudes with greater safety.

Present models, such as the B-29, have been using a direct current electrical system, which is standardized at approximately 30 volts for aircraft of that size, Dr. Hutton said. He explained that larger aircraft of the future is contemplated for higher altitudes, and the amount of power necessary for such large aircraft is so great that the 30-volt system will be prohibited because of its extra weight.

Aircraft with the DC electrical system would suffer brush wear and other motor damage at such altitudes, he added.

"By substituting the AC system," Dr. Hutton said, "we were able to use higher voltage with less current and still maintain the required power. Each unit power plant consisted of airplane motor, variable ratio drive, and generator. The variable ratio drive was necessary so that the generator would run at a constant speed, and enable a parallel system to be used. Such a system increases flexibility and dependability.

"The problem was solved," he added, "when the Sundstrand Machine Tool Company developed a suitable variable ratio drive and the General Electric Company a governor with a high speed of response to control the drive, so that regardless of the input speed to the drive, the generator speed remains constant."

Recent test demonstrations with the new AC system have been "highly satisfactory," Dr. Hutton said. "Actual flight tests are planned for the near future, probably this fall," he added.

Welcome Back to G-E
Veterans of World War II

A large number of former servicemen and women, who are listed below, have returned to the General Electric during the past week after serving in the various armed forces. Look them up and welcome them back to G-E!

Name	Location
Frank Ruesewald	Bldg. 19-2
Robert Skinner	Bldg. 19-5
Bernard F. Meyers	Bldg. 4-2
Lloyd Lillevig	Bldg. 19-2
Everett Ehle	Bldg. 20-2
Russell F. Sealover	Bldg. 19-1
Glenn W. Bordner	Winter St.
Richard Walker, Jr.	Bldg. 27
William C. Karbach	Winter St.
Arthur N. Wolfe	Bldg. 26-5
Glenn Schimmele	Bldg. 17-3
Ross E. Harter	Bldg. 4-1
Orval C. Ayers	Bldg. 4-3
Dwight L. Redding	Bldg. 26-1
Gilbert Macke	Winter St.
Charles E. Jennings	Bldg. 26-3
William A. Slater	Bldg. 26-3
Joseph R. Singer	Bldg. 4-2
Ernest G. Reed	Bldg. 17-2
Herman A. Conrad	Bldg. 26-1
Arlin Grieser	Bldg. 4-3
Robert B. Lee	Bldg. 19-5
Richard L. Bucher	Bldg. 19-5
Byron Simmons, Sr.	Bldg. 6-1
Wm. Robinson, Jr.	Winter St.
Marvin R. Mannett	Bldg. 17-3
Bob G. Johnson	Bldg. 20-2
Robert J. Devine	Bldg. 19-5
Ralph L. Milligan	Bldg. 26-B
Adrian D. Ramey	Bldg. 26-1
O. Glenn Fernwalt	Bldg. 19-5
LeRoy Cook	Bldg. 19-2
John R. Cook, Jr.	Bldg. 26-5
Leon L. Mowan	Bldg. 17-2
Roy C. Orr, Jr.	Bldg. 26-4
Herman P. Klug	Bldg. 26-2
Robert C. O'Steen	Bldg. 26-5
Maurice Franklin	Bldg. 17-1
John A. Kennell	Bldg. 26-1
Albert A. Schnedler	Winter St.
Daniel Lehrman	Bldg. 17-2
Leroy M. Possell	Bldg. 26-1
Raymond P. Barwiler	Bldg. 26-B
Jewel Wickliffe	Bldg. 19-5
Louis J. Bardey	Bldg. 19-5
Frank W. Meggison	Winter St.
Robert M. Turschman	Bldg. 4-4
Harold Ponsot	Bldg. 26-1
Hugh Neely	Bldg. 19-5
Betty Cutright	Bldg. 26-3

Sales Engineers Visit Works On G-E's 'Refresher Course'

Nine more returning servicemen, all sales engineers, visited the Fort Wayne Works in recent weeks to refresh their minds on Company manufacturing methods and practices. The visiting returnees were part of the parade of discharged servicemen that are being sent to the major plants of the General Electric Company on a Sales Department-Sponsored "Refresher Course."

Recent visitors included Harold R. Cooper, G. A. Doxey, H. W. Howland, Lindsey A. Lovejoy, Dwight E. Moorhead, N. M. Osborne, Jr., Edgar Whitehead, E. W. Yahraus, and L. C. Cook.

Their two-day visit included trips through the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, Specialty Transformer Division, Wire and Insulation Division, and the Motor and Generator Division. Similar trips are being planned for a Sales group that is to visit the Fort Wayne Works Wednesday, October 31, and Thursday, November 1.

Several of the returnecs saw front-line war duty and held high military posts before being placed on inactive duty at the conclusion of the war. At the completion of the Sales Refresher Course, Mr. Cooper will return to I.G.E.; Mr. Doxey will enter the Industrial Divisions, Schenectady; Mr. Howland, field engineer at Cleveland; Mr. Lovejoy, Federal and Marine Divisions; Mr. Moorhead, Motor Division, General Office; Mr. Osborne, Jr., sales engineer in the Norfolk Office; Mr. Whitehead, elcctronics specialist in the San Francisco Office; Mr. Yahraus, Cleveland Office; and Mr. Cook, Milwaukee District.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Come one, come all! The Dispatchers Club stag party will be held Friday evening, November 9, at the Log Cabin. The affair will last from 8 P.M. to 2 A.M. and plenty of refreshments, both liquid and solid, will be available for all. Harold Gick, who is in charge of arrangements, has promised an evening brim full of entertainment that will be varied enough to suit the fancy of everyone. Floor representatives in each section have tickets, so if you happened to be missed in the canvass of the floor, just see any floor representative. The more the merrier, fellows, so be sure to be there. The only thing that can lend itself to the failure of any social affair is the reluctance of the members to attend. We have many dispatchers whose names are on the membership list who never attend the meetings. Your Grapevine editor feels that these dispatchers are losing the greatest benefit the club can confer—the comradeship and acquaintance of men who have a common interest of being in the same type of work. Our club is a purely social organization, but as a by-product of our association with one another we establish an acquaintance with our fellow dispatchers that is an effective aid to each of us in our business contacts. Aside from that angle, however, we have many talented and interesting members in our club who will make your visits with us worth while. Let's make the party a one hundred per cent affair with every member present.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Lately we have been mentioning the happy war wives whose husbands have returned from the armed services; therefore, with the latest information at hand it is appropriate to give an account of some of the former "Hot Shots" who have been or are still employed by Uncle Sam. Of course, we know that Clair Lieurance was the first to be back with us. Lt. Gco. Knoll was transferred from Okinawa to the Capital of Korea, Keijo. With the new point system in George's favor, he is looking towards the States with anxiety. Lt. Lcon Cobb is piloting his plane around in India with expectations of being home with his family for the holidays. Lt. Chas. Lahrman is home with an honorable discharge convalescing with his wife and family. Sgt. James E. Buchheit is now in Honolulu assisting in the payroll department, and personally counting the days when he can head for the mainland. Cpl. Clint Newman is being discharged this week from Baer Field, and is a happy man too. Clint's visit with us last week proved one thing, and that is the haberdashers are going to do a landslide with his mustering out pay judging from Clint's new robust figure. Pvt. Chas. Woodward is in Fort McClellan, Ala., and is expected home any day on a well-deserved furlough. And now the Navy—Robert Firestine, GM 2/C, who has been with the CB's for a long time, is on the high seas heading in from the Philippines. A welcome visitor last week was Robert Briggs, who is sporting his "civies" with an honorable discharge pin from the Navy. . . . One of our late vacationers was Carolynn Walker, who spent last week around the house doing many little things. . . . We wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. William Fryer, the new proud parents of a six pound baby boy, named Richard William. You see, "yours truly" and Bill have a lot in common. . . . Congratulations are in order to the newlywed and former co-worker Gwendolyn Feaser Ellis. . . . It is nice to have back with us, Martha Crothers, after a brief illness. . . . Some people like to hear crooners such as "Bing" and "Frankie," but Hattie Terhune's favorite is Gene Autry—with or without his horse. . . . Henry Borne traveled to Columbus, Ohio, the other week-end to witness the Purdue-Ohio State game. You guessed it, Henry came home in smiles and gave his coworkers a play by play description of the game. . . . We understand that Edna Rhodes has quite a promising voice. We might recommend her to our concert master, Gillie Plummer, who is organizing a "Hot Shot" chorus for our coming Christmas party.

Sales Engineers Tour Fort Wayne Works



Shown above are sales engineers who visited here recently on the Company's Refresher Course, with some of their G-E hosts. Front row, left to right, are G. A. Doxey, Edgar Whitehead, Lindsay A. Lovejoy, Dwight Moorhead, and E. W. Yahraus, all visitors. Back row, left to right, Harold R. Cooper, N. M. Osborne, Jr., and L. C. Cook, visiting sales engineers, J. E. Carr, C. A. Graham, D. F. Poloff, and J. P. Coughlin, all of the Specialty Transformer Sales Division, and H. W. Howland, also a visiting sales engineer. (See story on this page).

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

WOW! Plastics Sales is getting about these days to the sweet echos of Brahms and in a fog of baby talcum and eiderdown! Master Robert Chew, Jr. (three weeks old Wednesday, mind you!) has undoubtedly brought his hitherto shy and unassuming father out in the limelight! To all who will lend an ear, our young draftsman pours out the STUPENDOUS happenings; such as, "He's gained 5½ ounces already!"—"He's mixing his days and nights," etc., etc., etc. When Bob and Prib get together! Now there's something! Prib—the reassuring Voice of Experience, and Bob the Trying To Be Nonchalant Father! The VERY latest word this all-ears reporter was able to catch was—(Bob speaking, of course)—"Mi gosh! and ten and one and five! Seems like you don't get layed down until it's time to eat again!" Aren't new parents WUNNERFUL? . . . You're wondering why Charlie Harris ran around all Friday afternoon with a large, juicy daub of mustard on his face? Well, you see, 'twas like this—The office had a potluck Friday noon honoring Dorohty Struver, who left to accept another position, and Charlie just eats and eats and EATS! In his haste (amid the furore caused by all the other hungry mouths to be fed) something was bound to be misplaced! Hence the mustard filed neatly under the renowned Charlie's nose! Golly, it was fun, though, and everyone joins in wishing Dorothy loads of luck and happiness in her new job. . . . Two newcomers in the office are Rosalyn Gale, formerly at the Taylor Street Plant, and Caroll Ramsey, from the Payroll Section, Bldg. 18-1. A big fat WELCUM to both of you! . . . "Soapie" Sommers is back from his vacation. (Sigh! Sigh!) He saw the Fleet in New York—or did he?

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Can you imagine Wilma Burkholder forgetting to take her apron off before she went to lunch. Just as the whistle blew, she discovered it. . . . Effie Yinger has discovered a new way to keep her gloves from wearing out. She picks up other people's gloves and then remarks, "They don't fit so well." Be careful where you lay your gloves, gals. . . . Eileen Minnick, Helen Hill, and Helen White were really surprised instead of doing the surprising. The three girls dressed in Halloween costumes and went out on a trick or treat spree. They came to a house, knocked and expected Edna Holbrook to open the door. To their surprise, they had knocked at the wrong door. They reported they received some nice red juicy apples. . . . Agnes Ryan is back from her vacation and says she had a wonderful time in Chicago. . . . Eileen Minnick won first prize at a masquerade dance. She said she wore her own face, too. . . . We all miss Jeanette Timmons very much and hope she likes her new job in the office. Best of luck, Jeanette. . . . A person wouldn't think pickles and peppers look so much alike, but Ellen Gerbers couldn't tell the difference until after she had bought them and put them on the table. That's O.K. Ellen, we all make some mistakes. . . . So-long for now.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Olive Ward of Bldg. 18-B has returned from a week's vacation in Hartford City. . . . Walter Gerdom, U.S.N.A.C., was down to visit the Bldg. 18-B gang. Walt is now stationed at Jacksonville, Fla. . . . We want to congratulate Grace Sgro of Bldg. 18-B on her recent marriage. We want to wish the very best of luck to both Grace and Wayne. . . . Ask Doris Smith of Bldg. 18-B what happened on the hayride. It's a long and funny story, folks.

Highways that lead to safety: fairness, alertness, courtesy, and knowledge.

6-B BUSY BODIES

Hi ho, everybody! Doings and more doings and Snooper almost got a black eye out of being a little too nosey. Maybe the next time I won't stick my nose into the door so far. . . . Clem Stetzel sure thought he had little Herby under his thumb and could handle him with ease, but the tides turned and you can easily guess where Clem landed. Good thing it was all in fun. . . . Jack Carlin recently visited Bldg. 6-B. Jack worked in stock before he entered the service. H'mmm, not bad either. . . . Art Holterman, are you telling us the straight truth or are you feeding us a line? About cleaning the 3,000 chickens, I mean. . . . Norval Banter takes quite a ribbing from the gang about his family, don't you, Norval? . . . Maybe Bob Radebaugh had better go into experimental work. He's always trying something new, but it never turns out too successfully. For further details, you had better talk to Bob personally. . . . Mary Laughlin had her finger hurt one day last week, and an ardent admirer sent her a beautiful bouquet of flowers (straw flowers, rag weeds, and the like), but really it was original to say the least. . . . Every noon there is the championship euchre games going on in the south end of the floor. One day last week Fred Hoffman and Jack Gibson were euchred but badly. That is the first time for either of them, say they. Should we laugh now or later? . . . Clare Fryer was supposed to have tea with the Judge, and the familiar parking ticket was the invitation. . . . Ted Miller has finally joined the group. He moved from Bldg. 4-B to Bldg. 6-B. . . . But now I had better sign my John Henry and be on my way.

Snooper

Accidents and Carelessness—birds of a feather that flock together.

Safety pays if you are careful. You pay if you are not.

26-5 TOOL BITS

George Houser recently purchased a bird dog, but after a trip to the lake last Sunday he believes tbat his bird dog has turned out to be a "frog hound." It seems that all his dog wanted to do all day was chase bull frogs. . . . Walt Hazelett and Carl Mosser are new additions to the Rotor-Stator Die Group and are proving their metal to the satisfaction of most everyone. . . . The fellows in the Design Section welcome Bob Plasterer into their gang and hope he likes his new position. Bob is a discharged veteran from the United States Air Forces. . . . The boys want to offer congratulations and best wishes to Jim Ehresman and Marvel Tuttle, who are now Mr. and Mrs. Ehresman. . . . "Whitey" Reynolds was wearing a sad expression Monday morning last week. Like most Ohio rooters, he forgot that Purdue still played football. . . . Bernie Byanskie found out that Don Alcott knew a little about football after the Purdue-Ohio State game. Better stick to those Notre Dame games, Bernie. . . . John Allen, Larry Koeneman, Jack Schemehorn, and Herb (Whippet) Thiele returned from their vacations in South Dakota, and all said they had a wonderful time. There were plenty of nice big fat pheasants, and I think they all brought home the limit. . . . John Vaupel took his dog up to the State Park last Sunday just to take some pictures of her; but she had different ideas, I guess. He spent most of the day chasing her all over the park. . . . Picnic lovers should benefit by the experiences of Kurt Martin on what not to do at a picnic. Kurt decided to take his family on an outing the other Sunday, and everything went fine. The hot coffee was poured, the hot dogs were roasted, and everything was ready as Kurt sat down beside his wife and son (not realizing that three people on one side of the table would throw the table off balance.) Sure enough, up went the table, and the picnic was over—the Martins. P.S. Kurt bought his family a nice dinner that evening. . . . We extend our sympathies to Harry Hartman in the death of his father.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

The division was saddened by the death of William R. Harrison last week. He had been employed in the commutator stock room for two and one-half years, and his death followed an illness of three months. To his wife and family we extend our sincere sympathy. . . . We were pleased to welcome Paul Hapner back to work today after an illness of three weeks. . . . Helen Hine, Genieve Figel, Mildred Stonebraker, Evelyn Johnson, Margaret Hart, and Mildred English spent the week-end on a trip through Brown County.

Today is the day to prevent accidents. Not tomorrow.

Be careful! Remember there are no spare parts for the human body.

It Makes a Difference



AND THIS DIFFERENCE IS PLAINLY REGISTERED IN THE EXPRESSION PORTRAYED ABOVE. This picture is true to life; it portrays the experiences that this lady commonly has. She is Hazel McDougall, Secretary of the General Works Safety Committee. In this capacity she receives many accident stories a few minutes after they happen.

YES, IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE. In this case, possibly, between LIFE and DEATH; in some between a BRUISED OR LACERATED FINGER and the LOSS OF A HAND; in others between merely an INFLAMED EYE and the LOSS OF SIGHT, etc. . . . AND YET THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN THE SAFETY HAZARD WHICH CAUSED THE ACCIDENT. SAFETY MEASURES SHOULD, THEREFORE, BE DETERMINED BY THE HAZARD RATHER THAN AN INJURY OR THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE INJURY.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

17-3 Newsies

The Winding Section of the Fan Motor Line held a wiener bake recently at Foster Park. The weather was swell 'til about 6:30 P.M.; when it started to rain. The party was finished at the home of Mary Jane Buesking. Gwen. Charpenning, Athena Grothaus, Jeanne Gladieux, Phyllis Hall, Irma Scheumann, Dorothy Heckman, and Mary Jane Buesking were filled to the brim with lots of good eats and laughter. Irma Scheumann topped the evening off by having a nice flat tire. Can't you just see all the girls trying to help? . . . Charles Rice was overheard talking about cosmetics. Is he really getting interested? . . . Eileen Barth visited relatives in Pennsylvania over the week-end. . . . June Trumbell and Fern Monroe are both spending their vacations in Ohio. Have a good time, girls. . . . Wasn't that a cute pup that came strolling down the hermetic belt line the other morning? . . . We sure would like to be the holders of that lucky number that won Verna Bullerman all that money. . . . It sure is hard to get away from Supercharger's style. I'll bet Martha Wedler thinks so to, for she was seen carrying her tray after she finished eating at the cafeteria. . . . We think Charlotte Beauvelt is going into business for herself. For some details, see her or some of the girls from Group 16x600. . . . We'd like to welcome Joan Parent, Bertha Bebout, Mary Shoda, Joan Harrell, and Margery Youse to Group 16x515. Hope you like it, girls. . . . Athena Grothaus left us to take up full-time duties as a housewife. Good luck, Athena. . . . Naomi Robinson is back with us. Glad to see you back, Naomi. . . . We hope Mary Wyss and Esther Glusenkamp are enjoying their vacations.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

In last's week's column we promised to let you in on something big. Here it is—The V-L Drive. Victory Loan. Dig down deep and give with a smile. It's worth a little ole bond for the job these boys did for you, and remember the money you put in the Victory Loan is just a Loan. You'll get it back with interest. Welcome the boys back in a good American way. . . . Just talked to Norm Gardner. He was a top rate reporter for this column, and boy, could Joe use him now. . . . Visiting Servicemen: Ronald Buckmaster, Charlie Lauer. . . . We extend a welcome to Robert Rose, an ex-Navy man who will work with us here in Bldg. 17-1. . . . It seems that at the Court Street alleys they not only clean the gutters with a dust mop but also with Joe Eifrid's bowling ball. What do you say, Joe? . . . Peanuts! Peanuts! That guy Hoffman never seems to be without them. Do you suppose he buys them by the ton? . . . We aren't going to even mention Betty, Dorothy, or Marge in the column this week, because one girl said the reporters are always digging up something. But watch out, girls, maybe next week we'll tell a good one on you. . . . Hutson has a new pet. A baby wolf he picked up. Now he's looking around for a cage to keep it in. . . . Art Rose is another outdoor enthusiast. He's got a dog. Claims it's a setter, but it doesn't look like a setter to us. He says it would rather set than anything. . . . So long.

Is Zat So?

Our hunters have returned full of pheasant and tales of a wonderful time spent in the Dakotas. We are looking forward to a sample of that wonderful meat. Would you like a "pheasant-burger" sandwich? Just see "Red" Gitter, Clyde Crabill, or Carl Fisher. . . . Arnold Berning spent his vacation in Dakota duck hunting. Arnold says that's the sport for him. . . . We were all sorry to hear that Mabel Lieberenz was taken to the Lutheran Hospital Sunday, and we are hoping for a speedy recovery. . . . George Mosshammer proved that he was Jack of all trades when he repaired Helene Evanoff's shoe. . . . Bob Beber wishes to express his thanks and appreciation to his coworkers for the practical wedding gift. . . . Welcome mat is laid out for Adeline Masbaum, a discharged WAC, who is now working in Bldg. 17-1 office. Adeline returns to the G-E after almost two years' overseas duty. We hope you like us, Adeline. . . . Betty Gurning is leaving to make her home in sunny California. Best of luck, Betty. . . . Monday was Lillie Pion's birthday, and she was remembered by her co-workers with a shower of useful gifts. Congratulations, Lillie. . . . A nice letter was received from Bob August, who is now stationed on Leyte. Bob hopes to be back with us soon. . . . Bill Karbach, Bill Hanley, John Siemec, and Bob Ecenbarger were among the servicemen who visited us last week. It sure was great to see the boys again. . . . We wish to welcome John Gordy to first trick. John is taking Frank Williams' place while Frank is on sick leave. Hurry back, Frank, we miss you. . . . The flu has Harry Geiger on the sick list, but here's hoping you will be back soon, Harry. There are several who haven't had their names in the WORKS NEWS for quite some time, so we are trying to get something on Don Mosure, Harold George, and Dick Evans to write about. . . . Minor Merieman looks very lonesome since they caged him in. . . . Birthday greetings to Frank Williams, Fern Bermes, Lillie Pion, Bill Brim, and Paul Meyer. . . . We bid farewell to Hilda Scheuman, who is leaving to return to the farm. It won't be long until Hilda changes that "Miss" to "Mrs." Best of luck, Hilda. . . . Henry Gollmar has been wearing a knit tie that is so loud it speaks for itself, so 'nuff said.

One out of every five arm injuries in 1944 were sustained in falls on the same level, and nearly a like number occurred in handling objects. Hands and fingers were most frequently injured in handling objects.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

Ernie Linn, Kenny Peters and Rex Mericle are on the sick list. We wish you a speedy recovery boys. Rex Mericle has been taken to the government hospital at Indianapolis. . . . If anyone found a whistle at the S. S. football game last Friday night, please notify Naomi Devlin. We understand she tried to whistle at her uncle and found she couldn't make a sound. . . . Brown County was the destination of several of our Motor Generator People this week-end. We agree it is a beautiful sight and well worth the trip. . . . We welcome back to work John Bunting, Emmanuel Stauffer, Leroy Cook, Lloyd Lillivig, and Frank Rueswold. . . . Our visitors this week were Don Burnau and Herbert Dial from the service. We are informed that they will both be working with us again in a couple of weeks. . . . Plans were carefully laid for a hamburger fry at Foster Park on last Thursday evening by Gladys McMillan and the gang in Bldg. 19-2. It was a lovely evening until Rosemary Daugherty's car wouldn't start, and, of course, her car contained all the necessary equipment for a good hamburger fry. By the time a trip was made to pick up Rosemary and her equipment and some more of the gang, the others were out to the park starving—simply starving!! After numerous difficulties, the gang was rounded up and we were enjoying hamburgers, baked beans, potato salad and cake, when we were interrupted by a late-comer who had been wandering around the park for some time looking for the gals from Bldg. 19-2. What do you know it was Hilda Sellers! Everyone enjoyed the evening very much, and we sang the happy birthday song for Cecil Hinton, who treated us with little individual cakes. Others present were Luella Boyce, Eileen Gault, Effie Ehrman, Mable Leonard, Eileen Leonard, Helen Sienkiewicz, Irene Schultz, and Violet Trammel. . . . Forrest McComb says he doesn't have to wait for Friday the 13th to have bad luck. Tuesday morning he was ready to start for work when he discovered that the battery in his car was dead. Then he finally got his car started so he reached for his pipe and discovered that he left it home. When he was walking from the parking lot to work the wind blew his hat into a mud puddle. During the day when he was smoking a cigar, fire dropped into his shirt pocket setting his matches on fire and burning a hole in his pocket. The climax of the day was when his wife called him on the telephone saying she was stranded with the car. . . . Elmer Schoenlien and Vic Rump started for the Purdue-Ohio State football game Saturday but returned before they reached Columbus. Elmer displayed a black eye and Vic a bad cut on his head. They said that another car got in their way. Thanks to the radio, the boys heard the game anyway.

In cities there are over 10 times as many fatal accidents per mile of travel between 3 and 4 o'clock in the morning as there are between 9 and 10 A.M.—the safest hour.

Long-service Employees Retire on Company Pension



Flora Gilmore | Eleanor Kern | Adelaide Levenberger | Claire Voirol | Cora Graham

Many parties have been given this week honoring long-service employees who are retiring on Company pension November 1. Four of the women shown above stayed on beyond their sixtieth birthdays to aid the war effort, but are retiring now under the provisions of the Pension Plan. Flora Gilmore, Specialty FHP Motor Division, is leaving G-E with continuous service to date of her sixtieth birthday of 32 years and 3 months. Eleanor Kern, an employee of FHP Motor Division 14, retires with continuous service to date of retirement of 26 years and 11 months. Adelaide Levenberger, shipping clerk in the Distribution Division, retires with 29 years and 4 months' service to date of her sixtieth birthday. Claire Voirol, stenographer in the Personnel Division, Suggestion Office, leaves with service to date of her sixtieth birthday amounting to 28 years and 10 months. Cora Graham, Specialty FHP Motor Division, also stayed on beyond her sixtieth birthday to aid the war effort and is retiring now with service of 27 years and 9 months.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Here we are again! Something new has been found, a shoplifter's apron. Get all the details from Morgan Evans. . . . Austin Reimund is back on the job after a week's illness. . . . Newcomers to the Miscellaneous Section are Richard Hanline and Lyle Diddle. Welcome to the gang, boys. . . . Morgan Evans is trying to outdo Joe Carson as a goon hunter, only Morgan runs them down with a car instead of using a dog. . . . Famous Last Words: "Somebody Better Come Here." . . . Did someone move the steps while you were away, Margaret? . . . Henry Luedeke, our Safety Man, says, "No horse play, boys."

MACHINE SHOP

Well another week has rolled around, and Halloween has come and gone. If I could get by just one of those seasons without having to wash my car windows, I'd be happy, and I wouldn't be lonesome. . . . Another fall family party is in the making for all Winter Street employees. I'm told this affair will be held in Sorg's barn just off the Bluffton Road. Tickets for the occasion are on sale at $1.00 each. See your office time clerk for details. . . . Ora Bowers said he made one of the biggest mistakes of his life when he let Jim Clark and Joe Carson talk him into going to the woods with their coon dogs about two weeks ago. Ora has two registered Black and Tans, and I know a fellow who would give a lot to own one of them. Bowers says there just ain't no two men who could talk him into going for a coon chase in those swamps north of Huntertown. . . . Melvin Cook held a couple of his co-workers at bay the other morning. He came in with a big fish knife that his big brother brought from the Pacific.

SPARE PARTS

Why was everyone in Spare Parts going around Thursday afternoon moaning and groaning. Could it be they ate too much of Ruthie and Bea's delicious fried chicken or too much of Mary's baked beans or Anna's potato salad? Bill must have enjoyed Marcella's lemon pie the way he devoured two large pieces. Jerry's chocolate cake and Lavon's fruit salad ended a delicious potluck, enjoyed by Ed especially. . . . Ruthie Jones surprised us all Thursday when she announced she was leaving us, and we surprised her in turn with a strand of pearls. We hated to see you leave us, Ruthie, but we know you'll be happy keeping house. Take good care of Millard, Ruthie; we want to see him hurrying around here again, soon. . . . Florence Koch surely looked bright and happy this morning after spending two weeks' vacation with her husband, who recently returned from overseas. . . . Why were all the girls in Spare Parts so thrilled and breathless the other day. Bet it was those three handsome lieutenants Ed sent over.

PRODUCTION

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lammiman spent the past few days down south in Georgia. Did you bring back that southern accent, like y'all? I guess you weren't there long enough to get the accustomed tan. . . . And what do you think, Wayne Cook and Art Slane seemed to get their clothes mixed. Why not hang a nice big white tag on WHOSE Coat is whose. Was a rather close fit wasn't it, Art? . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Barrick went cruising through the mountains and to parts of Pennsylvania on their vacation. Such beautiful scenery, how could you bear to come back. But the office desk was calling; that is always the case it seems. . . . Well Laverne Murphy has that Big Sunny Smile these days. You perhaps know that Jimmy is on his way home, or should be soon. And yours truly is also on the list of those waiting for the return of her No. 1 Man. . . . Delores Kiel was sure in a sweat the other day when she thought she had lost some money. She counted and rechecked her list, then she counted her parcels. Well, what do you know, the cards weren't sold yet. What were you doing? Counting your chickens before they were hatched? . . . Elsie Schmidt went to see her first football game at South Bend with friends. She reports one grand time was had.

ORDER AND STORES

We have two kinds of people in our office; first, those who like to travel, like Margaret Petro who spent a day at Warsaw. . . . And Dick Ashton, who has a new slant on life after he spent a little time down at the Court House in Portland. He saw a human fly walk up the side of the building. . . . And Helen Cook, who spent her Sunday on a farm in Ohio. . . . And last but not least Loretta Soldner, who had a very nice time Sunday afternoon looking for bittersweet in the woods. We're glad you're O.K. again, Loretta, after being sick last week. . . . Then we have the people in our office who believe in keeping the home fires burning or that there's no place like home. Such as Edna Robertson, Clark Leips, Otto Dobler and F. D. McMyler.

ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL

Ann Hudson became the bride of Forest Lowery on October 20 in New Haven. Anna Lee formerly worked for Mr. Dannecker in the Accounting Section. Here's wishing a lot of good luck to Ann and Forest.

COST

While fixing the sidewalks the other day, Clarence Kreischer removed the lid from the cistern. However, he inadvertently fell into the cistern, proving that, as usual, Clarence always puts all he has into whatever he's doing.



G-E CLUB FALL REVUE

Tickets for the G-E Club Fall Revue on Saturday, November 17, and Sunday, November 18, are still available at the G-E Club stand. G-E employees wishing to get tickets for themselves and their families should pick them up as soon as possible, since many have already been withdrawn. A limited supply is being issued for each of the 7 and 9 P.M. performances on the 17th and the 2 and 4 P.M. shows on the 18th.

Eleanor Kern and Louise Heine Honored By Bldg. 4-4 Girls

Eleanor Kern and Louise Heine, both of whom are retiring on Company pension on November 1 after long service with G-E, were honored by the girls of Bldg. 4-4, first shift, Monday night, October 29, with a supper at the Boone Studios.

Both retiring employees wore corsages presented them by the group. Singing and dancing were also enjoyed, with music furnished by Miss Berneil French.



"THIS IS ONE CROP THAT WON'T FAIL ME!"

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

There's a lot of happy people in Bldg. 4-3 nowadays, with all the boys coming home and all the excitement. . . . Alvena Gerber is walking on clouds these days since she received a telegram from her fiance saying he will be home before too long, so it looks like wedding bells will be ringing for her. . . . All Rose Ulrey can say now that her husband is home is that it sure is wonderful. . . . Glyda Yoder took a month's leave of absence to be with her husband, who has just received his discharge from the Navy. We wish you gals' a lot of happiness and luck. . . . O. J. Meyer's son got home from the Navy and here's hoping the other one gets home before too long. . . . We welcome the servicemen: Donald Wiebke on second trick back from the Army, Donald Macon back from two years in E.T.O. . . . Glen Schimmele visited the floor to say hello to all his friends and will be with us again after a short rest. He just received his discharge from the Army. . . . Carl Ayres also visited the floor, and congratulations go to him on his marriage a few months ago. . . . We're glad to see Louis Lichenguth back at work after his sickness. . . . Wonder why Betty France finds it more fun to bowl on Sunday nights instead of Sunday afternoon? . . . Could be that something happened to Clara Nahrwold on her way home Monday night that made her so interested in the morning paper? . . . Ruth Fuller took her husband to a Halloween Party but didn't take good care of him. He was dressed like a little boy and fell off a chair and hurt his shoulder, then Ruth used her first aid and that didn't work so good either. Here's hoping he gets well soon, Ruth. . . . Florence Stanski was hostess to the sewing club. They surprised Betty Kilty with a shower, and she received many lovely gifts. . . . Phyllis Reber and Florence Stanski visited Mary Ann Helms at Bluffton and spent the evening with her. She wishes to say hello to all her friends whom she used to work with on this floor. . . . Monday night seems to be a standing date night for Betty France, Clara Nahrwold, and Alice Pelkey. They really seem to enjoy themselves. . . . Anyone wishing to take sewing lessons, please see Ralph Springer. . . . We hope Ed Kimmel and Elmer Pion have a nice hunting trip in South Dakota. They have intentions to get their season's total; so good luck, boys. . . . Let's hope that our little box has a better show than it did this week; come on, gang, let us know what's buzzin'.

Your Country Cousins



100 Million Volt Electron Accelerator Assembly



Housed in a special building with three-foot concrete walls, a machine which will speed electrons to energies of 100,000,000 volts and produce X-rays of the same power has been developed by scientists and engineers of General Electric at Schenectady. Dr. E. E. Charlton, left, head of the X-ray section of the laboratory, and W. F. Westendorp are the two scientists who have been responsible for the design and construction of this new super X-ray machine.

The machine, 15 feet long, 9 feet high and 6 feet thick, weighing 125 tons, is a huge electromagnet made up of more than 100,000 thin pieces of silicon steel fastened together with a special cement. In the center, between the two poles of the magnet which are surrounded by heavy copper coils, there is a glass circular vacuum tube resembling a doughnut six feet in diameter, in which the electrons are speeded up to produce 100,000,000 volt X-rays. (See story below.)

Transmutation of Elements Shown...

Half Dollar Made Radioactive with Hundred Million Volt Betatron

An ordinary silver half dollar can be made to give off rays like those of radium by a few minutes exposure to the intense X-ray stream produced in the new 100,000,000-volt betatron at the General Electric Research Laboratory at Schenectady. This is truly transmutation of elements, but an expensive and impracticable way of doing it!

As demonstrated to a group of newspaper and magazine science editors who inspected this machine from which secrecy orders have just been removed, a Geiger counter was used to show the effect. The counter detects rays from radium and also those from the cosmic radiation which is continually bombarding the earth from outer space. About 30 times a minute, normally, there is a click from the instrument as a result of a cosmic ray.

Borrowed From Visitor

A half dollar, borrowed from one of the visitors, was inserted in the counter, and no effect was noted. Then it was placed in the beam of radiation from the 130-ton betatron for a few minutes. Because of the danger from this radiation no one was allowed in the room with it while the exposure was taking place. But when the half dollar was again put in the counter, there was a steady roar, the clicks coming about 10,000 times per minute. After a few minutes, however, this slowed down and finally ceased, as a result of the decay of the radioactivity.

What happens in the coin is an actual transmutation of some of the atoms of silver to other elements. According to Dr. Stanley Klaiber, research associate in the Research Laboratory, the rays from the betatron knock a neutron from the nucleus of a silver atom. This changes it from ordinary silver, with mass of 109 units, to another kind of isotope, weighing only 108 units. This isotope is unstable. It gives off an electron, which increases its positive electrical charge by one unit. Since it is the electrical charge of the nucleus that determines what element it is, this means that it is no longer silver, but has been transmuted to cadmium.

"Roar" Heard

The electrons given off while this transmutation is taking place are responsible for the roar heard in the Geiger counter. After 2.3 minutes half of the silver 108 nuclei are changed, and in the course of a quarter of an hour their number is reduced so much that there is no appreciable activity left. There is, however, a much weaker process due to the change of another isotope of normal silver, of mass 107, to silver 106 and thence to palladium. This is done with the emission of a positive electron, which reduces the positive charge of the nucleus by one unit. Also, the copper, constituting about 10 per cent of coin silver, undergoes a change from its normal mass of 63 to 62, and is then transmuted to nickel. Since all of these activities die off rapidly, the coin is not dangerous after an hour or so.

Although these changes involve huge numbers of atoms, they are exceedingly small in proportion to all the atoms in the coin, and no chemical test could detect the cadmium, nickel or palladium produced. Thus, the composition of the coin is not perceptibly altered.

A. Cohen Appointed Counsel for G-E Chemical Department

A. Cohen of Schenectady has been appointed counsel for the Chemical Department, it has been announced by R. H. Luebbe, Vice-President and general counsel of the Company.

A native of Boston, Mr. Cohen has been with the Company since 1929. He was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1923 with the degree of B.S. in Chemical Engineering. In 1927 he received the degree L.L.B. from the National University Law School. He is a member of the Bar of the District of Columbia, and has been admitted to practice before the United States Court of Customs and Patent Appeals and the Supreme Court of the United States. From 1925 to 1929 he was Patent Examiner in the United States Patent Office.

$640,000,000 was paid in compensation or lost in wages because of occupational injuries in 1944.

Thisa and Thata

BUILDING 19-5

Flo Gilmore and Cora Graham retired last Wednesday after 33 years and 28 years of faithful service respectively. We would like to say, "So long, with lots of good luck and happiness to both of you." A three course dinner was served at the Broadway Cafeteria last Monday night in honor of Flo and Cora. Ninety-three guests were present. Entertainment was presented with Warren Jackson acting as m.c. followed by an address by Omer Mettler. John Ormiston presented a watch to Flo, and Martha Scherzinger presented a lace tablecloth, leather purse, and a $25 war bond to Cora, gifts from their sections. . . . I see everyone is accounted for following Halloween celebrations last Wednesday. Sure lucky. . . . A couple hearty welcomes to Fred Schrader and Bob Skinner, who have returned to work with us after receiving honorable discharges from Uncle Sam. Surely good to have you here, boys. . . . Georgia Erwin has certainly improved her eyesight lately. Georgia says she saw the Yankee Stadium from the Lincoln Tower, My, my, aren't you sure it was the Empire State Building instead, Georgia? . . . Ruth Gallemier always says, "My husband is in the Navy." Ruthie's husband is home now, and is she happy! . . . The housewarming party and square dance for Ralph Menewisch was quite a success. It was all the talk around here for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Menewisch were recently married. . . . Hilda Sailer and Alice Norris were the good Samaritans in our section the other day, or at least their intentions of helping Ervin Lindzey were good. Ervin's table became overloaded with work, and as the girls walked by he asked them to hold boards of armatures for him. Poor girls might have been standing there yet, if they didn't get wise to his joke. . . . It seems that when John Ormiston gets in a hurry, he picks up the shaving cream instead of tooth paste. How did it taste, Johnny? . . . We are sorry to lose Bertha Click, who left us to reside in Arizona with her husband, who has ill health. Hope he gets better soon. . . . Congratulations to Gretchen Gatton and Betty Kulesza, former employees, who recently became the proud mothers of baby boys. . . . Serena Slater is a happy wife again. Her husband was discharged from the Army last week. . . . Birthday congratulations to Sherman Wolfe and Bonnie Mechling, who had birthdays a couple of weeks ago. (Better late than never). . . . Frank Buhr is on our sick list. Hurry up and get well, Frank; we miss you.



ENERGY FROM MASS

By Dr. Lewi Tonks
General Electric Research Laboratory
Schenectady, N. Y.

(Continued from page 2)

about 2 million tons of coal. In the nuclear reaction we have been discussing, the energy from the 18/1000 units of lost mass appears in the high velocity of the resulting energy should be 17 million electron volts. Experimentally, each of the two helium nuclei is found to have just half this amount, so that taking them together we have a quantitative confirmation of the conversion of matter into energy.

That is what I am supposed to be talking about, but we might take some time to note that the reverse process, the conversion of energy into matter, occurs. One of the two primary characteristics of mass is inertia. That is, matter doesn't like to change its state of motion. The more work you have to do to speed up a body from a velocity of v_1 to a velocity of v_2 the more mass it has. So if we have a situation in which we can impart more and more energy to a body with less and less effect on its speed, we know that its mass is increasing. This is just what we have in a device known as the induction accelerator which is here in the Research Laboratory. It works on electrons and can impart as much as 100 million electron volts of energy to each one. At 1 million electron volts during the speeding up process, these electrons are traveling with 7/8 the velocity of light, yet with 100 million they are, of course still moving at slightly less than the full velocity of light. More and more energy is having less and less effect on the speed, and this means that the electron's mass is increasing. This greater mass is, in turn, the manifestation of the extra energy of motion associated with the electron. As the energy corresponding to the original or rest mass of the electron is only ½ million electron volts, we see that the mass of the 100-million-electron-volt electron is 200 parts due to imparted energy to 1 part rest mass.

Process Explained

Thus the mass energy process works both ways. In the nuclear reaction mass disappears and energy appears and in the induction accelerator energy imparted to an electron manifests itself as a manyfold increase in the electron's mass.

But the matter does not end here. Electrons have actually been created from energy. The process is known as pair formation. A packet or quantum of high energy X rays —really gamma rays—on striking matter sometimes disappears, and in its place appear two particles, an everyday negative electron and the much rarer positive electron, which has the same mass but is oppositely charged. The energy equivalent is ½ million electron volts for each particle totalling 1 million electron volts for the pair. This is exactly the minimum energy which the impinging quantum must have before pair formation is observed to take place. Thus these electrons have their origin in energy. If for the moment we can think of such an electron being then speeded up in the induction accelerator, we end up with one electron of 201 times normal mass whose whole mass is of energetic origin.

Evident Many Years

Strangely enough, the conversion of matter into energy has been literally before our eyes day by day for ages. The heat and light from the sun originate in the destruction of the sun's own substance. For many years there had been no adequate explanation of solar energy —there was no known process, not burning, not radioactivity, not shrinkage under gravity, which could account for the tremendous outflow of that energy relative to the stability and longevity and constitution of the sun. We now accept the theory that the sun's radiation is a conversion product from its mass. The ratio of energy to mass —that figure of 9 with 20 zeros that I have already mentioned—is so great that even the tremendous outflow of energy only makes a minute fractional depletion of the sun's mass year by year.

This mass-to-energy conversion takes place in the course of a succession of 6 nuclear reactions. A carbon atom of mass 12 adds altogether 4 hydrogen nuclei one by one. Three of these increase the nuclear mass unit by unit from 12 to 13, 14 and 15. Two radioactive disintegrations yielding positive electrons occur on the way. All these transmutations constitute a synthesizing process, making successively nitrogen of mass 13, carbon 13, nitrogen 14, oxygen 15, and nitrogen 15. Then comes the climax. The fourth proton added to nitrogen 15 produces, not a further synthesis to oxygen 16, but rather a splitting back to the original carbon 12 and a helium nucleus of mass 4. In sum total, a carbon atom has absorbed 4 separate protons, has hitched them firmly together and has disgorged them as a finished helium nucleus. In the process, the loss of mass, which we could figure up but won't, amounts to 30 million electron volts of energy. Unwittingly we have owed our existence itself to a nuclear mass-energy transformation process.

Tremendous "Store" Unleashed

The examples cited, mass to energy in a nuclear reaction, energy to mass in the induction accelerator and inpair formation, the sun's energy as coming from its matter—all illustrate the equivalence of mass and energy and show the tremendous store of energy which was waiting to be unlocked when man could produce its conversion from mass on a practical scale.

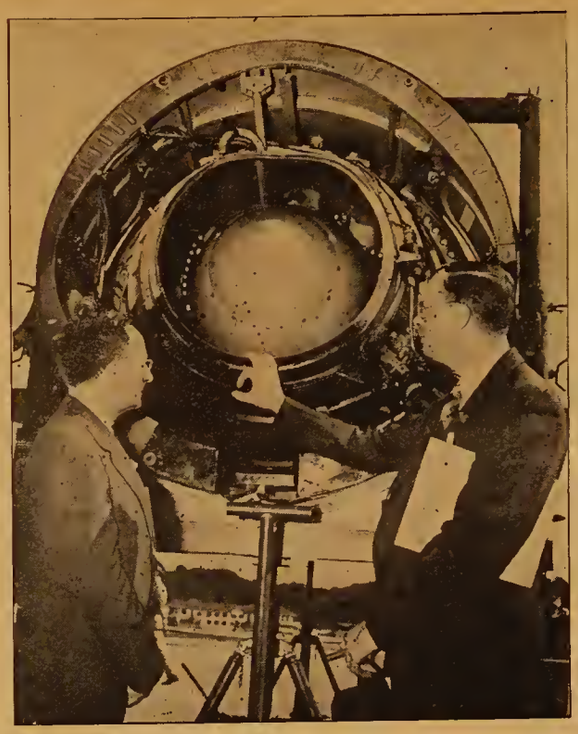
It all looked very impractical until the discovery of the fission of uranium, which Dr. Kenneth H. Kingdom will discuss next week.

A man is what he makes himself. Don't make yourself a cripple.

If you don't know the safe way, ask the man who does.

Don't trust to luck—play safe.

Jet Power Plant On Navy Fighter



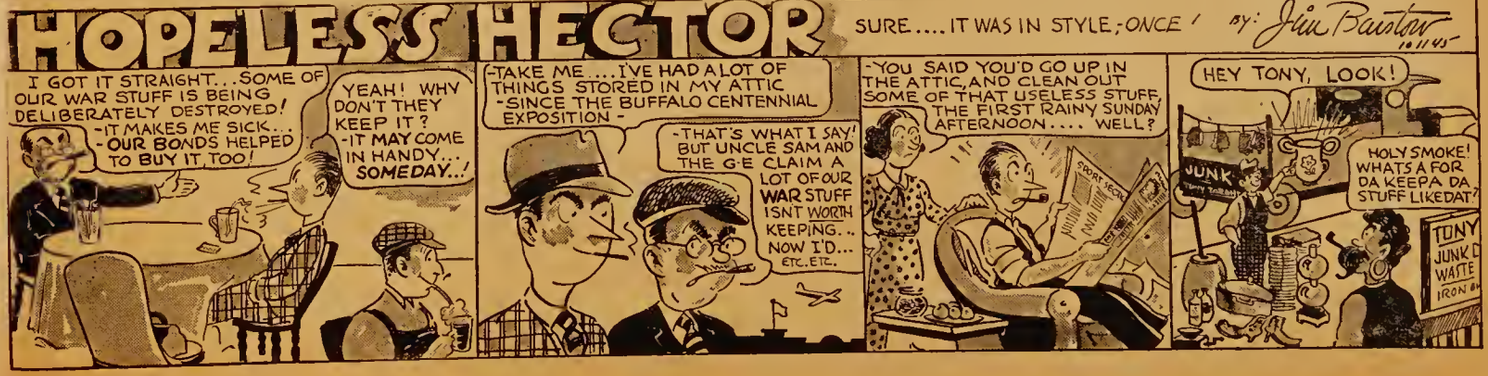
Looking at the nose of the I-16 G-E Jet engine in the parted fuselage of the Navy's first jet fighter, the Ryan Fireball, is R. G. Standerwick, left, and Donald F. Warner, General Electric engineers, under whose direction these new-type aerial power plants were developed. In the Fireball, the G-E Jet is housed in the fuselage between the cockpit and tail. A Wright Cyclone conventional engine, which powers a propeller, is in the nose. The combination power plants give the Fireball tremendous striking force and a maximum of safety.

Sleuthing In 4-6

The Engineering Division welcomes back J. H. Stark. Mr. Stark served five and a half years in the armed forces, and at the time of his discharge he had completed three and a half years in the European Theater as a Major. . . . Patricia Newlin, Katherine Swank, and Maxine Link attended the Notre Dame-Iowa football game last Saturday. The girls saw a lot of interesting sights also. . . . If you tell Ralph Kaeck that it is snowing, he might believe you, because every night when he goes home, his hair is full of little white hole punchings. Since when has snow turned into confetti? . . . The other day, Beth Draker bought a little hat, with a big feather and lots of veiling on it; and when Owen (vs. Tom Brenneman) Vaught saw it, he decided to try it on. We can't say that it had the same effect on him as it did on Beth, but it gave him that dashing Robin Hood look. . . . Congratulations are in order to Bev Horsman of the F.H.P. Motor Sales Division, on the arrival of 7 lb. 10 oz. Nancy Ann, on October 22. . . . We wish Sam Flannery the best of luck in his new job. Sam is being transferred to the Cleveland office. . . . In a lovely wedding ceremony performed on Sunday, October 21, Patricia Johnson became the bride of Sailor Gene Anselman. Congratulations and lots of happiness to both of you from all your friends in Bldg. 4-6. . . . The Aircraft Drafting Section had a wiener bake at Beth Draker's house in honor of Don Wiberus, who left Friday, October 26, to return to Yale University, where he will be a sophomore. Don received a neat tie for a going away present. Lots of good luck, and don't study too hard, Don. . . . The girls in the Central Planning Section took Eileen Hess to dinner at the English Terrace last Friday, October 26, and the office presented her with a lovely gift. Eileen left to take up her household duties for her discharged husband.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

'Tis Autumn again, and the leaves are falling fast. It's wonderful weather for wiener bakes, at last. So how about getting some wieners and forks and let's go! . . . Beulah Buckland and Esther Cameron are back from their vacations, looking very fresh and rested. Hope you had a nice time, girls. . . . Elmer Pion is back from his vacation, and what a vacation!! He got his limit of 40 pheasants. Nice hunting, Elmer!!! We knew you could do it. . . . If you wonder why Elsie Miller is so very happy here lately, it's because her husband is home to stay. Glad to hear it, Elsie. . . . We were very sorry to hear Wilma Shank is ill. We hope she will recover soon and be back with us again, bright and cheerful as ever. . . . Harry Bell was certainly surprised last week when the Bldg. 2-2 gang gave him a birthday cake and two boxes of candy. We're glad you liked it, Harry, and hope you have many more happy birthdays. . . . We'll have to congratulate the second trick; we finally got some news out of them and here it is. . . . What does Jerry Stahlman do with all of those steaks and pork chops at lunch time? ? . . . There are some that wish they could recite poetry too, for instance, Julia Martin. . . . If you would like to make bubbles like the kiddies do, and still be in style, ask Leila Gaunt for the particulars!! . . . Did you ever have the experience of walking in your sleep or having a nightmare? ? We have one girl, Evelyn Hart, who knows all about it. . . . We want to welcome Patricia Culbertson to second trick. Hope you like us, Pat.



Two More on G-E Club Squad



Ralph Miller, Jr.



Merv Lowden

Two more players known to G-E Club basketball fans are Ralph Miller, Jr., and Merv Lowden. Ralph, a 6-foot forward and one of the leading scorers for the Club team, is starting his second year with the team. He was a former Central Catholic and Knights of Columbus star. Merv also hits the six-foot mark, and also plays the forward position, thus giving the Club team a formidable pair of sharpshooters in the forward berths. Merv is starting his third year with the G-E Club and formerly played with the Kuhner Packers.

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

In the October 26 encounter of the Men's League there were again 15 series totals of better than 500, indicating that the Kokomo keglers are not sparing the wood. Wikel was high with a 589 and a 213 single game, Walker was next with 583 and an even 200 single. Pennycuff shot 565, while Carpenter got hot with a 549 and 203 single, his first in each department; Spahr hit 544 and a 201; Heatb, 532, also his first; Stodgell, 528; and Adams and Parsons each had 523. Bassett connected for the highest score so far at 246, after a slow start giving him a 521 series. Bergman rolled a 516; Reith, 513; R. Smith, 504; Newlon scored a 501 as did Grant, getting over the hump for the first time.

In addition to the five 200's rolled, there were seven games in the 190's and 10 games in the 180's with promises of better scores to come.

As for team performance, Receiving took over undisputed first place by taking two from Wage Rate. Assembly clean swept Order Service, and Punch Press bested General Service for two. The Winders went around the Rotors in two; Production took all three from Test, as did the Small Lot team from the Planners.

Since the Girl's League scores are not available at this time, their performance will be an unreported quantity at this writing. The girls are still plugging away, and the newcomers are improving nicely. It is regrettable, however, that some of the girls have dropped out, and others are needed to take their places. Any girl wishing to bowl on Tuesday nights who has not been contacted as yet, please get in touch with either President Mary Crithley, Secretary Ellen Smith, or Treasurer Jacque Nellans or any of the bowlers. Experience is not necessary, as this is a beginner's league.

Swimming

Any G-E employees interested in entering the industrial swimming league of the Y.M.C.A. should contact the undersigned.

Charles McAfee, Bldg. 31-1
Phone 2102

It's A Joke

A Welshman who was very proud of his bass voice was describing a wonderful dream he'd had.

"I was in a mighty choir," he said, "5,000 sopranos, 5,000 altos, 5,000 tenors—all singing together double forte."

"It must have been wonderful," said the listener. "But what about the basses?"

"That was it!" said the dreamer. "Suddenly the conductor stopped the choir and, turning to me, said: 'Not quite so loud in the bass, please, Mr. Jones'!"

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Berniece Karaslewicz	Churubusco	4-3	Meyers	7:00- 3:30
Aleen Klser*	Angola, 111 S. Woodward			3:30-11:42
Lucille Colley	South Whitley	26-2	Holloway	3:30-11:48
Arnold Mauger	Between St. Rds. 224 & 1	4-3	L. Liddy	7:00- 3:30

(Anyone coming in from Unlondale or Kingston)

* Can't accept job until she gets ride.

Employees Seeking Riders

William Hurtt**	Comes In from Huntington	17-4	H. Brooks 8:00- 5:15

** Can take 3 riders.

Club Basketball Team Is Fast Rounding Into Form for Opener

Owl League Bowling

SATURDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Team No. 7	13	5
Team No. 8	12	6
Team No. 12	11	7
Team No. 4	11	7
Team No. 3	10	8
Team No. 1	10	8
Team No. 11	9	9
Team No. 5	8	10
Team No. 2	8	10
Team No. 9	8	10
Team No. 6	4	14
Team No. 10	4	14

High Games

600 Series: M. Marks, 179, 243, 180—602.

200 Games: W. Reitdorf, 209, 211; R. Zelt, 207, 211; R. Smith, 201; C. Towns, 203;; M. Clark, 219; T. Roehm, 203, 204; S. Newell, 212; M. Walchle, 204.

New team high three-game series without handicap was established by Team No. 3 with a 2691 total.

Some of Saturday's high lights on the bowling are the 600 Series by M. Marks and the new team high three-game total. Also eleven men rolled over 550 pins this week. G. Hughes had buck fever his last game and rolled a 199 and there were 14 other men who had 190 games this week. T. Roehm missed 600 by 16 pins, C. Towns missed by 15 pins, M. Walchle by 14 pins, W. Reitdorf by 23, and R. Zelt with 2 good games really had tough luck his last game with a 555 total. A. Lantz also had a 555 total, L. Auglinbaugh had a 552, and R. Smith had 547. S. Newell shot a 550 and L. Schmitt rolled 559 while M. Clark knocked over 551 pins. These totals should encourage spectators to come to the sessions, as they are interesting as well as entertaining.

All team captains meet with the president after the session Saturday to discuss the November 10 bowling.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Series & Specialty	14	7
Motor Generator	14	7
General Service	14	7
Firemen No. 4	13	8
Laboratory	12	9
Screwballs	12	9
Transformers	11	10
Firemen No. 10	10	11
Wire & Insulation	9	12
Shipping	9	12
Tool Room	5	16
Plastics	5	16

High Games

600 Series: Koorsen, 623.

200 Games: Ropa, 235; J. Saylor, 234; Koorsen, 229; 211, Castle, 228; Bayers, 224; Haugk, 224; Tobias, 220;; Matthews, 215; Miller, 213; Kuntz, 210; Weimer, 210; Buning, 209; Rump, 203; Kammer, 210, 200.

Find the safe way; then stick to it.

Five More Additions Are Made to Promising New Squad

By Bob Kessens

With the addition of Ralph Miller, Jr., Ted Reed, Merv Lowden, Stretch Magnesson, and Howie Schnieder, the G-E Club Basketball team is fast rounding into form for their opening tilt Tuesday night, November 13, in the Club gym at 8:30 P.M.

Last week we announced the return of Johnny Allen and Dohr Krieg, both Club veterans with long years of outstanding play to their credit. Miller, 6-foot forward from Central Catholic and Knights of Columbus teams, will play his second season with the Club.

Ted Reed Back

Ted Reed, last year's high scorer for the Club with an average of 18 points per ball game for 28 games, will be back for his third season. He will hold down the center position and formerly played with the Colorado University team. Merv Lowden is another 6-foot forward, now returning for his third year of play with the Club team. He formerly starred on the Woodburn High School and Kuhner Packers teams.

Stretch Magnesson, a newcomer to Club basketball this year, played with Winter Street in last year's Inter-division League and has shown promise of becoming one of the contenders for scoring honors on the Club team this year.

Schneider Is New

Howie Schneider, 6-foot guard from Concordia College at River Forest, Ill., will be starting his first year with the Club team. Howie can handle the ball in great style and is a one-hand push shot artist. He'll give a good account of himself and is a boy to watch.

Coach Bill Schible still has two more players to choose and will no doubt announce next week who these players will be. Some possibilities include Red Braden, Bill Hanley, and Dick Baade, former members of the G-E Club team who were out for practice Monday night. Vince Gregg, formerly of Washington State College, also turned out for his initial try-out and is another good bet.

Some of the teams already booked for appearance at the Club gym are the Richmond Professionals; Dow Chemical of Midland, Mich., who saw action in the professional tournament at Chicago last year; the Anderson Big Five; South Bend K. of P.; Caldwell Insurance, Huntington; Defiance College; and the Decatur and Kokomo G-E Club teams.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

	Won	Lost
Drafting	17	4
Evaporators	13	8
Machinists	13	8
Designers	11	10
Power Drive	11	10
Grinders	10	11
Engineers	9	12
Compressors	9	12
Toolmakers	9	12
Testers	9	12
Maintenance	9	12
Planners	6	15

No team was able to make it three wins for the evening, as the Designers, Engineers, Evaporators, Maintenance, Machinists, and Planners all had to be content with two.

Whitey Kolmerten, captain of the Engineers, came through with high count for the evening, having a three game total of 564, and thus paced his team to the high count of 2667.

200 games were scored by Bireley, 208; O'Neill, 207; Roeger, 206; Bender, 204; and Timme, 203.

Tom Piepenbrink still leads the league in individual average with 183. Haggenjos is second with 181, W. Kirke 175, Roeger 174, and Benecke 172.

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FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

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FORT WAYNE WORKS
NEWS

Volume 28 — FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1945 — No. 45

Today you, the people of the United States, are the possessor of the mightiest seapower the world has ever known. Because we are a democracy, you also have the right to say whether you will keep and preserve this seapower, or whether you will pat it on the back and let it die . . . I pray that we will not take the easiest way.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz

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APPRENTICE ALUMNI PLAN GALA ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Dinner Meeting For Foremen Set for Monday

Seven Sales Heads To Speak to Association Members

Plans for the first dinner meeting of the G-E Foremen's Association to be held at the Chamber of Commerce, Monday, November 12, at 6:30 P.M., have been completed, Charles Kensill, president of the organization, announced today.

Heads from seven sales divisions will review future plans for the General Electric Company. Mr. Kensill said that the speakers for this first meeting are A. W. Bartberg, manager of Fractional Horsepower Motor Division; P. M. Raehle, manager of Transformer Sales; J. J. Curtin, manager, Magnet Wire Section Sales; J. P. Kellhenny, manager of Sales of the Air Conditioning Department, and D-C Motor Division Sales; C. A. McTerney, manager of Sales of Large Apparatus Section of the Motor Division; and J. G. Short, Commercial representative, Plastics Department.

Invitations in Mail

Invitations to the dinner meeting have been placed in the mail, but any member who did not receive a notice should contact Mr. Kensill, Winter Street, phone 263. Admission to the dinner will be by membership card or receipt.

Plans for a full evening's entertainment for all members have been made, Mr. Kensill said. He urged all members to attend this opening dinner meeting.

Banners Go Up for Victory Loan



Helen Gellert, Bldg. 18-2, unrolls the first banner to go out to the divisions for Jerome H. Lauer, solicitor in Bldg. 4-6, who was the first solicitor to claim a banner when his group met its goal. Congratulations, Bldg. 4-6 employees.

Sixty-One Get Suggestion Awards in Two-Week Period

A total of $528 has been awarded to 61 suggestors during the past two weeks, according to lists recently released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

At the top of the list is Paul A. Witte, Hamilton Bldg., who received $75 for his idea involving

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Firemen Announce "Feather Party" November 15

Annual Affair of Volunteer Force Is Open to Public

A "Feather Party," sponsored by the General Electric Volunteer Firemen's Association, will be held Thursday evening, November 15, at the G-E Club, Dee Hamilton, president of the group, announced today. The affair, in the form of a bingo party, will start at 8 P.M. and is open to the public. There will be many prizes given to the winners of the contests, committee members said.

Admission to this annually sponsored party will be 35 cents, and tickets can be secured from any member of the firemen's organization.

George Casper, Bldg. 27, is general chairman for the party, and is being assisted by various members of the volunteer force.

Many attendance prizes will be awarded during the evening, Mr. Casper said.

It's a "Refreshin' Course"

Twelve Sales Engineers Visit Fort Wayne on G-E Plant Tour

(See pictures on Page 11)

The Fort Wayne Works played host to 12 sales engineers Wednesday, October 31, and Thursday, November 1, as its part in the "Refresher Course" for G-E sales engineers who are returning from military service. The visiting group toured the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division, Specialty Transformer Division, Wire and Insulation Division, and the Motor and Generator Division in its two-day stay here, and special talks and meetings were designed to bring them up to date on manufacturing methods.

The visiting group included J. F. Baker, Edwin Davis, C. J. Ellis, W. V. Gough, Adkins Lowell, L. H.

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CASUALTIES

T/Sgt. Donald J. Kabisch, Taylor Street, missing in action since November 1, 1944, when his plane was on a mission on Negros Island in the Philippines, has been declared dead by the War Department.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary To Be Celebrated November 13, Election Scheduled

The G-E Apprentice Alumni Association will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary Tuesday, November 13, with a gala banquet to be held at the Chamber of Commerce at 6:30 P.M.

The Rev. Henry H. Crane, pastor of Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Mich., will be the principal speaker at the dinner, and members of the Hoosier Hop will entertain. Election of officers for next year is scheduled to follow the dinner meeting.

Candidates Listed

Presidential candidates are W. H. Crouse, K. A. Altekruse, and Dave Bartels. Candidates for vice-president are Arnold Berning, H. Dickey, and M. Sorgen. Candidates for other offices will be announced at the dinner.

Started in 1913 with an enrollment of 10 students, the Fort Wayne Works Apprentice School operated continuously until 1943, when it was discontinued because of the war. Growth of the school is indicated by the fact that 59 students were graduated during the last year's operation and in its 30 years' existence, 625 students were graduated from machinist toolmaker, electrical tester, or pattern maker courses.

Organized in 1920

The Apprentice Alumni Association was organized by a small group of graduates in 1920 and during the ensuing 25 years has grown into a large and active organization.

Present officers of the group are Robert Spitler, president; John

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Bond Drive

With the Victory Loan drive well under way as the WORKS NEWS went to press, J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, expressed the belief that the drive was going well. Several divisions have met their quota, and employees on the whole are investing in victory, as they have in all other campaigns, he said.

Annual War Vet Party Tonight

The General Electric World War Veteran's annual "Feather Party," to which the general public is invited, will be held tonight at the G-E Club. The fun will begin at 8 P.M., committee members announced.

Prizes of fowls will be given to winners in the bingo contests, from which the novel title for the party

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The Show Goes on . . .

Acts for G-E Club "Fall Revue" Are Booked for November 17-18

All acts for the G-E Club gala "Fall Revue" Saturday, November 17, and Sunday, November 18, at the G-E Club have been booked, and the "Revue" promises to be one of the finest performances ever to be shown at the Club, Paul Vogt, entertainment chairman, said today.

The popularity of this type of entertainment is evidenced by the withdrawal of tickets, Mr. Vogt said, since over half of them have been given out already.

The shows will be given at 7 P.M. and 9 P.M., Saturday, November 17, and at 2 P.M. and 4 P.M., Sunday, November 18. These shows are free to General Electric employees and their families. Tickets can be obtained at the G-E Club stand.

A variety of acts for this outstanding show have been booked

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Elex Trip

Train tickets for the Elex trip to Chicago, Saturday, January 12, are good on any return coach the following day, Irene Meyers, club adviser, announced today in reply to many questions from girls wishing to stay in Chicago overnight.

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How Important Is Safety?

Just how important IS Safety? Well, supposing we consider what safety really means.

Your health, the use of your limbs, your very life itself depend in large measure upon how safely you work and play. Nothing could ever compensate you your life—nothing could repay you for the loss of your health or the use of your limbs.

Your livelihood and your family's welfare depend upon your ability to perform your job. An accident could put you on the side-lines for a few days, or forever.

The quality and quantity of work you turn out are directly affected by safety. A safe worker—and a good worker is a quality worker. The job done right is done safely, and a good safety record means a good production record.

How important is Safety?

Well, how important is your life? How important is your family's welfare? How important is your job? How important is your country?

If you can answer these questions no one has to tell you how important safety is—you KNOW.

H. J. Weeks, American Steel & Wire Co.
Cleveland, Ohio
Occupational Hazards—October, 1945.

It May Hit You

Most of us will soon begin to notice posters announcing the sale of Christmas Seals to fight tuberculosis. Whether you believe in supporting financially a nation-wide movement to stamp out one of the most dreaded diseases known to man is a matter for the individual to decide, but the posters do tell one striking fact—a fact that cannot be escaped. TB may hit you.

One poster received in the WORKS NEWS office illustrates this idea with a bowling ball knocking down human "pins"—people from all walks of life. And that poster showed clearly that TB was scoring a "strike."

There are enough bowling fans here who know how effective a strike is, or how disastrous it is if a bowler on another team is scoring that strike. One thing's sure; TB is not on our team.

You are not too young nor too old to be knocked down by tuberculosis, doctors warn us. Regular physical examinations and chest X-rays will find TB early—when it can be most easily cured.

Remember, TB may hit you.

Help Finish the Job

The Victory Loan drive is America's gigantic windup of war financing. It will commemorate the victory in which all Americans have shared a part.

Men and women of General Electric contributed admirably to the success of every war loan drive throughout the dark days of the war. Now, with America so near the finish line, all we need is a final burst of energy—a supreme effort—to put us over.

By supporting the Victory Loan drive and by continuing your payroll purchases of more and still more bonds, you can help finish the job. It's not too late, buy a bond in our Victory Loan.

TIME TO START *THINKING*



Armistice Day, 1945, finds America with a victory behind her and responsibilities ahead of her far greater than those at the end of the First World War. The grief over the loss of the heroes of 1918 has become less poignant with the passage of time; our obligation to them is all the greater, underlined by the devotion of their sons who have fallen in the terrible conflict just ended.

In 1918, we assumed that the sacrifice of our boys had, of itself, made future wars impossible. Now we know that we were wrong. It has been an expensive lesson, and this time we are making no assumptions. We have found that peace is not won by force alone; it is a condition which must be achieved in the hearts of men, and our very disillusionment over the results of the victory in 1918 may be a hopeful sign for the future.

Peace must be the fruit of further patience and further courage, the will to be great as well as strong. If the nations of the world cannot achieve it, the penalty is all too well-known. This Armistice Day is no time for triumph. It is a time for prayer.

SPLITTING THE URANIUM NUCLEUS

By Dr. Kenneth H. Kingdon
General Electric Research Laboratory
Schenectady, N. Y.

(Editor's note: This talk was delivered on the General Electric Science Forum over WGY, Schenectady, N. Y., at 7:30 P.M., Wednesday, October 17, 1945, and is being reprinted because of the current interest in the atomic bomb.)

The first talk in this series gave us some ideas about the structure of atoms and nuclei. The second one told us about the equivalence of mass and energy, and showed how this idea had been confirmed by bombarding nuclei with protons and observing the disruptions and transmutations produced thereby. It was well established that the bombardment of most nuclei with protons or deuterons caused the emission of light particles such as neutrons, protons, and alpha particles, and therefore transformed the target nucleus into a new one which was frequently radio-active and settled down into a stable state by the emission of electrons and X-rays.

Our story tonight opens in 1934 at the University of Rome where Professor Fermi and his colleagues were industriously bombarding most of the elements in the periodic table with the then recently discovered neutron projectiles. They found many cases in which the neutron was captured by the bombarded nucleus. The new compound nucleus was unstable and emitted an electron to reach a stable form. Note that this emission of a negative electron is equivalent to raising the positive charge of the nucleus by one unit, and so changes the bombarded nucleus into a nucleus appropriate to the next higher element in the periodic table. One can imagine then that it was with very special interest that Fermi set about bombarding uranium, the last element in the periodic table, element number 92. Would uranium behave like so many other elements, and by neutron capture and electron emission transform itself into a new element, number 93, which ordinarily does not exist? This indeed seemed to be the case, and definite chemical indications were obtained of the presence of one or more new elements beyond uranium, the so-called transuranic elements. But the discovery gradually became embarrassing for it was found that the new element was accompanied by many other elements which could hardly be accommodated within the restricted spaces of the periodic table close to uranium.

Difficulty Remained

This difficulty remained for several years. Two or three investigators almost stumbled on the answer, but it was not until January 1939, that Hahn and Strassmann by careful chemical work demonstrated that most of the elements produced by neutron bombardment of uranium did not lie beyond or near uranium, but instead lay in the center of the periodic table close to barium. That is, when a uranium atom captures a neutron it does not always emit a light particle like a proton or electron, but may split into two parts of nearly equal mass, thus producing much lighter elements like barium and krypton. News of Hahn's and Strassmann's discovery was passed around by word of mouth and telegram, and experimental proofs of its implications were supplied within a few days, almost simultaneously in Copenhagen, Paris, New York, Baltimore, Washington,

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G-E Engineers Helped G.I.'s Map Their Way

Transformer Division Built Unique Map Maker for War

Of the many weird weapons that saw the light of day in World War II, one of the weirdest and yet most useful to the Allied armies was the odograph, a small device that actually "wrote the way" for invading troops.

"Odograph," a Greek word, literally means "writes the way," and so then, to put it simply, the odograph is a map-making machine. Putting it not so simply, the odograph equipment consists of three units—an electronic magnetic compass, a plotting device, and a power pack, all connected by electric cables and flexible shafts. Specially designed, the apparatus is small and compact, and takes up the space of one passenger on the back seat of a jeep, the inimitable and better-known weapon of war used in transporting the odograph equipment on its map-making tours.

Job Was Secret

The secrecy surrounding the development and building of odograph equipment for the United States Army and Navy prevented many Fort Wayne Works employees from realizing the important roles they were playing in the war effort. Fort Wayne's particular contribution was the power pack for the odograph, a development of the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division and the Works Laboratory. The problems met and solved by these engineers were legend, so it's no small wonder that the phenomenal success of the odograph during the war should make these men sigh and say, "Yeh, but I knew it when."

The engineers start the explanation of the thorny problems encountered with the simple fact that two elements are necessary in map making, distance and direction. Distance is measured by a speedometer, which is attached to the transmission system by means of flexible shafts and interconnects with the plotting unit.

Compass Used

Direction is determined by a magnetic compass and is transferred to the plotting unit by electronic tubes. These two elements are combined in the plotting unit by a mechanical brain causing a pencil to trace on an appropriate map the exact course taken by the vehicle, either on roads, cross country movements, or on water. A warning signal installed on the dash board of the jeep warns the driver when the pencil approaches the marginal edges of the plotting device so that the paper and pencil may be repositioned.

Thus a map is automatically made by driving a vehicle over the unknown terrain. Locations of important points may be plotted simply by driving to the point in question.

Works in Reverse

The odography also works in reverse, engineers tell us. By orienting a map on the plotting unit and observing the pencil, the vehicle can be driven in the general direction of any objective plotted on the map. The vehicle can reach the objective even though the driver has no previous knowledge of the road system or terrain. All of which goes to show that map making and "un-making" the map have been broken down to bare essentials—if you have the odograph.

Transformer engineers tell us that the job of designing and building the power pack was a tough one, especially since the Army wanted the equipment not later than "yesterday."

Power Supply

The complexity of the system required an ingenious power supply, the requirements of which could not be met by conventional rotating apparatus or by the 6 volt direct current battery installed in the jeep, which normally varies from 5 to 8 volts. In order to prevent erratic operation, the electronic portion of the equipment required precision power. The anode voltage for the photo tubes had to remain constant at 105 volts; the voltage of the light source and the thyratron heaters could not vary from 6.3 volts; the mechanical brain required 200 volts for operation; the power had to come from the vehicle's battery. There were a lot of "could not's" and "have to's" in those early days, but very few answers.

In addition to these special requirements, the power pack had to meet the various general requirements for vehicular installations of the armed forces as well as operate in all theatres of war, from the tropics to the frozen lands of the North. Then, in case you've forgotten, the Army still needed it "yesterday."

Answers Found

But more important than the problems that had to be met is the fact that the answers, the right ones, were found, and odograph equipment (with the power packs built by the men and women of the Fort Wayne Works installed) contributed much to the successful campaigns of our forces. General Patton's advance through France and into Germany was materially aided by the odograph. It was also used extensively in the Pacific for navigational purposes and for surveying many of the previously uncharted islands.

Here again is another "now it can be told" story, with its fitting climax an enthusiastic "well done."

They Helped Build Novel War Weapon



T. T. Short, M. O. Marsh, and O. Kiltie (left to right), all of the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division, are shown with the power pack for the odograph and the internal chassis assembly for this power pack—one of the important contributions made by G-E engineers to the war effort.

The Odograph at Work



Here is an artist's conception of the odograph at work. The G.I.'s are driving their jeep over unknown roads while the odograph in the back seat automatically maps the distances and directions traveled. The power pack, built by the Specialty Transformer Division here, takes the 6 volt d.c. from the jeep's storage battery supply and transforms it into the constant voltages, both high and low, required to operate the various units in the odograph.

R. Nelson Snider To Speak to Squares' Wives November 14

R. Nelson Snider, Principal of South Side High School, will be the guest speaker at the November 14 meeting of the Women's Division of the General Electric Squares Club to be held at the Squares' Club Rooms, 219 E. Berry Street, at 8 P.M.

Mr. Snider's subject will be "Wayne's Fort—Our Town." Later in the evening, bridge will be played and refreshments are to be served. The general chairman for this meeting is Mrs. Arthur L. Johnson.

The committee chairmen for the evening are Mrs. Emerson Downie, house; Mrs. Fred Wilson and Mrs. Raymond White, bridge; Mrs. Roland Kohl, music; Mrs. Joe Eitman, refreshments; Mrs. Paul Breimeyer, publicity; and Mrs. Frank Olney and Mrs. Ed Chapman, hospitality and door.

The monthly programs for the rest of the year are: Wednesday, December 19, 8 P.M., Christmas Bridge Party; Tuesday, January 22, 8 P.M., Hobby Party; Thursday, February 14, 7 P.M., Valentine Dinner Bridge for Husbands; Tuesday, March 12, 8 P.M., "Home Sweet Home" Party; Wednesday, April 10, 8 P.M., Membership's Choice; and Tuesday, May 7, 8 P.M., Annual Meeting and May Party.

G-E Louisville Office Being Reopened

The General Electric Credit Corporation will reopen its Louisville Office in the Starks Building, at 4th and Walnut Streets, Louisville, Ky., on November 1, 1945, according to an announcement by D. O. Thomas, Southeastern District Manager.

The opening of the Louisville Office is part of GECC's program of establishing additional representation to serve the many dealers in that area selling General Electric and Hotpoint appliances.

Mr. S. W. Dail has been appointed Manager of the Louisville Office, and will supervise all company activities in this territory. Dail was associated with the General Electric Credit Corporation for nine years, as Manager of GECC's Louisville Office, until being transferred, in 1943, to the General Electric Supply Corporation in the same city.

It pays to be careful; the more careful you are the better it pays.

If you drive or walk, work or play, practice safety every day.

William H. Lehman Gets High Post In G-E Supply

Named Assistant Manager Of Apparatus Sales, Bridgeport

William H. C. Lehman, who for the past five years has been a member of the Apparatus Agency Division of the Company's industrial divisions at Schenectady, has been appointed assistant manager of apparatus sales of the General Electric Supply Corporation, Bridgeport. The announcement was made by John L. Busey of Bridgeport, President of G-E Supply.

Born in Buffalo, N. Y., Mr. Lehman was graduated from Nichols Preparatory School in that city in 1927 and received an engineering degree from Union College in 1932. Mr. Lehman then taught for one year in the George Junior Republic School, Freeville, N. Y., and the following year did personnal work with a large department store in Philadelphia.

In 1934 he joined General Electric at Schenectady as a business training course student in the Accounting Department. Subsequently he was a market researcher in the G-E Publicity Department, did commercial research work for the G-E Appliance and Merchandise Department, joined an air conditioning distributor of the Company, and in December of 1940 transferred to the Apparatus Agency Division, Schenectady.

Mr. Lehman, former interscholastic New York State pole vault champion, established a 1925 record which was unsurpassed until 1928 and was director of personnel at the Buffalo Boy Scout camp during the period 1927 to 1929. At Union College he was on the football and hockey teams and was captain of the track team. More recently he was vice chairman of war training in New York State and chairman of war training in Schenectady County.

G-E Revue

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that will be enjoyed by both young and old, Mr. Vogt said. Some of the bookings include "The Five Leonards," a sensational acrobatic act from New York, the DeLane sisters, a vocal trio, and the Thornton kids, with their instrumental and novelty acts. All acts will be done by professional performers from New York, Chicago, and the West Coast.

Doug Hope, who has several clever acts with the audience participating, will be the master of ceremonies; and Bob Kreckman and his nine-piece orchestra will furnish the music for the shows.

Apprentice

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Lare, vice-president; A. W. Wisenburger, recording secretary; Russel Mueller, financial secretary; and Carl Beyerlein, treasurer.

Tickets for the banquet are in the hands of contact men on the floors, Mr. Spitler said, and urged all members to buy theirs immediately so that they can participate in the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration.

Six Retire on Company Pension



Henry B. Sorg — Arthur J. Hollenbacher — William Archer — Omer J. Hinton — James J. Ormiston — James C. Morris

The retirement of six G-E employees under the General Electric Pension Plan has been announced. All left November 1 and held long service records to the time of their retirement. Henry B. Sorg, a machine mover in the General Service Division, left after 29 years and 2 months of continuous service. William H. Archer, an assembler in Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 15, left after 32 years and 8 months of service. James J. Ormiston, an employee of the Air Conditioning Department, Winter Street Plant, had 20 years' continuous service to date of retirement.

Arthur J. Hollenbacher, an inspector in the Motor and Generator Division, left the Company after 24 years and 1 month of service. Omer J. Hinton, a carpenter in the General Service Division, retired with 23 years and 6 months of service. A freight handler in the Distribution Section, James C. Morris left G-E after 26 years and 4 months of continuous service.

Suggestions

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the purchasing and use of hand operated steel rule cutter and bender to facilitate the making of steel rule dies. Ralph Steward, Bldg. 26-5, received $50 for his suggestion of installation of ways protection guards on 12 B & S surface grinders. A $25 award was given to Melvin J. Bill, Bldg. 8-1, for his suggestion pertaining to furnishing die guard blocks to allow guard bars closer to die fingers on Type I wire insulation machines.

Other awards ranging from $5 to $20 were made to the following employees:

Bldg. 2-2

Virgal I. Guiff.

Bldg. 4-1

Raymond Holmes, William D. Brown, Elmer J. Jockel.

Bldg. 4-2

Paul W. Arnold, Mary E. Stewart.

Bldg. 4-3

William A. Mauger, Cecil J. Vivian, James Chas. Hoelle, Charles E. Clawson.

Bldg. 4-4

Marie C. Wickelman, Forest E. Grim, Mary M. Dvorak, Dewey A. Baumgartner, Herbert Bender, Theodore N. Slaugh.

Bldg. 4-5

Wilbur Witmer, Elmer Sloan, Ralph M. McCain, JuaNita Virginia Likens, Ray Stout.

Bldg. 6-B

H. J. Wright, William A. Weaver

Bldg. 6-2

Carl Maxfield, Marie R. Drewery, Jeanette Blough.

Bldg. 6-4

Thomas Harding.

Bldg. 7-1

John A. Klejnot.

Bldg. 8-1

Lawson B. Cox, Jesse W. Lawrence.

Bldg. 10-1

John N. Madden, Harold L. Kniffen, Kenneth K. Greene.

Bldg. 12-1

William J. Scott.

Claire Voirol Honored At Farewell Dinner

A surprise farewell dinner was held Thursday, November 1, at the Colonial Inn honoring Claire Voirol, former stenographer in the Personnel Division, Suggestion Office, who recently retired on Company pension. Eighteen guests were present.

Mr. S. E. Palmer made a short speech, after which he presented Miss Voirol a gift from her coworkers. She also received a corsage and a bouquet—all gifts of farewell from her friends and coworkers at G-E. Irene Meyers served as toastmistress.

War Vet

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derived. There will also be several attendance prizes.

Contact men have tickets for the party. George Ellison is president of the group. Vic Boutwell is secretary-treasurer of the association, and Royal Roeger is vice-president. Club officers arranged the party with the help of some club members.

Bldg. 17-1

Conrad J. Mosshammer, Henry J. Wichern, Florence Z. Purdy.

Bldg. 17-2

Harold A. Whitmer, Herman J. Bittler, Harry W. Balzer, Frank A. Valentine.

Bldg. 17-3

Celeste Springer, Madaline L. Briggs.

Bldg. 17-4

Cecil G. Stair, Edith Williams.

Bldg. 19-4

Gail J. Stauffer.

Bldg. 19-5

Hugh L. Neely.

Bldg. 20-1

Charles E. Fuchshuber.

Bldg. 26-4

Kathryn L. Pfister, Edward Brockhall.

Bldg. 26-5

Albert C. Stecher.

Decatur

Melvin Baumgartner.

New Gauss Meter Measures Flux In Small Gaps

Product Announced by Meter and Instrument Division, Lynn

Simplifying the measurement of flux of permanent magnets and d-c electromagnets, a new gauss meter announced by General Electric's Meter and Instrument Division, Lynn, Mass., is a handy tool for checking flux gradients in air gaps and for determining the direction, as well as the density, of flux in leakage paths and air gaps. Utilizing a moving-magnet rotor at the end of an exploring prod, this hand-held miniature instrument permits flux to be measured at what amounts to a single point in either the air gap or the iron structure. The latter measurement is accomplished by drilling a 0.090-inch hole in the iron and inserting the prod in this hole to check "H" in the iron.

Detailed Analysis

The extremely small area of sensitivity at the end of the exploring prod allows the gauss meter to be used in obtaining detailed analysis of flux distribution. Since it does not depend upon voltages induced in a movable search coil, it is somewhat easier to use than the ballistic type fluxmeter and permits more thorough investigation of magnetic structures.

The gauss meter is contained in a two-inch, round Textolite case with a hollow bronze exploring prod extending from the back. For instrument work, prods 0.075-inch in diameter and 1¼ inches long are furnished; for use with larger apparatus, prods five inches long by 0.090 inch in diameter are used. Indication of flux density in gauss is given on a 260-degree concentric scale; full-scale ranges of 100, 500, 1000, 2500, and 5000 gauss are available.

Applications Given

Among the many applications for the gauss meter are: Checking flux density and distribution in electric instruments, measuring flux in arc blowout chutes and contactor blowouts, production testing of permanent magnets, and checking electromagnets and relay coils.

An interesting application, of special interest in schools and colleges, is the use of the gauss-meter to complement the popular "iron filings" method of showing flux distribution about a magnet. Since the instrument indicates both direction and strength of flux, it gives the data needed for plotting lines of equal strength about the magnet, as well as for determining the flux pattern.

Refresher Course

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Newcomb, William S. Ginn, W. S. Pullen, Jr., G. E. Smith, Jr., R. M. King, T. C. Sullivan, and W. O. Kyte.

Many of the men had distinguished military service records and held high posts prior to their return to civilian life. On the completion of their tour of Company plants, the men will be assigned to jobs throughout the United States.

★ ★ Victory Loan Drive Featured by Sectional Meetings ★ ★



Here are pictures of the rousing campaign put on by G-E employees for the Eighth War Bond drive this week. Top left picture shows Dr. E. Burns Martin addressing a group of employees. H. G. Siebold, superintendent of FHP Motor Division 15, addresses employees in his division at one of the rallies. Jean Grant Altevogt was the featured singer in this campaign (pictured top row, right.)

Second row of pictures, left, shows the G-E band, made up of employees especially for the occasion, playing at one of the sectional meetings. Bldg. 4-3 employees are shown in photograph, second row, right.

Bottom row, left, shows Bldg. 4-4 employees listening to F. H. Campbell, superintendent of FHP Motor Division 14, at the rally in that division. Bottom row, right, shows a group of Bldg. 4-2 employees. Many of the sections are well on their way toward meeting their goal, first reports indicated.

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

When five fellows go out to eat together, it seems they have a time finding a place to eat. Dick Anderson didn't care, for he ate two suppers complete. Lowell Kronmiller wanted hot dogs and got steak, while George Schaffer settled for hash. Lawrence Schuster and Robert Bubb wanted chicken, but they ate steak. . . . Al Miller had a vacation all right, for he bought a new tractor—rubber wheels and everything—and Al had the most fun learning how to run it. He rode it up and down the road. . . . Well, they finally got Henry Webster in the hen house. Don't feel bad, Henry, someone was there before you got there. . . . Hollis Klinker is getting married Saturday, the 10th. We wish her the best of luck. . . . Rolly Wickliffe is spending his vacation down in Palm Beach, Fla. He is going to get a sun tan for all of us. . . . I guess everyone had a good time at the Transformer party for I hear Cress Hollenbeck did his stuff all right—with a little help from his wife.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Now in England

London, England
October 17, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . I bope to be back working with General Electric in two or three years. I have been in G-2 work now for three years and find it very interesting. Thanks for sending tbe G-E NEWS, I find it very interesting.

Yours truly and thanks,
S/Sgt. Merle M. McDonald

Decorated

PFC Lester E. Babcock, Bldg. 17-3, has received the Bronze Star for heroic service in connection with military operations against the enemy on Okinawa May 31, 1945.

The citation accompanying the award reads in part: "While operating an SCR-300 radio at a forward observation post, Private Babcock and a companion were pinned down by a terrific mortar barrage. At the same time sniper fire from a concealed position wounded Private Babcock's comrade in the sboulder. Although shells tore at the position incessantly, Private Babcock left the radio only long enougb to drag tbe wounded man to cover and give him temporary treatment, returning then to his post. While in the process of bringing mortar fire to bear on the enemy strong points, Private Babcock was wounded in the arm and leg by mortar fragments, and although bleeding profusely, he calmly and courageously continued to send and receive messages until the enemy positions had been reduced. . . ."

In addition to the Bronze Star, Lester holds the Purple Heart.

With Red Cross



Margaret Wood

Margaret Wood has arrived in India to serve the armed forces as an American Red Cross staff assistant. Prior to entering tbe Red Cross, Margaret was secretary to W. C. Wichman, Works Accountant.

Returning to States

Tinian Island
October 18, 1945

Dear Editor:

I'm extremely happy to write this. I am now eligible for discharge and awaiting my orders, which should be through in a week or so. It will be wonderful to read the NEWS in Fort Wayne as a civilian again. I must say, I have thoroughly enjoyed receiving my copy for nearly three years. It has been my best source of information as to the doings at G-E. The boys out here are mighty proud of what you have done.

. . . Sgt. James F. Linn and I are hoping to make the long trip back together.

I'm looking forward with great anticipation when I can return to work and begin life anew. It will be swell to meet some of my old friends again. So until that day, which I hope isn't too far distant,

S/Sgt. Donald G. O'Brien

Sgt. Max Harman sent a letter recently saying that he will soon be on his way home.

Among the "Famous Firsts"

Donald E. Batson Was First G-E Man To March into Tokyo

By Marian Davies

Donald E. Batson, an ex-G.I. just returned from overseas, is among the famous "firsts"—he was the first employee of the Fort Wayne Works to march into Tokyo. A member of the 302nd Cavalry Rcn. Unit serving as an escort guard for General MacArthur, Don has now returned to a peace-time job at the Winter Street Plant.

On the official V-J Day, September 2, 1945, the U.S.S. Sherbour, the ship Don was aboard, steamed into Tokyo Bay sometime between 7:30 and 8 A.M., and there they anchored with the other ships of the great Armada of the Allied Nations' navies until after the signing of the Japanese surrender. Everywhere he looked he saw ships—in fact, so many, Don said that he couldn't even count them. An announcer on the U.S.S. Missouri gave the other ships a detailed description of the historic happenings over the P.A. system.

Landing Quiet

The actual landing, Don said, was quite quiet with no violence whatsoever. Don, like many boys, landed in a barge, while others disembarked at docks. To the G.I.'s, it was just another job—another landing, says Don. They entered Tokyo "gentlemenlike," but were just a little leary of the Japanese people. Whenever the Americans toured the city, tbey would go in groups, and did not "fraternize." The Japanese themselves were rather fearful but friendly, Don said.

During his stay in Tokyo, Don was quartered in a Japanese barracks. He said the barracks were nice; but unusual, since the Japanese soldiers slept on the floor and there were no beds or cots. All around the walls, there was a shelf-like platform where the soldiers laid their mattresses (which were very much like the U. S. Army mattresses) when they went to bed.

Sees Imperial Palace

On one of his sight-seeing jaunts around the city, Don passed the Imperial Palace, which he said was worth seeing, as it was very beautiful. The place is so well protected that the only way to enter it other than passing the guards and going through the gates, said Don, is by dropping in from the sky. Don explained that a huge moat surrounded the grounds, beyond which towers a 50 to 60-foot-high wall. Did he, by any chance, see Hirohito, Don was asked? No, no one is allowed inside the walls.

Don came through the war without a scratch, but did get a slight case of malaria. He sports the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with four stars, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with two stars, and the Good Conduct Medal.

Before he entered the Army, Don did test work for Mr. O'Brien in Bldg. 4-5. Since returning to the G-E, he is engaged in similar work for Mr. Jenkins at Winter Street, but at a job he feels he is more capable of doing and one which offers greater opportunities than his previous one. Don's father, Ben Batson, is now working in Bldg. 4-2. To make this a family affair, his mother worked at General Electric also while Don was in the Army.

In 1943 (1944 figures not available) accidents ranked fifth as a cause of death. Home accidents killed 32,000 civilians, or 4 per cent fewer than in 1943. BUT 95,000 lives unnecessarily ended, or 9,800,000 persons suffering the pain of torn, bruised flesh and broken bones cannot be dismissed lightly as "the usual thing."

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

Listed below is a group of ex-servicemen who have returned to General Electric last week. Look them up—welcome them back to G-E!

Name	Location
Max E. High	Bldg. 26-1
Maurice Casey	Bldg. 26-1
Charles L. McConnell	Bldg. 26-5
Kenneth P. Erne	Bldg. 26-3
Jerome Brumbaugh	Bldg. 19-5
Donald E. Batson	Winter St.
Norbert J. Sordelet	Bldg. 26-1
Robert J. Rose	Bldg. 17-1
George Wralstad	Bldg. 20-2
Robert E. Briggs	Bldg. 17-1
Chas. Lahrman	Hollywood Bldg.
John M. Pfeiffer	Bldg. 17-4
Myron A. Wappes	Bldg. 4-2
Wayne Blake	Bldg. 19-1
Viliace H. Lee	Bldg. 17-2
Garnall D. Parkinson	Bldg. 8-2
Donald W. Porter	Bldg. 17-4
Harold J. Voors	Bldg. 26-1
David Sutton	Bldg. 17-1
Eric Lindquist	Winter St.
Harry R. Hedglin	Bldg. 4-3
Donald S. Reed	Bldg. 26-B
Bernard Christie	Winter St.
George M. Soule	Bldg. 17-2
Fred W. Suter	Bldg. 26-2
Harold O. Painter	Bldg. 4-3
Albert C. Winkler	Bldg. 20-2
Maxwell Tinkel	Warehouse
Robert U. Johnson	Bldg. 4-4
Walter Guenin, Sr.	Winter St.
Ralph E. Hardesty	Bldg. 4-1
Guy Bragg, Sr.	Bldg. 4-1
Robert Federspiel	Bldg. 4-6
Carl Herndon	Winter St.
Monroe Fuhrman	Bldg. 17-3
William M. Castle	Winter St.
John E. Bunting	Bldg. 19-2
Clint. Newman	Hollywood Bldg.
Arthur Crayton	Bldg. 20-2
Thomas Sales, Jr.	Bldg. 26-4
Aruthr E. Thompson	Warehouse
Ray. Blankenship	Winter St.
Raymond Belschner	Bldg. 19-5
Melvin F. Recht	Bldg. 19-5
Joseph F. Raupfer	Bldg. 17-4
Don F. Ritter	Winter St.
Arthur McKinley	Winter St.
William E. Turner	Bldg. 26-5
Kenneth McNown	Bldg. 4-4
Raymond Wiese	Bldg. 26-5
Victor L. Franks	Bldg. 19-2
Donald T. Burnau	Bldg. 19-2
Helmut A. Korte	Bldg. 17-4

Back from Tokyo "Job"



Donald Batson, probably the first Fort Wayne Works employee to enter Tokyo as a member of MacArthur's escort guard, is glad to be back at a peace-time job for General Electric. He is shown above (right) with C. Jenkins, his foreman at the Winter Street Plant. (See story on this page.)

Erie Plant To Build Giant Electric Locomotive

Order for Four New Super Cars Placed with G-E

Will Be Used for Heavy Coal-haulage Operations

A new 1,000,000 pound, 143 feet long "super giant" electric locomotive, destined to be the most powerful continuously rated electric locomotive in the United States, is to be built by the General Electric Company at its Erie, Pa., plant for delivery in 1946, it has been announced by the Company.

An order for four such new leaders-to-be of all electrics has been placed with General Electric by the Virginian Railway company. To be used mainly for heavy coal-haulage operations over the Allegheny mountains, the four new kings of the rail will handle freight on the Virginian's electrified territory between Roanoke, Va., and Mullens, W. Va.

First of Kind

The "super giant" will be the first of any kind of locomotive to carry weight of 1,000,000 pounds on drivers, the present heaviest weight on drivers being slightly more than 900,000 pounds, according to record.

What will establish the coming iron behemoth of the track as supreme among all electrics however will be its rating of 8,000 horsepower, 6,800 horsepower of which will be available continuously at the rails. Such a tremendous drive has an edge of 800 horsepower over the presently most powerful locomotive.

Great Starting Power

The "million pounder," with such horsepower, will have a starting tractive effort of 260,000 pounds, based on 26 per cent adhesion to rail, and will have a continuous tractive effort at 15.75 miles per hour of 162,000 pounds. The present most powerful electric has a starting tractive effort, based on 25 per cent adhesion to rail, of some 50,000 pounds less, it was said.

Such pulling power, applied to the Virginian line's electrified territory, will mean that the new G-E "super giant" will be able to negotiate 10,000-ton coal trains at moderate speeds on heavy grades, while with lighter freight behind, it will be able to utilize speeds up to 50 miles per hour.

Large Generators Used

According to design, two 4,000 horsepower motor generator sets, mounted within the cab structure, will supply energy to a d-c traction motor, which will be geared to each of 16 driving axles under the two-cab unit.

The motor generator sets will work on an 11,000 volt, 25 cycle overhead contact system, with which the Virginian line is equipped. Stations generated by coal will send power through the system.

You have no right to take a chance; the other fellow may have to take the consequences.

G-E's New 1,000,000 Pound Railroad Giant



Here is the most powerful, continuously rated electric locomotive in the U. S., to be built in Erie Works for delivery in 1946 to Virginian Railway Co. Three more will follow. This locomotive will take 10,000 ton coal trains over Virginia's mountain grades. (See story on this page.)

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

The second shift is very sorry it didn't mention Charles Stuckey in the great hunt of the North Woods. Let us now make amends. Yes, Clifford Imbody did have quite a thrill in seeing the deer and being so close to it; however, Charley Stuckey deserves just as much credit for being there, since it was he who turned hero and carried our friend Cliff back over that 40 miles of wild country into which they had crawled on hands and knees to accomplish this daring feat—after Cliff opened his eyes and saw the deer had vanished. The surprise, excitement, and exhaustion of the past few hours was too much for him, and he politely fainted. Being unable to revive him, Charley proceeded to carry him back to civilization. We still think our archers are great, so this week we pick Charley Stuckey as the "Man of the Hour," even though many insist the story doesn't sound true to them. . . . Art Schmidt is back on nights with us again, and Clara McKissick has decided to try days. . . . The hourly rated group gave a wiener bake at McMillen Park that will be remembered for a long time. Everyone had such a good time. There was music and singing too, which helped make the party a success. Paul Sturm and Cleo Hubartt provided the music, and Carl Rutledge sang for us. Mark Hennigh couldn't find McMillen Park and drove all over the south end of Fort Wayne before he found the party. Don Kruse, long famous for his train whistle, almost had a wreck at the crossing when he whistled and nearly lost his teeth. Better luck next time, Don. . . . So many changes in personnel these days. John Glenn has gone back to his old job, insurance, and Charlie Fruechtenicht has left us for the West Coast. Dick Reuter is still here for a few days, but he too is leaving soon. On the other hand, we have some new people to say hello to. Jack Kontz, Walter Konow, and Deloris Giltz are the new ones. . . . Herman Korte and John Pfeiffer, our returned servicemen, will be with us again soon. Welcome back. . . . The hayride and party given by the salaried people was wonderful from all reports we hear. There was lots of chicken, baked beans and potato salad, which was enjoyed by all. Carl Hattendorf got real brave and danced for the first time in 20 years. The pictures taken there were good, especially the one of Irene Schaadt. That is evidence of the good spirit of the evening. . . . A surprise luncheon was given Friday for our two men who are leaving, John Glenn and Richard Reuter. Everything was good, but both men were about half afraid they would have to make a speech and seemed rather nervous, but all were easy on them and let them enjoy the lunch without making any speeches.

WIRE & INSULATION —Ravelings

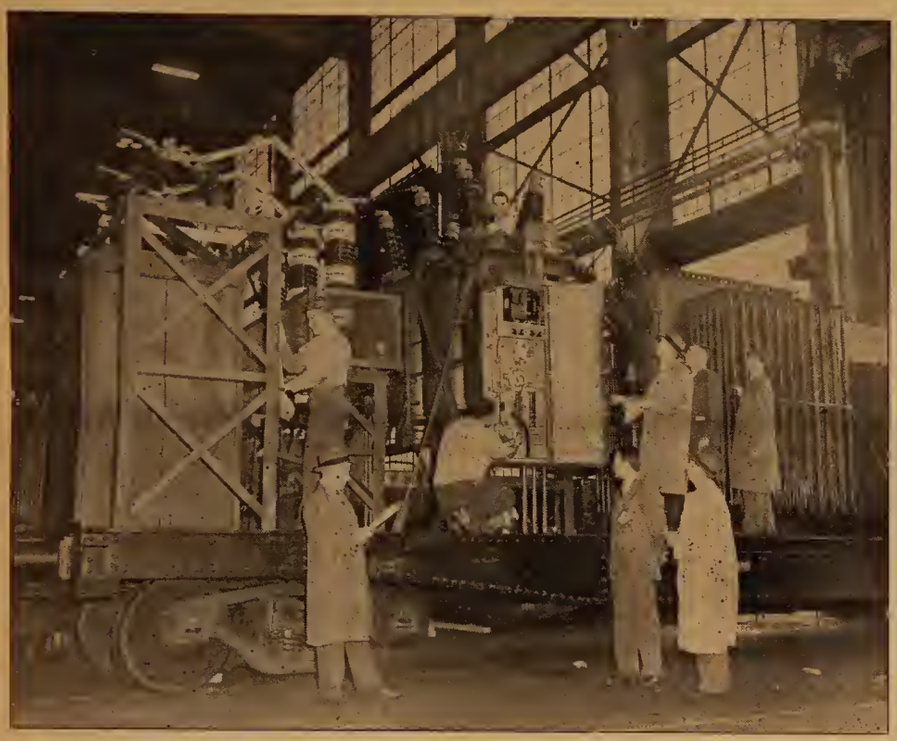
Hans Muller is sure all smiles these days; the reason is a seven pound baby girl. That's really OK, Hans. . . . Charles Fisher, one of Uncle Sam's finest, was recently discbarged from the Army. Welcome back, Charley. . . . Ray Fisher says being a night owl has its advantages, but he would rather be an early bird, early to bed and early to rise. . . . Carol Goodwin has come to the Insulation Division in Bldg. 8-2; hope you like us and your work. . . . Mary Coggeshall, who has been with us for eight years, is leaving. Tuesday night the girls from Bldg. 8-2 had a surprise dinner party for her at the Colonial Inn, at which she received a corsage and gift. Wednesday night the office gang from Bldg. 12-3 honored her with a dinner party at the English Terrace, and she also received a corsage and gift from the girls. In the meantime, she has received several lovely gifts from individual friends. I guess that proves what all the girls think of you, Mary. Good luck in your new job, and come back to see us. . . . Our little timekeeper, Peggy Hontz, from Bldg. 12-B, is leaving us to take on the full-time job of a housewife. Her hubby was recently discharged from the Navy.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Let's dedicate part of this column to welcoming back home and saying farewell to some of our "Hot Shots." Charles Lahrman and Clint Newman have returned to their desks after serving their country so dutifully. George Parker has also returned and paid us a brief visit in his civies. Today, Mary Jane Brand is winding up her career with our Billing Section. It is with regret we see Mary Jane leaving us, but we know she will be happy with her plans of taking up household duties for her husband, who is expecting his honorable discharge soon. We wish to say farewell, also, to Doris Lamle, who has left the Company, and to Vivian Gunkel, who has received a transfer to Bldg. 31-1. Best wishes to all. . . . With football well in its last half of the season we have many "Hot Shot" fans, and some of the luckier ones got to see some of the games. Those we know of, who witnessed the Notre Dame-Iowa game were Carmen Sordelet and Emmett Mills. Tommy Fox drove to the Michigan-Minnesota game, taking along Clair Lieurance, Henry Borne, Ora Romey, and Jim Craw. Fred Gerhard and Bob Archibold got their football via radio while putting up their storm windows last Saturday. Old Man Winter is not catching these two wise guys a-napping, aye? . . . Here is wishing belated birthday greetings to our swell boss, Gil Bond, who reached another milestone last Monday. . . . Edna Reid is sporting a new hair-do consisting of dozens of curls. Edna smilingly claims the curls are natural. . . . It has been reported that Bonnie Swihart was Halloweening in New Haven in the form of Trick or Treat with her five year old nephew and about 19 other little kids. Bonnie had fun. Did you get your sack full? . . . Ann Schlotzhauer and Eugene Woodworth have something in common; when they saw "State Fair" they both remarked that the show reminded them of their home towns —Ann from Bluffton and "Woodie" from Quasqueton, Iowa. . . . Last week we were all pleased to see Mary O'Connor pictured in her pretty white formal with a group of celebrants on the front page of the second edition of the News Sentinel, culminating the closing activities of the Servicemen's Club. . . . Mel Jenkins with his wife and family recently made an auto trip through their "home territory" around St. Marys and Celina, Ohio. . . . Daddy catch 'em on a hook; daughter bake 'em in a pan—so goes Marian Amsden's story when she was proving her cooking skill one day. . . . One of Mary Henry's week-end chores is giving their pet doggie, Sally, a bath. It was reported that Sally plays "cops and robbers" with Mary prior to the weekly soaking. The "mutt" hides behind the chairs, sofa, etc., so that Mary, the "cop," has to resort to measures like coaxing Sally out with a gum drop, then making a flying tackle to grap a paw. Mary, you'd better get yourself a lasso or a net and save yourself some steps. . . . The Chicago street photographer finally mailed to Coleen Johnson and Joyce Archbold their snapshot. We understand it was a quick sidewalk action picture taken of the pair while visiting in the Windy City sometime ago; but due to either a cloudy day, a poor negative, or some other miscalculation, the picture was a little disappointing, especially the two unknown characters representing Joyce and Coleen. Girls, if it's worth it, try for an exchange or a refund.



Russians Look Over New G-E Equipment



The above railway-type distribution substation, believed to be the first complete unit built in America, is the first of 15 to be constructed by General Electric at its Pittsfield Works, for the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Rated 1800 kva with a high voltage of 35,000 volts and 3150/6300 on the low voltage end, it will be used in rehabilitation of towns and cities devastated by war.

Among others in the picture inspecting the unit before extensive tests began are three representatives of the Soviet Purchasing Commission, P. L. Litvin, A. V. Gauruhkin, and V. G. Matis. Mr. Litvin stands left in front of the car, while A. V. Gauruhkin and V. G. Matis stand left and right in group of three on the car.

While being moved on American railroads, the trucks are of American gage, with wider Russian trucks being shipped with the unit to be installed at the port of entry. (See story on this page.)

Russia Gets First of Mobile Substations for Peace Uses

The first of 15 railroad-mounted unit substations, recently completed at General Electric's Pittsfield Works for the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, will be used in the rehabilitation of towns and cities that were devastated by war. It is believed that these are the first complete distribution substations of the railway-type to be built in America. Completely mobile, they will serve the electrical needs in war-torn areas and maintain service until permanent substations can be built for these areas.

The entire unit substation, permanently mounted on a flatcar, weighs 111,000 pounds. It contains a 46-kv incoming disconnecting switch, an oil circuit breaker, lightning arresters, a power transformer, and three outgoing 15-kv metal-clad switch gear circuit breakers and feeders, which include potential and current transformers for metering and relaying. Outgoing cable connections are through the floor of the car. There is also an auxiliary generator with control equipment to supply auxiliary power, heat, and light while the unit is being readied for service. On one end of the car is the storage compartment containing tools required for maintenance and repair, and also such spare parts as bushings and lightning arresters. The unit is rated 1800 kva with a high voltage of 35,000 volts, which can be stepped down to 3150 or 6300 volts.

While being moved on American railroads, the trucks on the car are standard, American gage, but wider Russian trucks are being shipped with the unit to be installed at the port of entry.

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

Virginia Seabold, Bldg. 18-3, was trying on dresses in one of the downtown stores when she heard someone yell "fire." She immediately looked out the window of her dressing room, and there were a number of fire trucks on the street. All she could think of was to get back into her own dress and to get out of there. After all her rushing around, the fire was very minor. . . . Last week Francis Reidenbach, formerly of Bldg. 18-3, stopped in to see us. She is now attending Purdue University. . . . Dolores Gerke, Data Bureau, isn't satisfied with falling over park benches—she also has to pull a blind down on her head. What next? . . . A bang-up time was had by the girls of the Data Bureau at Clarice Dunten's recent Halloween party. Scavenger Hunt was a tie between Martha Cash and Bette Link and Jeanne Freistroffer and Shirley Seward. . . . Glad to see Ray White, Data Brueau, back from his vacation. We all missed him. . . . Farewell wishes are in line for Bette Link, Data Bureau, who left us to assume the roll of a housewife. We'll miss you lots, Bette, but we know you'll like your new job. . . . At this time we would like to welcome Yvonne Klaehn, Alfreda Kern, Martha Stuckey, and Mary Brennan. They are all new members of the Accounting Section. . . . Flash!!!!! Accounting Girl Makes Crash Landing! The other day when Laverne Nolan sat down she just hit the edge of her chair. The chair fell over, and Laverne landed on the floor. . . . We also welcome Jim Steele to the Mailing Section. . . . Donna Bauermister, a former Bldg. 18-B employee, visits our gang quite frequently. Donna says, "It is much easier to breathe above water than under when swimming." Sound advice, that.

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

Can you imagine Helen Engle eating a whole chicken, all but the white meat. What's the matter, Helen, don't you like that part of the chicken? . . . Well, we won't see Mytral Jones getting excited over her husband coming home. (We'll bet??) Mytral's husband has his discharge. . . . Genieve Frazier is on our sick list. Hope to see you back to work with us soon, Genieve. . . . We all have been wondering where Serena Slater was. Here Serena is working nights. . . . Ilene Burkett became Mrs. Richard Lantz last Saturday. We want to wish you both lots of good luck and all the happiness in the world. . . . Flo Gilmore has asked us to give you her thanks and appreciation for the gift you gave her upon her retirement. We just wish we could have given you more, Flo, and we are certainly going to miss you.

The man crippled in the factory . . . the boy drowned at the beach . . . the mother disabled in a street car accident—each brings incalculable distress, suffering, and even privation. It is your job, my job, everybody's job, to stop these accidents.

17-3 Newsies

Geneva Moody had a wonderful time on her vacation. She was in Chicago for the Navy Day celebration. and also met her son, whose ship came into port for the day. . . . You can call Violet Brower "grandma" now; she has a new little granddaughter, Carol Kay. . . . We discovered the reason for that happy look on Rita Horstman's face, and it's because an extra special friend is home on furlough. . . . It seems that Bill Bulin decided to take up his studies where he left off when he went into the service, and we all miss that happy smile of his. . . . Luella Peters was out celebrating Halloween night, but she was celebrating her birthday. Here's hoping you have lots more birthdays, Luella. . . . And by the way, Halloween was on the 31st, wasn't it, Charlie? . . . We hear Gladys Cleland singing "Ragtime Cowboy Joe" so much, is it your favorite tune, Gladys? . . . The potluck fever hit two of our lines when the "start" winders and placers on Walter's line had a potluck Monday. . . . Part of the "main" coil section had a potluck Thursday for Jean Tindall, who is leaving us to take up her duties as a housewife. Good luck, Jean. . . . We want to welcome Geneva Johnson, who came from the second shift. . . . We want to wish Irene Barrand and Margaret Rollins a speedy recovery. . . . We wonder if having his picture taken so much the other day had anything to do with Walter Kryder's stiff neck.

To play safe—think first and act afterward.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

Hello "Chillun." How ya all??? Did you buy that bond yet? If not, better buy one today, and bring those boys back without delay. . . . On vacation this week is Lela Schlagenhauf and Fern Sage. . . . Ruth Lauer is again displaying her sisterly love, as her brother Bob is home to stay. Also Juanita Brinkman's and Dolores King's brothers are home on furlough. We hope they, too, will be home to stay soon. . . . It seems Jennie Kemp, Sylvia Bowers, and Ardella Neuenschwander have the same hobbies. Buying Christmas cards and keeping the prettiest ones. . . . With the scarcity of apples now, we wonder where Jennie Kemp is getting those nice big red apples that she's been flashing around here lately. . . . "Flash!!!! News from second shift." . . . We want to welcome Alma Raymer and Fontenna McMaken to second trick. Hope you like us, girls. . . . Anyone wishing to run a race to get out of the Fairfield gate at night, please contact Sarah Cooper. . . . We hope Elsie Freeman will soon be on the road to recovery and back with us again, healthy as ever. . . . 'Tis rumored Jerry Stahlman is in the market for a new 1946 car. How about that, Jerry??? . . . "Famous sayings of the Bldg. 2-2 gang." Brice Martin—"I'll be back in a minute." Pat Wade—"Oh! I don't think so." Eileen Smoak—"You're not kiddin'." Esther Cameron—"The time really flew. Didn't it?" Lil Voirol—"There goes my honey." Marjorie Hoffman—"Oh! Brother." Ardella N.—"Oh! My Gosh."

It's The News from Six-Two

Summer is really gone! The Bldg. 6-2 talk is hunting and ice fishing. . . . Ed Meyer has his hunting "togs" all ready for the big day tomorrow. . . . We also heard that Gene Wheeler, Kurt Mast, and Art Maske are going to join the hunt for the bunnies and pheasants. . . . Johnnie Mangosa is getting ready for the chilly sport—ice fishing. He has been making poles, ice fishing boxes, and lines for several weeks so come on snow and ice, he says. . . . Marie Bruick entertained Lt. and Mrs. Leonard Spiegel and Jeanette Blugh recently with a chicken dinner and all that goes with it at her farm home. Mrs. Beverly Spiegel used to work in Vic Hall's section. . . . In a way we're sorry to know there will be no more bond drives. We've enjoyed the rallies so much, especially the fine band and singer on this last drive. We enjoyed Dr. E. Burns Martin's talk very much. . . . There are a few more fellows joining our group each week, making it look more like the Bldg. 17-2 crowd every day.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

Tonight, November 9, is the Dispatchers Club stag party at the Log Cabin. According to information received from the committee, the advance sale of tickets has been very satisfactory. All arrangements for entertainment and refreshments have been completed and all is in readiness for the affair. Be sure to be there. . . . We hear by the grapevine: That Jim Crockett has taken over the wire file from Al Kramer, who is returning to the job he held before the war. Good luck, Jim, in your new job. . . . That everyone who attended the Dispatchers Club masquerade dance had a very good time. Incidentally, barber-shop harmony rose to new heights that evening. We discovered several new tenors that may not cause any furore at the Metropolitan Opera but who do very well harmonizing on "Put On Your Old Gray Bonnet." . . . The new issue of the Dispatchers Directory should soon appear. We have been assured that this issue will be much more complete than the last one. . . . That Clarence Rentschler has returned to work after a three-week absence because of illness. . . . This one is a little late, but we hear that Kenny Carpenter has left his dispatching job in Bldg. 17-1 and is doing similar work in the wire mill. . . . That Bob Hanes, Supercharger, is scheduled to go to Tiffin, Ohio, when the new plant is ready.

Germans Made Great Advances in War Research, Says G-E Engineer

Because of startling advances in many fields by German scientists, the European war might still be raging had the Nazis been able to hold out for an additional few months. This appraisal of German scientific and engineering advances was made recently by Dr. Charles F. Green, consulting engineer of the General Electric Company, who recently returned from Germany where he served on an Army Air Forces technical mission.

Research in German laboratories, and the use of that knowledge in making armaments, were coming ahead so fast at the end of the war that the Allies' margin of superiority was rapidly decreasing, Dr. Green said.

Extensive Research

Extensive research was being conducted by German scientists on infra-red detection. It was used to great effect, in tank warfare at night, when opposing tank units had difficulty spotting one another and closing in for the kill, he explained. The Germans developed infra-red filters for their searchlights and shot them toward areas where they believed Allied tanks were lurking. Since infra-red rays are invisible, the Allied tankmen did not know they were being illuminated.

The infra-red rays from the filtered searchlight beams hit the Allied tanks, bounced back to devices known as "bildwandlers," or "image changers," mounted on German tank guns. The bildwandlers transformed the infra-red rays into an image of the opposing tank, and the gunners opened fire.

U. S. Superior

Dr. Green pointed, however, to at least two decided superiorities held by the U. S. There was nothing in Germany to compare with the B-29 and its central fire-control system, which enabled a single gunner at a single sight to fire as many as three turrets simultaneously. Engineers of the G-E Aeronautics and Marine Engineering Division, for which Dr. Green is consulting engineer, performed all of the engineering work on the gunnery system and trained B-29 maintenance experts at G-E schools here.

There was also nothing to compare with an uncanny radar machine used by U. S. antiaircraft units. Batteries equipped with this G-E engineered radar, were in England preparing for D-day when Germany launched its do-or-die V-1 attacks. Rushed to defense positions on Britain's southeast coast, the American units were a major factor in saving London from the V-bombs.

Good Record Made

The units also made a brilliant record in Italy, France, and Germany. In the first few days of the invasion of France they got off to a flying start by downing more than 60 German planes which were visible only to the radar.

German aircraft designs were coming ahead at a fast pace, said Dr. Green. An error of major proportions was made, however, in emphasizing the Messerschmitt 163, equipped with rocket engines, instead of the Messerschmitt 262, a jet-propelled fighter which the G-E engineer described as "a phenomenal airplane."

AA Guns Massed

Visiting the antiaircraft defenses of such vital industrial centers as Schweinfurt, Merseburg, and Hamburg, Dr. Green found that the Germans had used massed concentrations of AA guns in a vain effort to halt the Allied air offensive. Merseburg, near which the gigantic Leuna synthetic oil plant and a Buna works were located, alone employed more than 480 guns, even more than Berlin itself. A captured German general explained that lack of efficient remote-control electric equipment to operate the guns and fire-control instruments alone prevented the batteries from doubling their kills of Allied bombers. Such equipment, however, was standard in American units.

By-Product

G-E's "Bouncing Putty" Cited by Seaman as Physiotherapy Aid

"Bouncing putty," the taffy-like silicone by-product announced a year ago by General Electric and wisely used as a novelty, apparently has a new application—physiotherapy.

A 22-year-old Navy seaman who received a wad of the "bouncing putty" from his mother, an employee of General Electric, while he was receiving medical treatment for a disabled hand due to a fungus infection which followed severe gun powder burns, credits "the putty" with helping to restore the use of his hand.

Apprentice Seaman William Gordon, the son of Mrs. Millicent M. Gordon of 914 Madison Avenue, Albany, said he feared the loss of his right hand when repeated medical treatment failed to eliminate the stiffened condition of his fingers as a result of a fungus infection he picked up while on duty in the South Pacific.

"Ointments supplied by Navy doctors seemed to heal the wound, but always left my hand too stiff to use," he said, "so when I received the 'bouncing putty' I used it almost constantly to keep my fingers limber during the healing process."

The hand seems to be normal now, he said, adding: "I plan to keep that sample of 'putty' always for the novelty of it and to make certain that I have a 'doctor' on hand in case of a reoccurence of the stiffness."

"Bouncing putty," developed through General Electric Chemical research, is soft and pliable and can be rolled or stretched into any shape, even rolled into a ball and bounced like rubber. While it can be worked like taffy, it is not sticky and always retains its elasticity.

Every accident is a notice that something is wrong with men, methods, or material.

G-E Mixer Little Worse for Wear



Its wounds patched up by the addition of two new brushes, this General Electric mixer, which spent over three years in a Jap prison camp in Manila with its owner, Mrs. T. M. Knight, is still in working order, as Mr. and Mrs. Knight demonstrate in their Schenectady, N. Y., home. (See story on this page.)

Duck Eggs and Carabao Milk!!

Internees Survive Jap Prison Life with Help of G-E Mixer

Did you ever try beating up a dozen and a half duck eggs and lots of Carabao milk in a household electric mixer?

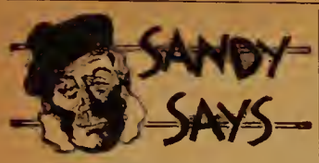
Neither had Mrs. T. M. Knight, but in the Santa Tomas Internment Camp in Manila, her General Electric mixer was in use four or five hours a day for more than 1,000 days—combining such odd ingredients, in large quantities, into much-needed nourishing supplements to the inadequate camp diet. The mixer's heavy duty ended only with the arrival of the triumphant U. S. Army early this year.

Mr. Knight, who was working with International General Electric in Manila at the time of the Japanese invasion and visited Fort Wayne recently on the sales "Refresher Course," bought the special 220-volt appliance in 1940 for use in his home there, and when the Knights and their child were ordered into the internment camp, Mrs. Knight took the mixer with her. Then, to avoid its confiscation when Jap Army authorities forbade the use of electrical appliances by internees, she turned it over to the hospital kitchen.

The veteran mixer is now back in action in the Knight home in Schenectady, none the worse for its wartime experience.

Remote-indicating compass which can be placed in wing tip or the tail of a plane far from disturbing magnetic effects of heavy metallic armor, but which can be read in the cockpit, has been manufactured by General Electric. Alnico magnets in the compass affect electrical voltages in a wire coil so that corresponding coils in one or more indicators in the cockpit move pointers over a dial in exactly the same directions as the compass.





Hoot Mon, someone read my last week's column! I never know whether it's read or not—whether it's wasted on the desert air—like the hreeze from a camel barn. But I happened tae overhear at least one person say he read it last week and liked it. I guess me jargon about atoms overawed him—the moron.

Weel, if he wants atomic information, I'll gie it tae him. The word atomic also refers tae the size or amount o' information I hai on the suhject.

But, one thing I do know! The wise ones who write and speak about atomic energy are always mentioning the word, "fission." Weel, while I was fishin' for fission in the dictionary, I decided I would write this one last column on the subject.

Fission means separation, splitting apart, etc., etc., which is what they do tae the neutrons, etc., etc., iu the atom.

So much for thot complete discussion o' atomic energy! But let's discuss thot word, fission. Fission, the act o' splitting apart, separatiug—and incidentally, the releasing o' a tremendous amount o' energy. Noo, where does fission come in in C.R.*? Usually ye think o' fishiu', not fission. Fishin' for ideas. But, really, ye split apart, or separate, the good from the bad. Ye separate out costly parts and figure out a way tae replace them with less costly pieces.

So, take a tip from auld Sandy. If ye are looking for a gude C.R.* idea tae turn in on a suggestion blank, apply some fission. Take the device ye make or work on apart. Tear it tae pieces (in your mind, o' course), see what makes it cost as much as it does. Break it doon into parts or operations. Then ye can study each little item and see just what CAN be done. THEN—apply FISSION—hlast out the had—release the good—with the atomic energy o' gude auld C.R.*

As someone has said, a prohlem well stated is half solved. Knowing ALL the details about the subject is half the hattle in figuring out a gude C.R.* suggestion.

Or, as Cousin Colin says, "If ye know all about the crust, and filler, the answer is pie."

*COST REDUCTION.

G-E Electric Blanket To Get New Owner at "Open House" Tonight

The usual "open house" party at the Squares club rooms will be enlivened tonight by a drawing for an electric blanket, to he given away to someone holding the lucky ticket, committee members announced.

The blanket drawing is an added attraction to the usual fun of dancing, bridge, etc. Admission is by membership cards, and guests should be registered at the door.

Hosts for tonight's party are Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Formanek, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Yopst, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Temoshok, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Graham.

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Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

Our hunter has returned with his limit of 40 pheasants, and he's none other than Ed Kimmel. Must have been hot in South Dakota from the looks of his lips. . . . George App's son Bob visited the floor, and it sure is swell to see him home for good. He just received his discharge from the Army. . . . Gaylord Widner also visited the floor while home on his furlough. . . . Welcome to the ex-service boys: Freddie Green is press boy in group 13-54. Freddie never worked here before, so here's hoping he likes us. Harry Johnson works on lead machine. We say hello to these two boys who have worked here before, and we are glad to have you both back with us again—Joe Parker and Don Wiebke. Joe, who is working on mechanical inspection, was in the Merchant Marines. Don is also working on inspection. . . . Carl Ayers is also back. Sure is grand to see all the boys coming home. . . . O. J. Meyers has a lot of excitement at his home with his son being home on leave, his other son expected to be home soon with his discharge, and a wedding also on the calendar. . . . Bonnie Goodrich is happy now that her husband is on his way home, and here's hoping your mother is in better health by now. . . . Alvena Gerber's fiance is home with his discharge, and she is a very happy gal; who wouldn't be? . . . Erma LaPoint's husband is home on a 45-day furlough. It won't be long and he'll get his discharge too. . . . Genevie Oddou's brother Bob Burns is home on leave. . . . Robert Horstmeyer is the papa of a baby girl, Cynthia Ann. . . . Marcile Anderson left us to become a full-time housewife. . . . Bertha Holmes and Lenna Monroe were transferred from Supercharger and now are working in group 13-54. . . . We were wondering why Amanda Pautsch was all smiles after a telephone call one night, but soon found out that her friend received his discharge from the Army. . . . Mariam Fritz was transferred to group 13-59 and Nellie Knepper to group 13-50. . . . Mrs. Herschel Dunn, formerly Rosy Pfefferkorn, visited the old gang in 13-54. . . . Dorothy King really had a swell time at the Halloween party, so we heard. . . . Could it be possible that the eating of four candy bars had anything to do with Vic Robinson's not coming in to work Wednesday? . . . Byrl Miller was surprised when he went to his coat pocket for his apple and found nothing but the core. Who do you suppose could have done that? Trick or treat, I guess. . . . Wonder why Bill Grimme doesn't want his name in the paper? . . . Clara Nahrwold learned that it pays to wear a mask. She won fourth prize in a masquerade Wednesday evening. That's the way to do it, she says. . . . Phyllis Reber was hostess to the Sewing Club Monday night, which had a surprise shower on Mrs. Kay Byers. Kay received many lovely gifts. . . . Ruth Fuller had a grand time at the Moose on Halloween dressed like a little boy, and no kidding she makes a cute little boy. . . . Chuck Drewett received some pictures through the mail and is wondering who the sender is? . . . So, folksies, we must sign off saying our little box isn't getting any notice so please drop a note in it. So-long till next week.

Your Country Cousins

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

Do you need a feather in your cap? Just see Bob Neeb, as he has some beautiful ones that he got from those pheasants we told you he recently got on his hunting trip in South Dakota. . . . Cleo Bunner, Tom Wilkenson, Don Baumgartner, Ralph Wejkert, and Ludwig Meyers had quite a time for themselves at a steak bake on Don's farm. They didn't let anything stand in their way, not even the fence, as they tore it down to bake their steaks on. Tom did all right for himself as he was chief cook and the winner in the card game. Poor Don lost. . . . Marty Boyle is back with us again after a quick trip to New York. She didn't come back alone either; she brought her friend back with her. . . . Oh happy day for some girls! Jean Bartholomew has been absent from work the biggest part of this week as her friend, recently discharged from the Army, was here from New York to see her. . . . Jack Koontz has been transferred to Bldg. 17-4, and we sure will miss him around here. . . . Russell Hawk must get up and dress for work in his sleep. He came to work the other day wearing socks that weren't even mates. Of course, maybe he is just following the school boy fad. You know the high school gang deliberately wears one sock of one color and one of another. . . . We're losing two more personalities from Bldg. 4-5. Charles Smith has been transferred from the BC stock room to Bldg. 6-1, and Horace Husselman is leaving us and going into business and making his residence in Hamilton, Ind. . . . Joan Koontz, one of our former co-workers, sent us a poem by Edgar A. Guest which she thought the G-E gang might appreciate. You really should stop to read it. . . . S.O.S. S.O.S. S.O.S.!! We really need some help in getting news for this column. As you probably noticed, there was no Bldg. 4-5 column in last week's WORKS NEWS. This was just because there was no news to write. If you want this column to continue, give us some news to write about. Come on now, let's get in there and pitch.

During 1944 accidental deaths averaged 260 per day, and approximately 70,000 of non-fatal injuries resulted in some permanent disability.

Sleuthing In 4-6

The girls of the Engineering and Drafting Sections had a party at the home of Margaret Christle for Jean (Goldsmith) Kyle and Pat (Johnson) Anselman. Pat, as you know, was married October 21, and Jean was married November 4. Both received some beautiful crystal and a lovely corsage. It appears that a few of the guests had a little difficulty finding North Bend Drive. Jean Kyle drove up and down U. S. 24 from Time Corners to the city limits about six times before she found the right road to turn on. Irene Whelan wandered around and passed the Church of God three times. At least you were holding your own. Pat Anselman wasn't sure she was at the right place so she parked out in front until some of the other guests arrived. We'll admit it was a dark night, but all is well that ends well. Jean was also presented a lovely gift from the D.C. Section last Friday. . . . H. E. Stephens of the Production Section left last week. The section presented him with a bill fold, tobacco pouch, and a Parker pen and pencil set at a party in his honor. . . . The A.C. Section is bidding farewell to another engineer. Maurice Aubuchon is leaving today. A stag party was given for him Tuesday evening at the Squares Hall. . . . Another draftsman has joined Uncle Sam's armed forces. Frank Ross of the D.C. Section made his last will and testament thereby disposing of his civilian possessions last week. He left last Friday. Good luck to all of you in your new adventures. . . Pvt. H. P. Love of the Army and formerly of the D.C. Section looks very nice in his uniform. Hendricks paid us a brief visit last week, and although he bad lost quite a bit of weight he has a nice suntan and says he never felt better. . . . Gloria Openlander was floating on air last Friday. The reason being a beautiful diamond she received the evening before from Robert Hormann, just discharged from the Air Corps and recently returned from evcrseas. We hear she was in the clouds when she soloed the other week, but this time she wasn't in an airplane. Our best wishes go to both of you. . . . Jim Hilfiker of the Aircraft Section celebrated his birthday last week by treating the gang with a delicious cake. . . . Jeanne Clark of the Production Section fell off her chair last week for about the fourth time, while Bob Starkel decided it wasn't quite so far to fall off a wastepaper basket. . . . Those whistles you heard in the Aircraft Section last Friday morning were caused by the bright yellow dress Nina Andress was wearing when she chanced to go in that section. . . . Friday, November 2, 1945, at 5 P.M. some of the members from the "pigeon loft" gathered in Mr. McNamara's office and presented him with a gift and wished him well on his new position as Plant Engineer at Tiffin. Good luck, "Mac." Mr. McNamara had another surprise in store for him when he went to the Bldg. 16-2 dining room to have dinner with W. L. O'Brien, master of ceremonies for the event. When they arrived, the Test Supervisory personnel was there to greet him. He was presented with a gift and after dinner they went to Mr. McNamara's home and played cards (ask him about the way he busted up his wife's bridge party), after which a light lunch was served. By the sound of things, a good time was had by all.

Sales Engineers Visit Fort Wayne Works



Twelve returned servicemen visited here last week on the Company's "Refresher Course" for sales engineers. Shown in the shop, upper left, are T. C. Sullivan, D. F. Roloff, and L. H. Newcomb. Upper right are Newcomb, Sullivan, G. E. Smith, Jr., and Adkins Lowell, with Mr. Roloff, Specialty Transformer Sales, explaining a point during the factory tour.

Lower left picture shows the group before they left on the factory tours. Front row, left to right, W. S. Ginn, J. F. Baker, G. E. Smith, Jr., C. J. Ellis, R. M. King, L. H. Newcomb, W. S. Pullen, Jr. Top row, W. D. Kyte, Edwin Davis, J. P. Coughlin, W. V. Gough, H. K. Pritchard, C. Stonehill, J. E. Carr, D. F. Roloff, and T. C. Sullivan. Picture at lower left caught J. E. Carr, center, Specialty Transformer Sales, discussing a manufacturing method with R. M. King and W. S. Ginn.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

SPARE PARTS CHATTER

Halloween surely was expensive for Marcella Schwartz this year. She had just finished baking two chocolate pies when there came a rap at the door, trick or treat, so then and there her pies disappeared. . . . We have a new John Alden in our midst. Why don't you speak for yourself, sir? . . . We wonder what became of Jerry Geroff Monday. . . . Say, Louie Ehrman, are you making a collection of those little red tickets you find on your windshield? . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carrier celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary Monday. Mrs. Carrier was very proud of the gardenia corsage and the silver sugar and creamer which she received from her husband. . . . Why doesn't Johnny Carran smile more is what the gals want to know.

PRODUCTION

We welcome Mrs. Audrie Fankhauser to the Production Section. We hope you have a pleasant stay with us. . . . From Ralph Schlup, quote "What the well dressed man from Winter Street asked Bob Ringle. Did you notice the yellow wool shirt." . . . The past week was Halloween, and the Trick or Treat system was in full swing. We even had cake one noon for lunch. Mighty good too, Evelyn. . . . Everything is very quiet this week. Even Shorty Redding was very quiet, what with Glen Bordner on one side and Phil on the other all day. Keeps him rather busy. . . . Bill Stockwell finally got even with Ralph Schlup. It seems the younger generation had to keep a watchful eye over the older. Well, Ralph, just what happened Thursday evening? ? ?

MISCELLANEOUS

Lucile Gerard received a telephone call from her husband Sunday morning. He has just arrived in the States from the Pacific, and she expects him to be home this weekend. No wonder she's so bappy. . . . Harry Woodward is back with us again. He has been on the sick list. Glad to see you again, Harry. . . . Matt Krebs is home on the sick list. Hurry up, Matt, and get well; we miss you. . . . Tom Piepenbrink was tired Monday morning. He says it wasn't the 10 games he bowled, but the errors and splits he had.

MACHINE SHOP

Mel Eddy is getting good practicc at polishing. He ought to be good at helping his wife polish furniture. . . . Arnold Werling is vacationing this week. We understand he's having a wonderful time. . . . We had two familiar visitors in the Machine Shop last week. They were Wilodean McCombs of the WAVES and Lawrence Stoppenhagen, who came back to visit their friends. Wilodean is on furlough and we were glad to see her again. Lawrence was also a welcome visitor, and we hope he stops in again soon.

More men are killed by accidents than by war.

2-3 Office

Herb Kock, who has been absent from this most intriguing environment that only Bldg. 2-3 can furnish, is again back to honor the Cost Section. He has been in the services since April, 1942, and has seen major operations, in the truest sense of the word, in Africa, France, and Germany. Bldg. 2-3 Office welcomes you back, Herb. We feel enriched to have among us a man with first-hand knowledge of world affairs. We hope that the calm peacefulness of office life will not prove uninteresting to you. . . . Speaking of the Army brings a touch of romantic elation to light. A six foot blonde bombshell (male variety) planted itself in the very heart of the Cost Section's most exuberant and gayest worker, Edna Grossman. "Van Johnson would not be able to beat his speed," is purely indicative of the fact that he is OKAY! . . . Phyliss Brown has been bothered by a bit of ill health, which she did not ask for. We are hoping that your illness will soon be just another memory, and you will be enjoying good health very shortly. . . . Irene Muzzillo has added another year to her diary as of Sunday when she celebrated her — birthday. (Woops, we nearly committed the most unforgivable sin of all sins—giving away a woman's most guarded secret.) Funny how most women will tell all about themselves; yet to ask them their age is usually to start a major war. We're just kidding, Irene. The happiest of birthdays and many more of them.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

Halloween has come and gone, and after listening to some of the grownups talk we find they enjoyed it as much or more than the kiddies. When Ed Klomp was offered the alternative of trick or treat by two neighbor youngsters he gave each one five pennies, but it wasn't long until they were back, but this time accompanied by about a dozen more. By now the penny situation was becoming acute, and Ed could give out only two apiece. He was wondering what he would do if called on again, when the missus came home and saved the day by bringing out the candy she had purchased for just such an emergency. . . . Ben Bennett was so tickled over the experiences of Carl Metkers' little girl on her first Halloween out that he forgot to stop off at Bldg. 4-2 and went on up to the third floor. He was all out of breath when he finally arrived at the clock. . . . We hear that Herschel O'Dier was really a knockout at the party, where he wore one of his wife's dresses. 'Tis said he had a "figger" like Venus. . . . Our best wishes to Helen Stookey and Claude Wade, who were married Saturday, October 27. They are now living at Lafayette, where the groom is studying mechanical engineering at Purdue University. . . . During one of their daily sessions together Jim McGill said he and Ed Glusenkamp are getting along much better now. Ed used to growl at him all the time and now he growls only half of the time. Now we'll have to get Ed's side of the story.

SPLITTING THE URANIUM NUCLEUS

By Dr. Kenneth H. Kingdon
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and Berkeley. Frisch and Meitner christened the phenomenon "fission," and the fission particles were detected by the very high energy with which they flew apart and so produced dense tracks in a cloud chamber or very intense ionization in an ionization chamber.

Let us inquire for a moment into the structure of the nucleus and try to understand what causes the fission. The U^{235} nucleus contains 92 protons and 143 neutrons packed into a sphere which is about a millionth of a millionth of an inch in diameter. These particles are all in rapid motion. The protons carry positive charges which of course repel one another so that on this score the nucleus should fly apart. This electrostatic repulsion is overbalanced by a special nuclear force of attraction which acts between the nuclear particles when they are close together, and makes the whole nucleus stable. The particles at the surface of the nucleus are acted on by this attractive force only from tbe inside of the nucleus, so that they are in much the same special situation as are the molecules on tbe surface of a drop of water. In the case of the water drop we know that this produces a sort of skin around the drop which is characterized as surface tension, and which pulls the drop into a spherical form. An analagous state of affairs exists in the nucleus, and we may think of the attractive nuclear forces as producing a sort of surface tension around the nucleus which holds it together against the electrostatic repulsion of the protons. There is then a state of equilibrium between these two forces, but if the energy of the nuclear particles is increased sufficiently the nucleus will become unstable against small distortions of form and will break up. For each nucleus there is a characteristic value of this energy increment for which break up or fission will occur.

Extra Energy Given

When a bombarding neutron enters the nucleus it gives extra kinetic energy to all the particles in the closely packed nucleus. This energy comes from two sources, first from the kinetic energy of the bombarding neutron, and second from the small loss of mass which the neutron experiences on entering the nucleus and which is converted into energy, the so-called binding energy. For each nucleus there is a characteristic binding energy for a slow nuetron, and if this binding energy exceeds the fission energy the nucleus will undergo fission by slow neutrons. For other nuclei the binding energy will be insufficient to cause fission, but by bombarding with a fast neutron, the added kinetic energy plus the binding energy will be sufficient to cause fission. These quantities can all be calculated and it is found, in agreement with experiment, that U^{234} and U^{235} should undergo fission by slow neutrons, whereas U^{238} and Th^{232} require fast neutrons for fission.

Definite experimental proof that fission of uranium by slow neutrons was due to the 235 isotope rather than the 238 was obtained in March, 1940, by separating very small quantities of these isotopes with mass spectrometers, both at the University of Minnesota and in the General Electric research laboratory here, and then subjecting the separated samples to bombardment with slow neutrons from the cyclotron at Columbia University. The fission of U^{235} is the basis for one form of the atomc bomb, and we shall consider the characteristics of the fission process which make it suitable for this and other applications.

Rapid Action Necessary

Ingenious experiments, which we have not time to describe, have shown that fission occurs in less than a millionth of a microsecond after the bombarding particle has struck the nucleus. This rapid action is of course necessary for the use of the process in a bomb, just as rapid combustion is necessary for an ordinary explosive.

The bombarded nucleus does not split into two equal parts, nor does it always split into exactly the same pieces. It can be shown that the split occurs somewhat more easily if the fragments have masses of approximately 140 and 90 units. The fragments fly apart with tremendous kinetic energy, the lighter fragment having somewhat the greater energy in order to satisfy conservation of momentum at the break-up. It is this high velocity of the fission fragments which furnishes most of the heat energy for an explosion or for a source of power. The energy liberated in the process, if all the atoms in a pound of U^{235} could be made to undergo fission, would be 11 million kilowatt hours. This liberation of energy occurs because the fission fragments as a result of their different nuclear binding weigh about 1/1000 lb. less than the original pound of U^{235}, and this loss of mass appears as a gain of kinetic energy acccording to the law of the equivalence of mass and energy. The energy equivalent to the 999/1000 lb. mass of the fission fragments is at present entirely inaccessible to us.

Fragments Unstable

The fission fragments contain the same number of protons as do the nuclei of stable elements near the center of the periodic table, but the fragments have so many neutrons that they are unstable. They therefore settle down to a stable state partly by emitting neutrons, but more often by emitting electrons, a process which is equivalent to the conversion of neutrons to protons, so that the emission of a single negative electron is effectively the same as having the nucleus lose a neutrons and gain a proton. The fission fragments are therefore strong radio-active emitters of electrons and X-rays. This means that the fission products will find uses as X-ray sources for therapy and radiography, and as radioactive tracers in chemistry, biology, and metallurgy.

In conclusion we may note that from 1 to 3 excess neutrons are released when fission occurs. In next week's talk Dr. Herbert C. Pollock will tell you how these neutrons have been used to obtain energy from the nucleus in a practical way.

Reminiscent



OF THE DAYS WHEN THE FAMILY CONVEYANCE WAS "SLOWER BUT SIMPLER," IS THE WRENCH WHICH HERB JESSE, TOOL SUPPLY, IS CALLING TO YOUR ATTENTION. It was recently returned to the Tool Supply, Bldg. 6-1, among other wrenches. DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT WAS USED FOR?

WHEN SPEAKING OF WRENCHES we can do some other reminiscing about their improper use and using them when they are worn and broken. Here are some typical stories:

4-24-45—Wrench slipped, employee's rigbt middle finger caught in cutter, causing a LACERATION OF RIGHT MIDDLE FINGER AND ALMOST SEVERING EXTENSOR TENDON.

5-20-43—Employee was using Allen set screw wrench to remove flanges from emery wheel. The wrench slipped, causing his hand to strike against wheel guard. He received a LACERATION AND A PARTIALLY SEVERED EXTENSOR TENDON OF LEFT MIDDLE FINGER.

2-10-42—Employee was pushing forward on socket wrench. Wrench was badly worn, causing it to turn in the screw head. Hand struck adjoining chuck jaw. INCISION OVER LEFT MIDDLE FINGER, SEVERING TENDON.

5-20-44—Employee was pushing on Allen set screw wrench to tighten screw on lathe fixture. The wrench slipped out of screw head, causing hand to strike edge of fixture. DEEP INCISED WOUNDS ON RIGHT MIDDLE AND INDEX FINGERS.

5-15-45—Wrench slipped off of bolt head and employee's right hand came in contact with drill in turret. This accident was due to bolt head being slightly rounded and the open end wrench was worn. LACERATION TOP OF RIGHT HAND, EXTENDING BETWEEN EXTENSOR TENDONS, TENDONS EXPOSED.

This is by no means the end of the list. You, no doubt, can recall many from your experience as a machinist, toolmaker, machine operator, assembler, etc.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

H. F. Yotz Named

The appointment of H. F. Yotz as manager of the Northeastern District of the General Electric Credit Corporation has been announced by G. F. Mosher, president.

Effective November 1, Yotz will make his beadquarters at 30 Huntington Avenue, Boston 16, Mass.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

Persons seeking rides or riders should report necessary information to the WORKS NEWS, phone 441, by Tuesday noon of the week request is to be run.

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* Needs ride for herself and daughter.

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Employees Seeking Rides

Lloyd Goodwin	Bluffton, State Rd. 1	Mason	8:30-11:30

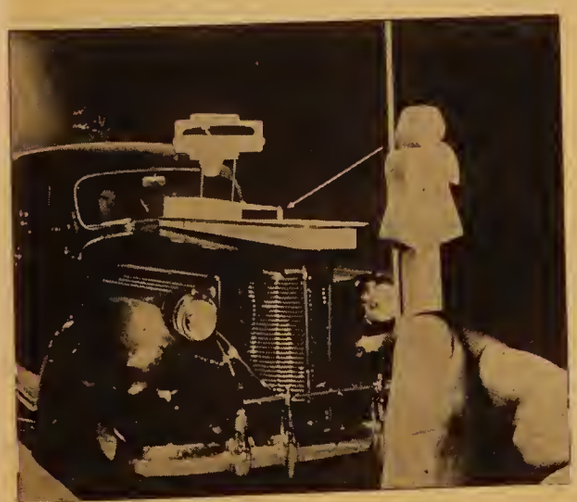
Turret Tattles

The ol' stand took on a very familiar look (and sound) t'other evenin' when Jack Young came in to visit. Nice seein' ya, Jackson. Liked the new stories, too. Come again. . . . The thoid shift is now convened with the second, for the betterment of the shop. We sometimes wonder! We're kiddin', fellers! the more the merrier! . . . Ted (Theodore to youse guys) Bauman came in recently all tuckered out from husking corn on his estate. After sympathizing with him for a spell, we suddenly discovered he had been driving the wagon whilst the li'l woman did the shucking. It always makes us tired too, Ted, to see someone else work. . . Joe Williams is in favor of having the F.B.I. investigate all these here goin's on around hyar. One morning recently a tool chest belonging to one of the lads was discovered with a great big lag bolt screwed right through the side and Joe very righteously became indignant at such a trick. However, before the G-men got on the job, it was discovered that some wag had cut a lag screw in two pieces and pasted the severed ends onto the box in such a manner that it appeared very convincing. Don't feel too badly, feller, a lot of other people have been fooled. . . . Someone should tell him about these things. Pore ol' Lowery on the mills went home at three six for several days before someone got around to explaining we were working until three thirty nowadays. Tsch! Tsch! . . . Our inspection section deserves a medal for their efforts to help. Why if it hadn't a been for an inspector noticing t'other evening, no tellin' where the plate on one of the turrets would have been. The inspector kindly showed a very embarrassed operator that it was necessary to remove two bolts from the front of a fixture before the machined article could be unchucked. It makes it a lot easier that way, too. It isn't necessary to rebuild the lathe every time. Course the operator loses a lot of exercise! There's always two sides to every story, bowever. . . . We apologize to Marie Gordon. We keep confusin' you with another good lookin' blonde name of Wilson. We're sorry we made the mistake. Won't do it again. . . . Wonder if that poor guy has his coat on yet. You know the one that stood so long at the door recently and listened to the other feller. 'Sturnin' colder, too. . . . Herbie Boltz was the happiest pappy in town last Friday evening, when his son Al called and told him he was on his way "out" of the Air Corps. Herb expects him home for "good"' by Sunday evening. We're all very happy, too, feller. . . . Noted down the aisle—A wee li'l feller with a great big armload of steel, and a great big guy right behind with a li'l ol' piece of iron. And were they grinning? . . . We answered the frantic ringing of the office phone t'other eve to hear the dulcet voice of Joan King away over thar in South Whitley, abeggin' us to p-u-l-e-e-z-e look aroun' and try to find her billfold. After a very short and diligent search, it was found and her jangled nerves set at rest. There are some really honest people in this world, eh, Joan?

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

If only I were a Walter Winchellist, maybe I could do the Transformer division justice; but since I am not, the report is as follows: Wes Brooks had a visit with the Ray Keiffers this week-end. You'll remember Ray when he was with the Engineering section, but the last 17 months he has spent with the U. S. Navy. . . . Catherine Oelrich visited in Columbus over the week-end and saw Ohio State take Northwestern in a good close game. . . . This beautiful weather we're having seems to bring out "the back to nature" in people. Edna Pinkham and her friends find roasting hot dogs so much fun that they've taken two outings recently. . . . Then there's Cy Stonehill with his farm, or maybe we should call it a park, where steak fries seem to be very prevalent this season with his family and friends. . . . There's another way to tell the time of year than by calendar in the Commercial Section. Just stick your head in the door and the topic of the day will give the lead. Just now it is mostly football. Andy O'Dwyer claims he is roaring mad about the Notre Dame and Navy game. Well, Andy you aren't alone on that score, many of your associates seem to be of the same school—of thought—in Notre Dame's behalf. . . . "Snuffy" Smith and Joe Coughlin are both coming forth with new bowling balls. Guess the boys figure this might be the way to top Champion Johnny Carr's score of 257, which is the high score per single game this season. . . . I am sure you have all spied Ann Rastetter at her desk once more. It is surely nice to have you back with us after all these many weeks, Annie. . . . We also want to announce the presence of a new man in the Commercial Section. Ned Hackney from Taylor Street, who is now working with Cy Stonehill to sell more and more ballasts. . . . Chuck Graham took a trip to his home state of Iowa last week to help celebrate his son Petie's birthday. Ruth Turner was there just recently and found it just as wonderful as ever. Between them they should have new material to combat the Pittsfield group of this office. . . . To add to our travel log, P. M. (The Boss) Staehle gave a glowing report of the beauties in and around Hershey, Pa., where he visited three days last week. . . . Avenel Stanton saw another Purdue game last week-end. She also attended a dance in Lafayette and when asked if she had a good time, she replied, "I always have a good time." . . . Other people than the Commercial travel apparently. Therese Ueber took off Sunday, literally, by plane for Coral Gables, Fla., to visit her sister. . . . Betty Thomas has said her good-byes to the Cost Section to await the arrival of her husband from overseas after many months of waiting. Lots of luck, Betty. . . . Penny Nettrour celebrated a birthday this last week. Congratulations Penny. . . . "Nothing happens around here; nothing but duds," quoting Harriet Basford. . . . Just keep an eye on Jim Voirol, he may be one of our up and coming young inventors; he has a new electrical contraption—pardon the terminology, Jim, it is the lack of a better name for it. Keep us posted on the outcome of your experiments, Jim. . . . Harriet Basford and Peggy Ford had a day on which they "clashed" something terrible. (This is strictly clothes talk.) Then the next day they might have been mistaken for the "Gold Dust Twins." . . . Dusty Rhodes got his hair mussed up the other day. To watch him comb his hair is something. . . . Last Minute Scoop of the Week: Romance blossoms in the office! Did you know Harriet Basford and Wayne Weimer will exchange wedding vows Saturday morning? The wedding will take place at Harriet's home. This also has to be our "swan song" to Harriet, whose last day in our midst was Thursday. Here is wishing the young couple the very best of luck and lots and lots of happiness, plus our sincere congratulations to you both.

Here's G-E's "Effie"



A two-inch wooden doll is used by G-E engineers to test existing street-lighting systems for needed postwar improvement. This doll, called Effie, represents the pedestrian as seen at a safe distance by a driver if visibility is good, or who suddenly looms up if existing light is inadequate. Effie is pegged in a certain spot on a colored board (mounted on the hood of an automobile) which represents the street surface where the test is being made.

And He Made Good . . .



John Rodman

John Rodman, fire inspector at the Broadway Plant, is getting a lot of kidding these days about the "local boy making good in LaGrange." Fire Chief Ernest Hanauer recently received a letter from F. M. Rogers, chief of the LaGrange Volunteer Fire Department, commending Rodman for the part he took in putting out a fire in a LaGrange tire shop October 5. "His actions," wrote Chief Rogers, "showed that he had received excellent training, and his personal attitude showed that he was a good fireman."

Johnny's noncommittal about the whole thing, but he does admit going into the basement of the shop with a hose (after breaking in through a window) and succeeding in putting the fire out with the help of other firemen. It was later discovered that there were 200 gallons of high octane gas in the basement. That's why Johnny looks a little pleased as he reads Chief Rogers' letter.

Is Zat So?

Here is a short, short story entitled "Two Gun Gitter Goes West." After seeing "Red" Gitter, Bldg. 17-1, make some of those spectacular shots while pheasant hunting in South Dakota, we begin to wonder why it was necessary for him to stay five days to get the limit. We would also like to know what kind of cigars he smokes so that we will never be unfortunate enough to purchase any such merchandise. Red's hunting equipment consisted of two 16-gauge shot guns, (one for morning, the other for afternoon shooting); one pair of socks to last a week; and about 50 of those cigars. He did some mighty fine shooting in the field as well as at the table in the evening. We are all looking forward to a hunting trip next ycar and hope Red will be able to be with us, but hope he smokes another brand of cigars. . . . We bid farewell to genial "Mickey" Kapelka, who is leaving us to return to being a salesman. Best of luck, Mickey. . . . We think Roxie Miller has learned to be more careful about who is watching hereafter when she is talking with her hands. . . . It's a mystery to us how Jim Carey remains so thin when he is eating all the time. Many dieting women would like to know your secret, Jim. . . . It must have been a fad last week to have a finger bandaged—so many were in evidence. . . . Cliff Coombs returned to work after his recent illness. Glad to have you back, Cliff. . . . John Mishler, Army, and Ed Dolsen, Navy, were welcome visitors. John was recently awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in addition to the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, Presidential Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, Combat Infantryman Badge, Good Conduct Ribbon, European Theater Ribbon with three Bronze Stars, and one Bronze Arrowhead. . . . We extend our sympathy to the family of George Clossop, as we mourn the loss of a valued co-worker. . . . Betty Kaufman is off work because of illness. We hope you recuperate soon, Betty. . . . We have some hidden talent in our midst. The way Wally McKay was handling the paper filing cases, leads us to believe he could really play an accordion. How about it, Wally?

New Line Capacitance Voltage Dividers Announced by G-E

A new line of capacitance voltage dividers for the accurate voltage measurement and wave-form observation of high-frequency voltages, in the range from 15,000- to 50,000-volt peak, has been announced by General Electric's Transformer Division, Pittsfield, Mass. Available in ratings for 15,000-, 35,000-, or 50,000-volt peak plus levels, each divider may be obtained with two independent voltage ratios of any desired value, for simultaneous pulse measurement and wave-form observation.

Connected to a high-potential, high-frequency circuit, the capacitance voltage dividers provide one or two step-down ratios, reducing the voltage to a suitably low value for connection to a voltage measuring device, an oscilloscope, or both. For oscilloscopic observation, the new dividers give a faithful reproduction at low-voltage levels, of any high-voltage, high-frequency wave form.

These small compact units consist essentially of a high-voltage, ceramic bushing, which constitutes a low value of capacitance, in series with one or more standard, molded-type Lectrofilm capacitors, assembled in a hermetically sealed tank.

. . . We noticed an odd looking contraption on Joe Kramer's desk and upon inquiring, learned that it was the thing to which he attributes his success. . . . We wish to welcome Bob Briggs, who was recently discharged from the Army, back to our production division, and Helen Hoffman, who is our new tool room attendant. . . . Lloyd Pinkerton spent his week-end helping to build a garage. Quite a job, wasn't it, Lloyd? . . . Minor Bishop sure had plenty of pep Monday. It couldn't have been a little change in the weather, could it, Minor?

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You bet your life when you take a chance.

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TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed .....

Location .....

Anderson Big 5 Will Open G-E Club Season

Double Handicap Bowling Tournament Is Announced

A double Handicap Bowling tournament on Saturday, November 17, and Sunday, November 18, for all bowlers in G-E leagues was announced today by Ed Yahne, G-E Club manager.

Bowlers may bowl more than once in the tournament, Mr. Yahne said, but with a different partner and a different entry each time. The tournament bowling fee must accompany all entries.

Handicap will be allowed to a maximum of 400 pins, Mr. Yahne said, with 75 per cent of the difference between the bowlers' average and the 400 being allowed. Other details can be secured from Mr. Yahne at the G-E Club.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Series & Specialty	17	7
General Service	16	8
Screwballs	15	9
Motor Generator	14	10
Firemen No. 4	14	10
Laboratory	13	11
Transformer	13	11
Wire & Insulation	11	13
Firemen No. 10	10	14
Shipping	10	14
Tool Room	7	17
Plastics	6	18

High Games

600 Series: Rump, 677; Haugk, 606.

200 Games: Rump, 241, 203, 233; Ludeman, 235, 211; Haugk, 233; Ropa, 226; Keith, 219, 211; Walson, 204; Matthews, 214; James, 221; Crowell, 209, 213; Berning, 201, 209; Dickey, 206; Boyers, 202; Starke, 201; Koorsen, 201.

With Club Team



Ted Reed

Ted Reed, high point man of the Club Basketball team during last season's contests, returns to the G-E team this year for another season of play. Ted will hold down center position. He formerly played with the Colorado University team.

Play in Inter-Division League Opens November 14

Games Scheduled for 7:30 and 8:45 P.M.

By Walter Histed

The Men's Inter-division Basketball League will open its season on Wednesday night, November 14, with two games at the G-E Club. Opening night brings together the Transformer Division and General Service in the season opener at 7:30 o'clock, while the defending champions from Winter Street will tangle with the Tool Division at 8:45 P.M.

The league will play on Monday and Wednesday evenings, with two games scheduled for each session. The first game will be at 7:30 P.M., and the second clash at 8:45 P.M.

All of the teams have been practicing and organizing for the season during the past three weeks with the following teams entered for league play: Winter Street, defending champions; Tool Division; Transformer; General Service; Small Motor Factory; Small Motor Office; Firemen, and Messengers.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Drafting	18	6
Evaporators	15	9
Machinists	14	10
Designers	13	11
Power Drive	13	11
Grinders	12	12
Compressors	11	13
Engineers	10	14
Toolmakers	10	14
Testers	10	14
Maintenance	10	14
Planners	8	16

Tom Piepenbrink was high man for the evening with a nice 628 three game total, which included a 244 count. This puts Tom in first place for both three game and single game for the season to date.

Other 200 scores were rolled by Dailey 236, Billings 218, Luedeke 211, W. Kirke 210, Kolmerten 209, Michelfelder 207, Dannecker 203, and Evans 203.

The Evaporators, captained by Don Traster, really went to town in their second game and came up with a 1004 count. They also had high three game total of 2757. These scores place them in third place for both single game and three game high for the season.

What good is safety if you don't practice it?

Safety has saved 190,000 lives in 23 years.

Even one accident is one too many.

GIRLS' INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL

There will be a meeting in the G-E Club Lounge at 5:30 P.M. Monday evening, November 12, for all representatives of girls' teams interested in entering this year's league. Betty Eisenacher, temporary league manager, Phone 565, should be notified immediately of your interest in the league, if it is impossible to have a representative at the meeting.

Teams needing one or two players will use players from sections not large enough to support a full team. Plans are to have a six-team league this year.

Andy Smith

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

Top honors in the November 2 rolling go to Jimmie Newlon for his wood piling job of 599 with two games at 230 and 200. Kallmyer also had a pair of games at 202 and 222 with a 562 total. Stodgell came in for the second high series at 577 and a 225 single, while Wikel had the top game of the night, scoring a 234 and a 541 series. Bassett posted a 549 and a 218 game, Spabr connected for 540 and a 210; Pennycuff had 505 and 203, and Fridlin counted 510 pins for the evening. Newcomers to the 500 club are Uren at 511 and Berg for 504.

Punch Press had the only clean sweep of the night, besting Production and gaining a tie for first place. Receiving holds the other half of the first place tie by taking two from the Winders. Wage Rate annexed two from General Service, as did Small Lot over Assembly. Rotors counted two from Planning and Order Service won two from Test.

The Girls' League is in the process of reorganization and is contemplating proceeding on a four-girl team basis, so they can keep six teams in the running. A lot of credit must be given to the girls that are willing to make this league a success, as it takes a lot of pluck and determination and sportsmanship for any first year beginner's league. Moral support from fellow employees is not only helpful but greatly appreciated. Come on down to root, fellows.

NOTICE

Volleyball Players

Men's volleyball team managers will meet in the G-E Club Lounge Tuesday evening, November 13, at 7:30 o'clock to set up plans for the league. Any others interested in league play may also attend the meeting.

Anyone not already listed on a team wishing to play in the league should contact the undersigned immediately.

William Hessert, Bldg. 4-6
League Manager
Phone 492

Am I as careful as I can be?

Success is a habit. So is Safety.

Don't rush—it is better to kill time than people.

Contest Set for Tuesday, November 13, at 8:30 P.M.

By Bob Kessens

The Anderson Big 5 of Anderson, Ind., will open the season against the G-E Men's Club team, Tuesday night, November 13, at 8:30 P.M.

This team is rated one of the best colored teams in Indiana and has proved that it can give the Club plenty of competition, as last year the Club had a hard time defeating them. It was in the last two minutes of play that the Club squeezed out a 51-47 win.

Same Lineup

They will return with the same lineup as last year's squad. This includes Sam Page, guard; Forrest Brown, forward; Theadore Wright, guard; William Owens, center and Guard; Lewis Taylor, 6 foot 4 inch center; Julius Streator, center or forward; and Bobby Cox at forward.

The Big 5 played 35 games last season, winning 23 and losing 12. They also won the Indiana State Tournament of the White Valley Association.

Starters Listed

The Club team will no doubt start Krieg and Reed at forward, Magnesson at center, while Schneider and Allen will hold down the guard positions.

The Club team is in first class shape after continued practice sessions and are out to keep their winning streak, which ended last season with six straight.

Support Team

The fans are asked to turn out and fill the gym and give the team the support which they deserve. The policy this year is the same as that of last year. Employees and their friends are admitted with no admission charge.

Some other teams already booked for appearance at the Club gym are the Richmond Professionals; Dow Chemical of Midland, Mich., and South Bend K. of P.

G-E Girls' Squad To Open Season Against Decatur

Electricianettes Play Prelim on Tuesday, November 13

By Alice Dahman

The G-E Club Girls' Basketball team, winner of 23 out of 26 games last year, will open the season's campaign against the Decatur G-E Girls' team on Tuesday, November 13, at the G-E Club Gym. The game will start at 7:30 P.M., 15 minutes earlier than the usual starting time for last year's games.

The Club girls have been working out twice a week, and have been looking very good in practice. However, tough luck has been around a lot, and has sidelined Jerry Stellar, due to sickness, and Tommy Williams, who sprained her ankle in practice a week ago. Both are improving and will see action early in the season.

New Recruit

The Girls' club has been bolstered by Cora Emenhieser, new recruit this year, and she is expected to carry a large burden of the scoring.

Betty Whiteleather, Gladys Varner, Betty Puff, Lou Fitch, Fuzz Amstutz, and Betty Eisenacher will be back again this year, and a few promising newcomers, who have been showing up good in practice, will be added to the nucleus of last year's squad.

Decatur Squad Strong

The girls from Decatur are reported to be stronger than ever, and judging from the opposition they gave Fort Wayne last year, the Summit City Club is going to have to be on their toes, or it will come out on the short end of the score.

On the following Tuesday, November 20, the strong Logansport Girls' team will come to Fort Wayne. This will be their first appearance here in basketball, but their softball teams whipped the G-E Girls twice and the Electricianettes will be attempting to even things up a little bit at this meeting.

Veteran Back



Betty Whiteleather

Well-known to G-E fans of girls' basketball is Betty Whiteleather, shown above. Betty is slated to return to the G-E Girls' Basketball team this year and will probably see action in a major portion of each game.

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Today you, the people of the United States, are the possessor of the mightiest seapower the world has ever known. Because we are a democracy, you also have the right to say whether you will keep and preserve this seapower, or whether you will pat it on the back and let it die . . . I pray that we will not take the easiest way.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz

They Buy Twin Bonds for Twin Sons



Twin sons Terry and Larry see to it that Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mathews buy bonds in duplicate for their future welfare. A pole stacker in Bldg. 27, Mr. Mathews bought a double share of the future in the Victory Loan Drive by presenting a $25 bond to each of his four-month-old twin sons. Terry, seated beside his Dad on the davenport, looks unconcerned, but Larry is happy about the whole thing.

G-E Club "Fall Revue" Is Saturday, Sunday; Some Tickets Left

This week-end will be "Fall Revue" time for G-E employees and their families, as the G-E Club puts on its first professional stage show of this year. A number of outstanding acts have been booked for the entertainment of G-E people, Paul Vogt, entertainment chairman, said, and this "Revue" will be one of the finest ever staged in the Club gym.

Some tickets for all performances were still on hand at the G-E Club stand, it was announced today, but employees were urged to pick theirs up immediately to be sure of getting seats. There is no charge for the tickets. Performances will be given at 7 P.M. and 9 P.M. Saturday and at 2 P.M. and 4 P.M. Sunday.

A last minute change of master of ceremonies for the show was necessitated, Mr. Vogt said, but Raynor Lehr, who has been here before and was quite popular with Fort Wayne audiences, has been booked to handle the Revue. Mr. Lehr has just returned from Hollywood, where he participated in movie and stage shows.

G-E employees and their families will see juggling acts, a ventriloquist, "The 5 Leonards," an acrobatic act coming here from New York, the DeLane sisters, an outstanding vocal trio, the Thornton Kids, with their instrumental and novelty acts, and "The Bytonettes," dance stylists. Bob Kreckman and his nine-piece orchestra will play for the show.

Fort Wayne Works Buys $127,937 of Victory Bonds

Goal of $158,000 May Be Met by End of Final Drive

Fort Wayne Works employees have already subscribed for $127,937 in cash purchases of United States bonds in the Victory Loan, J. W. Crise, executive assistant in charge of the campaign, announced today, which seemed to indicate that the goal of $158,000 would be met by December 31, and the end of the nation-wide campaign.

Officially continuing throughout the nation until December 31, the Eighth Bond Drive opened here Monday, November 5, and a rousing campaign was put on by employees during that week. Dr. E. Burns Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church in South Bend, was the speaker for all rallies at the Fort Wayne, Decatur and Kokomo plants, and employees on all three shifts were reached.

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Reservations Are Still Open...

Special Rate Set for Elex Non-Members Making Trip

With some reservations still open for the Elex trip to Chicago on Saturday, January 12, Veora Habig, trip chairman, today announced that non-members of Elex could make the trip with the club for a fee of $15. Price for members is $12.

It was also announced that husbands or friends of Elex members wishing to go on the excursion might also take the trip for the special non-member's price of $15. Girls holding family railroad passes will get a reduced rate, since the pass will be honored, and they should contact Irene Myers to make these special arrangements.

The excursion will include choice seats for the Sonja Henie Ice Revue and dinner in the Wedgewood Room of Marshall Field's, which will be followed by a spring style show. Arrangements have been made to transport the crowd of 500 on a special private train to leave early Saturday morning and return late that night.

The train tickets will be good on any return coach the following day, however, Mrs. Habig said, if the girls wish to stay overnight in Chicago. Miss Meyer's office should be notified of this.

Employees Give $69,356 to Chests

Employees of the Fort Wayne Works will contribute $69,356 to the Community Chests of three counties during the 1945-46 year, it was announced today, as approximate final results showed that goals at the Fort Wayne, Decatur, and Kokomo Plants had not been met.

Of the total amount subscribed, $62,159 was contributed by employees of the Fort Wayne plants for the Allen County Community Chest; Decatur employees subscribed $4,260 to Adams County, and Kokomo employees contributed $2,937 to Howard County Community Chest.

The original goal was one day's pay from each employee, which was to be spread over 52 weeks.

G-E's Returning G.I.'s Get Leather Folders For Military Records

General Electric's discharged veterans who return to employment with the Company will get a handsome genuine leather folder for the safe-keeping of discharge certificate and other military records, Company officials announced recently.

A shipment for distribution to returning G.I.'s of the Fort Wayne Works was received late this week, and distribution will be made to supervisors of the returnees for presentation some time next week. Those that have not yet returned to work will get their folders at

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NOTICE

THANKSGIVING DAY, 1945

The Governor of Indiana has proclaimed Thursday, November 22, as the day for observance of Thanksgiving. The Fort Wayne Works, including Decatur and Kokomo, will in general close on that day.

M. E. LORD
Manager

Gifts for Returning Veterans



Robert Briggs, (left) Bldg. 17-1, gets the first leather folder for safe-keeping of discharge papers and other military records to be presented to all returning veterans from Warren Locker, (right), who handles placement of returned veterans. W. E. Beer, Supervisor of Employment, looks on at the presentation. Other veterans are slated to get their folders as fast as distribution can be effected.

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False Conclusions?

"We seem to be approaching our future on the theory that we can mix, of course with discretion, a controlled and an uncontrolled economy," writes Chester W. Tripp in *Economic Trend Line Studies* of September 5, 1945, thus bringing to the front an idea that has been playing around in the minds of many Americans since the involvement of our country in World War II necessitated many and rigid war controls.

Mr. Tripp is not speaking of controls as far as police powers are concerned, but control where one group of men tell another what and how and when they can do things. "All historical records show this as an impossibility. Either the controlled or the uncontrolled might work; either will have its shortcomings; but a combination of the two is impossible. We will inevitably drift toward one pole or the other," he writes.

He goes on to say, "In spite of loud voices to the contrary, one is warranted on the record of insisting that the individualistic approach is the liberal attitude and that the arbitrary control is the reactionary. This is supported by the record of our immediate past. The individualistic way of life in America for the last 50 years has, in spite of its shortcomings, produced more well-being and supplied more tools to lift the burden from man's back than has ever been accomplished before."

And there is one man's view. Probably there are lengthy arguments in this small dissertation, but all of us will have to agree with him when he says that there's a lot of wreck to be cleared away *now*. Whether we try to do this with an organized or a free society, the job must be done.

"It contains many headaches; it is going to produce hardships; but we will never reach the solid ground of human activity, expanding on its merits, until this wreckage is out of the way. If we try to clear it up by the use of false assumptions, we may lose our proudest possessions, as has been so often done in the past," Mr. Tripp concludes.

The President Asks for Help

President Harry S. Truman appealed to every citizen recently to join the campaign of the National Safety Council and by personal example do his part to prevent the suffering, heartbreak, and tragedy that accidents bring.

Wrote President Truman, "Peace has ended premeditated killing on the battlefront, but it has not ended unintentional killing, by accidents, on the home front. It has, in fact, ironically increased the accident toll.

"A nation great enough to win a war for freedom is great enough to preserve the freedom won. One of these freedoms is security from needless death, destruction and suffering. Accidents destroy this security. America proved during the war that accidents can be reduced, even under the most difficult conditions, if we really want to reduce them. It is unthinkable that the Nation will lose the war against accidents after winning the war against the Axis. This must not and shall not happen."

Editors are feeling the reconversion urge too. A nation-wide survey by the National Safety Council showed that as soon as material is available, 63 per cent of the editors expect to use better paper and more adequate printing facilities, while 36 per cent of them expect to change the format of their publications or use more art work and color. And so time marches on—with bigger and better papers, we hope.



Next Thursday will long be remembered as the first Thanksgiving following the end of the war, when many families were happily reunited by the return of men and women from peril far from home and other families could be happy in the assurance that their young folk, still in the armed forces, would soon join them. But at other tables there will be empty chairs, chairs once occupied by beloved boys and girls who gave up their lives so that Thanksgiving could still be joyful in a free America.

That means that a duty falls on us for whom these sacrifices were made. A Thanksgiving without a sense of obligation to be worthy of what we have received is really empty indeed. Our resolve must be to give the best of our intelligence and understanding—to the tremendous job of forbearance with the other nations of the world, to judge our Allies with sympathy, our late enemies with fairness. This is the year to make the resolve, when the memory of these sacrifices is still fresh.

Unless our country does this, there may not be many more happy Thanksgivings, even in America.

SIEVES FOR SORTING NUCLEI

By Dr. Herbert C. Pollock
General Electric Research Laboratory
Schenectady, N. Y.

(Editor's note: This talk was delivered on the General Electric Science Forum over WGY, Schenectady, N. Y., at 7:30 P.M., Wednesday, October 24, 1945, and is being reprinted here because of wide-spread interest in the atomic bomb.)

The recent use of atomic energy, formerly impossible to man, climaxed a five-year period of intensive scientific research and development. Many new discoveries were made during the course of this work and many techniques were improved far more than seemed possible a few years ago. In the talk this evening I shall mention several methods of separating atoms which were developed to remove the rare and valuable form of uranium known as U-235 from the more plentiful associated form of uranium known as U-238.

Most elements found on the earth have forms which are alike chemically but which differ slightly in weight. By definition these forms are called isotopes. The existence of isotopes is explained by the physicist as due to the presence of more or less mass in the nuclei of the atoms composing the ordinary elements with which we all are familiar. It happens that ordinary tin has been found to possess more isotopes than any other element, there being tin atoms of eleven different weights mixed together in any sample of the metal. In the case of uranium, there are three varieties, or isotopes. In nature these three isotopes of uranium were so thoroughly mixed in the beginning that wherever uranium ore is mined, whether in Colorado, Canada, Austria, Madagascar, Russia, or the Congo, 99.2 per cent of the uranium is what we call U-238; 0.7 per cent is U-235; and less than 1.01 per cent is U-234.

Existence Known

The existence of these three uranium isotopes had been known for some years but not until 1939 did this information seem to be of more than academic interest. In this year the possibility of producing an atomic bomb of U-235 became apparent. The separation of the uranium isotopes appeared a direct and major step toward making such a bomb. And with the outbreak of war in Europe, great attention was directed to this new problem. Familiar chemical methods offered little help, for, so far as their chemistry goes, the atoms of the uranium 235 isotope are just like those of the 238 isotope. Isotopes must be separated by processes which depend strongly on their mass differences, and as we cannot get at the atoms directly, for they are too small, we must devise ways of applying forces to them.

The method of fractional distillation which is used so much to separate liquids of different boiling point, particularly in the oil industry, might be thought to offer

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He Fought in Two Wars

George Parker Returns From Second Hitch in U. S. Army

By Marian Davies

An ex-G.I. of two World Wars, George M. Parker has returned to a peace-time job at the Hollywood Bldg. after serving his second "hitch" in the Army. During World War I, he served as a combat engineer in France, and when the United States entered World War II, Mr. Parker once again answered the call to colors. This time he was a member of the Army Air Corps in India. Mr. Parker's job in the A.A.F. was making repairs on the engines of the planes that landed at his base—all the way from engines of fighters to a few of the huge Superforts.

Now Mr. Parker is back at a civilian job for G-E as a stock helper in the Regional Parts Warehouse, which may seem a little calm after the raging storm he encountered before returning to the United States. This storm was the recent typhoon at Okinawa and surrounding areas. The typhoon was so severe, Mr. Parker said, that the ship he was aboard and other ships had to leave port and "ride the storm" for two days and then return to the harbor. After that, he was able to start "Stateside."

As for comparisons of the two great wars, Mr. Parker said little except that both the doughboys of World War I and the G.I.'s of this war were fine fellows, and were tops in his estimation. The camps of this last war were far better than the ones of 1917-1918, but said Mr. Parker, "There is no place like home." Mr. Parker also mentioned that the U.S.O. shows of this war were way ahead of entertainment for servicemen in World War I, although the YMCA did a very good job entertaining them in France in "17-18."

To sum everything up, this veteran of two wars said, "It's great to be back."

Was in Typhoon



Lawrence Baker

The WORKS NEWS Office received a copy of "The Buccaneer" published at Okinawa for the servicemen stationed with the Tenth Army Headquarters. This edition, sent by T/4 Lawrence Baker, described the typhoon that swept over Okinawa and surrounding areas last October. The wind reached such high velocity that it stopped the jeep in which T/4 Baker and another soldier were driving.

Lawrence and his crew of men went to work early to repair the damage done to the Buccaneer Theatre, which was badly damaged. The work was done so fast that movies were shown the next night, the paper said.

Samar, Philippines
October 20, 1945

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the WORKS NEWS. It sure has been great reading what is happening back there, especially about my friends at the Taylor Street Plant.

Right now I am in a receiving center and in a few days expect to be on my way home for a discharge, back to civilian life. After 18 months in New Guinea, the Philippines, and around Borneo, I'll sure be glad to see home in the States.

I would like to say hello to my friends from Taylor Street and hope to see them soon.

Sincerely yours,
Kenneth H. Driver, MoMM 3/c

Has Enough Points

Dear Editor:

Due to the fact that I have the required amount of points for a discharge, I am now standing by on the island of Saipan, awaiting transportation. Today ends five weeks of waiting; this may be the lucky week.

I will certainly be more than glad to get back to good old G-E to work once more.

Charles R. Baker, M.M. 1/c

Coming Home

Calcutta, India

Dear Editor:

At this time, I take great pleasure in informing you that I expect to return to the U. S. in the very near future. . . .

During my four years in the Army of the United States, of which I have spent twenty-eight months over here in China, Burma, and India, I never have failed to receive a copy of the NEWS. Besides receiving the G-E NEWS, I have seen a great deal of G-E equipment out here on the far-away battle fronts. To G-E and its employees, it's a job well done.

Thanks, and I hope to see you soon.

Yours truly,
S/Sgt. Theodore C. Hobrock

A letter was received from Sgt. Wade Moore saying that he is back in the States, and hopes to get out soon and go back to work. He wants to say hello to the gang formerly in the Impeller Section.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

In Japan



R. V. Pfeiffer

Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan
October 25, 1945

Dear Editor:

We landed at Otaru on the 4th of October and moved here to Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan. This city was not bombed much except for the outskirts of the town. Left-handed traffic is hard to become accustomed to, especially making a right turn. We had our first snow today, and it was great to see snow after so many years.

Food shortage in the city is bad, and yet the people look very healthy. Their money is fifteen to our one, and it's in yens and sens.

Even though I have been on the move quite a good deal, I always get my copy of the WORKS NEWS. . . . I am leaving here in November.

Wishing all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I remain,
S/Sgt. R. V. Pfeiffer

Homeward Bound

Ie Shima

Dear Editor:

Well, it looks like I'm homeward bound after nearly three years.

I have been getting the NEWS and enjoying it very much. Nice to get all the news and the progress and plans that the Company has for the future. I hope that I can be there soon to help in building that "future."

Just got over having a typhoon here, but it's nice today, and I might get under way for HOME!

So long,
Capt. Fernado Gonzales

Dear Editor:

No doubt most everyone around the shop will remember the sign "Here comes Charlie," but the one I'm thinking of at present is, "Here comes Earl."

If anyone would have told me I would have been here this long, I would have said they were crazy. But this is the time I have been waiting for during the past twenty months and expect to leave here in another three to five days, so you can imagine about how my morale is at present. If things go O.K., I should be seeing you all about the last of November, I HOPE. . . .

Yours,
Earl Yoquelet, MM 1/c

Dear Editor:

According to the present redeployment schedule, I should be leaving this theater for the good old U.S.A. in December. . . .

Here's hoping I see you all soon and until then I remain,

Sincerely yours,
Cpl. C. Edward Cain

Dear Editor:

. . . Our job here in India was completed with the war's end and in the meantime those of us left are sweating the time away waiting for our turn to be shipped home in a couple of months. I'm looking forward to working at the G-E after my discharge and meeting old friends there again.

Sincerely,
PFC Thomas R. Foltz

Receives Star

PFC John D. Mishler, Bldg. 17-1, has been decorated with the Silver Star for gallantry in action against the enemy.

The citation, in part, states:

"While serving with the 101st Airborne Division, Private Mishler distinguished himself by gallantry in action Dec. 21, 1944, in the vicinity of Neffe, Belgium. He was in charge of a squad which occupied a defense position on the right flank of his battalion. Enemy infantry, supported by nine tanks, launched a strong attack on his squad. Private Mishler held his ground, moving from position to position continually exposed to heavy enemy fire in order to encourage his men, check their positions and prepare them for hand-to-hand fighting if necessary. . . ."

John, wounded twice in Europe, has been awarded the Purple Heart with one Oak Leaf Cluster, and has received the Presidential Unit Citation with a Cluster, the Combat Infantryman Badge, **Good Conduct** Medal and three battle stars and a bronze arrowhead on his theater ribbon. He was discharged October 18 at Fort Benning, Ga.

WO (jg) Kenneth P. Carr wrote recently from Quarry Heights, Canal Zone, saying that he is leaving for the United States on or about the 15th of November for separation from the service.

Veteran of Two Wars Is Back



George M. Parker is shown at right, above, with Foreman Jack Heiniger after returning to a civilian job with General Electric at the completion of his second hitch in the Army—in two separate wars. (See story on this page.)

Squares Will Have Special Open House Party Tonight

Door Prize To Be Given Lucky Participant

With the usual fun scheduled for the Squares "Open House" party tonight and a door prize to be awarded as a special attraction, J. P. Coughlin, chairman of the party, today urged all Squares members "to bring the gang along as their guests tonight."

There's no reason why members contemplating private parties on Friday nights can't move the whole crowd to the Squares Club rooms on East Berry Street, and take advantage of the dancing, cards, games, and refreshments that are available there, he pointed out.

There is no admission charge for the Friday night parties, but members must show their membership cards and register guests at the door. For the past five weeks very successful parties have been sponsored by the organization in the club rooms, but club officers are eager to have all members attend occasionally so that they become better acquainted with other members of the group.

There'll be dancing to the recordings of top "name" bands and special community singing tonight, committee members said. Tonight's hosts and hostesses are Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Coughlin, Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Short, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Steele, A. J. Schneble, and Miss Pat Tempest.

"Keep 'em Out"

Employees To Get Timely New Pamphlet On Winter Ailments

"Keep 'em Out," a timely pamphlet on protection against pneumonia, influenza, and colds prepared by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, will be distributed to employees during the next week, W. J. Hockett, supervisor of safety and employees' activities, has announced.

The pamphlet is a humorous, but factual, story of common Winter ailments and is sub-titled "A Winter with the Jones Family." After reading the pamphlet, you'll agree that it "shouldn't happen to a dog." Be sure to watch for the booklet, and take it home so that all members of your family might read it too.

Food prices have got to come down! Our indigestion is costing us too much.



Suggestions Paid Off



Ralph Steward (inset) and George England

Two winners who cashed in their ideas on better methods are shown above. Ralph Steward, Bldg. 26-5, received $50 for his suggestion on installing ways protection guards on 12 B & S surface grinders. A $35 award was presented to George M. England, Bldg. 4-3, in addition to $10 previously paid, for his suggestion on improvements in the method of machining certain bases for tool clearance.

Aircraft Engines of 10,000 H.P. Predicted by G-E Executive

In its gas-turbine aircraft engines, the General Electric Company has the basis for future engines of as great as 10,000 horsepower, more than the combined power of the B-29's four engines, predicts Harry A. Winne, G-E vice-president in charge of engineering.

Mr. Winne explained that in making his prediction of 10,000 horsepower gas-turbine engines he was not establishing a limit to their development. Research and engineering alone will determine this, but the horizons appear to be limitless, he said.

G-E Jet Explained

The G-E jet engine which powers the Lockheed P-80 fighter already generates more power than any other aircraft engine and drives the plane faster than any other will fly, G-E engineers explained today. In addition, intensive work is being done on the Propjet, a revolutionary new power plant which uses gas-turbine force to drive a propeller and provide a jet thrust simultaneously.

Designed primarily to drive high-speed military transports and bombers, the Propjet has been subpected to rigid test-stand runs and has been installed in an experimental Army Air Forces plane of advanced design.

Propjet Has Future

At a recent conference of aircraft and power plant engineers the expert opinion was that the Propjet would develop into the power plant for transport and cargo planes, including giant air liners for transoceanic and transcontinental operations.

The range of planes powered by the Propjet will be extensive, experts predict. It is believed they will be able to operate over long ranges at far higher speeds than planes driven by reciprocating gas engines, which must cruise at reduced speed. Economical flights from New York to San Francisco, from Washington to London unquestionably will be possible, G-E engineers say.

Design Given

The Propjet is designed for installation in the wings of multi-engined aircraft or in the nose of a single-engine plane. Air rams into the nose of the engine through ducts opening forward. This air is compressed and forced into combustion chambers, into which fuel is injected and burns intensely. This raises the temperature and velocity of the gases, which with great energy then strike the buckets of the turbine wheel.

Through reduction gears the turbine drives the propeller. The gases passing through the turbine wheel discharge rearward, the resultant thrust being utilized in jet propulsion, thus giving the engine a combination of propeller and jet power.

Two men were going through a house that was said to be haunted, when to their surprise they heard voices saying: "Go away! Leave us alone! Go away!" The men turned to each other nervously. "How is it we can hear them but can't see them?" "Because," said the moaning voice of the ghosts, "our sheets haven't come back from the laundry."

Thirty-seven Suggestors Win $258 in Idea Awards

Thirty-seven suggestors were awarded $258 during the last week, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

An award of $35 was presented to George M. England, Bldg. 4-3, for his suggestion of improvements in the method of machining certain bases for tool clearance. This was an addition to $10 previously awarded. Homer L. Phillips, Kokomo, was given $25 for his idea pertaining to the use of rubber hose to prevent motors from turning during heat run.

Awards ranging from $5 to $20 were received by the following employees:

Bldg. 4-B
Charles Norwood.

Bldg. 4-1
Joseph Turley, Herbert C. Brockmyer.

Bldg. 4-2
Roy F. Blessing, Antoinette A. Lause, Doris L. Arnold, Gertrude T. Markley, Marie F. Seffle, Raymond H. Christman, Lloyd F. Ernst.

Bldg. 4-3
Conrad F. Hohnholz.

Bldg. 4-4
Donald Gage, Russell L. Thurber, Myrtle Barfell, Katherine Bertha Norr.

Bldg. 4-5
Wilbur Witmer, Mabel Beaty.

Bldg. 6-2
Lloyd F. Marquart.

Bldg. 17-3
Donald L. Krinn, Bernadette B. Lantz, Verna M. Bullerman, Ray R. Miller.

Kokomo
Richard Wm. Heronemus, Ralph Bischoff, Chas. D. Hollingsworth, Claud S. DuBois, Orville G. Stodgill, Florence B. Guffey, Leslie B. Thompson, Henry E. Mitchell, Golie Alcorn.

Dunning, Reeves Get Sales Jobs

Two Appointments Made In A and M Department

The appointments of Clayton P. Dunning as manager of the newly-organized New York Appliance Sales District of the General Electric Company and of Carleton A. Reeves as manager of the Company's Northeastern Appliance Sales District, Boston, have been announced by C. R. Pritchard, general sales manager of G-E's Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Mr. Dunning, recently named local manager of the Appliance and Merchandise Department in New York, attended Alabama Polytechnic Institute and, in 1925, became associated with the Matthews Electric Supply Company, a G-E distributor in Birmingham, Ala. Ten years later he transferred to the General Electric Supply Corporation in Atlanta, Ga., and, in 1942, went to Washington as liaison between the War Production Board and the General Electric Company.

Mr. Reeves was named to succeed Lieut. Col. James A. Ramsey, who died September 24. A native of Southampton, L. I., he attended St. Lawrence University and joined the General Electric Company's Edison Lamp Works, Harrison, N. J., in 1924. Later he went to Denver and then to New York as a lamp specialist.

He became associated with Rex Cole, a G-E distributor, in 1936 and was named the Company's range and water heater representative in Boston in 1937. During the war, Mr. Reeves was with the War Production Board in Washington and Boston. Since January, 1945, he has been acting manager of the Northeastern district.

Bond Drive

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Large Subscriptions Made

Tabulated returns to Tuesday, November 13, indicated that 81 per cent of the bond quota had been subscribed. It was noticeable in this campaign, Mr. Crise pointed out, that several rather large individual subscriptions were made, which accounted for the percentage realization of the quota, while there was a pronounced shortage of small subscriptions. Undoubtedly the number of employees participating will be much smaller than in previous campaigns, he said, if the present trend continues.

Employees of the Winter Street Plant had a separate goal of $12,000, and returns to Tuesday, November 13, showed that employees there had subscribed for $7,569 in cash purchases, or 63 per cent of the quota.

Your best safety device is nine inches above your shoulders.

G-E Returning

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the time they are processed through the Employment Office.

W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Company, said this procedure was decided upon after personnel men at the various factories reported many of the thousands of discharged servicemen already re-employed came in with discharge papers torn and in poor condition. Over 51,000 G-E employees left the Company to enter military service.

The folders, in addition to having space for the discharge certificate, have a velvet-lined section for medals and other decorations, a place for photographs, and a small diary in which battle dates and other military information may be listed.

Adult—One who has ceased to grow at both ends and has begun to grow in the middle.





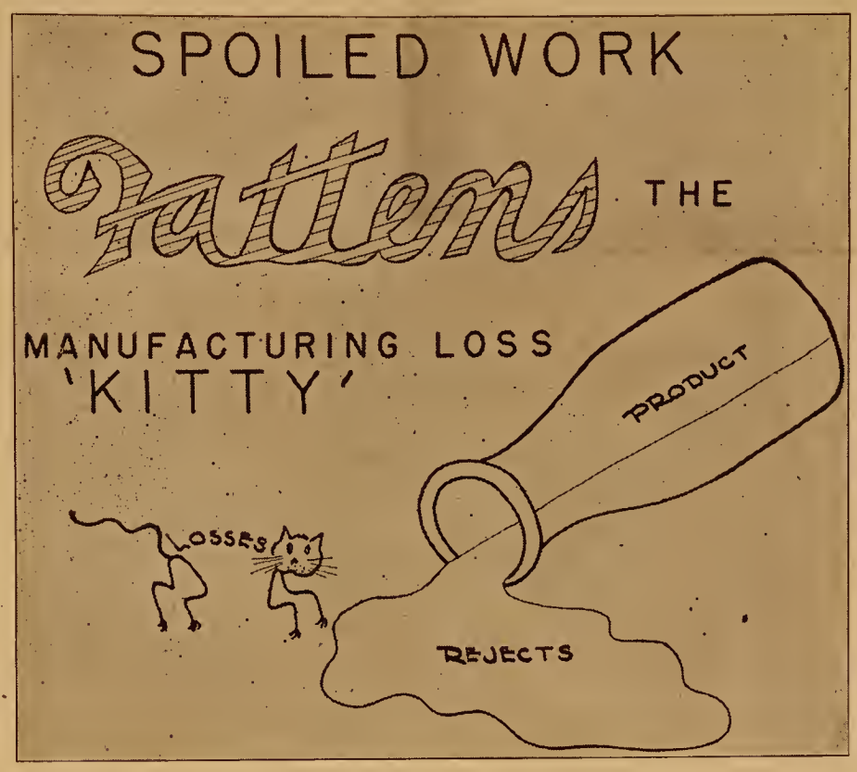
No, it is not a sign of spring that the Kokomo "Bird" begins to sing again, but somebody just dug up a fresh morsel of news and brought us to life. However, with all the marrying past, present, and future, we wonder if the season shouldn't be summer. Now that we have broken it to you gently, we will offer congratulations to Mrs. Richard Fuhs, formerly known to you as Norma Currens, Mrs. Lawrence Boone, who was Frances Sosbe, and Mrs. Robert Ray, who was formerly Norma Florek. Then it seems that we are going to have a Mrs. Richard Dotterer, at least Wilma Kirby had a miscellaneous shower for Evelyn Ausman last Thursday evening, November 15, in honor of the event, which will take place Thanksgiving Day. . . . Will someone please open the door wide because here comes our welcome to Naomi Bennett in the Rotor Section and Kathryn Sylvester and Geraldine Golightly in the Payroll Section. (And speaking of the Payroll Section, that laugh that always awakens the whole office comes from Marilyn Miller.) . . . We are very glad to hear that Mary Sweet's grandmother is feeling better after her injury. . . . We have received word that Earl Howard, who took care of the mail when he worked here, has arrived safely in Japan, and will appreciate very much any letters from friends here at Kokomo G-E. Anyone wishing his address please contact Ada Conwell, his sister, in the Rotor Section. . . . Word has just come over the grapevine that a certain fellow can't get enough air by opening the window but has to put his foot through the glass.

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

Farewell wishes are in line for Goldye Kelly and Harriet Keyes, two Accounting Section members who are leaving us today. We sure will miss you both. . . . Elmer Haugk, Bldg. 18-3, marched in the the American Legion fellows. Nice going! Not only that, last Monday he celebrated his birthday. Happy birthday, Elmer. . . . We're happy to announce ,that Helen Brindle, Bldg. 18-4, is now an aunt. . . . Laverne Nolan, Bldg. 18-3, is wearing a lovely diamond on her third finger, left hand as well as a sparkling smile on her face. . . . Dorothy Frosh Gerig, a former Bldg. 18-4 employee, and her husband are back in Fort Wayne. Her husband was just discharged from the Army. . . . Bill Anderson is home on furlough and visited the Bldg. 18-B gang last week. Bill is now stationed at Camp Peary, Va. . . . The small daughter of Charles and Martha Westfall, Bldg. 18-B, was struck by a car last Thursday evening. We are glad to report that she escaped with a few minor bruises. . . . Phyllis Edwards, Bldg. 18-B, just loves to walk home in the rain at midnight. Better check on your gas tank next time, Phyllis. . . . Since the hunting season has opened, a couple of Bldg. 18-3 members can be found hunting rabbits, quail, and what have you. Ask Fred Prange and Luther Meyer about their experiences. . . . Dolores Gerke, Bldg. 18-5, swears she saw a bubble floating down Calhoun Street the other evening —We all wonder where she had been before! . . . We hear that the Whites are having duck soup this week—he bagged three last Saturday! We also wish Ray White, Bldg. 18-5, belated birthday greetings.



Inspection QUALITY Test
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Quality Manufactured Into The Product

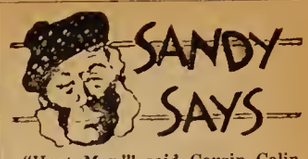
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Using Product Rejection Data

REDUCES LOSSES

Is Zat So?

We are indeed proud to see so many blue banners designating the groups achieving their quota in the Eighth Victory Loan Drive, but let's have a few more so that our division will go over the top. . . . We have heard much about the Northern hunting trips of our coworkers, so we must not slight the more modest hunter. Henry Gallmer admits that his game is not so large but at least they are plentiful. By the way, Henry, where did you get those mouse traps? . . . We will probably have some nice hunting tales since the local hunting season opened. . . . Helene Evanoff was really serious in her efforts to obtain an oversize hole gauge. My, my, Helene! . . . Who is the taxi driver who was caught running a red light and had to go to court and pay his respects or something to the judge? For further information, see John Gordy; he sees all, knows all, but won't talk. . . . We miss Jim Stafford but wish him success in his new endeavors in Akron, Ohio. . . . Mary Jane Meyer's landlady called to tell "Janie" that she had a special letter from her friend overseas. Janie rushed home to get it hoping it was news that he was on his way home, but no such luck. It was just an oversize letter that had postage due. Too bad, Janie! . . . Visitors last week were Melvin Ruhl, Army; Ernie Barr, who retired on pension; Howard Estman, and Cury Sprague, who are recuperating from accidents. Glad to see you all again. . . . The telephone is sure a handy convenience, especially when you are oh, so tired. Norman Bender believes that anyhow! . . . We lay down the welcome mat for Rosella Fisher, our new time clerk, working in the Production Division. . . . Glad to report that Mabel Lieberenz has recuperated sufficiently to be removed to her home.



"Hoot Mon!" said Cousin Colin, looking up from a paper, "it says here thot tires will be rationed for several months yet. Thot means I still hai a gude excuse not tae drive yon Model T."

"Yus," I answered, "ye hai had a break the last few years—wi' Uncle Sam furnishing ye yer excuses—ye dinna hai tae think up ony o' yer ain." (We spread the dialect on thicker than ever when we are talking o' expenses.)

Weel, tires or no, gude times are coming—some day—and before they get here, let's look at where we stood before the war, and where we're likely tae stand the noo. In 1937, before Europe was slitting throats, and when we were still having "depressions" or "recessions," we worked 1.7 hours tae pay for the same amount o' food thot people in Europe worked 6 hours for. No wonder we are better fed! We spent 18% o' our pay for shelter, and they spent 25% o' theirs, and for much poorer shelter, too.

We worked 3.6 minutes tae pay for 1 kilowatt-hour o' electricity. They worked 25 minutes. We worked 0.2 hours tae pay for 1 light bulb. They worked 2 hours. I'll bet they were the original bulb snatchers!

We earned enough in 1 month tae pay for an electric refrigerator. It took 3½ months o' their pay.

Weel, before the war, I thought pairhops they were just underpaid. But since then I hai learned differently. In the manufacture o' war goods, forgetting all about hourly pay, we put out 3 times more per man-hour than they did! No wonder we won!

And no wonder we had 1 auto for every 5 people, where Europe had 1 tae every 40. We had telephones, radios, fishing tackle, etc., etc., in like abundance, compared tae theirs.

Noo, why do we hai all this? I'll tell ye. It's the AMERICAN way! Free enterprise! Freedom o' individuals tae work how, when, and where they chose. Freedom o' C.R.* ideas. Here, anyone can turn in a gude C.R.* idea and get a big cash award! And it's just such ideas thot hai got us where we were in 1937! Noo, if we want tae progress further—not go back tae where we left off in pre-war days—but advance way beyond thot, we must hai C.R.* ideas—and in abundance!

Cousin Colin was helping me write this, and when we got tae "Free Enterprise," he got oxcited. "Hoot Mon!" he said, "I'l hai some o' thot!" Anything free goes tae his head, like a borrowed cigarette.

*COST REDUCTION



HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

SOUP THAT IS SOUP

By the
HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS
of the
General Electric Consumers Institute

There are soups and there are SOUPS. There's a difference in flavor; a difference in nutritional value. So home-made soups should be made rich and delicious by the homemaker. Delicious consomme in the children's lunchbox thermos is preferable to a water bouillon; a hearty vegetable soup rather than a weak broth makes a meal important.

When preparing home-made soup, homemaking experts at the General Electric Consumers Institute find that the best of foods should go into the making. Stale vegetables just plain lack the vitamins you want in the broth.



Soup Stock

A gallon of good basic soup stock, cooked in a kettle for about 5 to 6 hours, is usually made in the G-E Consumers Institute with about three pounds of beef shank, or veal, lamb or even oxtail. Meat leftovers, or bones specially purchased, are often used too. Seasoning should be subtle, not overpowering. Add salt and a few herbs, such as bayleaf, marjoram, or basil, and a bit of garlic or red pepper.

The main thing is to cover the meat with water, secure the kettle lid tightly and allow to simmer gently for several hours until the meat is so tender it's almost ready to drop off the bone. Then allow to cool in a suitable place while the fat and scum rise to the top. Homemakers often prepare a delicious soup which, if not skimmed, is spoiled because of the grease. This should be skimmed by lifting the hardened laver off with a spoon and it may be used for cooking drippings.

Now remove the meat from the bone and put the pieces back in the stock. For storing, cover carefully and place in the refrigerator.

Clear Soup

Strain soup stock through cheese cloth, heat, and serve as consomme.

Variations of Consomme

JELLIED CONSOMME — Add 2½ tsps. of plain gelatin soaked in 2 tbsp. cold water to 1 pt. consomme.

VEGETABLE CONSOMME—Add to consomme recipe 1 cup shredded carrots, 1 cup shredded celery and 1 cup green peas. Cook for 30 minutes after adding vegetables.

NOODLE SOUP—To 1 quart of brown soup stock add 1 cup of egg noodle, cook 20 minutes.

CONSOMME ROYALE — Consomme served with shredded chicken and new green peas.

JULIENNE SOUP—Add equal portions of shredded carrots, celery, turnips and onions.

Vegetable Soup

To soup stock G-E Institute experts add vegetables. Cook thoroughly until vegetables are tender. This hearty soup, served together with waldorf or cabbage salad, dessert and beverage constitutes a complete luncheon.

Creamed Soup

The base of any creamed soup is a thin cream sauce which G-E Institute experts make by using 1 tbsp. melted butter or margarine, and 1 tbsp. flour to each cup of milk. Then separately cook celery, spinach, or asparagus, etc., in a small amount of water. Make a puree by rubbing the vegetable through a sieve. Add leftover water and puree to cream sauce, season to taste, heat, and serve immediately.

Creamed Soup With Cooked Vegetables

Tested in the G-E Consumers Institute

One to 2 cups cooked vegetables chopped fine; 2 cups water (potato water or rice water); or veal or chicken stock; 3 cups milk; 2 tbsp. butter or chicken fat; 2 tbsp. flour; 1 tsp. minced parsley if desired; 2 slices onion minced fine if desired and salt and pepper to taste.

Cook vegetables for 20 minutes in liquid, together with parsley and onion. Then add milk, seasoning, and bring to the boiling point. Cream flour and fat together. Combine with a little of the hot liquid and add to the milk and vegetables.

Obey danger signs for your own safety.

"Careful" means "full of care." Be more care-full.

It's False Economy



—LIKE THE FELLOW WHO STEPS SO FAR TO SAVE SHOE LEATHER THAT HE TEARS HIS TROUSERS—to use chisels, pliers, screwdrivers, files, etc., until they are WORN OR BROKEN to the point of being UNSAFE. "False Economy" from the standpoint of SAVING TIME—the LOSS OF AN EYE or even a MINOR INJURY would cause more TIME LOSS than required to exchange them. False economy in getting long life out of the tool because it may be damaged beyond repair.

Ward Staley, Bldg. 6-1, Tool Supply, in above picture, is giving us a bit of advice based upon years of experience—IT IS SAFE TO FOLLOW IT.

HERSCHEL D. SMITH
Safety Engineer

SCIENCE FORUM — BY L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Can the weather be predicted accurately a long time in advance?

A. The U. S. Weather Bureau does not predict in advance with any assurance for longer than a few days or a week at the most, for such predictions are not yet considered practical except in a very limited number of instances. Some attempts to forecast for a period of a month in advance have been made, but as yet the method has not proved its value.

Q. Can the odor of paint be neutralized for indoor use?

A. There are various commercial products that are prepared to do this. Such preparations are being sold extensively and are apparently very satisfactory in their apparent odor reduction.

Q. Why is the flame blue in an oil or gas stove?

A. The flame is actually burning gas. Its light is caused by the glow of hot gases, and its actual appearance varies according to the nature of the gases that are used in producing it and the variety of chemical changes taking place. A union of carbon monoxide and oxygen takes place everywhere in the flame to form carbon dioxide. In the case of oil and gas stoves, hydrogen or compounds of hydrogen unite with oxygen, forming water. The light from the glowing gas, which is blue, is caused by hydrogen and the carbon monoxide. The flame that contains solid matter, particles of carbon is yellow. Air must be mixed with the gas, before it is burned, to make the burner as hot as possible. If this is not done the flame burns yellow because the carbon particles are liberated and then heated, burning with a bright glow. But, when air is mixed with the gas, the particles are prevented from forming, so that the result is a more complete burning and the flame is essentially blue. This is the most efficient utilization of the fuel.

Q. Is ethyl gasoline better for starting automobiles than regular gasoline?

A. Yes. Ethyl gasoline does start cars more easily than ordinary gasoline. The reason for this is not because it contains more antiknock compound and tetra-ethyl lead, but because it is made to be a more volatile gasoline so that it vaporizes more readily.

Q. How can the sun's rays pass through space above the earth and not heat it?

A. The sun's rays are radiant energy which cause heat only when they fall upon an object. The heat radiated from the sun is in the form of electromagnetic waves, which are similar to light waves, except that they have a longer wave length. They are called infrared rays, and they do not lose their energy until they come in contact with something that absorbs them. Thus they reach the earth with the same energy that they had when they started.

Q. What happens to miscroscopic organisms present in water when the water has evaporated?

A. As a rule the organisms die; that is, they dry up with the water. Sometimes, they are carried away with the wind like dust particles, and other times they stay put. They may become a part of dust, for dust consists of molds and spores and other fine dry particles in addition to earthy matter. These organisms may belong to either the plant kingdom or to the animal kingdom. In general, people refer to all microscopic forms of life as microbes and to pathogenic microbes, or those which cause disease, as germs. In the field of science, micro organisms in the plant kingdom are known as bacteria and those in the animal kingdom as protozoa.

Q. How do we know that the planets are made of similar substance as that of the earth?

A. Since the other planets, along with the earth, are part of the Solar System, isolated in space, and since all the evidence points toward their having originated from the same parent body, perhaps the sun, we assume that all are made of basically the same sort of material. However, this does not mean necessarily that the same elements that are most abundant in the earth would also be most abundant in the other planets.

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

These former servicemen have returned to General Electric during the last week. Look them up and welcome them back to G-E!

Name	Location
Lloyd W. Yoder	Bldg. 26-1
Donald J. LaFontaine	Bldg. 17-2
Francis J. Magers	Bldg. 17-4
Robert A. Huhn	Bldg. 4-4
Richard C. Everett	Bldg. 6-1
Max L. Clum	Bldg. 17-2
Ray Foust	Bldg. 4-4
Donald E. Johnson	Bldg. 17-1
Max A. Merrill	Bldg. 19-5
Milo J. Osbun	Warehouse
Robert W. Pion	Bldg. 17-1
Edward Rehling, Jr.	Bldg. 20-2
Robert J. Craig	Bldg. 17-3
Herbert D. Bechtol	Bldg. 20-2
Herbert F. L. Koch	Bldg. 4-6
Donald C. Arney	Winter St.
Burt B. Miller	Bldg. 20-2
Donovan Garton	Winter St.
Ralph N. Knox	Winter St.
Arthur L. Buchanan	Bldg. 20-2
Richard Monroe	Winter St.
John A. Skevington	Winter St.
John R. Capin	Winter St.
William Enslen	Winter St.
Everald G. Myers	Bldg. 4-6
Roscoe F. Rice	Bldg. 26-2
Chas. E. Hendrickson	Bldg. 19-5
John E. Davenport	Bldg. 4-4
John G. Siemik	Winter St.
William H. Switzer	Bldg. 6-3
Robert J. Ecenbarger	Bldg. 4-4
Harry Kokosa	Bldg. 4-3
Edward F. Koontz	Bldg. 26-1
George W. Owens	Bldg. 26-2
Lester E. Wiley	Bldg. 4-4
Stan Przebindowski	Bldg. 19-5
Glen I. Bentz	Bldg. 19-5
William L. Warner	Bldg. 18-5
Jack R. Bennett	Bldg. 26-1
Robert K. Hawkins	Winter St.
Vernon E. Caley	Bldg. 26-1
Wilmer Bardonner	Winter St.
Richard O. Lawrence	Winter St.
William A. Brase	Bldg. 4-2
Albert Niemoller	Bldg. 16-3
Marvin Ostermeyer	Bldg. 4-3
Robert Ogden	Bldg. 17-3
George C. Lantz	Bldg. 26-3
Arthur M. Miller	Bldg. 26-4
H. Keith Arnold	Bldg. 19-2
Keith L. McComb	Bldg. 19-1

No Time for Dobbin Here . . .

D. C. Prince Is Air-Minded Boss, Sees Big Future for Helicopter

Despite two narrow escapes in airplane crash landings, David C. Prince, General Electric Vice-President, is so enthusiastic about the future of aircraft that he never misses an opportunity to travel via air and to date has made flights in every type of airplane.

In addition to traveling as many as 34,000 air miles in a year aboard commercial transports, Mr. Prince has established a record probably unequalled by business executives outside of the aviation industry with his flights in autogyros and helicopters as well as the jet and conventional planes.

As to the traffic-jammed airways of the future, Mr. Prince, who is in charge of the Company's General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory at Schenectady, said he favors the helicopter.

Safest of All

"I feel that the helicopter is the safest of all airplanes, and its future development is unlimited when it comes to air travel taking its place as a modern means of transportation, just as in the case of the automobile following the first World War," Mr. Prince said.

The helicopter can be controlled with ease, and it affords a flight "less exciting than a ride in an automobile," he pointed out in describing his recent flight in one of the new models.

Mr. Prince, six feet, three inches tall and weighing more than 200 pounds, said he rode in a helicopter without its fuselage and even that "skeleton of a ship" gave no sensation of insecurity. With the helicopter, which is capable of taking off and landing vertically and can stay poised in the air over any desired spot, Mr. Prince said it is possible to cruise along over city streets, stopping the plane in mid-air each time a traffic light holds up the vehicles in the street.

"Today's dreams of newer, faster and safer airplanes as a means of modern, everyday travel, will become a reality within the next five years," Mr. Prince predicts.

The jet plane "is a sweet ship," and its turbine-driven motor affords a swift, smooth ride, the Company executive said. It always will be faster than the helicopter; say, 500 miles an hour against a potential 300 miles per hour for the rotating wing craft. However, the helicopter has an advantage because it is capable of taking off and landing vertically, and can also hover in space. Even in the case of engine trouble, the helicopter can be landed safely, he said.

Pilot in World War I

During World War I, Mr. Prince served as a first lieutenant and piloted one of the Caudron ships, which he describes as "aircraft about one step better than the Wright Brothers' original model." On one occasion his motor "froze," and he had to crash-land the ship. Sometime later, when he was a passenger aboard a trimotor plane traveling from Chicago to Philadelphia, "something went hay-wire with the fuselage," and the ship was forced to crash-land. He escaped injury both times, however.

From August, 1941, until the following July, during his term as president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Mr. Prince traveled as much as 34,000 air miles, but he declares "it was nothing outstanding," in view of the thousands of air miles flown by men in the armed forces or persons engaged in aviation work.

A wartime ban on civilian air travel made it necessary for Mr. Prince to forego many flights, but now that the service is being "smoothed out" he again expects to travel via airplane whenever practical from a business standpoint.

As one of his business associates puts it:

"Mr. Prince would not drive his car to the corner grocery if he could get his hands on an airplane for the trip."

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

MISCELLANEOUS

Matt Krebs is still on the sick list. Good luck in getting well. Matt. Hope to be seeing you soon. . . . Wanted: One alarm clock so he can get to work on time. For more details, see Gail Gaff. . . . The first day after the hunting season opens and no one reported getting any birds. No casualties, but Joe Snyder has a wounded arm; for further details, see Joe. . . . New faces seen in the Miscellaneous Section are James Neuman and Donald Reinker. . . . Leroy Crider is enjoying his vacation this week. Good shooting, Roy.

COST

Congratulations, Harold Hartman and Clarence Kreischer, upon reaching another milestone. We enjoyed the cake and ice cream very much. Anyone else having a birthday?

SPARE PARTS

Do you like to day dream? Marguerite surely does. She built a spacious two car garage and bought a new car recently, she said. . . . Poor Jerry certainly has a time with those molars of hers. We hope you don't have to visit the dentist many more times, Jerry. . . . Have you heard what Loraine wants Santa to bring her for Christmas? Van Johnson all tied up in pretty ribbon. What a man, Van. . . . What's this? Jerry will settle for Louie if Santa won't bring her Van Johnson for Christmas. Don't fight over him, girls. . . . Spare Parts woke up one morning last week to find a lost speed returned. Vivian surely has livened things up with that cheerful laugh of hers. Glad to have you back. . . . We wish to welcome Louis Rousseff to Spare Parts. . . . Jerry Packard enjoyed his two day vacation husking corn. Did you get it all husked, Jerry?

PRODUCTION

Delores Kiel had a telephone call last week from her friend from New York, and now she's really walking on air, because wedding bells will soon be ringing for them. Congratulations, kids. . . . And then yours truly had a wire saying that my Sam had arrived in the States Saturday. Just one more with her head in the clouds. Nice feeling, isn't it? . . . And now has everyone seen Cara Lou Lichty? Take a good luck at her left hand. Congratulations there also. Hope the Navy releases him too before long. . . . Has anyone heard of Butter Fingers? Well, Shorty Redding just couldn't hold on to that file box the other day, and was he embarrassed. It happens in the best of families, Shorty.

MACHINE SHOP

Glenn Snider and Betty Hoagland are two of the new faces we have around here. We welcome all of them and hope they like us. . . . We miss our setup men very much, and would like to have them back. The girls liked to have Walter Johnson sharpen their scrapers.

ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL

We wish to welcome Verna Hensch to our office. . . . Louella Burnsworth was surprised Friday afternoon when she came into the office. Her desk was decorated in the usual bridal colors, and a huge box was in the center of her desk. Upon opening the gifts she was presented with a 96 piece dinner set and two matched pairs of silver salt and pepper shakers from the Winter Street co-workers. Louella was married Sunday, November 11. She has left the company, and the happy couple will reside in Arizona this winter. Winter Street congratulates the bride and groom. . . . Miss Louella Burnsworth and Max Shively were united in marriage at 2 P.M. Sunday, November 11, in the Methodist Church, Edna Ind. The Rev. Albert Rider officiated at the single ring ceremony before an altar banked with yellow and white mums. Following the ceremony, a reception for 125 guests was held at the home of the bride's uncle. A three-tiered wedding cake decorated with red rosebuds and a bridal pair centered the serving table. Mrs. Shively was employed in the offices of Winter Street, and Mr. Shively recently returned from overseas in the Maritime Service.

ENGINEERING

Now the question arises: Did Vern Gingher shave off his long worshipped curless mustache in order to be permitted to enter the Armistice Day Parade or was it to appease the beautiful majorettes who marched ahead of him? . . . Congratulations to Walt Schmidt, proud father of a baby girl. We are looking forward to the time when Walt's daughter will be of age and authors another "Life with Father." . . . The score of Minnesota-Indiana game was 49-0. The 49 belongs to Indiana while the 0 is the hole into which the Minnesota Gophers dug themselves. Isn't that right, Cliff Leegard?

WINTER STREET SPORTS
BASKETBALL

Winter Street has entered a basketball team in the Inter-Division League this year and hope to win a few games, even though they do not cop the championship.

Last year Winter Street won the championship and were undefeated in the Inter-Division League. However, since most of the team worked for the Power Driver, they are now working elsewhere. Stretch Magnusson and Carrol Seiples, who ran one-two in the league scoring last year, are not available. Besides working at Broadway, Stretch is playing with the G-E Club, which makes him ineligible. Seiples came back to work here recently but is going to play with the Eagles, which makes him ineligible. Chet Neitzert, the big center, is now in the armed forces. Also gone are Verdan Stuckey, the former Leo high school star, Bob Dent and Bud Snyder, the two big boys of the team.

The only remaining players from last year's team are Charles Hooley, Kenny Yoder, and Everett Kelley. Kelley is managing the team this year but will play very little because of poor health. Hooley and Yoder will play on the first team along with Dan Barkley, Clem Leffers, and Leo Romine. We also have Bud Beaman, Norman Burns, Louie Ehrman, and Carl Herndon, only recently returned from the Navy. This lineup has plenty of speed but lacks size. Any basketball team needs at least one real big boy, and this is where we are missing.

There is plenty of basketball talent at Winter Street, but they are playing with other teams. Besides Seiples, there are Hamie Schneider, former Illinois star playing with the G-E Club, and Glen Reynolds, former Hoagland and G-E Club star, playing in another league. So until we can pick up some players of their caliber, we will be playing mostly for exercise although we may win a game here and there.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

Here are some of the hunting results by the boys the opening day: Harry Bell and his son, 4 rabbits and a nice red fox; Jack Herney and Clark Shied, 2 rabbits; Joe Robinson, 2 rabbits; Bill Reed, just one little one; George Guy saw 2 rabbits; Bob Winkler and two others, 12 rabbits; Harry Kaher and a partner, 17 rabbits; Mel Walchae, his wife, and three others, 37 rabbits; Harry and Mel were down around Berne—and everyone else said that there was no game to be found anywhere. . . . Yours truly and his son, who is home on a leave, and their trusty beagle dogs bagged only five rabbits after a hard day's hunt.

Here's G-E's Flying Vice-President



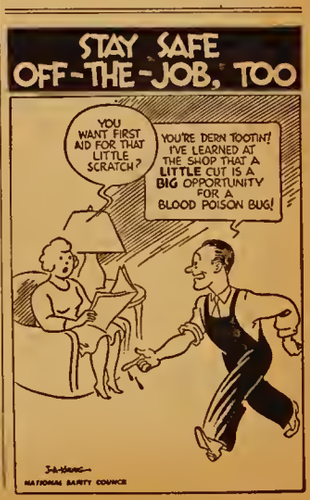
David C. Prince, General Electric Vice-President, climbs from the cockpit of a Kellett-built autogyro, loaned by the Army Air Forces to General Electric for experimental purposes. The G-E executive sees a big future for the helicopter. (See story on this page.)

WITH THE M. B. A. PATIENTS

Ed Arthur, Francea Batzner, Samuel A. Beer, Carl Bohnke, Gwendolyn Bughy, Gerald E. Christie (Company accident), Bertha Fnxge, Walter Hein, Harvey Kerr, Mary E. Kauffman, Lela Kittredge, Mary Lucas, Hazel Martz, Mildred A. Miller, Carl Nix, Maryellen Nies, Mabel Wolff Poorman, Betty Sapp, Jean Schmalzried, Arthur Shull, Willie Weber, Earl White.

The following have returned to work: Harry Greider, Clifford Combs, Robert Toerne, Peggy Brandyberry, Harry Woodward, Katherine Johnson, Marguerite Kohr, Lawrence Otis, George Danehy, Anna Cook, Joseph Iaccavento, Harlan Forschner, Stanley Callow.

The following have left the hospital: Yolanda Gigli, Margaret Keesler, Ruth Smith, Harold Dominique, Riley Richardson, Herbert Wise.



Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Those wedding bells are breaking up that old gang in the Plastics Office. Yep—another gal is making all those exciting last-minute arrangments preparatory to trodding the rose-strewn path. Beat it out, Lohengrin! It's Lois Yanney this time. The man is Tom. (We never get her past the first name!) It's always—"Tom Says." "Tom and I." "As I said to Tom just last night"—and then we're off on the sterling qualities of said "Tom!" The date is set for November 24. We did manage to learn that Tom works in Indianapolis and after weeks of searcbing, they've landed an apartment there. . . . Also, Edythe Yoder is wrinkling her brow these days over all that billing whicb Lois has always kept so beautifully up-to-date. We hope you'll like us, and your job 'n everything, Edythe! . . . Friendly, caustic, sweet Mary Coggeshall is with us no longer, but we'll not soon forget her. No, sir! And, incidentally, you should see Mary when sbe's all dressed up for a party! Ve-ry, ve-ry purty! The girls in the office had a dinner party for her—orchids 'n presents 'n everything—at the English Terrace—and Mary really is a knockout with that lovely complexion and beautiful hair! We all hope to be seeing her now and then, and naturally, everyone is wishing her the best of everything—always. . . . Mi goodness! Did you see Harold Scbeer's mustache! You must have looked quickly, because it wasn't long with us! And such a nice little mustache too—not the Menjou type, all waxed and pointed, nor the Colona alfalfa number—but just a friendly little "eager-beaver" sort! It seems Harold went hunting in the North Woods, or somewhere, (naturally!) and along witb the deer, brought back a bit of the brush. . . . Watch for some photographic publicity on our smiling Ed Fogel. (Did you ever before know such a genial Production Manager? It's amazing!) Ed has joined the Quarter-Century Club, and is fast becoming the No. 1 pin-up lad for the Plastics Office Gals.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Jean Weiant has decided to read bread baking recipes before baking instead of afterwards from now on. She set some bread the other morning before coming to work and found when she returned that evening it hadn't raised a bit. After reading her recipe, she discovered what was the trouble. . . . Edna Holbrook dashed to the candy lady, purchased a cup of ice cream, dashed back with a straw instead of a spoon. Better luck next time. . . . Wanetta Schulte's husband has returned to a camp in Georgia after spending a 45-day furlough at home. The first day Wanetta returned, she lost her gloves. After accusing everyone of taking them, she found them where she left them—on the table. . . . Plastics was well represented at a skating party last week, and everyone enjoyed themselves—even the ones who fell all over the floor. . . . We're glad to see the Bond Drive go over so big in the Cleaning Section. Congratulations, guys and gals.

No worker is required to take chances of injury.

All the World Bows to this Lens



Schenectady's Erie Boulevard always has been known as a windy street, but it never appeared as windswept as this. Crystal gazing camera has knack of making block-long buildings, telephone and light poles bend low, bow and curtsey, due to peculiar convexity of mirror. (See story on this page.)

Turret Tattles

It's hard to believe what li'l brats some of the lads were when they were at that age. We overheard one of them telling about the time he put a kitten through the corn sbeller after he had the gadget runnin' in high gear. Said it didn't take long for the cat to make the trip. Durn such kids, anyhow! . . . Did you ever see a two and one-half inch drill run at one hundred and twenty-nine R.P.M. and number five feed? We would have lost some of our hard earned cash if it had been mentioned previously to the time we actually saw it happen. 'Course the drill always looks a li'l wrinkled after a session like this, and it smokes and screams but if you can stand to see it, it can be done for a matter of moments. w-h-o-o-o-o-o-e-e-e-!! . . . So you want to go fishin', huh? Well all I can do is tell you a little story, and then you use your own judgment. Seems as how the Big Stick mentioned to a couple of lesser Sticks about doin' a li'l fishin'. And would they like to participate? They would, and one of them offered to get the refreshments for the trip. Bein's how the store was just across the street from his house and he could get it as he went home after work and have it on hand for the morrow morn. Who's gonna drive? Said lesser Stick again offers to do the chauffeuring for the party in his joy buggy. Say, did they have sandwiches at the refreshment spot, too? They did. Well, he might as well get sandwiches for the jaunt, as the otber two fellers declared they got awful hungry when on a fishin' trip. So the refreshments and the sandwiches and the car and gas, oil, and tires were taken care of for the li'l outing. (Do youse guys commence to see the light?) Came the morn! The generous Stick had an alarm clock that didn't alarm when it should, so one of t'other principals offered to give him a buzz at the proper time in the morning. After making sure he was awake enough to understand, t'other Stick suggested that he stop on his way to pick up the other members of the party and get the bait for the trip! Feelin' a bit put out about the deal as it stood, he made a feeble effort to have one of the other lads get the bait, but wound up by getting the bait and picking up the others. Here we create a lapse of time until the said "good guy" gets a healthy bite and after a terrible struggle begins to haul in a "Beeeeg wan." He lets out a holler for the landing net, which one of the other lads discovers full of refreshments that have to be emptied from the net before it can be used. Dashing down to the beach again with the net he is in time to help land a great big piece of drift wood. (What happened to this pore ol' lesser Stick, shouldn't happen to a dog! But it does.) However, he had the satisfaction of seein' the Big Stick get a real one hooked into the lower branches of a TREE and then shake itself loose and make a getaway. None of the participants mentioned how far the fish had to walk to water after falling from the tree, but he got away. The saddest part of this li'l saga is the fact that the "good guy" had to settle for sixty cents on the dollar after much dunning and cajoling for the entire cost of the trip. These fishermen, I dunno. But if you still want to go fishin', they're lookin' for another sucker!



Here's a Crystal-Gazing Camera . . .

Illuminagraphic Camera Measures Light Reflections Scientifically

A crystal-gazing camera, which minus swami garb peers into a peculiarly curved convex mirror and photographs measurable light reflected therein, has been developed for use in the study of scientific illumination, it was announced recently by the General Electric Company.

Devised by Frank Benford, physicist in the General Electric research laboratory, and technically called an "illuminagraphic" camera, the new instrument eliminates complicated computations in spherical trigonometry heretofore necessary for measuring light in a given area. This simplified system of measure, according to Mr. Benford, will enable illuminating engineers and architects to obtain easily data from which structures can be designed wherein maximum light is provided.

"Crystal Ball" Idea

The instrument consists of an ordinary, small camera mounted on a ring stand directly above a convex mirror, which at casual glance could pass for the top of a swami's crystal ball. Perimeter of the mirror, instead of being perfectly spherical, is deliberately curved in such a manner that the distorted reflection of any light source in it is directly proportional in size to the illuminating value of that light source. This process of so reflecting light is called "double projection," according to Mr. Benford.

The peculiar curvature permits the mirror to reflect everthing in a given area above the level of the mirror. Thus, at any point where the instrument is placed, the crystal-gazing camera can photograph a complete picture of light being received at that point.

Light Surface Measured

From the photograph, the area of light surfaces is measured against the total area of the picture. The percentage of light in the picture thus computed also is the percentage of light being received at that point from the various light sources since the photographed reflections are directly proportional in size to the effectiveness in size of the light sources.

With sources of artificial illumination a known quantity, and with standard averages for sky brightness available, the exact amount of foot lamberts of light at that particular place can be computed.

Like Fun House

Because of the convex mirror, photographs taken resemble images seen in mirrors at an amusement park fun house. A series of pictures made out of doors at the General Electric Schenectady plant could pass for a study in photographic surrealism. Railroad tracks appear undulating, telephone poles curtsey gracefully, and solid, block long buildings become narrow skyscrapers.

Using an illuminagraphic process, illuminating engineers will be able to evaluate scientifically the actual lighting worth of present types of illumination, according to Mr. Benford. They will be able to estimate accurately the effect on lighting of various types of walls and ceiling, windows and window frames, alcoves and other physical building properties. The illuminagraphic camera should aid in the design of new types of lighting and new planning for buildings, rooms, and offices, Mr. Benford claims.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By Marylinn Bullerman

Let us start this column today by saying farewell to our Hollywood editor, Eugene Miller, who is transferred to Accounts Payable, Bldg. 18-3, at Broadway. We sure will miss you, Gene, and wish you the best of luck. So, if our readers will bear with us, we will try and make this column as interesting in the future as it has been in the past. . . . Nylon stockings—yes sir—nylon stockings is what Gladys Sorenson bought in Chicago last week-end. Lucky girl! . . . Among our late vacationers this year were Doris Laughlin and Gerry Kunberger. The girls spent the week in Chicago with their husbands, Moe and Jack. Moe was fortunate enough to meet one of his old buddies from his paratrooper outfit. Just goes to prove it's still a small world. . . . It seems as if almost everyone in our building had the same idea last week-end, as Marjorie Meyers, Ann Schlotzhauer, Coleen Johnson, and Joyce Archbold took a trip to the Windy City. Anyone interested in knowing what Marjorie did and saw, just ask her. Only plan on talking to her for at least a coùple of hours. . . . Our true Irishman, Mary O'Connor, looks a little sad these days. The Notre Dame-Army football game couldn't have anything to do with it, could it, Mary? And we wonder if that same game had any effect on Emmett Mills. . . . Helen Brown had a very exciting evening when her husband called her from Seattle, Wash., one night. It was the first time she had talked to him for two years. Here's hoping you get to see him very soon, Helen. . . . Katie Rectanus recently gave a bridal shower for a former coworker, Gwen (Babe) Feaser who was married last Saturday. Quite a number of our "Hollywood Hot Shots" attended and everyone had one grand time. Congratulations, Babe! . . . From all reports we hear that many of our gang enjoyed the Armistice Day Parade last Sunday. Mary Henry had a grandstand seat, for she parked her car in a filling station right next to the street, and saw everything very clearly. Martie Topp braved the wind and mist, and stood for the entire parade, but came home looking like an icicle. . . . Margaret Rectanus did her patriotic duty by serving hot coffee and doughnuts to hundreds of soldiers after the parade at the USO. Hats off to Margaret. . . . Does anyone know why Margaret Isaac is called "Spaghetti Sadie?" Could it be because she frequents Manicho's every Wednesday without fail?

Making a Lot Out of "Nothing"

Ability To Create Vacuum Was Top War Contribution

Making a lot out of "nothing" may be idle pastime for some, but for science and industry the lot made from "nothing" has included blood plasma, penicillin, the vitamin pill, radio and X-ray equipment, and even a new 100,000,000 volt nuclear research, according to Dr. Saul Dushman, assistant director of the General Electric Research Laboratory at Schenectady.

Speaking recently before the Physics Club of Philadelphia at the University of Pennsylvania on science's success with "nothing," a term more technically known as "high vacuum," Dr. Dushman said that the now realized ability to create an efficient vacuum in as large a space as is desired has found a thousandfold application in industry and has played a top role in the war.

"High vacuum," as defined by Dr. Dushman, is atmosphere having pressure of from 15 millionths of a pound per square inch down to 15 billionths of a pound per square inch and lower, as compared to ordinary atmospheric pressure of 15 pounds per square inch. Fifteen millionths of a pound pressure may be small, but that's still not a perfect vacuum. There are still remaining some 150 trillion molecules per cubic inch in such a vacuum.

Electronics Industry Dependent

Practically the entire electronics industry depends upon this kind of vacuum to produce sealed off devices, whether they be the smallest radio receiving tubes or 100 kilowatt tubes used in broadcasting. Only in such a "high vacuum," where molecules per cubic inch are less than one millionth of those present at ordinary pressure, can an electron stream be controlled, according to Dr. Dushman. Through such control, cathode ray tubes used in radar and television convert energy of high voltage electrons into light; X-ray tubes for radiographic and therapeutic purposes have been developed up to 2,000,000 volts; and machines for nuclear research such as the 100,000,000 volt betatron and cyclotron have come into being.

In the chemical field, "high vacuum" has proved the only practical method for obtaining valuable chemicals through distillation, he said. A vitamin, for example, constitutes only a small fraction of a fish oil. Low temperatures are necessary to distill off unwanted oil because high temperature would destroy the vitamin content. And only in a "high vacuum" with pressure down to 15 millionths of a pound can such distillation be accomplished, the G-E scientist claimed.

Other Uses Listed

In identical manner, penicillin and blood plasma could not be dehydrated without "high vacuum" techniques. Dehydration, he said, can be carried on only at low temperature, else the blood or penicillin would be harmed. The same process has brought about a new method for dehydrating foods. Dehydrated citrus juices, such as dried orange juice, is now the product of a "going" business as the result of "high vacuum."

Distillation at pressure a few millionths of that of ordinary atmosphere has made possible a separation of the purest of magnesium and the purest of other metals of low boiling point.

Coating Glass Lenses

One of the latest applications of "high vacuum," according to the G-E researcher, has been to make possible the coating of glass lenses to achieve a non-reflecting surface. Thin films of vaporized salts are condensed under "high vacuum" on the lenses. Invisible and permanent, the film coating may prove a help to persons who wear glasses.

"Actually, applications have been so many that an entirely new profession has been born—that of vacuum engineering," Dr. Dushman declared. The profession concerns itself with building better equipment for creating vacuum, and already instead of laboratory systems of glass tubing, stopcocks and pumps, there are more adaptable, large scale systems.

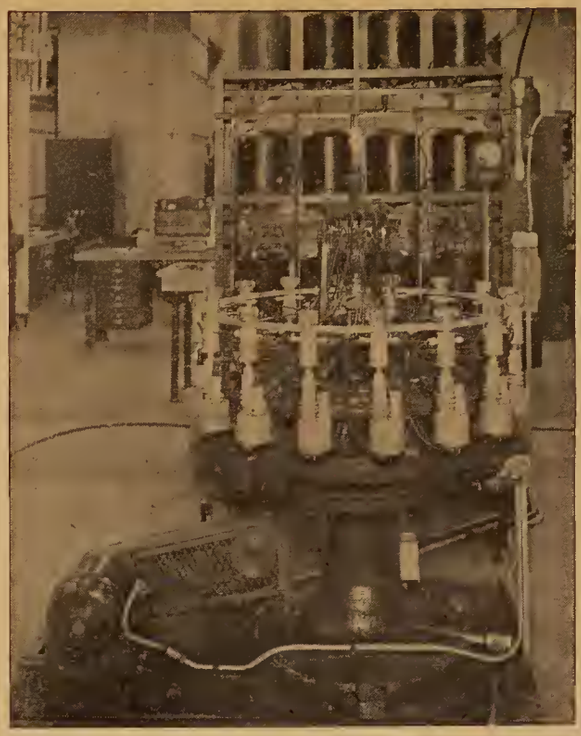
Ditties —
FROM DISTRIBUTION

By Phyllis Trump

The girls discovered a new model for their hats, and it's none other than Mr. Saurbaugh. He modeled a very smart black sequin number just the other day. One never knows where they are going to find talent, do they? . . . We all miss Addie Levenberger, Ella Stambaugh, and Louise Cox, all of whom have left us in the past two weeks. But here's a hearty welcome to Betty Pfeiffer, a newcomer who joined our ranks this week. . . . Your Ed always tries to please, so to Hulda Hattendorf and Doris McAdams a thousand apologies for not having your names in the column when returning from your vacations. . . . Lorraine Wojack returned from Pennsylvania this week, and judging from the broad smile she must think it's quite a state. . . . Betty Millhouse and Hazel Smith are becoming quite the wrestling fans. But they can't seem to find anyone to practice their newly acquired skill on. Any candidates? . . . Rosy Houser is our choice for the happiest girl in the office this week. The reason—the Army Air Corps is home. Second place goes doubly to Rita Adamski and Ginny Miller, and their reasons being brothers in the Marines and Air Corps are also home. . . . If you have any little scoops or ideal chatter, Ed would appreciate it if you would tell her. . . . No more.

One habit you can't overdo is the safety habit.

High Vacuum Automatically



Automatic machine exhausts air in electronic tubes. Pumping machinery of this kind has helped make possible mass production of this type of device. (See story on this page.)

26-5 TOOL BITS

Dale Eddington went pheasant hunting the opening day, and he took a bird home with him. We are all wondering if a guinea hen tastes as good as pheasant!!! . . . Fred Nagel gave his eldest daughter (Virginia Nagel Roebel) in marriage recently. A family party was enjoyed Saturday evening with many relatives and friends attending including our former office worker Marlyn, Fred's other daughter, who left us via the matrimonial route recently. . . . Marsh Foelber, Bldg. 26-5, sports authority, accompanied John Allen, Bob Truelove, and "Lard" Mesing to Chicago last Sunday to see a pro football game. He says he went along to point out some of the Bears' fancy plays to the boys. . . . We have been wondering why DeLores Woehnker seems to be walking on air these past few days. Can it be that phone call she received Thursday afternoon from her friend, Dick? . . . Everyone is wondering what Adrian Libbing and Bob Miser are thinking of in the morning when they run off of the elevator on the fourth floor instead of wanting to ride all the way up. Maybe there is a reason. . . . So long for now!

A thoughtless moment may cause an accident that a lifetime cannot repair.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

Hypnosis, day-dreaming, worries, problems? Something like this must be bothering Marcelle Kimmell or maybe we should just change the location of the washroom. Marcelle was heading for the washroom, and when she came to, she was in the production office—and can't even remember how she got there! . . . If you needed any advice on baby foods, formulas, etc., you should have been sitting in on the conversation between Dale Steward and Dale Peden a few days ago. They were really having a serious discussion and going into detail on baby food, temperatures, etc. surprising, isn't it? . . . The hunters' trophy for the week goes to Carl Zimmerman, Small Lot. Carl is different. When he goes hunting, he doesn't bring back rabbits, pheasants, squirrel, or something simple like that—no, he bags an owl! Maybe he's going to pull a "Wimpy" on us and serve owlburgers at his house. . . . Do you know that Walt Gusching isn't old enough to make up his own mind? That's what he tells us. . . Ilo Motter has been transferred from the packing section to the front office. Poor girl, she's just a rose between two thorns sitting there between Art Closterman and Clarence Lopshire. . . . In case you haven't read the bulletin board, George Kline, Helen Papenbrock, and Arthur Bottoms were elected chairman, secretary, and director, respectively of the M.B.A. for Section 6. As my ole professor would say, "Felicitations." . . . Ask "Seaman" Winefer why they term speed on water by knots instead of miles. If he can't answer you, Ed Lehman will tell you it's because they have the ocean tide. (Awful isn't it? The joke, I mean.) . . . Good luck and lots of happiness to Betty Krause, blueprint, and Kenny Erne. They are being married on November 24. . . . We'd like to know what Evelyn Swaim had in a certain sack this week. She said it was black and very, very sheer. It must have been something "unmentionable" since she wouldn't let us see.



DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

Another week and so it's time for more "so-called" news. As I look around at my associates, on my left I find Mr. Joseph P. Coughlin, big business man, returned from a trip East. Joe found Boston much to his liking inasmuch as the sea food was fresh and plentiful, namely, lobster, shrimp, oysters, and clams. Yum, yum, how can he talk about such things! . . . What has the East got that we haven't? Now Harold Pritchard is taking his turn by traveling to Rochester, N. Y., for three days. . . . Oh, there are other travelers in our midst, and they don't all go East. Del Roloff and Cy Stonehill attended a NESA meeting in Chicago on Friday at the Edgewater Beach Hotel. . , . Finally some of our more athletic minded lads found a football and treated themselves to a good ole game of touch-football. The teams were small—that is in numbers—but mighty. On the one side we have Wendell (Fleetfoot) Hughes, Snuffy (PB) Smith, and Lee Gburski, who I must confess were defeated by the incomparable team of Joe (Catfoot) Uttal, Johnny Carr, and Chuck Graham. The highlight of the game was the sweepin' end runs by "Catfoot" Uttl. It is reported that everytime "Fleetfoot" Hughes started someplace Mr. Graham was always in his way. "PB" Smith admits that time-outs were equally distributed between the two teams. Well boys will be boys. . . . As pictured—Jaseph Patrick (Charles Atlas) Coughlin down on Long Island in the good ole summer time—in the days when. . . . Ned Hackney broke the staple remover after all Avenell Stanton's warnings. Who's mechanical minded around here anyway? . . . You have undoubtedly heard about Ruth Gebhardt, Donna Cowan, Katty Dinkle, and Barbara Brower's excursion to Chicago and possibly saw their picture that was taken in The American Room of the LaSalle Hotel. But did you hear about their trip back to the Fort? Well, they took the long way home, via South Bend and Peru, some might even say they were lost. Shall we talk more about this, girls? . . . We wish to extend our welcomes to George Owens, who has returned to the Drafting Section after lo these many years in the Army. George was a Captain in the Quartermaster Corps of the Army and spent almost five years serving our country. Just as a way of expressing his own joy at being back he served a pheasant dinner to all the men and their wives of the Drafting Section on Saturday night. The pheasants were fresh from South Dakota, where George went a'huntin'. . . . Now we find Joe Uttal in the same boat with Chuck Graham. You guessed it, a house is what the boys want most. . . . Speaking of needing houses, Hank Jones, one of the "Orphans," is also in need of the same for his clan—just 10 nice boys about to be homeless. . . . By the way, Hank made a trip to Purdue over the week-end. We haven't been accurately informed if it was for the football game or for other interests. . . . A bit of belated news, but Mary Ruth Steininger is wearing a very lovely diamond, in fact has been wearing it since October 26. We think her fiance, Jack Herford, is a very lucky young man. . . . Among the happy people, we also have Frances Bringham, whose friend is home from overseas after serving with the Navy in far away places for 10 months. . . . Congratulations to Carl Weber, who celebrated a birthday on November 12. . . . Fred (Tiny) Vordemark is vacationing this week. "Just to get away from it all"—end quote. . . . Marjorie Steinbacher is also vacationing this week. . . . Remember Morrie Archbold, formerly of Cost; well, Morrie came around the other day for a visit and another glimpse of the familiar haunts. . . . That's all the snoopin' for this time . . . ao long.

First Radio Off G-E Lines



Eleanor Wargo of General Electric holds a radio proximity fuse as she displays the first peacetime radio to come from G-E production lines. Workers who produced radar and the radio fuse at the Bridgeport Works are now getting into peacetime stride on radios for the public.

Experience gained in wartime electronics developments (like radar and the radio proximity fuse, which explodes a shell or bomb as it nears military targets on ground or in the air) will reflect in better peacetime radios as manufacturers take advantage of wartime advances.

The first receivers being produced by G-E are table sets, which will soon begin to flow to dealers' stores, according to Paul L. Chamberlain, manager of sales for the G-E Receiver Division. For the Christmas buying, G-E expects to have 10 table models, a portable, and a console radio-phonograph receiver in dealers' stores some time in November.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Have you ever noticed about 7:40 o'clock every morning someone in the Raw Material Section very vigorously scrubbing his desk? It is so clean and shines that one does not need a mirror, and no one can lean against it without slipping. You ask what special wax he uses, and, it's none other than his very own "Doc Potter Special Rub." . . . Has anyone noticed the new test engineer working in the Test Section. Ed Sanders is his name, and he came to take over the duties of Vincent Gregg, who went to Kokomo. . . . Things around the Inspection Section were quite dull last week due to the fact that Bob Duras was spending his vacation at Harrisburg. Hope you had a swell time, Bob. . . . All radio stations remind us to keep the telephone lines open from 7 P.M. to 10 P.M. for the servicemen arriving from overseas. Hilda Hanke has made a special plea to the Broadway Plant to keep the lines upen at all times for a certain someone who is expected to land in Fort Wayne most any time. . . . The new design engineer in the A.C. Section is Earl Disher, who was recently discharged from the Navy. We all welcome you and hope you will get along fine in your work. . . . Eileen Burrell, who left the file room on November 9, was transferred to Bldg. 17-3. Some of her friends, Patricia Newlin, Gladys Foellinger, Maxine Link, Katherine Swank, Joan Cormany, Betty Hein, and Margaret Middendorf, took her out to dinner at the English Terrace and presented her with a lovely corsage. The girls in the file room also gave Eileen a very nice gift. Lots of good luck in your new work, Eileen. . . . A welcome visitors in Bldg. 4-6 recently was Lt. Col. Wilbur Bolts, who formerly worked for M. G. Norris in the Drafting Section. . . . It seems that the marvelous, modern chicken coop invented by Walter Whonsetler is already paying him in interest. Walter's pet hens keep him plenty busy by filling up his egg basket with eight or so eggs a day. Chicks, keep up your good record.

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

Wedding bells will be ringing for Alvena Greber, November 17, at the Emmaus Lutheran Church. Best wishes and a lot of happiness from the whole gang, Alvena. . . . Here's some of the names of the lucky gals whose husbands are home or on their way: Lillian Poiry's husband is home with his discharge. Ann Coleman's husband is also home. Genevieve Oddou's husband is supposed to be on his way home. Irene Fuelling's fiance is home with his discharge from the Army, so she is on a short leave and a very happy girl. . . . Kay Byers is the very proud mama of a baby boy, Thomas Edward. Congratulations! . . . Edna Butler and Marjorie Voyle both left us to keep house for their husbands, who recently received their discharges from the armed forces. . . . Velva Smith recently celebrated her first wedding anniversary; congratulations and many more of them. . . . Agnes Parcher is back to work in group 13-54. Glad to have you back with us, Agnes. She's on second trick. . . . Louise Newlane and Gladys Ponick are back with us in 13-51 after being off for a short time. Glad to have you gals back. . . . Kate Johnson is back to work after a leave of absence and looking fine. . . . Alva McMacken came back to work after her illness. We're glad to have you back with us again. . . . Monroe Green is also back with us after being off because of sickness. . . . Welcome back, folks: Agatha Jacobs from Bldg. 4-5, Cordelia Jones and Mary Kauffman, who are back in 13-56. . . . The Dispatchers Club had a stag party at the Log Cabin, and everyone had a grand time. Evan Morris didn't go and we're wondering why? We're wondering if Harold Hart took a sack just in case he didn't get his dollar's worth like he said he was going to do? Hunting season opened the next morning and we bet not many of the fellas felt like going hunting. Did Gaylord Evans make it? . . . It seems that Ralph Springer has gone back to his childhood days. Must be a story to that. . . . Alice Pelkey, Betty France, Phyllis Dunfee and Clara Nahrwold had an embarrassing moment when they went to the windows to see the troop train but instead saw something that wasn't a troop train. Just ask them about it and see them blush. . . . Anyone wanting their love affairs fixed up or broken up, see Clyde Anderson, the expert all the way around. . . . It was quite amusing to sce Fred Greene feed Pauline Mackey popcorn while Pauline was busy working. That's one way not to lose time eh, Pauline? . . . The second trick had a potluck with all the trimmings, and the usual results—a good, full stomach. . . . Talk about women drivers, Ruth Ruller and Phyllis Reber take the cake with their experiences. Ruth thinks in town she doesn't have to use her lights at night, and Phyllis picks on cops to really blow her horn at the red light. First I think she should discover who the owner of the other car is. . . . Marie Ellert is going on a two weeks' vacation. Sunny California is her destination, and she'll attend her brother's wedding. We have hopes that she will have a good time, and we know Marie so a good time is in store for her. . . . We wonder if Bessie Justis is taking orders for those lovely ear rings she made? . . . Signing off for another week and hope next week finds us with more news.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

We think you all should know the bare facts about this and that so we will give you all the details as follows: Now a lot of you have thought that so-and-so wrote the column, and we want to take this opportunity to tell you there are four or five writers. Each one takes a crack at editing it one week. . . . No wiscracks, PLEASE! Brickley's been trying to sell honey here this past week. Had a sample in his tool chest. So if you care to have some honey, contact Keith. . . . After two years, Betty Bradtmiller still looks the same. She dresses pretty too. . . . Talking about dressing, we wonder why H. Hoffman puts on a tie to eat in the cafeteria. . . . We are glad to see Dave Sutton back again, also Clif Coombs is now working second shift and the "new Rose" is dispatcher on second. (We don't know his first name yet). . . . Garlic Myers was overheard saying he never does anything to get in the news. But throwing a gutter ball will do it, Garlic. . . . Although the hunting season is open, Lennie Hutson would rather go fishing. Or maybe it was hunting cause he didn't get any fish but picked up a nice clothes prop for the little woman. . . . B. C. N. U. again. P.S. Thanks for cooperating on the Victory Loan Drive!!

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

A very good turn-out for the Dispatchers Club stag party! Congrats to the committee, Harold Gick, Walt Kammeyer, Ray Feller, and Henry Burch, for providing a nice evening's entertainment. "Shorty" Lawson of the General Electric provided the "piece de resistance" of the evening with a mystifying display of magic. Mr. Lawson had all the skill and entertaining patter of an accomplished professional prestidigitator. The remainder of the evening was devoted to cards and conversation. . . . We hear by the grapevine: That Merle Keesler, formerly of the dispatching staff of Division 1, has received his discharge from the Navy. . . . That the nimrods of the dispatching force did much hunting and shooting the first day of the current hunting season, but in most cases, Mrs. Dispatcher still had to have pork chops for dinner. . . . That the grapevine wishes to add its bit to the current safety campaign. After much research we discover that the most dangerous room in your house is the bathroom—and that the bath tub is high on the list of major causes of injuries due to falls. Now we have no wish to dictate to the personal habits of the dispatchers, but the only conclusion we can arrive at is that, in the interests of safety, we should steer clear of the bath tub. (P.S. Our four-year-old son enthusiastically endorses the idea.)

And It from a Pipe Cleaner "Grew"

Electronic Moisture Detector Will Protect Driving Motor of Ships

The mighty oak that from an acorn grew stepped aside today in favor of a new electronic device that from a pipe cleaner grew. Designed by General Electric, the new gadget is an electronic moisture detector that will serve as a silent protector for huge, electrically propelled driving motors of ships.

A long standing problem aboard ships posed before General Electric engineers several months ago concerned an enclosed cooling system for driving motors of a ship. Air from a ventilating unit is cooled by being passed over steel pipes, through which cold sea water is flowing.

Leaks Unnoticed

On some type ships, these pipes developed leaks, and since the system is enclosed the leaks would go by unnoticed. In time, the salt water would collect on and eat through insulation on the motor windings and eventually cause motor failure.

T. M. Berry, G-E engineer, found the answer to this problem in a humble pipe cleaner. Noting that the cleaner is composed of two fuzz covered wires, he made necessary connections of these two wires to an electrical relay. Water collecting on fuzz of the pipe cleaner energized the circuit and a light was caused to flash.

Was Basic Idea

Though a pipe cleaner itself would prove a bit impracticable for such use on ships, it served as the basic idea for the resultant moisture detector. In place of fuzz, extremely porous glass tape was wound around a metal tube. Then stainless steel wire was wound around the tape so that an interval of tape appeared between each coil turn of the wire. Connected to an electrical relay, the circuit becomes energized whenever moisture to a predetermined degree is absorbed by the glass tape.

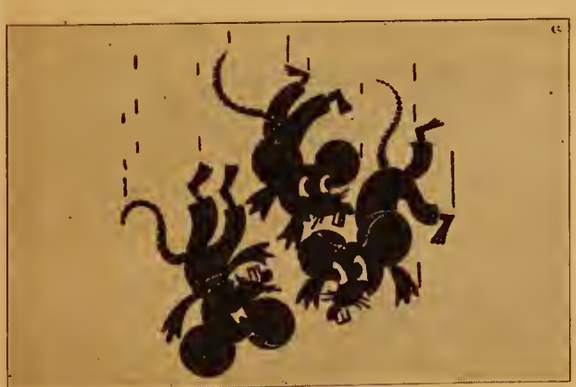
The device will be installed on ships in such a manner that leakage from the cooling system's water pipes will collect on the glass tape. When a certain degree of saturation is reached, the circuit will close and a warning will be sounded outside the enclosed cooling system.

Three Blind Mice

And How they Got that Way



Three blind mice, three blind mice;
See how they run, see how they run—
They all run licketty-split for lunch,
Completely upsetting the rest of the bunch
Who sooner or later will take a punch
At the three blind mice.



Three blind mice, three blind mice;
See how they run, see how they run—
They left off their safety belts last week,
In their record absent-minded streak,
That struck the bottom, so to squeak,
The three blind mice.

(Courtesy Industrial Information Section—Canadian Information Service)

"Chattin' in 2-2"

Did everyone see the parade Sunday? I'll have you know our own Sadie Wolff was in it. She looked grand, too. . . . They tell me Charlie Scarlett's little boy is growing so fast, he will be bigger than Charlie some day. . . . Anyone wanting to know the dope on horses, ask Bob Battershell; he has a fine one of his own. . . . Fern Sage and Eloise Mills are on needles and pins; they are both expecting their husbands back home any time. . . . Lucille Roesner is also very happy. She is expecting her brother home, and for good too. . . . If you wonder what the great big smile was for that Naomi Longsworth was displaying last week; it was because she got a long distance call from her husband in New York. . . . Bernadine May spent the week-end in South Bend visiting her sister. . . . It seems Chet Price went hunting Saturday and was very proud when he got one rabbit, but he didn't have it very long. His coat came unbuttoned and p-o-o-o-f no rabbit. . . . Elmer Pion is very happy now, since his son got his discharge and is home to stay. . . . Brice Martin is on his vacation this week. "A-hunting he will go." . . . Flash—More news from second shift. . . . Patricia Culbertson is very happy these days, and we know why. Her friend is expected home from the Marines in the near future. . . . There have been some inquiries as to where Irene Prabenstot keeps her chewing gum when not in use. No she doesn't have cauliflower ears, either. . . . Anyone wishing to know the details of the shower bath, please see Frieda Fullenkamp. Get your tickets, girls, and stand in line.

17-3 Newsies

We want to welcome back a few of our discharged servicemen. They are: Max Peckhart, Juan Rodriquez, Bob Olson, Bob Craig, Herbert Thomas, Junior Johnstonbaugh, and Tony Amarante. We're glad you're back, boys. . . . We think Thelma Oswald should carry her alarm clock with her in the morning, in case she should fall asleep on the bus again. . . . It seems that we forgot to mention Gertie Wheat's vacation the other week, and we're very sorry. It won't happen again, Gertie, we hope. . . . Joyce Cunningham and Olympia Olson are very happy gals since their husbands came home from the service. . . . Melvin Lytle dislikes this getting up early. He has a hard time finding two socks that match. Is that true, Mel? . . . We all thought Dick Madden was a big boy now, but we heard that he recommends baby's teething lotion for toothache, so now we're beginning to wonder. . . . Birthday congratulations this week go to Eileen Bartle, Betty Sickafoose, Ina Mith, and Caroline Snyder. . . . If you saw Irene Winnichi, Ina Smith, and Charlotte Blauvelt running around the cafeteria the other day, it wasn't to beat a speed record, it was just to prove to Gertie Beekner that they knew the shortest route to Bldg. 17-3. . . . We want to extend our deepest sympathy to Bertha Bersh in the death of her mother. . . . We wonder what Esther was trying to catch in a rat trap and just what she was thinking about when she stepped in it herself. . . . We hope Madeline stops falling, first thing we know she'll fall and really break something. . . . Happy vacation to Mary Bohnstedt. . . . We welcome Marcile Foulks and Edna Harkenrider to our big happy family. . . . That's all for now, kids, 'bye.

Will Dance in G-E Club Revue



Shown above are "The Bytonettes," a professional dancing sextet that has thrilled crowds throughout the country. They are billed as dance stylists and have both tap and acrobatic routines. One of the featured numbers in the G-E Club Revue at the Club Saturday and Sunday, "The Bytonettes" will entertain G-E employees and their families at all shows. (See story on Page 1.)

Everett Lee Renamed Officer in National Engineering Societies

Everett S. Lee, engineer-in-charge of the Company's General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory in Schenectady, has been re-elected for new terms of office in two nationally-known engineering societies, it has just been announced.

He has been renamed vice-president of the United Engineering Trustees, Inc., a corporation set up jointly by the four national engineering Founder Societies, which have an aggregate membership of approximately 75,000. The corporation, which promotes the advancement of engineering arts and sciences, held its election recently at the Engineering Societies building in New York City.

Mr. Lee also has been re-elected chairman of the Engineers' Council for Professional Development, for the third consecutive term. The annual meeting of that national organization also was held recently in New York City.

Mr. Lee, who began work with General Electric as a test man, during the summer of 1913, is widely known for his work in the important field of measurements in industry and science, as measurements have played such an important role in the outstanding engineering developments in the electrical field today.

G-E To Purchase New Factory Near Trenton, N. J.

The General Electric Company has completed negotiations to purchase a new factory outside of Trenton, N. J., for the manufacture of automatic washing machines, H. L. Andrews, vice-president in charge of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department, has announced.

Between 900 and 1,000 persons will be employed in the plant when full production is reached, Mr. Andrews said.

The 270,000-square-foot factory at 2231 East State Street, Hamilton Township, N. J., has been owned by the Defense Plant Corporation. During the war it was used by the General Electric Company's Apparatus Department for the manufacture of Navy switchgear.

Mr. Andrews said that the wartime DPC equipment is being removed from the building and that work preliminary to setting up the new automatic washer production line is now under way.

Don Ross Appointed

Don C. Ross has been appointed representative in Kansas City, Mo., for General Electric clocks, fans, heaters, sunlamps, heat lamps and heating pads, it has been announced by H. A. Warren, Central District manager of the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Mr. Ross came to G-E upon graduation from DePauw University in 1933 and received his honorable discharge from the Army Air Forces early this month.

G-E Radios for Christmas, Says Santa



To substantiate reports of radio production in time for Christmas buying, Santa Claus surprised General Electric workers at Bridgeport, Conn., when he visited the plant to see radio production lines in operation. He even assisted on the shipping line as G-E prepared to fly its first sets to distributors in principal cities throughout the country.

These sets are forerunners of volume shipments to be made by General Electric in time for Christmas buying. Made by workers who produced radar and the radio fuse for Uncle Sam during the war, the sets are five-tube models which will sell for between twenty and thirty dollars when this is determined by the Company and OPA.

SIEVES FOR SORTING NUCLEI

By Dr. Herbert C. Pollock
General Electric Research Laboratory
Schenectady, N. Y.

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some hope. It can be used in separating hydrogen isotopes where the mass differences are relatively large. In the case of uranium, however, it turns out to be hopelessly impractical.

Instrument Needed

Is the high speed centrifuge the instrument for which we are looking? In the same way that the familiar cream separator removes cream from milk we might hope to get the light uranium 235 atoms to come to the center of the rotor and the 1 per cent heavier 238 atoms to go to the outside, if we centrifuge the proper uranium compounds. Special centrifuges do work, but the rotor must spin with enormous peripheral speed. The numbers of machines required, the slowness of the separation, and the many mechanical problems have discouraged plans to use this method on a large scale.

Therefore, let us look at another method of isotope separation known as gaseous diffusion. In 1896 Lord Rayleigh in England pointed out that a mixture of two gases of different atomic weight could be partly separated by allowing some of the gas to diffuse through a porous barrier into a vacuum. The lighter molecules get through the holes in the barrier faster than the heavy ones, on the average. The separation is rather small and the process is slow, but with a very large plant containing many successive stages of barriers and pumps, one may hope to get an appreciable output of partly separated material.

Gases Corrosive

The progress looked very difficult in the case of uranium, for its only known gases are very corrosive. However, the large group of scientists who worked on this problem during the war, particularly at Columbia University, were finally able to develop a satisfactory metal barrier through which this gas could be pumped. By using special pumps, new lubricants, and many precautions, the whole diffusion process was finally made to operate successfully on a factory scale. The men who worked on this process from 1940 to 1945 deserve great credit for their courage and persistence, as well as their technical ability.

Another method of uranium isotope separation, which proved practical on a large scale, is that by means of the mass spectograph. In this process, which was largely developed and perfected in the laboratory of Professor E. W. Lawrence at the University of California, the vapor of a uranium compound is first electrically charged. Then the charged atoms, or ions, as they are now called, are accelerated to very high velocities by electric fields. The fast ions are bent around curved paths by strong magnetic fields. The heavy ions of U-238 are bent less than the light U-235 ions; so the two materials can be collected in separate slots. The method of the mass spectrograph has been familiar since Aston built the first small instrument at Cambridge University in 1919; but it was not until the intensive war development set in that the instrument became capable of giving sufficiently large outputs to be of value in this problem.

Magnet Was Used

In the development of this machine, the magnet of the large Berkeley, California, cyclotron was extensively used. This magnet is the largest electromagnet in the world, having a pole face diameter of 184 inches and a gap of 72 inches. This process of separating uranium isotopes which I have just described is known as the electromagnetic method, and sometimes the machines are referred to as calutrons.

The degree of isotope separation effected by any process depends on the inherent efficiency of each stage times the number of successive stages which are put into use. It became apparent when the electromagnetic plant was operating that, if it could use uranium compounds which had already been previously enriched somewhat in U-235, the total plant output could be increased. For this reason, use was made of still another scheme for isotope separation. It is known as the thermal diffusion method. For some years it has been known that, if there are temperature differences in a vessel containing a mixed gas, there is a tendency for one type of gas molecule to concentrate in the cold region and the other in the hot region. Such effects were first applied to separating isotopes by two Germans in 1938.

Naval Scientists Aided

Scientists in our Naval Research Laboratory perfected a similar method which used thermal diffusion in a liquid. By 1943 it was possible to plan a thermal diffusion plant capable of accomplishing some uranium separation. When such a plant was built the following year at Oak Ridge, it increased the production rate of the other processes with which it was associated.

In summary one may point out that the urgency of the situation in 1943, when work at Oak Ridge, Tenn., was started, required that every possible hopeful way of separating the explosive U-235 be attempted. Intensive research and development, carried forward jointly by scientists of America and Great Britain, produced several possible solutions to the problem. Unremitting efforts by the great group of people working for the Manhattan project brought the necessary factories into successful operation. With new atomic sieves, man was able to separate potent U-235 from its age-long partner, U-238. And so, on July 16, 1945, in the New Mexico desert, man saw the first atomic bomb transmute part of its mass to an instantaneous release of energy—energy which had been latent in the U-235 from the beginning of the earth.

William H. Crouse Elected To Head Apprentice Alumni

Arnold Berning Named Vice-President at Anniversary Celebration of G-E Association

William H. Crouse, Bldg. 26-2, was elected president of the G-E Apprentice Alumni Association at their anniversary celebration Tuesday night at the Chamber of Commerce. Arnold Berning, Bldg. 17-1, was elected vice-president of the group.

Other officers are Gustav Mittermaier, Bldg. 26-5, financial secretary; Walter Hazelett, Bldg. 26-5, recording secretary; and August Weisenburger, Bldg. 4-4, treasurer. Four new directors were elected at the dinner meeting: George Hahn, Bldg. 17-3, Ralph Hershberger, Bldg. 4-1, Henry Gollmer, Bldg. 17-1, and John Allen, Bldg. 26-5.

The Rev. Henry H. Crane, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Mich., was the principal speaker at the dinner, which celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the alumni group. A large crowd attended the affair to participate in the festivities, and members of the Hoosier Hop entertained.

The Alumni Association was started in 1920 by a small group of graduates and has grown into a large organization at present.

Purdue Technical Classes Announced

Second Term Begins Monday, December 3

Second term classes of the Purdue Technical Institute begin Monday, December 3, 1945, according to C. J. Poling, manager of the Fort Wayne Office. Registration will be held from November 26 through December 7.

A wide variety of courses leading to diplomas in the Technical Institute are scheduled, and will meet evenings, two hours two nights a week. The work is designed to prepare men and women for technical positions in industry, such as chemical, electrical, or radio technicians; supervisors; time study technicians; planners; electrical testers; and tool designers. The program can be completed by attending on a part-time basis, so that the student can work and complete his education at the same time.

The following courses are being offered: Elements of Electricity, A. C. Circuits, Mathematics through Trigonometry, Technical Drawing I, Principles of Industrial Psychology, Production Control, Motion & Time Study II, Human Relations for Supervisors, Production Cost Analysis, Historical Review of American Institutions, Legislation Affecting Industrial Relations, Industrial English, and Principles of Machines.

The Purdue Office, 201 Transfer Building, is open evenings. The Institute has been approved by the Veterans Administration for veterans eligible for education benefits under the G. I. "Bill of Rights."

Three G-E men will teach courses at the Purdue Institute this winter. George E. Hicks will teach Motion and Time Study II; Raymond L. Hupp, A.C. Circuits; and M. A. Smith, Production Cost Analysis.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

Persons seeking rides or riders should report necessary information to the WORKS NEWS, phone 441, by Tuesday noon of the week request is to be run.

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Bldg.
Ellen Lane	3 Mi. N. of Montpelier on St. Rd. 303	17-3
Marie Drewett	On No. 33, near Churubusco	4-6
Irene Richardson	Spencerville, Ind.	4-3
Eleanor Smith	Monroeville, Ind.	26-2
Joe B. Trump	359 N. Elm, Columbia City	26-5
Pat Schnepp**	Wolf Lake, Ind.	31-2
Mada G. Caudle***	Comes from east on 14, one mile west of 101	17-3

** Wants ride regularly on week-ends only.
*** Wants ride for herself and daughter.

Employees Seeking Riders

Harold Drabenstot*	Comes In from Huntington..	4-4

* Can take one rider.

Foreman	Hours
Gillian	3:30-11:48
Bartling (Phone 713)	8:00- 5:15
Sible	7:00- 3:30
Thomas (Phone 524)	8:00- 5:15
Sordelet	4:00-12:30
Painter	8:00- 5:15
Hahn	3:30-11:48
Snyder	3:30-11:48

WINTER STREET PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Jean Quandt	New Haven, Ind.	

Murray	8:00- 5:00

G-E Club Announces Cage Schedule for First Half

Bob Kessens, manager of Major Basketball, announced today the G-E Club Basketball schedule for the first half of the season.

Tuesday, Nov. 20	Richmond Professionals	Here
Thursday, Nov. 22	Chicago Monarchs	At Chicago
Saturday, Nov. 24	South Bend K. of P.	Here
Tuesday, Nov. 27	Bayless Hybrids of Bluffton	Here
Monday, Nov. 26	Huntington College	At Huntington
Saturday, Dec. 1	Haynes-Stellite of Kokomo	Here
Monday, Dec. 3	Richmond Professionals	At Richmond
Tuesday, Dec. 4	Convoy Independents	Here
Saturday, Dec. 8	Dow Chemical of Midland, Mich.	At Midland
Tuesday, Dec. 11	Decatur G-E	Here
Friday, Dec. 14	Anderson Big 5	At Anderson
Saturday, Dec. 15	Goodyear of Akron	Here
Monday, Dec. 17	Bayless Hybrids	At Bluffton
Tuesday, Dec. 18	Dow Chemical	Here
Saturday, Jan. 5	Decatur G-E	At Decatur
Tuesday, Jan. 8	Defiance College	Here
Friday, Jan. 11	Wright Field Kittyhawks	At Dayton
Tuesday, Jan. 15	Caldwell Insurance	Here

G-E To "Fair Trade" Small Appliances at Retail Price Level

The General Electric Company will "fair trade" its small electrical appliances at the retail price-level, it has been announced by C. W. Theleen, manager of traffic appliance sales for the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Covered by the new policy are clocks, irons, mixers, toasters, roasters, coffee makers, waffle irons, sandwich grills, portable heaters, heating pads and heat lamps, sun lamps, fans, and automatic blankets.

These items, Mr. Theleen said, will be fair traded in all states except Texas and Missouri and the District of Columbia, where fair trade laws are not in effect.



A red tag attached to a piece of apparatus is no joke. It's there for a definite purpose. It means Stop! Danger! Do not operate! The above picture shows what can happen when red tag rules are disregarded. One worker receives an electric shock which hurls him right out of his seat because someone else who is careless has operated dangerous apparatus without heeding the red tag warning.
Safety rules are made for the protection of everyone. It isn't yourself alone whom you endanger by a hazardous act. A reckless driver who tears through a red light unscathed can often be the cause of serious injury to the innocent pedestrian. So for your own protection and that of your fellow workers, heed the red tag story and follow the rules for a better Works safety record!

Take Golfing Crown



Here are the "Gas House Tigers," winners of the Inter-Division Golf Tourney sponsored by the G-E Club. Team members (back row, left to right) are James Gallagher, captain, Bill Kisler, Ted Reed, and Bob Dillon. (Front row) Carl Reynolds, league manager, and John McNamara.

G-E Girls To Meet Logansport Five Here Tuesday

Strong Team to Play Local Lasses in Prelim

The strong Logansport Girls will come to Fort Wayne, Tuesday, November 20, to meet the G-E Girls' Team. This will be the G-E Girls' second game this year, and they are anxious to get a winning streak started.

The starting lineup for the Fort Wayne girls will include Fitch and Emenhieser at forward, Williams at center, and Varner and Whiteleather at guard.

This game will start at 7:30 P.M., and will be played at the G-E Club Gym.

G. I. Joe Will Get Christmas Dinner With All Trimmings

Another Christmas overseas for thousands of our sons far from home on occupation duty, in spite of heartbreaking separations, will be as happy and merry as War Department facilities and resources can make it, according to an official War Department release.

In the words of Lieut. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, Commanding General of the Army Air Forces in China, who recently announced that the bulk of Army Air Forces personnel still in the China Theater would be home by Christmas—"The War Department and the Commanding Generals of all overseas theaters realize how anxious you are to have your loved ones home again. They realize, too, how much your men want to be home. As many men as it is humanly possible to bring back will arrive in this country before Christmas."

"It is not an easy task to accomplish for much remains to be done if the hard victory we have won is to bear fruit. Even in your yearning for husbands, fathers, sons and brothers you would not want us to fail now in the complete fullfilment of our determination to achieve a just and reasonable peace."

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Series & Specialty	19	8
General Service	17	10
Screwballs	17	10
Firemen No. 4	16	11
Motor Generator	15	12
Laboratory	15	12
Transformer	14	13
Wire & Insulation	12	15
Firemen No. 10	12	15
Shipping	11	16
Tool Room	8	19
Plastics	8	19

High Games

600 Series: Matthews, 618; Rump, 607.

200 Games: Boyers, 235; Ludeman, 229; Matthews, 232, 228; Tobias, 221; Haugk, 221; Kreigh, 219; Walker, 204, 214; Barney, 200, 220; Kuntz, 215; Ropa, 214; Beining, 212; Rump, 211; Maier, 208; Crowell, 207; Yaney, 206; Kammer, 205; Rose, 205; Barrier, 203; Nickerson, 202; Ackerman, 202; J. Saylor, 201; Miller, 200.

High single game: Motor Generator, 1042.

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

In the November 9 rolling Mr. Walker realized one of the bowlers dreams by shooting three 200 games at 201-211-204 for the season's high of 616. Congratulations. Next high was Uren coming through with a 236 and a 599. Berman clipped off two games at 201 each, totalling 592 for the night. Wikel hit 588 with a 219. Fridlin rolled steady for 578 as did Parson for 572 and Armey for 546. In all there were 16 series of 500 and better, Evard getting into this bracket for his first at 524. Other 200 games came by Kallmyer 221, Newlon 220, Bishoff 213, and Stodgell 208. Gossman almost made the grade at 199. Reynolds shot a 164 on a 97 average.

Clean sweepers for the nigbt were Receiving, taking three good games from Planning. The losers rolled into fourth place in both the high single and three game total, each man raising his average, but no games won. Punch Press held their tie for first place with Receiving by taking three from Test. Rotors bested Wage Rate for three, for tbe other clean sweep. Production took two from Assembly, Small Lot two over Order Service, and the Winders were the only team to move up in the standing in annexing two from General Service.

The Girl's League started off their second round of play on a four member team basis on November 6. The teams were reorganized and competition will be mucb keener now since the girls have become better acquainted with this "art" of bowling.



GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that_____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed .....

Location .....

A Cup of Joy for Baseball Fans



Manager Charles (Red) Braden is shown above with the trophy his stickmen won this season by virtue of besting all other entries in the Indiana Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament. Winning the tourney cup climaxed a successful season for the G-E Club Baseball team, which is why Red looks pleased about exhibiting the trophy. The tourney cup arrived here last week and will be kept in the G-E Club.

G-E Club Defeats Anderson Big 5 59-49, in Opening Season Tilt

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club defeated the Anderson Big 5 in a hard fought battle, 59-49, Tuesday night in the Club gym in their opening game of the season before a crowd of about 500 persons. The score was tied 11 different times and only through fine ball handling, and suddenly finding their basket eyes, did the Club team manage to stay in the ball game.

Fine, center for Big 5, gave the local fans a real exhibition of scoring during the game when he sank six brilliant one-hand push shots from the center of the floor. At the end of the first quarter, the score stood 16-7 in favor of G-E. The second quarter saw the Anderson team pour leather through the hoop to take the lead at the half, 28-23.

G-E settled down in the third and began whittling on the lead held by Anderson, and the period ended 39-39. The start of the fourth quarter saw G-E begin drawing out the Anderson team and sneaking in for a number of set-up shots. Krieg, with 17 points, and Allen, with 13 points, led G-E's scoring attack. All G-E players contributed in the scoring, with Schneider from Concordia College, River Forest, Ill., playing a fine floor game.

ANDERSON	G.	F.	T.	G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.
Wilson,f	1	0	2	Lowden,f	5	2	12
Fine,f	6	1	13	Miller,f	2	0	4
Page,f	0	0	0	Reed,f	5	0	10
Cox,f	6	1	13	Krieg,c	6	5	17
Strenty,c	3	3	9	Allen,g	6	1	13
Owens,g	0	1	1	Ma'nusson,g	0	1	1
M'gomery,g	0	0	0	Schneider,g	0	2	2
Wright,g	2	1	5	Baade,g	0	0	0
Brown,g	3	0	6				
Totals	21	7	49	Totals	24	11	59

Half Score—Anderson 28-23.

Officials—Prange, Richards.

"Just fancy Jim refusing to marry you. Didn't you tell him about your rich widowed aunt?"

"Yes."

"And didn't that make any difference?"

"It did. Jim's my new uncle."

Attention

Saturday night, November 24, G-E will meet South Bend K. of P. in a featured basketball game at 8:30 P.M. in the Club gym. Watch next week's WORK NEWS for further information on this visiting team.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Drafting	18	9
Evaporators	18	9
Machinists	17	10
Designers	14	13
Grinders	13	14
Compressors	13	14
Power Drive	13	14
Testers	12	15
Maintenance	12	15
Toolmakers	11	16
Planners	11	16
Engineers	10	17

Ralph Billings had high score for the evening with 564. This included a 203 count. Other 200 scores were Traster 214, Michelfelder 214, and Schmidt 200. Louie Hildner becomes vice-president of the 90 Club with his nifty 99.

Evaporators won 3 games from Drafting, and these 2 teams are now tied for the league lead with 18 won and 9 lost. Machinists had high single game of the evening with 962 and high 3 game series with 2746.

Tom Piepenbrink has the highest average, 185. George Haggenjos is second with 178, Win Kirke third with 176, Arnold Benecke fourth with 175, and Ralph Billings fifth with 172.

G-E Men's League Opened With Good Games Wednesday

General Service and Tool Division Teams Take First Games

By Walter Histed

The Men's Inter-division Basketball league opened its season Wednesday night with two games, General Service winning the season opener from Transformer 34-21, while the Tool Division dropped the last year's champions from Winter Street 27-21.

General Service, 34
Transformer, 21

After being all even 6-6 at the quarter and 12-12 at half time, General Service spurted in the third quarter to assume a 25-19 lead, to which they added in the final quarter to win 34-21. Cook with 15 and Hanefelt with 9 points paced the scoring for the winners, while Ropa tallied 8 points for the men from Bldg. 26.

GEN. SERVICE (34)	G.	F.	T.	TRANSFORMER (21)	G.	F.	T.
Cook	6	3	15	Wyckoff	2	2	6
Hanefelt	4	1	9	Nickerson	0	1	1
Kauffman	2	1	5	Altevogt	1	0	2
Hanna	0	0	0	Schultz	2	0	4
Allen	1	0	2	Ropa	4	0	8
Gutermuth	0	0	0	Doeden	0	0	0
Snyder	0	1	1	Macy	0	0	0
Board	1	0	2				
Totals	16	6	34	Totals	9	3	21

Tool Division, 27
Winter Street, 21

Starting fast, the Tool Division rolled up an 11-2 advantage over Winter Street in the first quarter, which the latter was unable to overcome during the remainder of the game. Trump and Swaim tallied 7 points each for the winners and Romine for the losers was high for the game with 8 points.

TOOL DIV. (27)	G.	F.	T.	WINTER ST. (21)	G.	F.	T.
Widner	2	0	4	Barkley	1	0	2
Spice	2	0	4	Leffers	0	0	0
Bloom	2	1	5	Romine	2	4	8
Trump	3	1	7	Hooley	2	2	6
Swaim	3	1	7	Yoder	0	0	0
				Herndon	0	0	0
				Malone	1	1	3
				Burns	0	0	0
				Beaman	1	0	2
				Ehrman	0	0	0
Totals	12	3	27	Totals	7	7	21

Club Faces Strong Foes Tuesday and Thursday

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club will face strong opposition this coming week when they stack up against the Richmond Professionals Tuesday night at 8:30 P.M. and on Thanksgiving Day when they travel to Chicago, where they will tackle the Chicago Monarchs, members of the National Colored Basketball League.

The Richmond Pros come to Fort Wayne with an array of college stars and will give the locals a stiff battle. Their lineup will include such stars as: Dick Peed, Indiana University and the Dayton Acmes; Bill Berry of Earlham College; Sam Young, formerly of Rushville and Indiana University; George Sauer, former Richmond and Texas Christian star; Hugh Salisbury, former Richmond high school star and on the Army Air Force team of Colorado; and Tom Lamar, 6 foot 6 inch center and former semi-pro player of Richmond.

On Thanksgiving Day the G-E team will travel to Chicago, where they will meet the strong Colored Chicago Monarchs. This club has such stars as Pop Gates, Dolly King, Johnny Isaacs, Duke Cumberland, Hilliary Brown.

The Club team has been given strenuous workouts for the past six weeks, and Coach Schible says that his charges are in the best of shape and hope to add these teams to their victory roster.

All G-E employees and their friends are invited to attend all home games free of charge.

G-E Club Girls Take Opener In Hot Battle

The G-E Club Girls' team opened the current basketball season with a 33-28 win over a stubborn Decatur Girls' team last Tuesday night at the G-E Club gym.

Varner and Williams scored eight points each to lead the Fort Wayne lassies, and the balance of the scoring was well divided among the other six players who saw action in the hotly contested Inter-Works battle.

FORT WAYNE G-E	G.	F.	T.	DECATUR G-E	G.	F.	T.
Emenhiesr	2	1	5	Kohn	1	1	3
Fitch	2	0	4	Painter	1	0	2
Eisenacher	0	1	1	Royer	3	0	16
Williams	4	0	8	Smith	2	2	6
Whiteleather	2	1	5	McClean	0	1	1
Amstutz	0	0	0	Andrews	0	0	0
Varner	4	0	8	Bower	0	0	0
Puff	1	0	2				
Totals	15	3	33	Totals	12	4	23

The Fort Wayne aggregation employing a zone defense again this year kept the Decatur Ball club out, and consequently they were forced to do most of their scoring from beyond the free throw circle.

The highlight of the evening was the fine exhibition of basket shooting displayed by Royer, stocky guard from Decatur. Shooting from the sidelines, about 18 feet out, Royer threw in eight baskets—four in each half—to lead her team with 16 points.

INTER-DIVISION BASKETBALL LEAGUE

SCHEDULE

FIRST HALF SEASON 1945-46

Monday	7:30	Messengers	vs. Small Mot. Factory
November 19	8:45	Small Motor Office	vs. Firemen
Monday	7:30	General Service	vs. Winter Street
November 26	8:45	Messengers	vs. Firemen
Wednesday	7:30	Transformer	vs. Tool Division
November 28	8:45	Small Motor Office	vs. Small Mot. Factory
Monday	7:30	General Service	vs. Tool Division
December 3	8:45	Small Motor Office	vs. Messengers
Monday	7:30	General Service	vs. Messengers
December 10	8:45	Winter Street	vs. Firemen
Wednesday	7:30	Small Mot. Factory	vs. Transformer
December 12	8:45	Small Motor Office	vs. Tool Division
Monday	7:30	Small Mot. Factory	vs. General Service
December 17	8:45	Small Motor Office	vs. Winter Street
Wednesday	7:30	Transformer	vs. Firemen
December 19	8:45	Tool Division	vs. Messengers
Wednesday	7:30	Small Motor Office	vs. Transformer
December 26	8:45	General Service	vs. Firemen
Wednesday	7:30	Winter Street	vs. Messengers
January 2	8:45	Small Mot. Factory	vs. Tool Division
Monday	7:30	Small Motor Office	vs. General Service
January 7	8:45	Small Mot. Factory	vs. Winter Street
Wednesday	7:30	Transformer	vs. Messengers
January 9	8:45	Firemen	vs. Tool Division
January 14	7:30	Winter Street	vs. Transformer
Monday	8:45	Small Mot. Factory	vs. Firemen

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FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Today you, the people of the United States, are the possessor of the mightiest seapower the world has ever known. Because we are a democracy, you also have the right to say whether you will keep and preserve this seapower, or whether you will pat it on the back and let it die . . . I pray that we will not take the easiest way.

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz

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General Electric Acquires RFC Building at Decatur

The General Electric Company has acquired the RFC building known as Plant No. 2, consisting of approximately 80,000 square feet of floor space. It is intended to utilize this building for the winding, assembling, test, and shipping of Fractional Horsepower Motors. The building will be used for manufacturing purposes and will also house the office personnel for the entire Decatur Plant.

Rearrangement of both buildings will start at once. Some RFC equipment will be acquired and supplemented with additional equipment to build Fractional Horsepower AC Motors.

Employment To Triple

The plans provide for an employment level about three times pre-war.

Thus, there will be a coordination of previous facilities, which, supplemented with the new, will result in an efficiently laid out and equipped plant with a capacity to produce many more motors than pre-war, to meet the large market, etc.

This expansion indicates the faith the G-E Company has in the future of the motor business, and also its confidence in the City of Decatur.

File Withholding Exemption Certificates

In the latter part of 1944, each employee filed with his Payroll Division a withholding exemption certificate, Form W-4-Rev. 1944, on which he claimed the number of withholding exemptions to which he was entitled for withholding tax purposes. Since that time, an employee may have filed an amended certificate reporting any change in his exemption status.

Before December 1, any employee whose number of withholding exemptions has increased or decreased by reason of birth, marriage, divorce, death, etc., over the number of withholding exemptions claimed on his latest certificate should obtain from and file with his foreman or time clerk an amended withholding certificate.

An amended certificate is not required from an employee whose exemption status has not changed.

CASUALTIES

Nelson Spice, MoMM 3/c, Bldg. 19-5, who has been missing in action since October, 1944, has been declared dead.

G-E Foremen's Association Will Hear De Loss Walker At Dinner Meeting December 5



De Loss Walker

De Loss Walker, former associate editor of Liberty magazine and nationally-known speaker, will address members of the G-E Foremen's Association Wednesday night, December 5, when the group will be guests of the Fort Wayne Works management. Mr. Walker, who has traveled widely in the United States and abroad, will discuss foremen's problems in the reconversion period and his experiences in industries throughout the country. The talk will follow a dinner for the Foremen's Association at 6 P.M. in the G-E Club.

DePauw Graduate

A graduate of DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind., Mr. Walker has served on the faculties of universities in China, and also brings first-hand information on the Japanese people from his studies in that country. He worked up through industry to become president and treasurer of coal mining corporations in Pennsylvania, and was co-founder and national director of the Recovery Crusade, which started up profitable business and gave jobs to the idle in the darkest days of the depression.

The G-E Foremen's Association was started in 1919 and has grown into a large and active organization. Last year the group were guests of the management when Dr. H. H. Crane, well-known speaker from Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Mich., came to Fort Wayne to address the organization.

Charles Kensill is president of the Association.

Elex Club Girls Will Attend Civic Play December 2

"Enchanted Cottage" Will Have Special Showing

All members of Elex, both day and night girls, will attend the Civic Theatre presentation of "Enchanted Cottage," Sunday, December 2, at 3 P.M., Irene Meyers, club adviser, announced today.

Elex Club has bought out the house for the special performance to put on a gala theatre party for its members.

Admission for Elex members will be by membership tickets, but guests may be brought to the show by paying 50 cents at the door. The play will be presented in the Civic Theatre on East Berry Street.

The Civic Theatre parties have been an annual event in Elex Club for many years, and the playhouse has always been packed with interested members. At the start of the war, midnight theatre parties were held for second shift members because the shift was so large at that

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Fifty-One Get $415 in Company Suggestion Awards

Henry H. Webster and E. J. Mommer Head List

During the last week, 51 employees received $415 for suggestions, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Henry H. Webster, Bldg. 26-2, was awarded $60 for his idea on changes at infra-red melt out oven to reduce the amount of work and material used in connection with the oven cleaning. An award of $50 was given to Eugene J. Mommer,

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Here It Is, Boys--The Millennium

General Electric Develops Two-Control Automatic Blanket

Seems as if you can't turn round these days without bumping into THE millennium.

Well, step aside, boys. This is it.

Here, at long last, is the answer to how a husband and wife can share a double bed without squabbling over the warmth of the bedclothes.

It is a new two-control automatic electric blanket developed by General Electric engineers and scheduled to be available next spring.

What does it mean? You answer that one.

An Old Story

How many times, in the small hours of night, has freezing Momma whispered to sweltering Poppa, "I'm cold, darling. Pull up another blanket please."?

How many times has Poppa, practically overcome by the weighty warmth of three blankets, slyly folded back his half of the top covering—only to have Momma find that the whole thing has slipped off the bed, leaving her exposed to the cold?

How many times have you said, "Why don't we develop a blanket that zips down the middle?"

And a Long One

It's been going on that way for years—centuries even.

And as result—

Twin beds have boomed.

The divorce rate has zoomed.

And those couples that just like to sleep in double beds go on fussing and arguing and disagreeing and trying to find the impossible—

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Open House Tonight For "Over-Turkeyed" Squares Club Members

Open house for "over-turkeyed" Squares members and their guests will be held tonight in the Club rooms on East Berry Street, with entertainment scheduled to get underway about 8:30 P.M., committee members have announced.

Members and their guests are invited to drop in during the evening to join in the dancing, card games, shuffleboard, and ping-pong, or just talk to their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lynch head the hospitality committee tonight.

G-E Research Laboratory Will Add 60 Technical Men

Plans for a "substantially increased research program" by General Electric's Research Laboratory at Schenectady, calling for the appointment of 60 additional technical men, have just been revealed by Dr. C. G. Suits, Vice-President in charge of the laboratory.

The arrival of the new group of scientists, formerly engaged in war research at various government, industrial, and university laboratories, will increase the laboratory's total number of chemists, physicists, and metallurgists to 230 and the total number of employees, including shop personnel, to 840, he said.

Dr. Suits said the new scientists who will assume their duties here from time to time between now and the first of the year are being engaged in view of the Company's general expansion program, which includes the construction of a new $8,000,000 research laboratory in the outskirts of Schenectady. The new development, scheduled to be started next spring, is expected to be completed "sometime in 1947," company officials said.

Eight new appointments and the laboratory divisions to which they have been assigned were announced today by Dr. Suits as follows:

Chemical: Dr. Charles G. Sage, Dr. W. L. Roth, Dr. George W. Shreve, Dr. Albert L. Dittman and Paul D. Zemany.

Metallurgical: Dr. John S. Kasper and Ernest F. Fullam.

Physical Studies: Dr. J. R. Callaway Brown, Jr.

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These Men Still Need Us

The men in olive drab and in bell-bottom trousers are through. The whistle has blown for their shift. It has not blown for ours. We are still on the job, and it is the same job, the winning of the war and of the peace. They and we are still the same unbeatable team.

Remember the wave of indignation the day we were told that the Pearl Harbor news was bad (but we did not know then how *really* bad it was)? Remember how we bought bonds then! Remember the lift we got when we knew our men were ashore in North Africa? And the joy when General Ike and those landing craft put the armies right through the west wall of Fortress Europe?

They needed us then, and we bought bonds through drive after drive, until our flag flew over Berlin and Tokyo, at the opposite ends of the world! We said, "We can—we will—we MUST!" And we did it. Seven drives over the top, and not a single dud! Well, they need us still.

You don't clinch the peace unless you have the money to keep men on the job in enemy countries till peace is assured there. You don't discharge Army and Navy forces without adequate mustering-out pay. Above everything you get together the wherewithal for the best hospital treatment in the world for the men whose bodies were broken in combat.

These men just off the other shift that never quit, need us for one last whopping bond job. And so—we'll do it again!

Have You Thought About It?

Have you thought that cancer can affect you? Have you thought that cancer will enter one out of every two American homes, on the average? Have you thought that cancer will kill 17,000,000 of your countrymen?

And have you thought that ⅓ to ½ of these deaths are avoidable?

Know these symptoms. Keep them in mind. Consult your doctor without delay when any of them are present.

1. A sore that does not heal, particularly about the tongue, mouth, or lips.
2. A painless lump or thickening, especially in the breast, lip, or tongue.
3. Irregular bleeding or discharge.
4. Progressive change in the color or size of a wart, mole, or birthmark.
5. Persistent indigestion.
6. Persistent hoarseness, unexplained cough, or difficulty in swallowing.

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Reeling in the "Big Ones"

The war brought many innovations and hundreds of technical changes that were great steps for a progressive America, but one of the queerest innovations, now that we think about it, was "deep sea fishing" for airplanes.

We know, of course, that this type of deep sea fishing was no pleasure sport for the crews on deck that had to do the job. It was a major problem to get reconnaisance planes back out of the sea when they returned from missions, and the operation caused many a snapped cable. Finally, a stepless-power electric motor was developed for the hoisting device.

Operating on much the same principle as an expert fisherman reeling in a big catch, it lifted the planes with elevator smoothness. The motor allowed the cable to "give" when the plane lurched away from the ship. As the plane rode toward the ship, the cable was kept taut.

Safety a la Mother Goose



NUCLEAR FUEL

By Dr. Ralph P. Johnson
General Electric Research Laboratory
Schenectady, N. Y.

(Editor's nota: This talk was delivered on tha General Electric Science Forum over WGY, Schenectady, N. Y., at 7:30 P.M., Wednesday, October 31, 1945, and is being reprinted here because of the current interest in atomic energy.)

In the first two talks of this series we have seen that the nucleus of an atom contains a tremendous stock of energy, in the form of mass. When a nucleus changes into another kind of nucleus, it sometimes happens that part of this stored energy is set free. Such changes do not ordinarily happen by themselves: the nucleus must be made to change by hitting it with the right sort of projectile. To get each projectile ready and on its way usually takes many times as much energy as the target nucleus releases when it is hit. For this reason it is usually not a paying proposition to etxract energy from nuclei. It is like swapping dollars for pennies: worth doing, if pennies are scarce and you want to see what one looks like, but not profitable as a large-scale business.

In the talk two weeks ago we learned of the discovery, in 1939, that the nucleus of one kind of uranium, U-235, is different from most other nuclei in two important respects. First, when the U-235 nucleus is struck by a neutron, it splits into two nearly equal halves and releases a tremendous quantity of energy—many times as much energy as is released in most other nuclear reactions, where the struck nucleus merely throws off a few light particles. Second, when the U-235 nucleus splits, it sets free several high-speed neutrons, particles of the same sort as the one that struck it and caused it to split.

Paying Basis Found

This discovery opened up an obvious possibility for putting the release of nuclear energy on a paying basis. Since each fission, or splitting, of a U-235 nucleus releases more than one neutron, on the average, it might be possible to arrange things so that every fission would cause another fission, and this one still another, and so on, in a self-sustaining chain reaction. It might be possible, in short, to do away with the complicated and expensive man-made guns for shooting neutrons at U-235 nuclei and simply let each nucleus, in splitting, shoot neutrons at other nuclei and make them split.

Chemical chain reactions are familiar things. They occur in every fire and flame, where the heat and light given out when each bit of fuel burns is more than

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HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

LET MEN COOK DIFFERENT EGG DISHES

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

A lot of men like nothing better than an occasional fling in the kitchen. Whether yours be a cooking amateur or tried professional, give him a chance to dabble with these General Electric Consumers Institute recipes. Some pretty delicious dishes will probably result. And incidentally, for you it will mean an occasional vacation from kitchen chores.



The meal men prepare most is breakfast, which can become pretty tame and boring. With the good old basic egg, however, there are still ways to have a little cooking fun . . . and a different meal.

Puffy Egg Omelet

Tested in the G-E Consumers Institute

Serves 6. Skillet. Time 8 to 12 min. Melt in skillet 2 tsp. butter. Turn to low and heat pan for 5 min. Beat 4 egg yolks. Add 3 tbsp. milk, ½ tsp. baking powder, ¾ tsp. salt. Mix well. Beat until stiff 4 egg whites. Fold in carefully egg yolk mixture. Pour in skillet, cover, and cook 5 min. on low heat. Remove cover and cook 6 to 8 min. Cut through center, fold over and serve on hot plate. Garnish with fruit, jelly, or watercress.

Good Omelet Tips

Here are a few tips that will insure a good omelet. Be sure to beat separately the egg whites and yolks. The yolks should be beaten until thick and lemon colored, and the whites until they are stiff but not dry. If eggs are removed from refrigerator for half an hour or so before using, the beaten whites will have more volume and thus make a fluffier omelet.

Cook omelets slowly over a low temperature.

Don't have too thick a mixture. To serve more than 6 people it is necessary to make two omelets. Any omelet using 6 eggs should be made in a large skillet.

Be sure egg yolks are well beaten and mixed.

Omelet Variations

From the G-E Consumers Institute

SPANISH OMELET—After the omelet is on the plate, pour over a sauce made of tomatoes, green peppers, salt, butter, and pepper. Garnish with parsley.

MUSHROOM OMELET—Saute 1 cup of fresh or canned mushrooms in butter. Season with salt, pepper, and bit of mace.

HAM OMELET—When the omelet is cooked one-half the required time, sprinkle minced ham or dried beef over the omelet. Continue cooking. Fold and serve.

CHICKEN LIVER OMELET—Chop chicken livers. Saute in butter. Season with salt, pepper, and Worcestershire. Pour over the omelet just before serving.

CHEESE OMELET—Just before folding the omelet, sprinkle with ½ cup of grated cheese.

PARSLEY OMELET—Add 2

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G-E Development Had Important War Role

Engineers Credited With Developing Suppression Of Radio Interference

A phrase sometimes familiar to G-E engineers is T.W.W.E. (that won't work either), and said phrase became a little worn around the edges not so long ago when Motor and Generator and Works Laboratory engineers were trying to develop radio interference suppression methods to help slap the Axis into defeat and save American lives.

Radio interference is familiar to all of us, but usually it simply means not being able to get a favored radio program because of radio interference noise. To many G.I.'s during the war, however, it meant the difference between life and death, because radio interference proved troublesome in several ways:

(1) It partially or totally prevented the reception of radio communications, since in its presence commands may have been misunderstood or never heard at all.

(2) In times of radio silence, it disclosed to the enemy the positions of important installations.

Loss of Men Told

Shortly after Pearl Harbor many stories came from our armed forces which told of the loss of men and equipment due to the lack of adequate radio interference suppression. Some work had been done in suppressing radio interference in household appliances prior to the war, but the size of equipment now involved made this experience of little value. Then too, the armed services were asking that the maximum limits of interference be reduced to about one-thousandth of the pre-war value, which made the problem a really thorny one.

The Motor and Generator Division was engaged in building or designing numerous models of diesel engine generator sets for the Army, which were to be used to supply power for radar stations, communications bases, field hospitals, mess halls, mobile machine shops, and emergency power plants. Motors were also being built for the Navy for use with steering gear mechanism, winches, blowers, pumps, and many generators which were to serve as power supplies for kitchens, mess halls, etc. All this was important material for war, and the "noises" of operation which hitherto had been called natural had to be suppressed —to save American lives.

Work Is Begun

The Works Laboratory and the Motor and Generator Engineering Divisions began preliminary work on generators with the available radio interference measuring instruments. It was soon discovered, however, that these measuring instruments were less sensitive than the radios being used by the services, and many wires were "pulled" to bring in a highly sensitive instrument without the standard nine months' waiting time. One arrived in two days, and tests were immediately started on a machine equipped with radio interference suppression devices.

After about a week of experimentation (accompanied by much T.W.W.E.), the machine appeared to be properly suppressed. Even though it was mid-winter, it was decided to conduct a field test at a critically chosen interference-free location near Lansing, Mich. The day of the test was cold and clear —a few degrees above zero. In the middle of the morning a brisk wind began to blow, and by noon the State Highway Department issued a warning that a heavy blizzard was enroute.

Hasty Retreat Made

Wrapped in blankets, red-nosed laboratory and Motor and Generator engineers could have been taken for Indians as they beat a hasty retreat. The remainder of the tests were completed in a specially constructed screened room in Lansing. At the end of the fourth day of tests, the Signal Corps accepted the generator as being satisfactory for combat service. It was the first generator of its kind to meet the revised radio interference limits.

The battle of the radio interference gremlins for the Navy was no easy task, either, but after several weeks of T.W.W.E., a new method of suppressing Navy machines had been formulated which reduce the amount of radio interference many times.

A joint meeting of the Naval Research Laboratories, the Bureau of Ships, and engineers of the Works Laboratory and Motor and Generator Engineering Division was held to review the results. The Navy declared the method satisfactory and eventually adopted the method established here for use on all Navy equipment in the range from two to 500 K.W.

These Engineers Contributed to New Method



E. C. Cwiklo, Motor and Generator Engineering Division, C. M. Summers and S. A. Zimmerman, Works Laboratory, and R. F. Hertel and A. J. Heigel, Motor and Generator Engineering Division, are shown with some of the equipment used to develop radio interference suppression devices for motors and generators for important Army and Navy installations. By V-J day, almost 50 different models had been successfully suppressed.

Importance of Radio Interference Suppression in War Illustrated



The upper cartoon illustrates the ease with which the Japs could determine the location of important installations by picking up the direction from which radio interference, generated by our electrical equipment, was coming. The lower cartoon shows the added protection afforded our troops and the consternation of the Japs when the radio interference is suppressed by the devices built at Fort Wayne—which meant that the Japs could no longer locate our bases in that fashion.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by the grapevine: That Howard Musselman is passing out the cigars in honor of the new family heir. . . . That Bob Blee is now known as "Ten per cent" Blee. Confidential explanation given upon request. . . . That Dan Letlaw has developed a sudden distaste for working on cancellations. . . . That the election of officers of the Dispatchers Club will be held December 11 at the Chamber of Commerce. Plan to be there. . . . Thanksgiving Day this year has brought more heartfelt thanks from more people than any other in our history. Although many homes are beset with poignant sorrow and harbor the specter of shattered dreams, thousands of families are reunited after many months of separation and are resuming normal life together. The evident happiness of most of the returning servicemen, the shining reaffirmation of our way of life that we see in their faces should make us all pause and re-examine our attitude toward our country. Freedom, so dearly bought in other lands, we take for granted. Personal liberty has been the dream of thinkers for centuries, and we feel that we have approached that goal more closely than any other sizeable country in tbe world. Complacency, however, will not guard against attack from enemies at home or abroad; we must be alert and vigorous in defense of our ideals—slip-shod thinking about our method of self-government must not be tolerated —vicious whispering campaigns must be spiked in their inception. Discord among us is agitated by such statements as, "all our troubles are the fault of the Jews," or "all our troubles are the fault of the banker," or "all our troubles are the fault of our economic policy" or—but why go on? You have heard them all—loose, vicious generalities creating distrust and racial hatred. Let us refute them each time we hear them and then give an extra note of thanks for our opportunities of freedom.

In a study made in Vermont, it was found that the average damage to an automobile involved in an accident was $56.20 when it was traveling 10 miles an hour or less. When the car was traveling over 50 miles an hour, the average accident damage was $454.67, according to the National Safety Council.

Decatur Plant 2 Acquired by G-E



Shown above is a view of the building constructed by the RFC during the war for G-E operation at the Decatur Plant. Large and modern and suited to the manufacture of fractional horsepower motors, it has just been acquired by the General Electric Company and will be operated under the Fort Wayne Works as part of the Decatur Plant. (See story on page 1.)

Suggestions

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Bldg. 10-1, for his suggestion pertaining to the providing and use of a boring bar so that the repair of cam shaft bearings on B & S screw machine could be done in the field.

Awards of $5 to $20 were made to the following suggestors:

Bldg 2-2

Charles W. Scarlett, Brice Martin.

Bldg 4-2

Marie F. Seffle, Alma E. Wells.

Bldg. 4-3

Ora E. Goff, Clarence A. Kopp.

Bldg. 4-4

Sam M. Hanes, Walter L. Niemeyer, Louis J. Hinen, Darrel M. Daniels.

Bldg. 4-5

Paul R. Castle, Mary Gilleff, Wilbur Witmer, Jacob R. Renner, Leola R. Hart.

Bldg. 6-2

Jeanette Blough.

Bldg. 10-2

Edwin C. Koch.

Bldg. 17-2

Kenneth F. Rupp.

Bldg. 17-3

LaVern C. Goeglein, Victor Frank Feipel, Mabel Ellis.

Bldg. 19-4

Esther A. Pape, Norman L. Bailey, Louis Stalf, Daisy D. Ford, Arthur M. McNamara.

Bldg. 19-5

Lewis W. Clark, Clarice M. Fyock.

Bldg. 26-B

Owen R. Allen, Walter Genth, Harry C. Ribel, J. H. Plescher.

Bldg. 26-1

Doyle D. Miller, Norman Voelker.

Bldg. 26-2

Adrian G. Tustison, Arthur F. Pequignot, Ernest A. Kern.

Bldg. 26-3

Kenneth H. Danders.

Bldg. 26-4

Kohn E. Donaghy, Mary E. Richey, Lester B. Redding.

Decatur

Charles W. Debolt, Russell E. Fleming, Bernard R. Hartough, Adam Kunowich.

Based on mileage, teen-aged drivers have the highest accident rate, the National Safety Council reports.

Squares Members See War Movie Series Monday

Eighty-Seven Attend Stag Party in Club Rooms

Eighty-seven members of the Squares Club attended the stag party in the Squares Club rooms Monday night to see a series of war movies which included an original "talking picture" taken at the Army Air Forces Show at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

The original picture, entitled "Army Air Forces Fair," was taken by Claude Summers of the Works Laboratory at Wright Field, with the running commentary made on a wire recorder.

Other pictures shown the group included "German Fortifications," a German film with American commentation describing German defenses along the English channel; "Film Communique No. 16," which described the development of the floating docks used in the invasion of Normandy; and "Fight for the Skies," depicting destruction of the German Air Force.

Two others that had outstanding interest were "Japan's Surrender," which gave many of the important events of the war with Japan and ended with the signing of surrender documents aboard tbe U.S.S. Missouri, and "Target Invisible," a film dealing with radar operation in aircraft.

Following the showing of the war pictures, a short business and social meeting was held, and refreshments were served.

Elex Club

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time, but return to more normal operations has made it possible to have the entire group present on the Sunday afternoon parties.

"Enchanted Cottage" is a romantic comedy-fantasy which has been unusually popular with theatre audiences everywhere. Stanley Greene and Claire Neese, well-known to Civic Theatre audiences, will handle two of the important comedy roles.

Homemakers

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tbsp. minced parlsey when folding in egg whites:

SHRIMP OMELET—Serve sauted shrimps around the omelet and garnish with lemon and watercress.

Poached Eggs Surprise
Tested in the G-E Consumers Institute

Place on broiler slices of bacon (2 strips per person) and tomato slices 1 inch thick (1 per person). Broil until golden brown. Then poach one egg per person. On a slice of buttered toast, place bacon, slice of broiled tomato, and top with poached egg. Serve.

Shirred Eggs
Tested in the G-E Consumers Insttiute

Egg Dishes. Temp. 400°. Time 20 to 25 min. Butter egg dishes. Add 1 tsp. milk. Carefully pour egg into dishes. Add ½ tsp. butter, salt and paprika. Sprinkle with bread crumbs. Bake.

Variations
From the G-E Consumers Inatitute

SHIRRED EGGS WITH CHEESE—Sprinkle with grated cheese and bake.

SHIRRED EGGS WITH MUSHROOMS—Arrange 1 tbsp. sauted mushrooms on top of each egg.

SHIRRED EGGS WITH DEVILED HAM—Place 1 tbsp. deviled or minced ham in bottom of cup. Carefully add the egg and bake.



Miniature Educational Power Plant Developed by Company

A miniature educational power plant, designed to permit convenient study of all operations of any type of industrial or city standard power plant, has been developed by the Company for use in laboratories of engineering colleges, it was announced this week.

The complete, coordinated "packaged" unit occupies a floor space of only 10 by 15 feet and stands approximately six feet high in contrast to a standard power plant that would need a two-story half-block-long building to house it. Total weight of the unit is approximately 20,000 pounds as contrasted to some 1,000,000 pounds a city power plant would weigh.

Complete Display

Despite this diminutive size, the "Lilliputian" power plant embraces all equipment common to its commercial "big brothers," including two 20-kilowatt steam turbine generators, a motor with a genuine "load," complete four-panel switchgear equipment, a condenser, miscellaneous piping, and a foundation.

During operation, total power of 40 kilowatts generated by the two steam turbine generators is dissipated by an electric motor "load," driven by a water break. The unit requires only a supply of steam ranging from 125 to 250 pounds and a source of circulating water for condensing purposes.

Emphasize Demonstrations

New education methods, emphasizing the technique of demonstration, and a current trend toward more practical education are responsible for development of the miniature unit, according to W. N. Oberly, General Electric engineer. Throughout two years of four week training periods, close to 3,000 officers and men attended and were graduated from General Electric's Navy destroyer escort school in Syracuse, N. Y. Practically all study centered around a complete destroyer escort power plant set up in a factory building. Despite streamlining of sessions, students learned how to control and operate the equipment while simultaneously absorbing theory behind the control procedures.

"Use of a standard size power plant, regardless of its success in Armed Forces training, is not feasible for individual colleges during peace time, but we believe this new technique of demonstration can be made adaptable through use of a miniature power plant," Mr. Oberly said. A miniature unit, in fact, holds an advantage over a standard power plant, he pointed out. Usual study systems employed by collegea call for one or two field trips per semester, during which classes visit the nearest power plant.

Over-all View Gained

Because of the small number of trips and the tremendous size of the plant, each student receives a specific study assignment, secs only a part of power plant operation, and thus misses the over-all perspective, Mr. Oberly declared.

A miniature power plant, however, can be set up so that each member of a class can watch the entire operation at once, and as many class periods as are deemed necessary can be conducted on a daily basis at the location of tbe unity, he aaid.

Here's The

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their average bedclothes' requirements.

Science recognized these difficulties, of course.

To be technical about it, scientists discovered some time ago that the metabolism of the average man is about 17% higher than that of the average woman.

Webster buts in

Webster says that metabolism is "the sum of the physiological processes concerned in the building up of the substance (protoplasm) of plants or animals and its destruction in furnishing the energy for their living."

In everyday terms, metabolism simply means "the production of heat."

In other words, men produce about 17% more heat than women.

That means that a given temperature women need more heat than men. If they're sleeping under ordinary blankets, they need more blankets. If they're sleeping under a one-control automatic blanket, the revolutionary bedcovering developed by General Electric in 1936, they like to set the temperature control a little higher.

Survey Taken

Two years ago, in a survey of automatic blanket users, General Electric asked how many people would be willing to pay a few dollars more for an automatic blanket with two controls—one for Poppa, one for Momma.

Forty per cent of all double-bed sleepers said sure thing. Anything to still those nightly arguments.

No sooner said than done.

Immediately the need for developing better and better electrically heated flying suits for the Army Air Forces was passed, the engineers of General Electric's Automatic Blanket and Sunlamp Division turned to the perfection of a new two-control blanket.

Improvements Incorporated

First they incorporated in the new and radically improved automatic blanket the new aingle-strand, spiral-wound wire developed for use in flying suits.

Then they worked out a very simple system for providing two individual wiring circuits and two individual temperature controls for the two-temperature blanket.

And there, in a trice, they had it—MILLENNIUM.

General Electric said today that the new individual-comfort blanket will not replace the single-control blanket, for which there are many more customers, but will be the second item in the line.

Engineering of the new blanket has been completed, and tools are now being made. It will go into production just as soon as the tremendous demand for the single-control blanket is met.

A speed violation was reported for one out of every three fatal motor vehicle accidents in 1944, the National Safety Council reports.

They finished *their* job--Let's finish ours!

UNCLE SAM CAN'T PULL OUT

THE WAR IS OVER . . .

but our boys still need him

VICTORY LOAN

1. For their mustering-out pay.
2. For the money to bring the sick and wounded back to health.
3. For the expenses of our occupation armies, so that the enemy won't do it again.
4. For the schooling and other benefits we have promised our veterans under the G.I. Bill of Rights.
5. For teaching the mutilated how to face life anew and win their battle.



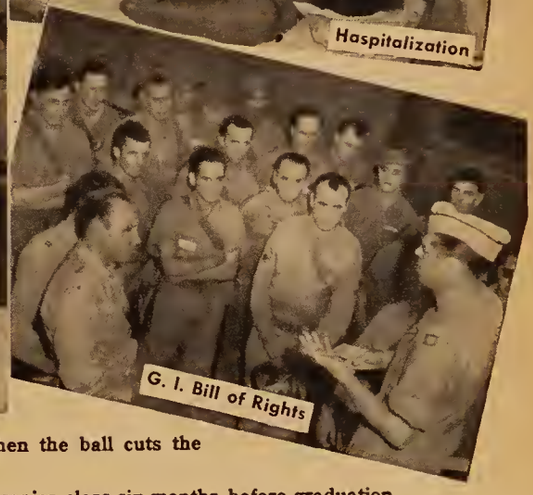
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You don't leave a man on third when the ball cuts the center of the plate. ***You hit it.***

You don't let your kid drop out of senior class six months before graduation. ***You dig up the money and see him through.***

That's the way it is with the Victory Loan.

LET'S FINISH THE JOB!

Thisa and Thata
BUILDING 19-5

We want to welcome Charley Hendrickson, Wilma Barcus, Gladys Wearer, and Imogene Kreamer, who are with us now. Hope you all like your jobs and stay with us. . . . Has any one seen those red suspenders Jerry Graft has been wearing? Boy! Are they pretty and bright!! . . . It seems that Hazel Martz is on our sick list. Hurry up, Hazel, and get well. We miss you at work. . . . Our sympathy goes to Edna Hergenrader, whose whose sister died last week. . . . It sure is good to see Glenn Bentz back with us. We missed that deviltment you are always getting into. . . . With no classified ads being run in the WORKS NEWS, we would like to ask anyone owning a pair of red flannels to see Erwin Lindzey. Erwin would gladly trade his slightly used lawn mower for a pair. . . . We would like to have seen E. E. Tucker climbing around like a steeple-jack trying to get into his own home, only to find out there was a key in the mail box all the while.

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

Last Tuesday the Taylor Street and Broadway Order and Stores Division had a dinner at the English Terrace honoring Mary Ruth Hayes, who will be married tomorrow morning at St. Patricks Catholic Church. A corsage marked her place, and she was presented with a gift from the girls. We wish you all the luck in the world, Mary Ruth. . . . Gladys Hurst, Bldg. 18-4, is in St. Louis meeting her husband, who has been overseas for sometime. . . . Melva Wiley, Betty Lou Bakel, and Bonita Swain recently had a wiener bake at Foster Park and took some really unique pictures.—Ask to see the pictures. . . . At this time we would like to welcome a former Bldg. 18-4 employee, Dorothy Gerig, into the Accounting Section. We hope you like us, Dorothy. . . . Margaret Suelzer, Bldg. 18-3, and Dorothea Swank and Mildred Barber, Bldg. 16-3, saw Sonja Henie's ice show last Sunday at Indianapolis, and from all reports it's really worth seeing. . . . We would also like to welcome two new people into Bldg. 18-B, Minta Cole and Clinton Sorenson. We hope they will enjoy their work with us. . . . Donna Bauermeister, Bldg. 18-B, celebrated her birthday Wednesday, last week. . . . Gene Hoffman also had a birthday Monday. We wish you both many more happy birthdays. . . . If you have a bad cough, ask Martha Westfall, Bldg. 18-B for her prescription. . . . Grace Sgro Fulkerson, Bldg. 18-B, is getting a leave of absence, and taking a trip to Colorado. Have a nice time, Grace. . . . Laverne Wallace, Bldg. 18-B, left last Friday.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Coming Home

Dear Editor:

It has been quite some time since I last wrote to you, and now I write to let you know that I am soon to be on my way back to the good old U.S.A.

The NEWS has followed me all over the Pacific, and I am very grateful to the Company for sending it, and their troubles in doing so. The NEWS has brought back many memories of the days I spent at the plant. Soon I hope, I will be able to pick up the NEWS every Friday for myself.

In closing I wish to thank you again for all you have done. The General Electric is a fine place to work, and I hope to be back soon.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Harold M. Jamison

PFC Elroy D. Miller says hello to everyone and hopes to be back after a short rest—he is on his way home—according to his recent letter.

Dear Editor:

Very shortly I expect to be leaving Germany on my way to the States. . . . I am hoping to be back to Fort Wayne before many weeks and feel more anxious to be there.

Very sincerely,

Capt. Stanley E. Tomkinson

After two and a half years of overseas duty, Cpl. Eugene Bunyan is returning to the States, according to a V-Mail received rom him.

Robert E. Farrell, Rdm 2/c, wrote in a recent letter that he is leaving the hospital at Farragut, Idaho, for the separation center at Great Lakes for a discharge soon.



On Jap Homeland



Harvey Slater, Jr.

Dear Editor:

. . . I'm now on the Japanese homeland. We are in the city of Kure. We have not been here very long so I can't tell much about the place as yet. Much to my surprise, the people are very friendly. Few can speak English.

A factory near here is all underground. They built caves into the hills. They are well stocked with equipment and supplies.

The B-29's played hell with the city of Kure. It's about all burned out. Block after block is nothing but burned out buildings. We can thank our lucky stars we are on the winning side.

Yours,

S/Sgt. Harvey Slater, Jr.

Waiting for Transport

Dear Editor:

I'm now waiting for transportation in one of the Navy's Staging Areas and expect to be leaving soon for home and then civilian life.

I'd like to say hello and thanks to all of my friends in Bldg. 26-5 who have written me so faithfully.

I expect to be home for Cbristmas, so until then goodbye and thanks for the WORKS NEWS.

As ever,

N. L. Bircheff, MoMM 1/c

Another lucky fellow who is leaving for the States is Joe Voglewede, MoMM 3/c, according to word received from him recently.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Dear Editor:

. . . My new assignment is a roving assignment, and it is hard to say when the mail will catch up with me. Also, I'm eligible for shipment to the States next month. I want to thank G-E for mailing me copies of the WORKS NEWS. It has made mail call a little more interesting.

Not knowing what to expect, I'm finding Japan an interesting place.

S/Sgt. Dan Bishop

PFC Carl W. Langas Writes About Marine's Life in China

Dear Editor:

It has been a long time since I have dropped you a line so I thought I had better get hot and let you know I'm still getting around with the Marine Corps. We left Okinawa about Sept. 26 and arrived in China Sept. 30. We have been on the move pretty much ever since we hit China. We were in Tuntsin about a week and then went to Peiping. At the present time we are living in an old school about 17 miles outside Peiping in a small village called Tunghsien. I haven't seen much of anything that would cause me to want to stay here in China. The country and 90 per cent of the people are about the dirtiest things you have ever seen. The few white people that one does see are Polish or Russian.

Prices Are High

The money exchange here is really something. One of our American dollars brings anywhere from 20 to 34 of the Chinese dollars. The prices are really something too, a steak dinner costs about $700 in Chinese money. A dish of ice cream costs $220, and a bottle of not-to-good beer costs $900.

We are supposed to be here just long enough for the Chinese Government to get their troops in here and when they get enough of them here we will come home, I hope. Most of the Nips have been disarmed, and they aren't causing any trouble. The Communists stick their noses out once in a while but draw back in right away. The political situation here is much more troublesome than the Nips. The sooner the Chinese get troops in here the better we will like it. We'd get relieved just that much sooner too.

Weather Is Cold

The temperature here has been our most trouble so far. The weather here is really cold, and we have a hard time keeping warm. Most of us were in the islands where the temperature was well above 100° most of the day, and our blood thinned out so this sudden change has really affected us.

Some of the fellows in Bldg. 4-4 must have broken their arms in the peace celebrations because they sure haven't done any writing. I'll say "hello" to all the old gang anyway even if they don't rate it. I heard that Les Menze has made it back and is with the old gang. "Hi, Les," I heard about "Curly" Niemyer through the "market grapevine." One of Sol Andofer's chicken dinners would really come in nice about now. I haven't seen anything about the Bldg. 4-4 golfers in the WORKS NEWS but then I guess I. Vogt, A. Hawk, and the rest aren't classed as golfers.

Here's hoping the Chinese take over soon and I can get back to G-E sooner.

Yours sincerely,

PFC Carl W. Langas

Walter Wood Named Appliance Assistant

Walter D. Wood has been appointed assistant to the manager of the appliance distributing branches of the General Electric Company, it has been announced by P. A. Tilley, manager of the branches.

A graduate of the University of Oklahoma, Mr. Wood joined G-E in 1934, and has held positions in Schenectady and Bridgeport. Since 1941, when he entered the Army as a first lieutenant, he has served in the offices of Chief of Ordnance, of the Under-Secretary of War, and of Fiscal Directory Headquarters, in Washington, D. C. At the time of his release from service, he held the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS: "Who does that guy think he is passing with that old rattle-trap. I'll show him."

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

Fifty-nine veterans returned to General Electric this week after serving in the forces of Uncle Sam. Look them up. Welcome them back to G-E!

Name	Location
Lloyd D. Goodwin	Winter St.
William R. Byers	Bldg. 31-1
Raymond Finton	Bldg. 26-5
William L. Bierbaum	Bldg. 19-1
Robert Horstmeyer	Bldg. 4-3
Arthur J. Horstman	Bldg. 2-3
Albert R. Weinmann	Bldg. 6-1
Henry H. Bucholz	Bldg. 6-2
Ralph O. Dunfee	Taylor St.
Louis W. Lahmeyer	Bldg. 4-1
Marion R. Bailey	Bldg. 26-5
Merl E. Keesler	Bldg. 19-4
Louis W. Zwick	Bldg. 17-2
Robt. E. Mosshammer	Bldg. 4-4
Horace L. Myers	Murray St.
Donald J. Bruick	Bldg. 12-8
Kenneth E. Deffner	Winter St.
Edgar J. Alter	Bldg. 26-4
Donald E. Jackson	Bldg. 19-4
Kenneth Oswald	Bldg. 18-5
Frank Laudohn	Winter St.
Nelson B. Yahne	Winter St.
Dudley E. Snyder	Bldg. 18-5
Max L. Markle	Bldg. 26-1
Henry W. Brandt	Bldg. 18-4
Geo. M. Parker	Hollywood Bldg.
Louis E. Pooler	Bldg. 17-4
Ora Waltz	Winter St.
William J. McKown	Bldg. 26-B
Harold J. Cunningham	Bldg. 4-5
Warren G. Brown	Bldg. 26-2
Francis O. Lake	Bldg. 19-5
Harold W. Pfeiffer	Bldg. 4-4
Joseph G. Trempel	Bldg. 8-1
Barton R. Turley	Bldg. 17-4
Horace Tribolet	Bldg. 27
Robert Benz	Bldg. 26-5
John C. Collins	Bldg. 26-3
Leonard J. Beckman	Bldg. 4-4
R. T. Reardon, Jr.	Bldg. 26-5
Ralph Meschberger	Bldg. 17-3
Arthur K. Archer	Bldg. 6-2
Harold Rhine	Winter St.
Gilbert L. Jones	Bldg. 26-2
Thad. Lewandowski	Winter St.
George R. Ceccanese	Bldg. 6-1
Joseph J. Chomey	Bldg. 26-1
Clarence Bade	Bldg. 4-5
Robert L. Osburn	Bldg. 17-2
Robert J. Workman	Bldg. 26-5
Jack Carlson	Winter St.
Conn E. Surface	Bldg. 4-4
Marlin E. Polley	Bldg. 26-1
Eugene W. Galloway	Bldg. 26-2
Melvin J. Miller	Bldg. 4-3
J. C. Westerhausen	Bldg. 17-2
John J. Beatty	Bldg. 6-1
Robert Waldrop	Bldg. 20-2
Earl W. Bentley	Bldg. 26-2

HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

By Marylinn Bullerman

The Regional Warehouse Association will hold its annual Christmas Party this year at the Chamber of Commerce, December 13, 1945. We hope to make this the largest and best Christmas Party we have ever had. The committees have been working on it for quite some time, and they assure us a swell time. . . . A cordial welcome is extended to our new messenger, Vivian Taylor—and speaking of welcoming, we greet another former employee who has just returned from 23 months overseas. He is George Parker. George was an engine mechanic with the Ninth Engine Overall Squadron, and was stationed in Calcutta, India. . . . Is it any wonder Betty Kyvick has a smile on her face these days. We hear her friend is going to be stationed at Baer Field—and Betty Walker also has that certain smile, and gleam in her eye. Reason? Her husband is being transferred from Camp Fannin, Texas, to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. . . . Emmett Mills must have decided to further his education, for he was seen in a class room at Central Catholic High School, Tuesday night. Tut! Tut! Emmett, we thought you were all through school long ago. . . . Ilene Shroyer celebrated her eighteenth birthday last Thursday with an array of gifts and birthday cards. Ilene claims she doesn't feel any older, but after talking to the older generation, they convinced her she was getting older right along. After she reaches the ripe old age of twenty, they claim, she will get old in a hurry. Don't let them discourage you, Ilene; they're just jealous. Chuck Lahrman also celebrated a birthday, and we wish him many more happy returns of the day. . . . We are honored to have a president in our group—Henry Reidenbach. Henry was elected president of his Sunday School class recently, Nice going, Henry. . . . Margaret Lissner and Helen Friddle were on the sick list last week. Hurry and get well, girls. . . . We close this column, hoping that everyone will keep in mind, our Christmas Party, December 13, at the Chamber of Commerce, at 6:30 o'clock.

In the fall and winter months, only 24 pedestrians are killed in traffic accidents in the three hours immediately before sunset for each 100 who die in the three hours just after sunset, according to the National Safety Council.

G-E Turbines for New Ships



Rapidly approaching full-scale peacetime production, marine-turbine and gear factories of the General Electric Company are now furnishing propulsion equipment for 42 ships of America's postwar merchant fleet and for 20 Brazilian ships, it has just been announced by the G-E Federal and Marine Divisions.

The photo shows a typical C-3 cargo-passenger ship, destined to play an important role in peacetime freight and traffic service in all parts of the world. Some of the 62 vessels are of this basic type.

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In contrast to the wartime policy of building merchant ships to uniform design, the new vessels will have many innovations wanted by the owners to meet varied operating conditions, R. S. Neblett, G-E Federal and Marine Manager, explained. He also revealed that during the war the Company's marine-turbine factories produced more than 40 per cent of the merchant ship propulsion equipment.

Turbines and gears are being supplied for 22 ships which represent part of an extensive reconstruction program by Lykes Brothers Steamship Co. Seventeen of these 22 ships are C-2 6000-horsepower vessels of 9600 deadweight tons, from the yard of the North Carolina Shipbuilding Company, Wilmington, N. C. The last of these are nearing completion. During the war years this yard produced 117 C-2 vessels with G-E propulsion equipment.

Five More C-3's

Designed for Lykes Brothers' Far Eastern service, five C-3 ships of 12,800 deadweight tons with 8500 horsepower turbines and gears, are being designed and built by Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, Kearney, N. J. The first of the group, the "Tillie Lykes," recently completed trial runs. The remaining four will be delivered within the next few months. "They have many characteristics that should make them the finest and fastest cargo vessels in the Pacific," J. T. Lykes, president, said in announcing the line's postwar plans.

Six more C-3 vessels, with 8500 horsepower turbine-gear propulsion, are being completed at the Federal Shipbuilding yards for the American South African Line, for service between the Americas and Capetown.

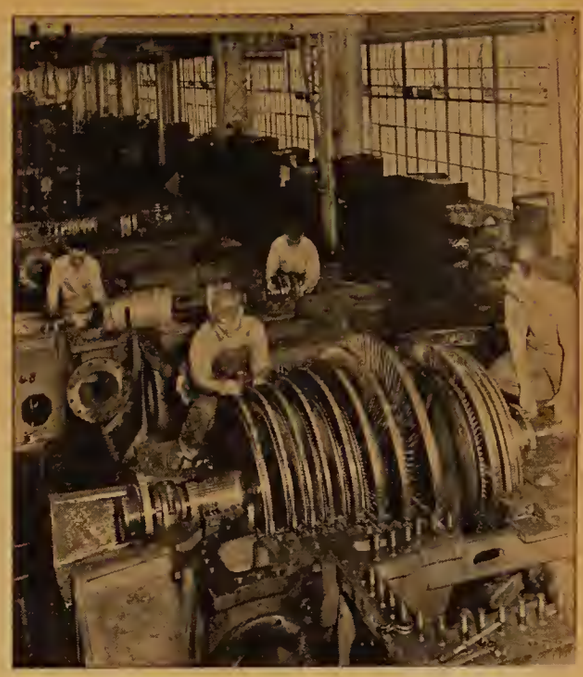
Further Additions

Further additions to the postwar merchant marine are nine C-2 ships for the South American service of the Grace Lines. Six of them are nearing completion at the North Carolina Shipbuilding yards and three at the Federal Shipbuilding yards. Three new-type passenger-cargo ships of the C-3 class are being constructed at the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation, Pascagoula, Miss., for the Caribbean service of the Mississippi Shipping Company. George G. Sharp is the naval architect.

Two high-speed single-screw tankers, to have 5000 horsepower turbine-gear propulsion, are being designed and built at the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock Co., Chester, Pa., for the large fleet of Standard Oil Co. of California.

Brazil's Lloyd Brasileiro has contracted for 20 ships with 6000 horsepower turbine-gear propulsion of General Electric design. Fourteen of these vessels are being built at the Ingalls yards and six at Canadian Vickers, Ltd., Montreal. George G. Sharp is the naval architect.

Many Innovations Made



No longer held to uniform design since end of war, merchant ships will have many innovations wanted by owners to meet varied conditions. Among shipping companies ordering them are Grace Lines, Lykes Brothers Steamship Company, and American South African line. Above, workers in G-E turbine factory assemble a marine turbine, to be operated with reduction gears. (Story at left.)

Is Zat So?

Thanks for doing your part to help our division reach its goal in the Victory Loan Drive. . . . Ben Fleek had quite a time with that baby ribbon that he used on the Victory Chart. It seems that Ben's fingers were a little too rough and clumsy for that sort of thing. May we suggest that you contact Helene Evanoff, Ben? We hear that she uses baby lotion on her hands with splendid results! . . . The gang held a party on Russell Gibson at his home to give him a nice send-off on his new job in another division. Everyone had a grand time, especially Johnny Miles, who spent the evening playing with Russell's electric train. He was better at manipulating the victrola as he had fewer wrecks. Ernie Riley had quite a time trying to get to the party. He had his car all loaded with refreshments and was ready to depart when he discovered that he had lost his ignition key for the car. With the aid of his daughter and a flashlight, the key was found, and Riley arrived safely at the party. . . . If you see Loyal Decker going around opening boxes to see what is in them, think nothing of it. Decker is just playing safe after a little experience he had recently. . . . We welcome "Curly" Sprague back to work after his recent illness. . . . We miss Cliff Coombs, who is now working second shift. . . . Mary Jan Meyer came to work all smiles Monday morning. Her brother received his discharge Sunday. . . . Alfred Dix, who was one of the first from our division to join the Armed Forces, came in to visit us last week. We were all very glad to see him. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Merriman. Miner is the proud papa of a little baby girl. . . . Do you know our Collegiate Joe? He is none other than Elmer Jocke, who has been displaying what the well dressed football player will wear. So round, so firm, so fully packed! What a man! . . . We hope Ivan Ford enjoys his vacation.

17-3 Newsies

We are sorry to have Helen Fethers leave us, but we are glad her husband is on his way home from overseas. Good luck, Helen. . . . Jessie Rogers' husband is home from the service, and so is Lois Sible's friend. . . . Vivian Doots is another one of these persons who doesn't see so well in the early morning. She was seen last week wearing socks of different colors. . . . Best wishes go to Ruby Hendricks, who received a beautiful diamond from that certain someone. . . . Happy birthday to June Price whose birthday is this week, . . . We're glad to have Doris Ryan back with us. . . . We want to say hello to our newcomers. They are Leona Lyns, Neva Scott, Katherine Hennig, and William Hamilton. . . . We'd like to see Mary Bohnstedt try to cut up a chicken. It seems she cuts the neck off just ahead of the tailbone. . . . Gwen Charpenning believes in dropping everything when the whistle blows; it sure made a lot of racket the other noon. . . . Agnes Miller seems to be very happy these days. Could it be that her husband is back in the States and on his way home? . . . We want to wish Mary Lamont, Mary Jane Buesking, and Marie Wilson a very happy vacation. . . . 'Bye now.

Sixty-five per cent of the grade crossing accidents last year involved trains going less than 30 miles an hour or standing still, the National Safety Council reports.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT WAYNE

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KOKOMO KEY NOTES

Mighty slim "pickin'" for the "Bird" this week—Say why don't you folks help "ye Ed" turn up some nice news morsels, so our "Bird" can sing Keynotes loud and long? You will? You've just been waiting to know where to put 'em? You've been saving some? Well fine! Just put 'em in the new WORKS NEWS boxes, and thanks a lot! . . . It seems "Millie" Miller knows something about flat tires—no—we don't mean her—it has something to do with alibis! . . . Did you know that we have a 300 score bowler in our midst? Ask Don McAleece how it's done. Stuff on the ball, eh, Don? . . . Last week we mentioned newlyweds, and this week we learn that Robert Walker started having troubles right away—just house-hunting troubles, folks! And, Robert, we sympathize with you, 'cause there's a number of us having the same troubles—and we're not newlyweds! . . . We hope Imogene Bruick and Elinor Stewart enjoyed their visit to Fort Wayne. . . . Welcomes to Naomi Bennett in the Rotor Section and Edith Sharp in the Stator Winding Section. . . . We've been seeing some familiar faces the last few days, and wish to welcome most heartily those formerly of our number who have been serving us and our country in the Armed Forces. As we go to press those most recently to return to work are Ivan Frazer, Richard Berg, Max Springer, Robert Pratt, Orin Reed, and Emanuel Smith. We also learn that William Loop will return to work soon. . . . And we welcome also those who served in the Armed Forces and are now employed at Kokomo for the first time. . . . Sooo with welcome and thanks and hope in our hearts—hope that our pickin's next week will be better—we trill off the Keynotes of Kokomo.

6-B BUSY BODIES

Guess what, Norval Banter was seen walking briskly down the street with something very large under his arm. At first we thought that it might be a turkey that he was going to fatten up for Thanksgiving but it turned out to be a high chair. Now what do you suppose he is going to do with that? . . . Speaking of turkey, did everyone have a nice vacation yesterday? I can vouch for one, and not only that but I know of a few people that just don't know when to stop eating. Sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, dressing—well you all know the rest. . . . MBA elections were held for Bldgs. 4-B and 6-B last week and the results were: Leo Heershe, chairman; Howard Farrell, vice-chairman; Ted Miller, director, and Vickie Walker, secretary. Now don't you think that they should give a treat? What am I saying! . . . Fred Lenz has been walking around like he was in a daze. Why? Because his son just arrived home, and Fred is a happy man. Floyd Goodwin also experienced the same feeling about two weeks ago. Isn't that wonderful?

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A GOOD INSPECTION SET-UP



THIS IS A WELL LAID OUT INSPECTION BENCH

Provisions have been made for economical handling of parts, for protection of gages, for good lighting, and for keeping records.

A good layout lends itself to good inspection and good housekeeping.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

We want to extend our best wishes and lots of luck to Mr. and Mrs. Merton M. Nesbitt. She was the former Vonnie Sponhouser. They were married Saturday, November 17, at the Wayne St. Methodist Church. . . . Since we haven't had a column for a couple weeks, we will congratulate Jerry Lewton now on being a "grandma" for the very first time. Nice feeling, eh, Jerry? . . . Bettie Shank is happy to know her husband will be receiving his honorable discharge from Great Lakes Naval Training Station soon.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

We are glad to see Gert Poiry back to work, and she says she got moved O.K. and all straightened up. Good for you, Gert. . . . There was quite a bit of excitement in the Minnick home when Eileen Minnick's brothers were going to scare Eileen with a snake skin, but they sure got fooled, because Eileen knew what it was and turned it around and wiggled its tail underneath the door. Her brothers got scared because it looked like it was alive, so they called Dad. Then they thought maybe the snake bit Eileen so they got a ladder and were going to crawl in her bedroom window. Just then the neighbors went by and thought the house was on fire. When they reached the top of the ladder what do you suppose they saw? That's right, Eileen was lying on the bed having a good laugh. . . . We sure hope Edythe Yoder likes her new job in the office very much. . . . Leola Leitch is home with the flu. Come on Leola (Pete) and get well, we all miss you.



Bldg. 12-3 Office

You know, some day we're going to find out who that man is who sticks his head in the door once or twice a week, gives the place a quick scrutiny, grabs his "ALB" monogrammed briefcase, and shuffles away again! We've been waiting and watching, but somehow we're just not quick enough. Maybe if we watch for him on regularly scheduled shifts, eat more vitamins, and obtain a long, heavy hook somewhere, we'll eventually manage to corner him long enough to find out WHO HE? . . . Something has happened to lighten the hitherto—shall we say, "glum" Elmer Botteron! From GLUM to toothsome GRIN in ten easy stages is the slogan of the hour—and if you don't know whereof or whatof we speak, come and look at Elmer for yourself! . . . Speaking of dynamic personalities, get a load of Charlie Harris with that smooth looking pipe firmly encased in his newly jutting jaw! WOW! Doesn't that DO something to you? If the human countenance can assume a beatific expression and at the same time firmly jut—that's Charlie with his new pipe! Ah Life! She is wonderful!

SANDY SAYS

Hoot Mon! Thanksgiving Day again! I looked up last year's "Sandy Says"—remember last year—way back when we were at war—when we worked on Thanksgiving Day? I said, then, thot this year, we'd not be eating turkey sandwiches on Thanksgiving Day, out o' a lunch box; we'd not be eating turkey sandwiches until the days after Thanksgiving.

Ah, yuss, this is the first Thanksgiving Day we haven't had tae work for four years. How nice it is! The Pilgrims didn't work on Thanksgiving Day, either—thot is all they had tae do was tae get out the ould blunderbuss, load it wi' powder and shot, chew wads, and ram them in, shoot a turkey in the woods, while their wives chopped the wood, carried in the water and did the other "woman's work" around the place. Then, the cranberries had tae be gathered from the bogs, and o' course, they didn't get canned pumpkin at the store, either.

What we ought tae do, some Thanksgiving Day, is tae try tae cook our turkey dinner over an open fire in the fireplace, too, with the kids o' the neighborhood shooting arrows at us thru the windows!

Yuss, we've come a long way since 1620. In fact, we've come a long way from where the rest o' the world is today. In last week's column I told o' how much more we had than people in Europe (even before the bombings). Yuss, we really hai something tae be thankful for THIS Thanksgiving Day.

And C.R.* has played a big part in it. The Pilgrims were looking for C.R.* when they came tae America. In fact, America was founded for C.R.* Everybody who came over here had C.R.* in mind. They wanted a better life for their efforts.

And they got it! Less work, more goods, more comforts, more leisure time. And this year, more leisure time in which tae be thankful. Incidentally, more time in which tae enjoy the turkey, too—all oxcept me Cousin Colin. He didn't win one on a raffle this year—so o' course, thot left him without a turkey—so he borrowed some shells and went out and got himself a pheasant.

*COST REDUCTION.

Reports from 23 states in 1944 show that 73 per cent of the drivers involved in automobile accidents were residents of urban areas, according to the National Safety Council.

Laboratory Observes Fiftieth Anniversary

Three Pioneers Speak at Special Commemoration Program November 13

The General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory of the General Electric Company celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on Tuesday, November 13. Three pioneers, A. L. Rohrer, the founder; E. S. Lee, successor to the late Dr. "Louie" T. Robinson, and Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, gave talks at the simple ceremonies commemorating the event.

Later in the year a bronze plaque, now being made, will be unveiled in the laboratory, but it is interesting now to look at the history of this giant modern laboratory.

History Given

When General Electric was organized in 1892, by the merger of the Edison General Electric and the Thomson-Houston Electric companies, standardizing methods in the electrical industry were decidedly crude and precise measuring instruments were practically unknown.

Shortly after 1892 Albert L. Rohrer (now retired, but still hale and hearty despite his 89 years) was transferred to Schenectady from the Lynn, Mass., plant of Thomson-Houston, and given supervision of all engineering and testing at the Schenectady Works.

What little checking of electrical instruments was done in those days was in preparation for special or experimental tests, and a young engineer, James Burke, did most of that by working on Saturday nights while the shops were closed.

Need Then Seen

Mr. Rohrer saw the need for a real laboratory where electrical instruments could be calibrated and repaired, and tests made on electrical apparatus.

However, because of the depression of 1893, no action was taken until late the following year when Mr. Rohrer hired Otto Holtz, a man who had had some experience in instrument work, to head up the proposed laboratory at a salary of $23 weekly.

Until a laboratory was built in 1895, Mr. Holtz made his headquarters in "Pop Turner's Tower," a tower-shaped building where the plant superintendent maintained his offices. It also housed the chemical laboratory.

Robinson Brought In

Lewis T. Robinson, who at the age of 16 started work for the Thomson-Houston Company, was brought to Schenectady in February, 1896, to take charge of the new laboratory.

The laboratory gradually established close working relations with the Testing Department, and also took the results of the Research Laboratory work in the field of science, seeking to carry these results on to a practical conclusion.

Its greatest specialty was to apply scientific and engineering knowledge to ideas.

Work Expanded

Work of the laboratory expanded so rapidly with the constant growth of the company that it was soon necessary to enlarge the laboratory by making an addition to the original building.

A few years later more space was needed, so the laboratory was moved to Bldg. No. 4, where it had somewhat larger and better quarters.

Steinmetz Moves In

Meanwhile, Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz, General Electric's late mathematical wizard, had established his first consulting laboratory in the barn at the rear of his home, but those quarters had become too small for his work. So he moved his force to old Bldg. 19, which had been the first home of the "Standardizing Laboratory."

It was only a short period after the "Standardizing Laboratory" had been moved to Bldg. 4 that still more elbow room was needed. So, in the latter part of 1913, it was moved into part of the newly completed, seven-story brick building No. 5, its present quarters. Bldg. 5 also housed the Research Laboratory, which at that time was under the supervision of Dr. Willis R. Whitney.

Expansion Shown

By this time the "Standardizing Laboratory" had expanded to several times its original size, and its employees had increased from a scant half dozen to approximately 100.

The Consulting Engineering Laboratory, of which Dr. Steinmetz was chief engineer, was originally organized in July, 1914, as the Consulting Engineering Department by Mr. Rice, who later became General Electric's second president. When it first came into eixstence Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, with D. C. Prince as one of his assistants, E. F. Creighton, W. S. Andrews, and others were members.

Other Members

Other members of the old Consulting Laboratory, at the time Dr. Steinmetz was chief engineer, were:

J. T. H. (Tom) Dempster, at present in charge of the Union College Laboratory; August Kruesi, C. W. Stone, John Bellamy Taylor, W. I. Slichter, Dr. E. J. Berg, who for many years was head of the electrical engineering department at Union College; and W. L. R. Emmet, of General Electric steam turbine and turbine-electric ship propulsion fame. Dr. Alexanderson was a charter member of the organization.

In 1919, the "Standardizing Laboratory" and the Consulting Laboratory were consolidated as the General Engineering Laboratory, with Dr. Robinson in charge.

Dr. Robinson Succeeded

Dr. Robinson died in November, 1931, and the following month, Everett S. Lee, who began work with General Electric as a testman during the summer of 1913, was placed in charge of the General Engineering Laboratory.

Meanwhile, there was a Consulting Engineering Laboratory being operated rather independently under the supervision of Dr. Alexanderson. In 1918 it was known as the Radio Engineering Department, and four years later the name was changed to the Radio Consulting Department. In 1928 it became the Consulting Engineering Department, and in 1933, the Consulting Engineering Laboratory, with Dr. Alexanderson in charge.

Consolidation Made

On March 1, 1945, the General Engineering Laboratory and the Consulting Engineering Laboratory were consolidated.

It is now known as the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory, with Mr. Prince as vice-president in charge; Mr. Lee as engineer; and Dr. Alexanderson as consulting engineer.

The standardizing work started here 50 years ago is being continued on an expanded scale in the present laboratory, which has approximately 840 employees, including engineers, scientists, laboratory assistants, and mechanics.

Future Plans Told

Discussing future plans of the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory, Mr. Prince said the development of new industries, such as electronics, will play "a vital role in our postwar work."

He pointed out that the company's Electronics Department, which had its beginning in the laboratory here following World War I, now has become a separate industry and soon will be moved to its new $11,000,000 home, Electronics Park at Syracuse, N. Y.

"The laboratory," he added, "serves as the incubator for such new industries, and already other potential departments, based on World War II discoveries in the Research Laboratory and elsewhere, are being groomed to take their place among the departments and divisions of the company to the end that we may have more goods for more people at less cost."

If you care for your family, take care of your life.



Seats on the Street Cars



STILL GO TO THE WOMEN "IF THEY GET THERE FIRST," which is another way of saying that women have acquired considerable ability in LOOKING OUT for themselves. As industrial workers, they have demonstrated this in accident prevention by avoiding personal injuries and also as members of shop safety committees. Clara Gehring, Bldg. 17-4, shown in the above picture, who has been in industry for many years, calls our attention to the necessity of this in a few words. Clara is now serving as Secretary of the Safety Committee in Bldg. 17-4.

Proportionately, the lost-time accidents occurring to women are somewhat less than those occurring to men. For example, in 1943 there were 64 lost-time accidents occurring to women and 225 occurring to men; in 1944 there were 65 occurring to women and 162 occurring to men. This should not give you, as a woman, "A FEELING OF SECURITY," because the same records reveal that women have amputated portions of fingers on punch presses, got their hair caught in revolving machines, had a great number of accidents due to falls, fractured toes, received serious eye injuries, etc. Therefore, their immunity from accidents is determined by their personal carefulness.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

The opening of hunting season has really given us fair opportunity to find out about our great sportsmen of Bldg. 4-5. Some exhibitions turn out to be catastrophes; such was Johnny Kasimer's case. After falling in the river in an attempt to get his rabbit, the climax was no rabbit and a week of sick bay for Johnny. . . . Louie Hickernell and Earl Sauers went out for pheasants. Theirs was an 'almost got one" case. They had a beauty all lined up and Earl had even begun to taste it, but alas, Louie discovered that you can't use 16 gauge shells in a 20 gauge gun. . . . Bob Neeb came back with great triumph after his hunting trip, but Roger, George, and Dale discovered they can find better pinochle players. . . . We have two returned veterans back with us again, Clarence (Billy) Baade and Pete Cunningham. Welcome back, boys, and good luck. . . . Toni Sandkuhler welcomes the Navy home this week. We mean just one special "Bell Bottom Sailor." Her husband, Hank, is the reason for Toni's sudden disappearance around here. . . . "It's Only A Bird In A Gilded Cage" seems to be Violet Henderson's and Frona Witsche's theme song these days. The cage is pretty, girls, but we can't understand why the "boid" doesn't sing. . . . If anyone picked up a man's black medium sized pen by mistake, its return would be greatly appreciated by Elaine Sutter. . . . No, we don't have a new girl in the office, that's just Jeanne Bott who added an upward trend to the hairdo. Nice. . . . Gloria Wiebke was showing us a pretty housecoat that a certain someone sent to her from Hawaii. We think it's pretty too, Gloria. . . . Don't miss the big floor party at the 901 Club tonight. It is for the employees of Bldgs. 4-1, 4-2, 4-5, and 6-4.

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

Joan Colchin and Mrs. Sherman Kunkel are assured of turkey for their Thanksgiving dinner—having won the turkeys recently given away by the Gecode Club. . . . Ethel Miller of the Winding Section is now Mrs. J. Robert Bollinger. Bob is a new employee of G-E since his recent discharge by Uncle Sam. . . . We wish to extend sympathies to Jim Oman and family in the recent death of Jim's father. . . . Congratulations are again in order to the Decatur Works employees and the solicitors who so diligently worked to put over the Victory Loan Drive. We are "over the top" for the eighth time—a record to be proud of, gang. . . . The G-E Club men's basketball team got away to an auspicious start in league play by soundly trouncing Central Soya. With the return of several players from the armed services it looks like we will have one of our old-time powerhouses. With Gerald Strickler as player-coach, we are sure of seeing some real basketball. Come on, G-E fans, let's give the team some real backing! . . . The G-E girls' basketball team also promises to be as good or better than last year. They recently gave Fort Wayne G-E a real battle in their first game of the year. G-E girls have provided very interesting games for Decatur fans the last several seasons. We assure you they will hold their own in league competition again this year. The team is a member of the Fort Wayne City-Wide League. League games are to be played at Fort Wayne. For the benefit of local fans, they will play exhibitions at regular intervals at the Lincoln gym. Give them your support. . . . The most heard comment of the day is, "I'm glad to see you back." Yes, we are really glad to see many of our former employees returning from the armed services to again take up their place in G-E. We are also pleased that many service men, not former employees, have decided to come up to work at G-E, but let's go a little further than just expressing sentiments—let's do something to make the boys feel at home. Remember actions speak louder than words; a little help to that new boy will really make him feel welcome. . . . We are happy to see that Harold (Duffy) Heller and Fred Busse, both long service employees, have returned to work after extended illnesses. . . . Mrs. Ray Meyer, the former Bernadine Hackman, has left us to go to Fort Wayne G-E. Her husband is also employed at Fort Wayne G-E. . . . Harriet Hoblet of the Cost and Payroll Section has decided to spend all her time housekeeping, with the return of her husband Don from the armed services. . . . One of the happiest girls in the office is Flora Marie Spahr. Husband Bill recently was discharged from the Navy after over three years' service. . . . The added sparkle in Gerry Geimer's eyes is due to the recent return of her fiance, Ambrose Spangler. Gerry says the date has not yet been set. . . . Bernice Miller is back to work after spending her vacation with her husband, Eugene Miller, who was recently discharged from the Army. . . . It was Deloris Miller until she recently changed her name to Mrs. Ervin Burley. Congratulations, Deloris. . . . Eileen Morrison is spending her leave of absence with her husband, who has been overseas more than two years.

Fear death? Then why flirt with it?

They Cashed In Their Ideas



Melvin Bill (inset) and Paul Witte

Melvin Bill (shown in inset), Bldg. 8-1, put on his thinking cap and received $25 for his idea of furnishing die guard blocks to allow guard bars closer to die fingers on Type I wire insulation machines. For his suggestion pertaining to the purchasing and use of hand operated steel rule cutter and bender to facilitate the making of steel rule dies, Paul A. Witte, Hamilton Bldg., was awarded $75.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that_____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed .....

Location .....



SCIENCE FORUM — BY L. A. HAWKINS

Sleuthing In 4-6

Eileen Hormann, of the A.C. Section, is one of the happiest girls on the floor. That certain person in her life just returned home after nearly two years overseas. We hope Eileen will quit chewing her fingernails now, and all the luck in the world to both of you. . . . We wish Jack Margerum, past Supervisor of Test at Kokomo, lots of luck on his new assignment which he undertook Monday as Supervisor of Tests in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Section, replacing M. E. Bartz, who has been acting supervisor for the past 2 weeks. . . . Helen Karolyi has finally received that long awaited letter from a certain sailor stationed in Hong Kong. Well, Helen, now you can stop singing those "Hong Kong Blues." . . . Last week an announcement was received from Stanley C. Marshall, now of Chicago and past Test Engineer from Bldg. 4-6, announcing the arrival of a daughter named Liza Jo. . . . One of Mary Sederlund's daily routines is marking off a day on her calendar. The last report we got from her was it would be only 8 more days before her friend would arrive in the U. S. Too bad we can't rush things, Mary. . . . Joan Dodge, of the Farmout Station, was really filled with joy when she received a telegram from her Marine last week, saying he was on his way home. Joan said she would expect him home by the 25th of November. . . . Hildegard Kraft's fiance got his discharge from the Army last Saturday, and don't be too surprised if you hear wedding bells ring in the near future. . . . The new draftsmen in the D.C. Section is Kenneth Oswald, who was recently discharged from the Army Air Force. He was a bomber pilot of a B-24 and made 24 missions. We are proud to have you, Kenny, and note to the girls—he is already married. Sorry. . . . You can now call Lela Omspach a super-sleuth detective. The reason being, one night when Lela went home from work, she had put some Mexican jumping beans in an envelope in her purse. When she retired for the night, she forgot all about the beans and laid her purse on her dresser. During the night, she was awakened by a strange tapping noise. Her husband got the flashlight and started looking around the room, when suddenly Lela realized it was the jumping beans. She took them out of her purse and put them in a dish to cool off. So there's the end of the Mexican jumping bean mystery. . . . On November 14, which was Joe Gardt's birthday, he received a singing telegram, and Catherine is wondering who the person can be that sent it. Anyway belated birthday greetings to you, Joe, and, Katie, if we meet up with a Sherlock Holmes we will send him to your aid. . . . Dwight Willits is not as strong as he thinks he is. One day last week he lifted his small trailer onto the back of his car, and the result was that Dwight got a "lesion," or in plain language a stiff back.

Q. If electrodes are pushed into the earth, will night crawlers surface?

A. Yes, electrodes inserted into the ground will make the crawlers and fish worms come to the surface.

Q. What is "cold light?"

A. By cold light we mean 100 per cent efficient light; that is, all the energy is used for light and none is wasted on heat. In any light source there is a certain amount of energy that goes into heat. A Mazda lamp, for example, has a great deal of energy spent in heat. A fluorescent light, however, evolves less heat and thus is much more efficient. "Firefly light" is an example of this cold light, which is actually chemical light. Certain chemicals are combined which give off light and no appreciable heat. In fact, this has been done with the chemicals in ice water. But this is a very expensive form of light and it is not bright enough to be used.

Q. Will an abnormal amount of rain during the spring and summer lessen the amount of snow the following winter?

A. No, not necessarily.

Q. If the atmosphere is moving with the earth as it rotates, how can airplanes make progress when they are going against the atmosphere in the other direction?

A. Since the atmosphere is moving with the earth as it rotates it does not affect the motion of the airplanes more in one direction than in another, except when they encounter adverse winds.

Q. How much lift is an airplane given by the air blown under it by the propeller?

A. No lift is obtained from propeller back-wash underneath the plane.

Q. What is Indian Summer?

A. Indian Summer is a period in late autumn when a warm mass of air displaces the polar air masses which invade the northeastern part of the country with the coming of winter. There is no particular period or even definite period when this warmer air comes in, but it generally occurs between the middle of October and the middle of November.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

Persons seeking rides or riders should report necessary information to the WORKS NEWS, phone 441, by Tuesday noon of the week request is to be run.

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Henry F. Nohrwold	Reckweg Rd., near Rd. 14	4-4	Owens	7:00- 3:30
Tom Harlan	Rd. 2 about 3 mi. south of Zanesville	4-8	Liddy	7:00- 3:30

NUCLEAR FUEL

By Dr. Ralph P. Johnson
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(Continued from page 2)

enough to set the next bit of fuel to burning. If the nuclear chain reaction among U-235 nuclei could be achieved, with neutrons as the links from one splitting nucleus to the next, it would be possible to use U-235 as a super-fuel, or, by letting the chain reaction run away without control, as a super-explosive. It could be computed that one pound of U-235, when all its nuclei are split, releases as much energy as 1250 tons of burning coal or 10,000 tons of exploding TNT. Such estimates made it highly important to find out whether the neutron-linked chain reaction could actually be made to occur.

Answer Given

The answer to the question was first announced in August of 1945 by the explosion of an atomic bomb in Hiroshima.

The explosion of this bomb was an uncontrolled nuclear chain reaction of the very sort that had been imagined in 1939. Somewhere in the bomb a nucleus split, and in splitting it set free several neutrons, and these struck other nuclei and caused them to split and set free still more neutrons, and in a tiny fraction of a second this avalanche had gone so far that a large share of the nuclei in the bomb had been split, with each splitting nucleus releasing some of its stored energy. The release of so much stored energy, in a small space and a brief time, caused the extreme temperatures and the extreme pressures that brought about the final military damage.

Chain Reaction Explained

Most of the difficulties that were met and conquered in the six years between the discovery of uranium fission and the making of an atomic bomb arise from the fact that only a few neutrons—between one and three, on the average—are set free by each splitting nucleus. At least one of these neutrons must be saved from all the other possible fates that might befall it and must be used to cause another nucleus to split. If too many neutrons are lost in other ways, the chain reaction cannot occur.

One way in which a free neutron can be lost is by flying right out of the lump of material whose nuclei are to be split. Neutrons are penetrating particles—they can go for an inch or so in solid metal without being turned aside or slowed down. There is no use, then, in trying to make a chain reaction occur in a small lump of U-235. It must be big enough in all directions so that a neutron starting out somewhere in it will be almost certain to strike a nucleus and cause a fission before it gets to the surface and escapes.

Free Neutrons Lost

Free neutrons can also be lost by being absorbed in nuclei that do not split. Nuclei differ greatly in their ability to absorb neutrons. Some of them simply bounce away when struck by a neutron, others are stirred up internally by the impact but do not trap the neutron, and still others take the neutron in and keep it out of circulation for a longer or shorter time. Clearly, there is no use trying to make a chain reaction occur in a lump of U-235, no matter how big, if it contains too many neutron-absorbing nuclei.

One such undesirable nucleus is the nucleus of the other sort of uranium, U-238. U-238 is so apt to absorb free neutrons, without splitting, that a chain reaction cannot occur in a solid lump of ordinary uranium metal, no matter how big and no matter how well purified of other chemical elements. To make an atomic bomb of U-235, it is necessary to separate a large quantity of U-235 from its chemical twin U-238.

Untangling U-235

We heard last week how this problem of getting U-235 untangled from U-238 in large quantities was solved.

Although a self-sustaining chain reaction cannot take place in a solid block of ordinary uranium metal, because the U-238 nuclei absorb too many of the neutrons set free by the fission of U-235 nuclei, it turns out that a chain reaction will occur if the uranium is broken up into small pieces or slugs and these slugs are spaced about, separated from one another, in a large block of graphite. An arrangement of this sort is called a "pile." We can imagine it as a loaf of raisin bread with the uranium slugs as raisins, placed in definite positions in the graphite loaf.

Speed Is Lost

What happens in the pile is this: As the U-235 nuclei in each slug split up, the fast neutrons they liberate fly out of the slug and begin to bounce around among the carbon nuclei in the graphite. With every collision the neutrons lose speed, and by the time they arrive at another slug they have made so many collisions that they are going only slowly. A census of the neutrons in the pile would show one lot of fast neutrons leaving each slug, fresh from U-235 nuclei which have just split in that slug, another lot of slow neutrons entering each slug to cause splitting of other U-235 nuclei, and a third lot of medium-speed neutrons bouncing around from one carbon nucleus to another in the spaces between the slugs.

The sole purpose of the lattice arrangement is to slow the fast neutrons leaving one slug down to a very low speed before reaching the next slug, for it is just in the range of medium speeds that the neutrons are most liable to be absorbed, by U-238. After a neutron has been slowed down it can safely be let back into the uranium, for then it will only bounce around from one U-238 nucleus to another until it happens to hit a U-235 nucleus and cause it to split.

Size Essential

A pile of this kind, like a lump of pure U-235, has to be bigger than a certain critical size in order to work. If it is too small, so many neutrons escape through the surface that the chain reaction will not take place. Once the pile is built up to the critical size the reaction starts automatically, as in the bomb, because there are always a few free neutrons at large to set it going. The reaction can be controlled simply by adjusting some rods of a neutron-absorbing material—cadmium might be used, for example—in the pile so as to keep the number of fissions per second at the desired level. The energy liberated by the fission heats up the pile, and this heat can be taken out and converted, in part, into some more useful form of energy.

The first of such uranium-graphite piles—the first self-maintaining nuclear chain reaction ever initiated by man—was set going on December 2, 1942. Since then, mammoth piles of this sort have been built, not as atomic bombs (they are too large to carry about, and the business of slowing down the neutrons takes too long for explosive applications) and not as power sources (the heat from them has actually been thrown away as a troublesome byproduct) but as factories for making another substance that is suitable, like pure U-235, for atomic bombs. This substance is called "plutonium." It is a new element, man-made, not found in nature.

Raw Material

The raw material for plutonium is the U-238 in each uranium slug, that troublesome twin of U-235 which is so apt to absorb medium-speed neutrons. Even in the pile arrangement where it is difficult for medium-speed neutrons to reach U-238 nuclei, the absorption of neutrons by U-238 is still an important process. The U-238 nucleus, on absorbing a neutron, does not split in two, but eventually throws out a few spare parts and settles down as a nucleus of the new element, plutonium. This nucleus, as we have said, is subject to fission like U-235 when it is struck by a neutrons, and can be used in atomic bombs. It has one obvious advantage over U-235 in that it is chemically different from the uranium metal in which it is formed.

Once the plutonium is made in the uranium-graphite pile it can be separated out in a pure state by chemical means, without resort to the complicated and expensive apparatus that is required for separating U-235 from its chemical twin U-238.

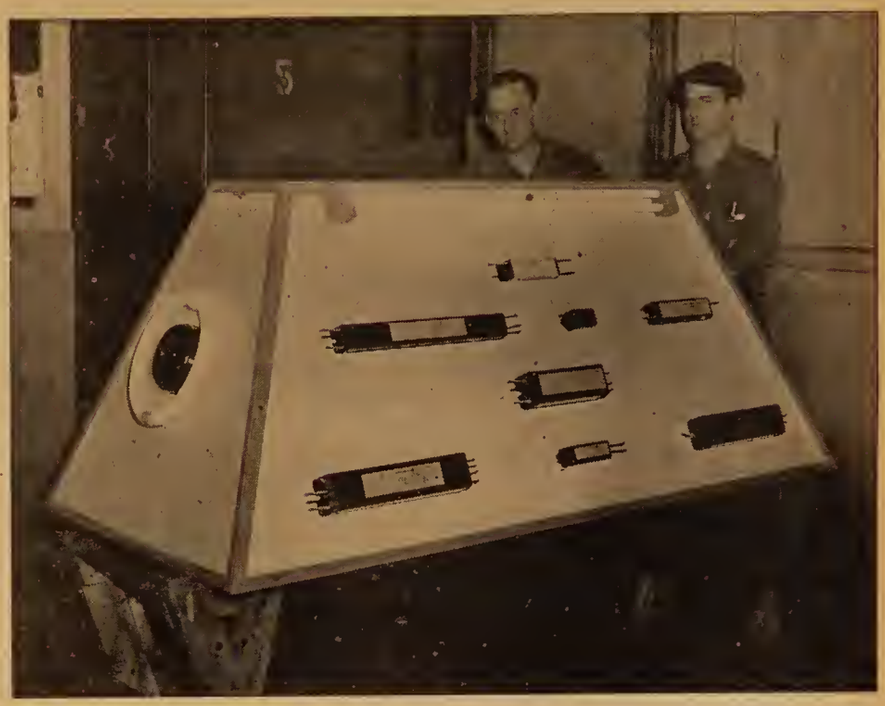
Summary Given

To summarize the matter, then, the energy of fission of U-235 nuclei can be set free on a large scale in two different ways. First, U-235 can be separated from U-238 and a nuclear chain reaction of explosive violence can be caused by quickly bringing together enough pure U-235 in one place. Second, a controlled chain reaction can be achieved by arranging a lattice of slugs of ordinary uranium in a pile of graphite. This pile arrangement is necessary to keep the U-238 nuclei from soaking up so many of the free neutrons as to prevent a self-sustaining chain reaction.

The only use that has yet been made of the controlled chain reaction is for producing, by the residual absorption of neutrons in U-238 nuclei, the new element plutonium, which like U-235 is suitable for the explosive material in atomic bombs. The problem of using the energy of fission for productive power purposes remains largely unexplored, but there is every reason for expecting that active research toward this end will be started soon.



This Will Go to New York Lighting Exhibit



Bill Berning (left) and Ralph Smith are shown above after completing the wiring of a display board of typical fluorescent lamp ballasts manufactured at the Fort Wayne Works. The exhibit is being sent to the Victory Lighting Jubilee, New York City, where the G-E sponsored show, November 26-30, will bring together manufacturers of industrial, commercial, and portable fixtures for the first large postwar lighting show.

C. Stonehill, P. M. Staehle, and C. A. Graham, all of the Specialty Transformer Sales Division, will represent Fort Wayne at the lighting exhibit.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

What better way to start this week than by welcoming Marion Lautzenhiser and Maxine Johnson into our midst. . . . Henriette Messe received a belated birthday gift carrying with it lots of surprise and even a poem. . . . Quite a few of our fellow employees took in the Sonja Henie Ice Revue at Indianapolis this past week-end. Rosy Broxon, Emma Meyers, Hazel Smith, and Herb Gruel all agree it was swell. . . . Another belated happy birthday wish goes to Jean Brown. A very delicious piece of cake, Jean. . . . Here's hoping by now Mary Hawe's soldier is home. . . . Did you all enjoy your Thanksgiving turkey? Now, we're all set for Christmas.

Nomore

Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Our Thanksgiving bride was none other than little Evelyn Miller at the Central Christian Church at Huntington to Richard Haneline from Winter Street. He received his discharge in September from the Army. She was so excited that when she had her blood test she passed out and when she came to the doctor gave her a lolli-pop. Oh, that's okay, Evelyn, we are all children at some time or the other. The gang wishes you the best of everything for the future and always. . . . Alvena Greber, now Mrs. Carl Quandt, bid all her friends farewell. She is going to be a full-time housewife now and a very happy one. She was presented with a beautiful blanket from the floor. We sure will miss you Alvena. . . . Gaylord Evans was on his vacation last week, taking life easy and doing some hunting. Did you catch enough to invite us out for a meal, Evans? . . . O. J. Meyer's son Bob is home now with his discharge from the Navy. His other son Gene expects to be discharged sometime in January. . . . If you want to hear some real harmonizing, you ought to hear Norma Beach, Rita Jessup, and Al Timme; they're really good, no kidding. . . . Del Reiter really had a grand time at the Henry Busse dance. Anyone wanting to learn how to dance, just ask Del; he's really solid. . . . Clarence T. Bird Stove reports a very good day on the opening of the hunting season. He captured one sparrow, a bar owl, a squirrel's tail, and one hind leg of a rabbit. Nice going, we say. . . . We are wondering if the rain helped out Monroe Green's garden, that he talks so much about. We would like to see it, Monroe. . . . The gang would like to know how much Art Brandyburger contributed to the candy lady's corsage, as he got a special thank you from her. . . . Have you noticed that certain gleam in the eyes of Mary Archbold. Her fiance, "Turk," is finally back from two years and 5 months of Army life overseas. Mary's silver lining has finally come through. Well, here's for a very happy future, Mary. . . . What was Alma Ladig thinking about when she changed her shoes at quitting time one Friday and five minutes later turned around and put her old ones on again? That sure was a short night, wasn't it, Alma? . . . Clara Nahrwold said she is definitely not cut out to be a carpenter. She received a black eye Sunday while hanging a picture. Cheer up, Clara, maybe you just didn't have the right tools. . . . We are now convinced that Ralph Springer is back in his childhood days. He was seen cutting out paper dolls Wednesday noon. . . . Kate Houston sure must have been excited to wear her sweater on the wrong side all day long and not notice it. What is it, Kate, that excites you so? . . . Alice Pelkey celebrated her birthday on Nov. 18. We wish you a very happy birthday, Alice, and many more of them. The girls wondered what was wrong with her last Sunday; she was so excited she couldn't even bowl a good game? Come, come now, Alice, tell us about it. . . . Hester Seidel and Fletta Erickson went to Indianapolis to see the Sonja Henie Ice Revue, Sunday, and we know without a doubt they had a grand time. . . . Freida Ramm had a birthday Sunday, and the girls around her presented her with gifts Friday at work. Happy birthday, Frieda, and many more of them. . . . Ruth Fuller still didn't take our advice about driving without lights in town, and just because we spelled her name wrong last week isn't the sign she has to get revenge. . . . Glyda Yoder is back with us again after her leave of absence. Marguerita Kohr is also back now working in Small Lot. Glad to have you gals back again. . . . If you want to know anything about Russian language just ask Alice Pfluger. She really goes to town on it. . . . Seen at the 901's birthday party: Betty France, Alice Pelkey, Clara Nahrwold enjoying themselves dancing and having a lot of fun. Also Aimee Linville and Ethel Mae Ankney were seen dancing. Well, folksies, see you next week, till then let's have all the news we can.

Your Country Cousins

Is it too cold to open the garage doors while you warm up the car on these winter mornings? Maybe it's chilly, but cold air is better than carbon monoxide, says the National Safety Council, pointing out that 196 persons met death from automobile exhaust gas in 1943.

With an average driver at the wheel and traveling over a dry road, it takes a car going 45 miles an hour four times as long to stop as one going only 20 miles an hour, according to the National Safety Council.



Poor Cinderella! Like Orphan Ann,
No dinner, no show, no Service Man!
Nothing to drive away the blues;
She failed to wear her safety shoes.

If she could have guessed that that gear would slide off the next bench and smash down on her foot, she would have been sure to put on the shoes that morning, instead of those cute little numbers with the peek-a-boo openings in the toes. But the trouble is that accidents come when you least expect them; they don't send you calling cards to announce themselves. You can't be a Pollyanna about them; you just have to be a plain pessimist and expect the worst.

TRANSFORMER —Clippings

We don't know what it is all about, but Ray Feller runs his windshield wipers when it isn't raining. Could it be that he is in the fog all the time? . . . The Lead Section had a potluck for Margaret Kocher, who is leaving the Company to go to Oregon. The guests were Betty Hawk, Golda Mentzer, Mattie Brunner, Imogene Welch, Katheryn Norris, and Loretta Bloom. Margaret received a nice gift. We wish her the best of luck. . . . We all wish Ralph Bond the best of luck and are sorry to see him leave us, for we will miss him. Ralph is leaving the Company and moving to Denver, Colo. . . . Congratulations to the Ellenwoods. It's a girl, Marcia Ann. . . . We wonder what Loretta Bloom was talking about when she said, "I got one there too." . . . Anyone wishing the services of a couple of coal buster-uppers, see Vic Schele His youngsters are experts. How about it, Vic? . . . The next time Goldie and Roy Mentzer put a couple of chickens under a tub, they are going to tie the tub down. . . . We are glad to welcome back Warren Brown, Jack Bennett, and Lloyd Yoder, who have been recently discharged from the services. . . . Rolly Wickliffe spent a nice two weeks vacationing in Florida. . . . No doubt Fred (Tiny) Vodemark spent most of his last week's vacation at the "Bunny Cafe" in Edon, Ohio, so any stories of his hunting experiences last week are null and void as of right now.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

Dear Readers: One doesn't have to do much snoopin' to see some things—mostly results of another touch-football game. The teams are growing. Last week's teams combined forces against a new squad of six men. Namely, we had Chuck Graham, Johnny Carr, Snuffy Smith, Joe Uttal, Wendell Hughes, and Frank Olney opposing Andy O'Dwyer, Joe Coughlin, Jim Steele, "Zip" Wintrode, Hank Jones, and George Hoopingarner. Please note the newcomers won 12-0. Jim made both passes. The first completed pass was received by Hank Jones, who scored the first touchdown, and George completed the second pass, scoring the second touchdown. If points could be given per injury the "old timers" would have been the winners. We see Snuffy Smith (but does he see us?) with a beautiful shiner. Graham says he is still looking for his ribs and in addition a couple of fingers look a bit disjointed. Johnny claims all you have to do is look around and watch individuals walk to determine who participated in the game. He must be judging from his own "aching back." Del Roloff was a loyal supporter, at least he watched the game for a while. "Just to see a pass completed," he said. Well, it all proves you have to be rough and ready to play ball with these boys. . . . Wonder how is happened with Joe Coughlin as chairman of the Squares party Friday night that Dottie (who is his wife) won a dollar? Tsk, tsk! . . . Our welcomes are a bit tardy, but nevertheless we do wish to extend them to two newcomers, Eleanor Smith and Helen Strickler, who is now working for the Requisition Engineering Section. . . . Farewells are in order to Eileen Daniels, whose last day is Friday. Eileen is a very happy young lady for at last she has her husband home after serving with the Navy these past years. . . . Had you heard C. W. Kronmiller is considering going on a tour as speech maker in January? . . . False alarm last week, Hank Jones didn't make his trip to Lafayette after all. The incentive moved to Fort Wayne, so the trip was postponed. . . . Ruth Gebhardt is another on the list of happy people, for her friend has returned after being overseas with the Army for two years. . . . Oh, happy days, for Lorraine Andrist, of the Cost Section, whose husband is homeward bound from China. . . . Ray Tuttle had a bit of bad luck this last week-end when he collided with another car and his car was quite smashed-up. . . . Greetings to the bridegroom, Wayne Weimer, who has returned from his honeymoon. . . . Therese Ueber reports she had a super time in Florida and she is ready to go back again any time. Therese even had the fortunate experience of meeting Upton Close, news commentator, while enroute via plane. . . . Jane Brinkman is seeing "smiling pink elephants" and is going so far as to collect them; that is, she purchased one. . . . Sonja Henie, who is appearing in Indianapolis this week, has attracted a couple of our associates to her show. Mary Jane Fletter says, "The performance is out of this world." Tiny Vordemark's enthusiastic reports substantiate this. . . . Russ Armstrong of the Drafting Section celebrated a birthday last week, and he didn't get a moment's rest until he brought forth the usual treat of candy. That was just a forewarning to Marjorie Mann, who celebrated a birthday on Monday and Wendell Miller, who had one on Saturday. Well, they didn't let people down, I know. . . . In case Pete Eberhardt tries to inveigle you into buying a chance on a G-E Washer, beware. Dorothy Fett found out the hard way what he considers a washer, clever boy, and more than that she even was informed she won. . . . Here's hoping everyone had a fine Thanksgiving Day. So long.

Nearly one-fourth of all drivers in fatal accidents in 1944 were charged with a speed violation, according to the National Safety Council.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

By the time this gets in print, Thanksgiving will be over but not for those who went all out for vittles. Just the same we all had more to be thankful for this year than last year, and although all the boys and girls are not home yet, by all appearances they should be by this time next year. Then as a token of appreciation we can at long last participate in an old fashioned Thanksgiving. . . . Stories seem to be in the Nimrods section this week with Joe Eifrid stalking the neighborhood Easter rabbit with his little boy's B-B gun. Not to be out done by not being successful the first time, even though he says he knows he hit it at least a dozen times, Joe figures that if he hits it enough times it will be so full of lead it won't be able to run away. But we wonder what the neighbors will say next Easter when all they will receive will be lead Easter eggs. . . . Bill Knuth couldn't hit the side of a barn this year with his double barrel shot gun—until he figured that he should have another barrel added, now that he has accomplished the extra barrel by way of plugging up one barrel, loading same barrel, and shooting the barrel into barrels, he aims where the rabbit isn't, and it shoots where the rabbit is. Anybody wanting a gun of this type, see Bill. He may sell you his if you offer enough, but better see it first. . . . Jerry Pierce has a novel idea for hunting pheasants. Next year he is going to buy a dozen eggs and raise his own and when the season's in, he is going to tie a 40-foot string to each one and then turn them loose and shoot them. P.S. He didn't say how he was going to hatch the eggs but knowing Pierce like we do, he won't let anybody do anything for him that he can do himself. . . . Talk about places to go hunting, we would like to know where Hutson went hunting last Saturday when it rained so hard. It appears Hutson hunted all day but came home as dry as when he left. . . . You all know Apple Mary but we have Apple Brickley here—man he sure does put those apples away. But what do you do with the cores, Keith?

WINTER STREET Rumblings

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Ora Waltz, Shipfitter 1/c, who formerly worked in the Maintenance Section for John Schwartz, has been discharged from the Navy and will be back to work soon. Ora served in the Navy for three years, mostly in the Southwest Pacific. He also pulled a hitch in the Navy several years ago. . . . Myron Freeland and Lyle Wray, both of whom worked in the Tool Room, have also been discharged from the Navy. . . . Howard Bennigin is on his annual deer hunting trip to Michigan. . . . Those who went rabbit hunting report not much luck so far. Carl Speckman and Herman Brandt with five apiece were the only ones that did even fair. All the others had a good alibi, "If you don't see 'em you can't shoot 'em." . . . Two new men in the tool room who were transferred here recently from Taylor Street are Glen Reynolds and Bob Todd.

MISCELLANEOUS

Here it is Thanksgiving week, and everyone is looking forward to the one day holiday and all of the turkey they can eat. . . . Leroy Crider is back from his vacation. He reports the limit in pheasants. We're from Missouri, Leroy. . . . Ora Waltz is with us again. He was recently discharged from the Navy. Glad to see you back, Ora....Henry Luedeke was off last Friday with a sore throat. Maybe you got the car working again, eh? . . . Matt Krebs is improving, and we hope he will be back with us soon. . . . We extend our sympathy to Charles Spice. He received word that his brother was killed in the service. . . . Irene Kintz is back to work again after a several weeks' vacation. Welcome back, Irene. . . . We want to congratulate the committee for the G-E Club show. They put on a swell show, and we all enjoyed it.

ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL

Betty Smith is a happy little gal these days. Billy has come home for a furlough. Hope you enjoy every minute of it. . . . We wish to welcome Doris Lamle to the section.

PLANNING

Long time no hear, but here we are again folks. . . . We wish to extend a belated welcome to Mrs. Eleanor Stimmel from Brooklyn, New York. What brings her here? Her sailor husband, Louis Stimmel, recently discharged, is a native of Fort Wayne. . . . Donna Ferguson's mouth was slightly on fire Friday morning. Reason! Mr. Didier, from Drafting, donated one of his famous hot pepper sandwiches. She says she likes them. Wow! . . . Harvey Petty has left us. You will now find him on the second floor. Good luck, and we hope you miss us just a little, Harvey. . . . Charlie Kensill's wife is recovering from a recent operation. . . . Bill Rehm, former guard at Winter Street, recently retired and was given a lounge chair and ottoman, and a scrapbook of autographs by his friends around the plant. A surprise farewell party was given him at his home at Hamilton Lake by Art Haycox, Paul Snyder, Clarence Russell, Joe Rodermund, Bill Stahl, Oliver Sawdon, Chris Schwise, and Harry Freeze. Fish stories flew thick and fast during the evening, but Harry topped them all with one about he and his brother-in-law going fishing for bluegills and how he fell in the lake. Some bluegills!

SPARE PARTS

Marguerite and her two daughters enjoyed the beautiful Sonja Henie Ice Revue at Indianapolis Friday evening. Marguerite wishes to inform all Elex girls that the Ice Revue is well worth seeing. . . . A swell time was had by all at the Barn Dance at Sorg's Barn Friday night. Certainly a good thing we didn't work Saturday. . . . Thursday evening after work Jerry, Bea, Dorothy Lorraine, and Mary went bowling at Scott's, and then went to the Oriental Gardens for a chop suey dinner.

MACHINE SHOP

We're glad to welcome Bill Seipel and George Scott to our gang, and we hope Ray Stoppenhagen likes his new job. . . . Frank Wynkoop is a happy father, since his son has been discharged after three years in the Navy. . . . Louis Middleton has been puffing like an old steam engine. He's been smoking his pipe and blowing smoke. All he needs is a whistle, and he'd be all set.

FACTORY OFFICE

The factory office gals had a potluck last Thursday of fried chicken, salad, olives, baked beans, cocoanut cake, and fruited jello whip. Vic Cartwright had ample samples, and then decided the girls were good cooks. All had a sample of the cake. . . . Hurrah! The factory party was a huge success. The music was grand, and the 125 guests had a whoopin' good time. The usual question, "When is the next one?" I would say sometime in February. OK? . . . Billie Squire is the new time clerk. Welcome back home, Bill.

WITH THE M. B. A. PATIENTS

Howard Barrand, Slyvia Baughman, John Caston, Lillie Dunlap, Marie Drewry, Lydia Eckrote, Orval Harrold, Joe Haviland, Norman Herstad, Franklin W. Jacobs, Thelma Marsh, Vess Miller, Marjorie Parnell, Roy Prince, Robert Rainey, Margaret Rollins, Betty Sapp, Leona C. Schram, Alton Simpson, Mabel Wilson, Dug. Winesburg, Lillian E. Wiggins, Lois Yager.

Left the Hospital—Mabel Lieberenz, Imogene Schwartz, Harry Richardson, Agnes Sarosizen.

Returned to Work—Lois L. Bailey, C. Shepherd, Elizabeth M. Clifford, Mary Kaufman, Elizabeth Haines, Gratten Buchan, Orville Meagher, Richard Weimer, Christina Ruchens, Clarence Bush, George W. Parker, Walter Bauerweister, Roy Hoelle, Everett Kelley, Geraldine Steller, Waneta Roush, Robert Eicks, Robert Didrick, Alma Kurtz, Ernest Linn, Nancy Johnson, Carl Nix, William Wilkinson, Goldie Stillwell, Margaret Stillwell, Samuel Beer, Gladys Balliet, Richard Hensler, William Doehrman, Merrell S. Pettit, Laura M. Freeman, Monroe Green, Herman Curry, Enid Beihold, Preston Gregory, Velma Hyser.

Production Line Ticks Again



Among the first two G-E mantel clocks to go into production is the Chorus model above. A chime clock, it is self starting, requires no winding and has rotor units sealed in an oil bath. It has a grained mahogany finish, and the dial is silver.

PRODUCTION

It seems there are too many whistles, or maybe it was too close to the noon hour for Audrie Fankhauser. She said goodbye and took her purse and went toward the door on the 11 whistle. She missed the mad rush for the door and to her chagrin came back to work for another hour. Well, I agree it fools you. . . . Shorty Redding doesn't get around much any more it seems, for Friday he walked up to Betty Clem and said, "Why don't you order some of these forms?" She looked up surprised then he realized he had the wrong Betty. Maybe it was Betty Wilson you were looking for, Shorty. . . . What do you know? Friday evening Cara Lou Lichty grabbed a blue coat, then to her amazement she saw it was the wrong one. "Whoops, this isn't mine," shouted Lou. . . . Ed Rosenberger is back again from a few days' vacation. Did you have a good rest at the lake or was it partly getting set for the winter? Well anyway, we are glad to see you back again. . . . Listen folks, our boss really rates the news this week, so hear ye all. Raymond Barrick, production supervisor, has a habit of saying, "Too Little and Too Late" in his daily production habits. But they tell us when he went through the Shrine initiation Friday he got plenty and on time!!! His production gang presented him with a shrine pin. Congratulations, Ray!

ORDER AND STORES

Helen May gets sooo excited when the Candy Lady comes around that she either gives the Candy Lady the bar and keeps the change or else gives her a red point for potato chips. Helen still thinks she should pay for the lard used in making them. . . . Margaret Pero is a very happy girl now. Her one and only Glenn hoped to find his girl all dressed and waiting for him, but instead found her standing at the ironing board learning to iron. . . . Loretta Saldner is going to leave us for a while. She is to be married soon. Congratulations and good luck to you both.

SPORTS

BASKETBALL TEAM

The Winter Street Basketball team got off to a poor start in the Inter-division League as they lost their first game to the Tool Division of Bldg. 26-5. The final score was 27-21 with the Tool Division boys jumping into a big lead and then protecting it the rest of the way. Scoring was pretty evenly divided among the Tool Division boys, while Hooley and Romine played outstanding games for Winter Street.

We have added another player to our roster. He is Bill Maloney, former Columbia City High School player just recently returned from the Army. We also may have a couple of other new players soon. Our next game is with General Service Monday, November 26. All games are played at the G-E Club on Mondays and Wednesdays, and we would like to see lots of fans out for these games.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

Please excuse: We are pinch hitting this week for our reporter who is ill. We are also wishing her a speedy recovery. . . . Who's the girl in Bldg. 2-2 who just recently changed her name but won't give us any definite information? . . . Mildred Raymond was a little hasty in making her resolutions this year. Congratulations, Mildred, you didn't break them for a whole week. . . . The girls who went with Virginia Emrich to the Paramount last week were wondering why her face was so red. . . . Good wishes from all our people go to Gretna Patterson and Naomi Longsworth, who left us to take up their household duties. . . . Jennie Kemp is spending a part of her vacation this week at Indianapolis attending the "Ice Carnival." We all hope you have a grand time. . . . Brice Martin returned to work this week after a week's vacation, with a black eye. (He was at least original with his alibi.) He says he was crawling over a fence and the post broke. Don't laugh, folks. . . . Goldie Franz, Eileen Stemmler, Eloise Mills, and Fern Sage are really happy people. Their husbands and sweethearts have returned home, and most of them to stay. . . . We were all glad to see Charlotte Stanford, who is home on a furlough. Charlotte is in the WAC's, and is stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas.

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

When the shooting and shouting was over on the November 16 kegling, we note that the Winders clean-swept the Assemblers and Planning did the same to General Service. Receiving, piling up a 952 game and a 2617 total for second place in the league, bested Order Service in two games. Punch Press maintained their tie for first place with Receiving for the third week by downing the Rotors twice. Small Lot outscored Production in two stanzas, and one game was by a single maple. The last-place Testers annexed two games for the first time in one night this season, victimizing the Wage Raters.

As the season progresses so the number of scores over 500 increases, and this week we have seventeen. Kretzmann came in for the most pins at 579. Incidentally, his first 500 was aided by two games at 210 and 219. Bergman was high single game scorer with a 245, and a 555 total. Bassett hit second high for total pins at 561, having a 219 single. Samuels rapped out the second high single at 225 and a 522 series. Richards came up with a 210 and totaled 546; Newlon shot a 218 for 535; Reith also had a 535 with a 205; Wikel hit for 209 and 507. Gossman made the grade this week connecting for a 205 and 525, his first in either bracket. Pyke had his first 500 at 534 as did Alcorn at 518. Bishoff hit 201 and 533; Kallmyer 533; Stodgell 528; Buesking 203 and 510; and R. Smith 500.

Saul got out of the woods in all three games for the first time this season, but Brake's average-raising string was snapped at eight nights. He previously had bettered his performance each night up till last Friday since the season started.

Unofficial and incomplete reports showed that Bergman and Reith placed first in the Doubles tourney at Fort Wayne Sunday, November 18, with a 1280 total, and Bishoff and Kretzmann placed second with 1268. Bergman and Kretzmann each had a 230. Seven pairs of bowlers from Kokomo were entered.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Series & Specialty	21	9
Screwballs	19	11
General Service	18	12
Firemen No. 4	18	12
Laboratory	17	13
Motor Generator	16	14
Transformer	15	15
Wire & Insulation	13	17
Firemen No. 10	13	17
Shipping	13	17
Plastics	10	20
Tool Room	9	21

High Games

600 Series: Matthews, 654; Kammer, 601.

200 Games: Matthews, 242, 237; Kammer, 231; Ludeman, 222; Starke, 214; Walker, 211; Glenn, 210; J. Saylor, 210; Ponsot, 208, 208; Hanna, 205; Ropa, 204; Burnau, 202; Yahne, 201; Saaf, 200; Kuntz, 200.

G-E Club Meets South Bend K of P Saturday

Women's League Will Start Play On November 29

Four Teams Entered in League Play on Thursday Nights in Club Gym

The Women's Inter-division Basketball League has made plans to get underway on Thursday, November 29.

The league will consist of four teams. Motor Generator, Small Motor Office, Small Motor Factory, and the defending champions, Main Office, Bldg. 18, will be represented.

The girls have been practicing in the Club gym this past week and expect to get at least one more session in before the starting date.

In order to eliminate another meeting, will the representatives of each team call Betty Eisenacher on 565 and tell her how many girls they have on their squads, as there are a few girls working in sections that will not have a team. These girls are anxious to play, and they may be added to any team who can use a player or two.

The team managers will be notified of the exact game time when they call in reporting their number of players. Any girls wishing to play in the league who have not been contacted, will please call Betty on 565.

A full schedule of this winter's games will be announced soon in the WORKS NEWS.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Machinists	19	11
Evaporators	19	11
Drafting	18	12
Designers	16	14
Compressors	16	14
Maintenance	15	15
Power Drive	14	16
Toolmakers	14	16
Planners	14	16
Grinders	13	17
Testers	12	18
Engineers	10	20

Compressors won 3 games from Grinders; Planners won 3 games from Engineers; Toolmakers won 3 games from Drafting; Maintenance won 3 games from Testers; Designers won 2 games from Power Drive; and Machinists won 2 games from Evaporators in last week's rollings.

Ralph Billings had a 588 to lead the bowlers for the second week in a row. The 200 scores included Geller 234, W. Kirke 214, Rinehart 211, Moore 210, Wiehe 210, and Piepenbrink 201. Maintenance had high single game of 956 and high three game series with 2758. After their sensational start, Drafting continues to hit the skids, as they lost three more games and are now in third place behind Machinists and Evaporators.

The five individual leaders remain the same as last week with Piepenbrink, Haggenjos, W. Kirke, Beneke, and Billings leading in that order.

Play with G-E Club Team



Ralph Miller



Stretch Magnusson

Ralph Miller and Stretch Magnusson are two boys slated to give opponents of the G-E Club Basketball team plenty of trouble this season. Ralph Miller, a 6 foot one inch forward, is starting his second year with the club, and this season follows a particularly outstanding one last year. His specialty is one hand push shots from the side.

Stretch is playing his first year with the G-E Club team. A 6 foot two inch center, he is a very fast and aggressive player whose specialty is working off the backboard. A former Huntington College star, Stretch has shown up well in preseason practices and the opening games of the Club team and seems headed for a big season.

Small Motor Factory and Firemen Win Division Basketball Games

Messengers Go Down 57-11 and Small Motor Office Falls 34-23 Monday Night

By Walter Histed

Standings

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
General Service	1	0	1000
Tool Division	1	0	1000
Small Motor Fact.	1	0	1000
Firemen	1	0	1000
Transformer	0	1	.000
Winter Street	0	1	.000
Messengers	0	1	.000
Small Motor Office	0	1	.000

Monday Night's Games

Small Motor Factory, 57; Messengers, 11.

Firemen, 34; Small Motor Office, 23.

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, November 26:

7:30—General Service vs. Winter Street.

8:45—Messengers vs. Firemen.

Wednesday, November 28:

7:30—Tool Division vs. Transformer.

8:45—Small Motor Factory vs. Small Motor Office.

Small Motor Factory, 57 Messengers, 11

Controlling the ball at all stages of the game, Small Motor Factory overpowered the Messengers in Monday night's opening game 57-11. Williams paced the winner's attack with 7 field goals for 14 points and was closely followed by his teammates, Kasimier and Barber, with 12 points each for scoring honors of the game. Oury with 5 points was high for the losers.

SM. MOT. FACT. 57	G.	F.	T.	MESSENGERS 11	G.	F.	T.
Baumgartner	3	1	7	Oury	2	1	5
Williams	7	0	14	App	0	0	0
Kasimier	5	2	12	Steele	0	2	2
Barber	4	4	12	Schnurr	0	0	0
Zimmerman	4	0	8	Hoffman	2	0	4
Thomas	2	0	4	Grepke	0	0	0
Totals	25	7	57	Totals	4	3	11

Firemen, 34 Small Motor Office, 23

The Firemen started off their season with an impressive win, dropping Small Motor Office 34-23. Scoring half of their baskets in the opening quarter, the Small Motor men held an 11-8 margin at the end of the period. In the second quarter the Firemen tightened their defense to limit the Officemen to one basket, while they tallied three goals from the field and one from the foul line to assume a lead at half time of 15-13. The red-shirted Firemen increased their lead to 23-17 at the three-quarter mark and in the last quarter after the Small Motor men pulled up to within four points, the winners started to pour the leather through the hoop to win going away at 34-23.

Steve Hanic paced the winner's attack with 10 points, while Walk with 5 was high for the losers.

FIREMEN 34	G.	F.	T.	SM. MOT. OF. 23	G.	F.	T.
Hanic	5	0	10	Singleton	1	0	2
Bohde	2	0	4	Schuster	1	2	4
Snyder	2	1	5	Walk	2	1	5
Imel	3	1	7	Dent	2	0	4
Trott	2	0	4	Klaier	1	0	2
Sitko	2	0	4	Hellenthal	0	0	0
				Schroer	2	0	4
				Starkel	1	0	2
Totals	16	2	34	Totals	10	3	23

Officials: McKenzie and Butts.

Visitors Bring Strong Squad For 8:30 P. M. Engagement

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club Basketball squad faces a tough week of basketball, with two home contests and one on-the-road engagement scheduled. Saturday night the G-E Men's Club will meet a rejuvenated and strong South Bend K. of P. basketball quintet at the Club gym at 8:30 P.M.

The South Bend squad will feature Fritz Fucha, 6 foot 4 inch center; Chuck Ringenberg, center from Riley High School; W. Cajkowski, forward from Central High School; Don Yeagley, Indiana University product; Art (Moose) Sumption, Lakeview High School; Al Starrett, Purdue University; Thomas Cox, University of Chicago; Al Costello of Notre Dame, and Duke Ziegler, coach.

Have One-Arm Player

The South Bend squad boasts Duke Ziegler, acting coach and forward, who despite only one arm will demonstrate to the Fort Wayne fans that this is no handicap to him, and from all advance information he will give the fans some real thrills.

The K. of P. team won 20 and lost 5 games last season. They opened their season last Tuesday night by defeating the Notre Dame R. O. T. C. Club by a score of 46-43.

A great rivalry has existed between the Club team and the K. of P.'s for the past three seasons and the South Bend aggregation is out to hand the Club team their first loss in this series of games. The starting line-up for the Club has not yet been announced, but no doubt all the players on the squad will see plenty of action. Come on out fans and boost your teams. There is no admission charge.

G-E vs. Bayless Hybrids Tuesday Night

The G-E Men's Club will meet the Bayless Hybrids basketball team of Bluffton, Ind., in the feature game Tuesday night, in the Club gym at 8:30 P.M.

The Bayless comes to the Club gym with an impressive last season's record. They won 22 out of 27 games and were the winners of the Van Wert Gold Medal tournament. This team also holds two victories over the highly touted Huntington Caldwell team, who will show here later in the season.

The line-up for the Bayless team includes Bob Arnold, Dave McAfee, Glenn Dunn, Bob Inkeep, Dale Lesh, Bill Garton, and Darwin McAfee.

G-E Meets Huntington College Monday

Monday night the Club team will travel to Huntington, where they will meet the Huntington College quintet. This will be the first game in a series booked with the Huntington College team.

G-E Club Drops 48-46 Decision to Richmond Pros

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Club team dropped a 48-46 decision to the Richmond Pros Tuesday night at the Club gym before a capacity crowd that had turned out to see the local lads perform.

It was a see-saw game throughout, with the lead changing back and forth continuously. The largest lead held at any time was grabbed by Richmond, when they poured in seven more points than the Electricians.

Schneider with 13 and Miller with 12 points led the G-E scoring attack, while Berry scored 12 points and Salisbury 11 for Richmond.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	RICHMOND	G.	F.	T.
Reed,f	5	0	10	Salisbury,f	5	1	11
Miller,f	5	2	12	Young,f	2	4	8
Lowden,f	2	1	5	Larmar,f	0	1	1
Magnusson,c	0	0	0	Peed,c	2	0	4
Kreig,c	2	2	6	Berry,g	3	6	12
Allen,g	0	0	0	Craycraft,g	1	1	3
Schneider,g	6	1	13	Kettler,g	4	1	9
Baade,g	0	0	0				
Totals	20	6	46	Totals	17	14	48

Half Score—Richmond 27-22.

Officials—Butts, Wagner.

Girls Beat Logansport 44-18 in Prelim Game

The G-E Girls stayed in the win column by handing Logansport a 44-18 lacing. The Club girls showed a well-balanced attack and completely dominated play throughout the game. The first half ended with the local girls holding a 22-12 lead, and they poured the leather through the hoops to walk away in the second half.

G-E GIRLS	G.	F.	T.	LOGANSPORT	G.	F.	T.
Amstutz,f	3	0	6	Savinl,f	3	1	7
Varner,f	2	0	4	Babb,f	0	0	0
Puff,f	5	0	10	Jones,c	4	1	9
Wh'leather,f	0	2	2	E.Savinl,g	0	2	2
Emenheiser,c	5	0	10	Jackson,g	0	0	0
Stellar,g	0	0	0	R. Baer,g	0	0	0
Williams,g-c	4	0	8				
Eisenacher,g	1	0	2				
Fitch,g	1	0	2				
Totals	21	2	44	Totals	7	4	18

G-E Club Girls Meet Inca Saturday Night

The G-E Club Girls will play Inca Manufacturing Company on Saturday, November 24, at the Club gym. This game will get under way at 7:30 P.M.

Inca is a newcomer in the feminine basketball circle this year, and very little is known of their strength. Their manager, however, reports that they have been working out for quite some time, and are all ready to go.

This game with Inca will be the third start for the Club Girls. The initial line-up for G-E will be Stellar and Eisenacher at forwards, Emenhieser at center, and Puff and Amstutz at guards.

Notice

Saturday night, December 1, the Club will meet the Haynes-Stellite quintet of Kokomo, Ind., at 8:30 P.M. in the Club gym. Watch next week's WORKS NEWS for further announcements.

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What we do in America from now on to preserve and create the opportunities for free labor is likely to determine the future of this nation and of the world.
President Charles E. Wilson

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INSURANCE PAYMENTS SUSPENDED ANOTHER MONTH

L. C. Swager, I. H. Freeman Get Important Assignments

Two Are Promoted By Works Manager To New Jobs

L. C. Swager has been appointed Assistant to the Manager in charge of Labor Relations and I. H. Freeman has been assigned to the Works Manager's office on special assignments, M. E. Lord, Works Manager, announced this week.

The appointments, effective November 26, follow important supervisory responsibilities held by both men. Mr. Swager was formerly Supervisor of Personnel and Mr. Freeman had been Assistant to the Manager.

Mr. Swager was graduated from Purdue University in 1917 and immediately entered military service. He joined General Electric in 1925 and was assigned to personnel work. He continued in this work during most of his period of G-E service, working as an instructor in the Apprentice School, in educational activities, and as Supervisor of Employment. In December, 1941, he was named Assistant Personnel Administrator and in October of 1943 was appointed head of all personnel activities.

Mr. Freeman joined the General Electric organization in 1913 and during his career has been employed as foreman, cost accountant, supervisor in the factory, and Supervisor of Wage Rates. In October, 1936, he was named Personnel Administrator, which was followed by his appointment as Assistant to the Manager in October, 1943.



L. C. Swager



I. H. Freeman

"Enchanted Cottage" Time at 3 P. M.

Elex Members and Guests Will See Popular Civic Play Sunday

Plans were completed today for a gala theatre party for Elex members Sunday at the Civic Theatre, when "Enchanted Cottage" will be put on by Civic Theatre performers at 3 P.M. in a special showing.

Elex Club has bought out the house for the special performance, Sue Cameron, Club president, said and urged all members to attend the party. Of particular interest to Elex members is the fact that Charles Bilskie, who became blind several years ago, will have one of the featured parts. Charles is the brother of Helen Bilskie, Bldg. 16-3, and is known to many G-E employees.

Admission for Elex members will be by membership tickets, but guests may be brought to the show by paying 50 cents at the door, Miss Cameron announced. The play will be presented in the Civic Theatre building on East Berry Street.

The show being presented at this year's Theatre Party is known to theatre audiences throughout the

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G-E Employees Insured Under Additional Group Life Insurance Plan Are Exempted from Making January Contribution

The suspension of employees' contributions which is in effect under the Additional Group Life Insurance Plan for the months of October, November, and December, 1945, will be continued one more month through January, 1946, it has been announced this week by W. W. Trench, Secretary.

This will make a continuous suspension of employees' contributions for a period of four months, equivalent to a dividend of 33⅓ per cent on an annual basis.

Great Savings Shown

The 125,000 employees insured in the Plan prior to 1945 and thus eligible to participate in the suspension will make a saving in the amount of their annual contributions of approximately $700,000.

The August 31, 1945, WORKS NEWS carried the announcement of the suspension of the October, November, and December payments, at which time Mr. Trench stated that "This suspension would apply, as in past years, to all employees who were insured on December 31, 1944, or prior thereto."

Deductions are ordinarily made one month in advance, and will be handled in the usual way by the Payroll Section when the temporary "suspension ruling" is lifted.

Reservations Still Accepted for Elex Trip January 12

Gecode Club Members Are Invited To Make Chicago Trip

Reservations are still open for the Elex trip to Chicago Saturday, January 12, Veora Habig, trip chairman, announced today and asked all girls planning to make the trip with the club to make their reservations as soon as possible so that arrangements may be completed.

Members of Gecode Club, Decatur girls' organization, have also been invited to participate in the party for the regular rate of $12. A special price of $15 has been set for non-members of Elex and Gecode clubs.

To Leave Early Saturday

The group will leave on an early train Saturday and return late that night, but train tickets will be honored on any return coach Sunday, if girls wish to stay overnight in Chicago. Irene Meyer's office should be notified of this, however, so that train coaches may be ordered for the return trip in the proper number, Mrs. Habig said.

Tickets for the Elex excursion will be distributed early in January. The trip fee includes dinner in the Wedgewood Room of Marshall Field's followed by a Spring style show, transportation to the ice show, and choice seats for the Sonja Henie Ice Revue, as well as train tickets on specially-reserved coaches.

De Loss Walker Will Speak Here Wednesday Night

Foremen's Association To Be Feted at Dinner Meeting in G-E Club

Members of the Foremen's Association will be guests of management Wednesday night, December 5, when De Loss Walker, former associate editor of Liberty magazine and nationally-known as a speaker, will talk here. His address on reconversion problems and his experiences in industry throughout the United States will follow a dinner at 6 P.M. in the G-E Club.

Mr. Walker is a graduate of DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind., and has served on the faculties of universities in China. He also brings first-hand information on the Japanese people through his studies in that country. Mr. Walker is known nationally for his work in the Recovery Crusade, which started up profitable business and gave jobs to the idle in the darkest days of the depression.

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NOTICE

Scrap wood of various sizes suitable for kindling, located at Taylor Street Plant yard, 25 cents a load, small truck, trailer, or car, is available to employees beginning Thursday, November 29. Lot will be open from 12 Noon to 4:30 P.M. on Thursday, November 29, Friday, November 30, Monday, December 3, Tuesday, December 4, and Wednesday, December 5. Enter by gate near Brooklyn Avenue.

J. B. Margerum Appointed Small Motor Test Supervisor

J. B. Margerum has been named supervisor of Fractional Horsepower Motor Testing. The appointment, made by Raymond J. Hoffman, General Supervisor of Testing, was effective November 19.

A 1942 graduate of Penn State with the degree of B.S. in industrial engineering, Mr. Margerum joined General Electric August 31, 1942, when he entered the Test Course at West Lynn. March 23, 1943, he was transferred to Fort Wayne and continued on test in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division and the Kokomo Plant until January 15, 1945, when he was named assistant to the supervisor of testing, Fractional Horsepower Motor Division.

April 30, 1945, he was appointed supervisor of Kokomo Plant testing.

Mr. Margerum held this position until being named this month to head all testing activities in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division.

Mr. Margerum has moved here from Kokomo, and his office is located in Bldg. 4-6.



J. B. Margerum

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While the Iron Is Hot

Have you ever watched a blacksmith work over his anvil? If so, you'll have no trouble in recalling how easily the red hot iron took shape under a few swift, ringing blows of his hammer.

It's much the same with ideas. They, too, are more easily and effectively turned into suggestions (and hence into cash) when we are "all het up" about them. Suggest while your idea is "Hot!" That's a pretty fair motto, we think, and it's one that's guaranteed to pay off in cash dividends if followed through systematically.

In the first place you won't lay the thought aside. It won't get lost. It will become a formal memorandum of your idea when it is registered with the suggestion system.

In the second place it will prevent the possibility of someone else getting the same hot flash and turning in your own thought while you are still waiting for "just the right time" to jot it down and send it in.

In the third place it will bring immediate help to you in working out the details. Don't delay just because your idea may seem "half-baked" to you. Send it in, and the suggestion committee will give you every possible expert aid in working the bugs out of your plan.

From the Nass Bulletin.

Cancer Is Our Problem

We are all of us concerned in the control of cancer. Cancer strikes indiscriminately at us and at those we love.

Did you know that 600,000 of us in America are now afflicted with cancer? Out of every 8 of us, 1 will die of cancer. Cancer kills 60 per cent more of us than all the infectious diseases combined! **BUT,** if we get at cancer *early,* about 60,000 more people can live each year.

We must all of us learn what to do. We must consult the doctor at once, if any of the following symptoms are present:

1. A sore that does not heal, particularly about the tongue, mouth, or lips.
2. A painless lump or thickening, especially in the breast, lip, or tongue.
3. Irregular bleeding or discharge.
4. Progressive change in the color or size of a wart, mole, or birthmark.
5. Persistent indigestion.
6. Persistent hoarseness, unexplained cough, or difficulty in swallowing.
7. Any change in normal bowel habits.

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Slaughter House--'45 Model

We can get the gas, so why not step on it? What of it if our tires are old, cracked, and decayed? Maybe the chassis of the old jalopy is creaky, broken, and won't track. So what?

Such seems to be the attitude of the American driving public today, W. J. Hockett, Supervisor of Safety and Employees' Activities, points out in a recent Safety News Letter. How wrong that attitude is is reflected in the grim accident columns, which record sharp upward jumps since August, 1945, when the withdrawal of gas restrictions occurred.

"Some optimistic folks thought the downward trend of automobile fatalities during the war was an assurance that that killer was being subdued. With old cars and roads poorly maintained, the urge to step on the gas will shoot the fatality curve higher than ever. It's worthy of our best thinking," writes Mr. Hockett.

Better KEEP DOWN the speed and BE SAFE.

THE POWER OF SUGGESTIONS



Some people imagine that the vast mechanical progress which has placed the United States ahead of all other nations in war and in peace is a thing created largely in laboratories, with scientists performing miracles in test tubes and with all the other mysterious paraphernalia of magic and near-magic. It is true that some basic ideas of vast and crucial importance, like atomic energy, have had their birth in laboratories.

But that is only a part of the story. The men of science do not pretend to create the new products; others have to apply the basic truths which they have discovered. And no new product is perfect when its construction begins. From then on it is subject to constant improvement. Here is where the practical men of the shop and office have their creative chance.

In fact, the shop itself is a laboratory, where many mechanical details are worked out. Everyone who has a share in the making of a product has an opportunity to improve it and gain a cash reward as well as have the satisfaction of seeing a better job of manufacture. Your idea may prove to be of the greatest importance. Don't fail to turn it in!

POSTWAR JOBS FOR THE NUCLEUS

By Dr. C. G. Suits, G-E Vice-President and Director of General Electric Research Laboratory, and Dr. Laurence A. Hawkins, Consultant, G-E Research Laboratory, Schenectady, New York

(Editor's note: This talk was recently delivered on the General Electric Science Forum over WGY, Schenectady, N. Y., and is being reprinted here because of current interest in atomic energy.)

HAWKINS: I am glad to have this occasion for a short talk with you, Guy, about the prospects for postwar utilization of atomic power. I know, from the number of inquiries that have come to me, that public interest in this matter is active and widespread, so I am sure this conversation will interest our listeners; and I expect to profit from it myself, for you have been closer to the atomic bomb development tban I, so I hope to learn enough to enable me to do a better job in answering future letters.

SUITS: It is not surprising that there should be a lot of interest, and I think that the more one knows about what has already been done, the more exciting future possibilities appear. Physical science stands today much where Europe stood, when Columbus announced the discovery of a great new world, with unknown but undoubtedly vast resources, calling alluringly for exploration and development.

HAWKINS: But I remember that the rosy hopes that Europe then entertained were mostly doomed to disappointment. I mean such hopes as the discovery of Eldorado, the Fountain of Youth, and the North-West Passage to the Orient.

SUITS: Yes, but remember, Larry, that what our Western Hemisphere finally yielded to civilization was far more important than any of those fanciful expectations—better than dreams of Eldorado were the enormous agricultural and industrial developments, a standard of living such as the world had never imagined, and human liberty under democratic institutions.

HAWKINS: You mean that even if present speculations about uses of atomic power prove fallacious, there are potentialities in the nucleus which may bring us benefits of a kind and magnitude that no one now can foresee?

SUITS: Yes, I mean just that. It will take hard work and courage to develop them, just as it took those qualities to develop the American continent, but the riches are surely there. The terrible blast at Hiroshima proved that man has shattered the barrier which up to now resisted his efforts to get at the tremendous energy contained in the nucleus of the atom.

HAWKINS: Of course, the foremost thought in everyone's mind is whether and how soon that energy may be used industrially, for constructive good instead of for destruction. What obstacles do you see in the way of attaining that end?

SUITS: There are several, presenting varying degrees of difficulty. We have learned how to release that energy to produce an instantaneous cataclysm, but for industrial uses we need not only to

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Indian Industrial Mission Visits Schenectady Works

An industrial mission from the Indian States, composed of six government and industrial leaders, visited the International General Electric Company and the Schenectady Works last week, inspecting various manufacturing facilities and the G-E Research Laboratory.

Hosts to the visitors were W. V. B. Van Dyck, assistant to the president of I. G. E.; Allen Mulford, Commercial Vice-President, I. G. E.; and W. J. Becker, Assistant to the President of I. G. E. The visitors were Sirdar Hurdit Singh Malik, in charge of the delegation; Sirdar Mir Maqbool Mahmood, director of secretariat, of the chancellor of the chamber of princes; Sirdar K. D. Mahadik, commerce minister of Gwalior State; M. D. Mehta automobile assembling works, India; J. C. Mukerjee, director, Assam-Bengal Cement Co., Ltd., Delhi, and H. Dhanda, minister of commerce, Indore State.

Following a luncheon, the visitors were taken on a tour of the research laboratory by Dr. Irving Langmuir, Associate Director of the laboratory, and L. A. Hawkins, consultant to the laboratory. They then visited the turbine and motor factories, and later the studios of Television Station WRGB.

Other G-E executives who greeted the mission were Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, K. H. Runkle, L. A. Umansky, and J. D. Wright. Other I. G. E. executives were R. W. Finch and R. F. Coggeshall.

Sirdar Malik is a retired officer of the Indian Civil service, and prior to his retirement was trade commissioner for India in the U. S. He is the prime minister of Patiala, and is well acquainted with many American industrial leaders, among them President Charles E. Wilson, and Board Chairman Philip D. Reed.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

What is the mystery surrounding the new frame work? Some say it's for chickens, while others argue carrier pigeons. But now the truth is known; it is for billing memos, etc. . . . More vacations—this time the lucky two were Charlene Anker and Dorothy Fletter. Dorothy reports that the East is definitely OK. . . . Is it a bride? Yes? No? Get the magnifying glass. Jean Brown's pictures from her husband caused quite a debate, but the conclusion by an overwhelming majority was that the girl in the picture was not a bride. . . . Naomi Knapp doesn't mind dreaming, but what she can't understand is why it always benefits the other guy and not her. . . . Do you have hiccups? Want them cured? Then see Doris McAdams. Betty Milhouse recommends her highly. . . . Two more birthday wishes this week go to Helen Eggaman, who had a birthday on Thanksgiving, and also to Art Walda, who seemed to enjoy his rocking birthday card very much. . . . Sophie Jessup says that turkey dinner or no turkey dinner, she just couldn't let two pieces of angel food cake go to waste. Ah ha, caught you, didn't we, Sophie?

Nomore

"Nothing Ever Happens in 2-3"

Wedding bells never cease to attract the younger members of Bldg. 2-3 office, and Theodora Koutras seems to be the chosen one for December 16. She plans to leave our midst on December 7 to trade in her comptometer for a kitchen range; smooth ranging, Ted! . . . Speaking of belles, yes, there seems to be an especially cute little belle at Indiana University that keeps ringing for Guy (I'm busy studying) Walker, because his visits to I.U. are not spent in guarding the Ole Oaken Bucket, of that we are certain! Just try to lead a private life, Guy, yes, just try. . . . Mary Turner is back to the old grind again after spending a whole solid month with her hubby. You lucky gal! . . . Rumors have it that four rabbits were chasing Noble Bell several weeks ago, but last week he got wise and consequently the Bells are feasting. . . . We cannot find a more opportune time to welcome two very lovely girls to our division than now. Bldg. 2-3 Office is rich with personalities, and Gladys Foellinger and Elcanor Kestner add greatly to this well established fund; Bldg. 4-6 lost these two girls to us last week. . . . We must admit that the day after Thanksgiving was a trifle confusing to us because we thought it was Monday, but it proved to be quite embarrassing to Polly Linc, who threw away her street car pass and could not convince the street car conductor that it was Monday. Maybe it wasn't, Polly! . . . If anyone is inquisitive about the new smiling face in the Blueprint and Stationery "Cage," then let us make the formal introduction now by telling you that she is "Dot" King of Bldg. 4-3 fame. She took Helen Burnam's place, who is spending full time on a full-time position—a housewife. Helen Marquardt is our new member to the Bldg. 2-3 force. Welcome to Bldg. 2-3, Helen! . . . Attention you women who are trying to lose those extra pounds! Gil Slone seems to be the possessor of the real secret. However, Gil could probably make a neat salary as an acting consultant on such subjects as "How to shape up like Betty Grable," but since he is such a modest fellow he is reluctant in talking about his discovery, but here is the secret: One glass of milk with toast for breakfast, one sandwich for lunch, and the major meal at dinner which consists of one sandwich and a cup of coffee. If this doesn't work we guarantee, double your money back. . . . Bob (I can't take it) Wefel finds it disgruntling to be so delicate. We can appreciate that feeling, Bob, because we saw you running about two feet behind Gil Slone and Herb Kock the other evening. Maybe you could do better on stilts?

Indian Visitors See Model of New Lab



G-E's Dr. Irving Langmuir, Associate Director, shows industrial mission how $8,000,000 project will look during their visit to International General Electric Company and Schenectady Works. Left to right, W. V. B. Van Dyck, Assistant to the President of I. G. E., M. D. Mehta, J. C. Mukerjee, Dr. Langmuir, Sirdar Hurdit Singh Malik, Sirdar K. D. Mahadik, Sirdar Mir Maqbool Mahmood, H. Dhanda, and Allen Mulford, I. G. E. commercial vice-president. (See story on this page.)

17-3 Newsies

We noticed a lot of empty chairs around on the floor last Friday, and we wondered if it was from eating too much turkey or that someone wanted to meet Santa Claus. Well, we'll let it go at that, because we probably did eat too much on Thanksgiving, and Santa did come to town in a bright red car. . . . Lorelei Prior is making a habit of forgetting her house key, maybe she should wear it on a chain. . . . Betty Blackburn is working on second shift now. . . . We'd like to say hello to our new girls; they are Bernadette Meyer, Bernice Gasper, Berneda Rohrbach, Kathryn Fuhrman, and Erna Fuhrman. . . . Pauline Sovers' and Mildred Pfaller's husbands, and Marcille Mast's friend are home from the service. . . . We are very sorry to hear that Doris Ryan and Ina Smith are ill, and hope they will be back to work soon. . . . Ruth Lemert and Juanita Likens are on their vacations. . . . Donna Dinius came in Monday morning with a beautiful diamond on her left hand, third finger, of course. Good luck, Donna. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Laura Stainer in the death of her mother and Dessie Spears (a former employee) in the death of her husband. . . . So long 'til next week.

6-B BUSY BODIES

Hello again, and has everyone recovered from eating too much turkey. You should be, but you know those leftovers. . . . Wava Runnion has been wearing her hair in a bandana and bobby pins quite frequently. There must be a good reason for it. Right? . . . Bob Ansberry sold his car, 'tis reported. . . . We were all honored by the unexpected visit of Ernie Baade. Glad to see him again even if for a short time. . . . Mary Laughlin's face got quite red recently after quite a bit of teasing from fellow workers. See Bert Herrman for the details. . . . How would you like your tea, girls; one lump or two of sugar? The little grey mouse that appears at frequent intervals must want some too. Don't scare it away. . . . If Gotha Hartman and Virginia Gordon find the formula for never growing old, do you suppose they'd make duplicate copies so we'd all know how? . . . Everytime Clara Jielke sees a Navy uniform walking around, her heart skips a beat because instantly Sailor Joe comes into her mind. . . . Gotta be going. Until later, 'bye.

Snooper

New Feature Added To G-E Squares Club Open House Parties

A new feature has been added to the regular Friday night Open House of the Squares Club. Last Friday night the Women's Division of the G-E Squares, minus fanfare or publicity, produced sandwiches and coffee for hungry members and their guests.

This added attraction will be available at regular prices for all future Open House parties, committee members have announced.

Approximately 50 couples attended last Friday's party, and a much larger turnout is expected tonight by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wightman, who will head an extensive welcoming committee. A cordial invitation is extended to all members to come down for the evening or drop in after the show for refreshments, table tennis, card games, dancing, or shuffleboard.

Running off the road resulted in nearly one out of four fatal traffic accidents in rural areas in 1944, the National Safety Council reports. Strangely, more of these accidents occurred on straight roads than on curves—14 per cent on straight roads and only 9 per cent on curves.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

The Plastics Office is a drab and cheerless place today. Some of our most interesting (well, anyway, some of our NOISIEST) personalities have "hit the road," so to speak. Clarence Lallow and Rosalind Gale are vacationing. . . . Charlie Harris is with the "powers that be" in the East. . . . Wayne Pribble and Jim Denney are pacifying a few customers in Chicago. . . . Clarence Coe and Soapie Summers are out of town—but we were unable to find out JUST WHERE from that model of reticent secretaries, Phyllis Guillot! . . . And yes, you've guessed it! Our long hook and vitamins and stuff worked, and we cornered that Will-o-the-Wisp Man! Just imagine—it turned out to be Al Barrier! Had his suitcase literally in hand at the time, and is soonly off for Taunton. Now the problem—and believe me, it IS a problem—is this: Who is Boss enough to do the bossing while the Boss is away? . . . It looked as though we nearly lost Loretta last week! You know how much she abhors even the appearance of haste? WELL—one of the Foremen merely strolled across the office and out the door, and—BANG! —Loretta was slamming down her papers, pushing back her chair and careening madly down the room in pursuit! Uh-huh, actually RUNNING! Whatta man! And 'twasn't the same one who accompanied her around in Phyllis' car the night of Lois Yanney's reception, because that wasn't a foreman, that was a soldier. Now, I wonder. . . . Interesting little play on titles regarding Pin-up Boy Fogel and Tall, Tan, and Terrific Buckmaster in the publicity for the Quarter Century Club, wasn't it? Two such different personalities, too! Those things have to happen now and then to break the general monotony—and it really did do just that, what with all the razzing and explaining those two had to go through!

G-E Purchases New Plant at Ft. Edward, N. Y.

Capacitor Production Scheduled There

General Electric has purchased a plant in Fort Edward, N. Y., from the United States Government for the production of capacitors, according to a recent announcement by Robert Paxton, Manager of the Pittsfield Apparatus Works.

The Fort Edward Plant, which consists of one large building, was constructed in 1941 by the Defense Plant Corporation for the manufacture of Selsyn instruments for the B-29 Superfort program. The building is built of brick, concrete, and steel and is modern in construction. The front part comprises the offices and is two stories high, while the manufacturing area is of one-story design. More than 13 acres of land are included with the building, which is located on the old Washington Fair grounds, half-way between Fort Edward and Hudson Falls.

Will Employ 500

Five-hundred persons are expected to be employed ultimately. The management control of the Plant has been transferred from the Schenectady Works to the Pittsfield Apparatus Works. David B. Lawton, who has been superintendent of the Fort Edward Plant for over a year, will continue in that capacity and will be directly responsible to Manager Paxton.

Increased demands for Pittsfield's products are expected to reach a peak surpassing anything previously attained, so that, even though operations at Pittsfield are being stepped up, additional manufacturing facilities are being provided in other communities, according to company officials.

• WITH THE • M. B. A. PATIENTS

Virgil Bobay, Louise Clauss, Hobart Friend, Marcill Foulks, Juanita Harris, Dorothy Hisscock, Emmett James, Doris Koehl, Francis Kirkham, Harvey Kerr.

Thelma Kistler, Harold Martin, Francis Oberholtzer, Ina Smith, Nina V. Clister, Roy Woods, Dorothy Singer, Mildred Smith, Robert Sheets, Leona Schram.

Betty Maloney, Hazel Lockwood, Helen Houser, Richard Hires, Zoa Hamm, Mary Hake, Otto Fredrick, Vira Fetro, Virginia Erne, Tom Dickenson, Fred M. Dettmer, Joe Daugherty.

Left the Hospital

Lula Archer, Franklin Jacobs, Ruth Anna Butterbaugh, Chauncey Putt, Henry Hahn, Goldie Butcher.

Returned to Work

Harry Rife, Kathryn Howard, John Stettler, Guy Spencer, Marie Ackerman, Russel Kensill, Allison Custance, David C. Happel, Fred Couture, Charles Frump.

Eldora Meyers, Lela DeBrular, George Jackson, Bertha Furge, Ileen Witham, Edward Palguta, Lois Yager, Mary Halocher, Orville Juillerat, Ella Highlands, Walter Hein.

Their Suggestions Paid Off



Eugene J. Mommer (inset) and Henry H. Webster

Eugene J. Mommer, Bldg. 10-1, recently received $50 for his suggestion pertaining to the providing and use of a boring bar so that the repair of cam shaft bearings on B & S screw machine could be done in the field. Sixty dollars was presented to Henry H. Webster, Bldg. 26-2, for his idea involving changes at infra-red melt out oven to reduce the amount of work and material used in connection with the oven cleaning.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The success of any organization is largely in the hands of the officers. Executive ability is not an inherent trait in everyone, so care must be exercised to select men of executive caliber for official positions to insure maximum efficiency within the organization. In clubs and social organizations, as in government offices, these officials are usually elected by vote. This automatically places a responsibility upon the membership in voting for those nominees that are best qualified for the job.

At the December 11 meeting of the Dispatchers Club election of officers will be held. The ballot will include names of those members which the nominating committee thought would best serve the club, with some changes and additions suggested by members who were present at the November meeting. Now, the members must show their preference by vote.

What entertainment will be furnished for the December meeting has not been announced, but the program committee is making special efforts to provide something unusual for the affair. Refreshments will be served, and a Christmas gift exchange will be presided over by Santa Claus. Be sure to come, and please be prompt. Let's make this a 100 per cent attendance meeting.

School teachers aren't going to like this, but a new high speed machine has been invented which can wrap enough chewing gum in eight hours to give one package each to 100,000 children. Laid end to end, tbe sticks of gum turned out by this electrical busybody would stretch 120,000 feet, or about 23 miles. All in all, that's a lot of nickel chicle.

The Armed Services have trained more than 500,000 radar and radio technicians, operators and repairmen.

September Deaths Result in $7,000 Payments to Two

G-E Insurance Plans Make Settlements to Employees' Survivors

Death claims totalling $7,000 were paid to beneficiaries of two Fort Wayne Works employees during September, the General Electric Company report on the Group Life Insurance Plan has revealed. One of the deceased employees had service totalling 18 years, while the other had worked here for 11 years.

Company-wide death claims were paid during the month of September to beneficiaries of 56 G-E persons and pensioners under provsions of the G-E Insurance Plans. The total paid amounted to $148,170. Of this $40,670 represented Company Insurance, and $107,500 represented Additional Insurance.

Three claims were paid to beneficiaries of employees who were in their second year of service, and six to beneficiaries of employees who were in their third year with the Company.

Payments to all G-E beneficiaries brought the grand total of death and disability claims paid since the plans were started in 1920 to $26,016,605.88.

De Loss Walker

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Last year the foremen's group was similarly entertained when Dr. H. H. Crane, nationally-known speaker from Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Mich., came to Fort Wayne to address the organization. Officers of the association include Charles Kensill, president; Ross Strodel, vice-president; Harry Beitel, secretary; and Paul Kogle, treasurer.

Add home novelties: Electrically heated rugs, expected on the market soon.

Eighteen Suggestors Take Home $280 for New Ideas

Eighteen Fort Wayne Works employees were awarded $280 in suggestion awards, according to the list released this week by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

In addition to $15 previously awarded, Frank E. Walling, Taylor Street, topped the list with a $165 suggestion award for his idea on changes to draft controls for boilers at the Taylor Street Power Plant so as to make them fully automatic.

Other awards ranging from $5 to $20 were made to the following suggestors:

Bldg. 2-2

LeFern M. Bollenbacher, Brice Martin.

Bldg. 4-2

Jesse E. Stoller, Betty M. Krummer.

Bldg. 4-3

Quentin E. Romey, Ruth A. Fuller, Clarence Watterson.

Bldg. 4-5

Vernon C. Dafforn, Gerald F. Meeks.

Bldg. 8-1

William Leimenstoll, Virgil C. Summers, Melvin J. Bill, Lawson B. Cox, Jay W. Paulus.

Bldg. 17-3

Ida F. Sinn.

Bldg. 26-5

Clarence H. Wiedelman.

Grandpappy

G-E Motor Built Here 30 Years Ago Found 'Working' for Germans

Proof that G-E builds quality into its products was furnished dramatically during the war, when 30 years after its birth, a 25 H.P. motor built at the Fort Wayne Works was found being used by the Germans and still working perfectly.

Connected to a water-wheel in an underground stream, it was used by Rommel as a generator to supply electric current for the "Desert Fox" headquarters.

No record could be found here of its rating or specifications, but it was probably built in the Motor and Generator Division during the latter part of 1915 or early 1916. It is thought to have been exported to France at about that time and served honorably until the German invasion of that country.

At last accounts, it was still working, but for the liberated French and their U. S. buddies. The Autumn, 1945, issue of the General Electric *News Digest* carries the story of Fort Wayne's "grandpappy motor."

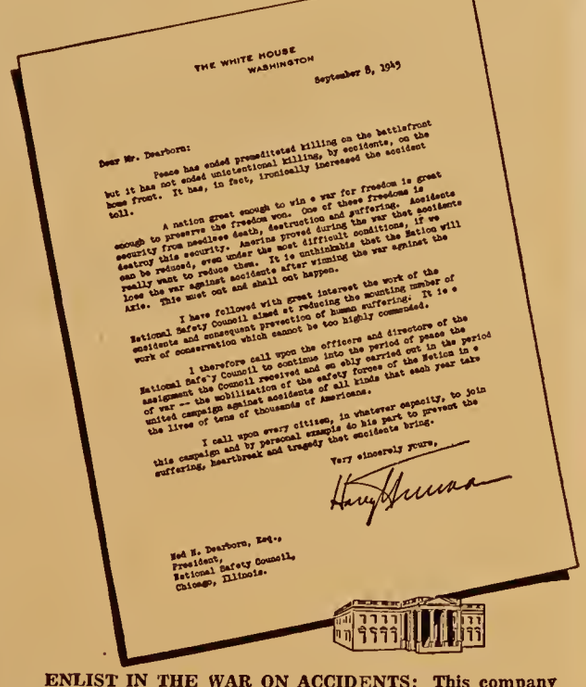
Light "jeep-type" airplanes, called "grasshoppers" by their crews, laid thousands of miles of telephone wire in isolated areas, setting up communications lines in the Pacific jungle warfare.

"Enchanted"

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country, both as a play and more recently as a popular moving picture. The stage play differs greatly from the movie, however, since much more stress has been put on comedy.

The "Enchanted Cottage" that Elex members and their guests will see Sunday is a romantic comedy-fantasy. Stanley Greene and Claire Neese handle two of the important comedy roles.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 8, 1945

Dear Mr. Dearborn:

Peace has ended premeditated killing on the battlefront but it has not ended unintentional killing, by accidents, on the home front. It has, in fact, ironically increased the accident toll.

A nation great enough to win a war for freedom is great enough to preserve the freedom won. One of these freedoms is security from needless death, destruction and suffering. Accidents destroy this security. America proved during the war that accidents can be reduced, even under the most difficult conditions, if we really want to reduce them. It is unthinkable that the nation will lose the war against accidents after winning the war against the Axis. This must not and shall not happen.

I have followed with great interest the work of the National Safety Council aimed at reducing the mounting number of accidents and consequent prevention of human suffering. It is a work of conservation which cannot be too highly commended.

I therefore call upon the officers and directors of the National Safety Council to continue into the period of peace the assignment the Council received and so ably carried out in the period of war -- the mobilization of the safety forces of the nation in a united campaign against accidents of all kinds that each year take the lives of tens of thousands of Americans.

I call upon every citizen, in whatever capacity, to join this campaign and by personal example do his part to prevent the suffering, heartbreak and tragedy that accidents bring.

Very sincerely yours,

Harry S. Truman

Ned H. Dearborn, Esq.,
President,
National Safety Council,
Chicago, Illinois.

ENLIST IN THE WAR ON ACCIDENTS: This company wants to do everything it can to help win the war on accidents in 1946. A little extra effort by everyone will save lives and prevent needless suffering. Let's all join in this nationwide campaign.

Supercharger Helped Make P-47J Republic Fastest Plane

Using the powerful exhaust of a new-type General Electric turbo-supercharger to get a jet-propulsion thrust for added power helped establish the P-47J Republic Thunderbolt as what is probably still the world's fastest conventional engine propeller-driven airplane.

This report on the effectiveness of the new turbosupercharger, known as the CH-5, was revealed in a recent announcement by the Army Air Forces that the P-47J exceeded 500 mph in level flight during test before Army observers at Farmingdale, Long Island, more than a year ago.

General Electric engineers who designed the CH-5 state that 17 per cent of the P-47J's power at its maximum speed consists of thrust from the turbosupercharger exhaust hood. The turbo, in addition to its regular job of supercharging the plane's engine, uses the jet-propulsion principle to still further increase power and speed, they explain.

First Tried in 1942

The thrust power is obtained primarily by mounting the shaft of the turbosupercharger horizontally instead of vertically, and by using a smaller exhaust opening. Practicability of this means of obtaining thrust power was first proven by G-E engineers on a modified XB-23 Army bomber assigned to the Company for flight test work early in 1942.

The turbosupercharger installed on the P-47J has almsot twice the capacity of the G-E model used on the first several hundred of the famous Thunderbolts, but it is only three pounds heavier, according to General Electric. It has a pressure ratio 93½ per cent better than the earlier model. This raises by 2½ miles the altitude at which military horsepower can be maintained. The CH-5 permitted reaching approximately 2800 hp at a pressure altitude of 34,000 ft. under war emergency power conditions.

100 Per Cent Power

"The new turbosupercharger permits the engine to deliver 100 per cent power to the propeller at an altitude where only 16 per cent could be delivered without it," state the G-E engineers. Seven miles above the surface of the earth, the turbo is capable of delivering about 14,000 cubic feet of air per minute to the engine. This is the equivalent of filling ten railroad tank cars with air every minute. The turbo actually allows the engine to develop more power at this high altitude than it could deliver alone at sea level.

All G-E turbosuperchargers produced subsequent to the one supplied for the record-breaking P-47J have been designed to take advantage of the thrust power principle. The CH-5 turbo was also installed on the long-range P-47N's.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

PREPARE GAME FOR FREEZING

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

When your husband shoulders his gun for a hunting trip and returns with a deer (if he's a good shot and lucky) or small game, you can think about freezing the meat. Once frozen, it retains all its juicy tenderness and can be taken out of the home freezer for use at any time of the year.

This applies to any meat, which may also be bought by the homemaker and then frozen for future use. Approved methods are recommended by experts at the General Electric Consumers Institute.



Game Birds

Semi-scald to remove feathers by holding birds for 20 to 60 seconds in water at 125° to 130° F. Be sure not to cook skin or it will tear when pulling off feathers. Remove pin feathers by singeing. Refrigerate overnight. Remove head, shanks, and oil sac. Draw carefully. Make sure lungs are completely removed. Wash bird thoroughly in cold water; drain.

Wrap cleaned and washed liver, gizzard and heart carefully in moisture-vaporproof paper and insert in cavity of bird.

Entire bird should be wrapped in moisture-vaporproof paper, over which should be tightly drawn a stockinette. Cut and knot ends. Tag-label and immediately place in freezer.

Small Game

Skin, behead, and eviscerate rabbits and other small game. Cool as soon as possible and then wash carefully. Next disjoint, and cut into pieces ready for cooking. Package pieces as compactly as possible in large heavily paraffined cartons, lined with moisture-vaporproof paper. Label and immediately place in freezer.

Large Game

Venison, bear and other large game may be prepared, packaged and frozen in much the same way as veal and beef. The utmost care should be taken after shooting to be sure that the animals are properly bled, the internal organs taken out and the carcasses opened up as much as possible. Unskilled butchering can spoil and waste meat. Unless you are experienced along this line, you'll want to consult an expert and be familiar with approved methods before you start, or employ an experienced butcher to do it for you. Many locker plants have facilities and provide this service. It is advisable to be familiar with local meat laws, too.

Carcass should be placed as soon as possible in a cooler or chill room maintained at 32° to 34° F. If hung to cool out-of-doors, temperature should never exceed 40°. A chilling period of 24 to 27 hours before freezing is recommended.

Cut in commercial cuts. (An experienced butcher's services are preferable). Place ground meats and organs in moisture-vaporproof cartons for freezing. No longer than 4 or 5 months storage is recommended for frozen organs since they do not retain their freshness in long continued storage as the other cuts do.

Wrap table cuts in moisture-vaporproof paper. If two or more pieces are in one package, put two pieces of moisture-vaporproof paper between each of the cut surfaces.

It is best to keep packages for freezing as small as possible. Packages should be wrapped tightly in moisture-vaporproof paper. This wrapping should be protected against tearing or cracking by an outer wrapping of stockinette material, cheese-cloth, or heavy wrapping paper.

After wrapping well, tag label with date of freezing and type of product and place immediately in the freezer. If you are planning to use a locker plant, packages should be placed in the refrigerator until you are ready to take them to the freezer, but the time should not exceed a day or two.

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TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

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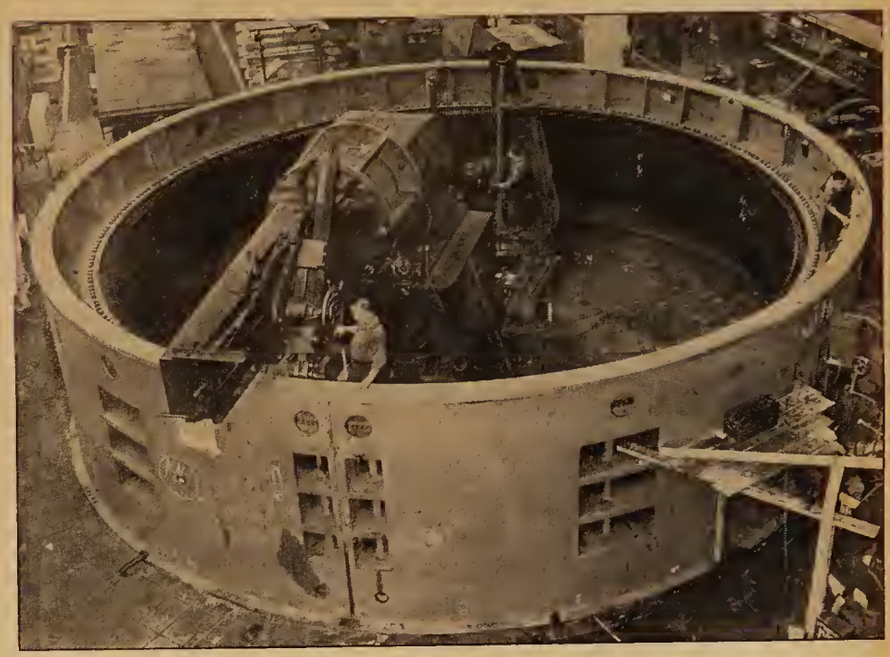
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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed .....

Location .....

U. S. S. R. To Get Biggest Generator Ever Built



Schenectady Works speeds completion of hydro-electric unit for April, 1946, delivery. The first of several on order, generator will be rated 90,000 kilovolt amperes, more powerful than those at Boulder Dam. Will go to Dnieprostroi Dam, where facilities were destroyed during German push. Armature frame and core of unit is shown above.

SCIENCE FORUM — BY L. A. HAWKINS

Q. Is milk a compound or a mixture?

A. Milk is really a mixture of compounds. It contains compounds such as water, casein, fats, and salt, as well as other minerals, combined so that in a sense it is a mixture. It has some characteristics of both.

Q. If the earth's surface is heated by the sun's rays, how do these rays penetrate the cold atmosphere high above the earth's surface, then become warm enough to heat the earth's surface?

A. The sun's rays are radiant energy which cause heat only when they fall upon an object. The heat radiated from the sun is in the form of electromagnetic waves, which are similar to light waves, except that they have a greater wave length. They are called infrared rays, and they do not lose their energy until they come in contact with something that absorbs them. Thus they reach the earth with the same energy that they had with the same energy that they started.

Q. How are paper straws made?

A. A straw is made by forming a tube of paper or cellophane, gluing it together, and impregnating it with a resin or wax to make it waterproof.

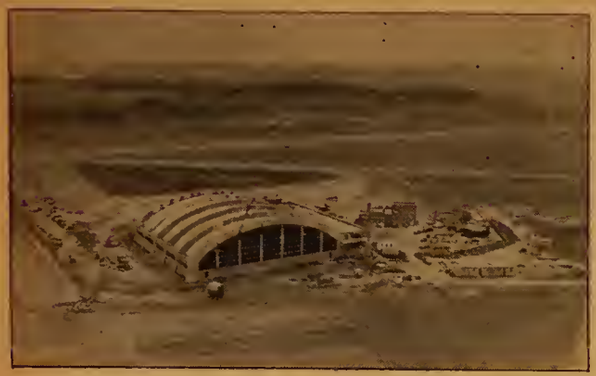
Q. What will loosen the soot from furnaces and pipes to the chimney?

A. A handful or two of ordinary salt thrown on the fire should do it.

Q. Why does dew appear only on the top surfaces of objects?

A. The dew appears only on the top surfaces of objects because it arises from cooling by radiation to the sky. The night must be clear so that the heat which is radiated will not be reflected back to the earth. Clouds act very much like a blanket in this respect, but on a clear night the heat lost from radiation from surfaces facing upwards finds no impediment to traveling into outer space. This cooling reduces the surface temperature to the point where the air in contact with the surface becomes saturated, and moisture separates out on the surface.

Here's "Flying Lab" Hangar



Progress being made in the construction of General Electric's $500,000 hangar-home for a new "Flying Laboratory" at the Schenectady airport is shown here in photo taken from helicopter. The all-concrete structure, scheduled to be completed before January 1, will be the site of development and test work on all types of jet, gas turbine, radar and electronic equipment. "Almost overnight it will become an internationally-known flight laboratory," according to D. C. Prince, G-E Vice-President in charge of the Company's General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory.

The hangar-home will be large enough to house four B-24's. One B-24 and an autogyro, both loaned by the Army Air Forces for experimental purposes, already have arrived at the airport. Other ships, including a B-29, which will be converted to "Flying Laboratories" for the flight-testing of new equipment, are expected on the project in the near future, Mr. Prince said.

Electrical "Blacksmith" Is Developed by G-E Company

An electrical "blacksmith," an instrument which automatically resets the thickness to which metals are rolled into shape on huge steel mills, has been developed by General Electric for obtaining greater production and accuracy in steel manufacture.

The instrument, which eliminates the human element when it comes to adjusting the mill for rolling metals at different thicknesses, has simplified the process to such an extent that a worker with little experience would be capable of performing the operation which formerly called for such workmen as Longfellow's smith, a "mighty man."

Automatic Control

The press of a button will put the instrument, technically known as the automatic screw down control, to work in controlling the steel rolling machinery.

D. E. Garr, G-E engineer, said the instrument has a range control for presetting the delivered thickness of metals from 12 inches down to a fraction of an inch.

Presses Button

For instance, if a 12-inch piece of steel is to be rolled to one-fourth of an inch, the workman simply sets the instrument's dial at the desired thickness and then presses a button. After this it's all automatic, the electrical "blacksmith" seeing to it that the metal is rolled to the proper thickness.

Developed during the war and first used on a plate rolling mill, the instrument also is finding application in other mills, Mr. Garr said.

Ball bearings used in aircraft instruments and which do not vary in dimensions by more than 1/20,000th of an inch are sorted by an electronic gauge and dropped into tumblers with others of exactly the same size. As many as 10 different sizes are obtained, each group being separated from the other by no more than 10-millionths of an inch.

KP duty, still the bane of a sailor's life, has been streamlined on virtually every ship in the navy through installation of high speed electrical food mixers, vegetable peelers, juice extractors, ice cream makers and other short-cut devices, all of which will be available in smaller units for modern households when quantity production gets under way.

NEWS FROM THE SERVICES

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Dear Editor:

. . . I've joined up with the 24th Division and came to Japan the 16th of October. I'm with an Ordnance Co. working in a machine shop. It's very interesting, but I'd still rather be back with the old gang in Bldg. 26-2 in Bob Hunt's section.

Tell the old gang, "hello."

Very truly yours,

Pvt. Al Colbert

Sailing for Home

Dear Editor:

At this time it seems that I will be sailing for home soon. If everything works out, as now planned, my outfit should sail on or about November 20. If we miss this sailing date for any reason, we will probably be here for about three more weeks before we get another sailing date.

I would have written sooner but up until the eighth we expected to be in Camp Philip Morris, processing homebound troops until January. However, orders suddenly came through to send all seventy pointers to Antwerp. So here we are in a different outfit and getting ready to go home. Here's hoping.

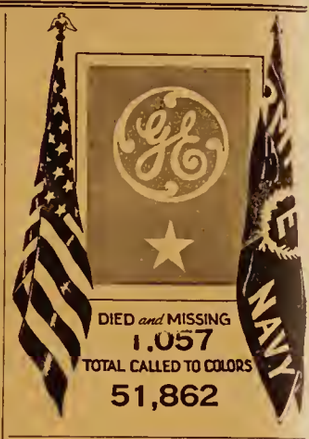
Now, I'd like to say hello to the old Bldg. 4-1 gang, and I hope to see some of you soon.

Sgt. Earl A. Meagher

Dear Editor:

I am now working in and around Manila on heavy cranes and shovels. Manila is quite a wreck, and it will take some time to clean Manila up and rebuild it.

Pvt. Floyd P. Brown



Dear Editor:

This is merely to notify you that I am still stationed overseas, but at present am with a new unit in the heart of Germany.

I want to thank you for the faithful delivery of the WORKS NEWS during this past 27 months. I always derive a great deal of pleasure from reading the many varied and always interesting articles.

It is my sincerest wish though that I shall soon be with you again so that I can pick up a copy of the NEWS as I leave work on Fridays in the not too far future.

Sgt. Harold H. Gerbers

Knows G-E Equipment

Dear Editor:

I have really enjoyed receiving the G-E WORKS NEWS; it has been a wonderful means of keeping up with the good job G-E people have been doing.

I have seen G-E equipment in operation all around the world, and it makes me feel proud to have worked with such a good organization.

. . . I am now awating shipment back to the U.S.A., and hope to be back with G-E in the near future.

Wishing the best to all.

T/5 E. W. Geiger

A. L. Steigmeyer, A.M. 3/c, writes that he is at Alemeda awaiting transfer to Great Lakes for discharge. He says that he should be a civilian within a couple weeks.

According to a recent letter from Cpl. Marion Ratcliff, he has started on "the merry-go-round" for home.

Electrical illumination of New York's famous Broadway began in 1880.

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

The following former servicemen have returned to General Electric during the past week after serving in the various forces of the U. S. A. Look them up. Tell them it's good to have them back.

Name	Location	Name	Location	Name	Location
Jack K. Dunifon	Bldg. 4-5	Harold A. Mundt	Bldg. 19-2	Robert J. Wiltshire	Bldg. 26-1
William N. Harrison	Bldg. 4-2	Leon Brown, Jr.	Bldg. 19-B	G. M. Satterthwaite	Bldg. 19-4
Benjamin F. Miller	Bldg. 4-3	Edward E. Fuhrman	Bldg. 20-2	Roy P. Weick	Bldg. 10-2
James S. Gargett	Bldg. 18-3	Alfred DiGregory	Bldg. 26-1	Donald L. Keck	Bldg. 20-2
Everett Barnes	Winter St.	Forest R. Ulrey	Bldg. 26-1	Donald C. Cadwallader	Bldg. 4-4
Charles Baroh	Bldg. 19-4	Adam J. Liechty	Bldg. 19-5	Wilson P. Jones	Bldg. 6-1
Charles Dunbar	Bldg. 2-2	Harry L. Bowers	Winter St.	Donald E. Coverdale	Bldg. 26-4
Dale E. Shupe	Bldg. 19-4	Harry Tieman	Bldg. 17-2	Frank Taylor	Bldg. 19-2
Roland H. Siebert	Bldg. 20-2	Raymond Sheehan	Winter St.	Paul H. Billman	Bldg. 19-2
Edward Lobert	Winter St.	Max E. Dilgard	Bldg. 19-5	Edward W. Pfeiffer	Winter St.
Merle E. Byers	Bldg. 26-B	Donald E. Yager	Bldg. 26-1	Paul J. Stemmler	Bldg. 4-4
Ray F. Kratzman	Bldg. 19-4	Ralph C. Peterson	Bldg. 17-4	Paul L. Brandt	Bldg. 6-4
R. K. Hoopingarner	Bldg. 26-4	Robert V. Sterling	Bldg. 19-4	Howard Stephen	Bldg. 17-3
Howard J. Latham	Bldg. 9	Richard P. Kelly	Bldg. 4-4	Alfred A. Arlic	Bldg. 26-2
Dock Gordon	Winter St.	Garland F. Goff	Bldg. 22	Wilbur Jones	Winter St.
Robert G. Firestine	Hollywood	Victor Bryie	Winter St.	John D. Mishler	Bldg. 17-1
Cal F. Listenberger	Bldg. 19-5	Charles Fisher	Bldg. 8-2	Walter Beery	Bldg. 26-2
Irvin R. VanAllen	Bldg. 17-1	Ora H. Baird	Bldg. 6-2	Thomas J. Freeman	Bldg. 4-4
John D. McMaken	Bldg. 26-1	Lloyd R. Wire	Bldg. 27	Normand H. Moore	Bldg. 19-4
Harrison L. Rainey	Winter St.	George Edington	Bldg. 20-2	James DeArmond	Bldg. 4-1
Bernard L. Asies	Bldg. 19-1				

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Jane Krause and Betty Filchak, Accounting Section, are both wearing lovely diamonds on their third finger, left hand. A strange coincidence is that they both sit in the same row. Is it catching, girls? . . Note: Bob Ellis, Bldg. 18-3, is wearing some new glasses—mighty nice looking too. . . . Mildred Sephel, Bldg. 18-5, is also newly engaged and proudly wearing a beautiful diamond. . . Congratulations are in line for Eloise Kartholl, Bldg. 18-5, on her fifth wedding anniversary. Since the Army got a little mixed up on releasing her husband, some of the Bldg. 18-5 girls had to help her celebrate. . . . What does it mean when a man starts carrying perfume in his pocket? Maybe Ed Hagadorn, Bldg. 18-5, can explain that one. . . Two swell girls left Payroll, Bldg. 18-1, last week—Marcella Baker and Esther Spuller. We'll miss you both. . . . Jane Guise, Bldg. 18-1, passed candy to the girls to celebrate her fifth wedding anniversary. . . . Frieda Wahli, Payroll, gave a surprise birthday party for Thelma Stone, and Thelma was one surprised girl when she turned on the lights and a loud SURPRISE came from Jean Barkley, Virginia Pulver, Nancy Woodhull, Katherine Sauer, Gert Kasimier, and Dot Lisius. . . . Happy birthday to Marilyn Menefee, Payroll! . . . Say, we would like to have more of those delicious pies Gladys Forst, Bldg. 18-1, made and brought to work. . . Edith Mennewisch, Bldg. 18-1, is off for illness. Hope to see you soon, Edith. . . . No, Helen Stull, Payroll, wasn't playing with those dolls on her desk. She bought them for Christmas presents—or so she says. . . . By this time we believe everyone has noticed the beautiful diamond on Opal Sale's, Bldg. 18-1, hand. . . . Congratulations to Maxine Jones and Anthony Mandra, who were married last Saturday. . . Maxine Hauth, Bldg. 18-1, has been spending her spare moments in making a corde bag. So far, Maxine, it looks O.K. . . . Speaking of sewing, Laura Rice, Bldg 18-3, has been busily knitting little gloves for Christmas gifts—very clever idea, Laura. . . . We're all glad to hear that Artie Ulmer, Data Bureau, is rapidly recovering. He spent his birthday sitting up in a wheel chair. . . . We miss Dolores Gerke and Marie Muller, Data Bureau, who are spending their vacations in Detroit and Cincinnati, respectively. . . . The Data Bureau also celebrated Martha Cash's birthday last Friday. . . . Farewell wishes are in line for Laura Rice, whose husband is due home any day after spending some time in the South Pacific; and Bessie Conden, whose husband just got his discharge from Baer Field. . . . Florine Sievers, Bldg. 18-4, celebrated her birthday last Sunday. . . The Jim Foxes, Bldg. 18-4, are the proud parents of a bouncing baby girl born November 22. . . . Ella Highlands, Bldg. 18-B, is back on the job this week. We are glad she is O.K. again. . . . Wilma Jean Morgan is the new girl at the Bldg. 18-4 desk. . . . Joan McKinley was home from Indiana University for Thanksgiving and visited Bldg. 18-B. . . . At this time I'd like to introduce my reporters for this column: Virginia Reichelderfer, Bldg. 18-B; Dorothy Lisius, Bldg. 18-1; Doris Miller, Bldg. 18-2; Doris Siebold, Bldg. 18-2; Dolores Orth, Bldg. 18-4; Mary C. Hostetter, Bldg. 18-4; Shirley Seward, Bldg. 18-5; Ruth McComb, Bldg. 18-5; Jean Funk, Bldg. 16-3; and Dorothy Lemert, Employment Office. Thanks a lot for your splendid cooperation, girls.

Seattle, Wash., which completely modernized its transit system with electric trackless trolley coaches before the war, converted an annual transportation deficit of $900,000 to a surplus of $2,005,000 in 1943, city officials report.

Inspection QUALITY Test
FORT GE WAYNE

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MODERN TESTING EQUIPMENT



"Clothes Make The Man," and "You Can Judge a Man by The Company He Keeps," are old sayings that are often very true.

Likewise up-to-date and efficient Testing equipment builds pride and satisfaction into the job. This pride and satisfaction is automatically reflected in finished MOTORS as Quality.

"QUALITY FIRST" IS A GE SLOGAN

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Oh Boy, we're going to grind up all the news in a big chopper, season it just a little, and see what comes out. . . . Your reporter wrote this while chomping on a sandwich during lunch so that accounts for being food-minded. . . . Wonder how many cheese sandwiches Paul Meyers carries in his lunch bucket? . . . Curley Joe is looking for an opportunity to get a good story on Hutson to pay him back for that item in last week's column. Better watch your peas and carrots Lennie! I mean P's and Q's. There I go thinking about food again. . . . Which reminds us that Irene Varner looks good enough to eat in that new black dress. . . . Returnees: Lloyd Mason and Joe Longardner. . . . Thanksgiving Day was really a big feast at Fred Linker's. It was his daughter's wedding day with a big reception at Papa Fred's house. . . . There for a while we thought Virg Best was wearing pink sox, but he told us it was just the reflection from his healthy pink skin now that he's been spending lots of time on the farm hauling corn. (Don't tell us this is where we should say "that sure sounds corny!") . . . Say has anybody a story about Dorothy Crist? We haven't been able to dig up a thing. Unless maybe she could let me have a copy of her new cream recipes to take home to my wife. . . . We'd like to put a little punch in this column from the Punch Press Section, but they must be pulling their punches this week. . . . The day after Thanksgiving Marge and Betty were seen weighing in. Wonder if they were trying to find out who ate the most turkey. . . . Garland Meyers lost out on the pigskin parade. He didn't bring home the bacon, as usual. . . . Say, I'd better quit thinking about good food and head for for the cafeteria. My wife just doesn't pack enough in this little ole box. . . . BCNU around.

Electrical soil pasteurizers destroy weed seeds and disease organisms by heating the loam to 140 degrees.



Hoot Mon, now thot the war is over—yuss, they tell me it's over—even if there's still fighting in China and the East Indies, the Near East, and parts o' Europe, even if we can't get new tires, autos, or sugar, even if refrigerators are still things tae gape at in shop windows. Weel, anyway, now thot it's over, the papers are full o' stories o' conferences. United Nations conferences, Big 3 conferences, Big 5 conferences, London conferences, Washington conferences, Washington conferences, Atomic Bomb conferences, Labor and Management conferences, etc., etc., far into the peace!

Weel, noo, thot conferences are the vogue, I'd better hold one on me postwar C.R.* plans! I'll confer wi' meself, and set up some beautiful ideals (beautiful tae a Scotsman plugging for C.R.*, thot is) and plan an ideal life o' ease for everybody, from the laziest tae the most productive, thanks tae C.R.*

But what good is me conference, or any other conference, big or little, if we just stop at conferences!

It isn't conferences, but CO-OPERATION, thot we need!

Thot applies tae all the World troubles, I think, but I'll just talk o' something I know about—C.R.* Without cooperation, we can't get C.R.* And what do I mean by cooperation? NOT just agreeing wi' everybody on everything. Cooperating means operating together, for a common cause. All o' us operating. All o' us doing something about it. The best way tae cooperate is for each one o' us tae get busy and DO something, himself—think up a lot o' new C.R.* ideas, himself—turn them in on suggestion blanks, himself—(and collect nice awards, himself, too!) Noo, if all o' us do thot, even tho a lot o' our ideas are duds, some o' them are bound tae click, and the big ones thot click make up for all o' them thot fizzle.

Ah, yuss, looking for the perfect C.R.* idea reminds me o' looking for a perfect girl. When Cousin Colin and I were young, I asked him, one day, "Colin, do ye think ye'll ever find the perfect lass?"

"No," he answered, "but it's a lot o' fun making sure they're not!"

*COST REDUCTION.

The Demand for HOME PRODUCTS IS GREAT

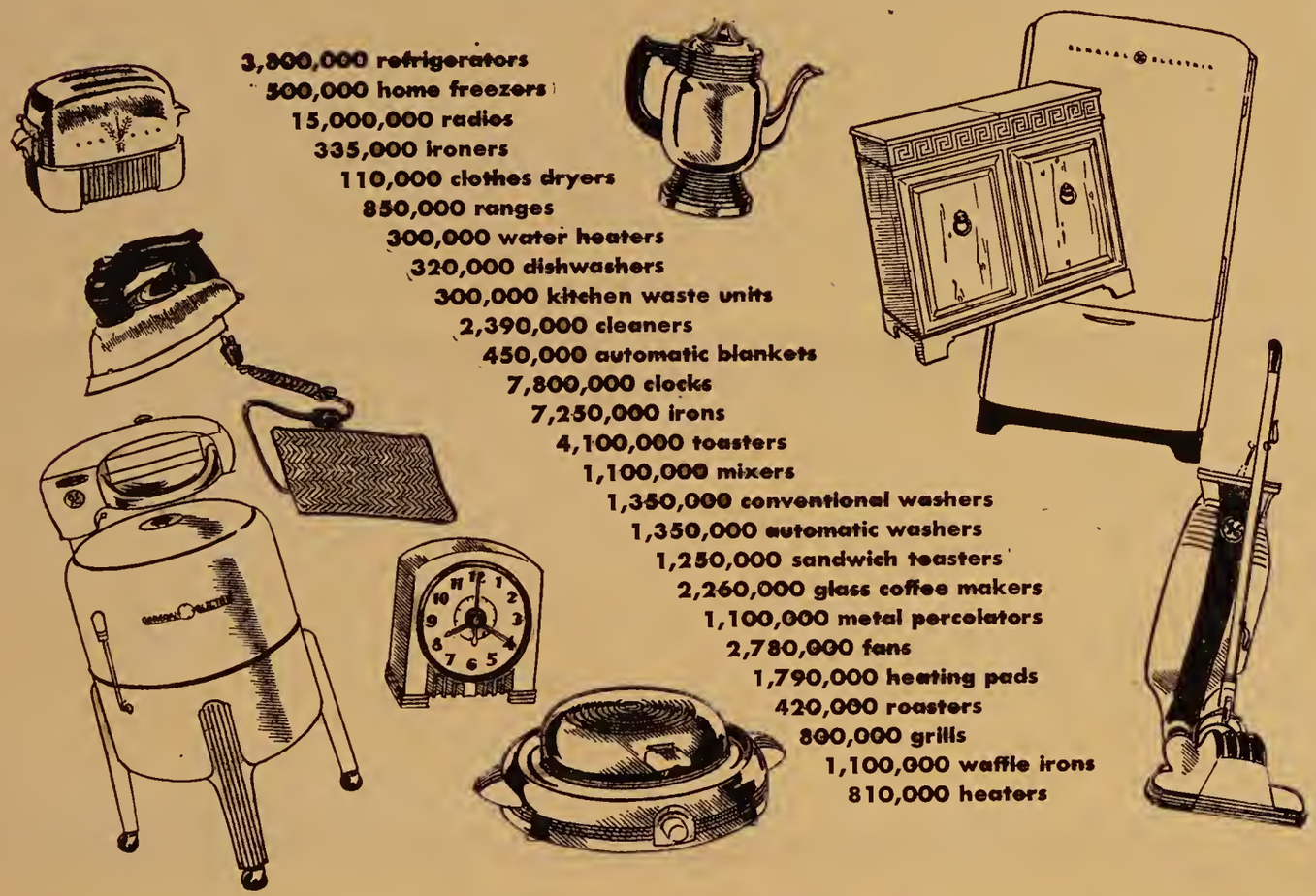
RECENT studies indicate that there is an unprecedented demand for the goods and services of American industry.

The unsatisfied needs of our people are at an all-time high. Wartime marriages have been numerous and as our boys come home, we may experience one of the largest demand for homes in all our history.

During the last four years individuals all over the country have saved more than $100,000,000,000. This will enable them to buy the things they want as soon as products are available.

Some of the Things We Need

Some conception of the pent-up demand for household electrical goods which exists in America at this time can be had from the following estimate of 1946 sales.



3,800,000 refrigerators
500,000 home freezers
15,000,000 radios
335,000 ironers
110,000 clothes dryers
850,000 ranges
300,000 water heaters
320,000 dishwashers
300,000 kitchen waste units
2,390,000 cleaners
450,000 automatic blankets
7,800,000 clocks
7,250,000 irons
4,100,000 toasters
1,100,000 mixers
1,350,000 conventional washers
1,350,000 automatic washers
1,250,000 sandwich toasters
2,260,000 glass coffee makers
1,100,000 metal percolators
2,780,000 fans
1,790,000 heating pads
420,000 roasters
800,000 grills
1,100,000 waffle irons
810,000 heaters

Many Products Will Be Needed By Industry, Too

While industry during the war period has installed millions of dollars' worth of motors, generators, switchgear, control units, and other devices made by General Electric, much of this equipment has been wearing out rapidly under the constant strain of war production.

The opportunities to modernize and more completely mechanize the factories of the nation now offer a market that should keep our own factories busy for a long time.

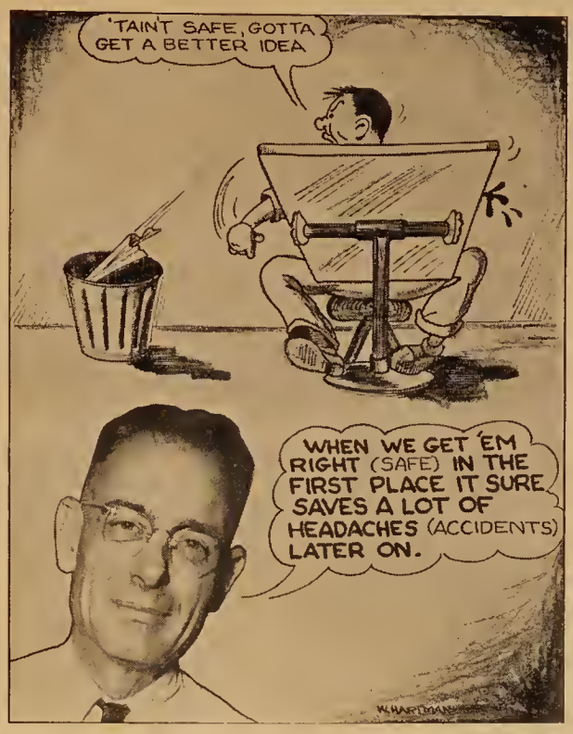
We shall continue to develop new devices and to promote old and new ones vigorously, to create jobs and raise living standards.

It has been estimated that industry as a whole will spend about ten billion dollars a year for modernization and replacing worn-out equipment, and that American foreign trade will reach new highs.

Turret Tattles

If you happen to have an ol' shot-gun what doesn't shoot so good, may we suggest you don't see "Gun Smith" Meyers. One day recently Mr. Meyers, and we use the term advisedly, decided to show his son-in-law why the shot gun didn't shootski. After making a very delicate part for the gun and spending several hours of the evening and holding up a hunting party in the morning, by oversleeping, caused by his neglect to set the alarm, they borrowed a gun and went hunting. 'Twould have been easier thus, in the foist place, heh, feller? . . . Wilhur Close is wondering why Merle Bryie isn't sick. He states all the symptoms are there. He just can't understand it. Maybe he DOES have a big appetite, Wilbur. . . . Having occasion to call Sam Baumgartner early one morning last week, Paul Stiver asked if he had seen the big fire of the evening before. Sam said he hadn't hut that he would step out on the paper and see what the porch said about it. Can't hlame him, though, we feel the same way early every morning. . . . A recent hunting party furnished several good stories, one of which centers around Dead Eye Farrel. Seems that a cotton tail was spotted in the brush alongside a road and chased out and directly down the road. B-L-A-M-M went the (t)rusty 12 gauge of Mr. Farrel. Also the rabhit—on down the road and around the corner. Adam right after him and B-L-O-O-E-Y—the other harrel—and the rahhit across the fields and under a farmer's front porch. Adam came home with a hroken stock on the gun, but he declares he did not wreck the farmer's porch with his gun stock. Must have heen an awful hardheaded rabhit to hreak it, then, Adam! . . . The trip home from this li'l episode was high-lighted by the owner of the auto, "Stormy" Babcock, regaling all the lads ahout the car and its fine operating features. Forty miles o' this detailed description of the car and then "Stormy" was late for work. The reason? His car wouldn't start! . . . I'm sure we all extend our hest wishes to "Buttercup" Hildenbrand, whose wife has just left the hospital. We're glad to report she is again on the road to good health. . . The growling, grunting, and groaning down on the li'l 2A isn't all the machine's fault. Some of it comes from the operator, Johnny Asher. . . . Waynedale has a fire department, which at one time could "hoast" of the membership of one Ernie Kalenhack. Or maybe they didn't; that's beside the point. However, on a fast run to a fire one time they discovered when they got to where the fire should be, they had driven the wrong direction. Turning around they dashed hack to the correct address and drove past about a half mile. Again turning around they were finally met in the front yard of the house where the fire actually was, hy a couple of women holding a garden hose, and advising them the fire had heen put out. No comment! . . . "Pop" Seals is the practical sort of huntsman. When he recently started to clean a rabbit hrought in from one of his hunting trips, he found it was unnecessary to do any cleaning to the carcass at all. It had been taken care of thoroughly hy the shot. He hada couple of front legs, though! Good, too! . . . There should be a moral to this forthcoming tale. We'll leave it up to you. Recently Mr. "Big" and a littler" Big, name of Gene Egts from Bldg. 19, went out in the country in search of chicken for the table. Gene has a small daughter, of whom Mrs. "Big" is very fond. She packed a neat li'l bag full of goodies for the li'l gal to nibble on, whilst she was to wait for her daddy and his pal to talk turkey to some farmer over chicken. Upon arrival at Mr. "Big's" house, Gene explained that the daughter was home. Mrs. "Big" pressed the hag of goodies onto daddy to take home to his li'l gal. That after noon as Mr. "Big" started to work, the Mrs. told him to offer her apologies to Miss Egts. through her daddy, for the appearance of the apples in the sack. They weren't exactly pretty, but they do make pretty good eating, explains Mr. "Big" to Mr. Egts. "Yeah, they weren't had," comes hack Gene, startling Mr. "Big" into extolling the juciness of the orange in the aforementioned bag. That also had met the approval of li'l Miss Egts' pappy, he rather absent-mindedly admitted. Thoroughly aroused over this purloining of the gift, Pappy Egts was tricked into saying that the candy was a very good variety, also. By now his ears had become a delicate hue, as he hegan to realize what he had admitted. No amount of explaining has heen ahle to convince Mr. "Big" that his good natured spouse hadn't heen "taken for a ride," hy a very emharrassed Mr. Egts. We're sure no one will ever think to ask Gene ahout the price and condition of apples or oranges. You'd better duck if you do! . . . Anne Thomas is looking for a couple of good "amachoor" cottage carpenters for the coming spring. If you can qualify, see Anne. 'Sall right, Anne, we know you'd do as much for us some time, no charge. . . . Someone should take time to explain to a certain turret lathe operator that there IS a difference hetween left hand and right hand taps. Well, durn it, you can't expect me to know everything. Certain gentry of the horing mills said we wouldn't print anything like this ahout ourselves. Well, I said it, AND I'M GLAD. (Apologies to Cass Daily). P.S. The L.H. tap wouldn't start in the R.H. thread. Tsch! Tsch! But we tried! Oh, how we tried! . . . Did you know that Earl Walmer of the center aisle was a proud pappy? If you don't, you haven't heen near him lately. Aw, every time he passes the crih, SHE gives him a great smile! Boy, we could sure say sumpin' here—but we won't! She really is a honey, Earl, even if she does look like you.

Beginning at the Beginning



IN PLANNING LAYOUT OF OPERATION, LAYOUT OF MACHINE, MANUFACTURING PROCESSES, DESIGN OF TOOLS AND MACHINES, AND CHOICE OF MATERIALS TO ELIMINATE SAFETY HAZARDS HAS PREVENTED MORE ACCIDENTS THAN ANY OF US WILL EVER KNOW. Virgil Asher, FHP Motor planner, no doubt speaks from first hand information, since he has had experience both as a planner and toolmaker. He can recall a good many johs he has had to "work over" to make them right (SAFE). Many who are employed in manufacturing processes owe their hands and eyes, and their general physical well being to those fellows who "began safety at the beginning."

To support this statement, we suhmit the following true story: Mr. RAYMOND BOBAY, foreman in Bldg. 4-4, a few years ago was ohserving an employee in his department operate a hydraulic press. This press was equipped with a latching device to hold the ram in the open position while operator loaded the machine. Before removing his hand from in front of the ram, after loading the machine, he thoughtlessly operated the valve which closes the press. The ram came forward until it struck the safety latch. Mr. Bobay is convinced that had the safety latch not heen on the machine, the man would have lost the greater portion of his hand. THE MORAL OF THIS STORY IS THAT BOB SPITLER, WHO DESIGNED THIS PIECE OF EQUIPMENT, INCORPORATED THE SAFETY DEVICE AS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE MACHINE. HE "BEGAN SAFETY AT THE BEGINNING."

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Sleuthing In 4-6

Thanksgiving was a very thankful one this year for everyone in Bldg. 4-6, as well as around the world, as the war is over, and many of the loved ones are safely on their way home. . . . Patricia Anselman's sailor husband recently arrived home from the West Coast, and his leave will include Christmas. We think you are very lucky, Pat, and we'd like to have all the hoys home then. . . . On Thanksgiving Harold Smith, of the A.C. Section, had the luck to down two pheasants. . . . And speaking of luck, Mary Evelyn Maitlen's husband arrived home after 25 months overseas, and Opal Sprunger received a very heautiful diamond on Thanksgiving, which was also her birthday. Good luck to both of you girls, and helated hirthday greetings to Opal and to Helen Conrad, whose birthday was on November 20. Helen treated her friends with a cake. She received a nice gift from some of the girls in her section. . . . Patricia Newlin went roller skating the other night, and when she came to work the next morning, she had a slight limp. If anyone could offer her the use of a cane, it would be much appreciated. . . . Hens set on eggs to hatch them, hut when Phyllis Buell sets on eggs she hreaks them. The other evening Wallace Clayton was going to take Phyllis home, and when she got in the car and sat down she jumped up and wanted to know what she sat on, and Wally's calm reply was, "Oh, some eggs." . . . Larry Wightman must he the engineer on the new Faith Tabernacle Book Shop, corner Fairfield and Dewald. We saw him inspecting the building one noon last week. . . . It looks like Helen Karolyi and Mary Sederlund had too much turkey Thanksgiving Day as neither one showed up Friday. . . . We hope Bert Girardot had lots of luck the past two weeks on his hunting trip in South Dakota. We hope you caught some deer, Bert, but don't tell too many tall tales. . . . A recent visitor to Bldg. 4-6 was William McIver, Jr., who formerly worked here as a mail hoy, and is now in the Navy. It was sure good to see Bill, and it seems that he's doing all right in the Navy. . . . Julianne Bowman, of the A.C. Section, left us on Monday, November 17, to take up her new position at the St. Joseph Hospital. We wish lots of good luck and success to Julie. . . . We all extend our deepest sympathy to John Chipko on the loss of his haby boy. . . . Catherine Gardt and Harriet Swager would like to remind anyone interested that they still have some Elex Christmas cards for sale.

Science couldn't open the Pullman window, so it air-conditioned the train.

MOTOR-GENERATOR Static —

"Reckon as how" any new talk heard from four certain girls in Bldg. 19-2 east end was from going native down Brown County way. Ada Phillips really has a way of getting where she's going. If her feet give out, she sits down and slides. Fayne Harter thinks she will have to go back again next year as she is sure she missed one spot of interest after traveling better than 500 miles. Well, anyway, Fayne, it's a good excuse to see those sights again. . . . Florence Weimer decided on a pretty little town called "Bean Blossom" to eat at, but when the girls arrived they were closed. Florence found her dream house with a duck pond in "them thar hills." . . . Even though gas rationing has heen ended for months, Shirley Cunningham still can't hring herself to say "fill 'er up!" . . . Naomi Devlin took the week-end off to visit Indianapolis. She brought hack a cold and has tried all week to give it away. No thanks, Naomi. . . . Gordon Thomley paid the winding gang a visit, and he sure looks good. He said that he likes "weather reporting." . . . Walt Tumbleson has been discharged from the Navy and paid the gang a visit too. . . . We are glad to have Donald Bruick and Kieth Arnold back to work with us again. . . . We think Clois Sesler is going to have competition next year in that potato patch. We think that Gladys McMillen will have him beat—she really got busy over the week-end and dug "a potato"—not bad, either. . . . It is said that Marvin (Van) Skyock and his buddy went rabhit hunting last week. After walking ahout 20 miles, they had in their possession four rahhits which they found was too much of a load, so they left them at a deserted school house, intending to pick them up on the way home. By the time they returned, it was too dark to go in after their loot as they had heard the place was haunted. So the hoys came home with nothing but fresh air in their lungs and empty stomachs. . . . Wanted: A hridle for Boh Stute's nightmare. Seems as if he was standing in the hall shrieking "who's there? who's there?" in the middle of the night when his wife got up and gently led him hack to bed.

A new rechargeable hattery for flashlights is said to outlast 400 of the usual dry cell type.



WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Richard Haskins, who formerly worked for Bill Kelsey in the Tool Room, has been discharged from the Merchant Marine and will be back to work soon. . . . Orten Anderson is back from his hunting trip in Michigan. He says he saw lots of other hunters, but no deer. . . . Howard Bennigin and Harold Bohde are also back. They both saw several deer and got a few shots, but no luck.

BASKETBALL TEAM

The basketball team did not play any league games last week but did engage in one practice game. They defeated the Valet Service team at the G-E Club gym last Friday night by the score of 30-25. Behind most of the way, the Winter Street boys caught fire in the last quarter and came through to win. Hooley, Romine, and Carl Herndon all played an outstanding game for Winter Street. We have a league game with General Service this week and also a practice game with an opponent not yet selected.

PLANNING

Ours is tbe unpredictable section. Friday you saw us wearing coats and even gloves and shivering like mad. Monday found us very, very warm. Reason? Heating System. . . . Thanksgiving found us all delightfully full. Let's do it again next year, shall we? . . . Gloria Prough was a pretty bridesmaid in her cousin's wedding on Thanksgiving Day. . . . If anyone with one of those delicious apples from Emily's cart cares for it to be broken in half, just take it to Gene Stolte. . . . Royal Keen's son has made two phone calls home from Italy. . . . At last the hunting season is open. Glen Macy seems to have gotten a couple of rabbits. Is that all, Glenn?

PRODUCTION

Well Christmas is really getting close. You'd better be getting your Christmas cards and wrapping paper now, or it will be too late. Delores Kiel, our Elex contact girl can still sell you some, but they're going fast. . . . Around and around she goes and where she stops nobody knows—that is the smoke from Shorty Redding's "high power" cigars. Prewar stuff huh, Shorty? . . . Lavern Murphy is wearing new glasses, and they really look nice on her. Now she'll be able to see Jimmy better when he arrives, although we doubt that she needs them to see him. . . . Did anyone miss Dorothy Schmidt last week. She wasn't on vacation—just over to Central Garage helping out on her old job. . . . Does anyone want to hire a dishwasher? It seems as if "Mickey" McClain is really good at it. He enjoys it so much, too. . . . Our quiet man of the office, Wayne Ellis, really has some pretty ties. Did you pick them out, Wayne? . . . The Schmidt sisters had an especially enjoyable evening last week. They went to Indianapolis to see Sonja Henie and report that it was really something to see.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Newcomers to the Miscellaneous Section are Raymond Sheehan and Wybourne Foulks. Hope you like us, fellas. . . . Danny Hartnett and Daniel Paul are now working the first trick. . . . Lucille Gerard is back at work again after spending a few weeks at home. . . . Russell Harrison is now working on the second trick. Sorry to see you go, Russ. . . . Where were Joe Carson and George Schoeph last Friday? George says it was too much turkey, and Joe says too much goose. . . . We extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Luedeke in the death of Mrs. Luedeke's mother. . . . We wonder who the new red head is—she works in the Miscellaneous Section. . . . We know why Margaret Motherwell is singing Rock-a-Bye Baby? She is going to be a grandmother. . . . Tom Piepenbrink journeyed to Indianapolis Saturday to bowl at the West Side Alleys. We'd say a 196 average isn't bad. He also bowled at Muncie Sunday night.

REFRIGERATOR SECTION

Clem Leffers is open for some instructions on how to shoot a shotgun. Fourteen shots and one rabbit! . . . Jack Herney also wants to know how to get rabbits; he says he cannot find any. . . . Gus Herbst surprised his fellow workmen by passing cigars and candy. To our surprise, Gus said he was married Thanksgiving Day. The boys all wish him a long and happy married life. Thanks for the treat, Gus. He was presented with a lovely gift from his fellow workers.

ENGINEERING

Last Tuesday Ed Misegades—swivel chair pilot of Winter Street—yawned and stretcbed simultaneously and caused his gyroseat to go into a vertical climb and half loop. Loss of flying speed resulted in a stall and flat spin to the floor. Left wing slightly bent.

SPARE PARTS CHATTER

Last week Florence had the misfortune of spraining her ankle. Better look where you step next time, Florence. . . . We're very sorry to lose Mr. Gettys and Ed. Spare Parts has certainly enjoyed working for you. We wish to welcome our new boss Mr. Hauck into our division. We are sure he will make a fine boss. . . . Saturday, Vivien took her little girl, Peanut, downtown to see Santa Claus. We wonder who asked for the most Christmas presents, Vivian or Peanut! . . . Who are the "Dolly Brothers" who eat at "Jacks" every day? Answer next week. . . . Anyone having a little orphan lamp please let LaVon know, she wants to adopt one. . . . Wonder why Vivien never misses a C.C. game. Could it be because her kid brother plays on the team? But wait until they play Huntertown, say LaVon and Mary. . . . Annie enjoyed the Victor Borge concert at the Quimby Auditorium, Sunday evening. . . . We're anxious to see Dorothy and Florence's new hat creations purchased recently. . . . We hated to see our old pal and standby, Louie, leave us, but he comes back every once in a while to boost our morale. . . . Loraine and her one and only enjoyed the Sonja Henie Ice Revue at Indianapolis Sunday evening. . . . Marcella cooks a great big Thanksgiving dinner, and no one shows up. Sorry we didn't know about it, Marcella. . . . What's this we hear about a new floor lady, LaVon?

ORDER AND STORES

The snow flurries may be coming our way but, that doesn't stop Richard Ashton from planning on spending his two weeks' vacation next summer with the Cubs at Wrigley Field. . . . Something new has been added—on Maggie Petro's left ring finger. She and Glen will be middle-aisleing it one of these days. Best wishes to you both. . . . Congratulations are also in order for Loretta Soldner and her husband-to-be. They will be married soon in Brooklyn, New York.

MACHINE SHOP

Bill Rehm was back to visit us last Friday. We were glad to see you again, Bill. . . . Everyone seemed to have a fine time at the dance at Sorg's Barn last Friday night. Let's have even a bigger gang next time.



You are the first person to know that you've done a good job. Maybe, for a time, you're the only person but, in our kind of work, it isn't long before this knowledge seeps into people's minds all along the line.

In the main processes through which a part goes, right through to assembly and the final test, your fellow-employees will begin to be grateful to you for the good job you have done. They are grateful because you have saved them time. Your work does not have to be touched up or re-done when it reaches the next process-point; in the assembly department, it fits, and, in the final test of the finished product, your work contributes to perfect functioning. You can be doubly proud of your work because it is not only good in itself, but, in its goodness, it makes easier the work of many other people.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

We haven't heard any more about our great sportsmen around here this past week. Don't know if the cold weather kept them indoors or too much Thanksgiving Day celebrating. Of course, you could count a certain Small Lot Section person's attempt to kill a deer with ball bearings in his shotgun. Do you suppose you can call him a sportsman? Walter Trautman's only regret is that he wasn't born 10 years later. . . . Had several visitors up here this last week. Sgt. Jimmy Hogan stopped up to see us while being on a short leave from Percy Jones Hospital, and Ex-serviceman Gene Hutsell, now a civilian after serving 22 months overseas, also stopped in. He used to work in the south end packing section. . . . Ernie Baade was home on a holiday vacation from his studies at I.U. We presume he got an extra day off after that football game his alma mater played against Purdue Saturday. . . . Dan Coy didn't know the cabinet or the books were going to land on his head so all he could do was yell, "Oh, Johnny, Oh, Johnny." The hero was Johnny Young, who came to the rescue. . . . "Haste makes waste" is what Gloria Weibke discovered. She wanted to make sure she was going to get to work on time last Wednesday noon so she climbed on three different street cars, and the fourth one was finally the right one. . . . The office force said goodbye to Ed Lehman, who left the Company last Friday. Order Service Section had a party for him at the English Terrace; that's why you saw all the roses in the office. . . . Clarence Scheiman and Harold Struver are still on our sick list, but we hope they will be back with us soon. . . . Betty Wetzel is flashing that left hand around considerably these days, but who wouldn't with such a pretty sparkler and a wonderful G.I. Congrats, Betty. . . . Barbara Stoops is "leery" these days. She can't see objects that are right next to her, looks all over for them and that's bad—when the objects are as big as Bill Henninger. Then she tries to run a car without any gasoline. We sure hope that boat docks soon too, Barb.

Is Zat So?

The former co-workers of Lewis Watt of the Tool Section held a party to help him celebrate his recent marriage. The party was held in a little school house, and from all reports the boys really enjoyed themselves. Mr. and Mrs. Watt were presented a lovely gift from the group. . . . Harry Kessler was persuaded to give away a turkey from his grocery store. Something must have gone wrong, though, because it turned out to be a homing pigeon according to all reports. Art Brockmeyer was the lucky guy. . . . We welcome Eleanor Glass to the first shift inspection section. Hope you like us, Eleanor! . . . Naomi Zimmerman and Pat Becker are happy girls this week. Their brothers received their discharges from the Army. . . . Some of the co-workers of Mabel Lieberenz paid her a visit last week. Mabel is now recuperating at her home, and is progressing nicely, thank you. . . . Herny Gollmer took his son uptown to see Santa Claus Saturday. . . . Betty Gunning writes from Los Angeles that she arrived safely and is going through a period of adjustment. She wishes to be remembered to her former co-workers. . . . Betty Kaufman is on the sick list again. We wish her a speedy recovery. . . . Bill Brown, Army, was a welcome visitor. Bill has received his discharge and, after a little rest, may soon be back with us. . . . Naomi Zimmerman sure has taking ways! Don't worry though, cause she's honest and returns whatever she takes by mistake. . . . Wonder what college boy Johnny Miles got that collegiate looking hat from? . . . Herman Johnson talks to himself in various languages. Wonder if he can speak Chinese? . . . Did you ever notice the faces Dick Evans makes when he gets mad? That's all right, Dick; we make 'em too. . . . If Bill Fisher keeps still for a few minutes, we begin to worry and think he is ill. . . . Wonder if Art Smith ever gets tired of sitting? How about that, Art? . . . Veora and Herbie Habig were given a surprise housewarming in their new home on Nuttman avenue by Veora's co-workers. A potluck supper was enjoyed by Elizabeth Love, Roxanna Miller, Helene Evanoff, Mary Jane Meyer, Nina Clifton, Earl Clifton, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pinkerton, and Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Decker. Veora was presented a lovely gift from the inspection section, Bldg. 17-1.



Howdy, Folks:

BUILDING 4-3

Now that Thanksgiving is over, everyone is looking forward to Christmas and everything that goes with it. . . . We welcome Robert Horsemeyer in 13-52 and Ben Miller. Glad to have you both back, boys. . . . Hestor Seidel's brother-in-law paid her a visit. He is Arthur Seidel, and has just returned from Japan and received his discharge. . . . A surprise party for Freida Ramm was held at the West Creighton Church, Tuesday night and she was presented with a tilt back chair from the floor. She will leave before too long on pension. We'll miss you, Freida. The other day someone presented her with a dish cloth made up like a baby's night gown, with blue ribbons and all. She laughed and said, "Life begins at 60." . . . Phyllis Dunfee bid all her friends farewell today. She is leaving to become a full-time housewife. The floor presented her with a gift. . . . Dorothy King visited the Windy City and had a grand time over Thanksgiving. Didn't get cold did you, Dorothy? . . . Rose Ulrey is back to work now that her husband has started back to work. Lillian Poiry is also back after being off for two weeks now that her husband is home to stay. Glad to have you gals back. . . . Anyone wanting to get rid of their cat, just see Mildred Shumm, she just loves them and really would like a few more of them at her home. . . . Florence Stanski sure is proud of that 193 she bowled last Friday at the G-E Club on League night. She even won a chicken for that score for Thanksgiving. . . . Phyllis Reber ought to know by now that her car won't run without gas and fill her tank before she starts for home. You won't run out of gas then, Phyllis. . . . Any donation will gladly be accepted for a pair of shoes for Del Reiter. He's losing the sole of his shoe, poor guy. . . . The girls in 13-59 on second trick had a birthday potluck on W. J. Masterson, Wednesday night. Everyone had a grand time and plenty to eat. . . . On second trick, Etta G. Sherer and Agatha Jacobs are working in 13-56, and Betty J. Gemmill is in 13-55. . . . Bernice Dafforn of second trick is now on days in 13-55. Glad to have you on days, Bernice. . . . Lenna Monroe is at work after being off a week due to illness. Glad to see you back and feeling okay again. . . . Mary B. Hayden has been called to her home in Alabama due to the serious illness of her mother. Hope she gets well real soon. . . . Charles Whitt in 13-58 announced the arrival of a baby girl, Wednesday. He sure is proud of that big girl of his. . . . We wonder what Alice Pelkey had on her mind, Friday. She got on a street car, handed the conductor the token, and waited for her change. . . . Genevieve Oddou's conversation with the elevator man must have been interesting because he went right past the third floor. . . . Evelyn Miller, now Mrs. Richard Haneline, was given a beautiful blanket for a wedding present, from the floor. . . . Anyone wishing to have their flat tires fixed just calle on Ruth Fuller; she's really good at it so they told us. How about it, Ruth? . . . Esther Madden, K-placer, is on her vacation this week and went to Indianapolis to see the Sonja Henie Ice Revue. . . . Ralph Springer had a birthday on Saturday, November 24. Happy birthday, Ralph, and many more of them. . . . Norma Beach and Pauline Panning are really planning a super time in Chicago when they go up with Elex Club. . . . We welcome back Irene Richardson after her leave of absence. . . . Goldie Lochner's husband is home with his discharge from the Army, and she is taking a short leave. . . . So, folksies, take it easy and let us hear from you; that's the way to get what you want in this column.

Your Country Cousins

G-E Employee 'Scores' on Hunting Trip



Roy Hosler, Bldg. 26-3, shown in photo at left holding a huge Northern Pike, recently told his co-workers how he and 12 others in his party brought home the bacon on a Canadian hunting and fishing trip —and brought in pictures to prove it. Roy and his two sons joined 10 friends for a recent two-week vacation, spent approximately 160 miles east of St. Saulte Marie. The party caught 11 deer, 1 bear, and many fish, besides enjoying life in the wilds. The picture lower right shows the spot at which they camped, and upper right is the "catch."

NEWS FROM THE Decaturites

Bob Shoup, our diligent second-shift reporter, has recovered from injuries received in an auto accident last summer and is back on the job still smiling. . . . With the hunting season in full blast, the "Ripley" stories are flowing free and fast, but the prize "Believe it or Not" for the week is the "wild goose chase" made by third shift Patrolman Dan Zeser and Fireman Fred Andrews. Early one morning last week they heard a lot of splashing and quacking somewhere in the vicinity of Plant No. 1 gatehouse. Upon investigation they found the wild goose "dousing" in a water puddle underneath an automobile at the edge of the street. Fred on one side of the car chased the bird to the other side where Dan caught it by the neck. Yep —the boys say they still have the goose to prove their story. . . . The G-E Club Men's basketball team lost to a scrappy and fast Moose team 24-16 in a league tilt played at Lincoln gym. The team seemed to miss the leadership of their player coach, Gerald Strickler, who was unable to be present. "Strick" says we'll get that one back with interest. . . . The G-E girls also lost to the tough City Light squad in an exhibition as the feature game of the evening. The score was 15-7. Defensively the team looks good and with a little more luck on their shots, the team should get going by the time the league season opens. . . . Cecil Franklin returned to work in the punch press section after several weeks' illness. . . . The usual moans from stomach aches were heard Friday following the big Thanksgiving dinners. . . . Mary Johnson had the misfortune of breaking her left ring finger. But she's a little reluctant to tell how it happened because she fell off her studio couch when she turned over and got too near the edge. . . . Mrs. Claude Dennison returned to work after a short leave with her husband who recently received his discharge from Uncle Sam. Mrs. Dennison is the former Viola Habegger and is employed in Plant No. 2. . . . A little assistance in safety practices from the older-service employees will be appreciated by the ex-service men who have never worked here before. If you see one of them doing work unsafely, you will be doing him a big favor if you either show him the safe way or call it to the attention of the foreman.



DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

Hi, everyone—Maybe life in the Commercial Section can get back to normal now that the great Mid-West Classic football game, Indiana versus Purdue, has been played and settled. As an eye-witness, Johnny Carr decided Purdue let him down again. Joe Coughlin evidently doesn't let where his money lays sway his sentiments. He was cheering for Purdue while at the same time he had bet Indiana would win. (Speaking for myself, I liked the results.) . . . The Victory Lighting Jubilee in New York City will have a representation from this Division in the persons of Pete (the Boss) Staehle, Cy Stonehill, Chuck Graham, and Chuck Kronmiller this week. . . . Congratulations and many more happy birthdays to "the Boss," who celebrated his on November 25. On Monday he claimed he felt a year younger all because he attended a wedding over the week-end. . . . Andy O'Dwyer took a trip to Terre Haute over the week-end for a visit with his parents and brother returned from overseas. . . . It is a good thing the football season is almost at an end or our Annie Rastetter might lose her shirt, considering the results she has been having the last couple of weeks picking the losers. . . . The Snuffy Smiths, Joe Uttals, and Frank Olneys had Thanksgiving together; however, in spite of sharing the turkey, Snuffy says turkey is still the predominant food on their menu. . . . Wendell Miller had a wedding anniversary last week. It seems the gift he gave his wife may have been a bit used after all the trying on the ladies of the Drafting Section did. Evidently his choice met with wide-spread approval. . . . We would like to retract our farewells of last week to Eileen Daniels, for she may be with us for some weeks to come. That is good! . . . We are having to say goodbye to Mickey Dimke at this time, though. Mickey has accepted a position at Camp Atterbury to be with her husband while he is stationed there. The best of luck, Mickey. . . . Betty Thomas has reported that her husband is actually home, and she is a very happy young lady. . . . Our congratulations to Bob Smith, a former dispatcher, who has just been elected President of the Freshman Class at I.U. . . . The Joe Derheimers have added another boy to their clan, as of Tuesday, November 20. This makes four boys for them. You know, Joe and Crosby. . . . Farewells were said to Frank Aubrey last Friday, who has left the Cost Section. . . . Vacations are still in evidence. Mary Jane Dittier has been away all of this week. Bill Crouse is also among those who has gotten away from it all this week. Bill went a huntin' and a shockin' corn. You might ask Bill about the results. . . . Then there's Ed Dickey who has a two weeks reprieve from work to spend his time on a farm. . . . So long, again.

Eleven Divisions Have No-Accident Record in October

Safety Report Shows Eight Lost-Time Accidents in Month

Witb 11 divisions having no lost-time accidents, there were eight lost-time accidents suffered by employees of the Fort Wayne Works during the month of October, according to the report released this week by W. J. Hockett, Supervisor of Safety and Employees' Activities.

The total of lost-time accidents, year to date, is now 159. Year to date accident frequency is 5.77 as compared to 4.73 per cent in 1944. As compared to .329 in 1944, the severity figure is .21 for the entire Works.

A breakdown of accident frequency and severity rates by divisions is as follows:

	Freq. Rate	Sev. Rate
Kokomo	2.70	.07
Motor Generator	6.36	.11
Ser. & Sp. Motor	5.07	.15
Fractional HP Motor	4.19	.14
Transformer	4.18	.20
Wire	1.43	.67
Insulation	8.05	2.41
Tool	3.44	.04
General Srevice	10.10	.07
Distribution	17.50	.32
Decatur	4.97	.31
Power Drive	7.84	.32
Misc.	1.72	.05
Refrigeration	6.74	.09
Plastics	6.34	1.31
Supercharger	6.88	.38

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Riders

Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Loren Garr*	Through Bluffton from Liberty Center	20-1	Schible	7:00- 3:30

*Wants three riders.

POSTWAR JOBS FOR THE NUCLEUS

By Dr. C. G. Suits, G-E Vice-President and Director of General Electric Research Laboratory, and
Dr. Laurence A. Hawkins, Consultant, G-E Research Laboratory, Schenectady, New York

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produce it, but to control its rate of production, to adapt it to the particular purpose in view. It is the ease with which electricity can be transported and controlled which has made it the tremendously useful form of energy it has become. However, I think that is probably the least serious of the obstacles ahead of us.

HAWKINS: You mean, Guy, that what is already known gives the clue to successful control?

SUITS: Yes. In the preparation of the explosive elements, uranium-235 and plutonium, it was necessary to guard against runaway reaction, and several materials were found effective as brakes, so that the speed of reaction could be controlled fairly simply. It would seem that some form of such control could be adapted to the production of industrial power.

HAWKINS: Does that mean that we may look forward in the near future to an airplane fuel, a cupful of which would drive a big bomber around the world?

SUITS: Hardly that, Larry. Aside from a number of minor problems which would first have to be solved, there is the serious obstacle that the atomic reaction gives off not only useful heat energy but lethal shortwave radiations against which anyone in the immediate vicinity must be protected. To provide adequate protection on an airplane would be difficult, to say the least. Of course on a robot plane, such as the Germans used for bombarding England in the closing months of the war in Europe, that problem would not arise. A robot plane carrying an atomic bomb, propelled by atomic power, and steered by radio control is a possibility.

HAWKINS: Well, if that fact is realized, it should be a mighty powerful incentive to make the United Nations' plan work. The German V-1's and V-2's were dreadful enough with their chemical bombs. The robots you suggest would be thousands of times worse. Any nation possessing one could make a sneak attack which would make Pearl Harbor seem a trivial affair. How about defense against such a terrible weapon?

SUITS: It would be difficult, but man has always been able to devise at least a partial defense against every new weapon. A partial and costly defense would be the wide dispersion of the activities now concentrated in large cities so as to reduce greatly the destruction possible with a single bomb. But the best defense would undoubtedly be effective policing by the United Nations to prevent the construction of such a Frankenstein's monster.

HAWKINS: But to get back to peaceful jobs for the nucleus. If size and weight of protective means against lethal radiations should bar atomic power from man-operated airplanes, they would not be similarly prohibitive in a city's power plant nor even on a large ship. Do such applications seem promising for the near future?

SUITS: Not for the near future. Not only would much research and engineering development be necessary, but such applications involve other considerations. Any new fuel in a power plant must compete with coal and oil, and atomic fuel is still exceedingly costly. It remains to be determined whether its cost can be reduced enough to make it competitive.

HAWKINS: Of course it would help if the efficiency of the process were raised. Isn't it true that the atomic bomb used only a small fraction of the nuclear energy that was theoretically available?

SUITS: That is correct, Larry. Only about one-tenth of one per cent was used. Further research which would enable us to tap a larger part of the supply would lower the cost of atomic power. Further, it would be very helpful in another way. The amount of uranium known to exist is relatively small. Anything that would increase the output per gram would be most valuable.

HAWKINS: Isn't the scarcity of material made more serious from the industrial viewpoint by the efforts of England, Canada, and the United States to seize as much as possible of the present supply of uranium, to safeguard it from possible use by an aggressor nation in atomic bombs?

SUITS: Yes, that alone would indefinitely postpone any large scale industrial use of atomic power from uranium. It seems to be the only safe policy until international safeguards have been devised and instituted with unquestionably adequate means of enforcement.

HAWKINS: But is uranium the only visible source of atomic or nuclear energy? Isn't all matter theoretically a potential source, and isn't the amount of energy, if it could be tapped, theoretically the same for all elements, pound for pound?

SUITS: Theoretically, yes, but your proviso, "if it could be tapped," is a big one, Larry. The heavier elements, of which uranium is the heaviest found in nature, are more unstable than the lighter ones, and so are more easily broken down, so that their energy can be "tapped," as you express it. A number of the heavier elements are spontaneously but slowly breaking down, that is, they are radioactive. Uranium, radium, thorium, and a few others are in this class. Tapping the lighter or more common elements so as to produce a chain reaction like that of uranium-235 has not been accomplished yet on earth. The sun apparently knows how to make atomic power from hydrogen, so it would be rash to say that it cannot be accomplished here, and there are theoretical reasons for believing it may ultimately be done.

HAWKINS: I conclude then, Guy, that hopes for ultimate industrial use of nuclear energy are not unduly far-fetched, but that emphasis should be put on the "ultimate;" that lots of hard work, including much further research and much engineering development must precede such use; and that anyone needing power in the near future should continue to rely on the standard fuels.

SUITS: That is right, Larry. As I said at the beginning, we stand where Europe stood 450 years ago. A new world has been opened to us, which we are sure contains great riches, but what the precise nature of those riches will prove to be and how long it may take to develop them, no one now can accurately predict.

Safety a la Mother Goose



Wee Willie Stinkie
Ran through the shop,
Upstairs and downstairs
And to the ladder's top.

When he slipped or stumbled,
Gaily Stinkie winked.
Stinkie was so carefree—
Too bad he's now extinct!

—DON MOORE

NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

Does anyone know we are honored to have an important and distinguished inventor in our midst? Melvin Shrader has fixed himself a pencil contraption that is really a time-saver. If you are interested in gazing upon this timely invention, Melvin will be glad to oblige and show you. Of course, there will be a slight charge. . . . Elda Mertz came to work Monday and claimed she got a stiff neck from sitting through a double-feature movie. Now Elda claims this to be a true fact, but we Hollywood Hot Shots have our doubts as to the real cause. . . . Who was the girl in the red dress who held up traffic in our building one noon? None other than Elnora Miller. Elnora got herself tangled up in the wire from the fan and couldn't free herself in time when the noon bell rang. . . . Carmen Sordelet really has a "sole" for music. The other day she walked into a downtown music store to get her shoes repaired. After realizing her mistake, she hurriedly vacated the premises. We hope Carmen finally found the right store and did get her shoes repaired. . . . Carolynn Walker and Helen Brown are two happy girls, as they both have their husbands at home now. Both men have been recently discharged from the service. . . . Jeanne McNeill is now the idol of the bobby-soxers. Jeanne had the rare experience of seeing The Voice, Frank Sinatra, in person last week in New York. What a super vacation for Jeanne, and what a lucky girl! . . . Marian Amsden has qualified herself as an expert on moving. After a few weeks spent in earnest packing, Marian and her folks moved to the southeast part of town. If you see Marian getting on the wrong bus some time, you'll know she is just confused on where she lives. . . . What a disappointing time Martha Crothers had the night of an important basketball game at Waterloo. After Martha persuaded her father to give her the car, they had a flat tire. When she finally got someone to fix the tire, she found out the game was postponed. Martha was really disgusted, and we don't blame her.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

Now that Thanksgiving is over, we will all be looking forward to the Christmas holidays. . . . Back from vacations this week are Pat Wade, Ardella Neuenschwander, and Lucille Roesner. Lucille spent her vacation in South Boardman, Kalkaska, and Traverse City, Mich., on a hunting trip. . . . On the sick list this week are Wilma Shank, Wilma Waterhouse, and Eleanor Paetz. We hope they have a speedy recovery. . . . Goldie Franz and Eva Longsworth are very happy this week. Goldie's friend is home, and Eva's husband has returned. . . . LaFern Bollenbacher's friend was here over the holidays. Flash—She is now sporting a beautiful diamon on third finger, left hand. Best wishes, LaFern. . . . Pauline Hursh is all smiles; and why not, her son was recently married, and she has gained a daughter. . . . We want to welcome Pat Culbertson and Dick Watt back to first trick. . . . By the way, Dick, how is the trailer coming along? ? ? . . . Flash—News from second trick—Theresa Marshall is off on a short vacation, to be with her son who was recently discharged from the Navy. . . . Will someone please explain the difference between a Buick Eight and a Fleetline Chevrolet to Evelyn Hart. . . . Alta Davis is a very happy woman these days, because her son, James Lowell Davis, formerly employed in Bldg. 26-4, is home from the Navy on furlough, and another son, Herbert, who is with the Army Air Corps and has been stationed at Calcutta, India, arrived in New York Monday and will be discharged soon. . . . Sam Herr should stop to read signs before entering doors. How about it, Sam? ? ? . . . We will have a box for news items, placed out by the time clock in Bldg. 2-2. We would like to see it full every week.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

The reinforcers, tapers, and hand winders in Group 15x50 celebrated Opal Bates', Florence Harber's, and Maxine Hier's birthdays November 13 with a hayride and hamburger fry at McMillen Park. After everyone was properly stuffed with potato salad, baked beans, and hamburgers with onions, they climbed on the wagon for a long ride down Calhoun Street and back to the end of the bus line. Betty Cox acted as jockey, and did a good job too, until one of the horses became jealous and since she couldn't ride both horses at once, back to the wagon came Betty. That gallon jug of cider attracted almost as much attention of the passersby as the group of pretty girls on the hayrack. . . . Paul Hapner really throws himself into his work, at least we came to that conclusion after seeing him completely covered with glyptal after a bout with the dip tank in which it is contained. . . . We've been hearing about Harold Blauvelt's trained dog. Just how can we induce him to give us an exhibition? . . . Speaking of dogs, Carl Metker says he'll have some nice dogs on sale in time for Christmas. Guess he thought this column would be the means of advertising, cheap. . . . Jerry Lauer is always talking about that "Wonder Salve" of his. Wonder just what it can do! . . . Wilmer LaVine says he was buying that bouquet of chrysanthemums he was seen carrying on market the other evening, for his wife to use as table decorations for her club. Could be—at any rate the flowers were beautiful, and didn't he look cute! . . . We welcome the following returned servicemen, who are now working in our Division, William Harrison, Bernard Myers, Laurence Call, William Welch, Myron Wappes, Russel Hoffman, William Brase, Gail Gordon, Robert Fischbach, Joseph Singer, and William Doell.

Plans are under way for the production of electronic toys.

Inter-Division Basketball League Now in Full Swing

Winter Street, Firemen, Tool Division, and Small Motor Office Win Games

By Walter Histed

Winter Street, 31
General Service, 26

In a tightly contested game, Winter Street pushed General Service out of the undefeated list in Monday night's opener, 31-26. After a listless opening quarter which ended with the winners ahead 4-2, Winter Street began to hit from in under the basket and on the sniping of Malone and Beaman built up a 16-5 half-time lead. General Service began to hit the basket in the third quarter but gained no ground on the East enders, as the quarter ended with Winter Street on top of a 28-16 score. In the final eight minutes it looked as though the orange clad General Service men would pull the game out of the fire, as they held Winter Street scoreless from the field and at one time pulled to within three points. The game was hard played with 33 fouls being whistled by the officials. Malone with 13 and Beaman with 9 points paced the victor's attack, while Cook was high for the losers with 11 tallies.

WINTER ST. (31)	G.	F.	T.	GEN. SERVICE (26)	G.	F.	T.
Malone	5	3	13	Cook	4	3	11
Seaman	3	3	9	Hanna	1	0	2
Romine	0	3	3	Snyder	0	2	2
Herndon	0	0	0	Hanefelt	3	2	8
Hooley	1	1	3	Allen	0	0	0
Barkley	1	1	3	Kauffman	0	0	0
Leffers	0	0	0	Kepler	1	1	3
				Board	0	0	0
				Waldrop	0	0	0
Totals	10	11	31	Totals	9	8	26

Officials: McCoy and Coles.

Firemen, 60
Messengers, 20

The Firemen continued on their unbeaten way by overwhelming the Messengers in Monday night's final, 60-20. After a close first quarter in which the younger Messengers trailed their more experienced opponents at 10-9, it was strictly no contest with the winners scoring practically at will.

Imel with 20 points paced the winner's scoring, followed by Steve Hanic with 13 points. Hoffman and Steel with 6 points each were high for the losers.

FIREMEN (60)	G.	F.	T.	MESSENGERS (20)	G.	F.	T.
Bohde	2	0	14	Oury	2	0	4
Hanic	6	1	13	App	1	0	2
Sitko	4	0	8	Hoffman	2	2	6
Trott	4	0	8	Steel	3	0	6
Imel	9	2	20	Grepke	0	0	0
Lindenberg	0	1	1	Wallace	1	0	2
Snyder	2	2	6				
Totals	27	6	60	Totals	9	2	20

Officials: Coles and McCoy.

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, December 3:

7:30 General Service vs. Tool Division.

8:45 Messengers vs. Small Motor Office.

Wednesday, December 5:

The games originally scheduled for this date have been rescheduled on Monday, January 14.

It takes the average car traveling at 20 miles an hour 191 feet to stop on a road covered with glare ice, says the National Safety Council. Chains on the rear wheels reduce this stopping distance to 110 feet, and chains on all four wheels allow the car to stop in 85 feet.

Tool Division, 33
Transformer, 22

Paced by Trump's 10 points, the Tool Division remained undefeated in Wednesday night's opening game by stopping Transformer 33-22. The winners got away to a 6-1 lead in the first quarter and maintained their margin at about six points until the last quarter when after a Transformer rally had brought the losers to within three points of a tie, the Tool men pulled away in the closing minutes to finish with an 11 point margin. Bloom and Swaim for the winners and Schultz for Transformer tallied seven points each.

TOOL DIVISION 33	G.	F.	T.	TRANSFORMER 22	G.	F.	T.
Geise	1	1	3	Wyckoff	1	0	2
Bloom	2	3	7	Schultz	2	3	7
Waldrop	1	0	2	Altevogt	2	1	5
Trump	4	2	10	Ropa	0	1	1
Spice	2	0	4	Nickerson	0	0	0
Swalm	2	3	7	Yoder	1	0	2
Gaskill	0	0	0	Kempf	2	1	5
Wiese	0	0	0	Macy	0	0	0
Totals	12	9	33	Totals	8	6	22

Officials: Richards and Ehrman.

Small Motor Office, 40
Small Motor Factory, 24

With every man scoring two or more points, Small Motor Office droppcd their Factory rivals out of the undefeated group Wednesday night by administering a decisive 40-24 trimming to the Factorymen. The winners had too much size and speed for their opponents to handle and were ahead at all stages of the game, enjoying quarter leads of 10-6; 21-13, and 32-17. Manager Bill Kisler led his mates with nine points while Kasimier was high for the losers with eight.

SMALL MOTOR OFFICE 40	G.	F.	T.	SMALL MOTOR FACTORY 24	G.	F.	T.
Dent	8	1	7	Baumgartner	2	2	6
Schuster	1	8	5	Stetzel	1	0	2
Dolan	2	0	4	Kasimler	3	2	8
Jennings	1	0	2	Young	0	0	0
Kisler	4	1	9	Zimmerman	3	0	6
Singleton	0	2	2	Williams	1	0	2
McNamara	1	0	2	Barber	0	0	0
Schroer	2	0	4	Thomas	0	0	0
Walk	1	1	3				
Starkel	1	0	2				
Totals	16	8	40	Totals	10	4	24

Standings

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Firemen	2	0	1000
Tool Division	2	0	1000
Winter Street	1	1	.500
General Service	1	1	.500
Small Motor Office	1	1	.500
Small Motor Factory	1	1	.500
Transformer	0	2	.000
Messengers	0	2	.000

G-E Girls Defeat Harvester, 45-10

The G-E Girls won over International Harvester by a score of 45-10 last Tuesday night. The Club Girls, using two complete teams—alternately, were able to score almost at will.

Jerry Stellar, now back in the lineup after an extended illness, scored 10 points to lead her team to the win.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	HARVESTER	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	1	1	3	L. Meyers	0	0	0
Emenhiser	4	0	8	Augustyniak	1	1	3
Whiteleather	1	0	2	Minnick	1	3	5
Amstutz	1	0	2	Riner	0	0	0
Williams	3	0	6	Duncan	0	0	0
Varner	4	0	8	Waldon	0	0	0
Puff	3	0	6	Dietel	1	0	2
Elsenacher	0	0	0	Ross	0	0	0
Stellar	5	0	10				
Totals	22	1	45	Totals	3	4	10

G-E Bowlers Prominent in City Owl League



W. Sweet, G. Egts, H. Rodermund, A. Fox, A. Farrell — B. Kiep, T. Roehm, A. Middaugh, R. Dressel, B. Long



R. Zelt, A. Hawk
I. Parrish, B. Crosley, D. Chaney

G. Meyers, J. Eifrid, G. Sarazin, G. Humbrager, O. Schelper

Proof that G-E's second shift workers go in for bowling in a big way is shown above. All men pictured bowl in the City-wide Industrial Owl League, and these four teams comprise half of the City Owl League. Most of the men also roll in the G-E Owl Bowling League, which meets at the G-E Club alleys.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Evaporators	22	11
Drafting	20	13
Machinists	20	13
Compressors	18	15
Designers	16	17
Maintenance	16	17
Toolmakers	15	18
Planners	15	18
Grinders	15	18
Power Drive	14	19
Testers	14	19
Engineers	13	20

Engineers won 3 games from Designers; Evaporators won 3 games from Power Drive; Compressors won 2 games from Maintenance; Grinders won 2 games from Toolmakers; Drafting won 2 games from Machinists; Testers won 2 games from Planners.

Whitey Kolmerten was high man for the evening with a 583 count, which included a 231. Other 200 scores were Rinehart 229, Denzel 218, Staley 217, Piepenbrink 209, Timme 203, and Kabisch 202. Maintenance had high single game with 961 and high three-game series with 2769. The top five in individual averages are Piepenbrink, Haggenjos, Benecke, Billings, and W. Kirke in that order.



KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

In the Tuesday, November 20, rolling in the Girls' League, Z. Turner was high with a 179 single game and M. Critchley was top total scorer at 485. The Whizz Kids are leading the league and the Five Misses are running at low ebb in last place.

In the Men's League the maples took a pounding on Friday, November 23, as one-third or 20 of the 60 keglers knocked out a better than 500 series, one-half of these being over 525, and posted an even dozen 200 scores. Newlon led the boys in both divisions with a 227 and a 585. Ray Smith collected a pair of games at 208, 207, and a second higb at 573. Other 200 scores were turned in by Pennycuff 223; Evard 222; Hartzell 214; Buesking 212; Bassett 211; Walker 210; Carpenter 205; and Johnson and Fridlin each 201. McAleece hit 163 on a 115 average and Brake broke 400 at 405 for the first time this season.

Punch Press took over first place by downing the Winders in three games. Small Lot took a tie for second place in clean-sweeping General Service. Receiving shares the tie for second place by losing two games to Production. Order Service won two from Rotors; Planning outshot Test in two games, and Wage Rate bested Assembly twice. Production, shooting a 2529 total and an 888 game, took over fourth place in high team scores.

Electrical gun directors, which plotted speed, height and course of enemy planes, increased efficiency of anti-aircraft batteries in both Europe and the Pacific.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY

Standings

	Won	Lost
Series & Specialty	22	11
Screwballs	22	11
Firemen No. 4	21	12
General Service	19	14
Laboratory	19	14
Motor Generator	17	16
Transformer	17	16
Wire & Insulation	15	18
Shipping	14	19
Firemen No. 10	13	20
Plastics	12	21
Tool Room	9	24

High Games

600 Series: Ludeman, 634.

200 Games: Ludeman, 233, 209; Nickerson, 228; Meseng, 227; Glenn, 227; Tobias, 223; Rose, 219; Bailey, 218; Beimer, 217; Kuntz, 216; Koorsen, 214; Ponsot, 214; Ropa, 208; Ackerman, 205; France, 203; Matthews, 201, 200; Rump, 200.



Bolster Club Team Attack



Howie Schneider



Bobbie Van Ryn

Bobbie Van Ryn, one of the high scorers of last season, has returned to the Club lineup. All of 6 feet 3 inches, Bobbie can play center or forward positions. Always popular with the fans, he looked mighty good in his initial game against the South Bend K. of P.'s last Saturday night.

Howie Schneider, a 6 foot 2 inch forward, is playing his first year with the Club team. A graduate of Concordia College, River Forest, Ill., he is very fast on the floor and specializes in one hand push shots. He has been very effective in his first games with the team.

G-E Men's Team Schedules Three Contests This Week; Stellites Play Here Saturday

G-E Club Cagers Win from South Bend Squad, 57-33

By Bob Kessens

The Club team bounced back into the win column again last Saturday night by defeating South Bend K. of P. by a score of 57-33. Things looked rough for the squad, however, as in the first quarter the South Bend aggregation held the Club team to a three-point lead.

In the second quarter the Club began to find the range, and started dropping them in from all over the floor, and half-time saw the Club leading 30-18. The Club was never pressed from then on, scoring practically at will and keeping the South Bend team well out on the floor.

Zimer, South Bend's one-armed player, showed the crowd that this is no handicap by putting on a fine exhibition of passing and shooting the ball with his one hand from the center of the court. Lowden with 12 points led the Club scoring, and Fox piled up a like number for the South Bend squad.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	SOUTH BEND	G.	F.	T.
Lowden	4	4	12	Zimer	0	0	0
Reed	4	3	11	Starrett	1	1	3
Miller	2	1	5	Czagkowski	1	0	2
Krieg	1	0	2	Yeagley	2	1	5
Magnusson	5	0	10	Garrard	0	1	1
Schneider	3	0	6	Fox	5	2	12
Allen	3	2	8	Cox	0	1	1
Van Ryn	1	1	3	Plummer	2	0	4
				Simpton	0	0	0
				Costello	1	1	3
				Ringenberg	0	2	2
Totals	23	11	57	Totals	12	9	33

Girls Defeat Inca Team 42-11 in Preliminary

In the preliminary game, the G-E Club Girls' team defeated Inca 42-11. The girls' quintet showed a great deal of power in this engagement and was never pressed in what turned out to be a one-sided game.

Ground was broken in 1900 for the first subway in New York.

Club Quintet Defeats Huntington College 52-31 Monday Night

By Bob Kessens

The Club team made it victory number three when they defeated the Huntington College Quintet at Huntington Monday night, 52-31, in a rough and bitterly fought contest.

The first half was fought on an equal basis with the lead changing back and forth a dozen times, but the work of Miller and Magnusson in pouring the leather through the hoop in the last few minutes of the second quarter put the Club team in the lead with a seven-point advantage, the Club team leading at the half 21-14.

The fourth quarter saw the Club team finding the range of the basket, and they seemed to have no trouble in scoring from anywhere on the floor as Huntington's defense cracked wide open. Magnusson and Miller led the G-E attack with 12 and 10 points respectively while Clark led Huntington with 9.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	HUNTINGTON	G.	F.	T.
Miller	6	0	12	Gherry	0	0	0
Reed	3	0	6	Glark	4	1	9
Lowden	2	1	5	Hanauer	2	1	5
Magnusson	5	0	10	Grimm	2	1	5
Krieg	3	2	8	Keller	0	0	0
Van Ryn	2	0	4	T. Schilling	0	2	2
Baade	0	1	1	Lang	0	0	0
Schneider	3	0	6	Kopp	0	0	0
				Smith	1	1	3
				A. Schilling	2	1	5
				Bietelschles	1	1	3
Totals	24	4	52	Totals	12	7	31

Girls' Team To Play South Bend Saturday

G-E Club Girls will play the South Bend Mustangs Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock at the G-E Club. The Mustangs are made up of girls from South Bend and Mishawaka and are reported to have a very strong team.

The G-E Club Girls will travel to Indianapolis on Sunday, December 2, to play the Pepsi Cola Girls.

G-E Club Swamps Bayless Hybrids 46-31 Tuesday

Team Racks Up Fourth Victory Before 450

By Bob Kessens

Before a crowd of approximately 450 persons the Club team racked up its fourth victory of the season when they swamped the Bayless Hybrids of Bluffton, winners of the Van Wert Gold Medal tournament, by a score of 46-38.

The first quarter was a pretty even battle with Bluffton leading the Club team by a four point margin 11-7.

The second quarter found the Club beginning to click, picking up enough points to take a point lead at the half cnding 25-15.

The third quarter saw Bluffton fight back hard, but the lead held by the Club at half time could not be overcome. With the Club's offensive clicking and their defense holding the Bluffton quintet in check, they took a 12-point lead to hold the upper hand, the third quarter ending 40-28.

The Club team took it easier in the fourth quarter being content to protect their lead and move the ball around, the game ending 46-38 in favor of the Club.

Krieg led the Club in scoring with 11 points, while B. Garton was high for Bayless with 14 points.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	BALYESS HYBRIDS	G.	F.	T.
Miller	3	0	6	Lesh	0	1	1
Lowden	2	0	4	Dunn	5	2	12
Reed	2	0	4	McFee	1	1	3
Van Ryn	3	0	6	W. Garton	0	0	0
Magnusson	2	2	6	B. Garton	5	4	14
Baade	2	1	5	Inskeep	2	4	8
Krieg	5	1	11				
Schneider	1	2	4				
Totals	20	6	46	Totals	13	12	33

Referee, Lytell; Umpire, Corbin.

Chicago Monarchs Score 48-31 Victory Over Club Quintet

The Chicago Monarchs, one of the fastest colored teams in the nation, scored a 48-31 victory over the Club quintet at the Windy City Thanksgiving night in a hard-fought battle. The Club team scored on the first two plays on under-the-basket shots by Lowden and Schneider. The Monarchs came back and quickly took the lead, which they held throughout the game, maintaining a lead of 32-15 at half-time.

Sonny Boswell paced the Monarch victory with 14 points and Dohr Krieg was high point man for the Club team with 12 tallies.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	MONARCHS	G.	F.	T.
Reed	1	0	2	Gates	3	0	6
Lowden	1	0	2	More	0	0	0
Miller	0	0	0	Julian	2	0	4
Krieg	5	2	12	Jones	1	0	2
Magnusson	1	0	2	Mann	6	0	12
Schneider	3	1	7	Boswell	7	0	14
Baade	2	0	4	Brown	1	0	2
Allen	1	0	2	Kelley	3	0	6
				Pressley	1	0	2
Totals	14	3	31	Totals	24	0	48

Referee, Bluett; Umpire, James.

Opposing Team Has Star-Studded Lineup of Players

By Bob Kessens

The Men's Club team will meet three tough basketball teams this coming week, starting off with the Haynes-Stellite team of Kokomo, Ind., Saturday night, December 1, in the 8:30 game in the Club gym. Not much is known of the Stellites but from all advance information, they have quite an array of high school and college star players prominent on service teams.

The Stellite record for the 1944-45 season stands at 16 games won and three lost. They were also the finalists in the play-off of the Kokomo City Industrial League.

Their lineup includes such players as Chet Gabriel, 6 feet, 7½ inches, from Kokomo High School and Seton Hall of Lawrence College; Charles Garber, 6 feet, U. S. Army; Eldo Fewell, 6 feet, Kokomo High School; Ormal Matchett, 5 feet 11 inches, Kokomo High School and U. S. N. R.; Red Edwards, 6 feet 2 inches, Kokomo High School and Western State University; Dean Schuck, 5 feet 6 inches, Tipton High School; Dick Powers, 5 feet 10 inches, Kokomo High School; Victor Marx, 5 feet 10 inches, Madison, Wisconsin, High School and Millers Club; Barney Fewell, 5 feet 9 inches, Kokomo High School; Merrill Talbert, 5 feet 8 inches, Greentown High School and U. S. Army; and Max Talbert, 5 feet 10 inches, Greentown High School and U. S. Army.

Meet Richmond Pros Monday Night, December 3

Tuesday Night Club Again Tackles Chicago Monarchs

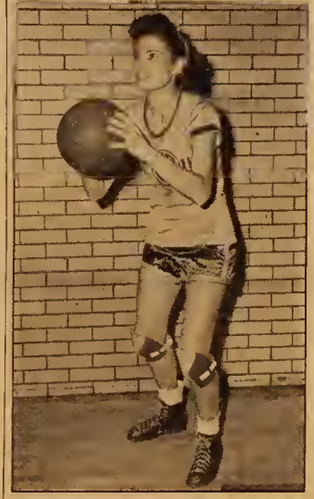
On Monday night, December 3, the Club team travels to Richmond, where they will meet the Richmond Pros in a return engagement in the Centreville Auditorium. The Club team is out to avenge the recent defeat handed them by the Pros here at Fort Wayne in a hectic battle, 48-46. Tuesday night the Club will again have an on-the-road engagement, meeting the Chicago Monarchs at Peru, Ind.

The Club team is out to annex these quintets to the victory side of the ledger, and promise the fans some good basketball entertainment.

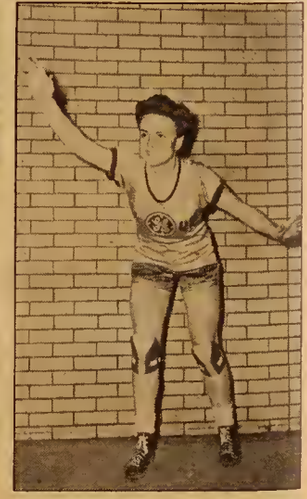
The Club's offensive attack will be greatly bolstered now that Bobbie Van Ryn, one of the high scorers from last year's team, has returned to the lineup. Bobbie was always popular with the fans and looked good in his initial game against the South Bend K. of P.'s last Saturday night. Come on out, fans, and boost the Club teams. There is no admission charge, so let's pack the gym. Be seeing you at the games.

An air-conditioned trackless trolley coach is being tested in the transit system of Atlanta, Ga.

Forwards on Girls' Team



Lucinda Fitch



Cora Emenhiser

Lucinda Fitch is starting her third season of play with the G-E Club Girls. A forward and an excellent rebound person, she is in on a major portion of the play and does a good job of controlling the backboard.

Cora Emenhiser is a newcomer to the Girls' team, but has showed her colors by placing second in team scoring so far this season. A Bldg. 17-4 employee, she formerly played in the Owl League because she was working second shift. Cora has been handling the forward position on the Club team.

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President Charles E. Wilson

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Elex and Gecode Clubs Announce Holiday Parties for Members

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G-E CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY IS DEC. 22

Elex Christmas Party Will Be December 20

Benny Strong Orchestra To Play for Affair

Benny Strong and his orchestra will play for this year's gala Christmas Party for Elex members Thursday, December 20, in the G-E Club, Sue Cameron, Club president, announced today.

The party for the night girls will be at 12:30 P.M., and day girls will be entertained at 7:30 P.M., Miss Cameron said.

The Benny Strong orchestra will come here from the Trianon Ballroom in Chicago, where it has played a long engagement, and will then return to Chicago to start an engagement at the Bismarck Hotel. Known as the country's most versatile bandleader, Mr. Strong started out as a master of ceremonies and took up bandleading on the advice of Kay Kyser,

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Jingle Bells

Chimes Hour Choral Group To Entertain At Gecode Party

The Chimes Hour Choral group from radio station WLOK, Lima, Ohio, will be featured entertainers at the Gecode Club "Christmas Holiday" party Saturday, December 15, at the Masonic Hall, Sanna Kunkel, chairman, has announced.

An elaborate party has been planned by the committee, Miss Kunkel said, including a turkey dinner to be served at 6 P.M. and a Christmas gift exchange in which all girls will participate. Price of the dinner is $1.00.

The Chimes Hour Choral group is widely known through radio work. Featured with the chorus is Kathryn Egan, nationally-known concert harpist, from Van Wert, Ohio, now also playing over radio station WLOK. Members of the girls sextette include Evelyn Snafley, Marvel Kiehl, Joann Becher, JoAnn Goodwin, Jean Becher, and Phyllis Wiseman.

And Would You Look at That Steak . . . .



"May meat rationing be gone forever," says Harry Parker, leading operator in Bldg. 4-3, as Mrs. Parker practically "hoists" a huge steak into the skillet for his supper. Lifting of rationing regulations on meat doubtless produced many a "reunion" like this with the steak "that just couldn't be got" during the war.

Apparatus Department Executive Group Outlines G-E Postwar Plans

(Pictures on Page 5)

The supervisory organization of the Fort Wayne Works and members of its engineering and commercial divisions staffs took a look at G-E's postwar plans last Thursday afternoon, November 29, at the G-E Club, when members of the Apparatus Department Executive Committee presented a two-hour program outlining Company Plans.

Vice-President R. C. Muir, general manager of the Apparatus Department, conducted the meeting, and members of his staff reported on specific programs in their own fields of interest. Executive committee members who addressed the Fort Wayne group Thursday included H. V. Erben, assistant general manager; E. E. Johnson, manager of engineering; and Vice-

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Prout, Boulware Are Elected G-E Vice-Presidents

George R. Prout, General Manager of General Electric's Air Conditioning Department, and L. R. Boulware, attached to the staff of the President as consultant on marketing and merchandising and responsible for the operations of G-E affiliates, have been elected Vice-Presidents of the Company by the Board of Directors, it was announced this week by President Charles E. Wilson.

Mr. Prout, a native of Quincy, Mass., and a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology,

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"Smoky" Rogers To Speak to Plant Protection Group

(Picture on Page 4)

Chief Harry K. (Smoky) Rogers, Western Actuarial Bureau Instructor, will be the principal speaker at the Plant Protection dinner meeting Wednesday, December 12, in Bldg. 16-2, it has been announced. Scheduled for 6 P.M., the dinner will bring together all Plant Protection units of the Fort Wayne Works, and members of the Winter Street force will attend as guests.

Other guests who will attend the affair include State Fire Marshal Carter Bowser, City Fire Chief

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Five Shows Set For Children's Annual Affair

Tickets Available at Club Stand Monday

The annual G-E Club Christmas Party for the children of G-E employees has been set for Saturday, December 22, Paul Vogt, entertainment chairman, announced today. Five shows will be given—at 10 A.M., 1 P.M., 3 P.M., 5 P.M., and 7 P.M.

Several animal acts have already been engaged for the show, Mr. Vogt said, and other acts are being booked as fast as possible to give the children a really enjoyable show.

Tickets will be available at the G-E Club on Monday, December 9, and all G-E employees' children between the ages of 2 and 12 years are eligible for tickets. A ticket should be secured for each child, but parents may take small chil-

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Filled up

Reservations Closed For Elex Chicago Trip on January 12

Reservations for the Elex Club Chicago trip on Saturday, January 12, were closed early this week, Veora Habig, trip chairman, said today, when the maximum of 500 reservations had been received. Money submitted since the close of reservations will be returned, Miss Habig said, since additional train space and tickets for the Sonja Henie Ice Revue cannot be secured.

The group will leave early the morning of the 12th and will have dinner in the Wedgewood Room of Marshall Field's and see a style show before attending the Ice Show that night. Tickets will be distributed to girls having reservations as soon as possible, and announcement will be made in the WORKS NEWS of their availability.

The Chicago trip is the first one taken by Elex Club since the start of the war, although 10 trips have been taken by the group since its organization.

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To Sleep Well at Night

A recent issue of *Minute Man*, field publication of the War Finance Division, points out editorially that too little recognition has been accorded the merchants of the Nation for their clearly altruistic support of war bond drives. Disregarding for a moment the excellent support given by G-E people to every one of the bond drives in this war, let's look at the argument for the merchants.

Much of the retailers' efforts to sell war bonds has been distinctly at variance with their strictly commercial interests, says the editorial. They have set up booths to sell bonds and furnished space in business departments. They have encouraged their employees to give time behind the counter to the sale of stamps and bonds and have dedicated their valuable display windows to bond promotion. They have turned over much of their paid advertising space to the sale of bonds. *They have urged people not to waste money on Christmas giving.*

They have done all this so successfully that Chester Bowles, administrator of OPA, recently said, "The success of the stabilization program has been due, in no small part, to the work done by the Nation's department stores."

Why did the retailers do it? Doubtless some of these merchants have far-sighted notions of reciprocal benefits after the war. Perhaps the situation is a good deal similar to that argument once urged by Abraham Lincoln in a stagecoach discussion with a lady. She refused to accept his proposition that there was a self-regarding basis for all generous actions. And she thought that she had triumphantly refuted him when, shortly after this argument, he walked through the mud to release a squealing pig caught under a fence.

"There, Mr. Lincoln," she said, "you will have to admit that that was a purely unselfish action!"

"Oh, no," said Mr. Lincoln. "I helped the pig because I wanted to sleep well tonight."

Whatever explanation the retailers of America, as well as all the American public, wish to give for their remarkable support of all loan drives, including the present, they will have to concede that they have won the right to sleep well at night.

Keep on Writing

With so many of our men and women returning from the war fronts to the normalcy of home, many of us are apt to forget those still stranded on foreign shores filling occupation tasks. Most of us understood during the war the importance of writing regularly and frequently to our friends and relatives in the services. Mail call, service heads told us repeatedly, was the most important factor in high morale. A letter from home helped the soldier forget discomforts, loneliness, and sometimes even fear.

The conclusion of hostilities has not decreased the need for mail in the life of our soldiers and sailors stll away from home. Doubtless that need has been intensified. A soldier marking time in a foreign land, now that the war is won, certainly fights a tougher battle to keep his spirits up, than when he knew he was fighting for freedom for himself and his loved ones at home.

Keep writing to the men and women still in the service.

The Victory Loan that will continue to December 31 is raising the money needed to return the men and women in our armed services, to provide mustering-out pay and veterans' benefits, to rehabilitate the wounded, to pay for war goods already used, and to take care of contract terminations. It is not too late. Buy a bond in our Victory Loan.

OUT OF A TOUGH SITUATION



With reconversion procceding, it is fun to look at the wartime records that General Electric's men and women made under handicaps. But that is history. Safe operations *now* are the pressing question. We know it can be done, because we did it. And it must be done, because, among the hazards which we are now meeting, there are bound to be some that are new to many employees.

If your job is new or different, it may be interesting to see, in the light of the National Safety Council's figures, what are the factors which are the leading causes of injury among the accidents that have led to the compensation payments. If you have guessed that machinery accidents are the Number 1 Public Enemy, you are right, and the figure is 12.34%, with punch presses, grinding wheels, and lathes the worst offenders.

But close behind come those innocent-appearing things grouped in the statistics as vehicles, with 11.14%, motor vehicles causing nearly half this number. And a real villain is the very floor or stairs you walk on, for falls on working surfaces cause almost 10%. There are many causes, but these lead all the rest.

You do not have to be a steeplejack to fall to your death. The right kind of a drop from a 10-foot height can do it. If you are on something new or different, it is most vital to look for the hazards that are as new to you as the job. Or, if your job has not changed, it will do no harm to think oftener than before of doing it more safely.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

THIS IS THE SEASON FOR FREEZING APPLES

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

There's a certain pleasure in tasting flavorful frozen foods and in knowing that they're easy to prepare. But most important of all is the fact that you can buy foods when they are at their prime and at their lowest price, and after freezing, use them when they are out of season.

Now that apples are at their peak, staff members of the General Electric Consumers Institute offer tested tips on freezing apples.

Use fully mature, firm apples and prepare them as you would for canning, but without sugar or syrup. Wash, peel, and slice to ½ inch thickness holding them under water. Prepare only a few apples at a time; otherwise they will turn brown. Immediately spread out in a colander or wire basket and steam for 1½ minutes.

Best Varieties

KEY: 1-New England; 2-Middle Atlantic States; 3-South; 4-Middle West; 5-California; 6-Pacific Northwest; 7-New York; 8-New Jersey; 9-Tennessee; 10-Maine and Massachusetts.

EXCELLENT

Greening 1, 2; Baldwin 1, 2; Northern Spy 1, 2; Wealthy 1, 2; Oldenburg 1, 2; Rome Beauty 1, 2, 4; Stayman Winesap 1, 2, 4; York Imperial 1; Grimes Golden 1, 4; Jonathan 4.

VERY GOOD

Rome Beauty 6; Stayman Winesap 6; Jonahan 6; Yellow Newtown Pippin 6; Spitzenburg 6; Stark 7; Cortland 7.

GOOD

Gravenstein 7; Yellow Newtown Pippin 7; McIntosh 7.

To Steam

A large 6 to 12 quart kettle that can be fitted with a wire rack and basket and has a tight fitting cover is required. Pour 1½ to 2 quarts of water into kettle and bring to full rolling boil. Steam only 1 pound of prepared apples at a time; place them in wire basket, and place basket on a wire rack in kettle above the water level. Cover tightly. Bring water to full rolling boil again, then begin to time, and steam for 1½ minutes. Remove immediately from steamer and proceed to cool right away in cold running water or ice water, and place in moisture-vaporproof containers.

Package

Heavily paraffined containers without liners, or lightly waxed cartons with moisture-vaporproof liners or bags are most satisfactory. For liquid or semi-liquid products, bags must be heat-sealed. Close bag with a fold, then press fold against electric iron. Close box, label and freeze immediately or hold temporarily in electric refrigerator if you are planning to store your frozen goods in a locker plant. When the entire lot is completed take them directly to the locker plant.

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G-E's Small Motors Played 'Mighty' War Role

Varied War Jobs Were Assigned "Baby" Motors

Heroic Tasks of Big Brothers Shared by Units Produced Here

With so much of the Fort Wayne Works devoted to the manufacture of fractional horsepower motors, the question is often asked, "What have our standard and near-standard lines of A.C. motors contributed to the war effort?"

Jobs performed by the baby motors produced here were legend, engineers tell us, and as the cessation of hostilities lifts the veil of secrecy over Uncle Sam's war secrets, specific mention can be made of some of the jobs undertaken by the small-but-mighty motors.

Same Jobs Done

If one had been able to borrow enough of Superman's vim and vigor during the war to tour the thousands of factories producing war materials, or board any of Uncle Sam's fighting ships, or visit an Army communications center, air base, or hospital, he might have been just a little surprised to see our motors doing many of the same jobs they did in peacetime. In the factories this midget mythical Superman would have found them driving small lathes and other machine tools, pumping the coolant for large machines, driving ventilating fans, hoisting loads, opening doors, or even cooling the drinking water. While aboard ship, they could be found in the galleys helping in the preparation of food, driving ice cream freezers, and operating washing machines.

Nearly six years ago, just about the time the Germans invaded Poland, those commonplace single phase and polyphase A.C. motors were already at work, helping build up the Nation's defenses. A year later they were playing more thrilling roles when thousands of them "enlisted" in the Navy—real "sailors" too.

Bigger Tasks

It was inevitable, Fractional Horsepower Motor engineers say, that sooner or later some of those motors should share the heroic tasks their brother amplidynes, dynamotors, and turret motors were already doing. In radar—both on land and sea—they found several applications. In special mechanical and electrical designs they performed their tasks from the frigid arctic regions to the equatorial deserts and tropical seas. They were prepared for rough treatment too.

Except for a direct hit or a severed power cable, they were expected to carry on in the heat of battle. High upon masts they became a part of the antenna system, or below decks they turned the fans that cooled the radio tubes and resistors.

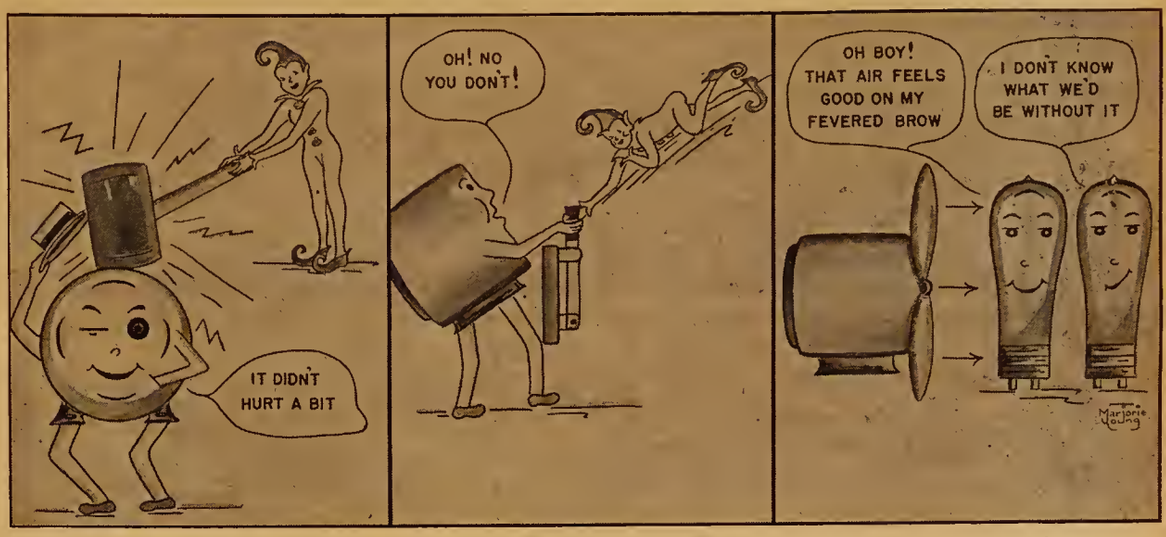
When a battleship or a cruiser "let go" with her heavy guns, the shock often caused the large magnetic contactors to drop out so that large motors and other electrical equipment were cut off from the generators. To overcome this trouble, special small motors were designed here that incorporated coil springs. If the contactors dropped out, the little fellows acted to immediately re-energize them, and service was restored in a moment.

Accurate Shooting Aided

Fort Wayne's baby motors were literally getting the taste of gunpowder at this stage of the game, but a still bigger job was ahead for them. "Drawing a bead" on an enemy target with a big gun is a much more complicated thing than picking off a bottle with a squirrel rifle. The target may be 3 to 20 miles away, moving while you are moving, a cross wind blowing, the temperature and humidity high or low, and your ship pitching in a rough sea. Small, high speed A.C. motors were designed at Fort Wayne which were used to drive the gyroscope that aimed the guns, and it was this factor that contributed greatly to accurate shooting.

Harmless? The fractional horsepower motors that capably performed a peacetime job known to all, also did more than their share in winning the war.

War Applications of A. C. Motors Illustrated



Contributed to Motor Designs for War



View at left shows a high shock motor taking rough treatment. When heavy guns are fired, the motor must withstand high impact shock. Center view shows Navy contactor motor at work restoring magnetic contactor switch connection immediately after the gremlin causes the switch to open. The magnetic contactors are often caused to drop out due to the shock of heavy gun fire and must be re-energized immediately by this motor to restore the power supply to the electrical equipment on the ship. The view at right illustrates a radio tube cooler motor at work helping to supply non-failing radio and radar service from "contented" radio tubes. Excessive heat is carried away by the breeze from the fan.

J. A. McKim, J. H. Behm, F. W. Suhr, G. C. Harvey, H. C. Bradley, and C. H. Koomjohn (left to right), all of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering Division, are shown with some of the A.C. motors used during the war. These men contributed much to the development of these motors.

HIGH SPOTS IN BUILDING 4-2

Have you seen Ed Klomp's new pipe? It has such a big bowl that he can fill it on Monday morning and the tobacco lasts all week. On Friday he dumps the ashes, and it's ready for use again on Monday. . . . The folks in Group 15x50 were generously treated to cakes, cookies, and candy last week by three of the girls who were celebrating their birthdays, namely Harriet Gaunt, Evelyn Daugherty, and Opal Bates. . . . Charlie Curtiss, not to be outdone by Carl Metker, wants some free advertising too, for the sale of his Miniature Pincer puppies. . . . Eleanor Schnelker thinks this must be some sort of record; at any rate she's proud to announce she became aunt three times in 10 days. . : . Sgt. Harry Anderson, formerly in 15x50, has arrived in the States after spending three years in Burma. He expects to be back to visit with us soon, and we are all looking forward to seeing him again. . . . We hope no one has missed seeing Jake Harshman with his cute bow tie. He spends so much time in the welding booth that it is only on rare occasions that he emerges and gives folks a chance to see it. . . . True Sheets, Carl Metker, and Bert Hardendorf made plans to go on a hunting trip. The only drawback to the idea was that Bert didn't have a gun so he decided to borrow one, if possible. The only available one he could find belonged to Ed Sonday, who generously offered it to him together with shells. Bert thought he was really in luck until he found out that the shells were 12 years old, and the gun hadn't been used within that time. His companions weren't so happy, either, about accompanying him, equipped with that old blunderbuss, so they found urgent business elsewhere, and the trip was called off, much to the relief of all concerned.

Columbia University medical students have been supplied with magnetic wire recordings of whooping cough cases to insure a more thorough study of the symptoms of the affliction.

They're 29 Years Old - - -

Elex Past Presidents Feted At Anniversary Celebration

Past presidents of Elex Club were feted last night at a dinner meeting in Bldg. 16-2 which celebrated the twenty-ninth anniversary of the founding of the organization.

Elex, which now includes a large membership from each shift and totals 1,800 members, was organized December 8, 1916, to "promote social and educational activities, to foster the spirit of friendly service, and stand for the highest ideals of womanhood." Club records tell us that 14 girls got the idea, promoted it, and succeeeded in "signing up" 60 of the 360 girls then working for General Electric. Minnie Blue was elected first president.

Coined Name

Much help was given the new organization by E. A. Barnes, then general superintendent, and the first club adviser was the Industrial Section Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association. Not content with using a standard club name, those first organizers coined "Elex" from "electricity"—and proceeded to build up a fine industrial organization.

Peak year of the club was 1943, when 3,500 girls under General Electric employ participated in Elex activities. Ceal Romary, Bldg. 26-2, was president during that year.

Many Attended

All but three of the past presidents still living in Fort Wayne came to Thursday's dinner meeting, Miss Meyers said, the first time that nearly all the presidents have been together. Of the entire group, one is dead, and one is living out of town.

Irene Meyers, present Club adviser, presided at last night's meeting. A former Elex president (1930), Miss Meyers took over her present duties in 1933.

Elex presidents include Minnie Blue, 1916; Eleanore Homeyer, 1917 (deceased); Cora Blue Polhamus, 1918-1919; Edith Rohrbaugh Kohlbacher, 1920; Irene Fox Ofenloch, 1921-1922; Flora Berger Schlenker, 1923; Hilda Walda, 1924, 1929; Lois Miller, 1925; Lillian Steup, 1926; Tressie Singrey Vincent, 1927; Lenora Schoppman, 1928; Irene Meyers, 1930; Marie Blough, 1931; Louise Lawson, 1932, 1936-1937; Hilda Puff Rodenbeck, 1933; Madolyn Fisher, 1934.

Also, Lillian Putt Wolf, 1935; Dorothea Stogdill Paul, 1938; Veora Rider, 1939; Loretta Bloom, 1940; Eva Lynn Tucker, 1941; Helen Bleke Miller, 1942; Ceal Romary, 1943; Marcella Boyle, 1944; Mary Jane Buesking, 1945; and Sue Cameron, 1946.

The Elex constitution, which allowed girls to serve multiple terms, has now been changed so that Elex presidents may serve only one year.

Five Shows

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dren into the show without presenting a ticket for themselves.

A limited number of tickets are being printed for each performance, Mr. Vogt said, and urged employees to get tickets for their children early next week to be assured of getting in the performance most convenient to them.

Santa Claus will be at the G-E Club party as usual and will have a gift for each child attending the Christmas party. This is the children's party of the year, Mr. Vogt said, and the entertainment committee is doing everything possible to make it a huge success.

Prout

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has been connected with General Electric since 1920, when he enrolled in various G-E student engineering courses while still an undergraduate. Later he represented the Company in New England and in the southwest, and in 1939 was appointed manager of the industrial department for the southwest district of G-E.

In 1941 he was named manager of the Industrial Control Division, with headquarters in Schenectady. Three years later he was assigned to manage the air conditioning and commercial refrigeration activities at the Bloomfield Works. With the establishment of the Air Conditioning Department as one of the six major operating Departments last April, Mr. Prout was named General Manager, with headquarters in Bloomfield.

Mr. Boulware, a native of Springfield, Ky., joined General Electric in January, 1945, having been Operations Vice-Chairman of the War Production Board, with which President Wilson had been associated from 1942 to 1944, the last year as Executive Vice-Chairman.

Previous to his service with WPB, Mr. Boulware had been vice-president and general manager of both the Carrier Corporation and the Celotex Corporation. He had also been general sales manager of the Easy Washing Machine Corporation. At various times, Mr. Boulware had been factory manager, purchasing agent, and comptroller in a machine tool plant. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and once taught accounting and commercial law at that university.

Will Speak Here



Harry K. Rogers

Chief Harry K. (Smoky) Rogers will be the principal speaker at the Plant Protection dinner meeting Wednesday, December 12, in Bldg. 16-2. Mr. Rogers is chief instructor for the Western Acturial Bureau and is known to thousands of school children as "Smoky," the fire clown who has taught children throughout the country rules of fire safety. (See story on Page 1.)

Elex Club

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with whom he worked for four months at the Blackhawk Restaurant in Chicago.

His orchestra also has entertained in the Park Plaza, St. Louis; Gibson Hotel, Cincinnati; Ansley Hotel, Atlanta; and the Tutwiler Hotel, Birmingham.

Elex members will be admitted to the party by membership card, Miss Cameron announced, and at the same time invited all mothers of Elex members, both day and night shifts, to attend the afternoon show. Mothers will not need to present tickets at the door, she said. Since the evening show is expected to fill the G-E Club, mothers will not be admitted to that performance.

Stage decorations will carry out a Christmas theme, and Santa Claus is scheduled to appear later in the evening to distribute surprises to the members. Girls who may have lost their membership cards can get duplicates from their contact girls, Miss Cameron said.

Hints For Homemakers

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Pies

Using fresh apples or dipping into your frozen supply, prepare apple pies for freezing exactly as you would any fresh pie. You may freeze the pie baked or unbaked. If you baked before freezing, the crust will be slightly crisper since freezing tenderizes it.

Whichever way you prepare, be sure to wrap in cellophane and heat seal. For quantity freezing of pies use a heavy baking paper plate.

To serve frozen fruit pies which have already been baked, place them in a moderately hot oven (350°) for 20 to 30 minutes as soon as they are taken from the freezer. to bake fozen fruit pies, place them in a hot oven (425°) as soon as taken from the freezer. Bake about 1 hour.

Suggestions Pay Off - - -

Twenty-One G-E Suggestors Get $355 in Week's Awards

Three hundred fifty-five dollars was presented to 21 suggestors this week, according to the list just released by S. E. Palmer, chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Quentin E. Romey, Bldg. 4-3, headed the list by receiving two high-paying awards. He was awarded $85 for his suggestion pertaining to changes in tooling and speeds so as to eliminate second cuts on certain fractional horsepower motor stators, and $80 was presented to him for his idea for increasing the size of certain carboloy tools in order to reduce tool breakages. J. Eifrid, Bldg. 17-1, received an additional $35 to a previously awarded $35 for his idea to omit burnishing operation on bases.

Thirty dollars was given to Max V. Comerford, Kokomo, for a suggestion covering the use of connecting ring in place of links in testing dual voltage motors. Robert W. Morrow, also of the Kokomo plant, was awarded $25 for his idea on the use of metal instead of ink stamp for marking rotation on motors.

Other awards, ranging from $5 to $20, were given to the following employee suggestors:

Bldg. 4-3

John O. Weaver.

Bldg. 4-4

James H. Zuber, Carl B. Plattner, Paul L. Beauchamp, Theodore C. Reed.

Bldg. 17-1

Frank Quinn, Clinton Stove, Ernest A. Jones, Conrad J. Mosshammer, Veora L. Habig.

Kokomo

Lester N. Small, Ralph Bischoff, Golie Alcorn, Jesse Griner, Joe McConnell.

Turret Tattles

The ol' joint began to look more like home last week than it has for four years. Several of the lads came back from the service. Paul Billman is again manning the lathe in front of his papa, after a long hitch in the Navy. Young Bob Wire is on the mills again after his turn in the Navy. Li'l Dale Brown was in last week with his civies on and reports he soon will be amongst the gang. Several other boys are due home soon. Well hurry up an' git hyar. . . . Joan King has been home for a while letting the doctor take out the ol' tonsils. Should be as good as new very shortly, Joan. . . . Should you decide to take in some of that good Michigan fishing one of these days, contact our good friend Bill Braden of Bldg. 26-3. Bill has bought himself a neat li'l resort up thar. So when the urge gets strong and you want a cabin and a boat, call on Bill. (I expect he'll appreciate this invitation of ours.) . . . Several of the boys report the ol' flu bug tagged them lately. As a gentle reminder, don't forget your rubbers when you go out! 'Seasier than flattening a mattress. . . . Xmas is just around that 'ere corner. Ya got your shoppin' done? . . . The grape vine tells us that "She'll Do A Hundred" Lake Parrish isn't particularly interested in a new gas wagon. When the new ones commence to show, we'll give ya odds on this one. . . . If you're in doubt as to the location of any road or lane or any other top-ographical land mark, in or around Waynedale, ask "Brer" Sipes. He may not know where it is, but he's willing to pay to find out! . . .Ernie Kalenback wants me to state he never was a member of the Waynedale Fire Department. He just goes along for the ride and the air. That's a good story, Johnnie, but tain't the way I heard it! . . . The long, lanky guy that comes in to talk to Herb Boltz is "The Boy," late of the Air Corps (of which you've read some in this column) but more recently of the Apprentice School. Welcome, Al, and learn all about the whosis and the whatsis for the next three or so years. . . . A very close friendship has sprung up between a certain inspector and an operator, after the inspector struck his stamp a glancing blow with a hammer and it durn near laid the operator low. Strange are the ways of life, huh? . . . Wonder how close ol' Len Bressler is. Hope we see him before he sees these lines. Hurry up, Bud! . . . Which reminds us of Dick Poehler! What in thunder is he doin' now? Did youse guys see that white apron he had. Wonder how he gets it soiled? Can't be from manual effort, do you think? Come on give with the info, Richard! We're all agog!

"Smoky" Rogers

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Fred Goeglein, and City Police Chief Jules Stumpf. Members of the managerial staff also will participate in the program, as well as all superintendents of the Fort Wayne Works.

Ernie Hanauer, Plant Fire Chief, will introduce Mr. Rogers and the other speakers. Chief Rogers, a native Kansan, is best known to several millions of school children as "Smoky," the fire clown, a role in which he has entertained and instructed youngsters in the first six grades in the fundamentals of fire safety.

As former Fire Chief in a midwestern city, Mr. Rogers has gained a fund of practical experience in combating fire, providing an exciting background for his dramatic public addresses before every conceivable type of audience. Mr. Rogers is Honorary Chief of the Chicago Fire Department and repeatedly serves as an instructor in numerous state and regional firemen's training schools and conferences throughout the country. He is vice-chairman of the Fire Department Instructors' Conference, held annually in Memphis, Tenn.

Fluorescent lighting apparatus for subway trains, street cars, trolley buses and other public transit vehicles is being developed.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

BROADWAY PLANT

Employees Seeking Rides

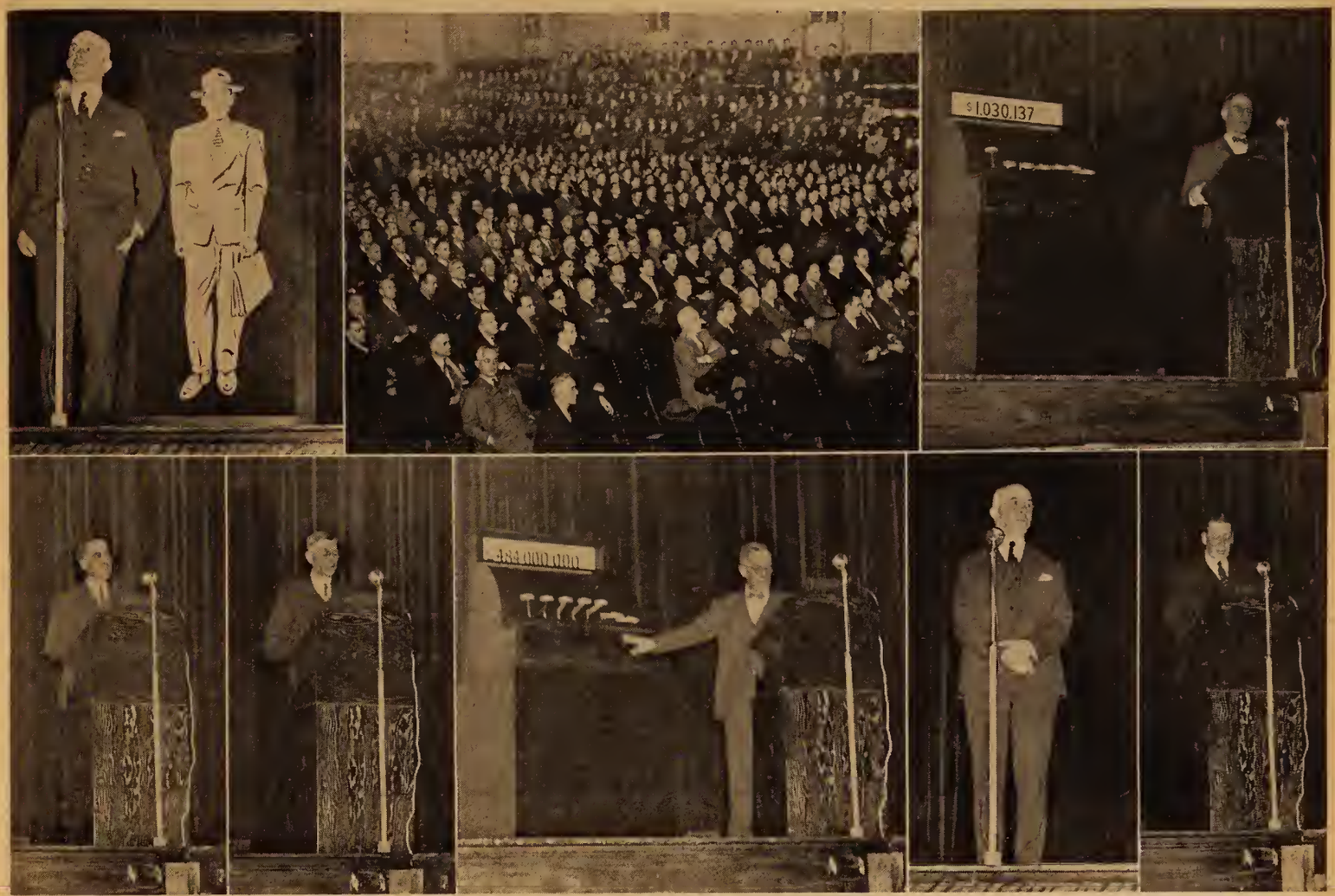
Name	Address	Bldg.	Foreman	Hours
Rubin Riker	R. 2, Columbia City, Ind.	17-2	Hohman	3:30-11:45
Clara Burgoon	Payne, Ohio	19-5	Scherzinger	3:30-11:42
Eleanor Smith	Monroeville, Ind.	26-2	Thomas	8:00- 5:15
Vesta Groves	Tri Lakes, Ind.	17-3	C. Rice	7:00- 3:30
H. F. Nahrwold	On Reckeweg Rd. Near 14	4-4	Owens	7:00- 3:30

Employees Seeking Riders

Ernest Kern*	Bluffton, Ind.	26-4	Stephen	3:30-11:48

*Can take 2 or 3 riders.

Apparatus Executive Committee Visits Fort Wayne Works



Postwar plans for the Apparatus Department were shown to supervisory employees and members of the engineering and commercial divisions last Thursday, November 29, at the G-E Club by members of the Apparatus Department Executive Committee. Upper left is Vice-President R. C. Muir, manager of the Apparatus Department, who conducted the meeting. The sketch behind him was of a "typical sales engineer" and was used to illustrate one of the speeches. Center picture shows a portion of the crowd attending the meeting. Upper right is Vice-President C. H. Lang, manager of sales, as he addressed the group.

Lower left pictures E. E. Johnson, manager of engineering, as he addressed the group. G. S. Maxwell, chairman of the review committee, is shown in picture second from left as he presented report for Neil Currie, Jr., manager of manufacturing. Vice-President Lang is punching the key of a huge cash register in center picture, which helped illustrate his talk. Second from right in lower row is another shot of Vice-President Muir, and lower right shows H. V. Erben, assistant general manager.

Apparatus Executive Group Outlines G-E Postwar Plans

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President C. H. Lang, manager of sales. Neil Currie, Jr., manager of manufacturing, was scheduled to address the meeting, but could not attend, and G. S. Maxwell, chairman of the review committee, presented his report.

Much Interest Shown

In introducing Mr. Muir at the start of the meeting, M. E. Lord, Works Manager, explained that his recent report on the outlook for expanded operations at the Fort Wayne Works excited so much comment and interest that it was felt folks here would like to know more about similar plans for the entire Apparatus Department. To that end, Mr. Muir had consented to come and had brought some of his staff with him.

Mr. Muir then told the group that the same general outline of Apparatus Department postwar plans had been presented to President Charles E. Wilson and the Board of Directors about two months ago. Two reasons could be cited for the Executive Committee visit, Mr. Muir said. (1) To review progress made at the Fort Wayne Works in getting its postwar plans underway, and (2) To help the Fort Wayne group learn something about the whole Apparatus Department, of which it is a part, and its postwar plans.

Careful Study Made

Mr. Erben showed how thoroughly the operations of each of our major apparatus lines (for example, small motors, generators, transformers, etc.) were studied and how carefully every phase of the business was checked before plant expansion was undertaken. Already late in 1944 the war clouds had cleared sufficiently, Mr. Erben said, so that detailed postwar plans could be formulated.

Mr. Maxwell, speaking for Mr. Currie, outlined three specific problems: (1) reconverting promptly, (2) maintaining maximum output from employment, and (3) making new and existing facilities available as rapidly as possible. He told too of the new manufacturing facilities that would be required at the major Apparatus Works in order to meet the greatly expanded demands for our products in postwar years.

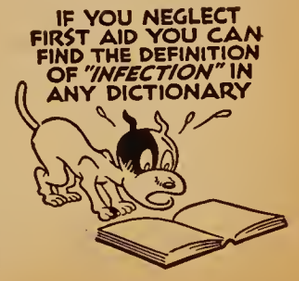
Engineer Speaks

Mr. Johnson's speech covered the engineering problems of the postwar years. He discussed the immediate projects that G-E was working on and expected much from, such as the gas turbine, the jet engine, radar, and new types of industrial controls. He also mentioned the specific need for more highly trained technical men and women.

Mr. Lang, in discussing the Sales organization and its work, used a huge cash register to emphasize his points. He outlined plans to increase use of exhibits, motion pictures, etc., in doing a selling job and discussed the vast market for products of the Apparatus Department.



"The G-E Basketball team looks the best it ever has," is the comment of Cliff Harmes. With Byron Evard and Harry Spahr, both former stars of the Fort Wayne G-E Club team as coach and assistant coach respectively, we expect great things of this team. This team won their first game from Delco 35-23. . . . We wish to welcome Ruby Arnett and Connie Barnes to the Production Section and Wilma Cheek to Payroll. Welcome also to Veronica Vandenbosch, who has been ill. . . . Jeanne Gregg is the new girl in Personnel. . . . Joan Kirkpatrick was Joan Russell, one of our Blueprint girls, before her marriage to Tom on November 25. Best wishes to both of them. . . . "Show Me the Way To Go Home" seems to be the theme song of Bob Walker. It seems he can't remember where his house is, or what it looks like. . . . We had thought of reminding you that there are only 15 more shopping days 'til Christmas, but when we counted them again it looks more like 14 is all that's left—and if someone doesn't stop pouring grease on the skids, we'll think those 14 are squeezed into about 4—ah well!! Such are the difficulties of this modern age—but don't forget to count the days 'till the Kokomo G-E Club's Christmas Party! . . . The little bird that sings these Keynotes just sang in my ear a request for volunteer newsgatherers from each section. Won't you get together and pick someone to help us gather news? Please!!



NEWS FROM

Our Men and Women in the Services

Overseas Veterans Write of Joys of "Heading Home"

S 1/c Clarence Garr Writes Of Japanese Destruction

Dear Editor:

I want to thank everyone who helped put the WORKS NEWS out. It surely helped us boys overseas to find out what was going on back on the home front, and to keep in touch with everyone in the plant. It also helped to keep up our morale, just to know that the General Electric was backing us up all the time. It seemed that every place we went the G-E product was there.

I just came from Yokohamo, Japan, after spending 23 days there. The boys surely did a good job of bombing that city. I must give them credit.

I am in Balboa—bound for my discharge after spending around 30 months in the Southwest Pacific.

Tell the gang hello and I will see them soon.

Your truly,

Clarence W. Garr, S 1/c

Engineers Solve Complex Problems "By Machine"

Standard Accounting Methods Shorten "Mental Work"

Complicated calculations necessary in machinery design problems have been made practically effortless by General Electric engineers who have learned that standard accounting machines can do the "mental work" automatically in less than one-quarter of the time previously required manually.

Punched-card machines, widely used in accounting work, are being applied to some engineering problems in the G-E Turbine-Generator Division here, according to A. W. Rankin, Company engineer.

Explaining that some calculations required for designing large turbine generators involve "a tremendous amount of numerical work," Mr. Rankin said the IBM punched-card machines do the work automatically in a much shorter time and completely eliminate mental fatigue.

While the calculations of the critical speeds of turbine generators are not too difficult in a theoretical sense, he said, the most tiring part of the previous manual calculations was merely writing down the extremely large number of calculated quantities and then again reading them to set up on hand comptometers.

"Because of the very discouraging number of calculations by the manual method," he added, "our investigations of critical speeds were limited to the most important cases."

FAMOUS LAST WORDS: "Who does that guy think he is passing with that old rattle-trap. I'll show him."

Aboard Hospital Ship

Dear Editor:

We are aboard Navy Hospital Ship "U.S.S. Comforter" about to leave for Japan. Should be home in about three months or less.

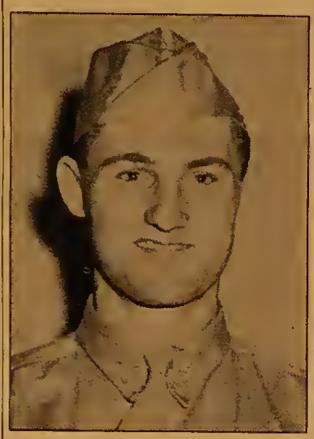
S/Sgt. Dan Bishop

Still in G-E Family

Ninety-three years old and still very much interested in General Electric, his old employer, is John L. Linwood, living as a pensioner in Schenectady. Not only does he buy Victory Bonds from the G-E bond office, so that the Company may have the credit for the sales, but he recently made a contribution, through the G-E Schenectady offices, to a campaign for the building of the new St. Clare's Hospital in that city.

With an average driver at the wheel and traveling over a dry road, it takes a car going 45 miles an hour four times as long to stop as one going only 20 miles an hour, according to the National Safety Council.

Home Soon



Stanley Gongaware

Dear Editor:

I've received the WORKS NEWS all through the war, and it was nice to sit down and read the WORKS NEWS from home and know what a great job the General Electric was doing for the war.

I've worked with the General Electric equipment very much since I've been overseas, and it can take a hard beating before it has to be rechecked or repaired.

I am looking forward to being home soon.

Sincerely yours,

Cpl. Stanley Gongaware

Lt Donald C. Fox recently wrote saying he is leaving for the United States, and will be released from the Army upon his return.

Darrell Grosh Discharges 'Em — — And Waits for Discharge

Dear Editor:

. . . I have been receiving the WORKS NEWS every week and get a lot of enjoyment from it. Keep it coming—always glad to read about my friends I formerly worked with in G-E. I am looking forward to the day when I can get discharged and come back home to my family and friends. I have been working in the disbursing office and discharge center in Ft. Pierce since coming here. I will be a S 1/c as of December 1, 1945. Have seen a lot of happy faces go through the discharge center and will be most happy when I can be one of them.

Tell all my friends in Bldgs. 8-1 and 8-2 that I said "hello;" and to drop a line when they can. It's a little early but "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" to all of the G-E family.

Very truly yours,

Darrell B. Grosh S 2/c

In Luzon Fight

Dear Editor:

This letter to you is far overdue, but I received the WORKS NEWS regularly and notice that several boys have written from the islands, and they have written just about all that is to be written from around here.

The only thing they didn't write about to you was about experiences. I don't intend to go too far with them either, as many boys have had the same.

During the fight for Luzon, I was all over it from top to bottom. Our unit was attached to every division on the island and saw action all the way through it.

I hope to be back at the plant about Christmas time, as tomorrow I am going to a casual camp and expect to be there but a couple of days, then head for home, which I hope will get me home a few days before Christmas. I have completed 30 months over here in the Pacific Theater of Operations, and it is going to mean a great thing to get home for the holidays.

I want to thank you for the WORKS NEWS, as it has been a great pleasure to have it sent out here for the past 30 months, and the next time I get a paper I hope to pick it out of the box on my way home from work. Be seeing you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Cpl. Harold B. King

According to a recent letter from M/Sgt. Edwin H. Kauffman, he is now attached to the 31st Division awaiting transportation to the "good old U.S.A." to be discharged.

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

After being mustered out of the various armed forces, 94 former servicemen have returned to the Fort Wayne Works to peacetime jobs this week. Look them up, and tell them, "Welcome home!"

Name	Location	Name	Location	Name	Location	Name	Location
Lyle Harshbarger	Bldg. 17-1	Maurice C. Rogers	Bldg. 19-2	Robert E. Johnson	Bldg. 19-5	Louis E. Tagtmeyer	Bldg. 4-5
Richard Zwick	Winter St.	Norbert Weeks	Bldg. 26-1	Herman Torbeck, Jr.	Bldg. 4-1	Jerome J. Weikart	Bldg. 17-1
Earl G. Johnson	Bldg. 17-1	Francis J. Kartholl	Bldg. 31-1	Dale W. Sweet	Bldg. 4-4	Arthur F. Diedrich	Bldg. 26-2
Joseph A. Haas	Bldg. 17-3	Eugene H. Stewart	Bldg. 17-2	Rolland Miller	Bldg. 17-2	Lavern U. Schultz	Bldg. 26-2
Henry Littlejohn	Bldg. 19-2	Robert C. Neuman	Bldg. 19-5	George A. Barnes	Bldg. 17-1	Evelethe L. Wray	Winter St.
Dallas F. Smith	Bldg. 26-5	Wendell Nierman	Winter St.	Eugene P. Kelsey	Bldg. 19-4	William H. Welch	Bldg. 4-2
Robert C. Grote	Winter St.	Rudolph C. Claymiller	Bldg. 20-2	Howard A. Schultz	Bldg. 18-4	Herman R. Neptune	Bldg. 19-5
Gerald M. Koehl	Bldg. 17-2	Henry A. Burkamp	Bldg. 26-1	Ralph Bahde	Bldg. 20-2	James O. Ostermeyer	Bldg. 17-1
Ivan Osterman	Bldg. 4-5	Elmer R. Gallmeier	Bldg. 26-4	Harold Blumenhorst	Bldg. 17-3	Carl J. Broyles	Bldg. 17-1
Arnold M. Greider	Bldg. 28-2	Robert O. Maxwell	Bldg. 19-4	James E. Lindenberg	Bldg. 17-3	Hobert Winebrenner	Bldg. 4-4
Ray G. Horstman	Bldg. 19-2	Russell H. Sage	Bldg. 26-5	George P. Kapp	Bldg. 4-4	Courtland Anderberg	Bldg. 26-5
Ivan Cole	Bldg. 17-3	Robert L. Masters	Bldg. 19-2	Eugene E. Barrand	Bldg. 19-5	Alfred L. Hamilton	Bldg. 26-3
James Weldon	Bldg. 26-2	Paul D. Castor	Bldg. 10-2	Delbert Welch	Bldg. 21	Frank P. Bell	Bldg. 26-4
Ralph Coscarelly	Bldg. 9-1	Oral L. Hyser	Bldg. 26-1	John Marks	Bldg. 26-3	Julian H. Vebert	Bldg. 17-2
John Malcolm	Bldg. 6-1	Eugene C. Boyle	Bldg. 19-1	Richard Haskins	Winter St.	Timothy Dixie	Bldg. 19-4
Wilfred J. Yant	Bldg. 19-4	Donald C. August	Bldg. 19-2	Wayne R. Fritz	Bldg. 26-1	Dale E. Zolman	Winter St.
Hubert B. Risser	Bldg. 19-2	Laurel M. Snyder	Winter St.	Ray E. Pflueger	Bldg. 4-1	Edward Ensch	Bldg. 4-1
Wilborne Garton	Bldg. 19-4	Voil LaTourette	Bldg. 4-5	Harold J. Springer	Bldg. 20-2	Earl S. Householder	Bldg. 26-5
Robert Farrell	Bldg. 2-3	Sam Schladenhauffen	Bldg. 19-2	Robert W. Schweizer	Bldg. 19-4	Darrell M. Heaston	Bldg. 26-1
Paul Eugene Black	Bldg. 26-4	Kenneth W. Habig	Bldg. 12-B	William A. Brown	Bldg. 17-1	Wilbur C. Hinton	Bldg. 17-2
Paul Trier	Bldg. 20-2	Robert G. Gerbers	Bldg. 4-3	Mark A. Keefer, Jr.	Bldg. 26-2	Harold W. Ely	Winter St.
Harold Seidel	Bldg. 17-1	Louis B. Street	Bldg. 17-1	Walter E. Bade	Bldg. 19-5	Floyd Lagemann	Bldg. 4-1
Lewis C. Davis	Winter St.	Hillard F. Butcher	Winter St.	William E. Billue	Bldg. 19-1	Frederick R. Bishop	Bldg. 4-4
Jerome E. Jacobs	Bldg. 20-2	Cletus Lothamer	Bldg. 17-3				

Atomic Bomb Decision Hailed by G-E Scientest

The decision by the Truman-Atlee-King conference to use our knowledge of atomic energy "to promote the consolidation of a strong international organization, through which alone can we hope to find effective outlawry of the atomic bomb and peaceful security for the world," was hailed in New York recently as "glorious news" by Dr. Laurence A. Hawkins, consultant of the General Electric Research Laboratory.

Speaking at a luncheon meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, he said that "out of the past war, out of its blood and sweat and tears, its enormous sufferings and sacrifices, have come two great benefactions—unprecedented scientific achievement and a new spirit of unity among nations. If we can carry these over into peace and can foster the development of their full potentialities, we shall be able to bequeath to our children's children a heritage of peace, security and well-being, such as this world has never known."

Little "Secret"

Discussing how much of a "secret" we actually possess, he declared that scientists are in general agreement that "all the fundamental principles on which the atomic bomb is based are known to all the world, and that it is only the engineering know-how, of process and equipment and of details of bomb design, which we now monopolize.

"The time required by another powerful industrial nation to develop such 'know-how,' without help from us, has been variously estimated at from three to ten years," he continued. "Since we, in three years, successfully developed four different processes for producing the essential materials, and incorporated two of them in terribly effective bombs, it seems to me that even three years would have been a generous estimate of the lite of our 'secret'."

Illusory Speculations

Speculations made today on the ultimate uses of nuclear energy, said Dr. Hawkins, may prove just as illusory as were the hopes of an El Dorado, a Fountain of Youth, and a Northwest Passage to the Orient which were entertained just after Columbus had announced the discovery of America. Yet this discovery, "after centuries of daring pioneering, initiative, and perseverance, produced the greatest agricultural and industrial civilization, the highest standards of living, and the noblest political institutions that the world has yet seen."

Similarly, he continued, "electronic developments are still multiplying and increasing in utility, yet all this has come from a mere skimming of the surface of the atom, utilizing nothing more than transformations of energy. Who can doubt that now, when we have pierced to the atom's heart and have made available the creation from matter of energy in a new and tremendously concentrated form, we shall ultimately develop uses of far more fundamental importance and widespread utility than all that electronics can yield?"

Endorses Bill

Dr. Hawkins endorsed the Magnusson bill, now before Congress, as adequately embodying the recommendations made by Dr. Vannevar Bush in his report to President Roosevelt to carry over into peacetime for the national good the same kind of organized scientific research which has proved so powerful in war. This bill, he stated, places the control in the hands of scientists of proved ability. In contrast, the Kilgore bill, which is intended to accomplish similar ends, "sets up a board composed, half-and-half, of government officials and representatives of the public, with a Director appointed by the President. The President also appoints the Chairmen of the Research Divisions. This obviously offers more room for politics to creep in, and is likely to result in a disturbing change of responsible personnel with every change in the White House."

The May-Johnson bill dealing specifically with nuclear research and development, he termed a "monstrosity" in its original form, "setting up a Commission with unprecedented arbitrary powers, superior alike to the law of contracts and Congressional control, placing American nuclear research in a straight-jacket while leaving foreign scientists free, and providing savage penalties savoring of the Gestapo for violation of the least of its regulations. Though passed by the House, the Senate has fortunately been more deliberate, permitting the protests of scientists to be heard, and now the bill has been shorn of its worst features and toned down to more reasonable form. Its original is now of interest only to indicate how far astray we may be led by emotional thinking and snap judgment based on inadequate understanding."

• WITH THE • M. B. A. PATIENTS

Grace Abshire, Marie Ackerman, Gladys Balliet, Virgil Bobay, Joseph Brown, Merl E. Bryie, Clara Dixon, Sophia Dressler, Darris Hamilton, Fern Hartman, Mary Hayden, Wren A. Herbst, Edward Huhn, Dorothy Kiser, Doris Koehl, Iva LeCoque, Hilda Merkle, Michael C. Mercurio, Betty Nyffeler, Amanda Pautch, Carl Riedel, Principia Rosucci, Doris C. Ryan, Helen I. Schumm, Mildred L. Smith, Leona Taylor, Lois Waterman.

Dismissed from Hospital

Glen Fernwalt, Dorothy Hisscock, Lewis Botteron, Florence Minnicle.

Returned to Work

Ver Wilkinson, Louis Liebenguth, Ruthanna Butterbaugh, Marscell Gick, Normer Hersted, Henry Webster, Mary Adams, Irene Muzzilla, Hazel Martz, Milo Heller, Katherine Wickliffe, Howard Sayles, Milo Heller, Arthur Shull, Claude Hoover, Vaughn French, Charles Poole, Donald Casey, Paul Horstmeyer, Goldie Stillwell, Frances Oberholtzer, Jeanette Hetrick, Thelma Reynolds, Olga Kuzeff, Ruth Freeman.

They'll Sing for Squares Party-goers



Pete Uran, Jack Morrissey, Dick Mosier, and Howard Miller (left to right above) will form a "Barber Shop Quartet" for the entertainment of Squares Club members attending the regular Open House party tonight, committee members announced today. With the regular Friday night parties already being well attended, committee members describe this as "the something new that's being added"—and are planning for a large crowd tonight. (See story below.)

King Harmony Will Reign Tonight

Barber Shop Quartet Will Head Tonight's "Open House" Program

Shades of Dobbin' and the Keystone Cops!

"Barber Shop harmonies" will prevail at the Squares Club party tonight when Howard Miller, Pete Uran, Jack Morrissey, and Dick Mosier will highlight a special program of entertainment in the club rooms.

The usual dancing, card games, shuffleboard, and ping-pong will also be on the program, and the Women's Division of the Squares Club will again serve sandwiches and coffee.

Tonight's hosts and hostesses include Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Halleck, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Downie, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Nelson, and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Skinner

Large crowds have been attending the regular Friday night Open House parties of the organization, and those members who have not attended to date are urged to come to tonight's party.

Is Zat So?

As we go into the month of December, it makes us realize that it won't be long until Christmas. Have you completed your Christmas shopping yet? Just a little reminder that the Elex Club is selling Christmas cards and gift wrappings. You can get yours in Bldg 17-1 by contacting Veora Habig or Betty Bradtmiller. . . . Tom Kirkdoffer, who was recently discharged from the Marines, visited us last week. . . . We welcome Bill Brown back to work as a first shift floor inspector, after serving in the Armed Forces. . . . A letter was received from Bob August, who is still stationed on Leyte, but hopes to be back with us soon. . . . We bid farewell to our new bridegroom, Bob Beber, who left us to work in another division. Best of luck, Bob! . . . After working for so long on the third shift, we wonder how Al Middaugh can keep his eyes open on the day shift. Welcome back, Al. . . . Group 19x71 is considering a new flood control project after the drenching they got Monday morning. Art Brockmeyer was "Johnny on the spot" and had the situation well in hand with Orval Havers' assistance. Good work, boys. . . . We were glad to see Bill Franke back to work Monday morning after his recent illness. Julia Hoopingarner also returned Monday after an attack of flu. Hope you are both much better. . . . Mr. Tickel is enjoying a week's vacation. . . . Loyal Decker was real excited last week when he could not locate his fountain pen. He searched everywhere with no results, so decided to call his wife to see if she could find it at home. As he was dialing the phone, Henry Gollmer noticed a pen in Decker's shirt pocket. Decker still can't understand how it got there! . . . The office is quite a bright spot since the new lights have been installed. A nice improvement, isn't it? . . . With all this noise it is difficult to hear sometimes. It was understood that Henry Papenbrock had breakfast at Sardi's, but we later discovered that he had sardines for breakfast. It's so confusing. . . . A hearty welcome is extended to two new employees, Robert Ladig and Lyle Harshbarger. Lyle recently was discharged from the Armed Services after three and one-half years. . . . It is with a lump in my throat that I write this my final column for Bldg. 17-1, as I am leaving to accept a position in another division. I have enjoyed writing about you and for you, as well as working with you.

Veora L. Habig

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Quite the most phenomenal development in the history of the General Electric Company occurred today! In his quiet, modest, retiring manner—without any fanfare or applause—Bob Karasek made the supreme sacrifice and appeared with a smiling face at only slightly after 8:30 on the morning of Monday, December 3, 1945, A.D. No higher honor could ever be conferred, and it is an event that shall go down in the G-E annals of history for pondering, meditation, and possible imitation by all future G-E employees in the years to come. Congratulations, Bob, and please be assured that we shall long be grateful for this signal honor! . . . According to the extremely boisterous declamations issuing hourly from our beloved manager's office, we have a new Romeo in the Plastics Office—more exactly in the Commercial Section. He is none other than that tall, lean, wavy-haired, impeccably groomed James Orval Denney! Just why this moniker has been affixed has not been clearly defined as yet, but you may turst your inquiring reporter to secure all the vivid details by keyhole or eavesdrop at the earliest possible moment! . . . Such primping and posing—such smiling and looking winsome—such combing and fluffing—but the results were really worthwhile! Our little Jeannie had her picture taken one noon last week—one print of which is for that all-important representative of the United States Navy now tearing up and down the West Coast. Jeannie is a cute little gal anytime, but after the above fervent preparations, well.

Bldg. 12-3 Second Shift

Carl Sleppy was fortunate enough to get to attend the Indiana-Purdue football game. We won't have to ask him if he had a good time. Anyone would enjoy going to a game like that. The week before the game he saw Sonja Henie in person at the Indianapolis Stadium. That foreman of ours really gets around, doesn't he? . . . Vonnie Nesbit received a set of dishes from the foreman and girls on our floor, as a wedding gift and she liked and needed them badly. She wants to thank everyone. . . . Not much news for this week, folks, but maybe we will have more next week. See you then!

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Anyone wishing to learn the art of ice skating, see Carl Saaf. He sure knows all the fancy figures. Since Carl has seen Sonja Henie he is skating around, and there isn't any ice. . . . Lurinda Pettit was wondering just what you had to do in order to get your name in the WORKS NEWS. Sometimes you don't have to do anything, Lue. . . . Our birthday wishes go to Doris and Iris Summers. We hape you girls had a swell birthday and hope you have many more happy birthdays. We also want to extend our birthday wishes to Marie Smith, and may you have many more. Why don't someone have a birthday every day???? We love candy! But, oh! those calories! . . . See you all next week.

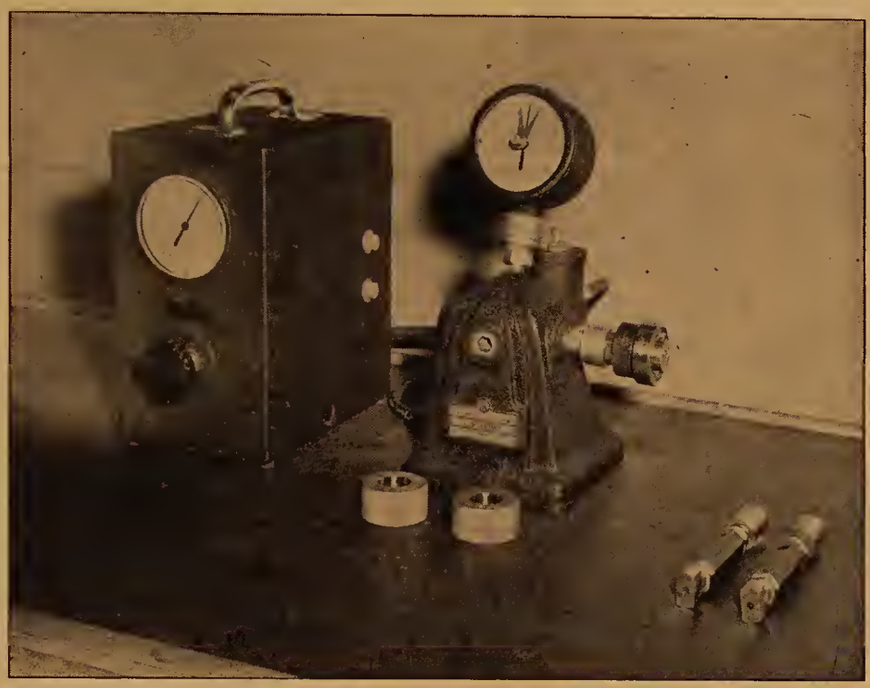
The first electric escalator was exhibited at the Paris Exposition in 1900.

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

Bob Shoup is back on the swing shift with a promise to gather all the choice news. Bob says some of it may be good and some of it may be sad, but he hopes it makes all of us glad. Bob also wishes to express thanks to his many friends who called on him and those who sent remembrance cards during his convalescence. . . . Jo Voglewede and her sister Alberta Stump celebrated Thanksgiving with their parents at Troy, Ohio. Besides turkey and "stuffs," Jo says Bert learned a new sliding game. . . . Sol Lord, congenial second shift foreman, is confined to his home on account of illness. Best wishes. . . . The Misses Betty and Norma Bower and Leo and Don Hoffman recently witnessed the Ice Follies at Indianapolis conducted by the one and only Sonja Henie. . . . Buzz Ballard is back on the swing shift after stinting for Baker on the first. . . . Tires are still rationed and hard to get; so if you need riders or want to ride, we will be glad to try to help you. . . . Chuck has returned to work after a long vacation—three days. . . . Nina Sovine can be entertaining at times, yeah! . . . When it comes to sweaters and the selection of them we sincerely believe that Helen Funk should have the coveted honors. . . . Harry Roth is the proud daddy of a new son, Jerry Lee. Cigars are in order, Harry. . . . The entire swing shift wishes in this manner to express their sympathies and condolences to J. K. Eady, Francis Eady and the others in the family on the death of their father. . . . Although we missed it last week, we want to congratulate Iva Teeple upon her birthday. Iva was presented a beautiful bouquet of roses—the donors being Bert Strickler and her daughter, Phyllis. . . . Bill Hunt reports that his son, Dale, recently returned from Saipan, is well and sends regards. . . . Bill Lister is spending his vacation trying out his hunting luck. Beware of those stories, gang. . . . If you notice all the unusual smiles on Ethelyn's face, you should be able to guess the reason—yep—her friend is home. . . . The Geneva "whirlwind," Al Windmiller, is also spending his vacation doing his favorite pastime—good hunting, Al. . . . Dorothy Murphy is all smiles—she has reasons—husband Pat is home from the wars and has again taken up his place with G-E. . . . Mary Longenberger's husband is also home. . . . Orval, better known as "Robin" Fisher is nursing a sore thumb that he sat one one day last week—use a chair next time, Robin. . . . Helen Funk says she isn't going hunting any more unless they remove the fences—and she has the marks to prove it. . . . If you see Roy Painter throwing out his chest, it is because he has a brand new tractor. . . . Ethel and Bob, now Mr. and Mrs. Bolinger, are now trying to prove the theory that two can live as cheaply as one. We can only add, "Live and Learn." . . . Madge Hite and Revia Stauffer are just now getting used to the atmosphere around home since their recent vacation trip through the Smoky Mountains. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Homer Liby held a pheasant feast at their home Saturday evening. Homer, who is champ shot of the guard force, says he never missed a one of those fine Dakota birds. . . . Elbert (Teed) Aurand is back from Japan, enjoying a short rest before returning to G-E. . . . Joe Burnett had better look before he sits down. Joe says he knows better now. . . . Basil Sheets and wife Alice came over from Convoy, Ohio, to visit old G-E friends

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MANUAL VERSUS VISUAL GAGING



AT THE RIGHT ARE TWO GO AND NOT GO PLUG OR MANUAL GAGES.

Manual Gages

- HAVE NO AMPLIFYING POWER.
- DETERMNE ONLY IF PART IS WITHIN DRAWING LIMITS.
- SHOW ONLY IF PART IS OVERSIZE OUT OF ROUND.
- DO NOT SHOW BELL MOUTH CONDITION.
- DO NOT GIVE EXACT SIZE FOR GRADING.
- HAVE SHORT LIFE DUE TO WEAR.
- DO NOT ELIMINATE HUMAN ERROR.

AT THE LEFT IS A HIGH PRESSURE PNEUMATIC INTERNAL COMPARATOR OR VISUAL GAGE.

Visual Gages

- AMPLIFY APPROXIMATELY 2800 TO 1.
- SHOW EXACT SIZE OF PART FOR GRADING.
- INDICATE OUT OF ROUND CONDITION.
- EXPOSE BELL MOUTH CONDITION.
- HAVE EXTREMELY LONG LIFE.
- ELIMINATE HUMAN ERROR.

KNOW YOUR GAGES

Topping the Record

Lightning flashed 354 times in 44 minutes in one of the most intense electrical storms on record at Buffalo, N. Y., shortly before midnight on June 29. Instruments of the Buffalo Niagara Electric Corporation recorded the spectacle.

Dr. William Gilbert of England, court physician to Queen Elizabeth, announced in 1600 that the earth itself possesses the properties of a magnet.

Chicago's first postwar apartment building, now under construction, will have eighty electrical home freezer units in the basement for the tenants.



"Uncle Sandy," Colin's boy, Douglas, said, "you know everything—at least Sandy, Jr., thinks you do, and my pop says YOU think you do—so tell me, why is there so much unhappiness in the world? The war is over, yet everybody in the whole world seems to be quarreling or fighting about something—that is, everybody but my relatives. Why are Scotsmen so happy, and human beings so unhappy?"

Weel, me lad, I'll tell ye. People are mad because they can't do what they want to. Scotsmen are happy because they can.

"People want tae rule over people they can't rule, or own something they can't have, or get something thot belongs tae others, or get something without earning it.

Scotsmen do what they want to. They want to close their pocketbooks up tighter and tighter—so they do it, and thot makes them happy."

"But Uncle Sandy, you always said that when people aren't satisfied with what they have, they get busy and think up some C.R.* If everybody were satisfied, we'd have no progress."

"Yuss, me lad, I did say thot, and as a barnyard philosopher, as well as a C.R.* seer, I believe it. But I also believe thot ye don't hai tae make yerself perfectly miserable and discontented, and join in wi' the world's general unrest, just because ye wish tae better yerself. Even tho' Scotsmen are not satisfied, they are happy wi' what they hai—and are trying tae make themselves happier by getting more. Thot's why they hum a tune as they think up a new C.R.* idea, and thot's why they sing when they get the check for the C.R.* suggestion, and thot's why they laugh out loud when they sock the money into Victory Bonds, so it can go tae work for them right away.

And thot's why me relatives all think they are helpful tae me, offering tae come over and live wi' me, the kindhearted lads, so I can have more exemptions on me income tax."

*COST REDUCTION.

Key Electronics Personnel Begin Move to Syracuse

Twenty key personnel in the General Electric Company's Electronics Department have moved to Syracuse from Bridgeport, Conn., and Schenectady over the past few days and will have their headquarters at the Thompson Road plant until the G-E Electronics Park development can house them.

They included Arthur A. Brandt, the department's general sales manager; R. W. Ferrell, department counsel; and V. M. Lucas, manager of the department's government division.

General sales staff members who report to Mr. Brandt, and who also made the move, include H. K. Smith, T. A. McDonald, E. R. Burtis, C. C. Hayes, and E. L. Robinson.

"Electronic" Finger Controls Operations of Machine Tool

An "electronic finger," which automatically controls the operation of a machine tool, has been developed by General Electric engineers.

From shaping graceful candlesticks to highly essential superchargers for aircraft engines—it's all the same to a machine tool controlled by this new automatic contouring control system.

In fact, almost anything that can be cut with a motor-driven tool from a pattern or template can be produced accurately and completely automatically with a machine equipped with this versatile device which literally has a "sense of touch."

The vital part of the "anatomy" of this human-like control device is an "electronic finger" which feels its way around the angles and curves of a pattern to control the operation of the cutting tool.

Two Magnetic Bridges

This feeler or tracing stylus comprises, in electrical terms, two magnetic bridges, each consisting of two identical magnetic circuits, one pair mounted on an axis at right angles to the other pair. The four magnetic poles are assembled on a diaphragm which is fastened to the stylus, a finger-like projection which touches the pattern or template.

In operation, the stylus of the tracing head is moved against the side of the contour on the pattern to be reproduced. The very slight pressure of the feeler against the template causes a deflection of the diaphragm which in turn creates a change in voltage in the coils of the tracing head. This voltage is then carried to the "brain" of the entire device, where the signals from the bridge circuits are amplified many times and "mixed" into what is called a vector signal —a signal which is related to the direction of the pressure on the stylus. This signal causes the stylus to be driven against the template and, as the deflection of the stylus increases, the vector signal is shifted by a "bender" circuit to cause the stylus to move along the surface of the template with a uniform deflection.

The signal from the "bender" circuit is sent into a translator circuit which produces two separate d.c. voltages. Each voltage determines the speed of one of the two feed motors. These voltages are so coordinated that the resultant speed of the stylus around the template is constant, regardless of the direction.

Reproduces Same Contour

When a change in contour is encountered, one motor will automatically slow down or speed up just the proper amount to reproduce on the piece of work in the machine the same contour encountered by the stylus on the pattern. If a 90 degree angle is encountered, the direction of pressure on the stylus and the direction of motion is changed by 90 degrees almost instantaneously. Either an inside or an outside angle can be cut in this manner.

Because the "bender" circuit of the device provides complete control over the movement of the tracing head, it is impossible for the stylus to stray away from the template. The instant such a tendency occurs, the vector signal automatically forces the head against the pattern, insuring not only a constant degree of accuracy in pattern reproduction, but a continuous cutting operation on the most complicated of parts.

The rapid changes in direction of machine motion are dependent on fast motor control. The thyratron tube, a General Electric development, provides the means for controlling motor speed and direction from the translator circuit signals —and almost instantaneously! So sensitive is the control over the motors, that each can be stopped or started in less than an eighth of a second.

May Take Over Machine

Provisions are also made on the master control panel for remote non-automatic operation of the contour equipment. By merely pushing a button, an operator may release the automatic control and take over the operation of the machine himself. With this method, the speed, direction, and control of the motors is handled by the operator through a system of push buttons and dial controls on the master panel. There is no danger of overcutting the pattern, even manually, for when the stylus touches the pattern, the automatic control takes over and follows the template until the operator again takes control. This manual operation is particularly advantageous in following an outline pattern instead of a cut-out template. The operator can then direct the tracing stylus over the drawn diagram in pencil fashion, and the motors will take care of moving the machine to follow the stylus.

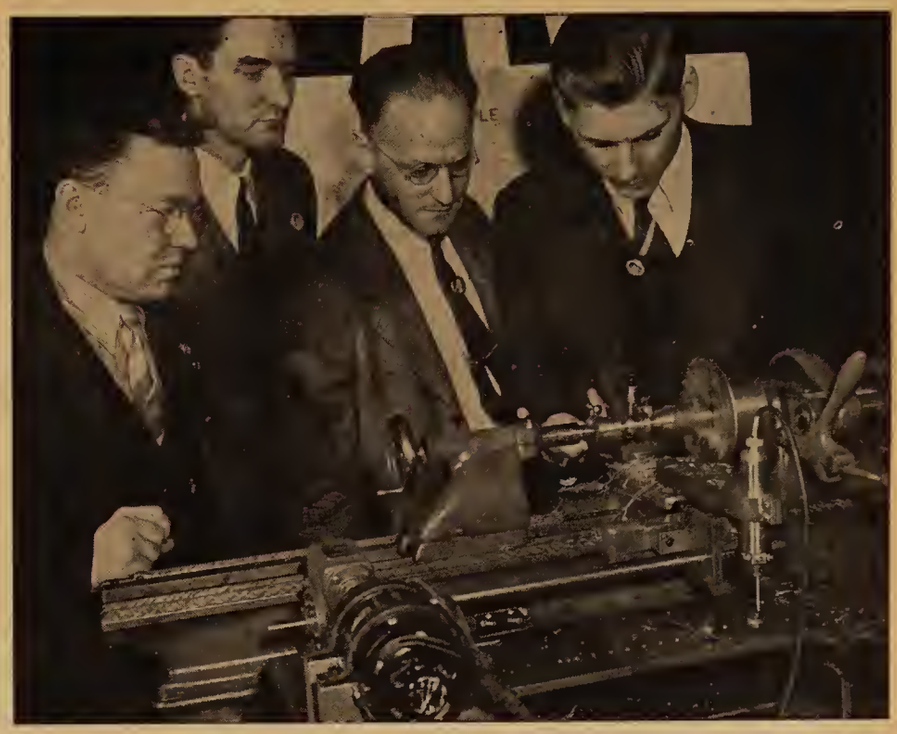
Extremely simple to operate, G-E's new control can be applied to many different types of metal cutting tools and is capable of a variety of intricate cutting operations, which, if done by complete manual operation, would involve many separate directional cuts and endless gauge checks.

In tests made during the control's development, chess men were turned from brass using automatic contouring control. Five intricately contoured chess pawns were turned from the same template, each pawn with a ball at the top. Though the lathe turning of a perfect ball, alone, is considered by experienced lathe operators to be an extremely difficult operation. gauge checks on the finished pawns showed less than a thousandth of an inch deviation from measurements among all five.

During the war, machines equipped with this automatic contouring control turned out many complicated parts for jet aircraft engines and turbo-superchargers.



G-E "Electronic Finger" Guides Machine Tool



Automatic template follower control literally has "sense of touch" in feeling way around pattern to make almost anything that can be cut with motor-driven tool that produces product from template or pattern. In the above picture, taken during war and just released, H. P. Kuehni, Division Engineer, Mechanical Division, General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory, Schenectady, shows group how "electronic finger" works. Left to right: H. W. Lord, W. C. Hutchins, Mr. Kuehni, N. G. Branson. (Story at left.)

Sleuthing In 4-6

An unbelievable amount of talent is being discovered in our Bldg. 4-6 "family." For instance, we find Denver Druesedow making his own Christmas cards, with photos 'n everything, and doing a good job of it, too. . . . We're going to miss several of our Bldg. 4-6 friends who have been transferred to other locations. Esther Horning is now in Bldg. 4-4, Gladys Foellinger in Bldg. 2-3, Helen Hess in Bldg. 4-5, Dorothy Schaeffer in Bldg. 4-4, and Eleanor Kestner in Bldg. 2-3. . Dorothy Schaeffer is ill at present with pneumonia, but we hope to see her well and back with us again before long. . . . Jeanne Clark, of the Central Production Section, has gone to Galesburg, Ill., to see her friend who is in the hospital, preparing to undergo an operation. We hope she will return with good news of him. . . . Dorothy Wade, whose husband has been stationed at Baer Field and is now discharged, has left us and has gone to Virginia. We wish them both the best of luck. . . . Katherine Wurm became the bride of Charles Harris in a lovely ceremony at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on November 29. We wish them lots of luck and happiness in their married life. . . . Jo Biddle, Florence Hildner, and Dorothy Gebhart recently attended Sonja Henie's Ice Revue in Indianapolis, and a grand time was had by all. . . . We imagine Virginia Gaines is a happy girl these days. Her husband just arrived home after approximately 27 months service in the South Pacific. . . . Bob Dobbin, who has been discharged from the Navy, came up to Bldg. 4-6 for a visit last Friday. We hope that he will soon be back on the job with us again. . . . Esther Black celebrated her birthday last Friday, and treated her friends to a piece of delicious cake. Esther was presented with stationery and a book, as a gift from the girls in her section. . . . Just on the verge of blowing the siren in Bldg. 4-6 on Thursday of last week, we realized that the red glare was not a fire in the D.C. Section. It was a reflection from Walter Brake's face when his phone continued to ring after he had lifted the receiver; and he discovered that the phone in his hands had no wires connected to it. Walter Hahn and several others are in a position to tell you just how he felt. Aren't you, gentlemen? . . . Doc Potter's blood pressure soared to dangerous heights when he reached to the back of the middle drawer of his desk to get his matches. The whole drawer came out, resulting in a mad scramble to retrieve objects scattered all over the floor. Since this drawer runs a close second to Fibber McGee's closet, we can understand and sympathize with him in his predicament. . . . Ernie Spaulding definitely believes in signs. For proof, look at that sign he erected in a certain perilous spot in the vicinity of his desk. He's not going to stub his toe the second time, if he can help it. . . . Wonder what's become of Charlie Koomjohn's pet phrase, "You're getting better looking all the time." We haven't heard it lately. You're not slipping, are you, Charlie? . . . You've all heard of the old song, "Pop Goes the Weasel"—now Elmer Sherbondy is singing a new song; namely, "Pop Goes the Balloon." If you would care to learn the words, Marge Middendorf can teach them to you. Right, Marge?

The electronic automatic pilot is capable of making as many as 300 flight corrections a minute.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

We want to welcome Bonnie Hefner (a new tester) to our floor. Hope you like us, Bonnie. . . . Fern Bainbridge, Esther Cameron, Adele Kuckuck, Sadie Wolff, and Hazel O'Brien enjoyed a potluck supper at Louis Walker's (a former coworker) house Friday night. Every one had loads of fun. . . . On our sick list this week are Eileen Smoak and Jerry Stahlman (second trick). We all wish them a speedy recovery and hope they will be back with us soon. . . . Ruth Lauer celebrated her birthday Saturday night. We wish you a very happy birthday, Ruth. "Better late than never," I always say. . . . Anyone wanting any buttons sewed on, see Bowley. He's quite experienced. . . . Mildred Raymond is one of the happy girls, here of late she's expecting her husband home any time. . . . Flash —"News from second trick."—It seems Sarah Cooper just can't wait until she gets home from work to do her sleeping. Instead she sleeps all the way home, 'tis reported. . . . Frieda Fulencamp is expecting her friend home from overseas any time now. Seems very happy about the whole thing. . . . Anyone knowing the whereabouts of some Dentyne chewing gum, please inform Evelyn Hart. . . . It seems Julia Martin's famous words are, "That's enough." Especially when she offers you something to eat. How about that, Julia? ? ?

Is it too cold to open the garage doors while you warm up the car on these winter mornings? Maybe it's chilly, but cold air is better than carbon monoxide, says the National Safety Council, pointing out that 196 persons met death from automobile exhaust gas in 1943.

Out of Danger



FROM OCCUPATIONAL ACCIDENTS WHEN YOU WORK IN AN OFFICE? DON'T BELIEVE IT! Here are some office accident briefs taken from our records:

1936—Office employee received a puncture wound in finger from a splinter off of desk drawer. Infection developed.

7-3-42—An office employee attempted to close a window of the hinged type of pushing on the window pane. The glass broke, causing lacerations to wrist and arm.

3-7-45—Office employec tripped over a box in the aisle, causing contusions to leg, and sprained ankle.

1939—Office employee tripped when descending steps, striking her face on concrete floor below. Lacerations and contusions.

1945—Office employee bumped leg against lower desk drawer, which had been left open. Lacerations and contusions.

The cartoon in the above picture looks ridiculous, but accidents quite frequently fall in this category when we analyze the human factor involved in the cause of the accident. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE IN "SELF-ANALYSIS" OF OUR PERSONAL INJURIES. WE FREQUENTLY SUM UP THIS ANALYSIS BY CALLING IT A "DUMB STUNT" ON OUR PART.

Don Scherer, Leader of Printing and Reproduction Section, Blueprint Department, when permitting us to use his photo in the above picture typified the fine cooperation the Safety Committee receives from this department in safety publicity, etc. Photostats and blueprints play a very important part in our safety educational program.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer.

17-3 Newsies

Hello everybody, here we are in Bldg. 17-3 with a bit of news for you. . . . So many people have come to work with two kinds of stockings on that we think that might be an easy thing to do, but when one comes to work with one work shoe and one dress shoe, like Edwin Proegler did last week, we begin to wonder. . . . We have a little bit of everything on our floor; the other day Ruth Lemert was seen mending Walt Kryder's shirt. . . . John Williams and Erv Lange say they had a good time on the money that Ducky Drake lost. Better be more careful from now on, Ducky, after all, "finders keepers." . . . Will someone please tell Santa Claus that Lioba Ryan wants a baby brother for Christmas? . . . It seems that girls we work with aren't all grown up yet; the other day a man was selling balloons at the gate, and everyone wanted one. . . . Lorelei Prior has the right idea for when the electricity goes off, she just lights candles. . . Best wishes to Louise Muzzillo, who came to work last week with a beautiful new diamond. . . . Congratulations to Lois Brubaker and Thelma Oswald, who had birthdays last week. . . . We hope Nettie Sellers had a nice vacation. . . Rosemary Allen's friend has arrived in the States and will be home soon. . . . We want to wish Lillian Dunlap, Alretia Wafer, and Charlotte Blauvelt a speedy recovery, and also Helen Shum, who was struck by a trolley bus. . . . We're glad to have Cletus Lothamer and Bob Craig back with us after having served in the armed forces . . . Here are a few of our new girls: Lelia Lewis, Angelita Lopez, Ilene Gross, Daisy Lawrence, Gertrude Haflich, Marjorie Hough, Ida Smith, and Rozena Vevia. We're glad to have you gals with us, and we're also glad to have Clara Wonderly and Lenore Green back. . . . I guess that'll be all for now; see you next week.

Howdy, Folks: BUILDING 4-3

A lot of excitcment on the floor last Friday when Freida Ramm bid the gang farewell. She really looked sweet and wore the orchid the gang gave her. The surprise dinner they had was really a success, and the guests were Miss Irene Myers, Miss Lois Miller, George App, O. J. Meyers, Byrle Miller, and the rest of the gang from the floor. . . . We didn't know it but we have a poet on our floor, none other than Alma Ladig. She wrote a poem for Freida, and it was really good. . . . Phyllis Dunfee thanks everyone for the gift. She received a lamp and a hassock. . . . Evelyn Miller, now Mrs. Richard Haneline, really had an experience on her honeymoon. Just ask her about it. . . . Ruth Fuller's suggestion paid off; nice going, Ruth. . . . If you want to know anything about ducks just ask Rosie Green, she knows all about them. . . . Did you ever hear of anyone getting sunburned in this kind of weather? Well Kathryn Houston did on her way to work the other morning. Hope your knees feel better by now, Kathryn. . . . Marvin Ostermeyer, returned veteran, is back working in group 13x15. Welcome back and the best of luck. . . . Newton Poland has returned from Taylor Street to group 13x13. Glad to have you back with the old gang. . . . Joe Long says don't buy your wife something and give it to her before she is ready. We wonder what he means? ? ? . . . Al Baker, formerly machinist on second trick but now retired, paid the floor a visit; and he sure looks good. . . . Guess what? . . . Velva Smith and Elmer Armel were seen with suckers. Suppose they are back in their childhood days? That's all right, we would like to have one, too. . . . Glyda Yoder really enjoyed the Sonja Henie's ice show at Indianapolis. Also Gertrude Hahlenbeck, who saw it Saturday night. . . . Amanda Patusch, 13x54, is recovering from an operation at the Methodist Hospital in Room 525. Hope you'll get well real soon. . . . Thursday night, Ethel Gardner was surprised by the gang when she was called to the phone to find two nicely decorated birthday cakes. Good wishes and many more of them, Ethel. . . . Betty France found it rather embarrassing when she went visiting and fell asleep. We suggest she try going to bed nights. They say it helps, Betty. Anyone having an extra alarm clock, please give it to Betty so she can make it to work on time. . . . Jean Reynold sure can't take it. After one night of basketball practice and the next night a game she just couldn't make it to work the next morning. Don't give up, Jean. Florence Stanski also plays with the same team; bet those gals are really good. . . . Evelyn Schults was hostess to the sewing club at her home. They made plans for their Christmas party to be held December 15 at the Varsity Club. . . . Hilda Bucho is the proud mother of a baby boy, Joseph Francis. Congratulations, Hilda. . . . Helen (Dolly) Smeltzer sure is a lucky gal, just ask her about it, she'll tell you how it's done. Some people have all the luck.

They Started in 1919

"Original General Electric Drafting Class" Celebrates Anniversary

The "Original General Electric One Year Drafting Class," which was organized in December, 1919, celebrated its twenty-sixth anniversary with a 7 o'clock dinner at the Fort Wayne Athletic Club, Saturday evening, December 1.

After the dinner a short business session was held, at which time letters were read from absent members and short talks given by those present. Charles Thompson was elected president for the coming year, and Elga Ginder was chosen secretary. The remainder of the evening was given over to reminiscing and enjoying Charles Thompson's colored movies of his vacation trip through the West.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hockett, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Elga Ginder, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sutter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keller, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Gingher, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whonsetler, and Mr. Phil Curran and Miss Krauss, all of Fort Wayne. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McNutt, Peru; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Haifley, Columbia City; Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Klopfenstein, Erie, Pa.; and William Steinbacher, Detroit, Mich., also attended.

Charles Thompson headed the committee which made this reunion such a grand success.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Have you heard the latest Dutch treat story? It seems Marge Dietsch, our farmerette, invites friends to her farm for dinner. Here is the catch, before having their meal the guests must shoot, trap, or fish for their vittles. So before accepting an invitation to the Dietsch's country home, make sure you are an expert in one of these sports. . . . Garland Myers finds the lights going out very profitable. On the way home he was given a brand new bowling ball, and he wants to take this opportunity to thank all donors. . . . Speaking of bowling, Oscar Schelper had a high game of 232 all season, and along came a teammate with 233 and knocks Oscar out of high single game. Tough luck, Oscar. . . . Virg Best still has his outboard motor for sale. He claims it can be used for most anything, even to plowing up the ground. . . . Old Lady Luck sure is down on Bob Haugk. Every time he thinks he has picked a winner they are sure to lose. . . . The honey business has changed hands again. Keith Brickley has sold his interest to Lenny Hutson. All persons interested in any honey see Mr. Hutson. . . . "Entry, Entry, where are you," was the song of a group from Bldg. 17-1, Saturday night. Joe Eifrid was elected to do the entering of the group in a mixed doubles bowling tournament. Everyone was all set and ready to bowl, when all of a sudden to their amazement they found there were no entries. 'Smatter, Joe, slipping?

. . . We had a surprise visitor, a former co-worker, "Modoc" Runyon, and he was proudly displaying his homing pigeon. . . . So long for now; see you next week.

Be careful with Christmas candles, says the National Safety Council. Though seldom used any longer on Christmas trees, candles are a major fire hazard in the home when placed on window sills and mantles where they might ignite curtains and other decorations.

Will Play for Elex Christmas Party



Benny Strong (shown above) and his orchestra have been booked for the annual Elex Club Christmas Party Thursday, December 20, in the G-E Club. Two performances will be given for club members—12:30 P.M. for night girls, and 7:30 P.M. for day girls. Mothers of Elex members have been invited to attend the afternoon show. (See story on Page 1.)

Radar Countermeasure

Pacific Had Radar "Jammers" 10 Days After Navy Disclosed Need

Radar "jammers," countermeasures for enemy radar equipment recently announced by the Army and Navy, were on their way to the Pacific ten days after the Navy first disclosed the need for a new type of equipment, the Electronics Department of the General Electric Company, manufacturers of the equipment, has announced.

On Saturday, October 14, 1944, Navy personnel outlined the requirements to G-E scientists and engineers. That same afternoon an electronic tube was designed and a sample hand made which would be the heart of the equipment. Monday afternoon, October 23, Navy transport planes picked up the complete order for radar "jammers" at the Syracuse plant of the company for delivery to the Philippine theatre where they were sorely needed to "jam" Jap radars just installed in Jap torpedo bombing planes.

In its first action, one "jammer" is credited with turning back three waves of Jap torpedo planes attacking the battle ship North Carolina. Their radars confused, the Japs went home.

One week later, the Navy Department called G-E and said they wanted another order filled for twice as many as the first order. "This time you need not rush so much," the Navy spokesman said, "you can have two weeks to complete the order."

Manufacture of the radar countermeasure equipment was carried on under a "crash" basis by the various divisions of the department. The Tube Division manufactured the tubes while the Transmitter Division produced the related transmitting equipment. A Navy engineer was sent along with the original order to install the equipment in units of the Fleet.

The company manufacturer radar "jammers" for all branches of the armed forces. This included production of radar countermeasures for aircraft use and involved continuous redevelopment and redesign of existing equipment to keep ahead of enemy radar developments.

GAB-A-BOUT ? ? 4-5

The inter-division basketball teams have started out with a bang, especially the Small Motor teams. We hear Carl Barber is the star player and carries a large group of fans who say his one play is terrific. They call it "the Statue of Liberty" play. The Small Motor girls' team still needs a few recruits. How about it, any interested females get in touch with Barbara Stoops, Gloria Wiebke, or Marty Boyle. . . . We were sorry to hear about Abbie Hartman's daughter being taken to the hospital for appendicitis but glad to know Patty is doing fine. . . . Dick Walker and Ed Hardick both left the Company for jobs elsewhere. Good luck, boys. Two leave and one comes back, ex-serviceman Louie Tagtmeyer. . . . We have a couple of new faces in Order Service Section too, Helen Hess and Janna Osterman both came to us from Bldg. 4-6. . . . Madge Ruckman can now be found in Bldg. 16-3. Good luck, peoples. . . . Elaine Sutter celebrated her second wedding anniversary last week-end in Chicago. She was as excited about the idea as the day of her wedding. . . . Henry Burch is quite the family man and sure proud of that family of his. I'm sure you were one of the thousands that he has displayed the pictures to. . . . The newlywed Mrs. Betty Krauz Erne is back with us again. We hear Betty Wetzel and Alice Niemeyer had quite a time at the refreshment table at the Erne wedding. . . . Bill Thiele was going back to school days, we think. Did you get a gander at him perched on the high stool and a peculiar pointed hat on his head? . . . Women aren't the only ones who worry about household utilities and supplies these days. Art Closterman has an iron problem which he sure wishes the G-E would straighten out for him. . . . The men's card game during lunch hour has been calm since Norma Werling, Jeanne Bott, Cora Zimmerman, Abbie Hartman, Katie Emkow, and Marty Boyle have started their six-handed game of pinochle. The one day they were so absorbed in the game that they forgot to ring in their clock cards. . . . Now that Toni is back we will turn the column back to her, so give with the news for her.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Have you noticed all the red noses and the low coarse voices? Well it's just another sign that winter is here. . . . Speaking of red, we notice that everyone saw red last Friday when seven girls accidentally wore red dresses to work. Fashion-minded citizens take note. Red must be the color this season. . . . Rosy Broxon and Rita Adamski enjoyed vacations last week. Both girls looked very happy when they returned Monday. . . . Another happy employee is Henrietta Mease, who won a certain "pool" last week. What a nice smile. . . . If you can't find what you're looking for, why not try Helen's method. She not only looks in the drawers, but she pulls them out and looks behind them too. . . . Maurine is very proud of the I. U. football team for winning the Purdue game; of course, a certain football player on the I. U. team was the cause of all the pride. . . . Would some one please help Harriet Weher find an excuse to get her name in the column. Well, what do you know, there it is up above, Harriet. . . . News is scarce—where's all the excitement, fellow employees?

Nomore

Gadget Messed Up Enemy Radar



Here is the radar "jammer," TDY-2, manufactured by the Electronics Department and just announced by the Army and Navy as radar countermeasures equipment that completely disorganized enemy radar frequencies.

Electronics engineer L. M. Ewing, left, prepares to place G-E-designed and developed CW magnetron in the "jammer" while electronics engineer J. W. Downie makes a reading from the dials of the equipment. Photo was made in the laboratory of the Department's Transmitter Division at Schenectady. (See story on this page.)

"Nothing Ever Happens in 2-3"

Since the secret service hearing posts have been established in Bldg. 2-3 Office, there seems to be a better assortment of stories floating about for publication. Yes, let us warn you, "Yehudi" is always there just as he is on all those stop signs that you do not see until you have neatly wrapped your car around the telephone post. So beware, someone is constantly watching you for misdemeanors and off-guard remarks. Your life is no longer yours, but don't try to be good because "Yehudi" can see the thoughts you entertain. We are getting into wierd mythology, but why should we when we have such intresting myths as Bldg. 2-3 people to concentrate on? . . . Top this BRAG: Perry Esterline has many times been heard to chuckle about the five by five hunters who were unable to climb the fences because of the involuntary excess packs that they were forced to carry even on hunting trips, well, so what? But Perry entertains the thought that they find it immensely hard to make the fence. However, on a recent hunting trip with Perry Esterline, "Yehudi" met a resemblance of "Mrs. Murphy's laundry" hanging from a fence, and since it was dry, he (Yehudi) decided to do her a favor by taking the wash down. Ah! but it wasn't the laundry on the fence; careful scrutiny revealed it was the exact replica of Esterline! Now, what w about that? Could Perry Esterline have been hanging from a fence? incredible! . . . Yes, and you too, Ella Cox, "Yehudi" has overheard you laugh at another amusing situation that seemed funny only to you, but how about this one on you? The story seems to unravel in this fashion. Ella was going to put over her knowledge of Domestic Art in a very eloquent fashion Sunday, when she planned to serve a very captivating dinner, and that she did. However, her dessert was going to be "something to write home about." Yes, and that's just the way it turned out, only slightly deviated from her original plans, because Ella was going to serve Fruit Cake with Whipped Cream. Dessert time came and Ella was carefully unwrapping the cake box, the whipped cream was all ready to add the finishing touch to a delightful treat when poor Ella discovered that the package was only the fruit cake mix. You can take up the story from there, we would not think of putting any kind of ending to such a calamity. Would you? . . . Yes, and should Carl Boggis and Ray Schroer attempt to leave you with the impression that they spent a very uneventful week working in Kokomo, don't you believe it. It is not true that they spent their nights reading the adventures of Superman from the funnies, or slept on their hard hotel beds. Yes, boys, what did you do? This sounds interesting! . . . Audrey Hickernell could always use that extra minute, but she just must be on time, so consequently that one last button goes undone. "I was so embarrassed," says she. . . . Well, this about covers all the underground happenings of Bldg. 2-3

Here And There BUILDING 17-4

Dick Seidel had a very rude awakening the other day. His alarm clock was out of order so he brought it to work to see why it didn't tick. After our expert clockmaker, by the name of John Hilsmier, worked on it, he gave it back to Dick saying it was in working condition again. What he did not tell him was that he set the alarm for a certain time and Dick, being a very "hard working boy," was busy at a machine about 25 feet away from the clock when it started to ring. Did he ever step to shut the thing off. Couldn't see Dick for dust. Is it still in working condition, Dick? . . . Walking down the street Thanksgiving Day, we saw Charles Haberkorn going to his garage with a straw hat on. Just where were you going on this cold and windy day wearing a straw hat, Hobby? Were you heading for Florida? We know you like summer, but after all, the winter season is just coming on and you will have some time to wait before you really can wear your straw. . . . We wish to welcome the following men to Bldg. 17-4 group. John Pfeiffer, Helmut Korte, Francis Magers, Donald Raupper, and Ralph Peterson, all returned servicemen, and the transfers, Harry Fansnaugh, Ned Neuman, Phillip Kraft, Wilbur Gray, Earl Bowman, Orland Surface, and Ernest Jones. . . . Did you notice how Dot Bixler's face was all flushed? Too much excitement. She received a telegram stating her husband would be home soon, something you have waited for for a long, long time, Dotty. Now she won't be with us any more. Good luck to both of you, but we feel sorry for Ruth Theurer; she has lost her loyal partner in all the discussions. . . . Don Thomas has a small son that likes to go fishing. Recently he invited one of his pals to go fishing with him because he wanted catch a great big one. What is wrong with your fishing skill, Don? . . . Please take notice. Bldg. 17-4 Christmas Party, December 15, at the G-E Squares. The Squares Hall is located on East Berry Street across from the Civic Theatre. The committee is working very hard to make this the big party of the year, so come one and all. We would like to have all Bldg. 17-4 turn out. There will be refreshments, and eats and a real Santa with a big bag on his back and this bag will be just chock-full of all kinds of gifts, there will be special music. Oh, well, just everything to make a grand and glorious Christmas Party. So come and enjoy this treat. . . . Donna Smith, our cute little secretary, sure gave us a surprise. She sure can keep a secret; she decided to change her name on Sept. 2, to Mrs. F. E. Reith. No wonder she walked around in a daze. Now, Donna, was that nice to keep this all to yourself? Congratulations and lots of luck and happiness to both of you.

It takes the average car traveling at 20 miles an hour 191 feet to stop on a road covered with glare ice, says the National Safety Council. Chains on the rear wheels reduce this stopping distance to 110 feet, and chains on all four wheels allow the car to stop in 85 feet.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

That surely was delicious venison Harold Bohde passed out to the Tool Room workers last week. It was a four point buck and weighed 140 pounds, says Harold. . . . Roy Meeks, like Paul Snyder, has found out that "G.B." doesn't mean "Good Bowling" but "Gutter Ball." Only Roy is twice as good since he did it twice in a row. . . . That was a swell party down at the 901 Club last Friday night. Let's have another one soon. . . . First Lt. John Schoedel, son of John Schoedel of the Tool Room, has returned from the Pacific Theater after two and a half years. Lt. Schoedel is a pilot in the A.A.F. and is expecting a discharge soon. . . . Mart Thullen's son was recently discharged from Camp Atterbury after two years in the European Theater.

SPORTS

BASKETBALL

The basketball team played one game last week, a rough contest against General Service. The Winter Street boys started fast and held a 16-5 halftime lead and increased this to 23-11 at the three-quarter mark. At the start of the last quarter, General Service began to hit the range and with two minutes to go pulled to within three points of the Winter Street boys at 26-23, but at this point the Winter Street boys tossed in two fielders and a foul, and the final score was Winter Street 31, General Service 26. Bill Malone with 13 points and Bud Beaman with 9 points led the Winter Street scoring. Carl Harndon, Charles Hooley, and Leo Romine all played a great defensive game with Romine holding Kepler, General Service's 6 foot 7 inch center, to one field goal. Leroy Cook, former South Side High School star led General Service's scoring with 11 points.

We have added another player to our squad. Ed Pfeiffer, who works in the Machine Shop, is the new man. Our next game is with the Firemen, Monday, December 10.

PRODUCTION

The Production Christmas Party is on its way. Plans are being made by the committee already, and it's sure to be a good time. So all ye Production-ers bring your partner and your 25¢ gift. . . . Has Mr. Bock ever got a system to save gas—each evening one of the riders gives the car a push for half a block. Couldn't be that the cold weather is an excuse, is it, Bock? . . . Jim Duff has a three layer mail box—one for "Incoming," one for "Outgoing" and I guess the third layer would be suitable for articles under "Food." . . . Evelyn Ladd had better hide her bakery goods from now on. It seems that there are a few people around who just love large doughnuts. Gee, were they good! . . . Wonder if Mary Jo Suelzer will EVER run out of nylons. It seems like there is always two pairs for every one she snags. . . . After a desperate attempt to find two order cards, we were informed that Glen Bordner had his numbers mixed. Now let's get on the beam, Glen. . . . Dorothy Schmidt recently spent an enjoyable evening at a show, then decided to go to Garrett. But the little girl didn't get there, she had a flat tire. Not only that but she and her friend had to hitchhike back to town. What fun that must have been.

MACHINE SHOP

Here I am again, folks. It's been a couple of weeks since I've had my quarter's worth run in this column. Fact really is, I'm not able to send this one in. Last Friday found another grand bunch of our co-workers at the 901 Club. It really was a grand affair, with a few exceptions. It was George Graue at the mike with stubborn Ty Pond right behind him. We sure were going great until someone walked off with our big bag of peanuts. I hear someone stopped the villain at the exit. . . . Chuck Spice served us well as chairman of the Entertainment Committee. Some of the $5 prize winners were Fred Zurcher, Louis Middleton, and Red Pond. I was lucky and snagged myself a greenback as a door prize. There were several prominent Winter Street faces there, including Dutch Bowers and his wife. . . . Melvin Eddy has been on our sick list for the past two weeks. Russell Berryman has been off for three weeks. I hear it's his old pins. We all wish Harold Comer a speedy recovery and a quick return to the shop. . . . J. Earl Elzey has been taking his share of raccoon from the tall timber. Don't forget, Earl, I have a young dog coming up, and I'd like you to leave enough stock for me to train my dog. . . . Bob Seitz was the soldier visiting us last week. Drop in again, Bob, it's nice seeing you. . . . Why is it that Ed Bireley fills his refrigerator with chickens before going hunting. Is he just self-conscious? . . . Mel Shrives was a welcome visitor the other day. We're looking forward to having him back with us again. . . . Whitey has been wearing a little cap to keep his little head clean. He says he doesn't like to wash it every night. . . . We wish to welcome all the new employees in our section and hope they'll stay with us a long time.

SPARE PARTS CHATTER

What is all the attraction at Sue's bench, could it be that book she is reading? . . . The play "Enchanted Cottage" was enjoyed by Vivian, Mary, Marguerite, Annie, and friend Dale. . . . . Mary Leiter's boasting about getting smarter every day. Just last week she learned that nails come in different sizes. While the hardware man was weighing her out a pound, Mary yelled, "Oh, but I need only four!" The shocked hardware man ended up giving her the four. Did you get the right size, Mary? . . . The Winter Street party at the Union Hall was again a real success, wasn't it, girls? A certain young man from the office who spends most of his time in Spare Parts would like to know if someone ever heard of that old adage "two's a company and three's a crowd." What's the difference anyway, Bill, since gasoline rationing is off. . . . Jerry surely must be anxious to get out to that farm of his; he starts calling his pigs before the whistle blows. . . . The gang was all very surprised to see Ruthie Jones come strolling down the aisle Monday. It was nice of you to pay us a visit, Ruthie. . . . The Dolly Brothers are Joe and Ray. Joe brags he is the better dancer of the two. How about it, Ray? . . . Why are all the girls in Spare Parts looking so downhearted? Is it because they are leaving their old home on first floor and making second their new residence.

MISCELLANEOUS

Leroy Crider has been driving his car on four cylinders. How come, Roy, still using your "A" card? . . . Grandma Motherwell is doing fine. . . . Winter Street had another of their Family Parties last Friday night. There was a large turnout and everyone enjoyed themselves. Hope we have another before long. . . . Charlie Spice lost his overcoat Friday night. Will whoever took it please return it because Charlie is getting cold.

The first transcontinental telegraph message was sent in 1861 to President Lincoln by Stephen J. Field, Chief Justice of California.



Three Retire on Company Pension



Charles H. Osborne



Frieda E. Ramm



Samuel Shive

Pension applications have been submitted for three G-E employees who retired from active duties here on December 1, it was announced today. Charles H. Osborne, auto mechanic in the General Service Division, has service amounting to 27 years and 1 month. Frieda E. Ramm, a hand winder in Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 13, is retiring with service of 23 years. Samuel Shive, a drill press operator in the Motor and Generator Division, leaves the Company with continuous service of 39 years and 7 months.

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

Editor's Note: Last week I erroneously announced that Jane Krause, Accounting Section, received a diamond. Ann Krause was the lucky girl. Please accept my sincere regrets for the error. Needless to say, anyone seeing Ann's beaming face would know that she is the newly engaged girl. . . . The Accounting Section would like to welcome Betty Bailey, Gene Miller, and Bob Benward. . . . Laverne Nolan, Bldg. 18-3, is leaving us today and will be married next Saturday. We certainly wish the very best of luck to you, and we know you will be very happy. . . . Carl Floering, Accounting Section, left us this week on a leave of obsence. Sure hope it won't be long until you're back with us again. . . . The Accounting Section is proud of their own Virginia Weingart, who both takes and develops pictures as a hobby. Why don't you ask to see her collection? . . . Phyllis Hubartt, Employment Office, can be seen all a flutter since her friend got home from overseas. Not only that, Dot Lemert, Employment Office, was also surprised when her friend stopped in town unexpectedly last weekend to see her. . . . We would like to express our deepest sympathy to Florine Sievers, Bldg. 18-4, who lost her father-in-law. . . . The flu bug has really hit the Main Office. . . . A former Bldg. 18-4 employee, Eleanor Schoenfeld, and Aaron Schoenefeld, Bldg. 8-2, are proud parents of a baby girl named Janet Lou. . . . The girls of Bldg. 18-4, enjoyed having their fortunes told last Thursday, when one of the girls brought her "syco-seer." I believe some of the men were in on it too! . . . Farewell wishes are also in line for Evelyn Vanator, Bldg. 18-4, who is leaving us today to go to California. . . . A hearty welcome goes this week to Jim Steele and C. D. Uncapher who have joined the Production Office, Bldg. 18-4. Mr. Steele hails from the Transformer Division, and Mr. Uncapher from Supercharger. . . . Bob Wallace and Herb Kammier, Bldg. 18-B, left us last Friday. Bob expects to go to Florida. Herb to spend more time on school work. . . . Jerry Snurr, Bldg. 18-B, is taking Bob's place in the Mailing Section. . . . Cupid is really being kept busy this Fall, and his latest victim is Marjorie Ehler, Blueprint, who is the proud wearer of a diamond on her third finger, left hand. . . . Some of us are a bit worried about Virginia Goeglein, Blueprint. She seems to have lapsed into her second childhood and has been seen eating all day suckers. How about that? . . . We want to welcome back an ex-serviceman, Dudley Snyder. Hope you like civilian life in Blueprint, Dudley, because we're certainly glad to have you back.

HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

It sure is nice to see our former employees who have been in the service back with us again. Today we greet Bob Firestine, who was in the Seabees and was stationed in the Philippines for quite some time, but who is now stationed at his old job as a packer in our Shipping Section. . . . We also hear from reliable sources that another former co-worker, George Knoll, is on his way home. We all will be very glad to see him again. . . . Jim Buckheit sent our Hollywood gang a very nice Christmas card all the way from Honolulu. Let's show him how we appreciated it and send him a Christmas card also. . . . On our sick list last week was Wren Herbst and Betty Stemmler. We wish them a very speedy recovery. . . . Best of luck to Bette Walker, who has left the General Electric to be with her husband at Indianapolis, where he is stationed. . . . Congratulations to Ida Davis, who celebrated a birthday last week. Ida received many cards and in turn passed candy. . . . Eugene (Woody) Woodworth was seen buying bright red fingernail polish in a drug store one noon. When asked the reason for buying it, he said he bought it for jiggers. Something new every day. . . . Bonnie Swihart really had a good time at the wrestling match last Wednesday. Bonnie got so excited they had to hold her down to the seat. I guess she thought Farmer Jones needed some help. . . . While our genial boss, Mr. Bond, was attending a meeting at Broadway, our office had a blackout. A fuse blew out and couldn't be located, so for a few minutes, we all sat in the darkness. After the electricians got busy, it didn't take long till the lights went on, and we went back to work. . . . Fred Gerhard was presented a very loud tie by his section last Christmas, and it took almost a year before Fred actually got enough courage to wear it. . . . Ann Schlotzhauer has proven without a shadow of a doubt that "corn" does grow in Bluffton. Does February March, Annie? . . . Congratulations are in order to Dick Goetz, who can bear the title now of "Uncle Dick." . . . Will someone please show Clinton Newuman an interesting Sunday evening? Clint says he finds Fort Wayne very dull on Sunday evenings, so if anyone has any suggestions, kindly relate them to him. . . . We will close this column today by saying farewell to Elsie Fabian and Cozette Walper, who are leaving us. Elsie and Cozette are being transferred to the Broadway plant. Best of luck, girls!

Next Week's League Games To Feature Tangle Between Small Motor Office and Tool Division

By Walter Histed

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, December 10:

7:30 General Service vs. Messengers.

8:45 Winter Street vs. Firemen.

Wednesday, December 12:

7:30 Small Motor Factory vs. Transformer.

8:45 Small Motor Office vs. Tool Division.

Monday night's opener brings together General Service and the Messengers. Manager Kauffman's crew will be out to bring their standing up to the .500 mark while the Messengers will be trying for their first victory. The Monday nightcap brings together the undefeated Firemen and Winter Street. Winter Street, after dropping their first game, came back to drop General Service and hope to bring the red-clad Firemen out of the unbeaten ranks.

Wednesday night Transformer will be seeking their first victory at the expense of Small Motor Factory. The Factory men, now at the .500 mark, will be seeking to climb higher in the first division. Wednesday's final brings Manager Bill Kisler's giant Small Motor Office team, who will be out to drop the surprising Tool Division boys off the top rung. Paul Swaim's crew with three straight victories tops the league standings.

Standings

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Tool Division	3	0	1000
Firemen	2	0	1000
Small Motor Office	2	1	.667
Small Motor Factory	1	1	.500
Winter Street	1	1	.500
General Service	1	2	.333
Transformer	0	2	.000
Messengers	0	3	.000

Tool Division, 24
General Service, 23

The surprising Tool Division team racked up their third consecutive victory as they dropped General Service in a hot battle 24-23. General Service got away to a 4 point lead on baskets by Hanna and Snyder but the Tool men came back with buckets by Waldrop and Trump to tie the score at the end of the first quarter 4-4. In the second quarter Tool Division dropped five baskets through the hoop to assume a halftime lead of 14-11. A shot by Habig in the air as the horn sounded was a feature of the quarter. Both teams stressed defense in the third quarter, General Service being held to three tosses from the foul line, while the winners made one from the field and two from the charity stripe. In the final quarter General Service rallied and once took a one point lead only to have the winners drop in two baskets for a three point lead.

TOOL DIVISION 24	G.	F.	T.	GENERAL SERV. 23	G.	F.	T.
Waldrop	1	0	2	Hanefelt	2	1	5
Wiese	0	0	0	Cook	1	0	2
Bloom	3	1	7	Snyder	1	1	3
Trump	2	2	5	Hanna	2	3	7
Swaim	0	0	0	Kauffman	2	0	4
Habig	3	1	7	Kepler	0	1	1
Spice	1	0	2	Allen	0	1	1
Widner	0	0	0	Gutermuth	0	0	0
				Board	0	0	0
Totals	10	4	24	Totals	8	7	23

Olin Kauffman dropped one through with a minute to go but the Tool men managed to retain possession of the ball until the final horn.

Scoring leaders of the game were Bloom and Habig for the Tool Division and Hanna for General Service, all with 7 points.

Small Motor Office, 42
Messengers, 14

With nine of the ten players used by Manager Bill Kisler breaking into the scoring column, Small Motor Office's king size team crushed the undermanned Messengers 42-14 in Monday night's final game. Substituting freely and controlling the ball at all times, the winners held a commanding lead at all stages of the game with quarter margins of 13-3; 20-8, and 33-12. Bob Starkel, who tallied his team's first 7 points, wound up as the game's leading scorer with 10 points, closely followed by Roger Schuster, who dropped in four baskets for 8 points. Eugene Hoffman with 5 and Oury with 4 points were high for the losers.

SM. MOT. OF. 42	G.	F.	T.	MESSENGERS 14	G.	F.	T.
Jennings	3	1	7	Grepke	1	0	2
Starkel	4	2	10	Hoffman	2	1	5
Dolan	0	0	0	Steel	0	0	0
Dent	2	0	4	Oury	2	0	4
Kisler	1	0	2	App	0	3	3
McNamara	2	0	4				
Hellenthal	1	1	3				
Singleton	1	0	3				
Schuster	4	0	8				
Walk	1	0	2				
Totals	19	4	42	Totals	5	4	14

Officials: Prange and Collyer.

G-E Club Defeats Haynes-Stellites 50-34 Saturday

G-E Club scored a 50-34 victory over the Haynes-Stellite team of Kokomo Saturday night at the G-E Club.

It seemed as if the arbiters stole the show by their constant tooting of the whistle and keeping a parade to the charity lane not only by the Club team but Kokomo as well. The arbiters called a total of 43 fouls assessing the Club with 22 and Kokomo with 21. The club team lost three men via the personal foul route and finished the game with four players. Kokomo lost two players by personal fouls.

The Club held a 24-18 lead at half-time and then ran away from their foe in the last two periods. Dohr Krieg paced the G-E attack with 15 points, and Chet Gabriel had 20 for Kokomo. He made 10 out of 12 free throws and connected with five fielders.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	KOKOMO	G.	F.	T.
Lowden,f	2	3	7	Fewell,f	1	1	3
Baade,f	0	0	0	Staggs,f	0	1	1
Reed,f	4	1	9	Garber,f	0	1	1
M'nusson,c	1	2	4	Thomas,f	0	0	0
V'nRyn,c	3	0	6	Gabriel,c	5	10	20
Krieg,g	4	7	15	D.Matchett,g	1	3	5
Schneider,g	3	3	2	Farvel,g	0	0	0
				O.Matchett,g	0	0	0
				Shuck,g	2	0	4
Totals	17	15	50	Totals	9	15	34

Officials: Hughes, Johnson.

Ted Reed, star forward, was elected captain of the team for the 1945-46 season.

Johnnie Allen, former captain and guard, is recuperating from a recent operation and expects to see action again in a couple of weeks.



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"NOW WHAT ARE YOU COMPLAINING ABOUT—YOU WANTED US TO GET OUR WINTER'S COAL IN EARLY, DIDN'T YOU?"

Players Needed

Girls interested in playing inter-division basketball, and not already signed up with a team, will please contact Betty Eisenacher, 565, for assignment to one of the four teams now in the league. Main Office, Small Motor Office, Small Motor Factory, and Motor Generator have organized teams, but several of these teams need a few more girls.

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

In the Men's League Friday, November 30, Bob Bergman rattled the maples for a mighty 645 with games at 222, 188, 235, setting a new league high and giving the rest of the Keglers something to shoot at. K. Bassett was next high at 563, with one 202 game. O. Stodgel hit 553 and 208. Pennycuff and Hubert each hit a 200 game on the freckle. All together there were only 10 series better than 500 and six 200 games—just half of the previous week's performance. Among the lower average bowlers, DeLon hit 191; MacGinnitie, 178 and 488; G. Smith, 175; and McAllister, 165. Nice going.

By winning the roll-off in the tie game, Planning took the only clean sweep from Assembly. Order Service took a pair from the top place Punch Press. General Service had to roll a 904 game to win one from Receiving. Rotors won a pair from Small Lot. Production took two from Wage Rate, and last place Test out-scored the Winders twice.

In the Tuesday, November 27, Girl's League encounter, the Hot Shots outshot the Whizz Kids for a clean sweep. The Hit 'Em squad hit the Five Misses for a pair of games, and the Hep Kats beat the Buzz Bombs in two games.

The girls are doing splendidly in their first year of league bowling and for most of the girls it is their first year to bowl. Keep after that head pin, girls.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Evaporators	23	13
Machinists	22	14
Drafting	21	15
Compressors	19	17
Maintenance	19	17
Planners	18	18
Grinders	17	19
Designers	16	20
Power Drive	16	20
Toolmakers	16	20
Testers	16	20
Engineers	13	23

Whitey Michelfelder had high count for the evening and also high count for the year with a 636 score, which included a 244 game. Jack Skevington also had a nice 623 count, which included a 256 for high single game of the year. Other 200 scores were Kolmerten 226, Staley 212, Luedeke 208, Miller 207, Timme 203, Piepenbrink 203, and Benecke 200.

Dean Rinehart rolled his way into the top five with an average of 172. Piepenbrink still leads with 183; Haggenjos is second with 176; Benecke is third with 175, and Win

G-E Club Girls Whip South Bend

The G-E Club Girls won a 30-20 Victory over the South Bend Mustangs at the Club Gym last Saturday night.

The South Bend lassies were by far the most aggressive aggregation yet to play the Club Girls. Their clever ball stealing kept the Electricianettes on the defensive most of the first three quarters, but the G-E Girls settled down in the last quarter and outscored the visitors to win by the 10-point margin.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	SOUTH BEND	G.	F.	T.
Fitch	2	0	4	Scott	1	1	3
Emenhelser	2	0	4	Hostetler	4	2	10
Eisenacher	1	3	5	Guidi	1	0	2
Williams	3	0	5	Burmeister	1	0	2
Puff	3	0	5	Waterman	1	1	3
Amstutz	1	0	2	Waters	0	0	0
Varner	0	0	0				
Stellar	1	1	3				
Totals	13	4	30	Totals	8	4	20

Table Tennis Will Get Under Way December 12

Third Season of League Play to Be Set Up With Handicap System

Table Tennis days are bere again! V. P. Uran, League Manager, announces that plans have been completed for the third season of play for the Inter-division Table Tennis League, and that it is hoped to hold the first matches Wednesday night, December 12.

According to Mr. Uran, the league will be operated very much as in the past with the addition of a handicap system, which will tend to equalize players of different abilities. Each team will be composed of four men, who will be divided into two top bracket players and two lower bracket players. Players will meet only opponents of their same class, and with the handicap, players of lesser experience, as well as hot-shots, should find this league most interesting.

Meet Wednesdays

All games will be played at the G-E Club Table Tennis Room on Court Street on Wednesday nights. Balls will be furnished, but players must bring their own paddles. Tennis shoes are optional. Team captains will be informed in advance of the hour their team is to play. Each team is limited to two G-E Club City League players and further limited in that only one of these players may be an "A" Team man.

More tables will be in play this year, permitting a larger entry list. Any four men who wish may form a team and the number of teams from any division is not limited. Each team will please choose a captain and a name, and the captains are asked to report the team name along with the names of the players to Pete Uran, Bldg. 28-1, Phone 304. Please include telephone numbers. Any man who wants to play in this league and is unable to form a team is also asked to contact Mr. Uran.

Transformer Division ● Bowling League ●

November 30, 1945

	Won	Lost
Toys	10	2
Volts	10	2
D	8	4
Radios	8	4
Coils	7	5
Bells	6	6
E - I	5	7
Autos	5	7
Ohms	4	8
M	4	8
U - I	3	9
Watts	2	10

High Games

High bowlers of the evening: Fletter, 600; Kuntz, 599; Meeker, 596.

600 Series: Fletter, 190-242-168—600.

200 Games: Marsh, 204; Lieberenz, 208; Meeker, 201, 210; W. Lenz, 213; Kuntz, 200, 230; Russell, 232; Fletter, 242.

Q. What to do with burned-out fluorescent light tubes?

A. They can be converted into neat towel racks.

G-E Club To Tackle Strong Dow Chemical Five

Club Girls Defeat Pepsi-Cola Team At Indianapolis

G-E Team Wins First Road Engagement, 25-17

The G-E Club, playing on their first road trip, defeated the highly-touted Pepsi-Cola Girls in Indianapolis last Sunday, 25-17.

Performing before a capacity crowd upwards of 1,800 at the Indianapolis Armory, the G-E Girls were really on their toes, and held a commanding lead of 17-5 at the half over the Indianapolis City Champions. The Pepsi Girls started rolling in the third quarter with a fast breaking offense and narrowed the margin down to 18-14 at the end of this period. However, the Fort Wayne girls were determined not to be denied this victory and came back in the last period to out-score the Indianapolis team 7-3 and win going away.

Williams and Fitch scored 8 and 7 points to lead the Fort Wayne team, while Welton scored 9 points for the losers.

Both teams made numerous trips to the charity lane, as 31 personal fouls were called.

This game was played as a preliminary to Indianapolis Kautsky's, the Capital City's entry in the National League, and the famed Harlem Globetrotters.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	PEPSI-COLA	G.	F.	T.
Emenheiser	1	1	3	Thayer	3	0	6
Fitch	3	1	7	Welton	4	1	9
Williams	3	2	8	Zimmerle	0	0	0
Puff	0	1	1	L. Schultz	0	0	0
Stellar	0	0	0	Hooper	0	1	1
Varner	3	0	6	Ribar	0	1	1
Eisenacher	0	0	0	F. Schultz	0	0	0
Totals	10	5	25	Totals	7	3	17

Handle G-E Club Team



Mike Walker



Bill Schible

Bill Schible, coach, and Mike Walker, trainer, of the G-E Club Basketball team are two reasons why this year's Club team has started out with a major share of its games in the win column. This is Bill's first year as coach of the G-E squad, but he has been prominent in Inter-Division League play for many years. He was a member of the Apprentice team which won the League championship two years in a row and also played on the G-E Junior team several years ago.

Mike is known in sports circles for his prowess as a prize fighter, long distance runner, and bicyclist. Although not a basketball player himself, he is a loyal fan. Mike took over the job of Club trainer last year in the middle of the season, and the boys liked him so well they requested his appointment again this year.

Decatur G-E Clubs Will Come Here Tuesday Night

After a light schedule this week the G-E Club Basketball Squad will swing back into action when they meet the Dow Chemicals, at Midland, Mich., Saturday night. The Dow aggregation is considered one of the top notch industrial teams of the Middle West and will force G-E to the limit to keep up their latest winning streak.

Decatur G-E Here Tuesday

Decatur G-E will be the next opponent to meet the local Club Tuesday night when they tangle in the 8:30 game. Not much is known of the Decaturites but their record for this year includes three wins and one loss. Their lineup includes seven ex-service men and three hold-overs from last season. The team is coached by Gerald Strickler, well known independent player from Decatur High School. The Decatur men are well over 6 feet in height.

The seven ex-service men are J. McConnell, C. Stapleton, D. Fruechte, D. Lynch, P. Murphy, R. Bollinger, and D. Arnold.

The hold-overs are C. Andrews, A. Heller, and of course, Strickler, the Coach.

The G-E Club Girls, Team will meet the Decatur Girls in the preliminary game at 7:30 P.M. This will be the second time these two teams have met this season, and Decatur is out to avenge the close defeat suffered last time.

At Anderson Friday

On Friday night the Local Club will travel to Anderson, Ind., where they will tangle with the "Big 5" in a return engagement. Anderson will be out to defeat the Club as they haven't been able to stop the locals in their series of games to date. The local Club team has won three out of three games.

Richmond Pros Bow to G-E Club Team, 48-46

The G-E Club made a turn-about face on the Richmond Pros at Richmond, December 3, winning 48-46 the same score by which the Richmond cagers won here in an earlier game.

The victory was brought by the consistent scoring on the part of all seven players used by the Club, the scoring being well distributed. Lowden had 10 points and Magnusson eight. Richmond was in the lead, 24-21 at the half, but G-E rallied to win after the intermission.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	RICHMOND	G.	F.	T.
Lowden	3	4	10	Salsbury	4	3	11
Miller	2	1	5	Young	3	3	9
Reed	2	0	4	Taylor	0	0	0
Magnusson	4	0	8	Peed	2	0	4
Krieg	3	1	7	Graycroft	0	0	0
VanRyn	3	1	7	Kettler	4	1	9
Schneider	3	1	7	Berry	6	0	12
Totals	20	8	48	Totals	19	7	46

Women's Inter-Division Basketball League Schedule

Thursday, December 13

7:30 Motor Generator vs. Small Motor Office
8:30 Main Office vs. Small Motor Factory

Thursday, December 20

Elex Christmas Party—No games scheduled

Thursday, December 27

7:30 Motor Generator vs. Main Office
8:30 Small Motor Office vs. Small Motor Factory

Thursday, January 3, 1946

7:30 Small Motor Factory vs. Motor Generator
8:30 Small Motor Office vs. Main Office

Friday, January 11

7:30 Small Motor Office vs. Motor Generator
8:30 Small Motor Factory vs. Main Office

Thursday, January 17

7:30 Main Office vs. Motor Generator
8:30 Small Motor Office vs. Small Motor Factory

Thursday, January 24

7:30 Motor Generator vs. Small Motor Factory
8:30 Main Office vs. Small Motor Office

Thursday, January 31

7:30 Main Office vs. Small Motor Factory
8:30 Motor Generator vs. Small Motor Office

February 7, 14, 21—League Playoff if needed. If not—tournament will be held.

Main Office Takes First League Game In Women's Play

The Girls' Inter-Division Basketball League got under way last Thursday, November 29, with the Main Office team, defending champions from last year, dropping a Motor-Generator team, 25-9. Nearly all of the Main Office girls broke into the scoring column with several points apiece, while Althea Tarr was high for the losers with 4 points.

Both teams substituted freely in the opening game, which seemed to be "rough going" for all players since virtually no practice sessions had been held.

Small Motor Office and Small Motor Factory were scheduled to tangle in the 8:30 game, but this was called off when the Factory girls failed to show up.

In last night's games, Motor Generator was scheduled to meet Small Motor Factory at 7:30, and Main Office was to meet Small Motor Office in the 8:30 game.

Schedule for the rest of the season is given in the box on this page.

Defensive Players on Squad



Jerry Stellar



Gladys Varner

Gladys Varner and Jerry Stellar have started their third year of play with the G-E Club Girls' Basketball team. Gladys is known as the sparkplug of the Club team, and although she does not always lead team scoring, hers are the baskets that get the team rolling in the clinches. Playing the guard position, she is an outstanding defensive player.

Jerry has been handicapped by illness this year, but she is known for her excellent defensive play. A guard on the Club team, she handles the ball well and breaks up many plays tried by the opposing team. She can also pull through when the going is tough to help her team pile up points.

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- *Proceeds are free of tax.*

(See Page 6 for help in reinstating National Service Life Insurance.)

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Kids and Santa Rule for a Day

Comedy Acts Booked for Club Christmas Party December 22

Five acts which will be presented for the children at the annual G-E Club Christmas Party Saturday, December 22, in the G-E Club were announced today by Paul Vogt, entertainment chairman. Shows will be given throughout the day—at 10 A.M., 1 P.M., 3 P.M., 5 P.M., and 7 P.M.

The G-E Club Entertainment Committee has already booked Jerry Coe, one of the better known accordionists and dancers of Chicago; Whitey Harris, clown of many antics; Jimmy Nelson and his pal Chuckles, a fine young ventriloquist; Bob Perry, the acrobatic "prince of comedy"; and Faith Kink's circus, which includes pony and dog acts. Whitey Harris, the clown, will also act as master of ceremonies for the show.

All are outstanding professional acts that have had good runs in large cities and have entertained throughout the country, Mr. Vogt said. Each act was picked for the enjoyment and entertainment it would afford the children at this party.

Many G-E employees have already gotten tickets for their children, and tickets will continue to be available at the G-E Club stand until they are exhausted. G-E employees' children between the ages of 2 and 12 years are eligible for tickets. A ticket should be secured for each child, but parents may take small children into the show without presenting a ticket for themselves.

Mr. Vogt urged employees to get tickets as soon as possible, since a limited number have been issued for each performance.

Benny Strong Band To Play for Elex Christmas Party

Annual Affair Is Thursday, December 20, In G-E Club

Final arrangements were made this week for the annual Elex Christmas Party, set for Thursday, December 20, in the G-E Club. The traditional party will this year bring to Fort Wayne Benny Strong and his orchestra, as well as Santa Claus and gifts for all Elex members.

The party for the night girls will be at 12:30 P.M., and day girls will be entertained at 7:30 P.M.

Mothers of Elex members on all shifts are invited to attend the 12:30 show, Sue Cameron, president of Elex, has announced. Mothers

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Notice

The Fort Wayne Works will observe Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25, and New Year's Day, January 1, as holidays. The Works will in general close on these days.

On the day before Christmas, Monday, December 24, the factory will operate generally on three 5-hour shifts, the first shift beginning at 7 A.M. and working straight through to 12 Noon, the second shift beginning at 12 Noon and working straight through to 5 P.M., and the third shift beginning at 5 P.M. and working straight through to 10 P.M. In divisions or sections where the starting and stopping time, as announced above for the first, second, and third shifts cannot be observed, superintendents will post notices announcing the starting and stopping time within the division or section, not later than Tuesday, December 18.

Offices will work the usual schedule except that they will stop work at 4 P.M. on the Monday before Christmas, Decemher 24.

On Monday, December 31, the day before New Year's Day, the factory and offices will work the regular schedule.

M. E. Lord, Manager

Kitchen Clock and Heat Pad Orders To Be Taken By Employees' Stores

"Radar Busting" Group Was Headed By Dr. C. G. Suits

G-E Research Director Led Work of National Defense Research Committee

As Chief of Division 15 of the National Defense Research Committee, Dr. C. G. Suits, General Electric Vice President and Director of the Research Laboratory, headed a group of scientists engaged in the wartime problem of making ineffective the enemy's radio and radar equipment. Until now the work of this Division has been among the most closely guarded of secrets, but some of its activities are revealed with the release in Washington of a new publication on "Electronic Warfare." This is sponsored jointly by the Navy Department, the War Department, and the Office of Scientific Research and Develop-

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Reservation Blanks Must Be Sent to Own Plant Store

An allotment of electric kitchen clocks and electric heat pads will soon be available for Fort Wayne Works employees, H. R. Shepherd, Employees' Store, announced today. Reservations for either or both of these items may be obtained by sending in the blanks printed on Page 12 of this week's WORKS NEWS.

Reservation blanks must be sent to the plant store at which the employee is located. Broadway Plant employees will send their blanks to Bldg. 10-2; Winter Street employees, to Winter Street Employees' Store; Decatur Plant, to the Decatur Personnel Office; and Kokomo Plant employees will send their reservations to the Kokomo Employees' Store.

Sending in the order blanks will place the employee's name on the reservation lists, and he will be notified when the articles arrive. All applications that are received before Tuesday, December 18, at 12 Noon will be placed in a blind drawing and drawn out one at a time for numbering. This will determine the priority in which orders will be filled.

Applications received after 12 Noon on Tuesday will naturally be

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Santa Claus Suggests Bonds for Christmas



Santa Claus made an early stop at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McMahon to leave Christmas bonds with the McMahon children, John and Mary Katherine (shown above). Johnnie seems dubious about the visit, but Mary Katherine, with all the wisdom of her five years, knows a good thing when she sees it.

Holiday Party

Christmas Bridge For "Lady Squares" Will Be December 19

The Women's Division of the G-E Squares Club will have its Christmas Party in the club rooms Wednesday night, December 19, at 8 o'clock, Mrs. William A. Pringle, chairman of the party, has announced.

The Christmas Party of the organization will be in the form of a guest bridge, Mrs. Pringle announced, and urged all members to bring a guest to the party that night. Mrs. F. W. Suhr will lead choral singing later in the evening.

Mrs. C. S. Voss is serving as co-chairman with Mrs. Pringle, and other committee members include the Mesdames C. A. Ellis, A. F. E. Fankhouser, H. C. Ferverda, F. H. Fleischer, J. H. Gallagher, L. N. Nelson, R. F. Schulte, E. M. Stanberry, and F. W. Suhr.

Coming up?

Squares Open House Party Set for 8 P. M. In Club Rooms

Another Open House party for Squares members and their guests will be held tonight in the Club rooms on East Berry Street, and members were urged to attend for an evening of fun and laughter.

Tonight's major attractions will be dancing, card games, table tennis, and shuffleboard, and the serving of coffee and sandwiches, which was started several weeks ago by the Women's Division of the Squares Club, will be continued.

The party is to get underway at 8 P.M., but since no formal program is planned, members may drop in any time during the evening and join in the fun. This week's hosts and hostesses include Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Elder, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Jamieson, and Mr. and Mrs. K. R. McDougal.

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Don't Drop Service Insurance

Something must have slipped. Ex-private Bill Hawkes, late of the Marines, finally got the new job he had been waiting for during the seven months he had been working in the lumber camp. He and Jane set their wedding date at once. Practical-minded Jane had been helped through school with her father's life insurance. Did Bill have any? He had had $10,000 of National Service Life Insurance while in the Army, but come to think of it, he had not kept it up. It had lapsed.

He talked to the life insurance agent next day, then he went around to the doctor for his physical examination, but the disability that had once hospitalized him in the service barred him from a policy in the agent's company and all insurance companies. Maybe it was the Army that slipped, in not telling Bill more about his NSLI at the time of his discharge. Maybe it was Bill that slipped. At any rate, unless some new law permits him to resume his government insurance, he will be uninsured, and Jane will be without protection in case of his death.

Cheaper than any private company policy having the same benefits, NSLI is a wonderful bargain for any ex-service man. This is largely because the government pays the cost of administration. If the insured becomes totally disabled for six consecutive months, the insurance remains in force without payment of any charge. If his peacetime occupation is extra-hazardous, the same low rate applies. It is possible to keep your NSLI until December 31, 1948, but it must be converted by that time to a standard policy, such as ordinary life, or 20- or 30-payment life, a more expensive form but having distinct advantages, such as loan, or cash surrender value.

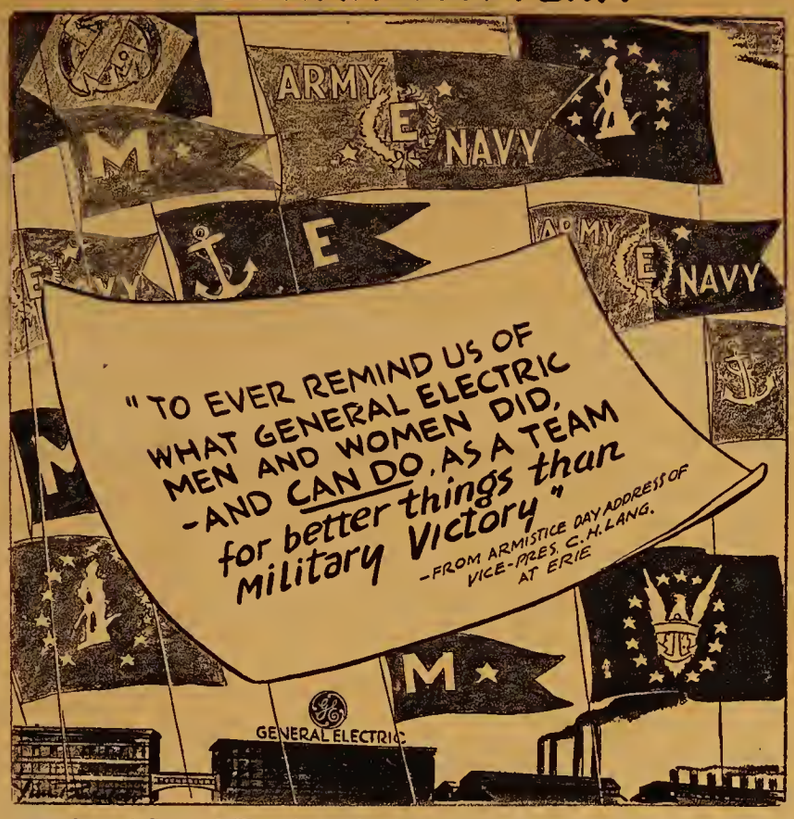
And here is another real advantage of the service insurance. By the time conversion becomes necessary, if he cares to wait that long, the insured probably will be able to afford a larger amount of the standard insurance than he could buy if he converted now. The NSLI which men of the Armed Forces took when inducted provides for plain death indemnity, without the cash surrender and other features of standard forms of insurance.

Despite the fact that NSLI is the insurance bargain of a lifetime, reports indicate that about 85% of discharged service men have dropped their protection. No doubt some of the 4,700 veterans who have returned to G-E are among them. For most of these it is still not too late; *their insurance may be put back in force at any time within six months of leaving the service*, provided the owner is in as good health as when the policy lapsed. So if you have dropped your NSLI and the six months is not up, get busy and protect yourself by seeing at once Herbert V. Smith, local contact representative of the Veterans Administration, and making arrangements to reinstate your insurance. Mr. Smith, who is located in the Utility Bldg., will be glad to help you, and you will find the process is quite inexpensive. And you may find it possible to reinstate it, even if you are a little past the six months' limit.

Though the government has issued no formal policies for its term insurance, an insurance certificate was sent to your home address at the time of your induction. If it has become lost, the contact representative will help you get a duplicate. And he will be glad to answer any question you want to ask.

Don't be one of those who go into the postwar period without insurance. Keep your NSLI, if you still have it; if it has lapsed, reinstate it at once!

POSTWAR PATTERN



In a number of General Electric works during recent weeks, quiet ceremonies have been taking place which bring to an official close a glorious period in the history of our thousands of men and women. The burgees and flags which were the outward symbol of the nation's gratitude for a war production achievement unequalled in G-E history were reverently furled and laid away. It was the proof, if anybody wanted proof, that those at home had done their patriotic part.

There is a new objective now, the making of a better America and a better world. The war production job is memorable because it helped make possible the preservation of America, not only as it was, but as it can and will be. The goal of the future is not one of war destruction; it is one of building, and in that respect it is more to be cherished than the military objective which we took with our colors flying.

These things of the future are, as Vice-President Lang says, better than military victory. That great team of General Electric men and women, distinguished in war, will distinguish itself in the peace era.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

DON'T BLAME IT ON THE OVEN

By the HOMEMAKING SPECIALISTS of the General Electric Consumers Institute

The perfect cake is the goal of most average homemakers, whether they be mother's helper, the blushing bride, or the experienced homemaker. Perhaps after an occasional failure in baking, your oven has been taking an undeserved tongue-lashing. If you've been having baking trouble, here are some pointers from the General Electric Consumers Institute to help you find what caused your trouble and how to avoid it the next time.

Standard Cake

In the cake which most nearly represents the shape, color and texture that most people like, the top is browned to the same degree as the bottom. The thickness is the same throughout so that several similar layers can be put together without losing symmetrical form.

DARK PAN—absorbs more heat than light-colored pan . . . cake top will be "standard" color but bottom will be darker and have a heavier crust.

LIGHT PAN—bright, shiny pan will give "standard" colored top layer—bottom will be extremely light and will look "undone." The reason for this is that light-colored utensils reflect heat away and don't absorb enough heat to allow the bottom of the cake to brown to the same texture as the top layer. Change the utensil, not the temperature control.

Choice

Suit the utensil to your desired cake result as follows:

By using a NEW, SHINY TIN PAN you will get a cake with light-colored bottom and sides.

A MEDIUM-WEIGHT ALUMINUM WARE PAN gives medium-brown bottom and sides, the color of a "standard" cake.

OVEN GLASSWARE (for cakes) gives darker bottom and sides than aluminum ware but not as dark as blackened tinware.

ENAMEL WARE produces results similar to oven glassware.

OXIDIZED (or anodized) ALUMINUM WARE gives slightly darker bottom and sides than standard aluminum.

What Causes Trouble

UNLEVEL RANGE — Liquid flows to lowest point of pan when placed on unlevel surface (that is, when the range is not level, or rack is twisted and warped). Results will be a cake thicker on one side than the other, making uneven layers. To correct: level range by placing shims of metal beneath bottom corners of range. Warped oven racks should be repaired or replaced.

WARPED AND BENT PANS—Batter follows contour of pan. Cake will be thick on one side and thin on the other. Quality of the cake will be affected, as the thin side will be cooked more than the thick side.

OVERMIXING — Blend, rather than beat, batter after last of dry ingredients have been added, and cease mixing as soon as last of flour has been mixed in. If overmixed, cake will shrink from the sides of the pan and cake will be heavy and doughy.

INSUFFICIENT BATTER—Modern cake recipes are designed for specific pan sizes. Too little batter in a large pan results in "pale-edged" cakes, and cakes will look sunken.

TOO MUCH BATTER—Good recipes indicate the "yield"—how many layers, and what size layers. Follow directions and use the size pan called for in the recipe.

Hanging G-E Wall Cabinets Will Be Simplified Operation

You won't need a derrick or any special skill to hang the wall cabinets that comprise an important part of the General Electric Company's 1946 storage cabinet line.

"Hanging these new wall cabinets," according to C. J. Enderle, manager of G-E's Electric Sink and Cabinet Division, "is as easy as hanging a picture."

A simple metal hanger provided with each wall cabinet is the secret to this A-B-C installation operation.

In announcing General Electric's postwar cabinet line, Mr. Enderle pointed out that the number of units and accessories involved has been reduced to one-fifth of the prewar line.

There will now be 21 major cabinets, plus 16 accessories for wall cabinets and 23 accessories for base cabinets. "Yet thanks to improvements in these cabinets, it is possible to achieve greater flexibility with them than with the much longer prewar line," Mr. Enderle said.

Are Made of Steel

Made of steel, the cabinets are all co-ordinated in design with G-E's electrical appliances. They are finished in a two-coat, one-bake white plastic paint. The hardware used matches that on the G-E range and refrigerator.

One feature of the new cabinets is their interchangeable accessories. Every accessory used in a drawer cabinet can also be installed in a cupboard cabinet simply by attaching it to the shelves.

Accessories include condiment shelves, towel racks, tray storage, cutlery boards, cup hooks, sliding vegetable bins and bread boxes, flour and sugar bins and sliding lid racks. A sliding table is also being planned.

Other Provisions

"Automatic interior lighting, work-surface lighting and a convenience outlet are all provided with the cabinets as in the past," Mr. Enderle explained. "The essential difference is the packaging of loose components in one parcel. This will simplify and reduce the cost of installing these electrical conveniences."

All connections are made at the front underside of the cabinets, and wires are carried in a simple channel. If the user wants interior lighting only and a standard fluorescent fixture for work-surface lighting, the light socket is eliminated and a plug button is installed in its place.

Sinks Included

Included in the complete line of General Electric cabinets are three "package sinks." In these units a standard Crane sink is incorporated with G-E base cabinets on either side.



Plastics

Bldg. 12-1 First Shift

Oh! How I love to get up in the morning! For once it was grand, so says George Selby. His son dropped in real early in the morning, on a delay-enroute furlough, in full dress—parachute and everything. . . . Grace Hall's husband arrived home and will soon be out of service for good. He's getting his discharge next week. Boy, are we happy! . . . Another note about our service men comes from Jean Hurni. She finally received that much-waited-for letter from her friend, telling her of his safe arrival in France. . . . We're all going to miss Wava Joseph, for she's leaving us next week—going to Bldg. 26. Wish her luck! . . . Since we haven't had any news for the paper for some time, this is the time to welcome some newcomers in our section. Margaret Schieman is now with us, having been transferred from third floor. Mary (that's all we know her by) was originally on second trick, but has been transferred to first. We all hope you girls like it with us, and we're very glad to have you. . . . Gee, if only half of us had some of the ambition like that of Helen Bozaark, well, anyway—! She's taking up a beauty course 5 nights a week and also on Saturdays—besides working here every day, too. Just how do you do it??? If you have an extra supply of hidden ambition, you can pass it out. I'm sure anyone would be most welcome for it! Gosh! . . . Leota Holli gave a chicken supper at her home, a week ago Wednesday night, for five of the girls. It was simply stupendous! Any time you want to have another one, we won't disappoint you by not showing up. Boy, can she cook! . . . See you all next week!

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

When we approach Jean Snyder, we look in amazement because of her quietness. A few words spoken and we clearly understand, for she can barely make but a small sound—and a pretty squeaky one at that. Oh! This night air does things. . . . We all wish B. Swift a happy birthday, and may he have many more. . . . Effie Yinger celebrated her wedding anniversary one day last week. We all wish you many more happy ones. . . . Boy, these girls who are going around in a dither, daze, or something such, lately!! Love must be wonderful! Marguerite Hullinger (Mo) is one of these happy ones. Seems as her friend is home now. And she's even here every day, too! Dorothy Wiegman's husband is now home, and she has left us to resume her household tasks. We all miss you very much! Have you seen that beam and gleam in Naomi Eicher's eyes? Well, you'd be happy too if your husband sent word when he hit the States that he'd be home soon. Gee, but these old days go slow now. Another happy expression comes from Helen Hill. Her husband called her when he got in the States. Tra, la, la! . . . We all miss Arba Kurtz, who has been off work because of illness. Hurry and get well. . . . The hustle and glow from Packing Section has been coming from none other than Pauline Schneider. All we know is, she's going to Cleveland. No more we can find out, but don't think we haven't tried! . . . So long for this week.

Bldg. 12-3 Office

The Bond Drives have come to a triumphant close with this last Victory Bond Drive, and we feel that a great deal of credit for the successful completion of each drive was due to the effort put forth by the Bond Solicitors. Don't you agree? Mr. Coe thought so too, and to show some of his appreciation, invited them all to lunch (only the quantities consumed could only be classified as "dinner"!) one day last week. Those enjoying the "light" repast were: Vivian Fisher, Betty Baxter, Florence Rekeweg, Gladys Macon, Colette Buck, Phyllis Guillot, George Court, Carole Ramsey, and Charles Harris. Arba Kurtz, Delores Holtrey, Zola Hetrick, and Luella Richardson were also invited but could not be there. We believe most of these solicitors started with the first Bond Drive and stayed with it until the end. We hope you did too! . . . One of the nicest things we could hope for turned up bright and smiling the other morning; Mary Coggeshall has returned to keep us in line! And, strangely enough, she seems as happy to be back as we are to have her—in fact, she's practically speechless! . . . We're cutting it short this week, as we're having to do with almost everything these days, what with this last-minute rushing (or could you call "rushing" the way you move with the crowds downtown?) . . . Anyway, as usual, we still have only about half our Christmas shopping completed.

G-E's New Automatic Dishwasher Disposall



Surrounded by G-E cabinets, new style, this will be a major attraction of many all-electric kitchens of the future. Disposall is installed under sink (left) while wishwasher is under lid at right. Disposall shreds garbage finer than prewar model and is protected against overloading. Dishwasher reduces the 14 separate operations required prewar to one. Dishwasher and Disposall are scheduled for production by end of year. (See story below.)

Investment in Good Living

G-E Automatic Dishwashers and Disposalls To Be Produced Soon

The G-E automatic dishwasher and Disposall, which are scheduled for production late this year, will make the American homemaker's postwar "investment in good living" an investment in the most modern and advanced kind of living.

In other words, here are two electrical appliances that incorporate many radical improvements over prewar models.

First, look at the dishwasher:

"Single-touch" Control

Dramatic in its simplicity is the "single-touch" control featured in this brand new appliance. It reduces the 14 separate operations required to operate the prewar dishwasher to exactly one.

With the addition of this "single-touch" control, dishwashing now becomes amazingly simplified. Use of the fully automatic model requires just four steps: (1) The user loads the tub with scraped dishes, (2) adds a teaspoon of detergent, (3) closes the lid, and (4) touches the control. Then off to the movies, and home to find dishes sparkling clean and dry, ready for another meal.

In short, the new G-E automatic dishwasher pre-rinses, washes, double rinses and automatically raises the lid so that dishes quickly air-dry in their own heat.

Other features of the new model include a heavy-duty porcelain-enamel top. The cover is interlocked with the control to prevent starting when the cover is open. Furthermore, the cover cannot be opened while the dishwasher is operating.

Now, consider the Disposall:

Among its new features are finer shredding elements that make for even finer shredding of food wastes. The impellers are retractable and made of a new, much harder, longer lasting alloy. A new type of strainer plate added to the flywheel assures a more even and continuous flow of shredded particles.

The Disposall is permanently lubricated and has a built-in thermotector to protect it in case of overloading.

Improvements Made

Another improvement is the flow interlock which is installed in the cold-water line to the sink. This permits the Disposall to start its action only when there is sufficient water to insure complete flushing away of all food particles.

Both the dishwasher and Disposall are expected to be priced lower—within the reach of more people—than the prewar models.

The Disposall, of course, will be available in only one model—designated FA3. There will be three dishwasher models.

A "drop-in" dishwasher, AE646, is built for installation in any continuous counter top. The BE646 is an individual cabinet model for any space. And the electric sink model, DE646, will be available with or without the Disposall.

Their Suggestions Paid Off



Quentin Romey and Joe Eifrid (inset)

Quentin Romey, Bldg. 4-3, last week headed current suggestion awards by receiving an $85 award for his suggestion pertaining to changes in tooling and speeds to eliminate second cuts on certain fractional horsepower motor stators and $80 for his idea on increasing the size of certain carboloy tools in order to reduce tool breakage. J. Eifrid, Bldg. 17-1, received an additional $35 to a previously awarded $35 for his suggestion to omit burnishing operation on bases.

Thirty-six Employees Share $265 in Suggestion Awards

Thirty-six suggestors were awarded a total of $265 during the past week, according to the list released by S. E. Palmer, Chairman of the Works Suggestion Committee.

Heading the list is M. D. Warner, Bldg. 4-4, who was presented $30 for his idea for the use of "scrap" frame punching, in lieu of cast iron weights, to hold stator punchings flat while annealing.

Awards ranging from $5 to $20 were awarded to the following employees:

Bldg. 4-1

Clarence H. Reiter, Kenneth F. Bergman, Carl W. Maxfield, Joseph Turley.

Bldg. 4-2

Charles Stoddard, Paul W. Arnold, Ford L. Warthman, L. T. Johnson.

Bldg. 4-3

H. G. Cowan, William A. Mauger, Freda H. Flaugh.

Bldg. 4-4

Paul L. Beauchamp, Louis Hinen.

Bldg. 4-5

Charles H. Kirkpatrick, Elmer Sloan, Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Paul R. Castle.

Bldg. 6-1

Willison Franklin.

Bldg. 9

Sam Mastromarco.

Bldg. 10-1

Hershel Pierson, William H. Lewis.

Bldg. 10-3

Walter E. Histed.

Bldg. 17-2

John E. Williams.

Bldg. 17-3

Verna M. Bullerman, Maude M. Goodrich, Bernadette B. Lantz, Eunice Zehr, Erna Fuhrmann, Eleanor R. Stieglitz.

Bldg. 19-4

Lem Clause, Elmer Sible, Morris A. Peters, Harold Mosshammer.

Bldg. 20-1

Franklin I. Bryan.

Bldg. 26-4

James B. Maples.

Winter St.

William C. Reed.

Benny Strong

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will not need admission tickets, since guest tickets have not been distributed for the show, but Elex members must show their membership cards. The membership cards will be punched, Miss Cameron said, so girls who have lost their cards should get duplicates immediately from their contact girls.

The committee in charge of the night girls' party includes Peggy Cook, Leorna Nolahcheck, Hilda Scott, Daisy Tannes, Betty Bradtmiller, Evelyn Orr, Martha Arnold, and Jean Castor.

Selma Bradtmiller is chairman of the day girls' party, and her committee includes Carolyn F. Walker, Betty Puff, Ruby Musselman, Alvena Greber, Marcella Boyle, Velma Mead, Helen Yeranko, Miriam Bolyard, and Frieda Wahli.

Kitchen Clock

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placed on the bottom of the list as they are received. No orders will be accepted by telephone or personal request until after all reservations have been taken care of.

As other lines of merchandise become available, reservation forms will be placed in the WORKS NEWS for the same handling.

It is expected that the employee prices on the clocks and heat pads will be the same as before the war, plus Federal Excise Tax. No information has been received on colors, style, etc., of the incoming items, Mr. Shepherd said, but expressed the opinion they would be similar to pre-war designs.

Future Uses Of Electronic Devices Told

G-E Engineer Cites Potentialities of New Industry

Future use of electronic devices in railway signalling or train control, for ship propulsion and mainline locomotive drives, for the fabrication of large steel building and ships, and as new sources of light were predicted this week by E. H. Alexander, engineer of the Industrial Control Division, Schenectady.

Declaring that few branches of engineering can claim less lapse of time between the "engineer's dream" and the finished, working article, than electronics, Mr. Alexander said that the future of industrial electronics can be best predicted and influenced by extending its existing uses. "We are surprised," he added, "to look back—even a few months in the electronic art—and see how fast we are progressing."

"One of the most thought-provoking fields for future growth is the use of micro-waves (radar) for industrial purposes," he said. The great strides made during the war with micro-waves for detection, direction, recognition and navigation open a new field, and these ultra-high frequency radiations have some promise of supplanting light beams now used with photoelectric relays, he explained.

Properties of Waves

"Such waves—in the vicinity of 3000 Megacycles—can be polarized, reflected and absorbed, suggesting some of the properties of light," Mr. Alexander said, adding: "Already several future industrial applications of this new electronic tool are in experimental stages. The principle of the proximity fuse, for example, developed for explosive shells might find application in railway signalling or train control—who knows?"

Electronic sources for dielectric heat have increased the productivity of many machines or processes and the worker himself, Mr. Alexander said. Pointing out that the use of dielectric heat in the plastics moulding industry has been gratifying, he said that the drying of synthetic and natural fibres or yarn, while in continuous motion, seems justified because of improved quality and tensile strength and "even food technologists are looking to this source of internal heat for dehydration and sterilization of food products."

The G-E engineer said the versatility of resistance welding, when controlled electronically, offers "tremendous possibilities" for the future. Perhaps no single tool of fabrication has contributed more to this increased productivity than electronically controlled resistance welding, he said. In 1930, the production of steel evaporators for domestic refrigerators was increased by 400 per cent by this method of fabrication and in 1932, it made the use of stainless steel economically possible.

Used on Many Products

Aircraft sub-assemblies, parts of high explosive shells, and the indispensable electronic tube were all made by this precision method of heat and pressure control, he said, adding: "Now, air-hardenable steels are joined by resistance welding, next annealed, and then tempered in one continuous sequence of precision-controlled events. It isn't careless speculation to predict that in the future the fabrication of large steel building and ships will be done by this method. And because of electronics, every joint will 'write' on a permanent record its own certification of strength.

Notice

A LIMITED NUMBER of Christmas tree lamps only will be placed on sale Monday noon. Store hours are 12 Noon to 4 P.M.

H. R. Shepherd
Employees' Store
Bldg. 10-2

G-E's Rotascope "Stops" Objects While in Motion

General Electric engineers with the aid of a newly-developed instrument—the Rotascope—now are able to make any rotating object appear motionless before their eyes.

The blade of an electric fan, or an airplane propeller, will appear to stand still, even though they're whirling at full speed, when the "optical engineer" is focused upon them.

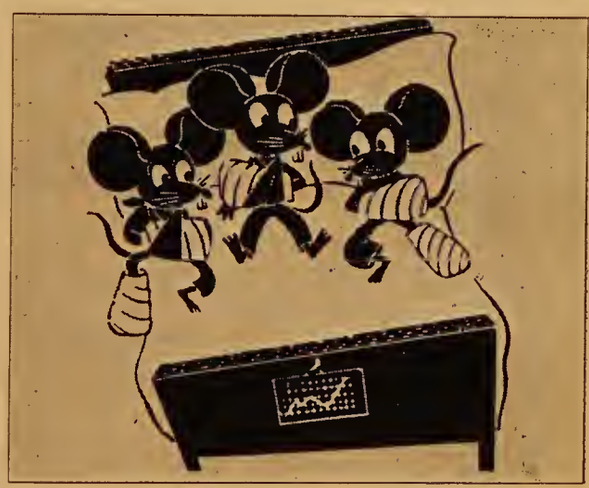
Developed for the study of airplane propellers under actual operating conditions, the Rotascope is the first instrument of its kind which allows the continuous viewing of a rotating object at any point on the perimeter (or path of travel), according to Norman F. Barnes, engineer in the company's General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory.

Three Blind Mice

And How They Got That Way



Three blind mice, three blind mice;
See how they run, see how they run—
They went on working so serene . . .
Not using the guard on their machine
They paid in the end, if you get what I mean,
The three blind mice.



Three blind mice, three blind mice;
See how they run, see how they run—
They spent last Christmas, drab and dry
In a hospital, woozily wondering, "Why?
We checked our equipment 'way back in July,
We three blind mice."

(Courtesy Industrial Information Section—Canadian Information Service)

Sleuthing In 4-6

The first week of December had Bldg. 4-6 aglow with many birthdays, even if the girls no longer count their years. (Who said that?) On December 4, Joan Wunderlin celebrated her birthday, and on the fifth so did Marjorie Murphy and Joan Cormandy (all the above are in the A.C. Section); on the sixth was Margaret Christle's birthday, and on the seventh was Jane Winebrenner's. Must have been a lucky month by the looks of this, but we hope you girls have many more happy birthdays. . . . If you miss Marjorie (Elizabeth) Young, known by her Scottie dog signature, and formerly of the Developement Section, you take a long hike and you will find her in the Drafting Section, hiding behind a big drawing board in the Aircraft Section. . . . Ruth English was on her way down town one noon last week to get some nylon hose, she hoped; however, she fell down and ruined her last pair of 51 gauge hose. But what made it hurt most, was the fact that she had to stay in bed a day and a half, and didn't even get to see a pair of nylons. Tough luck, Ruth, but maybe Santa will be good to you on Christmas. . . . The eighth of December was the last day of seeing that striking gentleman, named Clarence Kelley, of the Development Section. He left the Company and also many friends who wish him success in his new job. . . . A belated birthday greeting to Donna Clay, whose birthday was on November 25, but guess what a nice present she received on the following Saturday. It was a very lovely diamond, and Lavon Carteaux came in Tuesday, December 4, with a beautiful diamond from her sailor, who is home on leave. This time the Navy made a quick and sure landing. . . . Ralph Guenther finds that advertising doesn't always pay. He bought the most delicious looking apple the candy lady had on the wagon, and then started to brag about the fact. When he took one bite out of the apple, he was certain his bragging had not been in vain, but, alas, after four bites out popped a worm, "Hya, Ralph." . . . Walter Hahn is going to turn in a suggestion for a new and better wastepaper basket, which can be made to sit on comfortably, without the threat of tipping, as well as for wastepaper. Walter tried sitting on one of the common variety while talking to Owen Hower, when he suddenly found himself on the floor. . . . Walter Whonsettler reports that his hens are still up to par, except there is a couple who don't think they should work so hard. You might call them a little too classy or something. . . . The A.C. Section extends its welcome to Joe Anderson, who recently returned from the service and is now working in the Drafting Section. Joe was a Captain in the Army before his return. . . . Jo Biddle of the Renewal Parts Division is one happy girl these days as she just received a call from her husband at Camp Atterbury saying he will soon be home for good. . . . Also, Clara Richter's fiance (Richard Scott, U. S. Navy) just arrived in Boston and will also soon be honorably discharged from the Navy.

Has your negligence ever caused anyone to be injured?

Gathering of WORKS NEWS Hobbyists . . .



F. L. Schafenacker J. E. Laisure Frank Quinn

Three veteran Fort Wayne Works employees, J. E. Laisure, F. L. Schafenacker, and Frank Quinn, had a good time comparing notes last week when the editor discovered that all three men have collections of WORKS NEWS dating back to the time the paper was "just a pup." Mr. Schafenacker's collection goes back to July, 1917, which was the first date of publication; Mr. Laisure uncovered his stacks to 1919; and Mr. Quinn found WORKS NEWS in his possession dated 1922.

"Nothing Ever Happens in 2-3"

Very meager information was secured about the private lives of fellow-workers. However, we did find a little of this and that, and speaking of conundrums, this one proved to be very amusing, indeed. Lawrence (Red) Smith, Supervisor of Wage Rate in Division 16, appeared to be half blushing about everything, quite consistently, the past few days, well, this hardly sounds like "Red," so a careful analysis was immediately made. And here is the complete unabridged story: Since Indiana does not see the sun from, shall we say, October to May, he decided that he should get his Vitamin D from another very reliable source. So he put the ole artificial business into operation and just as is the result of all artificial sources, this time was no exception—because "Red" fell asleep under the sunlamp and developed a beautiful glow. We realize that advice is not appreciated unless asked for, but we should all feel better if we might add that the next time you ask your wife to turn you over should you again find the sunlamp too relaxing so that you are well done on both sides! . . . The education department has this little anecdote to offer about the tall, robust West Point man, Duey Cummings: He is furthering his education by taking lessons from the pool ace, Guy Walk. Teacher Walk reports that Duey is coming along superbly. Duey is a very modest fellow so we might add that his score is so high that Teacher Walk is just a little reluctant in disclosing his own. "Well, this is it," is the too well known remark of a scholar and a gentleman in parting. Thus it is that we bring light to a very sad thought. . . . Yes, Carl Boggis has added sunshine and content to many young lives. It seems minute to go into detail and this is hardly the opportune time, but the "Queens" in Fort Wayne are going to miss you very much, Carl. We don't like to get personal, but you seem to have a tender spot in the heart of your little red book for Schenectady. Now, it could not be the climate, because we know Schenectady is only 43 degrees north of the Equator and Fort Wayne is about one degree warmer. How about that? . . . The brass band was not on the job to do the proper welcoming ceremony, so we shall attempt to do the best in our power to welcome Marnelene Bricker and Anabelle Reinhard to the Cost Section. Mr. Wefel, how do you manage to find all these very smart looking women? Also, we must not overlook the presence of Virginia Stout, who has been spending three (out of this world) weeks with her husband who has served in the European theatre of war. Welcome to Bldg. 2-3, girls!

Electronic equipment, utilizing the electric eye to dim headlights automatically, has been designed for automobiles.

Notice

G-E Diaries and Calendars will be placed on sale Monday, December 17.

Store hours are 12 Noon till 4 P.M. daily.

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Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

Sorry we have been disappointing our friends in the last few weeks. We'll try to do better in the future and keep you up on the gossip. . . . First of all, we would like to welcome the new girls. This includes Gladys Weaver, Opal Lewis, Helen Keiser, Georgia Bradley, Juanita Staley, Margaret Farr, Effie Dee Kenys, Josephine Troyer, Wayne Lantz, Margaret Yarman, Georgia Denis, Erma Moore, Leona Sproat, Cora Miller, Beatrice Welester, June Gillespie, Lula Howley, and Mary Hoke. We want to say hello to YOU ALL and hope YOU ALL (the Southern in me) stay with us. We also want to welcome era Lunz, Helen Struner, and Flora Crawford back with us. It's sure good to see you girls back. . . . Can you imagine Norma Augsburger falling off a cot and cracking her head. What were you dreaming of, Norma? . . . Well, Genera Culler sure is a happy little girl. Her husband is home for good now. Lucky girl!! . . . We all have been wondering why Janet Sunday has been running around here lately with a far-away look. Are you doing lots of deep thinking, Janet? . . . Congratulations, Susie Miller, on the diamond you got last week. It sure is pretty. Wonder if we'll be hearing wedding bells soon. . . . It sure is good to see Ruth Gallmeier back, after spending a month in California with her husband. . . . Connie Zollinger, a former employee of Bldg. 19-5, brightened up their home with an eight pound baby girl. . . . Veva Healy is on our absent-minded list this week. Veva purchased a cake and then left it; when she returned, she found it had been stolen.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

By the time you read this our Christmas party will be ever, and we hope you have all recovered. We are sure a good time was had by all, and thanks go to all the committees who have worked so hard to make the party a success. . . . Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Martha Crothers in the death of her grandmother. . . . Due to colds and influenza there are many who were off work last week. To the following we wish a speedy recovery: Viola Haiber, Wren Herbst, Edna Reid, Jeanne McNeill, and Hester Root. . . . Gladys Sorenson and Elnora Miller almost created a riot one noon when they came in displaying nylons they bought. Looks like most of us unfortunates will still be wearing rayon hose for quite some time, except Margaret Isaac who still has two pairs of prewar nylons. Lucky girl! . . . Charles Siders gets so excited when he hears the morning news over the radio, he can hardly wait till he gets to work to tell everybody. So anyone who wants to get up too late in the morning to hear the news, contact Charlie, and he will relate the latest and important events. . . . Best of luck to Marjorie Meyers, who has left the General Electric to take a position somewhere else. We sure will miss you, Marge, and hope you come and visit us some time. . . . Emmett Mills is complaining of dishwater hands and house-maid-knees since he is doing his own washing and cooking. His wife is ill, and Emmett has taken over her duties. We recommend Lux, Emmett. . . . Marian Amsden is the lucky girl this week. Marian's friend just got home from overseas, which has made Marian quite a happy girl. . . . Jack Heiniger was found in the furnace room after a long search Monday morning. Jack was evidently warming his feelings after that Zollner Piston game Sunday evening. . . . It seems as if the girls have started a new club called the "Hubba Hubba" club, of which Betty Raile and Thelma Clevenger are charter members. Girls, Fred Gerhard would like to join the club, too. . . . Congratulations to those who celebrated a birthday this week. They are Margaret Rectanus, Audrey Schuster, and Virginia Linville. . . . Bill Fryer made a comment the other day to the effect that he didn't want it to snow until he could teach his son how to shovel. In that case, we would have to wait a long time, for Bill's son is only six weeks old. ...Have you noticed Clair Lieurance has taken on some weight? Since he left the army, Clair has gained about ten pounds. Now we don't know whether it is the popcorn with milk he has at night, or the apples and water he consumes during the day. At any rate, Clair won't divulge his secret.

Safety and business are pleasantly mixed by a Jacksonville, Fla., tire retreading company, according to the National Safety Council.

To impress tire-troubled drivers with the necessity of conservation and safety, the company takes pictures of cars with well-worn tires and publishes them in the next morning's papers with an offer of a free recap.

NEWS FROM

Our Men and Women in the Services

Another G-E Man Writes About "Trip Into Tokyo"

Darrell Botts Was Also Among "Famous Firsts" Into Tokyo

Sendai, Japan
November 22, 1945

Dear Editor:

In regards to your issue, dated Friday, November 9, 1945, I wish to make a correction regarding the first G-E man to reach Tokyo. Maybe I was not the first one, but I arrived with the Eleventh Airborne Division at Atsugi Airstrip, August 29. We went into Tokyo on August 30 and as a joke, put up signs to show the First Cavalry the right road to take to reach the main part of the city. My company was stationed at the Yokohama Racetrack from August 29 to September 8, after which we moved to Matsushima. We stayed in Matsushima and then moved to our present area at Sendai. We are stationed in a Japanese arsenal just outside the city limits.



Darrell Botts

Thanks for sending the WORKS NEWS. I hope to be back working in the Fort Wayne Works by March. I want to say hello to all my friends in Bldg. 12-B and also those in Power Drive Section at Winter Street.

Yours truly,
S/Sgt. Darrell B. Botts

Tokyo, Japan
November 26, 1945

Dear Editor:

Just a few lines tonight to let you know I'm now in Japan, and that I hope to be back home before long. I am anxious to see my friends in Bldg. 26-2.

Sgt. Gerald E. Miller

Dear Editor:

At long last that day is at hand that I have been waiting for for two years. I have taken the first step on my return trip to the United States. It is a long and involved process, but at least I am started.

I have been transferred into an outfit that is going home as a unit. I am going to move over there in a couple of days. I don't know how soon they are going to board ship, but I do know that they have a very high priority.

. . . Please give my regards to all my friends, especially in Bldg 4-6, and tell them that I hope to see them sometime in January.

Loads of luck,
Sgt. Glenn D. Seabold

Electricity is the essence of life; but too much of it is the essence of death. Don't monkey with a switch.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Reinstating Veteran's Lapsed War Insurance

Any World War veteran who has allowed his National Service Life Insurance to lapse may put it back into effect at any time within six months of leaving the service, provided he is in as good health as when the policy lapsed. He should see at once Herbert V. Smith, contact representative of the local Veterans Administration office, on the fourth floor of the Utility Bldg.

Mr. Smith will be glad to help reinstate the insurance. If the veteran has lost the insurance certificate sent to his home address at the time of his induction, Mr. Smith will get a duplicate from Washington, and he will answer any other questions. He can be reached by telephone by calling A-8289.

G-E Research Employee Makes Escape from Nazis in Norway

Though Vikdun Quisling, Norwegian Nazi leader, has been executed, trials and punishment of his former party collaborators are continuing in Norway, with stiff prison terms being handed to a large number of them, according to letters received recently from Norwegian friends by Robert Johannsen, of the Research Laboratory staff, Schenectady, who was aided to come back to Canada and the United States last Spring by Dr. Irving Langmuir, Associate Director of the Laboratory, following his escape from the Nazis in Norway.

Mr. Johannsen, internationally-known skier, went to Norway to take part in a ski competition in 1939 and was caught in the German invasion of that country early in 1940. He was taken to jail in Oslo without official charges and placed under solitary confinement, where he had to sleep on wooden planks for a bed and was practically without food for a week. On the intervention of a relative in Oslo he was released and from then until his departure from the country spent a large part of his time keeping out of the way of the Nazis, who were constantly searching for young men to be placed at slave labor.

Much of the work of rounding up labor recruits was done by Norwegian police under compulsion by

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Lowell Kelsey Hurt In Overseas Accident

(Editor's note: This letter was written to Harold Kelsey, Bldg. 10-2, and describes an unfortunate accident in which Lowell Kelsey, Bldg. 19-2, was hurt. Many of Lowell's former co-workers may want to send their best wishes.)

Santa Maria, Azores
December 3, 1945

Dear Harold:

I have been wanting to write this letter for several days, but had to put it off and thought it better if I did not have some one else to write it either.



Lowell Kelsey

I am feeling pretty good now, but have been in the hospital since the day before Thanksgiving. I am getting the best of care from several pretty nurses and several very good doctors. They say I am going to a hospital in the States very soon, but don't know just when or where.

I was in a patrol car sitting next to the driver when we had the bad luck to slip off the road and turn over several times. There were four of us in it but two were thrown out on the first turn. All of us were bruised and bounced around quite a bit. I don't think I will say just where I am hurt, but I guess it will be just as well. There were a few things cracked in my spine but not too bad though, and they have me in a cast so nothing can happen more to the bad spots. I was the worst one hurt because I was bounced around the most. God was with us, I could just feel Him there. Nobody knows how the driver and I came out alive, but we did. The driver was in the hospital a few days and is out and all right now, and it won't be too long before I will be all okay also. I don't want you to worry at all about me because I will be as good as new when they take the cast off. . . .

Lowell Kelsey

According to a recent letter received from T/5 Oscar Bunch, he is coming home soon for he has enough points, and hopes to be in Fort Wayne by the end of this month.

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

Listed below are returned servicemen and women who have come back to their peacetime jobs after serving Uncle Sam. Look them up and extend to them a hearty welcome.

Name	Location	Name	Location	Name	Location
Robert C. Seitz	Winter St.	Gordon Max Hower	Bldg. 17-3	Edward G. Marschand	Bldg. 19-1
Charles K. Fairfield	Winter St.	Richard Busche	Winter St.	Dannie E. Hill	Winter St.
Joseph Anderson	Bldg. 4-6	Leonard J. Boner	Bldg. 4-3	Gerald L. Gremaux	Bldg. 26-2
Richard L. Anderson	Bldg. 4-4	Owen V. Rush	Bldg. 17-1	Robert G. Holloway	Bldg. 12-B
Robert F. Crick	Bldg. 4-5	Marcellus J. Junk	Bldg. 26-4	Tyron C. Jackson	Bldg. 4-1
Georgia Denis	Bldg. 19-5	Junior D. Bowser	Bldg. 19-5	Gustave H. Berghoff	Bldg. 26-5
George R. Guest	Bldg. 17-4	Moses Slyby	Bldg. 17-4	Carl K. Wagoner	Bldg. 6-1
Robert E. Ellison	Bldg. 12-2	George W. Denner	Bldg. 4-5	Edward C. Pelz, Jr.	Winter St.
Lawrence K. Bauer	Bldg. 26-2	Kenneth P. Carr	Bldg. 8-1	Lawrence Hilton	Bldg. 26-B
Frederick Shoaf, Jr.	Bldg. 26-1	Howard D. Boren	Bldg. 20-2	Edgar L. Studebaker	Bldg. 19-1
David W. Clugston	Bldg. 31-2	Clarence E. Johnson	Bldg. 4-1	Albert Kammeyer	Bldg. 19-2
Paul H. Lichtsinn	Bldg. 19-2	Elwood M. Pelkey	Bldg. 4-5	Carl D. Swihart	Bldg. 26-4
Robert Carkenord	Bldg. 4-4	Fred H. Hugenell	Bldg. 26-5	Owen J. Zollars	Bldg. 19-4
Ivan E. Reighter	Bldg. 20-2	Franklin C. Detter	Bldg. 19-4	Ralph Pierce	Bldg. 4-4
Noel Risk, Jr.	Bldg. 26-1	Alfred J. Nix	Bldg. 17-1	Frederick R. Borton	Bldg. 4-4
Ira Kellogg, Jr.	Bldg. 19-1	Shirley J. Lemons	Bldg. 19-4	Miller S. Makey	Bldg. 17-3
Leonard W. Runyon	Bldg. 17-1	Arthur A. Seidel	Bldg. 26-2	Ralph Schroeder	Bldg. 17-1
Eugene Hutsell	Bldg. 17-3	Richard R. Miller	Bldg. 20-2	Clifford H. Balyeat	Bldg. 19-5
Myron Racine	Eldg. 26-3	Raymond H. Adams	Bldg. 26-3	Carl B. Wheaton	Winter St.
Adam Spieth	Bldg. 17-1	Richard W. Lichtsinn	Eldg. 26-3	Joseph A. Hine	Bldg. 8-1
Arthur W. Jackson	Bldg. 17-1	Norbert A. Suelzer	Bldg. 26-2	Ralph R. Campbell	Bldg. 26-2
Delbert H. Logan	Bldg. 17-2	Thomas E. Falls	Bldg. 26-1	Raymond E. Shreeve	Eldg. 4-1
H. Franklin Clibon	Bldg. 26-4	Chester E. Bunger	Bldg. 19-2	George P. Newton	Bldg. 17-1
		Jesse M. Ringenberg	Bldg. 20-2		

Elex Past Presidents Feted at Anniversary Celebration









Shown above are scenes from the twenty-ninth anniversary party of Elex Club, Thursday, December 6, at which all past presidents of the organization were honored. Picture upper left shows (on far side of table—left to right) Cora Polhamus, Edith Kohlbacher, Minnie Blue, Irene Offenloch, Flora Schlenker, Hilda Walda, Lillian Steup, Lois Miller, and Lillian Wolf. Upper right are Peggy Cook, Marty Boyle, Mary Jane Buesking, Veora Habig, Hilda Rodenbeck, Eva Tucker, Dorothea Paul, Ceal Pomary, and Helen Miller. Lower left pictures Irene Meyers, club adviser, Minnie Blue, first president of Elex, and Sue Cameron, present head of the organization. Pictured lower right are early presidents of the group. First row (left to right) are Edith Kohlbacher, 1920; Minnie Blue, 1916; and Flora Schlenker, 1923. Back row, Cora Polhamus, 1918-1919; Irene Offenloch, 1921-1922; Hilda Walda, 1924, 1929; Lillian Steup, 1926; and Lois Miller, 1925.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Well, here we go again. The bowling team on the second trick sure could stand some improvement to hear the boys on the team complain. It goes like this: "Your hook is too early, or too late. You throw too hard, or not hard enough. Gosh! If Shelper just wouldn't heckle me; or, wait till Shelper gets up there, I'll get him," or it's, "Oscar should be anchor man; Joe Eifrid should be lead man." Etc. . . . By the way, Joe is still trying to lead that poor little homeless rabbit into a nice warm home Joe has waiting for it. It's located somewhere inside that small belt he wears. . . . Hoffman, we know you can take an army gun all apart, and put it back together so why let a little pair of scissors stop you. . . . Bro. Paxon stopped in for a few moments last week. He sure brought back a lot of old memories. By the way, he sure looks good. . . . Anybody wanting a new dress for Christmas, see Betty Bradmiller; she will take care of the down payment for you. . . . Dorothy Crist is so quiet you just can't write anything about her, unless you mention that gum chewing smile of hers. . . . We want to welcome Carl Loubscher back to the Tool Room. Glad you're off the sick list, Carl. . . . Also the three new faces in our midst are those of C. Patten, K. Frick, and Al Disler. Hope you will enjoy working with us as much as we will enjoy working with you. . . . Charles Hazen, the Busco Ace, wouldn't let a little thing like a few telephone wires and poles stop him from going places. No, sir, not for long but watch out, those big high tension towers are a little more rugged, and after that smooth flying (with feathers we mean) Lennie wants to know if you guys are interested in an old fashioned spelling bee, and we don't mean honey. . . . Have you gone by the inspection cage lately? We want to thank Marge Pietsch for decorating the Inspection Section. It gives us the feeling of Christmas even at work. . . . B.C.N.U. next week. Same station but a different announcer.

The television industry already has spent more than $20,000,000 on research and is ready to provide more than 350 000 jobs which never previously existed.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

We hear by the grapevine: That Bob Tieman has been conducting a very successful "lottery" with a G-E washer as a prize. Imagine the surprise of every ticket holder to find he was a winner upon being presented with a small steel washer neatly mounted on a card. . . . That Anthony Sowers of the Bldg. 17-3 dispatching staff has left the employ of the General Electric to return to the business he was engaged in prior to his connection with our Company. . . . That Walt Doehrman, our genial Club president, says his doctor has told him to avoid all forms of excitement, but that he still intends to look at them on the street. . . . That it all happened at a movie, during an intense love scene when the hero was doing the Charles Boyer stuff when Avis Burnett nudged Johnny and whispered, "Why is it that you don't make love to me like that?" "Say," Johnny replied, "do you happen to know that guy gets $5,000 a week for doing that?" . . . That we have been warned not to divulge the name of the dispatcher who invaded a downtown ladies' wear shop to buy his wife a smock. His nervousness over the impending purchase really tripped him up, for he walked up to the saleslady and asked her, "Do you smell socks here?" . . . Which reminds us of another one a tongue-twisted dispatcher pulled when he was complaining that he didn't know what to get his wife for Christmas. He growled disgustedly, "I guess I'll get her a cream bowl and pugar snitcher." . . . Joe Burns swears he saw this sign in the window of a piano studio: "Piano lessons! Special pains given to beginners." . . . That with Christmas time approaching, let's make a resolution a little early this year. The oft-repeated Christmas story kindles within all of us a little flame of love for our fellow-men which burns a little brighter now than through the remainder of the year. Let's lay aside a little extra fuel and keep that flame alight all 12 months of the year.

In the modern scheme of things waste has to go! Accidents are a waste.

G-E Research

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the Nazis, but in many instances some of them were able to fool the enemy by giving advance warning to the men they were sent out to get. Mr. Johannsen, among those receiving the warnings, was always able to keep one or two jumps ahead of the squads. A graduate of McGil University, Montreal, with the degree of B.Sc., he was able, between visits of the searching parties, to do some work in the laboratory of a Norwegian university.

He had become acquainted with Dr. Langmuir before the war and had made several visits to Scenectady and the Research Laboratory. Dr. Langmuir felt that his scientific knowledge would be helpful if the War Department would permit his return, and after the Department's consent was obtained, the Norwegan underground and Mr. Johannsen did the rest. Before leaving, he wrote a six months' supply of letters to German officials at Oslo, put them in the hands of a friend, and the friend released them one by one to cover the escape. Thus he was "reporting" to the Nazis long after he left the country.



GET THE FACTS! Thot's what I was told tae do. Sounded easy. The facts were there and they could be dug out with a little hard work. But, do ye know, it's not human nature tae dig them out. Human nature doesn't like the SLOW job o' diggin'. Human nature wants tae JUMP—at conclusions.

GET THE FACTS. Thot's a gude rule for us all tae follow. I THINK it's a gude rule in all things, from the smallest detail tae the biggest world affairs. I KNOW it's a gude rule tae follow in C.R.* affairs. For instance:

GET THE FACTS. Before ye start tae even think about a C.R.* idea, get the simple facts o' what ye are doing and why. The more FACTS ye hai about yer job, and the place ye work in, the more chance there is for a gude C.R.* idea tae pop right intae your head some day without your even trying tae look for it!

GET THE FACTS. Now suppose ye DO hai an idea—kinda hazy—needing some more figuring—or experimenting. What has ever been done on this same subject before? Are ye just repeating some one else's brain work? Some one else's experiments? An engineer might find it easy tae get the facts on these questions—but I wonder if he ALWAYS does?

GET THE FACTS. Now suppose ye find out your idea is original—don't ask me how ye found out—ye think it's gretty good—but are ye SURE it's good? Did ye get the facts?

GET THE FACTS. Or pairhops I should say, get the facts—on to the suggestion blank. If ye are SURE it's good, be SURE all the FACTS thot make it good go doon in writing. Then ye will nae hai' tae oxplain and argue later. People who read the suggestion will see oxactly what ye mean, and will be more enthusiastic about it then if ye are hazy. And then—if they get the facts, ye'll get the cash.

GET THE FACTS. Thot's what Cousin Colin did when his best tire went doon. He always oxamines and fixes them himself. He says it's because he wants tae get the facts, not because he wants tae save 50¢. Weel, he gets the facts—and quick. He took one look inside the casing, and saw thot the reliner, the boots, chewing gum, adhesive tape, and used postage stamps were all loose—only the Scotch tape was tight!

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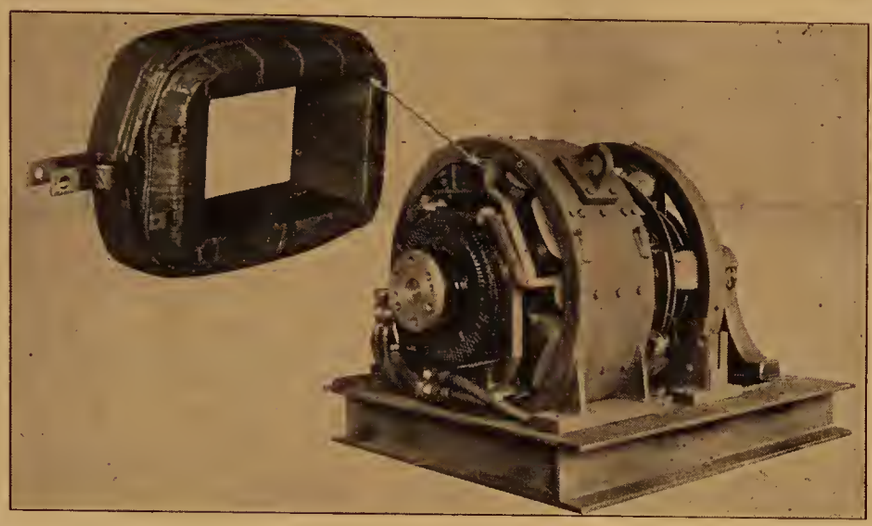
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Inspection QUALITY FORT WAYNE Test

No. 178 December 14, 1945 W. E. HOLMES, Editor

CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS



CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS ARE EXPENSIVE

This unit was rejected by the customer for a Minor electrical failure.

A grounded field coil caused this rejection.

This unit had to be dismantled to permit workmen to replace the Defective Field Coil.

ELIMINATE DEFECTS

and you

ELIMINATE RETURNS

Build "Customer Satisfaction" into Each Unit

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

Welcome, Robert E. Ferrell, who is with us now and has just received his discharge from the Navy. He served 20 months in the Pacific. He used to work in Bldg. 17. Glad to have you back, and we hope you will like us. . . . Jack Gable paid the floor a visit. He is in the Merchant Marines. . . . Congratulations and best wishes go to Loraine Wilson and Aimee Linvill, who celebrated their birthday December 6. We wish you many more, girls. . . . We wonder what Loraine Wilson had on her mind the other day when she locked her keys in her drawer and then had to break the lock to get to them. . . . We all express our deepest sympathy to Marjorie Huge and her husband on the loss of their child. . . . We are glad to see you back, Fay Kittridge, after being away on sick leave. . . . Also Mildred Smith, who is back with us again. . . . We wonder how Helen (Dolly) Smeltzer got those black and blue marks on her arm. Next time try to be more careful, Helen. . . . Bessie Justus wanted her name in this column, so here it is. We love the way she serenades Loraine Wilson at work. . . . What was Hattie Mae Pelkey dreaming about Saturday night that made her get up and start taking exercises in her sleep? Could be that she is trying to reduce? . . . Clara Nahrwold was really disappointed when her name didn't appear in the WORKS NEWS Friday. She said "This is one paper I can take home." It seems her folks accuse her of putting her own name in the paper. . . . Genevieve Oddou and Wanda Moser are bidding the gang farewell today. We hate to see you gals leave but nevertheless give you our best wishes. Wanda is going to get married December 16, and we know you will be a success in your new life. . . . Evelyn Miller, now Mrs. R. Haneline, has a habit of still signing her name as Miller. What is the matter, Evelyn? . . . Florence Stanski is floating on clouds these days since she has received that phone call from her fiance stating that he will be home shortly with his discharge from the Navy. . . . Del Rider is worried about people thinking he pays to have his name in this column. We can't help it that he is always getting in trouble. Stay out of trouble, Del, and you won't get your name in this column. . . . Harold Amstutz paid the floor a visit after receiving his discharge from the Army recently. Sure was swell to see you again. . . . Ruth Fuller has really behaved herself lately in order to avoid getting her name in this column but it apparently doesn't do any good.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

To most people it seems a little early to be expecting Santa Claus—but not Therese Rumbaugh. She has had her stocking hanging out of the window for the last two weeks, just in case. . . . Floyd Loraine got his proverbs mixed a little the other day. Instead of putting his "ear to the ground" he put it "to the hot oven"—result—burned ear. . . . Dick Yoder came to work limping a while back. When asked what caused it; he said he dropped a buck on his foot and hurt it. What stories people do tell! . . . Those loud socks Carl Metker wore one day last week were just too much for his constitution to stand. He went home, sick, before the day was over, and spent the rest of the week in bed. . . . Evelyn Strupp is the latest one to be wearing a sparkler on her left hand. The lucky man is Glen Watson, recently discharged from the Army. . . . Now that their husbands returned from overseas are back in civilian life, Doris Arnold and Esther Huffman have left to become full-time housewives. Oh—happy day. . . . Paul Hapner is back again after a second session with old man flu. We all hope that this time it will really be permanent.

MAIN OFFICE *Contents*

The Production Division girls, Bldg. 18-4, gave a farewell dinner at the General Electric restaurant last Thursday noon honoring Gerry Waddle. Gerry expects hubby "Bus" home from Pacific shores any day now, and, when he arrives, will leave G-E. . . . Tom Gnau was home on furlough and visited Bldg. 18-B last week. He is stationed at Memphis, Tenn. . . . Gloria Zonkers and Kenneth Petgen, Bldg. 18-B, are still ill with the flu. . . . Esther Kremeier, Bldg. 18-B, is back again after "entertaining" influenza. . . . Frank Goetz, Bldg. 18-B, is on vacation this week. Hope you have a real nice vacation. . . . Mary Zimmerman, Bldg. 16-3, and Helen Hageman, Bldg. 18-3, are Cupid's latest victims. They are both wearing lovely diamonds on the third finger, left hand. . . . The Accounting Section Christmas Party will be next Thursday at the Yacht Club. A gay time is planned by all. . . . Gladys Hurst, Bldg. 18-4, welcomed home her husband this last week. . . . A former employee of Order and Stores visited Friday—namely Gaylord Shank. . . . This week we would like to welcome back Augusta Rohrer into the Accounting Section. Some time ago she worked in this office. . . . Florine Sievers, Bldg. 18-4, was really surprised last Tuesday morning when she received a call at work at 8:05 A.M. from her husband, who was calling from a phone booth at the Pennsylvania Station. He had just returned from overseas.

No matter how small the job wear your goggles if they are needed.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

By Mary Ellen May

Hello again, your snooper has been sticking his nose in again and things are still happening around this place, believe me. Now there is a man, "Pritch" his associates call him, who gets around. Of course, sometimes he gets around better than he planned. For instance, on a recent trip East, the conductor was collecting the tickets, so when "Pritch" saw his being taken he presumed the next stop was his—Bridgeport. He gathered up his luggage, got off the train, descended a flight of stairs into the station and to his surprise found he was in Southport, not Bridgeport. In case you're curious, Pritch made a dash and caught his train for Bridgeport before it got away. Lucky man! . . . Other people have their experiences too—Cy Stonehill on a recent trip to New York was caught in a storm. Ask Cy what one does while his pants are at the cleaners for two hours. . . . On this same trip Cy, John Stevenson of the St. Louis office, and Eddie Schorr of the Chicago office stayed at a well known Riding Academy establishment, the Gladstone Hotel. . . . Then there's Joe Coughlin, he developed into quite a euchre player while his wife was visiting her family in New York. O.K. Joe, you can put the cards away now. . . . Chuck Graham claims Annie Rastetter was saved from financial collapse by his absence on the Great Lakes versus Notre Dame game. . . . The Drafting Section is laying big plans, with Mildred Fettinger its chief planner, for a Christmas dinner party on December 24 at the Athletic Club. Hank Lantz will be Santa Claus disguised by all six of Pete Eberhardt's whiskers and Mildred's braids. . . . As fair warning to any gullible souls, Pete is still selling chances on his own G-E Washer. Betty Bennett was his most recent victim. . . . Our welcomes to Jewel Buschman, sister of Doris, and Charlotte Mumaw of the Service Bureau. . . . Also we wish to welcome Dick Mann, a recent addition to C. W. Kronmiller's group in the Engineering Section. . . . Looks like the football season with the Transformer boys is about completed. This week's game degenerated into a game of "galloping dominoes." At least, there weren't any black eyes or broken bones. . . . Farewell was said to Mary Ruth Steininger, who left Friday, and hello to Marjorie McClure, who is replacing Mary Ruth. . . . Dick Rump is manager of the Valpo University Sportsman Club, which is sponsoring a big-time bowling tournament. It has already run three week-ends, and it will continue for three more week-ends in January. Dick, Jim Voirol, Howard Ropa, and Morrie Cox are participants. . . . Our welcomes to Evelyn Knight and Wilma Butler, newcomers to the Cost Section. . . . Another to add to our "happy list"—Mary Jane Fletter, whose husband is home from overseas after many months. . . . We extend our sincere sympathy to Ed Grote, whose mother passed away last week. . . . We hope Katherine Ernsberger's mother has a speedy recovery from a recent operation. A Christmas party and combined farewell party for Lorraine Andrist is being held at the Yacht Club by the girls of the Cost Section on December 21. Pat Jackson is in charge of all arrangements. . . . That's all for now, so long.

Kiddies Will Thrill to Circus Acts



Here is one of the best known circus acts in the business—Faith King and her dogs and ponies. The ponies will do a military drill number, and the dogs Miss King will bring to the G-E Club show include many unusual and sensational tricks in their performances.



Bob Perry, the "prince of comedy," presents something just a little bit different in the line of thrills, spills, and comedy. He is known as one of the funniest performers in the country, and never fails to leave the audience "rolling in the aisles."

Both acts will be featured in the G-E Club Christmas Party for the children Saturday, December 22. (Story on Page 1.)

Is Zat So?

Hereafter this column will be titled "P's and Q's of Seventeen One," by Helene Evanoff, who will appreciate any contributions toward having this column appear in the WORKS NEWS each week. . . . The inspection girls had a farewell supper party on Veora Habig, who has gone to work in another division. Best of luck in your new position, Veora! . . . Casey Jones has been transferred to Bldg. 17-4. We hope both of you will come and see us once in a while. . . . Bill Walt, Bldg. 2-1, is a firm believer in advertising. Since he publicized the shortage of his favorite chewing tobacco, it seems all his friends have rushed to his aid. Bill is appreciative and hopes the flow continues. . . . Sugar rationing doesn't seem to bother Elizabeth Love's sweet tooth. I'd advise you to see George Mosshammer, Elizabeth. George always seems to have an etxra candy bar tucked away somewhere. . . . Agnes Cordes sure got the short end of that bet with Loyal Decker. The inspection girls didn't seem to mind though. Thanks, Agnes, it was sure good candy. . . . We hope Jack Neuman is feeling better after his recent illness. . . . Frank Quinn was seen giving his shoes a good cleanup job. Wonder what the occasion called for—don't you? . . . We were glad to see Don Cobb from the Army, who paid us a visit last week. . . . A letter was received from Bob Stinerock, stationed somewhere in Japan. He hopes to be home for Christmas. . . . We welcome Arthur Jackson to the Production Section. . . . Bob Buggs has been transferred to Winter Street. . . . Attention, bowlers—If you are a beginner, why don't you contact Erland B. Bubier. As the story goes he volunteered to give Bill Fisher and Lloyd Pinkerton a lesson in bowling last Saturday afternoon. Something went wrong. Anyway, teacher got a lower score than his pupils. Here's hoping teacher will improve in the future. . . . See you next week.

Got a Stunt?

Squares Members Put On "Skitting" Caps At Annual Stag Party

It was skit night last night, with few holds barred, as G-E Squares vied for the trophy donated by H. D. Kelsey, Works Engineer, at their annual stag party in the club rooms.

Sam Moore was chairman of the skit presented by the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division; Ervin Potthoff, headed the Motor and Generator Division; Robert Johnson, Transformer Division, and Charles Harris, co-ordinated the efforts of a group representing the Works Laboratory, Plastics, Wire and Insulation, and Winter Street.

L. L. Ray, president of the Squares Club, and G. C. Harvey, program chairman, were in charge of last night's stag party.

"It is the duty of every man to protect himself and those associated with him from accidents which may result in injury or death."—Abraham Lincoln.

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

There are a lot of pretty smiles and happy hearts this week. And they are not all due to the coming holidays. For example, there's Florence Smith. Her husband is on his way home. Charlotte Groves—her friend is home. To say nothing of happy Alice Hoffman who wears a double smile. Her brother arrived home last Friday, and a certain soldier is due any time now. All of which goes to prove what a wonderful Christmas Distribution office is anticipating. . . . Two more of our fellow employees take their leave this week. Best of luck to our bride-to-be Rita Adamski, and farewell to Arizona-bound Mildred Sponseller. . . . Oh, look at the sailor. Upon closer observation we find it's none other than Jerry Stellar all dressed up in her sailor suit. Mighty cute, Jerry. . . . Every one makes mistakes, concedes Mr. Saurbaugh, but how did that wooden egg get in the refrigerator anyway? . . . Doris McAdams has decided to be more careful about answering the phone when Herb Grueb or Dutch Wilson call her to the phone, cause sometimes there is no one on the wire. Right, Doris? . . . If you're wondering what makes smiling Hazel Smith even more happy, it's having her husband home again after two long years.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

It looks like we might have a White Christmas after all. We have snow today, but hard telling what we will have by the time you read this column. . . . By the way, has everyone got their Christmas shopping done??? . . . Does everyone know about our mysterious poets in Bldg. 2-2? Whoever they may be, they are very good. How about a Christmas Poem, hm-m-m??? . . . We welcome Helen Murray to first trick; hope you will like us, Helen! . . . We're very glad to see Ruth Sitton, Betty Feasby, Pat Wade, Harry Bell, and Jerry Stahlman back to work again after recent illnesses. Hope you are all feeling fine again. . . . You've all heard of "Arthur Murray teaches dancing in a hurry." We had an instructor right on our own floor, Nina Newcomb, but she is leaving us now to become a full-fledged instructor. Best of luck, Nina. . . . 'Tis rumored that Elmer Pion was seen in Toyland recently. How about this Elmer? Could it be, you believe in Santa Claus again??? . . . Just what does Sadie Wolff mean by cutting off her apron strings? Could there be a story behind this, Sadie??? We are all ears!!! . . . It seems the other day while shopping up town, Bowley parked his car somewhere, then coming out of the store he realized he didn't know where he had left it. We are wondering, Bowley, did you find it yet??? . . . Theresa Marshal has also left the G-E Company. Best of luck, Theresa, on your new venture. . . . We offer our deepest sympathies to Ethel Koontz on the death of her mother. . . . With this reminder of "Better be good, Christmas is almost here," I will leave you. Hope to have lots more news next week. How about it, Folksies???

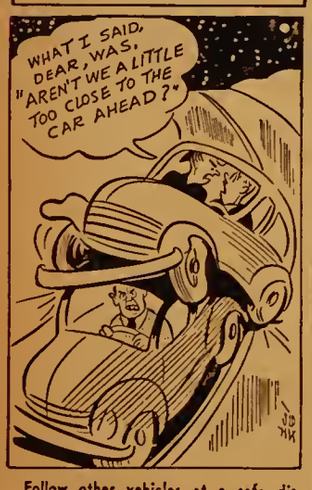
WIRE & INSULATION — *Ravelings*

Bldgs. 8 and 12

We are very happy to welcome back into our gang Kenneth Carr and Joe Hine. We wish both of you boys the best of everything. . . . Hurry up and get well, Eddie Herch; we miss you. Earl Glass and Virgil Howell are also on our sick list. We wish all of you a very speedy recovery. . . . We are going to select someone to go hunting with Crowe and Johnson to verify their reported "kill" each week on rabbits. They don't seem to have their stories very accurate. . . . Are you sure, Lawrence Walters, that you know the difference between shot gun shells and sawdust now? You paid a pretty high price for sawdust. . . . Those who have added another year on to their lives are Gertrude Edwards and Guy Oberlin. Happy birthday and may you both have many more. . . . Cigars and candy were passed out this week by "Porky" Schoenefeld. Yes, he became the proud daddy of a cute little eight pound "tax exemption." They named her Janet Lou. . . . The gang wishes to welcome back to work Mary (Wehr) Goss, who has been away on leave of absence for the past few months. . . . We are also glad to have Mary Coggeshall back with us once more. . . . Rose Liby is off work, as her husband came home for a permanent stay. . . . Carl Borchert, who has a reputation of being a super-salesman when it comes to selling subscriptions for War Bonds, and Charity Organizations, is now using his super salesmanship ability in a new field. For the past few days Carl has been using his high pressure methods in obtaining subscriptions to a popular magazine. Could it be that he is working his way through college, or does he get a free subscription with every four orders? ? ? ?

Be careful with Christmas candles, says the National Safety Council. Though seldom used any longer on Christmas trees, candles are a major fire hazard in the home when placed on window sills and mantles where they might ignite curtains and other decorations.

QUIT YOUR SKIDDING



Follow other vehicles at a safe distance. It takes from 3 to 11 times as long to stop when pavements are snowy or icy.

Whatever It Is, It's Good



otherwise our friend Ed Holocher, painter, Bldg. 10-2, would not be reacting in such a manner. Perhaps Santa is telling him . . . .

"That all the gifts he wants are to be delivered; that Christmas this year in America should be the best one in four years; that the kid who used to hang up his stocking in a house at 125 Elm Street is again home. Or perhaps he is just simply reminding Ed that IT IS GREAT TO BE ALIVE, WELL, AND NOT LAID UP BECAUSE OF AN ACCIDENT."

To say "Merry Christmas" at this early date would be a bit premature, however, on behalf of all Safety Committeemen at the Fort Wayne, Kokomo, and Decatur Plants WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHRISTMAS CHEER WILL BE AS GENUINE AS THAT IN EVIDENCE IN THE ABOVE PICTURE.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

17-3 Newsies

We're glad to have Charlotte Blauvelt, Ina Smith, and Alretia Wafer back with us after having been ill. . . . We're also glad Joe Jensen is back from Bldg. 4-3, where he has been working for the last couple of months. . . . Being in the service didn't affect a couple of boys on our floor. Tony Amarante and Max Peckhart can still blush—Tony, over something he said himself, and Max blushes every time a girl looks at him. . . . When John Williams went home the other night, he thought at first he must be in the wrong house because he didn't seem to recognice his wife. John said, "Even the dog didn't know her." . . . Olive Siemic's husband is home to stay. . . . We want to wish Velma Seibt a happy birthday and also a nice vacation to Doris Moon. . . . Verne Castle has the right idea about hunting. When he goes with Ray Miller, he comes home with a rabbit and didn't even have to get his hands dirty. . . . Good luck to Ethel Byrd, who received a beautiful diamond from a certain someone in Huntington. . . . We're sorry to have Erma Shangster leave us, and we want to wish her the best of luck. . . . Marcella must have felt pretty lucky when she received some slippers and a shell from the Philippines. . . . That's all for now; 'bye.

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. What will polish some tarnished brass kettles and prevent their tarnishing again?

A. A mild abrasive used, perhaps, with some ammonia will remove the tarnish. A nitrocellulose lacquer put on the kettles after polishing will keep them from tarnishing again.

Q. Has the earth become heavier since it was formed?

A. It is believed the earth is increasing ever so slightly, for it is estimated that about 20 million meteors enter the earth's atmosphere daily. The dust from these meteors, settling through the air, is slowly—but very slowly—adding to the weight of the earth. This added weight over a period of many years is negligible, however.

Q. At what time of day are ultraviolet rays of the sun most available?

A. At noon the ultraviolet rays from the sun reach a maximum intensity, which is increased if the sky is slightly cloudy. However, dense cloud formations will decrease the amount of light as well as ultraviolet radiation.

Super G-E Jet Engine Now Undergoing Rigid Flight Test

The world's most powerful aircraft engine now in production, the super G-E Jet, currently is undergoing rigid flight tests in General Electric's "flying laboratories," consisting of converted B-24 Liberators, it was revealed for the first time in a paper presented by G-E engineers at the opening session of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' annual meeting in New York last week.

The I-40 Jet, which powers the P-80 Shooting Star, has been installed in the fuselage of a B-24 for the future development and testing of the jet engine under actual flying conditions, the paper reports, concluding that the "flying test cell" provides a great number of facilities and advantages of a ground test cell, or wind tunnel, with "considerable less cost and greater availability."

Flight Test in June

The first flight test with the jet engines operating was made last June at the G-E flight test station at Brownsville, Tex., in the army-loaned bomber.

The paper, "Flying Laboratory for Testing G-E Aircraft Gas Turbines," was presented by N. F. Frischhertz, one of the G-E engineers assigned to the Brownsville project. Other co-authors of the paper are W. R. Orme, also of the Brownsville project; and W. O. Meckley, G-E engineer at the Aircraft Gas Turbine Division at Lynn, Mass.

Cheaper Method

They point out that the use of the B-24 as a "flying laboratory" proved to be more satisfactory and cheaper than building a wind tunnel for the testing of the jet engine which passes over 55,000 cubic feet of air per minute—10 times the flow required by reciprocating engine of the same size.

Knowledge on the operation and installation of the jet engine was gained by experimenting with jet-powered pursuit planes, such as the P-80, but they are not adequate for development testing as the weight and bulk of the required instrumentation cannot be carried in a pursuit plane, Mr. Frischhertz reported.

Flight Space Allowed

Use of the B-24 also allows flight space for design engineers to observe operation under flight conditions, he added, and the "flying laboratory" also serves to supplement present ground and flight test facilities, bridging the gap between ground tests and final flights in a production airplane.

"The 'flying test cell' also provides a safe means of investigating restarting problems, burner blowout, new accessories and induction system icing which may involve lead stick landings on production type jet aircraft," the authors report. And the "flying laboratory" also provides a means of acquainting design engineers with the problems attendant to flying, and with operation of their design in flight.



Helen Cox in the Service Bureau, and Ruby Gish and Wilma Cagle in Payroll are the additions to the office this week. . . . Charles Etcheson, the fireman, celebrated coming back from having flu by building a fire—in the wastebasket. Let's make Stuart Monroe an honorary fireman. He's the one who put it out. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Vernard B. Clark. She's Wilma Copeland from Stator Winding, and he works in Assembly. They were married Thanksgiving Day. . . . We recommend wings for Florence Phillips. It seems she needed them when she learned her brother, Cpl. Vern Springer was home from the Army after three years in the South Pacific. . . . It is now one win and one loss for the G-E Basketball team after being defeated by the Eagles Wednesday night 25-23. From the whistle to the gun it was a nip and tuck battle. The end of the first quarter found the Eagles leading 7-3. At the half-way mark the G-E team went out in front 12-9, and at the final rest period the Electrics held a 19-13 edge. Next week it will be G-E and Chrysler playing the first game at 7 P.M. . . . Next year I'm going to save my vacation for winter. Anyway it's a nice idea. Those who have been gone the past few weeks are Russell Blackburn, Bob Brake, and Mr. Gale. Then this week, Paul Deal is in Florida. . . . If you haven't turned in the names of your children for the Christmas party to be held Saturday, December 22, be sure to see a member of the committee for this party. Lloyd Groves is the chairman, and Julianne Foster, Kenneth McIntosh, Elinor Stewart, and Edna Young are the rest of the committee. . . . Our most sincere sympathy is offered to Robert Zimmerman in the recent death of his wife. . . . A little germ called "flu" has bitten Ada Conwell, Helen Smith, Youtha Mumaugh, and Ernest Shigley. Hope you'll be back soon. . . . Dora Hullinger has rejoined the Stator Winding section. . . . Hollywood: Take notice of Helen Ronk. For her recent birthday the girls on the Stator Winding line got her a make-up kit. . . . Among other vacationers are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spahr and daughter, Angeline, and Mr. and Mrs. John Kaade. They leave Saturday for Florida. . . . Calling all G-E-ites. You have a basketball team and they need support. Let's all go to the Armory and yell for them. . . . Francis Boone is leaving tomorrow to move to Grand Rapids, Mich., to be with her husband.

"Out of this nettle, danger,
We pluck this flower, Safety.'
—Shakespeare.

Thin and porous mats of bonded glass fibers are being used as the base for a new plastic laminate material, which greatly extends the field for plastic coil forms, condenser spacers, and standoff insulators in radio, television and other electrical equipment.

G-E Repeating Flash Tube Applied To Automatic Camera

Most startling application of the G-E repeating flash tube to date is incorporated in a new fool-proof automatic camera, developed by the Army's Signal Corps, for the Surgeon General's office. The device is designed to take extremely close-up photos—either in color or black and white—with microscopic accuracy. It also can take equally accurate photos up to distances of 12 feet.

Equipped with the new G-E flash tube, the Signal Corps camera will doubtless find many applications in postwar industrial and commercial fields, according to Ed Noel of Nela's lamp development laboratory. Heretofore, he pointed out, only an expert photographer using "tricky" equipment could take satisfactory extremely close-up pictures, in color or in black and white. With the new flash-tube-equipped camera, a mere novice need only plug the extension cord of the new camera and its auxiliary equipment into an ordinary light socket, frame his subject in the camera's view finder . . . then press a button.

The new G-E flash tube, a very small edition of the powerful repeating tube developed at Nela Park for taking night aerial photos from military reconnaissance aircraft, was perfected in Nela's lamp development laboratory. It is the first of 23 similar tubes, developed at Nela Park for the military, now headed for postwar practical application.

Variety of Medical Uses

The new camera, just publicly announced by the Signal Corps, has been taking amazingly clear colored pictures for a variety of medical needs. These photos have proved invaluable to diagnosticians, to surgeons, dentists, and medical students in military circles.

All flashes from the new tube are of identical intensity. This for the first time permits practical use of a mechanical cam device built into the camera to automatically set the lens diaphragm at the correct "stop" no matter what the distance within the camera's range.

Circular in Shape

The tube, made of quartz, is circular in shape and is recessed in a doughnut-shaped reflector which completely surrounds the camera's lens. Automatic synchronization is built into the device. Color of light from the new tube matches standard color film, producing correct color rendition.

Within the tube is a very rare gas.

Advantage Given

While the light produced can be matched by that of G-E photoflash bulbs, the new quartz flash tube has the outstanding advantage of producing thousands of flashes, all from the same source.

The new tube in the Signal Corps' camera opens the way to easy-to-take micro-film pictures for a wide range of industrial needs, for law enforcement personnel, for scientific and research laboratories, and for specialized newspaper photography. Eventually, the new-type repeating flash camera will be made available to photographers in general, amateur and professional alike.

You are only fooling yourself if you wear goggles only when the boss is around.

Radar Busting

(Continued from page 1)

ment, of which the NDRC is a unit.

The tremendous scope of radar research and development by laboratories during the war has been revealed recently, but the release of "Electronic Warfare" has given the public the first knowledge of the spectacular "radar busting" job that was carried out against the enemy throughout the war.

Spent Over 30 Million

Division 15 of NDRC spent over $30,000,000 in this work, of which about two-thirds was directed against radar, the balance going into countermeasures against other electronic equipment involving radio waves. Full appreciation of the success of these efforts was not obtained until after V-E day when German records were studied and flak officers were interviewed. About 80 per cent of German radar-controlled anti-aircraft batteries were literally "jammed" out of operation, which resulted in the saving of hundreds of American and Allied heavy bombers and the lives of their crews.

The Germans themselves asserted that the success of the Allied radar-busting program was a vital factor in the loss of their cities in the strategic bombing campaign. Toward the end of the war the Allied bombing crews placed great reliance in the flak protection provided by these countermeasures.

How "Windows" Worked

Radar depends on sending out a very brief radio pulse and picking up the echo when it returns from a plane or ship. One method of reducing its effectiveness is to drop through the air quantities of thin metallic strips which resemble Christmas tree icicles. If these strips are cut to lengths proportional to the wavelength of the radar set they will send back an echo. These strips, designated by the code word "window," were usually made of aluminum foil and a few thousand, weighing less than two ounces, will send back a radar reflection as great as that from a heavy bomber. With "window" a single plane could produce as much effect on the enemy's radar screen as a large flight of aircraft. When the air was thoroughly infested it served as a "smoke" screen through which our planes could fly without detection.

Window made the German position so desperate that in January, 1944, they announced a public competition, with prizes totalling 700,000 Reichsmarks free of all taxes, for "a method by which either the jamming can be removed or a distinction can be made between the jamming targets and the true target when large clouds of window are used." Apparently none of the prizes was ever awarded.

Electronic "Jammers," Too

In addition to window, Division 15 scientists worked out in collaboration with British laboratories electronic jammers to send out a masking radio signal to "jam" the enemy radar receiver. The echo coming back from an airplane is much weaker than the radar pulse sent out, so if a stronger continuous signal of the same frequency is broadcast the electrical echo is completely blanketed and lost. The effect of an electric razor or vacuum cleaner on a nearby radio receiver is similar.

Much of the work of developing system of radar jamming was done in the Radio Research Laboratory, directed by Dr. F. E. Terman at Harvard University, and operated under the auspices of Division 15. Special electronic tubes were needed for these jammers, however, and the General Electric Research Laboratory had a large part in their development. This work was performed under the direction of Dr. Albert W. Hull, Assistant Director of the Laboratory.

Was Inventor of "Magnetron"

In 1921 Dr. Hull invented a new tube called the "magnetron," in which the passage of current takes place in a strong magnetic field. Development by other scientists had demonstrated how this could be used to produce radio waves of very high frequency, like those employed in radar, and with considerable power.

Operating in pulses, the radar tube transmits for a few millionths of a second—then rests for a much longer period, perhaps a hundredth of a second. This permits it to be pushed to a peak power far higher than that at which it can operate continually. But the tube used in jamming must produce continuous power since it would be hard to make its pulse come at exactly the right time to jam the radar set. Thus the requirements are much more severe.

Sixty-five per cent of the grade crossing accidents last year involved trains going less than 30 miles an hour or standing still, the National Safety Council reports.

G-E Tube Makes Fool-proof Photos



Here is the new circular-shaped G-E repeating flash tube, heart of the new automatic camera perfected by the Army's Signal Corps. The tube, made of quartz, and its doughnut-shaped reflector were developed in the G-E Nela Park laboratories. (Story this page.)

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

Del Thornburg, MM 1/c, who formerly worked for John Schwartz in the Maintenance Section, has been discharged from the Navy and will be back to work soon. Del also served as a plant guard and played on the basketball and softball teams before his induction.

STATION 38 BROADCASTING

It seems that our section would like to get in the NEWS but no one wants to be the reporter, so if I can get a lot of cooperation from the boys and girls, I will give it a try. . . . I think everyone got over the party OK, and, I hope, had a good time. We should do it more often. . . . Have you noticed the big smile on Eleanor Herman's face this week and no wonder, her husband is in the States. . . . Frank Hedges' son, Bob, was a welcome visitor in our section recently. He just returned from two years' overseas service, and was formerly employed at Broadway. . . . We wish to extend our sympathy to Wilbur Scott in the loss of his brother. . . . We notice that our new foreman, Bill Charleston, is getting things "under control." Good for you, Bill.

PRODUCTION

Lou Lichty is lucky; her Gene will be home for Christmas. Merry Christmas to you both. . . . The flu really is going around these days. Mary Joe Suelzer has a bad case of it at the present time, and we hope she gets better soon. . . . Will somebody please buy Dolores Kiel's last package of Christmas wrappings? She's had it for days—but she may get more. . . . Will Frances Miller play her accordion at the Production Party, or is it too heavy to bring? Why don't you ask a strong armed man to caryr it up the stairs, Frances???

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Matt Krebs was in the shop last Thursday. This is the first time Matt was in for several weeks. He is recuperating from a recent illness and won't be back to work until after the holidays. . . . Oscar Crum is a new employee in the Miscellaneous Section. Welcome, Oscar! . . . Some people still think we go to work at 8 o'clock on Monday. But we'll never tell. . . . Any one in need of a good garden tractor, see Joe Snyder for more particulars. . . . Charles Chevillot is now working in hi-bay. Come back and see us some time, Charlie.

SPORTS

BASKETBALL TEAM

The basketball team played the Firemen last Monday evening in a league game at the G-E Club. It was a real thriller, especially the last quarter, but the Winter Street boys lost 26-23 in a hectic battle. Ed Pfeiffer scored 17 points to lead Winter Street, while Mike Trott paced the Firemen with 8.

We have added two new men to the team, Louie Davis, who works in Receiving, and Frank Butcher, who works on the second floor. Both of these boys only recently returned from hitches in the Navy.

We will have a practice tonight at the G-E Club at 9 P.M. and a game with Small Motor Office Monday, December 17.

WITH THE M. B. A. PATIENTS

Frank Austin, Harry Beck, Gladys Balliet, Bernice Bridges, Welma E. Buuck, Freida Bunnell, Carl Cochren, George O. Dailey, Mable Dailey, Charles Dingman, Cloyd Dillman, Michael Edsall, Charles Elzey, Sydonna Fox, Blaine Garard, Carl Garretson, Ruth Heckley, Doris Olinger, Wren A. Herbst. Tilman Hirschy, Hallie Hosler, Doris Koehl, Iva LeCoque, Margaret Martin, Jerry Ott, Margaret Penland, Dorothy Rebber, Lucy Roskuski, Ed Rowan, Wm. G. Schaaf, Milo Schmidt, Donna Smith, Virgil Stomberg, Mabel Stoneburner, Celia Stabler, Gerald Stahlman, Lois Waterman, Clara Wheeler, Leo Zuber.

Dismissed from Hospital

Thelma Kistler, Virgil Bobay, Roy Prince.

Returned to Work

Bruce Brown, Orval Harrold, Marie Ackerman, Frank Johnson, Virgil A. Howell, Robert J. Rainey, Byron Huffman, Lela Kittredge, Wanetta E. Roush, Lois M. Tritch, Bexton Bolyard, Michael Mercurio, Imogene Schwartz, Robert H. Sheets, Arthur Bleekman, Betty Karn, Freda Kaiser, John Bandillos, Edward Huhn, Donald Jackson, Mary Hake, Ruth Pretorius, Lillian Miller, Alretia Wafer, Ed Arthur, Robert Wittwer, Mahlon Mericle, Joe Haviland, Otto Ruch, Frances Batzner, Rosella Mae Hecke, Ruth Freeman, Louis Frantz, Maru Swallow, Nelson Klopfenstein, James Quinn, Robert Kessens, Bartha Calumba, Frank Armstrong, Carl Reidel, Ruth Middaugh, Fern Hartman, Marie Thornhill, Wilma Garringer, Zebedee A. Banks, Clyde Crabill, Ralph Beerman, Walter Hardiek, Orval Harrold, Dorothy Kiser, Blaine Garard, Leona Taylor, Hazel M. Martz, George W. Pattee.

Marshall Field's Holds Priority On G-E Television

Intra-store System To Be Installed

Marshall Field and Company department store in Chicago has held for over a year postwar priority number one for the purchase and installation of a General Electric intra-store television system. This was announced today by George S. Peterson, district manager for the G-E Electronics Department.

During the wartime period when construction of all such material for civilian use was frozen, General Electric adopted the plan of accepting orders for postwar installation on a priority basis. The big Chicago store was the first to enter such an arrangement for a television system of the noncommercial type, Peterson said.

Officials of the store said that no detailed plans for the installation of a television system had been made, but indicated a continued interest in the possibilities of television as a sales tool.

"Both inside the store as a service to customers and outside as an advertising medium to consumers, television holds tremendous possibilities," said L. B. Sizer, sales promotion manager. "We are very much interested in the possibilities of television as a selling medium. Given an adequate image, a widespread and responsive audience seems certain to be attracted in the coming years. Such an image and such an audience constitute an almost ideal method of picturing and demonstrating the kind of merchandise we sell at Marshall Field and Company."

W. N. Wehrs in Mexico

Friends of William Wehrs may be a little surprised (and envious too, now that the snows of Winter seem here to stay) to receive cards from him posted from one of the sunny towns of Mexico. The cards are the real thing, however, as the former general superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works and his wife are now vacationing in Mexico City.

Elected Company Vice-Presidents



L. R. Boulware George R. Prout

Lemuel R. Boulware, attached to the staff of the President as consultant on marketing and merchandising and responsible for the operations of G-E affiliates, and George R. Prout, general manager of General Electric's Air Conditioning Department, were last week elected vice-presidents of the Company by the Board of Directors.

Who Says It's a Big World?

Nephew of Fred Zimmerman Visits Aged Grandmother in Switzerland

It's a small world all right, and Fred Zimmerman, Bldg. 2-1, uttered a glad "Amen" to those sentiments recently when he received a Swiss weekly magazine, which featured the visit of his nephew, a captain in Patton's Third Army, to Mr. Zimmerman's 86-year-old mother in Ennenda, Switzerland.

The weekly magazine, "The Wochen Blatter," which Mr. Zimmerman received was printed entirely in German (which inconveniences only your editor, since that is the written language of the country), and the story of Captain Raymond P. Kundert's visit, along with another visiting American soldier's search for his grandmother, was told in the article, "Zwei Yankees Suchen Ihre Grosmutter in Ennenda." Translated in my broken English, that means, "Two Yankees seek their Grandmothers in Ennenda."

Just to suggest that it might be a small world after all, Mr. Zimmerman pointed out that the other "missing" grandma in the story was the mother of a boy with whom he had gone to school. Curiously enough, the two young soldiers had not met until both had arrived in Ennenda on furloughs. It was then that Captain Kundert found the other "ringing doorbells." The two grandma's were eventually found, treated royally, photographed frequently, and given a real chance to get acquainted with the grandsons they had never seen.

The magazine carried six pictures of the visit the boys had with their grandmothers, and many of the backgrounds were familiar spots to Mr. Zimmerman, who came to this country in 1911 from that community. Mr. Zimmerman came to G-E several years ago, after construction was finished at Baer Field and the Supercharger Plant was built.

Old Sol Has Nothing on Us

Artificial Sunlight, Created By G-E Engineers, Duplicates Sun

Artificial sunlight, independent of weather, visibly indistinguishable from the rays of Old Sol, and duplicative in character, even to the point of tanning and warming effects, has been created scientifically by engineers of the Lamp Department, it was announced recently.

Through use of latest developments in the field of illumination, it has been possible to study composition of solar energy, take measurements of sunlight, analyze characteristics and intensity of each spectral band of solar energy, and thus predict types and quantities of modern lamps required to create sunlight artificially, according to G-E engineers.

But not stopping at mere prediction, the illuminating engineers put their findings to work in a combined radiation of light from fluorescent lamps, mercury lamps, sun lamps, and incandescent lamps, and the result was creation of a place where literally "the sun never sets," except by the will of man.

Filtered Through Water

According to a lighting arrangement set up in a G-E Lighting Institute room approximately the size of an ordinary office, six 3,000 watt mercury lamps and two hundred and thirty-four 300 watt incandescent reflector lamps are directed into the room through a wire glass ceiling, over which is flowing a continuous sheet of water. Absorption of some radiation by the water prohibits certain spectral bands of solar energy from passing through the glass ceiling, this action causing distribution of resulting radiation to be similar to that of sunlight. The system thus takes into account selective absorption of certain radiation by water vapor in the air.

On other sections of the ceiling, according to the setup, are a row of 275 watt sun lamps, radiation from which provides a tanning effect, and several rows of 100 watt fluorescent lamps. The section of the ceiling on which the fluorescent lamps are located is constructed of perforated metal sheeting so that a fan may draw off part of the heat from the lamps through the perforations.

This elmination of heat coupled with heat dissipation caused by the continuously-flowing sheet of water, permits an abundance of infra-red rays to be radiated into the room, the engineers say.

Intensity of Sunlight

Comparison characteristics show the sun room to have a maximum of 5,000 foot-candles of illuminating intensity, as against 5,000 to 10,000 foot-candles in actual sunlight; 128 watts per square foot in incident energy in the sun room, as against the same wattage per square foot in actual sunlight; 1,000 to 1,800 "E Vitons," a component of radiation, per square foot in the sun as against 1,000 to 2,000 per square foot in sunlight; 40 per cent near ultra violet energy in the sun room as against 100 per cent in sunlight; and 150 per cent near infra-red energy in the sun room as compared to 100 per cent in sunlight.

The latter ultra violet and infra-red discrepancies were expected and will be corrected shortly by revising the number of fluorescent and sun lamps, it was said.

The G-E Lamp Department's creation of artificial sunlight may well cause California and Florida, states of claimed eternal sunshine to look to their laurels, but Mr. Average Householder need not anticipate lighting his house with "permanent sunshine" as yet. All told, a total power of 100 kilowatts, enough ordinarily to light 100 houses, is necessary to light the many lamps in the G-E sun room.

Electric Heat Pad Reservation

To Employees' Store*

Please reserve an electric heat pad for me and notify me when it is available.

Signed ..... G-E Ext. .....

Building ..... Floor .....

*At Broadway Plant send to Bldg. 10-2; Kokomo Plant to Kokomo Employees' Store; Winter Street Plant to Winter Street Employees' Store; Decatur Plant to Decatur Plant Personnel Office.

Electric Kitchen Clock Reservation

To Employees' Store*

Please reserve an electric kitchen clock for me and notify me when it is available.

Signed ..... G-E Ext. .....

Building ..... Floor .....

*At Broadway Plant send to Bldg. 10-2; Kokomo Plant to Kokomo Employees' Store; Winter Street Plant to Winter Street Employees' Store; Decatur Plant to Decatur Plant Personnel Office.

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RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that.....

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed .....

Location .....

Firemen Lead Division League With No Losses

Small Motor Office and Tool Division Each Have Dropped One Game to Opponents

By Walter Histed

Standings

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Firemen	3	0	1000
Small Motor Office	3	1	.750
Tool Division	3	1	.750
Small Motor Factory	2	1	.667
General Service	2	2	.500
Winter Street	1	2	.333
Transformer	0	3	.000
Messengers	0	4	.000

Results of games, Monday, December 10:

Firemen, 26 Winter Street, 23

After coasting along behind a comfortable lead for three quarters the Firemen were hard pressed to stave off a Winter Street last quarter rally to win 26-23. Holding their green clad opponents to a single point in the first quarter, Manager Don Scherer's men, aided by three baskets by Snyder, stepped into a quarter lead of 8-1. In the second quarter the Firemen matched their scoring of the initial period to build up a 16-6 half time lead. The winners again outscored the East end men in the third stanza 8-6 to build up a three-quarter margin of 24-12. In the final eight minutes paced by the under basket work of Pfeiffer, Manager Kelly's team put on a stirring rally to outscore the winners 11-2 for the quarter and to miss a tie by three points.

Pfeiffer, playing his first game of the season for Winter Street, took scoring honors for the evening by tallying 17 of his team's 23 points. Mike Trott, playing a hard driving game, was high for the winners with 8 points.

The summary:

FIREMEN 26	G.	F.	T.	WINTER ST. 23	G.	F.	T.
Hanic	1	0	2	Malone	0	0	0
Snyder	3	0	6	Romine	0	1	1
Sitko	0	0	0	Pfeiffer	7	3	17
Imel	2	0	4	Herndon	0	0	0
Trott	3	2	8	Beaman	0	0	0
Bohde	0	1	1	Davis	2	1	5
Jackson	1	0	2	Butcher	0	0	0
France	1	1	3				
Lindenberg	0	0	0				
Totals	11	4	26	Totals	9	5	23

Officials: McKenzie and Lytle.

General Service won from Messengers by forfeit.

In two hard fought games Wednesday night, Small Motor Factory edged Transformer 22-21, and Small Motor Office dropped Tool Division out of the undefeated class 26-21.

Small Motor Factory, 22 Transformer, 21

After holding a 19-14 three-quarter lead, Ken Young's Small Motor Factory team barely held on to edge out Transformer 22-21 in Wednesday night's opener. After being behind 9-6 at the quarter, Transformer rallied in the second quarter and pulled into a 14-14 tie at the half-way mark. Schultz with 7 points was high scorer of the game, while his teammate Howard Ropa and Baumgardner, Zimmerman, and Kasimier of the winners each tallied 6 points.

The summary:

TRANSFORMER 21	G.	F.	T.	SM. MOT. FAC. 22	G.	F.	T.
Kempf	0	0	0	Thomas	0	0	0
Nickerson	0	0	0	Williams	2	0	4
Yoder	1	1	3	Baumgardner	2	2	6
Ropa	3	0	6	Young	0	0	0
Schultz	3	1	7	Zimmerman	2	2	6
Ehrman	0	0	0	Kasimier	3	0	6
Altevogt	0	0	0	Pulley	0	0	0
Junk	0	0	0				
Heaston	2	0	4				
Boors	0	1	1				
Totals	9	3	21	Totals	9	4	22

Officials: Fryer and McCoy.

Small Motor Office, 26 Tool Division, 21

Tool Division got away fast to lead Small Motor Office 8-7 at the end of the first quarter, after which Bill Kisler's giant-sized team had things their own way for two quarters running their point total up to 25 points while holding Tool Division to two third-quarter foul tosses to hold a commanding 25-10 lead at the three-quarter mark. Paul Swaim's team put on an 11-point rally in the final quarter while holding the winners to a single foul goal but the winner's lead was too great to overcome. This loss was the first of the season for Tool Division and dropped them into a second place tie with their conquerors, while the Firemen continue undefeated at the top of the league.

Bob Dent with 8 points was the game's high scorer, closely followed by Dolan and Swaim with 6 points each.

The summary:

SM. MOT. OF. 26	G.	F.	T.	TOOL DIVISION 21	G.	F.	T.
Jennings	1	3	5	Spice	0	0	0
Singleton	0	0	0	Hablg	1	2	4
Dolan	2	2	6	Bloom	2	0	4
Dent	3	2	8	Trump	1	1	3
Schuster	2	1	6	Waldrop	1	0	2
Hellenthal	0	0	0	Geise	1	0	2
Schroer	1	0	2	Swaim	2	2	6
Walk	0	0	0	Widner	0	0	0
				Wiese	0	0	0
Totals	9	8	26	Totals	8	5	21

Officials: McCoy and Fryer.

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, December 17:

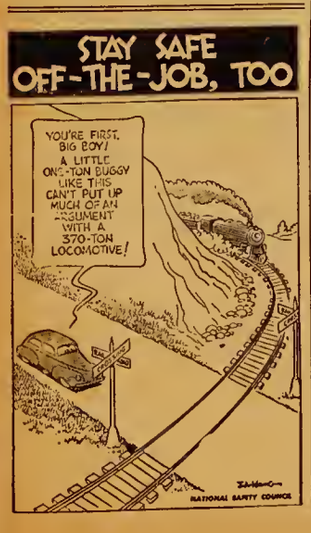
7:30 Small Motor Factory vs. General Service.

8:45 Small Motor Office vs. Winter Street.

Wednesday, December 19:

7:30 Transformer vs. Firemen.

8:45 Messengers vs. Tool Division.



Will Entertain at Elex Party



Bea Herold Harry Gosling

Bea Herold and Harry Gosling are the featured entertainers who will appear on the Christmas program for Elex Club members Thursday, December 20, in the G-E Club. Party for night girls will be at 12:30 P.M., and day girls will be feted at 7:30 P.M. (Story on Page 1.)

KOKOMO KEGLERS KORNER

By W. G. Kretzmann

Shooting another 600 score on December 7, Bob Bergman led the league for the second straight week by posting games of 212, 216 and 201 for a 629. Max Fridlin scored the high single with 233 and a 582 total. Kallmyer hit 214 and a 548. Buesking had the only other 200 at 209 with a 527 count. Newlon shot a 532; Wikel, 528; Evard, 520; Bishoff, 516; Pennycuff and Hubert, each 510; Black, 506. Walker had the most consistent games at 170, 170, and 169 for 509. McGinnitie rolled his best game at 187; Brake got going with a 182 game, and Burton rolled his best series at 433.

Receiving cleanswept Assembly to move into a tie for first place. Punch Press collected two from Small Lot to hold the other end of the tie. Rotors bested Test in two games, Order Service took a pair from Planning, Wage Rate won two from Winders, and Production won all three from General Service. Next week the main attraction is the Punch Press-Receiving match when they battle each other for first place.

The Girls League is coming along very nicely, although they could use a few more regular bowlers. Sorry, their last week's performance was not received in time for this week's Korner.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

Team	Won	Lost
Series & Specialty	25	14
Screwballs	25	14
Firemen No. 4	24	15
General Service	24	15
Laboratory	21	18
Transformer	21	18
Motor Generator	19	20
Shipping	18	21
Wire & Insulation	17	22
Firemen No. 10	16	23
Plastics	14	25
Tool Room	12	27

High Games

200 Games: Haugk, 227; Castle, 223; Weimer, 222; Matthews, 219, 200; Hanauer, 217, 204; Nickerson, 215; Crowell, 214; Ropa, 214; Rose, 214, 210; Gick, 208; Oesch, 203; Barrier, 203; Thlele, 202; Starke, 201; Brimeyer, 200.

Midland Hands G-E Club 61-42 Defeat

The G-E Club bowed in defeat to Dow Chemicals of Midland, Mich., with a score of 61-42, but before doing so they gave the local five a good battle. Wintermuke, who garnered 11 field goals and scored 24 points for the Midland team, was the main reason why the Club was beaten.

The Dows were in the lead only seven to 10 points most of the way, but pulled away in the final quarter to score 24 points to G-E's 12. Ted Reed led the Club with 14 points.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	MIDLAND	G.	F.	T.
Miller	0	2	2	Hartman	1	0	2
Lowden	2	0	4	Finnegan	1	1	3
Reed	6	2	14	Martens	2	0	4
Magnusson	2	0	4	Wright	2	1	6
Krieg	3	2	8	Wint'muke	11	2	24
Schnieder	2	2	6	Reeder	0	0	0
VanRyn	2	0	4	Smick	2	2	6
				T.Brown	3	0	6
				Johnson	3	3	9
				D.Brown	1	0	2
Totals	17	8	42	Totals	26	9	61

Half score—Midland 26-16.

Office Bowling League

Standings

	Won	Lost
Amplidynes	26	16
Aircraft	25	17
Dynamos	24	18
Plant Engineering	24	18
Blueprint	22	20
Motor Generator	22	20
Designers	22	20
Standardizing	21	21
Convertors	20	22
Alternators	20	22
G-E Club	14	28
General Service	12	30

High Games

600 Series: Shroyer, 209, 257, 140—606.

200 Games: Goss, 218; Moore, 201; Waldrop, 210; Blomker, 201.

Fort Wayne Girls Defeat Decatur 31-20 Tuesday

All G-E Night Provided For Basketball Fans

The G-E Club Girls defeated the Decatur G-E team 31-20 in the all G-E night at the Club gym last Tuesday, when the girls played the preliminary to the men's game.

The Fort Wayne girls played listlessly in the first quarter, but in the second period were sparked by little Betty Puff and forged in to a 20-10 lead at the half.

Both teams were inaccurate at the foul line, Fort Wayne missing 13 out of 20 and Decatur missing the hoop on all 7 they attempted. Betty Eisenacher led the Fort Wayne girls with 6 points, while Kohn topped Decatur scoring with 10 points.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	DECATUR	G.	F.	T.
Emenhiesser	1	0	2	Royer	0	0	0
Fitch	2	0	4	Bollnger	0	0	0
Puff	2	1	6	Kohn	6	0	10
Amstutz	2	0	4	Smith	2	0	4
Williams	2	0	4	McClean	2	0	4
Varner	0	1	1	Painter	1	0	2
Whiteleather	2	1	6	Bower	0	0	0
Eisenacher	1	4	6				
Totals	12	7	31	Totals	10	0	20

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Evaporators	24	15
Compressors	22	17
Drafting	22	17
Machinists	22	17
Planners	21	18
Maintenance	20	19
Grinders	19	20
Designers	18	21
Power Drive	18	21
Testers	17	22
Toolmakers	16	23
Engineers	15	24

Compressors won three games from Toolmakers; Planners won three games from Machinists; Engineers won two games from Drafting; Grinders won two games from Maintenance; Power Drive won two games from Testers; Designers won two games from Evaporators.

George Haggenjos led the scoring parade for the evening with a 614 series including three 200 games. The individual games were 204, 200, and 210. Other 200 games were Geller 225, Piepenbrink 225, Benecke 218, D. Kirke 207, Rinehart 206, and Wiehe 204.

By virtue of his 614 count, Haggenjos raised his average 2 points to 178 and is now within striking distance of the leader, Tom Piepenbrink, who has a 184 average. Arnold Benecke, last year's leader, is third with 177. Dean Rinehart is fourth with 174, and Ralph Billings, fifth with 172.

Roy Meeks got away from his gutter ball barrage of a week ago and did somewhat better this week. With strenuous effort he managed to come through with a 99.

INTER-DIVISION SCORING LEADERS

(Included games played Monday, December 10)

Player	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Imel, Firemen		3	14	3	7	6	31
Cook, General Service		3	11	6	12	1	28
Hanic, Firemen		3	12	1	4	6	25
Trump, Tool Division		3	9	6	10	6	23
Hanefelt, General Service		3	9	4	13	9	22
Kasimier, Small Motor Factory		2	8	4	4	4	20
Trott, Firemen		3	9	2	6	3	20
Bloom, Tool Division		3	7	5	20	10	19
Pfeiffer, Winter Street		1	7	3	6	1	17
Schuster, Small Motor Office		3	6	6	9	0	17
Snyder, Firemen		3	7	3	7	2	17

Dow Chemicals Have Return Game Tuesday

Play With Visiting Teams



Slim Wintermute

Slim Wintermute, 6 foot 8 inch center, will make his appearance in Fort Wayne Tuesday night with the strong Dow Chemical team. Slim was a major factor in setting the Club team back on its heels in their first engagement with the Dow Five, and the G-E men are out to stop him this time. Slim is considered one of the outstanding centers in the country.



Jim Sankey

Jim Sankey, 6 foot 1 inch player from Akron, Ohio, will be one of the outstanding players the G-E Club team will meet in the Club gym Saturday night when they are scheduled to meet the Akron Goodyears at 8:30 P.M.

G-E Club Team Is Out To Avenge 61-42 Defeat at Midland, Saturday

Visitors Have One of the Strongest Teams In Midwest

By Bob Kessens

The Dow Chemicals, conquerors of the Zollner Pistons and the Chicago Monarchs, will make their initial appearance in Fort Wayne when they play the Club team in a return game at the Club gym here Tuesday night, December 18, at 8:30 P.M. The Club team, smarting under a 61-42 defeat at Midland last Saturday night, will be out to avenge this defeat with all the power they can put into the game. The score does not indicate the game put up by the local Club as they were missing quite a few shots in the last quarter, but the locals hope to find their basket eyes and hand the Dows their first loss of the season.

Dow will floor a powerful team consisting of some of the greatest names in basketball in the Midwest. The Dow team is also a member of the newly organized National Industrial Conference consisting of Class A Industries throughout the nation.

Lineup Given

Their lineup includes the following prominent players:

Ray Patterson, forward, 6 feet, 3 inches, graduate of the University of Wisconsin where he has been an outstanding star in the Big 10 for the last three years, very quick and an outstanding shot; Harvey Martens, forward, 6 feet, 1 inch, graduate of the University of Purdue, one of the fastest men in basketball; Tom Brown, forward, 5 feet, 11 inches, New York City, quick, fast, and a very good shot; Slim Wintermute, center, 6 feet, 8 inches, graduate of the University of Oregon, one of the outstanding centers in the country, good shot, quite fast for his size.

Others Listed

Also Huck Hartman, center, 6 feet, 8 inches, graduate of George Washington University, picked as All Professional center from the professional league last year, very good off both backboards. Outstanding feature of these two centers is that they are both left hand shooters; Dick Brown, guard, 5 feet, 11 inches, graduate of Air Technical School in Los Angeles, Calif., wonderful shot, good passer, fast and very good defensive player; Danny Smick, guard, 6 feet, 5 inches, graduate of the University of Michigan, where he was one of the five 9-letter men, very good defensively, one of the best men in the country in getting the ball off the defensive backboard; Bill Johnson, guard, 6 feet, 2 inches, graduate of the University of Wisconsin, where he was one of the fastest guards in the Big 10 last year, very good defensive player, was a team mate of Ray Patterson at Wisconsin; Andy Mashino, guard, 6 feet, 3 inches, played in the Valley during his High school days with Flint Central, attended Ypsilanti Normal, very good rebound man and defensive player; and Ed Finnegan, guard, 6 feet, 2 inches, New York City, fast, good passer and very good defensive man.

This will be the last game for the Club until January 5, as they will play no games during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

As always these games are open to the employees and their friends, so let's come out and boost the teams by packing the gym.

G-E Tossers Drop Decatur, 47-28

G-E Club had little trouble from Decatur G-E Tuesday night and walked off with a 47-28 decision. The Club team was ahead all the way leading 17-6 at the end of the first period, 25-15 at half time and 30-20 at the three-quarter mark.

Ralph Miller led the Fort Wayne scorers with 12 points and Lynch paced the Decatur attack with seven tallies.

The summary:

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	DECATUR G-E	G.	F.	T.
Miller,f	6	0	12	Melchl,f	0	0	0
VanRyn,f	3	0	6	August,f	0	1	1
Magnusson,c	2	1	5	Jollinger,f	2	0	4
Reed,c	2	0	4	Stapleton,f	1	0	2
Schneider,g	2	3	7	Iess,c	0	2	2
Lowden,g	1	0	2	Fruchte,c	2	1	5
Krieg,g	4	1	9	Arnold,g	1	0	2
Allen,g	1	0	2	McConnell,g	2	0	4
				Strickler,g	0	0	0
				Lynch,g	2	3	7
				Murphy,g	0	1	1
Totals	21	5	47	Totals	10	8	28

Akron Goodyears Meet G-E Clubmen Here Saturday Night

By Bob Kessens

The Akron Goodyears, who year in and year out floor good basketball quintets, will show their wares to the G-E Club fans and their friends Saturday night, December 15, in the clash carded for 8:30 P.M. They come to Fort Wayne boasting a formidable line-up of college stars and will give the Club plenty of trouble. They have only played two games at the date of this writing, winning one and losing one. The Club team will be in the best of condition and have hopes that Allen will be back in the line-up for this game. The team has been winning at a fifty per cent clip and figuring the type of competition they have been meeting this season they seem to be holding their own.

Akron will send the following men against the Clubmen in a clash that will be a most interesting and hard-fought game: Jim Montgomery, Rudy Sederquist, Jim Sankey, John Wiggers, Frank Yahner, Don Bennett, Robert Cluggish, and Bill Falor.

Cathode ray tubes, the "heart" of electronic equipment, are put through a series of 30 rigid tests by electrical manufacturers.

G-E Baseball Team May Enter New Semi-Pro League

By Walter Histed

The G-E Club Baseball team may play next summer in the proposed Michigan-Indiana Semi-Pro League. Merlin Sweet, president of the G-E Club and Manager Charles (Red) Braden represented the Club at an organization meeting last Sunday at Lafayette.

Representatives were present from South Bend, Michigan City, Lafayette, and Saint Joseph, Michigan, as well as from the G-E Club. Holland and Kalamazoo were also reported as being interested in entering the proposed circuit.

Present plans call for the formation of a six-club league with the possibility that the circuit may be expanded into an eight-club affair.

Officials of the loop will meet on January 12 at Lafayette to adopt league rules and to elect officers.

G-E Club Girls Meet Dayton Saturday

The G-E Club Girls, supporting the strong bill scheduled for the men's team, will play the Dayton, Ohio, girls Saturday, December 15, in the Club gym at 7:30 P.M.

The Dayton Riding Academy girls have one of the strongest girls' teams in the Middle West, and Saturday night's doubleheader should be the basketball highlight of this season.

Many a man who takes a chance would be glad of a chance to put it back.

Main Office Defeats Small Motor Office In Women's League

In the Girls' Inter-division Basketball play last Thursday, December 6, the Main Office team again showed a lot of power to win 35-10 from Small Motor Office. Milhouse led the attack with 12 points, and Stanski was high scorer for the losing team with 6 points.

In the game scheduled for 7:30 P.M., Small Motor Factory was forced to forfeit when not enough players appeared to play the Motor-Generator team. A practice game was held, however, when the Motor-Generator squad divided and teamed with the Factory girls.

No games have been scheduled for Thursday, December 20, since the Elex Club Christmas party will be held that night.

Transformer Division ● Bowling League ●

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Standings

	Won	Lost
Toys	13	2
D	11	4
Volts	10	5
Coils	9	6
Radios	9	6
Autos	6	9
E - I	7	8
Bells	6	9
M	6	9
Watts	5	10
Ohms	5	10
U - I	3	12

High Games

600 Series: Fletter 269, 146, 189—604; Kuntz 201, 190, 214—605.

Three High for Evening: Kuntz, 605; Fletter, 604; Meeker, 539.

Bolster Girls' Team Attack



Betty Eisenacher



Tommy Williams

Well known to all G-E sports fans are Tommy Williams and Betty Eisenacher, both of whom have been outstanding in women's athletic activities for several years. Tommy is playing her third year with the G-E Club team and has been high scorer every season. She's running true to form again this year and is well up in front with points put through the hoop. She plays the center position.

Betty is also playing her third year with the Club team, and despite her lack of size, can generally garner several points each game. Playing the guard position, Betty is known as the "brains" of the team because of her ability to keep the girls settled down and playing well.

Merry Christmas

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Merry Christmas

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Gala Parties Mark Peacetime Christmas

Decatur Plant Party Set For Sunday at Three

Junior-Senior High School To Be Scene Of Annual Affair

Decatur G-E employees and their families will be feted by the Decatur G-E Club Sunday, when the annual Christmas Party of the organization will be held in the Junior-Senior High School at 3 P.M.

An outstanding stage show, including professional acts that have played to audiences throughout the country, has been planned by the committee, Jay Moser, chairman of the entertainment committee, has announced. Santa will make an apeparance at the party too, and kiddies will be treated with special gifts.

The acts include the Murphy's and their marionettes; Judy and Zeke, the hillbilly rubes; a comedy drunk scene, complete with light post and a little dog that keeps

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Children To Be Feted at Club Party Saturday

Shows Set for 10 A.M., 1, 3, 5, and 7 P.M.: Kiddies To Get Gifts

The annual G-E Club Christmas Party for children will be held tomorrow, Saturday, December 22 at the G-E Club. Five acts have been booked, with shows to be given at 10 A.M., 1 P.M., 3 P.M., 5 P.M., and 7 P.M.

Among the acts booked by the G-E Club Entertainment Committee are Jerry Coe, one of Chicago's better-known accordionists and dancers; Whitey Harris, clown of many antics; Jimmy Nelson, a fine young ventriloquist, and his pal Chuckles; the acrobatic "prince of comedy" Bob Perry, and Falth King's circus, including dog and pony acts. Whitey Harris, the clown, will be the master of ceremonies.

Everyone of these acts are outstanding professional acts that

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Rumor Clinic

Answers to questions received by the Rumor Clinic editor in recent weeks are printed on Page 7 of today's WORKS NEWS. Some questions asked by employees of other Works using the feature are also incorporated in today's Rumor Clinic column.

Notice

The Fort Wayne Works will observe New Year's Day, January 1, as a holiday. The works will in general close on this day. On Monday, December 31, the day before New Year's Day, the factory and office will work the regular schedule.

M. E. Lord, Manager

Christmas Greetings

To the Fort Wayne Works employees who are still members of the armed forces in all parts of the world, I send greetings and express the hope that you, too, will soon be on your way home.

We feel proud of your services to our Country, and this appreciation naturally extends to those of you who have already come home.

To all the employees of the Fort Wayne Works, either at home or abroad, I extend the Season's Greetings and my wishes for a Merry Christmas.

M. E. Lord,
Works Manager

Old Christmas Tale Reprinted from Works Of Heywood Broun

Once there were three kings in the East, and they were wise men. They read the heavens, and they saw a certain strange star by which they knew that in a distant land the King of the world was to be born. The star beckoned to them, and they made preparations for a long journey.

From their palaces they gathered rich gifts—gold and frankincense and myrrh. Great sacks of precious stuffs were loaded upon the backs of the camels which were to bear

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Christmas Greetings

To the men and women of General Electric:

Christmas, the beginning of a new year, sets the stage with more sincerity and goodwill than any other season. It is a time when most of us search ourselves for kindness, for reverence, for faith, and perhaps for courage, in order that we may make a little gift of these precious qualities to others.

A year ago our common need for the things that Christmas brings seemed all the greater in the black despair of a world war. Now we have the beginnings of the peace we sought with such determination, but the way back to a friendly and progressive world seemed not quite as easy or immediate as we

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Christmas Can Be Safe, Too

No spoil-sport, the WORKS NEWS is sure everybody can have just as merry a Christmas if it is a safe Christmas. Fire is the biggest offender, and annually he takes his toll of the property and lives of those who do not have a wholesome respect for him. That respect can be shown by observing a few simple safety rules.

Most Christmas trees, given a few days in the house, are tinder-dry. Even with electric lighting, a spark from poor wiring can set one ablaze and the house with it. Trees can be kept fresh if their trunks are cut off at an angle about an inch above the original cut and the tree kept standing in water, which should be added to occasionally to replace evaporated volume.

The old-fashioned candle is a bad actor and simply cannot be trusted. But worn electric circuits are a menace, too. Examine your Christmas lighting equipment carefully and replace suspicious plugs and contacts. Elaborate house decorations can be a very serious hazard, and if more than simple things are to be used, the materials should be of the flame-proofed type, which can be purchased at many stores.

Cotton batting and paper in costumes will ignite easily; too many Santas' whiskers have caught fire in the past to dismiss that danger lightly. If they are not naturally fireproof they can be fireproofed. Care should be taken with heat operated toys and electrical novelties if they do not bear the label of Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc.

These measures, suggested by the National Safety Council, are medicine that is not too hard to take. And failure to follow them may make all the difference between a merry and a tragic Christmas.

Including the Shouting

"Some day, when the war's over," we used to say dreamily. "After the war"——

After the war was the future-then. That was six months, a year, two years ago. But now—THIS is after-the-war. It's the present—this very minute! And it's also the parade of years arching onward toward the future which none of us can discern too clearly.

Yes, everything's over now, *including the shouting*. Everything, that is, except the FINAL job of all—achieving the success of the Victory Loan Drive. On that success will depend the fulfillment of those wonderful dreams which sustained us when the going was so tough. On that success will depend our future—and that's just exactly like your hat—*it belongs to you alone!* You can cut it to any size. You can mold it into any shape and style that suits you.

Your future—AMERICA'S FUTURE—is just exactly what you choose to make it. It's up to you whether we have a land of busy factories and industrious men and women—*a land free from the fear of insecurity and want.*

The bonds that you buy in the Victory Loan Drive—*the bonds you continue to buy regularly out of your earnings—the bonds you hold to maturity*—will set the machinery of that bright postwar world into gear.

—Dayton Rubber News

Because Americans worked harder, used more ingenuity, gave better service, and trained themselves to be the best salesmen in the world, we became the foremost industrial nation of the world.

CHRISTMAS - 1945



For the great majority of G-E men and women, this will be the Christmas they have dreamed about. Even if all the men of the Armed Forces are not already home, none is in danger from the enemy. It will be the Christmas that men in olive drab and bell-bottom trousers longed for in rain-drenched foxholes and on the heaving decks of ships in icy, submarine-infested seas. And for those sorrowful ones whose men will never come back, this holiday will be one of the things their heroes died to save.

So it's Christmas cheer and gladness again, though there were times during the last four years when it may have seemed doubtful to some that there would be a victory to keep sacred the kind of Christmas in which America has delighted through the ages. The fighting spirit of her people, including those who built the weapons for victory, won its way through. And the vision of those people must and will win a peace which will preserve what they won.

DOTS • • • • • AND — — — DASHES FROM 26-2

Dear Readers:—In the way of "scooping" or should I say "snooping," we have the following: Eileen Daniels celebrated a birthday on Sunday, and so we are giving our belated congratulations at this time. . . . The Morrie Robinsons blessed-evented this past week and now have a bouncing baby boy weighing eight pounds and six ounces. He has been named James Lynn Robinson. Congratulations to all. . . . Well, at last the "Orphans" have found themselves a home. Hank Jones says, "They are moving from the south to the north to be a ——Yankee." For any interested persons the new home is to be on the corner of Spring and Runnion. . . . Last week Bob Rowe's little girls became quite ill and was rushed to the hospital. We are hoping she recovers rapidly. . . . Edna Pinkham was ticket chairman for the formal dance sponsored by the Signia Beta Sorority and she really broke all records as a ticket salesman. As a result there were many people present at this function on Saturday night from the Transformer Division, namely: Jean and Bob Altevogt, Kenny Disler and wife, Gale Meeks and wife, Jack Shaw and wife, Esther Walda, Virginia Cox, Katty Dinkle, and Therese Ueber. From all reports a gay time was had by all. . . . On the last day of her vacation Penny Nettrour took a tumble down the stairs. A fine way to end a vacation. . . . Kenny Disler also celebrated a birthday on Sunday. Congratulations to you, too. . . . Friday night Johnny Nieman took a friend to the junk yard, so the story goes, and managed to drive his car into a rut of snow and got hung up, besides in attempting to get out he broke the starter spring. . . . We wish to welcome back Walter Beery to the Cost Section upon his return from the Army, a year and a half of which he spent overseas with a Field Artillery Battalion. . . . Harry Gargett has finally been successful in finding a home and is moving this week to the corner of Lynn and State Blvd. . . . It seems a shame to have waited so long to get Carl Tagtmeyer's name in this column, but this is the first occasion we have been able to get anything on him and now we have to report he has the flu. We do hope he recovers quickly. . . . We also have a flu victim in the Sales Office, Ormonde (Snuffy) Smith, Jr. Not much fun, is it, Snuffy? We hope you're well soon for we'd hate for you to miss out on the Christmas fun. . . . Christmas is coming, you know—and I am sure you do from the reports that we are getting on parties being planned. The girls in the Production Section went to the Victory Club on Wednesday night and had an exchange of gifts. The Sales office is not to be outdone, though; the girls went out for lunch and exchanged gifts Thursday noon at the English Terrace. Then Friday noon the entire office is surprising the boss, P. M. Staehle, with a Christmas luncheon at the Victory Club. So the fastive season is on hand and I want to wish you one and all a very Merry Christmas.

Chistmas Greetings

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had imagined. We seem to have exchanged our one big adversary, whom we had come to know and measure, for a host of small ones, and we are surrounded by the confusion and misunderstanding that is the inevitable backwash of war.

Yet if we deserve our peace, it seems to me that we must earn it, with the same intelligence and spirit with which we fought the war, with the same desire for national unity, with the same willingness to submerge for the common good. There is no better place for us to begin to practice kindness, courage, and understanding than at home, and no better time to begin than this holiday season. May this first peacetime Christmas be just as happy as you desire it to be, for you and your family.

C. E. Wilson

G-E Exposure Meters Will Be Available to Employees Soon

Reservation Blanks Must Be Mailed to Own Plant Store

An assignment of exposure meters will be available at the Fort Wayne Works Employees' Stores soon, H. R. Shepherd, Employees' Store, announced today. Reservations for these meters may be made by mailing in the coupon printed below for that purpose.

The employees must mail the reservation blanks to the plant store at which they are located. Broadway Plant employees will mail their coupons to Bldg. 10-2; Winter Street employees, to Winter Street Employees' Store; Decatur Plant, to the Decatur Personnel Office; and Kokomo Plant employees will mail their reservations to the Kokomo Employees' Store.

The employee's name will be placed on the reservation list by mailing in the order blank, and he will be notified when the meters arrive. All orders received before Wednesday, December 26, at 12 Noon will be placed in a blind drawing and drawn out one at a time for numbering. This will determine the priority in which orders will be filled.

Reservations that are received after 12 Noon, Wednesday, will naturally be placed at the end of the list as they are received. No telephone or personal orders will be taken until all other reservations have been taken care of.

No Rumor

Help Wanted To Run Down Drawings That Were Lost in Transit

It may be lost, strayed, or stolen, but W. K. Gregg of the Plant Engineering Section, Bldg. 20-2, would like some help in locating a two-foot-square box of drawings recently mailed to him from the Taylor Street Plant.

The drawings covered heating equipment at the Taylor Street Plant and were supposedly mailed to Broadway in a cardboard packing box. And what's more, they're badly missed.

If you've been kicking an old box around under your desk for some time, you might check, and then notify Mr. Gregg, Phone 597, if you have a lead on the missing drawings.

One accident can upset your whole world.

Here And There
BUILDING 17-4

"My sincere thanks for the beautiful gifts received on my last day with the test group. It's very difficult to express one's feelings, especially when so pleasantly surprised. It's been a pleasure working with such a swell gang and sorry to leave you." Leona. . . . The big event of the week, as far as concerned employees of Bldg. 17-4, was their annual Christmas Party. Even though the thermometer read below zero, there was still a big turn out. Mark Hennigh took the role of master of ceremonies, and did a grand job of keeping things lively as well as exciting. Some well chosen phrases were used to describe a few members of the choir, who were called upon to sing. One of the exciting things was the introducing of Mr. Hanson, superintendent, who gave an impromptu talk. Paul and Cleo furnished the entertainment for the first part of the evening, which everyone enjoyed. Many attendance prizes were given, the largest being a 13 pound ham, which was won by Ed Bradburry, who carried it around the rest of the evening for fear of having it taken. The Christmas gifts were distributed by Santa Claus, but we know him here at work as Paul Redmerski. Say, Paul, do those whiskers tickle? The dance music was furnished by Earl Gebert and his band. Refreshments, consisting of delicious ham sandwiches, baked beans, relishes, potato chips, cheese, braunschweiger, cake and ice cream, coffee, and soft drinks were served. We know that everyone appreciated the work of the party committees, with Larry Reed as chairman, in arranging such a swell party. Special efforts were made by Dick Seidel, who did more than his share of the work and was appreciated by the rest of the committees. . . . Charley Hunt, our other archer who turned to the north woods for adventure, also came back empty handed. You may ask him the story of how close he came to bringing home the venison. That was a close call, huh, Charley? . . . We find that occasionally people on this floor lose their sense of direction. One night last week, James Kelley and Lester Myers walked out to the Fairfield parking lot, scratched their heads, then merrily skipped back over to the Taylor Street parking lot where their little car was waiting patiently. . . . Vacationing this week are Mary Mobley and Charley Hunt. We miss those smiling faces.

Squares Announce New Year's Dance

Guy Fitzsimmons To Play For December 31 Affair

Ring out the old; ring in the new!

The G-E Squares today announced the postwar version of the annual, semi-formal New Year's Eve Dance to be held December 31, 1945, at the Squares Hall. Guy Fitzsimmons and his orchestra, of Lazy Listenin' Time fame, are the feature of the varied program. Entertainment and fun for all will be the order of the evening, committee members have promised.

Mr. "Old Year" and the "New Year Babe" are expected to make an appearance at the crucial hour. The final program of the year promises to give all members a well deserved reward for the fine work they have put into the club rooms this year.

In order to allow time for preparing the club rooms for the New Year's Eve Dance, the regular Friday night Open House will not be held December 21 and 28. Open House activities will be resumed on Friday evening, January 4.

GAB-A-BOUT
? ? 4-5

Joyous Noel—or, in other words, Merry Christmas! It's the same ole greeting but a little more of that old feeling behind it—the spirit we had back in 1940. It's been a long, tough war for the boys but now many, many of them are home again to make it one of the happiest holiday seasons for everyone. . . . Speaking of the boys returning, we have had several return to work just recently. We welcome back Louis Tagtmeyer, Vern Green, Francis Fann, Bill Vachon, Voil Latourette, Jack Dunifon, and Errol Cunningham. . . . Congratulations and a lifetime of happiness

Wait till we get the dope on where they vacationed, and we'll have quite a story. . . . This week we again take time out to give thanks for the first holiday season in five years in which we again have peace on earth. Soon most of our boys scattered all over the world will be coming home. Let us all pray that never again will our land be darkened by the hatred and bitterness of war. Let us thank God that he spared our land. This Christmas we can go to our homes knowing that once more we live in the greatest country on earth. May our flag forever wave over the land that our boys died and gave their all to save.

News from Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

That man—you know, the one we were waiting for with the big long hook, and we finally cornered him, and we found out it was Al Barrier, and we were so surprised? —well, he's gone again! Took his wife and son with him to spend the holidays in Texas—his first Christmas at home in eight years! He was so excited, we were practically swept along in the rush! Personally, my preference is for a Christmas with all the traditional snow and icicles and stuff, but those Texas holidays are pretty super too with their friendly custom of "open house" everywhere on Christmas Eve, and the holly and mistletoe growing right there on yon prairie, etc. To a Texas-bred Ranger like to Jack Dunifon, who has been off this week on his honeymoon. . . . If you listened to the football game between Washington and Cleveland last Sunday, did you hear any shrieks or screams? If you did, it could have been some women thinking that they were seeing a bear. It was really only George Langenberg all bundled up in a great coat, boots, hat, muffler, earmuffs, gloves, etc. Were you warm enough, George? . . . Henry Birch and Frank Wagner certainly were having trouble getting their boots on last Friday. They pushed, pulled, stomped, twisted, and struggled something terrific! Someone finally broke down and helped them to discover that their boots had some packing stuffed in the toes—after all we didn't want them to miss their street car. Of course we wouldn't think of telling them which blonde pulled that trick on them. . . . Elaine Sutter is really proud and we don't blame her. She cooked her first "fowl" last Sunday, and everything turned out beautifully. But most important is that her husband was able to eat it and really enjoyed her cooking, 'tis reported. That's what makes her so happy. . . . Wayne Bubb, Navy, visited the floor last week. We truly appreciate these boys taking the time to come visit us when they are home. . . . Irma Snyder certainly has been floating around on the clouds since last week. That's right—her Bill is home. . . . Leola Hart's and Marcelle Kimmell's friends are home, too. Marcelle was ill last week with the flu but is now back this week and with a beautiful diamond engagement ring! . . . Some of you will be interested to know that Wanda Groves, former employee and now a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital, also has a diamond. . . . Kenny Szink and Pat O'Brien are the happy fathers who now have their sons home from the war for keeps. . . . Although we have been welcoming a lot of people back, at the same time we are missing some familar faces around here. Cora Zimmerman has been transferred to Bldg. 19-5 and Evelyn Swaim has left the Company. We sure hated to see Evelyn leave, as we will miss her gay, bright personality around here. . . . Walt Gusching was really taken to lunch by surprise recently. The Raw Material gang had a lunch for Walt at the Varsity Club to celebrate his birthday. He received a very handsome cigarette lighter from the gang. C. J. Lopshire and O. C. Winefer were a great help in making the arrangements and maneuvering Walt to the right place for lunch. . . . The Bldg. 4-5 office girls had a Christmas party and gift exchange last week with our most recent bride, Betty Erne, as the guest of honor. Betty received a crystal and gold table lamp as a wedding gift from the office gang. . . . Warning!—Over the week-end, don't try what Gene Firestone recently pulled. Along in the wee hours of the morning Mr. Firestone decided to take a hot bath because he couldn't sleep. It put him to sleep all right—right in the bathtub! He slept there till morning. How's the water, Gene, pretty cold after all those hours? . . . That's all for now folks and be sure to have a very Merry Christmas and don't eat too much!

Al, it's TOPS! . . . Bettie Beaman has returned from a week's vacation, the latter half of which was spent amid the howling winter blasts floating around Chicago's Loop! A wonderful place to finish your Christmas shopping if your insurance is paid up, and if your friends don't mind receiving some old beaten up remnants from last year's fire sale! And the queer ODORS wafted out of her suitcase-for-packages! They DO have unusual cheeses and sausages in Chicago, but would YOU have tucked them in your suitcase on a hot, crowded train? Well, anyway, you can always count on Bettie to sorta break up the general monotony of things! . . . Phyllis and Louise are frantically making plans for our Christmas party, and along with everything else, that's really an accomplishment. Charlie Harris sez Phyllis is even walking fast these days! . . . And now, if you can stand it, here's my heartiest wish for all of you—

No matter how you say it, it has
the same old ring!
It's the happiest, cheeriest greeting
the year can ever bring—
We're saying it again to you—this
wish that's tried and true—
Have a Glorious Merry Christmas,
and a year that's right for you!

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

Sorry to hear that we are losing a few gals from our division, namely: Jean Snyder, Vera Leitch, Sylvia Nelson, and Leona Henry. Hope you like your new jobs and good luck to you all. . . . Helen Nord and Wanetta Schulte have both quit to resume their household tasks. Husbands are home now, ya' know! We'll miss you both! . . . Naomi Eicher is ill this week, but we hope she'll be back with us again soon. . . . Jane Campbell is on vacation this week. How we envy you! Getting to stay home where it's nice and warm on these cool, breezy mornings like we've been having lately. Cool and breezy, ha, it's just downright freezing! Brr-r-r! . . . Poiry has a couple days' vacation this week, also. We assume she is still moving. I'll bet she's enjoying the weather, too. . . . Not much news for this time, but we'll see you next week.

G-E Exposure Meter Reservation

To Employees' Store*

Please reserve an exposure meter for me and notify me when it is available.

Signed ..... Clock No. .....

Building ..... Floor .....

*At Broadway Plant send to Bldg. 10-2; Kokomo Plant to Kokomo Employees' Store; Winter Street Plant to Winter Street Employees' Store; Decatur Plant to Decatur Plant Personnel Office.

You Can't Buy It . . .



BUT WHY WORRY. THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE THAT BRINGS HAPPY FACES AT CHRISTMAS TIME BESIDES THE GIFTS THAT SANTA PUTS IN YOUR STOCKINGS—BUT YOU CAN'T BUY IT. At this time of the year it seems that everybody WANTS to be happy. An accident could subdue or destroy this happiness. The General Works Safety Committee as a whole and the performance of each individual member, in his respective division or other specialized safety duties, has conscientiously endeavored to reduce this menace to your happiness throughout the year. I am sure YOU will join me in wishing them a Very Merry and Safe Christmas. They are—

W. J. Hockett, E. W. Witte, Elmer Fretz, J. L. Fagen, Norman Griffin, N. O. Leedy, A. F. Thieme, Don Trump, Robert Kukla, L. K. Bodenhamer, Tom Safford, F. C. Graffe, Phil Dolby, George Zollers, Henry Carnall, Carl Rehling, Clarence Young, E. J. Cade, E. Hanauer, W. B. Hartman, A. G. Gardt, Clara Gebring, Joe Rodermund, Chas. Briggs, Norbert Meyer, Eugene Walborn and H. B. Reynolds.

Note: Paul Vogt, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee of the G-E Club, appears to be quite happy in the above picture, despite the fact that he must make the G-E kiddies happy at the annual Christmas party without the aid of his favorite gift (the balloon). Paul estimates that he and his committee, over a period of years, distributed almost 100,000 balloons. We think it is appropriate for Paul to wish us all a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Old Christmas

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them on their journey. Everything was in readiness, but one of the wise men seemed perplexed and would not come at once to join his two companions, who were eager and impatient to be on their way in the direction indicated by the star.

They were old—these two kings—and the other wise man was young. When they asked him he could not tell why he waited. He knew that his treasuries had been ransacked for rich gifts for the King of kings. It seemed that there was nothing more which he could give, and yet he was not content.

He made no answer to the old men, who shouted to him that the time had come. The camels were impatient and swayed and snarled. The shadows across the desert grew longer. And still the young king sat and thought deeply.

At length he smiled and he ordered his servants to open the great treasure sack upon the back of the first of his camels. Then he went into a high chamber to which he had not been since he was a child. He rummaged about and presently came out and approached the caravan. In his hand he carried something which glinted in the sun.

The kings thought that he bore some new gift more rare and precious than any which they had been able to find in all their treasure rooms. They bent down to see, and even the camel drivers peered from the backs of the great beasts to find out what it was which gleamed in the sun. They were curious about this last gift for which all the caravan had waited.

And the young king took a toy from his hand and placed it upon the sand. It was a dog of tin, painted white and speckled with black spots. Great patches of paint had worn away and left the metal clear, and that was why the toy shone in the sun, as if it had been silver.

The youngest of the wise men turned a key in the side of the little black and white dog, and then he stepped aside so that the kings and the camel drivers could see. The dog leaped high in the air and turned a somersault. He turned another and another and then fell over upon his side and lay there with a set and painted grin upon his face.

A child—the son of a camel driver—laughed and clapped his hands, but the kings were stern. They rebuked the youngest of the wise men and he paid no attention but called to his chief servant to make the first of all the camels kneel. Then he picked up the toy of tin and, opening the treasure sack, placed his last gift with his own hands in the mouth of the sack so that it rested safely upon the soft bags of incense.

"What folly has seized you?" cried the eldest of the wise men. "Is this a gift to bear to the King of kings in the far country?"

And then the young man answered and said, "For the King of kings there are gifts of great richness—gold and frankincense and myrrh. But this," he said, "is for the child of Bethlehem!"

Coolidge Gets Award Of Merit from Chile

Dr. William D. Coolidge, formerly Vice President and Director of Research of General Electric, who is now touring South America with Mrs. Coolidge, has been awarded the Order of Merit of the Chilean Government.

Children To Be

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have had good runs in large cities besides having entertained throughout the country. The children were in mind when the show was booked, for each act was picked for the enjoyment and entertainment it would afford the children at this party, Paul Vogt, chairman, said.

A ticket should be secured for each G-E employee's child between the ages of 2 and 12 years old, but parents may take small children into the show without presenting a ticket for themselves. At the time the WORKS NEWS went to press, the tickets for all shows were nearly exhausted.

V.F.D. Fiftieth Anniversary Celebrated at Annual Affair

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Approximately 250 persons attended the annual Plant Protection dinner Thursday, December 13, in Bldg. 16-2, to hear H. K. (Smoky) Rogers' humorous and lively talk and meet officials at the affair.

Guests included Manager M. E. Lord, Assistant Manager C. H. Matson, State Fire Marshal Carter Bowser, James Flynn of Chicago, and Fred Duryee, recently retired Supervisor of Plant Protection, and other representatives of management.

Guests Introduced

I. H. Freeman led community singing after the dinner, and Fire Chief Ernie Hanauer then introduced various guests and volunteer leaders. A. R. (Butch) Vegalues, chief of police, gave a short talk on the accomplishments of the Plant Protection Section and introduced the outlying plant representatives.

Chief Hanauer reported on the fire loss at Broadway and Kokomo, the lowest record ever made. Fire Marshal Bowser then was introduced and spoke briefly on accomplishments of the G-E Group. J. B. Greer, superintendent of General Service, gave a short talk on the history of the volunteer fire group and awarded an honorary chief's badge to F. G. Duryee for his many years of service with the group.

C. H. Matson Speaks

Mr. Matson also spoke briefly, then introduced the principal speaker, Mr. Rogers, who pointed out that there are three virtues a good fireman must have: (1) unselfishness (2) courage and bravery and (3) knowing how to do the job.

Mr. Rogers also gave a rather complete outline of the history of fire, and brought out the point that fires in this country since the war started had more total property loss than the fires caused during the war to all of England, simply because stocks of material were stored any place and made fires easy to start.

Clown Work Discussed

The principal speaker also discussed his work as a fire clown in instructing children in fire prevention methods. "Being a clown is hard work," Mr. Rogers said, "but well worth the effort when you know lives are saved through that effort."

"Exert yourself to bring about things you want, such as fire prevention, and you will also be proud of your efforts," he said.

Mr. Lord also spoke briefly at the meeting, congratulating the Volunteer Fire group on its fiftieth anniversary and expressing his appreciation for the fine job they had done.

Decatur Plant

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agitating the drunk; Rousse, the magician, reputedly one of the most unusual performers in the business; Ming Toy, the juggler; Hubert Dyer and company in a comedy trapeze act; Whitey Harris, the clown, and an outstanding act by trained dogs.

Parents of children 12 years old or younger have been asked to contact their foremen for tickets entitling their youngsters to a treat from Santa, Mr. Moser said. Every G-E employee is urged to bring his family and enjoy the fun and entertainment at this annual Christmas party sponsored by the Club.

Electrical garbage grinders made it impossible for submarine crews to use the "scavenger" method of prey by tracking down ships through trails of refuse. The grinders literally disintegrated garbage before it was released.

Squares "Skit It" at Annual Stag



Skits by four groups formed the major part of the entertainment last Thursday, December 13, at the annual Squares stag party. Some of the scenes are shown here. Upper left shows Ray Zook, Clarence Coe, Jay Yopst, and Jim Cira in the winning skit of the evening. They represented Works Laboratory, Plastics, Wire and Insulation, and Winter Street. Upper right, Bob Johnson and Charles Graham clowned for the crowd, as representatives of the Transformer Division. The dismal scene at right shows Frank J. Chayka, Bob Schulte, Charles Koomjohn, and Ray Jones (feet) as they presented the Fractional Horsepower Motor Skit.

Plant Protection Group Holds Annual Dinner



Chief H. K. (Smoky) Rogers was the principal speaker at the annual Plant Protection dinner in Bldg. 16-2 last Thursday, December 13, which marked the fiftieth anniversary of the Volunteer Fire group. Picture at upper left shows J. B. Greer, superintendent of General Service, awarding Fred Duryee, recently retired superintendent of Plant Protection, an honorary Chief's badge in recognition of his many years of service with the Volunteer Fire Department. Upper right, our cameraman caught Dee Hamilton, president of the Volunteer Association, Fire Chief Ernie Hanauer, and "Smoky" Rogers before dinner.

Lower row of pictures shows Assistant Manager C. H. Matson, F. G. Duryee, and Manager M. E. Lord (left to right), all of whom gave short talks. (Story on Page 4.)

"Nothing Ever Happens in 2-3"

In an attempt to comprehend the chagrined attitude of most people in the last week we have, after careful observation, concluded that the sub-zero weather is the root of the evil. However, as a source of consolation let us remind you that last summer you were so terribly uncomfortable because the perspiration streamed down your face, your clothes seemed like penance for some unforgivable sin, and no fan would suffice the need for cooling off and how you would have appreciated an interval of sub-zero weather when the only thing that could freeze you was the thought of the weatherman predicting 110 degrees above in the shade. So you see, this weather is only an answer to a whole summer's prayer. What a sublime feeling to jump out of bed in the morning and find that you have the energy to do the neccssary daily dozen that is utterly impossible in the summer beausc you are overcome by heat. But if this simple psychology does not create the necessary effect, more detailed research is being carried on daily by masterminds to find a universal heating and ventilating system. . . . Just for the novelty of the season we seem to have only snow stories about you and yours. Rumors have it that Max Tritch was seemingly enjoying every snow flake, flake by flake, last week, and one might even go so far as to say that his deep concentration devcloped into a mild form of somnabulism when suddcnly Max lost his sense of equilibrum and came in close contact with a thousand snowflakes. When he elevated himself to normal position, he reached in his pocket for his comb, and much to his surprise he found his comb in no less than a thousand pieces. And of course a woman saw his downfall, which is why we can readily understand why some men have inferior complexes and other men just complexes. . . . Noble Bell, the surprise package of the Production section, is not, literally speaking, able to hold his own, because some beauteous damsel introduced him to a snow-facial cocktail, more commonly known to men as having their face washed with a snowball. Which only shows to go you that anything can happen if you are not careful.

Kokomo G-E Club Party Is Saturday

Motion Picture Scheduled For 9 A.M. Showing

Children of Kokomo employees will participate in the third Christmas party sponsored by the Kokomo G-E Club Saturday at 9 A.M. at the Colonial Theatre.

A motion picture will be shown for the audience, and Santa Claus is scheduled to make an appearance and distribute gifts to the children.

NEWS FROM

Our Men and Women in the Services

Many Servicemen Will Spend Christmas Away from Home

Harry J. Grashel Has Seen Many Spots in Pacific Travels

Taku, China
November 21

Dear Editor:

I have been moving around a great deal out here in the Pacific. My travels have taken me to Ulithi, Samar, Leyte, Okinawa, Jinsen (Korea), Tsingtao, and now Taku.

I am located on a repair ship and working on radar, radio, transmitters, movie projectors, public address systems, and underwater sound gear.

I'm looking forward to getting back to the States, but am afraid I will be out here several months more.

Very truly yours,

Harry J. Grashel RT 3/c



Harry J. Grashel

Gets Air Awards

Former First Lt. Vincent W. Tanvas, Decatur plant, recently received two high Army Air Force awards, the Distinguished Flying Cross and the third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal, at a ceremony at Baer Field.

Lt. Tanvas entered the Army Air Forces in February of 1942, and was commissioned in December, 1943. As a B-24 pilot, he served in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations from July, 1944, until April, 1945, when he returned to the United States for a discharge.

The Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded him for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the Mediterranean Theater on October 17, 1944. He was presented the Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for meritorious achievement in aerial fight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy from January 15, to March 12, 1945.

Awaiting Orders

Ansbach, Germany
November 1, 1945

Dear Editor:

. . . All we have been doing for the last month is waiting for our orders. They came through once, but everyone was most unhappy when the orders were cancelled the next day for some reason or another.

I visited Nurnberg yesterday and saw the Palace of Justice where the War Criminal trials are to be held. They had guards all around the place so we couldn't get inside.

The trolleys are running through piles of bricks and stones. Once in a while there is a building standing. Here and there a man is shoveling up and carrying away what once was a house.

Hoping to see you all soon.

PFC John E. Sheely

PFC Elroy Miller, Bldg. 17-1, has arrived in the U. S. A. on the Rollins Victory Ship from overseas at Newport News, Va. Elroy was with the 1819th Aviation Engineering Battlaion. He is now at Camp Atterbury waiting for his discharge. Elroy expects to see his fellow employees of Bldg. 17-1 before very long.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostlities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

Genevieve Eamick, HA 1/c, recently wrote stating that she is now stationed at the San Diego Naval Hospital.

PFC Gerald G. McClain, Winter Street, currently is stationed at the Redistribution Station, where he will spend two weeks before reporting to this new assignment in the United States.

Gerald was returned recently to the United States after having served 17 months in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre of Operations. His decorations include the Good Conduct Medal, Philippine Liberation Medal, and the American Theatre of Operations ribbon.

Corn belt farmers report that electric brooders for their early spring pig crops save one to two pigs per litter.

T/5 Milford Crick Writes Of Joys of "Heading Home"

Dear Editor:

I am writing to thank you for the very fine way you sent me all the WORKS NEWS over the period of the last three years. You and the people who helped you should be proud of such a fine job and I know all the service men and women will thank you personally when they all get home.

I have started the long journey home. . . . It is a slow process getting ready for the boat and the sweating out is very tiresome, but the hopes of seeing home in a short time makes the waiting easier. It's nearly as hard to get out as in, but I hope to see the day very soon. . . .

T/5 Milford Crick



Milford Crick

Shanghai, China

Dear Editor:

. . . I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks to you and the staff for the weekly copies of the NEWS during the past three years. I cannot tell you how much closer "home" was when I received the paper at mail-call and read about the folks I used to work with.

Sincerely,

Lyle B. Kiser

Dear Editor:

I am leaving Shanghai, November 18, and am hoping to get home by Christmas.

This is a real place and I was one of the first few Americans to come to Shanghai. Hope to be seeing all my friends very soon.

R. J. Neale, MM 1/c

In Washington

Dear Editor:

. . . I would like to thank you for all the WORKS NEWS I have received and I think I have all my NEWS that I've received from the General Electric Company.

I would like to say hello to all my friends in all the plant and I hope to be back to work with them before long. I like my duties here in Washington, and will be here till next July as far as I know.

There were five of former G-E employees who worked at the same Navy laboratories here.

Harry Edward Revert, Sp (g) 3/c

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

Sixty-three discharged servicemen have returned to their postwar jobs during the past week. Look them up and tell them it's good to have them back at General Electric.

Name	Location	Name	Location	Name	Location
Ewing Laird	Bldg. 2-2	Harold F. Trautman	Bldg. 26-2	George R. Michael	Bldg. 18-3
Leonard E. Parsons	Bldg. 20-2	William L. Teeple	Bldg. 17-2	Gerald J. Todd	Bldg. 4-2
Russell T. Golliver	Bldg. 26-B	Charles L. Richter	Bldg. 4-4	William J. Vachon, Jr.	Bldg. 4-5
Milford G. Crick	Bldg. 26-4	Duane Shidler	Winter St.	Ervin Brackmann	Bldg. 4-1
George H. Reed	Bldg. 4-2	Raymond H. Didion	Bldg. 4-4	Robert E. Younghaus	Bldg. 19-5
Edward F. Westerman	Bldg. 4-4	Wm. F. Woebbeking,	Bldg. 26-1	Fred L. Rathert	Winter St.
Robert G. Dobbin	Bldg. 4-6	James J. Mattes	Bldg. 26-5	Rbt. M. Cunningham	Bldg. 19-2
Paul L. Carbaugh	Bldg. 26-1	John J. Guethler	Bldg. 4-1	Donald J. Lauer	Bldg. 19-4
William I. Butz	Bldg. 17-3	Clarence E. Coulter	Bldg. 17-1	Harold M. Braden	Bldg. 4-6
Warren Colby	Bldg. 19-1	Lawrence E. Hallien	Bldg. 17-3	John D. Carter	Bldg. 4-6
Paul Noble	Bldg. 17-4	Glen L. Stalder	Bldg. 17-3	Wayne A. Coak	Bldg. 4-5
O. Jean Meyer	Bldg. 31	Max A. Kimble	Bldg. 26-2	Wayne J. Bubb	Bldg. 4-5
Donald R. Thompson	Bldg. 20-2	Victor C. Nahrwold	Bldg. 19-4	Marion Kenneth Zent	Winter St.
Orris C. Ice	Bldg. 28-2	Vern K. Green	Bldg. 4-5	Eugene F. Dennie	Bldg. 19-4
Frank A. Emrick Jr.	Bldg. 17-1	Dick A. Rapp	Bldg. 19-5	Charles R. Eastes	Bldg. 26-4
Wilbur W. Shaffer	Bldg. 26-1	Robert A. Miller	Bldg. 26-2	Dale F. Stuckey	Bldg. 26-3
Chalmer F. Wherry	Bldg. 17-3	Harold J. Amstutz	Bldg. 4-4	Marion A. Comer	Bldg. 17-2
Edward M. Stein	Winter St.	Eugene F. Wyss	Bldg. 19-4	Robert J. Nierman	Winter St.
Junior Wappes	Bldg. 17-3	Albert W. Hans	Bldg. 20-2	Roy Warden Ogden	Winter St.
John W. Dennison	Bldg. 6-B	Emil J. Mikula	Bldg. 19-4	Harry W. Francies	Bldg. 4-3
Eugene J. Lamle	Bldg. 26-4	Rudloph Peshek	Bldg. 18-4	James G. Witzigreuter	Bldg. 26-4



THE RUMOR CLINIC

Transfer to Owosso Plant?

RUMOR:

I have heard that a new plant is being made at Owosso, Mich. What is being made there and could a fellow get a transfer up there?

FACTS:

The General Electric Company is not building a plant in Owosso, Mich., and has no plans for one in that location.

G-E Products Through Employees' Stores?

RUMOR:

Why are the employees being given different answers from dealers and the Employees' Store on the availability of G-E products? Is it necessary for the Government to approve employees' prices? G-E photoflood reflector No. 2 bulbs are available down town only, and our Employees' Store has not even placed an order for distribution to employees. Why?

FACTS:

At the present time it is necessary to get approval from OPA on prices of G-E products. As soon as these approvals are given, the information is made available to dealers and employees' store managers. Because of some delays in this matter, there have been some conflicting rumors regarding the availability of G-E products. Every effort is being made to keep customers informed about the availability of these products.

The G-E photoflood reflector No. 2 bulb has been a scarce item for some time and has just recently become available. An order has been placed by our Employees' Store for these bulbs. At this time there is no delivery promise on this order.

As items become available to employees through the Employees' Store, the WORKS NEWS will publish the information, and this should be helpful to all concerned.

Opening Gates West Side Broadway?

RUMOR:

I have heard that the large gates on the west side of Broadway are to be opened for employees in 1950. Why are we compelled to wait four years?

FACTS:

There is no plan to open the large gates on the west side of Broadway. The present method of handling traffic is adequate under present conditions. The large gates are used in emergencies only. There is no foundation for the rumor that they are to be opened in 1950.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 10-2.

I have heard that.....

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed.....

Location.....

G-E Washer Production Facts?

RUMOR:

I have read that General Electric is to build approximately 95,000 refrigerators during the balance of 1945, but the WPB out of Washington states G-E is to build 47,500 to 49,078. Will you please make a statement on this?

FACTS:

Apparently what the writer of this rumor read was the number of refrigerators released for only the third quarter of 1945.

If we assume the same number to be produced in the fourth quarter, then we do arrive at the 95,000—somewhat more, in fact—that we are scheduling for production during the balance of this year.

How About Splitting Up General Electric?

RUMOR:

I have heard that General Electric is in process of vast reorganization so that it can be quickly and easily split up—just in case the Government should suddenly say, "G-E is too large, break it up." Also that this is the idea of Charles E. Wilson.

FACTS:

We can state with assurance that the fundamental purpose of the recent reorganization was to increase our efficiency and to get away from any unwieldiness that might develop as the Company grows larger, and not because there is any danger of our being broken up.

It can be said that a company, like an individual, never stands still—it either moves ahead or slips back.

General Electric is not standing still today, nor has it ever indulged in that practice since it came into being. The public's demand for new and more efficient electrical appliances, scientific research, business competition, and the Company's own sense of responsibility in the electrical field forces us ahead, and as we move forward we naturally grow until we reach a point when a general reorganization is necessary if we are to continue to operate our business efficiently and intelligently.

We have reached that point today and the general reorganization now in progress is designed to enable the Company to meet the future efficiently and intelligently in the best interests of all concerned.

We grew during the war because we had to expand if we were to do the job we were called on to do. We plan to grow in the future because we have no desire to stagnate.

What About "Fair Trading" Appliances?

RUMOR:

I have heard that the General Electric Company will "fair trade" its small electrical appliances.

Can you explain this fair trade policy?

FACTS:

The policy referred to in this question is that of having established retail prices on appliances. It was announced some time ago that these prices would be nationally advertised and that these prices would be the same regardless of where they are sold in the United States. The figures include the cost of delivery and federal excise tax, but because state and local taxes vary so widely, these are, of necessity, excluded from the national prices.

Purchase of G-E Home Appliances

RUMOR:

I would like more information concerning G-E home appliances. Will G-E employees whose services are no longer needed, be able to purchase appliances at employees' rates after leaving this plant?

FACTS:

The purchase of General Electric home appliances at special rates is a privilege accorded to both active and retired employees. Those who may be temporarily laid off for lack of work and whose continuity of service has not been broken are accorded the same privilege.

Where Is Wilson's "Strictly Personal"?

RUMOR:

What has happened to the column entitled "Strictly Personal" written by G-E president, C. E. Wilson, which was to appear from time to time in the WORKS NEWS?

FACTS:

While there is no regular schedule for the "Strictly Personal" column, President Wilson's recent illness has no doubt delayed another message from him. Now that he is back we shall, no doubt, be hearing from him again very soon at fairly regular intervals.

Will Mixers and Coffee Makers Be Out Soon?

RUMOR:

I have heard that General Electric mixers and coffee makers will be on the market soon. Will you please advise me regarding their availability?

FACTS:

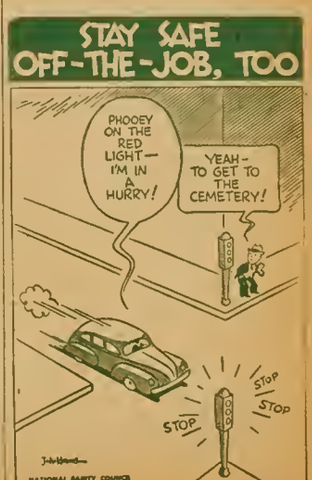
Our original information was that both these items would be available some time in November, but it now appears that difficulty in procuring materials may delay their appearance until late December or early January.



Often the mistakes we make do not originate with us. But, they become our mistakes when we continue them without question.

Possibly the machine appears to us to be set wrong; possibly the material doesn't look just right; possibly the parts don't seem to measure to the drawing; possibly we think we must have the wrong drawing.

In any and all such cases, we should go to our foreman and ask questions. If we ask, we can get it settled before material is spoiled and valuable time is wasted. Let's assemble all our information, check everything carefully, then go ahead, and do it right the first time.



Sales Engineers Visit Fort Wayne on "Refresher Course"



Another group to visit the Fort Wayne Works recently on the Sales Department "refresher course" is shown above as they met in the Transformer Sales Division. Front row, left to right, are R. M. McElwee, W. E. Haycock, Stephen Zysk, F. D. Crowther, Harry Perlis, J. W. Brauns, and D. E. Hathaway. Back row includes C. Stonehill, H. K. Pritchard, R. P. Buckingham, M. A. K. Lomen, R. L. Hammond, E. T. Krieger, M. B. Haselton, C. A. Graham, J. E. Carr, J. P. Coughlin, D. F. Roloff, and P. M. Staehle.



Ten visiting sales engineers were here December 6 to review practices at the Fort Wayne Works as part of the Company's "refresher course." The group is shown above with their hosts in the Transformer Sales Division. Front row, left to right, are R. M. Giroux, C. F. Knabe, W. F. Anselm, G. M. Bostock, K. F. Culler, and G. E. Troyak. Back row are H. K. Pritchard, W. L. C. Williams, C. Stonehill, C. A. Graham, J. E. Carr, J. P. Coughlin, W. H. Coddington, M. W. Bence, W. G. Short, and D. F. Roloff.

Sleuthing In 4-6

Mary Sederlund won't have "To Wait For Her Train To Come In" any more. It finally came in last Friday with that certain someone on it. By the broad smile on her face, everything is fine. . . . Has anyone heard about the male secretary in Test and Inspection? It seems one day that none of the girls were around to answer the phones. First one would ring, then the other. All this time Ed Cade was trying his best to answer the phones, when someone phoned and wanted to know who was the new secretary with the "sweet voice." It turned out to be Ed (Goldie) Cade. . . . Neva Muller of the FHP Motor Division left December 14 to take up her duties as a housewife. The girls had a dinner for her Thursday noon, December 13, at the Works Restaurant and presented her with a lovely gift. We will all miss you, Neva. . . . Chelcie Friend of the FHP Motor Division received her Christmas present a little early. Yes—you guessed it—a beautiful diamond from her Sailor boy friend, who is now stationed at San Francisco. Congratulations, Chelcie. No date has been set for the wedding as yet. . . . The annual Christmas dinner party of the girls in the Engineering Section was held Thursday evening, December 13, in the dining room of the West Creighton Avenue Christian Church. There were forty-four girls present, and after dinner, a short program was presented with Christmas carols sung by the girls, with Marian Menze playing the violin and Opal Sprunger playing the piano. Isabel Schrock then read a poem about "The Night After Christmas," which was followed by Irene Dro singing "White Christmas" accompanied by Gloria Openlander on the piano. Then Santa Claus appeared, with that hearty laughter of his and a bright red suit, and he presented the girls each with a gift. Games were played later. . . . Speaking of that Christmas party, Donnabelle Douglas was starving herself all day Thursday so she could eat plenty of food that night. After she arrived at the church someone asked her if she was still so very hungry and she replied that she kind of lost her appetite, because she had a cough drop before she came. Well by all reports you didn't do so bad at the party, Donnabelle.

The Dispatchers GRAPEVINE

The Dispatchers Club meeting of December 11 was a gala affair with Christmas presents and everything. Walter Neuman, an official photographer with the United States Army during the war, was present and displayed a comprehensive selection of photographs taken in the European theater of war. The pictures were a graphic account of the tremendous undertaking the conflict was, and Mr. Neuman's rapid-fire commentary added to our understanding of the views shown. . . . The election of officers resulted in several changes in the official roster of the club. Those elected were: Harold Gick, president; Walter Doehrman, vice-president; Walter Kammeyer, secretary; Fletcher Cumbey, treasurer. The floor representatives were elected as follows: Division 15, Henry Burch; Division 14, Carl Reeves; Division 13, Elmer Pion; Transformer, Roy Feller; Motor-Generator, Gerald Brown; Division 1, W. G. Jackson; Winter Street, Mike Hunter. Harold Gick, our new president, solicits the cooperation of all officers and members to make 1946 the best year the club has known. . . . Now we wish all the dispatchers and their families a very Merry Christmas. Those whose families, separated by the war, are now reunited have ample joy within their own household. Those who have suffered irreparable loss from the same war, we hope may gain solace from the tender and poignant Christmas story which we hear now in song and story—MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

It's the nite before Xmas
And I'm full of chear
17-1 wasn't missed
'Cause Santa stopped here!

And boy, did the guys ever gang up on him. There was Brickley and Best and Paul. Then Andy, Elmer, and Dave. Each one wanting to get in their say—they hurried to tell him before he could get away. . . . Joe Eifrid wanted to know if it was possible to have a permanent wave in his type of hair. . . . Then the inspectors had to explain what happened to the Christmas decorations. They were displayed for a very short period due to an order to vacate (move to you). After January 1 there will be open house at the new location. . . But we better get back to the things we heard the guys ask Santa. Garland Myers would like a machine just a little bigger than the 2A. Betty would like to have some one teach her to bake. Bob Rose asked for a car—just anything with wheels! Santa listened to each one as he went down the line. Passed Cliff and Fred Linker, Bob and Ray Stanger. Then Hutson cornered the ole guy trying to talk turkey to Santa. He wants just anything but a Christmas "bird" and Mike Fruehling behind him said "and Hutson's not fooling." Then he listened to Hoy, Irene, and Bob Daring. Then Hoffman requested a piece of floss to take care of his mending. Now to Buchannon, Joe Collins, and Crick. He thought he was getting down the line very quick, when Oscar tried to proposition him with the jack in his pockets for a few extra jacks in the euchre deck! Please, Santa, just so it's a boy at our house, whispered Herb In his ear. Santa stopped, shook his hand, and said "they're pretty dear." Next he moved to Fred Crickmore, Dottie, and Marge. Then on to Ray Huhn—the line ended so soon and wishing us all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, off he did charge.

CAFETERIA AND RESTAURANT SERVICE

Monday, December 24, 1945

Cafeteria and restanrant service will be provided on this day as follows: Breakfast will be served as nsnal in Bldg. 16-1 north.

Regular cafeteria service in Bldg. 16-1 north from 12 Noon to 1 P.M.

Regular restaurant service in Bldg. 16-2 south from 12 Noon to 1 P.M.

17-3 Newsies

Well, here we are back in Bldg. 17-3 with a bit of news for you. . . . Here's a little tip. If you should happen to get hungry, just go see Lillian Sinn; she can make some wonderful looking sandwiches. . . . What do you suppose Louise Beamer had on her mind the other day when she forgot to ring in and out at noon? . . . Audrey Shuler hasn't been able to work ever since she got a phone call from a certain someone who just landed in the States. . . . The girls in the fan motor line had a scare the other day when they spied a wild four-legged animal running loose, but Gwen came to their rescue and saved the day for them. . . . Verl Ohmart was very proud of the chance to introduce his son, Sgt. Robert Ohmart of the Marine Corps, to the gang the other day. . . . Congratulations and many more happy birthdays to Betty Shulta and Mollie Martin. . . . Good luck to Ilo Hartzell and Erma Shangster, who left us last week. . . . We want to welcome Helen Berghorn and Vera Gennaitti, who have come back to work. . . . We wish Marie Wilson a speedy recovery, and we'd like to extend our deepest sympathy to Martha Wedler in the death of her husband. . . . That's all 'til next week, 'bye.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

Congratulations to the Joe Oddous, Bldg. 18-3, on the arrival of a bouncing 8½ lb. baby boy named Michael Joe. . . . The mystery of the week is "What happened to Aileen Betts', Bldg. 18-3, ginger bread?" . . . This week we're happy to welcome Maxine Johnson into the Accounting Section. She is a transfer from Bldg. 6-3. . . . We're anxious to hear more about the Order and Stores Christmas Party that was held last night at the Orchard Ridge Country Club. The Production Office were guests at the party. . . . The Accounting Section had their Christmas Party and exchange last night at the Yacht Club. No doubt we'll hear more about that party next week too. . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Beer entertained the Employment Office and their families last Wednesday night with a Christmas Party at the Sears Pavilion. I'm sure we'll have more to report on that party next week. . . . Birthday wishes are in line for Minnie Meineke, Accounting Section, who celebrated her birthday last Monday. . . . Elmer Haugk and Arnold Konow, Accounting Section, are two outstanding bowlers on the Blueprint team. . . . Our deepest sympathy is expressed to Clem Schneiders and family on the death of Mrs. Schneiders. . . . Arlene Mulaney, a former Bldg. 18-B employee, was home on a visit from Kokomo, where she is taking Cadet Nurse's training. . . . Bldg. 18-B expects Santa to visit on Friday of this week. . . . Carl Click, a former Bldg. 18-B employee, was home over the week-end. . . . Glad to see Kenny Petgen back to work after having the flu. . . . We all want to welcome back June Overholt, Bldg. 18-5, after her long absence. Hope that broken leg will soon be completely up to par. . . . They really have the Christmas spirit in the Blueprint Section. Their little decorated tree is the pride of the office.

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

We wish to make a correction in our column of December 8: Irene Meyers presented Freida Ramm the orchid—and not the gang. They gave her the tilt-back chair. We're sorry, folks. . . . Genevieve Oddou received a pair of earrings and a cosmetic set for her gift when she quit last Friday. Wanda Moser received a gift certificate as her gift. They want to thank everyone for them. . . . Jean Reynolds should be more careful where she parks, and she won't get a little red ticket from the policeman. We thought you knew better than that, Jean. . . . Del Reiter must have missed some of his childhood days, for he was seen catching up on some of his childhood tralts, namely cutting paper dolls. We though you outgrew that stage, Del. . . . Katheryn Moser tbinks she can wind coils without wire, as she was seen doing just tbat one day. You should keep your mind on your work, Katheryn. . . . Just call Ruth Fuller and Rose Green "curly top" because that's the way they both looked after they both had their hair fixed. Really pretty, gals. . . . Harold Gick is the new president of the Dispatchers' Club. Congratulations, Harold. Surprised but glad to see Ray O'Neil at the Dispatchers meeting last time. . . . Bill Grimme must have liked the sign that was put on him because he put it on for the second time. Tell us more about it, Bill. . . . Why is Brandenburger wearing his old overcoat?? He really knows where there's a filling station in Hammond, Ind. Just ask him about it. . . . Second trick had a Christmas party and a Christmas exchange. Ethel Gardner and Robert Bertel played Santa Claus and really did a swell job of it. . . . Jim Hoelle will leave December 17 to join the Army. . . . The Sewing Club had their Christmas party at the Varsity Club and had their "secret pal exchange." . . . Bessie Justus looked like a Christmas package with that pretty bow in her hair. . . . Frieda Bunnell is on a leave of absence due to illness. Hope you get well real soon, Frieda.

Your Country Cousins

TRANSFORMER — *Clippings*

Did you folks know that we have a polar bear in our midst? Everett Jones walked right out on the ice, fell through, and got all wet. Perhaps he was trying out the ice to go fishing, hub, Everett? . . . We all miss Loretta Bloom and hope she gets well and will hurry back to work soon. . . . We were glad to see Gladys Freeman back after her accident, and we also hope Eddie Kalikeo is a lot better and will be ready for Santa Claus. . . . When Al Miller and Bill Mills fry hamburgers, they better see if they have some bread first, for after all a sandwich is not a sandwich without bread.

Hitler had everything but peace of mind at his Berchtesgaden retreat. Among other modern conveniences was a completely equipped electric kitchen.

Safety in Santa's Sack

AGE AND INTERESTS	HAZARDS	SUGGESTIONS	
The "Hand to Mouth" Age — *UP TO 2 YEARS*	Avoid small toys which may be swallowed. . . . flammable objects . . . toys with small removable parts . . . poisonous paint on any object . . . stuffed animals with glass or button eyes.	Sturdy rattles . . . brightly colored objects hung in view . . . rubber or washable squeak toys and stuffed dolls or animals . . . large, soft colored balls . . . blocks with rounded corners . . . push-and-pull toys with strings or rounded handles . . . nests of objects.	
The Explorative Age — *2 TO 3 YEARS*	Avoid anything with sharp or rough edges which will cut or scratch . . . objects with small removable parts . . . poisonous paint or decoration . . . marbles . . . beads . . . coins . . . flammable toys.	Sand box with bucket, shovel and spoon . . . large peg boards . . . wooden animals . . . cars and wagons to push around . . . tip-proof kiddie cars and tricycles . . . large crayons . . . low rocking horse . . . small chair and table.	
The "Let's Pretend" Age — *3 TO 4 YEARS*	Avoid toys which are too heavy for child's strength . . . poorly made objects which may come apart, break or splinter . . . sharp or cutting toys . . . highly flammable costumes . . . electrical toys.	Small broom and carpet sweeper . . . toy telephone . . . dolls with simple wrap-around clothing . . . doll buggies and furniture . . . dishes . . . miniature garden tools . . . trucks and tractors . . . non-electrical train . . . drum . . . costume clothes . . . building blocks.	
Beginning of Creative Age — *4 TO 6 YEARS*	Avoid shooting or target toys which will endanger eyes . . . ill-balanced mobile toys (tricycles, wagons, etc.) which may topple easily . . . poisonous painting sets . . . pinching or cutting objects.	Blackboard and dustless chalk . . . simple construction sets . . . paints and paint books . . . doll house and furniture . . . small sports equipment . . . skipping rope . . . wash tub and board . . . paper doll sets with blunt end scissors . . . costumes . . . modelling clay.	
Beginning of Dexterity Age — *6 TO 8 YEARS*	Avoid non-approved electrical toys . . . anything too large or complicated for child's strength and ability . . . sharp edged tools . . . poorly made skates . . . conductible kites . . . shooting toys.	Carpenter bench and well-constructed, lightweight tools . . . sled . . . construction sets . . . roller skates . . . approved electrical toys . . . kites . . . equipment for playing store, bank, filling station, etc. . . . playground equipment . . . kites . . . puzzles and games . . . sewing materials . . . dolls and doll equipment.	
Specialization of Tastes and Skills — *8 AND OLDER*	Avoid air rifles, chemistry sets, dart games, bows and arrows, dangerous tools and electrical toys UNLESS used under parental supervision . . . motor scooters . . . non-approved electrical toys.	Hobby materials, arts and crafts, photography, coin and stamp collections, puppet shows . . . musical instruments . . . gym and sports equipment . . . model and construction building sets . . . electric train with Underwriters' Laboratories approval . . . bicycle . . . science sets . . .	

NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

P's and Q's OF SEVENTEEN ONE

Tinsel-trimmed, happy hearted! Here's how the gang in Bldg. 17-1 are celebrating this first peacetime Christmas — December 25, 1945—the Christmas all the world has been waiting for. It's peace again and all of us are busy wrapping packages and addressing cards. . . . Johnny Miles hasn't even started his Christmas shopping so he will find himself shopping on Christmas Eve. . . . Loyal Decker was asked what he would like Santa to bring him. He smiled and said, "A 1946 model car." Wouldn't we all! . . . Alfred Nix plans to be the biggest kid of all. This is his first Christmas home in a long time. Vividly he recalls another year—a Christmas he spent in a troop ship going to New Guinea. It was jammed. Christmas Day was also spent on this ship. The only thing that reminded the soldiers of Christmas was a turkey dinner. He was very homesick for Christmas, he admits. A thing that a lot of our soldiers learned was that there is only one place to celebrate Christmas — in their hearts. . . . Ray Eppersen doesn't know if he will be able to do anything on Christmas Day after Christmas Eve. . . . Mike Kramer is going to play Santa Claus on Christmas Eve for his daughter. The only thing is he won't have the electric train to toy with this year. It seems last year something went wrong and it wouldn't run. . . . I have heard that Senator Eichoin will play Santa by distributing fluorescent lights. The only thing, though, Santa expects to get paid for them. . . . Lloyd Pinkerton is really planning a merry holiday. He is going to have two trees. One upstairs and another in the basement. Gee! Pinky, where did you dig up the lights? . . . For my friends in Bldg. 17-1 as for people everywhere, this will be a glorious Christmas. For those who are away, and those who were away at war, and those who waited at home these last four years are prepared to sing Christmas carols at the tops of their voices and mean them with all their hearts—especially the parts about "peace on earth" and "good will toward men." A wonderful, magical day—Christmas.

Get some help before lifting a heavy load!

Special studies of industrial accidents reveal that handling, lifting, transporting and placing objects unsafely is a frequent source of industrial injuries, the National Safety Council reports.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-1, Third Shift

Hello, folks, here we are again after a three-month vacation. We have really added a lot of new members to our force. Of course, some have left for the life of matrimonial bliss. Remember Alice Parquet and Teddy Walker? Well, they are the lucky ones. . . . Of course, that doesn't count our Johnny who up and did it too. He is very business-minded though and has kept Violet, his wife, on second shift. (We here at the shop have heard that it keeps him in pin money.) Oh, and thanks a lot for the candy and cigars too. (There goes Violet's money again, remember?) . . . I almost forgot the most important news of all. Yes, you guessed it. It is the new girls we are so glad to welcome to our department. They are Grace Imler, Cleo Williams, Dotty Wicliff, Julie Harrington, Francis Gordon, Katheryn Bauch, Edna Kay, Violet Best, and Marjory Olry. Marcella McConnchey returned after a short lay off. Mabel Gorrell was drafted to us from the second trick. . . .

Becky Fredrickson came into some luck too. Her man came home from Alaska, so she quit to be a housewife.

KOKOMO KEY NOTES

The third annual G-E Club children's party will be held at 9 A.M. Saturday, December 22, at the Colonial Theater. All G-E employees' children under 12 years will be eligible for tickets. Parents with small children will not need a ticket for admittance. There will be a motion picture, and Santa Claus will be there with a treat for the kiddies. Tickets for the party will be obtainable from the foreman of each section. . . . We are wondering who brought Harry Chism that big red apple. I hope it was good, Harry. . . . Phil Samuels is on vacation this week, but stated he had nothing to do. Bob Alexander was big hearted and told him the down town stores needed help during the Christmas rush. Having a good time, Phil? . . . Welcome to our Stator Winding Section, Margaret Bridges, Leona Bolding, Roland Bennett, Esther Waldon, Lola Cheesman, Sylvia Champman, Elizabeth Jimison, and Daisy Morphew. Also to Olive Pearce in Assembly and Robert Harper in the Screw Machine Section. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Bob Kallmyer, Ben Smith, and Mary Dawson, who are off work because of illness. . . . Wanda Hamilton and William Morgan were married recently. Best wishes, both of you. . . . Ralph Dennison was the latest to be serenaded by the office "Songbirds," the occasion being his birthday. . . . More congratulations go to Clara Pierce and Leland Walters, who were married recently. . . . Has anyone heard what the league standing is on the noon euchre game? If at any time the figures are compiled, just let the editor know, and he will be very glad to print them. . . . Welcome to the Planning Section, Earl Schwallie. . . . If anyone would happen to know where Art Wilson, supervisor of Test, could find a place to hang his hat, he would like to know. He has found that there is a housing shortage, too. . . . Clarence Walther was in on a visit recently, having just been discharged from the Army. He served a year in the European theater and received the Purple Heart. Robert Eads, formerly of the Navy, was also in. . . . We knew Max Fridlin enjoyed working, but we did suppose he would open the door before entering the office. We're glad you weren't hurt when the glass broke, Max. . . . A vacation in bed? That's just what happened to Bill Lehman. . . . You can call it the luck of the Irish, but it looks like the luck of the G-E basketball team. It was their second straight defeat by two points when they were stopped by Chrysler, 33-31, when Chrysler dropped in two baskets. Bargerhuff took the scoring honors, with Gregg and Hall, new members of the team, playing a top notch game. . . . She has good lungs and can she use them. Did you hear Evelyn Broadlick scream when she saw a mouse recently? . . . Best of luck to Louise Shaw and Arthur Miller, who just entered the sea of matrimony. . . . And now may we take this opportunity to wish each and every one a very MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Next Tuesday is Christmas
And into your home
By way o' this Organ
Comes my seas'nal poem.

This Christmas we're thankful
For Peace once again
On the day thot we sing of
Good Will To All Men.

We hope we hai finished
The Job we began
And have won from the heathen
The freedom of man.

So we celebrate Christmas
And mean what we say
As we sing all the carols
Thot honor the day.

But—this Christmas morning
In Europe, I'm told,
Will many be homeless
And hungry, and cold.

And in China and elsewhere
They'll spend all the day
In fighting and killing
While we rest and play.

But we canna' rest easy
Wi' things gone tae seed
And co-operation
Sae badly in need!

Yus, it's co-operation
Again and again
Thot we gotta keep seeking
If Peace we retain.

And not till the hungry
And starving are fed
And the homeless are sheltered
Can WE get ahead.

For, if there's a Christmas
So must we believe
It's only by giving
Thot we may receive.

Let's give of our talent
Our energy, brain
For that kind o' giving
Makes EVERYONE gain.

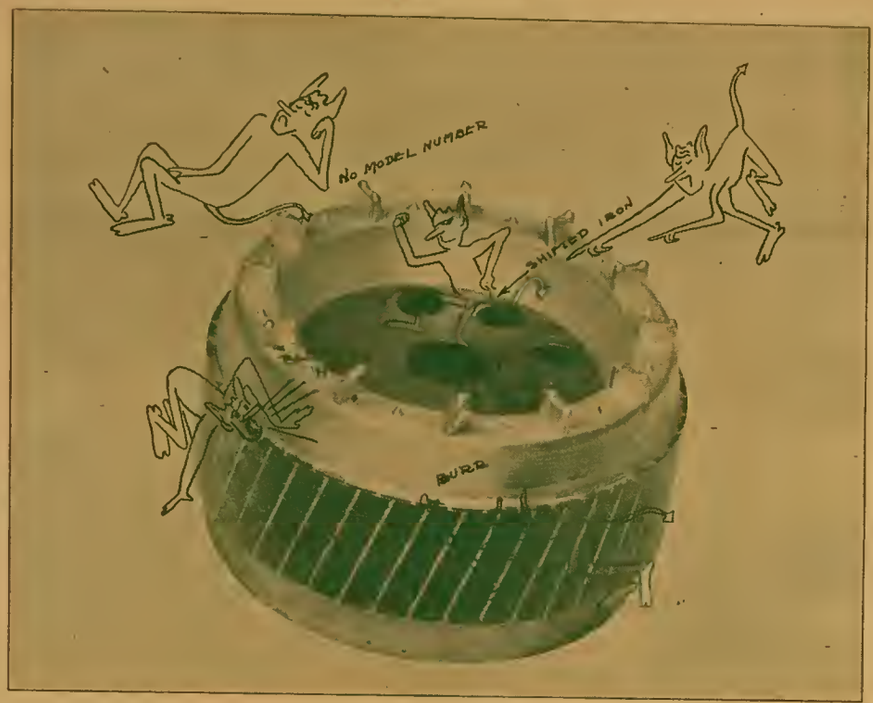
And remember our friends
Whether guest, host, or hostess
For all friends are true
But the Scotch friends are "closest."

NEWS FROM THE *Decaturites*

Recent wedding announcements: Juanita Habegger was married on Thanksgiving Day to Charles P. Munson. They are living at Craigville where Mr. Munson is engaged in farming. Naomi Zurcher and John M. Macy "tied the knot" on November 16 at Marion, Ind. Mr. Macy, recently discharged, had over four years' service in the Army. . . . The Thursday night girl bowlers are boasting of some high scorers in their midst. Mary Schirack rolled a 206, Mary Johnson an even 200, and Ethel Bolinger made a 202, or thereabouts. . . . Bob Lord gave us the explanation for his ears being so big. You know him—the chap with the GI haircut. He says his brother Spanky used to have to pull him away from the table, and he used his ears for a handhold. . . . Those two boys of Dale Cowan's, Bob and Dick, don't claim any medals for husking corn even if their dad does keep them at it all day long. Both boys are going back to finish college soon, and are they glad! Why? No more "shucking" corn. . . . Smiling Iva Teeple, past master at the art of salesmanship, is now hostess of the Plant 2 canteen for awhile. . . . We wish to congratulate Al (Grandpa) Windmiller on his good luck at obtaining a grandson. He's very proud, too. Don Windmiller, the esteemed father, was formerly employed here. . . . Bill Brunner and his wife, Katie, have tired of the country style of living and decided to move to the city. They have obtained a home in Decatur and will move shortly. Welcome, newlyweds! . . . Jo Voglewede is to be congratulated, but also to be pitied, from what we hear. She had a birthday recently, but wasn't able to sit for a few days. . . . Jerry Meyer is subbing for Mr. Lord who still remains confined to his home because of sickness. Paul Meyer is also now on active duty on the swing shift. . . . Fern Yoder, the cafeteria hostess, will recite to you the events of contacting those things that scare most young ladies, if you just ask her. . . . Ruth Tinkham has in her possession the original farmerettes which she is now displaying to the public, and we think that her choice could not be duplicated. . . . The girls of Plant 2 wish to welcome Elmer Beer and sincerely hope that he will make good in his new endeavor. . . . No, you guessed wrong. Clark Flaugh didn't have ants in his pants when he did all that squirming around on the seat of the jeep he drives. The seat was cracked in several places. . . . Irene Shaffer was all smiles last week when her son, Bill, called at the main gate for her. Captain Bill flew part of the way from India. After a 45-day leave he will be reassigned for further duty. . . . Jo Voglewede and her sister, Alberta Stump, are happy, as their brother just arrived in the States. Jo is particularly thrilled, as her husband is also on the way home from India. . . . Wanted—a good, used Morris chair. See George Hunter. George falls off those stools too easily. gratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Forest

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A REJECT



A REJECT is a piece that has one or More negative attributes, and so does not satisfactorily meet the requirements of the applicable quality requirements of drawings and other written Engineering instructions, etc.

A NEGATIVE ATTRIBUTE is an essential or inherent quality, characteristic, or property of a piece that does not conform with the applicable quality requirement of drawings or other written Engineering instructions, etc.

NEGATIVE ATTRIBUTES ARE DEMONS

Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Just three more days till Christmas, and everyone in Distribution is ready. Emma Meyers and her girls had a right nice time at their Christmas party at the Colonial Inn, it was reported by all present. . . . The party for Rita Adamski and Mildred Sponseller last Friday night also was a smashing success despite Janie Rauner's lack of memory. Janie discovered just as things were getting under way that she had left the girls' corsages at home. . . . More and more vacations. Herb Grueb returned this week, and Alice Hoffman, Betty Milhouse, and Eva Westrick all are enjoying vacations this week. . . . We added a new member to our ranks this week; she's Alverta Malloy. Welcome to the clan, Alverta. . . . Don't forget your gift for the Christmas exchange Monday noon, if you are in it. Nomore

WIRE & INSULATION — *Ravelings*

Bldgs. 8 and 12

If anyone wishes to find out the difference between a deer and a jack-rabbit, please consult a certain electrician by the name of Mike. I'm sure he will be only too willing to explain. . . . Howard Smith and Elmer Hamilton are on our sick list this week. Here's hoping you both have a speedy recovery. . . . Gertrude Edwards is a very happy gal this week, as her husband was discharged from the Army. . . . It seems as though Al Hambrock isn't having very good luck with his chickens. He bought an incubator, several dozens of eggs, and sat up all night watching —but all to no avail. Maybe you had better switch to raising horses, Al, as Bob Merrill seems to have pretty good luck with them. Why don't you ask him for the finer details? . . . If anyone is wondering how to go about trapping a polar bear, Bill Robe will gladly tell them. . . . The Safety Committee wishes to extend a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to the workers in Wire and Insulation. And may there be fewer accidents in 1946.

6-B BUSY BODIES

MERRY CHRISTMAS, everybody! I hope that good ole Saint Nicholas doesn't forget anybody this year and I'm sure that if you have been very good, he won't. . . . We are certainly happy to see some very familiar faces around here again. Yes, the boys are coming back, and Owen Rush, ex-Marine, is one of them. Gene Coulter, Navy, is another. Glad to see you both back. . . . We also had a visitor this last week and that was Dean Wagoner. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Frank George have a new addition to their family—a cocker spaniel. The name? Blackie, Tommy, Tony, or what have you. . . . Sorry to see two of our friends leave us, but it is one of those things—they are Bob Radebaugh and Jerry Stamin. Bob is the great electrician, and Jerry, the walking encyclopedia. . . . We hope they have lots of luck in the future. . . . Mary Laughlin has a new admirer. A Major at that! Clara and Snooper think it's swell. . . . Fran Miller has gone on a leave of absence because her husband, Bill Miller, is home. . . . Elaine Oyer and Lydia Roemke are patiently waiting for their husbands. Time will tell. . . . Herb Garletts is working in Bldg. 4-B now. . . . Happy birthday greetings to Betty Caley and may you have many, many more. . . . I don't believe that Norval Banter knows where he parks his car anymore. Absent mindedness. Right? He walked a block and across the street before he realized his mistake, and then he wasn't quite sure. . . . Time to go and hang up my stocking for Santa Claus.

Recipe from the National Safety Council for avoiding falls on icy walks or steps: Take a liberal quantity of sand, gravel or fine cinders, add coarse or rock salt and mix. Garnish all icy spots generously with the preparation.

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

The Winter Street volunteer firemen were guests of the management last week at a turkey supper at the Colonial Inn. A. L. Haycox was toastmaster for the affair and introduced City Fire Chief Fred Goeglein and Assistant Chiefs Uebelhoer and Kring, who each gave short responses. Ernie Hanauer, Broadway Plant Fire Chief, gave a short talk on plant cooperation, and O. L. Weitzman, assistant to the manufacturing manager of the Air Conditioning Department, discussed the Company's role in backing its fire department.

Arthur Kabisch, Superintendent, spoke on what the company expects of its Volunteer Fire Department. Others who gave short talks included Wayne Hardy, general foreman, Fire Chief J. Rodermund, and Howard Bennigan, vice-president of the Volunteer Firemen's organization.

Others present were George Haggenjos, A. Hume, E. Geller, W. Bloomenberg, G. Jackson, D. Duffey, C. Hees, E. Gilbert, A. Lash, H. Reiter, G. Castle, M. Poole, and C. Miller.

STATION 38 BROADCASTING

The Inspection Section seems to be in the news. All the girls seem to be in good humor; is it because of Christmas? . . . Martha Yost was transferred to second floor, Bldg. 1. We hope you like your new job, Martha. . . . Eleanor Herman came to work all bandaged up the other day. We understand that the parking lot came up to meet her. . . Fred Brinkman was seen taking time out for a few minutes. Wonder why? . . . Ed Gambrell acts like a boy with a new red wagon since he has two new tires. . . . Walter Knoche is taking his vacation the next two weeks. He is flying to Miami to visit his son. Happy landing, Walter. . . . We wonder how Engelman manages to ring his clock card at the same time every day. He surely has good timing. . . . Don Garton was showing some pictures of France and Germany which were very interesting, especially when he tells of his experience over there. George Grau is a very interested spectator when it comes to Germany, as he was there a few years ago. . . . I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole section for their contribution to a special fund. I assure you it was a worthy one. Here's wishing Section 38 a Merry Christmas. Be seeing you.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Leo Miller's son, Bill, received his discharge from the Navy Air Corps. He was stationed on Saipan. . . . Joe Carson was rabbit hunting Saturday and shot a fox. Right shot but wrong animal. . . . Ora Waltz says we should watch his bowling score now. He just received his new ball. . . . The Evaporator bowling team is still leading in the Winter Strect League. . . . Roy Crider went hunting Saturday and says the foxes are very plentiful as they are catching all of the rabbits. No rabbits? No fox?

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

With the aid of a big black cigar, Harold Bohde has been knocking 'em over at the noon euchre game. He and his partner, Pete Spitler, recently scored a shoutout over Kenny Smith and Glen Castle, and everyone says it's the "seegar" that did it. Harold blows smoke into their faces until they can't see the cards, then he takes over. . . . "Doc" Freigy left us last Friday for a short vacation but will soon be back. . . . Lawrence Magsaman has entered the hospital and will undergo an operation soon. The Tool Room and Maintenance Section recently sent him a Christmas present.

SPARE PARTS CHATTER

It has been awfully lonesome in Spare Parts this week since Mary and Dorothy have been on their vacations. Dorothy's one and only arrived in the States after all these months and called from Virginia. You weren't excited were you, Dorothy? . . . Sue is back after spending a week with her husband, who has just been discharged from the Seabees. . . . The Christmas party was held at the Victory Club and was attended by Mary, Gerry, Loraine, Annie, Frances, Bea, Dorothy, Louise, Marguerite, Florence, Vera, and Vivian. Nice to have Bill drop by to have a bite to eat with us wasn't it, girls? . . . Annie and Florence have been bragging all week about those nieces of theirs. . . . It seems as though Gerry gets so tired when she works overtime that she just wraps anything, even overtime slips. . . . Loraine, Gerry, Lydia, Ruth, and Martha have been transferred to Spare Parts. Glad to have you here, girls. . . . We wish everybody a very Merry Christmas.

PRODUCTION

What fun at the Production Christmas Party. Ed Rosenberger got the cutest gift—it made him so happy that he and Heiny Mutschlecner danced, and Heiny twirled around like a ballet dancer, 'tis reported. . . . Then the "Dalton Boys," Ray Barrick and Charlie Lammiman, each were gifted with a gun. A person would think the lone ranger had arrived.

BASKETBALL

The Winter Street basketball team played two games last week, one a league game with Small Motor Office and the other a practice game with the Turners' Athletic Association. The Turners defeated the Winter Street boys 33-26 in a game that was close all the way.

Will Entertain at Club Parties



Jerry Coe, shown above, is one of the better known accordionists and dancers of Chicago, and has played at many theatres throughout this section of the country. His new, unusual songs will be one of the high spots at the party for the children in the G-E Club Saturday. (See story on Page 1.)

Persons attending the Club party at the Decatur Plant will thrill to the antics of the dog troupe to be featured there. Some of these dogs have been featured in circus acts throughout the country and are known to please adult as well as child audiences. (See story on Page 1.)



HOT SHOTS FROM *Hollywood*

By Marylinn Bullerman

Today we devote this column to our association Christmas Party held a week ago yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce. Margaret Lissner, our wonderful soprano, from the card file, gave the invocation, "The Lord's Prayer," at the banquet table. On the menu was fruit cocktail, swiss steak, baked potatoes, green peas, Thousand Island salad, ice cream, cake, and coffee. Skippy Mills would like to find the boy who sold them the potatoes so he could buy a bushel. I guess he liked them very much, and who didn't? . . . Our president, Gillie Plummer, introduced our boss, Mr. Bond, who in turn introduced the guests present. A. J. Rose gave us a short talk and he was followed by Mr. Leider, who gave us some laughs. Then Gillie turned the rest of the program over to Gene Miller, chairman of the Entertainment committee. The Hollywood sextette, composed of Betty Kyvik, Thelma Clevenger, Margaret Lissner, Betty Raile, Marylinn Bullerman, and Marjorie Meyers, sang some Christmas carols. A tap dance was given by Mary Louise Truelove. At this point, Tommy Fox moved his chair in front so he wouldn't miss anything. Our virtuoso of the piano, Wilma Noyer, gave us a selection followed by some acrobatic capers by Joan Hottman. Margaret Lissner sang "O Holy Night" and "Indian Love Call" and received a round of applause. A very cute novelty number was presented by Mary Louise and Joan. . . . The Plummer family then took over and from then on in we all had plenty of laughs. Max and Gillie did some swell numbers on the clarinet, guitar, uke, and the tonettes. . . . The finale was the Hollywood Sextette singing "Silent Night," joined by the entire audience.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

First of all we want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It seems everyone is in the Christmas spirit this year, and tbat's the way we want it. . . . Lil Voirol cntertained a group of co-workers at her home Tuesday night with a very nice Christmas party. Roast chicken with all the trimmings was served. Those attending were J. Gfell, Jennie Kemp, Marge Huffman, Sylvia Bowers, Lucille Fisher, Ruth Lauer, Sophie Sinn, Mildred Raymond, Elizabeth Radu, and Dolores King. Gifts were exchanged and games played, and everybody had a very nice time. . . . LaFern Ballenbacher is spending the Christmas holidays in Duluth, Minn., at the home of her fiance. . . . Brice Martin surprised everyone Monday by bringing in a long line of rabbits' feet. We are wondering, Brice, are you trying to prove something? Anyway, next time we will believe you. . . . Glad to see Sophie Zelt back to work after a recent illness. Hope you're feeling tops again, Sophie. . . . Also want to wish Katie Hendricks a speedy recovery after her recent operation. . . . Shopping on Saturday sure is a jinx for Sylvia Bowers. One week ago she lost her billfold, this week it was one of her Christmas packages. Next time, Sylvia, you had better take along a retriever or even a St. Bernard. . . . Thanks to the mysterious poet in Bldg. 2-2 for the Christmas poem.

NEWS FROM SECOND SHIFT

We wish Elsie Freeman a speedy recovery and hope she will be back with us soon. . . . If anyone wants to know if the snow is wet, ask Helen; it seems it melts pretty fast in spots. . . . Evelyn Hart is enjoying her last-minute vacation, and a good time is wished by all. . . . Does Jerry Stahlman know how to read characters, just by looking at you? ? ? . . . We're sorry to hear of the illness of Irene Drabenstot's father. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . That's all for now, folks.

Big Akron Cagers Beat Club Team 56-35 Saturday

Ding Dong Battle Finds Visitors Victorious

By Bob Kessens

The Club team found the Akron Goodyears too big and tough Saturday nigbt when tbe Electricians (as the team is being called) fell before a whirlwind fourth quarter attack by the Akronites 56-35.

The Club team drew first blood, and from then on it was a ding dong battle for three quarters with Akron leading all tbe way, although the Club team kept threatening the first three quarters.

Akron led at tbe first quarter 10-6; second quarter, 21-14, and the third quarter, 34-26.

The fourth quarter saw the Club's defense crack wide open, allowing the Rubber men to score from all parts of the floor. Height was a big factor in Akron's victory, as they used their 6 foot 8 inch and 6 foot ten lncb centers to advantage in the last quarter, with the Club team unable to stop the big men under the basket.

Don Bennett, former Westminster College center who tops 6 feet 10 lnches, garnered seven field goals in the last quarter to lead his team in scoring with 14 points, while Krieg led the Club attack with 9 points.

Allen, wbo underwent a recent operation, saw action for about four minutes and the absence of Ted Reed, captain of the team, hurt the Club's offense considerably.

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.	AKRON	G.	F.	T.
VanRyn	3	0	6	Montgomery	5	1	11
Lowden	3	1	7	Bennett	7	0	14
Miller	1	0	2	Krollk	4	0	8
Magnusson	2	3	7	Wiggers	1	1	3
Allen	0	0	0	Cluggish	2	0	4
Krieg	3	3	9	Sod'quist	3	1	7
Schnelder	2	0	4	Falor	0	1	1
Baade	0	0	0	Yahner	4	0	8
Totals	14	7	35	Totals	26	4	56

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Evaporators	26	16
Drafting	24	18
Machinists	24	18
Compressors	23	19
Planners	22	20
Grinders	21	21
Power Drive	21	21
Maintenance	21	21
Designers	20	22
Testers	18	24
Engineers	16	26
Toolmakers	16	26

Arnold Benecke was high man for the evening with 204, 206, and 246 for a total of 656. This puts him in first place high for three game total, and his 246 is third place bigh single game for the season. George Haggenjos rolled a 258 for high single game of the season. Other 200 scores were Miller 223 and 200, Kolmerten 208 and 206, Houser 212, Castle 202, Skevington 201, and Denzel 200.

Benecke, who led the league last year, started slowly this season but is now hitting his stride. His average is now 180 and is good for second place. Tom Piepenbrink still leads with 184, while Haggenjos is third with 178, and Rinehart, Billings, and Kolmerten are tied for fourth place with 172.

Play With Club Team



Phyllis Amstutz



Betty Puff

Phyllis Amstutz, wbo plays guard on the Club team, is now in her second season with the G-E aggregation. She's a good defensive player and ball handler.

Betty Puff is playing her thlrd year with the Club team, and is appropriately dubbed the Club "sparkplug." By for the smallest member of the team, Betty is known as a tricky and smart ball player, as well as a consistently high scorer.

Small Motor Teams Win Monday Night Games in G-E League Play

By Walter Histed

The two Small Motor fives continued to blow hot as they won their games Monday night—the Factory men turning back General Service 43-36 for their third win in four starts while the Office team dropped last year's champions from Winter Street 31-22 to rack up their fourth consecutive victory.

Small Motor Factory, 43 General Service, 36

In a game tightly contested all the way Small Motor Factory emerged victorious over General Service 43-36 in Monday night's opener. Ken Young's team stepped out to score 13 polnts in the last quarter while holding their opponents to four and overcome a two point deficit to win going away. Williams with 16 and Baumgardner with 12 points paced the winner's attack, while "Slim" Kepler had his first big night of the season with 16 points for the losers.

GEN. SERVICE 36	G.	F.	T.	SM. MOT. FAC. 43	G.	F.	T.
Hanna	3	3	9	Williams	7	2	16
Kauffman	2	0	4	Baumgardner	5	2	12
Kepler	6	4	16	Kasimler	2	1	5
Snyder	2	1	5	Thomas	1	0	2
Allen	0	0	0	Young	0	2	2
Gutermuth	1	0	2	Lecoque	3	0	6
Totals	14	8	36	Totals	18	7	43

Officials: Leakey and Richards.

Small Motor Office, 31 Winter Street, 22

Small Motor Office minus their manager, Bill Kisler, racked up their fourth successive win by defeating Winter Street 31-22 in Monday night's nightcap. Using a well distributed scoring attack and aided by the return to uniform of the veteran Press Slack, the Office men maintained a lead at all stages of tbe game, outscoring the losers in every quarter. The winners did not stop Pfeiffer, high scoring center of Wlnter Street who managed to tally 11 points to be leading scorer of the game. His teammate Beaman with 7 points tied with Slack and Starkel of the winners for runner-up honors ln the point column.

SM. MOT OF. 31	G.	F.	T.	WINTER ST. 22	G.	F.	T.
Schuster	1	2	4	Davis	1	0	2
Singleton	3	0	6	Malone	0	0	0
Jennings	0	1	1	Pfeiffer	5	1	11
Slack	3	1	7	Beaman	3	1	7
Dent	1	4	6	Frasler	0	1	1
Starkel	3	1	7	Romine	0	0	0
Hellenthal	0	0	0	Yoder	0	1	1
Totals	11	9	31	Totals	9	4	22

Officials: Richards and Leakey.

An early deadline makes it impossible to include the regular Wednesday night games this week, but they will be summarized next week.

Transformer Division ● Bowling League ●

December 14, 1945

	Won	Lost
Toys	14	4
D	13	5
Volts	11	7
Radios	11	7
Coils	10	8
Autos	8	10
Bells	8	10
E - I	8	10
M	8	10
Watts	7	11
Ohms	6	12
U - I	4	14

INTER-DIVISION LEAGUE LEADING SCORERS

(Includes games of Monday, December 17th)

Player	Team	Games	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Foul Tries	Personal Fouls	Total Points
Williams,	Small Motor Factory	4	17	2	6	8	36
Kaslmier,	Small Motor Factory	4	13	5	8	6	31
Baumgardner,	Small Motor Factory	4	12	7	20	6	31
Imel,	Firemen	3	14	3	7	5	31
Dent,	Small Motor Office	5	11	7	14	3	29
Pfeiffer,	Winter Street	2	12	4	11	3	28
Cook,	General Service	3	11	5	12	1	28
Schuster,	Small Motor Office	5	9	8	16	0	26
Trump,	Tool Division	4	10	6	12	7	26
Hanlc,	Firemen	3	12	1	4	5	25

G-E Club Team Meets Wakarusa, December 27

Game G-E Club Falls to Dow Chemicals, 39-29

Opponents' First Quarter Lead Beats Electricians

By Bob Kessens

G-E Club put up a good defensive battle against Midland Dow Chemicals last night but finally went down before the tall Michigan men, 39-29, at the G-E Club gym.

A 14-3 lead piled up in tbe first period before the Electricians could get started proved the winning factor, as G-E held the Chemicals at least even in every period after that. Dow led at the half, 20-10 and at the third period, 30-18. G-E started a fast break attack in the final period and lt proved successful, the Club moving up only six points behind at 34-28 but in the closing minutes the Chemicals pulled away again.

Krieg and Magnusson dld a pretty good job of controlling Slim Wintermute, the elongated center star of Midland, but G-E's offensive was not equal to the task of keeping up witb the Cbemicals. Wright led the scoring with 11 points.

The summary:

MIDLAND	G.	F.	T.	G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.
Martens,f	4	0	8	Miller,f	0	0	0
T.Brown,f	0	0	0	Lowden,f	2	3	7
Wright,f	5	1	11	Reed,f	0	2	2
Patterson,f	1	0	2	Hanley,f	0	1	1
Lang,f	1	0	2	Magnusson,c	1	0	2
Flnnegan,f	0	0	0	Baade,c	0	0	0
Wlnt'mute,c	4	1	9	Krieg,g	2	2	6
Johnson,c	0	0	0	Allen,g	1	1	3
Hartman,g	2	0	4	VanRyn,g	3	1	7
Smick,g	0	3	3	Schneider,g	0	1	1
R.Brown,g	0	0	0				
Totals	17	5	39	Totals	9	11	29

Officials—Corbin, Bryan.

Joins House of David Club

Ralph Miller, popular and one of the high scoring forwards for the Club team, bade farewell to his teammates Tuesday night. It was Ralph's last game before reporting to the House of David Basketball team at Omaha, Nebr. Best of luck, Ralph, and let us hear from you occasionally.

Bill Hanley Rejoins Club

Last Tuesday night Bill Hanley saw action with the Club team the first time in two and a half years. He received bis discharge this week from the U. S. Marines and reported to Kessens, manager of the Club team, as soon as he reached the city. Bill played a lot of basketball while in the service, playing guard with the famous Whiz Kids, champions of the South Pacific. Bill looked good while in the game and with a few more workouts with the Club should round into shape. Welcome home, Bill.

Floating drydocks, placed in operation in the later stages of the Pacific naval war, were on the verge of revolutionizing fighting at sea. Equipped to make extensive repairs and utilizing as mucb electrical apparatus as a factory and hotel combined, they moved directly into the battle zone and literally lifted damaged vessels out of the water to give workmen access to any part of the hull or deck.

Basketball Quintets Take Holiday Rest; Back in Action January 5

By Bob Kessens

The G-E Men's Major Basketball club will be idle for the holiday season with the exception of one game that is scheduled to be played against the Wakarusa Independents at Wakarusa, Ind., on Thursday night, December 27.

The Club will swing back into action again on January 5, when they meet the Decatur G-E club at Decatur, returning to the home floor on Tuesday night, January 8, against the Defiance College quintet of Defiance, Ohio.

INTERDIVISION BOWLING LEAGUE

Standings

	Won	Lost
Series and Specialty	28	14
Screwballs	28	14
General Service	26	16
Firemen No. 4	24	18
Laboratory	24	18
Transformer	24	18
Motor Generator	20	22
Shipping	18	24
Wire and Insulation	17	25
Firemen No. 10	17	25
Plastics	14	28
Tool Room	14	28

High Games

600 Games: Haugk 628; J. Saylor 603.

200 Games: Toblas 255; Haugk 253; Ludeman 224; Cuney 216; Meeks 216, 209; Matthews 215; Morris 211; Ackerman 209; Elward 208; J. Saylor 205, 207; Starke 203; Berning 201; Burnau 200.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

On December 13, a group of girls from the office held a dinner and gift exchange at the Victory Club. Favors and place cards suitable to the season marked each place. Those attending were Helen Hardy, Irene Geiger, Elaine Mesing, Dorothy Meitz, Alice Reuille, Wanda Hilsmier, Phyllis Genth, Dorothy Miller, and Tereasa Burns. . . . It has been suggested that Gayle Kelsey be furnished with a guide to steer him to his new headquarters in Bldg. 4-5. . . . We have two new proud "poppas" in our midst —Dave Jetmore, who welcomed young David Lewis, and Charlie Briggs, whose new little daughter will be home from tbe hospital in time to hang up her stocking for Santa Claus. . . . Verda Gardner entertained a group of girls at her home in Goshen with a dinner party and Christmas exchange. Pine boughs and candles over a mirror centered the table. The guests were Mildred Stonebraker, Genevieve Figel, Helen Hine, Betty Feasby, Margaret Hart, Mildred English, and Evelyn Johnson.

A glass eye may LOOK all right, but you can't SEE through it.

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BY PRESIDENT CHARLES E. WILSON

There has been too long a time between my first message and this one, and I hope that it won't happen again, because this was a forced absence under doctors' orders. But now I am back and we can take up where we left off this informal discussion of General Electric and some of its problems and plans. I want to express my deep appreciation for the many letters which you wrote, and for the frankness and good faith in which they were written. I will continue to answer them as promptly as possible, and in the same spirit.

It has been many weeks since I pointed out the troubles and misunderstandings which can arise when we have to depend on newspapers or radio or other third parties as sources of communication. We have had several examples of garbled facts and misleading assertions, and there is not time enough in the day to answer all of them. There are one or two that we might as well get straight right now.

There has been loose talk about General Electric "abandoning" plants. The best way I know of answering this is to give you the facts. The facts are that when we have finished our reconversion job everyone of our regular manufacturing plants will employ more people and do more business than it did before the war. We are expanding our operations tremendously, not cutting them back, and I suggest that you weigh the motives of anyone who tells you that is not true because—either carelessly or deliberately—he is not telling the truth. Not only are we expanding our old operations—we are adding to them new factories in other sections of the country.

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H. D. Kelsey Gets Lynn River Job; I. A. Terry Named Here

I. A. Terry has been appointed Works Engineer, effective January 1, 1946, succeeding H. D. Kelsey, who has been appointed managing Engineer, Aircraft Gas Turbine Division, at the Lynn River Works.

The new Works Engineer comes to Fort Wayne from Schenectady, where he has been serving as staff assistant to Ernest Johnson, manager of engineering for the Apparatus Department. Mr. Terry was born in Ogden, Utah, attended Weber College in Ogden and was graduated from the University of Utah in 1925 with a B.S. in electrical engineering.



H. D. Kelsey



I. A. Terry

Gets M.S. Degree

He immediately entered G-E as a test engineer, and while on this course, studied at Union College to receive his M.S. in electrical engineering. In February, 1933, he was appointed assistant engineer of the Motor and Generator Engineering Department, and in June, 1940, was named assistant to the engineering assistant to the Schenectady Works Manager. Two years later he became assistant to the vice-president in charge of design engineering.

Mr. Terry is a fellow of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, a member of Phi Kappa Phi, honorary scholastic fraternity, and of Theta Tau, honorary professional engineering fraternity.

Mr. Kelsey Named

Mr. Kelsey was named Works Engineer in June, 1943, succeeding the late R. H. Chadwick. Mr. Kelsey entered the employ of the Company in June, 1920, and following the completion of the test course, was assigned as an engineer in the turbine engineering department at Schenectady. In 1929 he was named

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Salaried Employees Under $3,000 Get 10%; $3,000-$5,000 Group $300; Unions Made Same Offer

With resumption of wage negotiations with the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union (CIO) the General Electric Company last week offered a 10 per cent increase in pay, effective January 1, 1946.

In the case of salaried employees, the 10 per cent will apply to those receiving $3,000 per year and less. Employees whose rates range from $3,000 to $5,000 per year will receive a flat increase of $300 per year.

The Company announced that an increase on the above basis would go into effect on January 1 for all other employees not represented by a union.

This increase is conditioned upon agreement by the Union not to impose limitations on or obstacles to increased production by its members, and recognition by the Union of the responsibility and authority of the corporation to so conduct its business as to achieve high and efficient production.

The definite and proposed increases for the two groups of General Electric workers would total approximately $25,700,000 per year for about 124,000 employees.

In reference to the offer made to the union leaders, President Charles E. Wilson said:

President Wilson's Statement

"We are offering to the collective bargaining units within the Company an increase of 10% effective January 1, 1946, or as of the date of acceptance by the unions,

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Elex Club Cancels Trip

The Elex trip to Chicago on Saturday, January 12, has been cancelled, Irene Meyers, Club adviser, announced today, because all railroad coaches east of Mississippi and west of Ohio are being pressed into service to bring the boys home from the Pacific Coast.

Checks covering money paid to the Club by persons having reservations will be mailed to the individual's home as soon as possible, Miss Meyers said. She expressed the hope that club members would not be disappointed at the last-minute cancellation, since everyone is interested in getting the thousands of boys home who are now stranded in seaport towns.

G-E To Continue Bond Sale by Payroll Deduction

There are to be no more U. S. War Bond campaigns, but even with the Victory Bond Drive over, the Company's Payroll Savings Plan for the sale of U. S. Savings Bonds will continue, according to an announcement this week by the Company's Treasury Department at Schenectady. The announcement answers a quesswhich has been frequently asked recently by employees who like the convenience of the facilities afforded by the Company for safe investment of the money they save.

The types of bonds on sale will be the same as formerly—Series E, for payroll deduction purchases and Series E, F, and G, for cash investors. Declaring that as strong reasons as ever exist for Bond savings, the Department quoted President Wilson's appeal last August, in which he said, "I personally urge you to continue to invest as high a percentage of your earnings in United States Savings Bonds as you can by deductions from payroll. In this way you will not only build up financial security for yourselves, but you will help in maintaining the economic stability of your country."

Guy Fitzsimmons To Play for Squares' New Year's Dance

Cocktail Party To Open Annual December 31 Affair of Organization

A cocktail party from 8 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. will open the G-E Squares' New Year's Eve Dance to be held at the Squares Hall Monday, December 31, 1945.

Members and their guests will dance to the music of Guy Fitzsimmons and his orchestra, from 10 P.M. to 2 P.M. Tickets priced at

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J. W. Crise Leaves General Electric To Retire on Pension

The Fort Wayne Works will lose one of its veteran officials today, when J. W. Crise, executive assistant since 1941, leaves the Company to retire under the Pension Plan. Mr. Crise has held many important supervisory positions in his more than 39 years of service here, and like many other G-E supervisors, started his employment as a "hand" in the shops.

He was first employed August 2, 1906, when he was placed on the Company payroll as an assembler in the Meter Department. His leadership abilities were quickly recognized, and in October of the same year he was given a clerkship in the Accounting Department.

Mr. Crise continued work in the Accounting Department in various capacities for a period of 12 years, and on July 1, 1918, he was promoted Works Accountant in charge of budgets, costs, payrolls, internal auditing, and accounting.

He also had the distinction of being the first Fort Wayne Works employee to receive a Charles Cof-

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J. W. Crise

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Ring Out the Old ---Ring In the New

With the coming of every new year, we are accustomed to think in terms of "ringing out the old" and "ringing in the new." That will be true this time in a way not known for a generation and to a degree not experienced before by any living Americans. For the contrast between the vast events of 1945, with their tremendous uncertainties culminating in complete, shattering victory over the enemy, and the truly bright future of hoped-for world peace, is much greater than that which met the country as 1919 opened after the last war.

Ring out, then, the terrifying days of the Battle of the Bulge, when we flew soldiers across the Atlantic to save the threatened men of the invasion forces. Ring out the bloody period of the step-by-step invasion of the Philippines and the Jap homeland. Ring out the daily ordeal of the casualty lists, telling of the darkening of thousands of American homes by the grief of personal loss. And raise a prayer of thanksgiving that such days are behind us.

Ring in the new glory of the dawn of peace, a peace not bearing guarantees that without effort it will continue, as we thought the last one would, but a peace with a challenge to us all to make it work. Ring in the new spirit stirring all over the world that gives real hope of a successful organization to banish war. Ring in the dawn of days when, despite the temporary uncertainties of the present, poverty, distrust and intolerance will be well on their way to final extinction in America.

These things can and will come if we attack them as hard and unselfishly as we attacked the enemy. And attack them we will!

Safety Goes On

The end of the war has brought many changes into our world. Individuals are making great adjustments in their daily lives; industries are facing stupendous tasks of reconversion; our government must make drastic changes in policies and practices.

It is interesting to speculate on the future of many things that hacked out a neat little corner during the war. Take Safety, for example. Many have seen the figures that tell the great story Safety did during the war. In effect, we know that Safety contributed much to the success of our war effort. Millions of man-hours were saved; millions of injuries were prevented. The record of war production was in a large measure the record of increased Safety in our shops. Finding the safer way, which meant holding precious manpower on the job, was often the story behind the story of the rising production figure on the charts of industry.

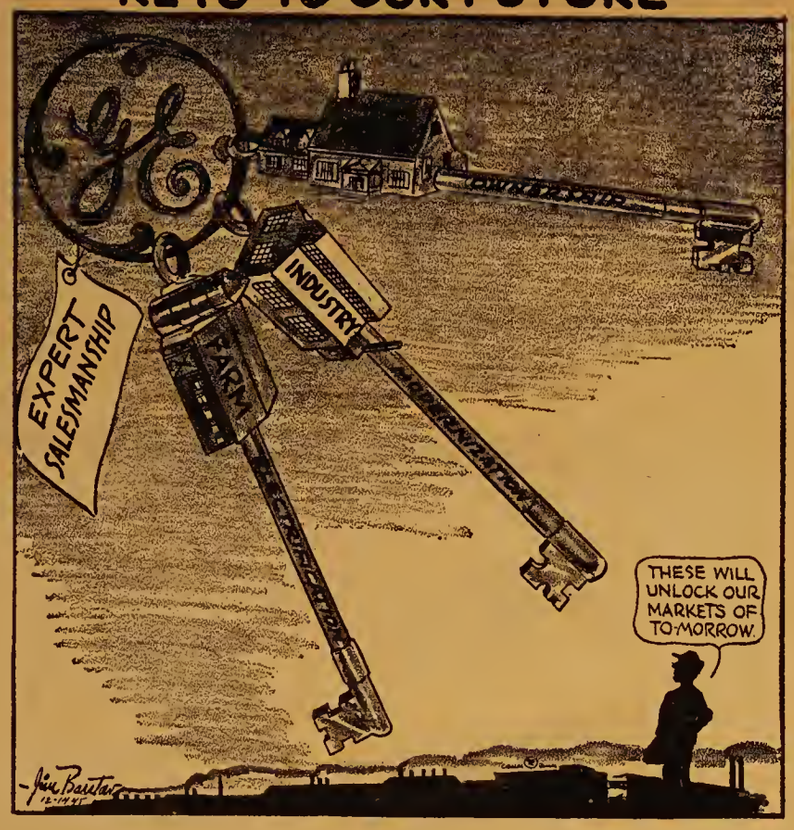
So how about Safety? Safety men have always known that accident prevention is good business; that safety and efficiency go hand in hand. And that's the argument that will lose none of its force in the postwar world. *Safety is good business!*

Perhaps the character of industry will change as we go toward a peacetime world, but the fundamental humanitarian and utilitarian principles of Safety still have a firm place in the working day. Be interested in Safety measures; your life may depend on it.

Don't drop your war insurance, Buddy, it's precious.

A Veteran's war insurance is the bargain of a lifetime, insurance experts tell us.

KEYS TO OUR FUTURE



As the stream of General Electric peacetime products grows and the Monogram appears on more and more of the fine things of the future, it is well to think that the job of brightening up the world is not one of production alone, though that is the very core of the problem. The superiority of G-E-manufactured goods is evident enough as soon as they are used, but without the services of capable advertisers and salesmen to point out how good they are and to describe their operation, the whole process of marketing them would falter and probably fail.

The whole future of everyone in General Electric, therefore, is dependent on the quality of performance of, first, the people who, with their fine knowledge of the likes and dislikes of the buyer, are able to convince him of his need of G-E products; and, second, of those who, with infinite skill and patience, create a flawless product that will live up to what the advertisements and the salesmen say it will do. For these days of peace are days of competition, and only the best products can win.

New Silicone Oils Developed By Research Laboratory

Silicone oils that flow at temperatures as low as 121 degrees below zero Fahrenheit, without congealing, have been developed by General Electric's Research Laboratory in Schenectady, it was announced recently by Dr. Eugene G. Rochow of the G-E Research Laboratory, speaking before the Rochester, N. Y., section of the American Chemical Society.

These oils, prepared with methyl silicone polymers, will be useful as hydraulic fluids for aircraft systems in the operation of flaps, doors, and landing wheels, according to Dr. Rochow. He said also that silicone oils can be used in fine instruments, in watches and clocks, and as a dielectric fluid in capacitors and transformers.

"The silicone oils, developed by G-E chemists, have flow points as low as minus 121 F. and may be used at plus 302 F. without oxidation or sludging, their most unusual property being their small change of viscosity with temperature," Dr. Rochow declared.

Heat-resisting Rubber

He explained that methyl silicone polymers, in the form of elastomers, produce a silicone rubber that does not decompose at plus 400 F. nor harden at minus 67 F., and maintains its elasticity over long periods of time at the high temperature of 302 F. under load.

Mentioning other silicone products, Dr. Rochow asserted that G-E scientists have found some methyl silicone resins which undergo no decomposition or disintegration over a period of years at 392 F. and maintain their dielectric strength for long periods even at 572 degrees Fahrenheit.

May Find Other Uses

"Stability at high temperatures is no longer considered to be the only virtue of the organosilicon polymers, however," the G-E scientist explained. "Silicone oils and rubber may well prove to be valuable because of their performance at low temperatures, lower than those at which organic oils and elastomers are satisfactory.

"The small change of physical and electrical properties with temperature may prove to be important. Neither of these characteristics was predicted from the early work; both came to light through investigations of entirely new polymers. In so new and interesting a field, there are many such profitable lines of study still almost untouched, awaiting new workers and new ideas."

Dr. Rochow said that the unusual properties of the organosilicon polymers and their intermediates have suggested many uses for these materials, and the amounts which are now available have found ready application.

SCIENCE FORUM

By L. A. HAWKINS

Q. What happens to the neon in the sealed tubes of a neon sign?

A. **In a neon sign the gas is at a relatively low pressure, so that a high-voltage electric current can be conducted through it in the form of electrons. These electrons travel along the tube at high speed, and as they hit neon atoms some of the electrons in these atoms are knocked out of their usual positions. The atoms are then said to be "excited." Very quickly, however, the electrons in the neon atoms fall back to their customary positions, and when this happens energy is given off mainly in the form of the red light that is characteristic of neon. When other gases are used, the light is a different color; helium, for instance, gives a blue light.**

G-E Motor Generators Had Great War Role

New Units Produced Here Helped Blaze Trail to Tokyo

Employees of G-E's Motor and Generator Division can take a cumulative pat on the back, the records show, for their part in blazing the "power trail" to Tokyo.

The struggle in the Pacific, lately brought to a successful conclusion, involved the taking, holding, and building of a series of Naval bases extending from Pearl Harbor to Tokyo, and it was the generators engineered and built here that supplied power to most of these bases.

New Units Ordered

Immediately after the disaster at Pearl Harbor, the Navy began ordering completely self-contained portable power plants, diesel-engine-driven, and mounted on rubber-tired trailers. The Erie Works, accustomed to building diesel-electric locomotives, took the job as over-all contractor and assembled a diesel engine with a Fort Wayne Works generator into the cab of a locomotive. The cab contained all the switch gear, voltage regulators, and controls that are ordinarily used in the conventional power plant. The customary locomotive driving gear was, of course, omitted.

The end result was that this portable power plant trailer looked very much like an electric locomotive except that it was fitted with rubber-tired wheels. It could be hauled in, jacked up, and put into operation before the last Jap on newly-conquered territory was stiff with rigor mortis.

Contribution Here

The generator used in the portable power plant was the contribution of the Motor and Generator Division. It had to be as small and lightweight as possible because both space and weight were at a premium in this portable power plant. It had to be rugged mechanically and electrically to withstand rough treatment in the hands of inexperienced operators. It had to supply power to either a 4,000 volt or a 2,300 volt line, as necessary, by merely throwing a switch to change generator winding connections. Only one set of instruments was supplied for measurements under the dual voltage conditions. The switching arrangement which made possible the use of only the one set of instruments, included the locating of part of the switch gear inside the generator housing.

A very unusual feature in connection with these portable power plants was the fact that the General Electric Company instructed classes of Navy and Seabee personnel in their construction operation and maintenance. A "short course" of instruction was given to several groups of service men on all of the major pieces of equipment comprising these power plants, and engineers of the Motor and Generator Division assisted in giving these instruction courses.

Great Job Done

These portable power plants have been in operation on island bases in the South Pacific from Pearl Harbor to Okinawa. Unofficial reports indicate they are doing a great job. The boys using them take every opportunity to write about how much superior they are to Jap equipment which is captured.

One wrote the Erie Works:

". . . The units run remarkably well. It was marvelous how they 'stood up' under that terrific hurricane, especially so when it beached ships and completely ruined practically all small major equipment. Our units had to take quite a load when the small 75-kw generator sets were temporarily out of commission."

Another wrote from Subic Bay in the Philippines describing how six of them had been set up, virtually in a swamp, and, said the sailor, "Give them a 'well done' for us."

Seabee Writes G-E

A Seabee, who apparently has seen much action, recently wrote:

"The only power system they had on Tinian when we came here was a three-unit station that a Seabee outfit built from old Jap equipment. . . . The Seabees found and rebuilt three about 250-kw, 3750 volt, 60 cycle Jap generators. The generators were driven by five cylinder diesels that are exact copies of the Cummins diesel. Our men had to repair the generator windings and build fuel pumps and injectors as the Japs removed them before being driven off the island. By the way, remove the Jap writing, and you will find an old-type G-E transformer. The Japs also did a good job copying G-E's voltmeters and ammeters. In fact, all the equipment found on the island was a poor copy of U. S. Stuff.

"Now that our own new plants are running, the Jap station will soon be used only as an emergency unit for the Navy hospital. By installing a bucking bank of transformers, we can use the system built around the Jap plant.

"My crew has been busy the past two weeks training Army men so that they can take over the operation of our units, as we are to move on and build another system. The new men are as thoroughly sold on the units as we were, so they will be in good hands."

Contributed to War Product Production



Wherever Wheels Turn and Lights Glow, G-E Equipment Is Furnishing Electricity



Michael Temoshok, C. R. Atkinson, and R. E. Pumphrey, left to right, all of the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, are shown examining the A.C. stator (right), the pedestal (center), and the exciter frame (left) of a generator of the type used in the portable power plant. See the story of the Motor and Generator Division's contribution to the war effort at left.

Hi-Nites In 17-1

Well, so Christmas is over, and I hope old St. Nick was good to everyone. Next on the list is New Year's, and here are some of the resolutions heard in and around Section 17-1. . . . Bob Haugk to pick a winner—Oscar Schelper to roll some 600 games—Hank Gollmer not to play with his son's train—Jerry Pierce to go fishing without stopping at the fish market—Marge Dietsch to get red flannels 'cause up Albion way it really gets cold—Charlie Hazen to keep the airplanes away from high tension wires—Harry Kessler to avoid all steep stairways—Elizabeth Love to eat all candy bars that are presented to her—Loyal Decker to double his button collection—Last but not least Virg Best to get rid of that outboard motor. . . . We have heard many stories of fellows being in the dog-house, but have yet to see a fellow pulling his in back of him, till this past week. Couldn't believe our own eyes when we spied Ray Epperson pulling his dog-house, with sleigh-runners on it, home from work. . . . Have you heard of the new game that can be played with a tape measure or yo-yo? For details see the inventor, Joe Kramer. . . . Jean Cutter has a technique all her own. She tied a string around her finger to remember, and a few moments later was wondering what that string was doing on her finger. What happened to the biscuits, Jean? . . . The two Bobs—Daring, Davidson, received their annual Christmas present, the well known white kitty, during the game last week. . . . We promised Lenny Hutson not to print his hunting story, but it is a very interesting story how he managed to bag all of those minks. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Mishler, who were recently married. . . . So wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year. So-long for now, see you next week.

Home handymen now can silver plate worn plumbing fixtures, dinner ware, metal fittings and other household items with a simple plug-in electro-plater that requires no previous experience to operate.

Strictly Personal

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It always amazes me—and should make you at least suspicious—to find a radio commentator or a leftwing newspaper or some other unofficial spokesman who is so sure he knows the facts about our business right down to the last dollar or square foot of floor space, when most of us, whose business it is, don't pretend to such exact knowledge because we know how the picture changes from day to day.

Some of our war plants were built by the government, with public money, to meet an emergency, and were operated by G-E under contract. They are in the same class as tanks or battleships or jeeps, which also belong to the government, which were built with public money to meet an emergency, and which were operated by soldiers and sailors. G-E has no more right or duty to continue operating these plants now than a soldier has right or duty to keep operating a tank. The war is over. Making weapons doesn't happen to be our business in 1946.

But just as we civilians have found some peaceable applications for the jeep, so General Electric has even found that it could adapt seven of these plants to its use, and has purchased them from the government. I know of only five such plants where we have ceased operations, and in each of those cases we are expanding our peacetime manufacture in that locality.

Still more on the credit side, we have currently leased one existing plant, we have bought six others, we are building seven new factories, and we have land for three new plants. It is important to remember that these new plants, in new localities, represent an expansion of our regular facilities. We need them to house the production lines for our increased business, which will enable us to employ about twice as many people as we employed on the average before the war.

It has been said that in going into smaller towns to expand our business we are looking for cheap labor. General Electric doesn't want and never did want cheap labor. It did not grow that way. G-E has always paid equal or better rates for a job than any other comparable employer in a given area, and that will continue to be our policy. What we are seeking by establishing factories in less congested areas are these things—proximity to markets and sources of materials, better transportation facilities—and desirable and congenial working conditions for employees, where the dollar earned will buy more leisure, better schools, improved health, and greater security. These seem like worthwhile objectives to me.

Various irresponsible and uninformed persons have also stated that General Electric is not trying to produce the appliances that people need so badly, or is hoarding them in warehouses until they will bring a higher price. There is no truth in these statements, as any of you know who are working on these appliances. We have had a hard time getting materials and parts. In some places we are still having a hard time getting labor. We are adding new factory space and equipment just as fast as it is humanly possible to do so. We have

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G-E POSTWAR PLANT EXPANSION PROGRAM

The following outline gives the highlights of General Electric's program of postwar expansion, designed to double our prewar level of employment. This program is still in progress, and changes may be made as the program develops.

AIR CONDITIONING DEPARTMENT

The Air Conditioning Department will take over the entire facilities of the Bloomfield Works, some of which was formerly devoted to apparatus, for the manufacture of heating equipment.

APPARATUS DEPARTMENT

The Apparatus Department is, in almost every case, expanding the size of its present plants, in addition to buying, leasing, and building plants in new localities, as follows:

Bloomfield, N. J.—While a small wartime turret plant is being discontinued here, we are considerably expanding the facilities of the Air Conditioning Dept.

Erie, Pa.—The transfer of all household refrigerator and freezer manufacture to Erie will considerably expand labor requirements and will utilize two government plants where wartime turbines were manufactured.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—Present plans call for at least a $12,000,000 expansion and a doubling of prewar employment. We have brought the government plant at Decatur to add to our small motor production. This plant will have three times its prewar employment. A plant at DeKalb, Ill., has been approved for lease for the same purpose. The Kokomo, Ind., plant is still being operated. A small motor plant will be built at Tiffin, Ohio. We have offered to purchase the giant Taylor Street plant in Fort Wayne, where we built superchargers during the war.

Pittsfield, Mass.—This plant will also be considerably expanded, but the facilities here have been outgrown and must be added to in other locations where labor supply is available. One of these is at Fort Edward, N. Y., where a war plant has been purchased. Another is at Holyoke, Mass., where we have leased a small transformer plant. A third is at Clyde, N. Y., where we have purchased the plant of the Acme Electric and Mfg. Company and will produce fluorescent lamp ballasts. A new plant is to be built at Danville, Ill., also to produce fluorescent lamp ballasts.

River Works, Lynn, Mass.—The Company's works here should have twice the employment postwar as before the war. In this area we are still operating two government plants—one at Fitchburg for the production of mechanical drive turbines because the Lynn facilities are not adequate, and one at Everett, where we made superchargers during the war. One Lynn war plant, specially built for making giant gears, will be taken over in part by the government to store gears.

San Jose, Calif.—Here we have purchased land for expansion of our West Coast apparatus manufacturing facilities.

Schenectady, N. Y.—Our present plans call for a $33,000,000 expansion with about a 50 per cent increase in employment over the prewar average. This will include the construction of a new research laboratory having many times the facilities and employing about twice as many research workers as the existing laboratory. The manufacture of industrial control devices will be moved to Schenectady from Bloomfield, N. J. The Campbell Avenue plant, wartime electronics operation, is still being operated and will probably be used by the Apparatus Department eventually.

Syracuse, N. Y.—Here the Apparatus Department operated a government plant in which we built escort turbines and jet engines during the war. The suspension of these wartime apparatus activities will be more than made up by the Electronics Department expansion.

West Lynn, Mass.—Here we expect postwar employment of more than twice our prewar average. We are expanding our shipping and warehousing facilities—have purchased a government plant in order to expand our meter and instrument manufacture, and have purchased another property for peacetime production of aircraft instruments.

APPLIANCE AND MERCHANDISE DEPARTMENT

The facilities of this Department will be greatly expanded. Most of the expansion will be outside of Bridgeport, which will be operating at its full capacity.

Allentown, Pa.—Here we have purchased facilities for appliance manufacture.

Erie, Pa.—Here we will use two wartime plants for the manufacture of household refrigerators and freezers.

Millerton, N. Y., and Norfolk, Conn.—At these locations we plan one leased plant and one new plant for the manufacture of fluorescent starters.

Scranton, Pa.—We have offered to buy a government plant here to manufacture dishwashers and sinks.

Trenton, N. J.—We have purchased a plant operated by us during the war on government jobs and will make automatic washers here.

White Plains, N. Y.—We have offered to purchase a small plant here to make disposalls.

CHEMICAL DEPARTMENT

Because of the specialized nature of the facilities needed for the products of this department, it is not always practical to convert existing facilities, and expansion must be undertaken by erecting new plants where raw materials and labor are available.

Albion, Mich.—Land has been purchased here for a new plant.

Anaheim, Calif.—Land purchased for a new plastics and glyptal plant.

Coshocton, Ohio—Construction has begun on a new laminated plastics plant.

Scranton, Pa.—Facilities have been leased for a molding plant.

Waterford, N. Y.—Here in upstate New York we are building a new plant for the manufacture of silicones.

ELECTRONICS DEPARTMENT

The plans for this department are as follows:

Owensboro, Ky.—The Company has purchased the facilities of the Ken-Rad Company for vacuum tube manufacture, and this project includes plants at Owensboro and Bowling Green, Ky., and Tell City and Huntingburg, Ind.

Syracuse, N. Y.—This will be the headquarters of the department, with a new development called Electronics Park. We are still operating the two government plants on Wolf Street and Thompson Road, which were used for wartime radar production.

Wabash, Ind.—A radio cabinet plant has been purchased here.

LAMP DEPARTMENT

During the war this department operated the Nottingham equipment works in Cleveland for devices foreign to lamp department production. This plant is being turned over to another manufacturer.

The Lamp Department is building new plants at Bellevue, Ohio, Mattoon, Ill., and Lexington, Ky., and it is reconstructing a plant at Niles, Ohio.

G-E Wage Increase Plan Is Announced for January 1

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whichever is later. Whether or not the unions accept this offer, the increase will go into effect on January 1, 1946, for eligible employees who are not subject to collective bargaining agreements.

"The public, our employees and the stockholders of the Company are entitled to an explanation of this Company decision.

"In August, when the Pacific war ended, Government statements showed that the cost of living, compared to January, 1941, had increased 28.4%. During the same period, the average rates of General Electric employees had increased in excess of 30%. Within the past month the Government is authority for the statement that the cost-of-living increase, since January, 1941, is now 33%, which introduces a new factor for consideration in fairly appraising the compensation for Company employees, which was not known in previous discussions with the Union.

"On December 13, the majority of eligible employees subject to the collective bargaining agreement, voted authority to the Union to call a strike if the Company did not grant a $2 a day pay increase, or approximately a 30% addition to the present rates which are already in excess of 30% higher than in January, 1941.

Employees' Problems Considered

"Serious as a strike would be to those who need home appliances, to the employees through the loss of compensation, and to the stockholders who own the Company, the effect of such a cessation of production would be even more critical for thousands of both large and small manufacturers whose production in turn is dependent upon this Company's furnishing component parts, such as motors and controls, electronic devices, lamps, wiring devices, and similar related products. Therefore, a break in the production of the products of this Company would, at a very early date, force work stoppages for a very large segment of industry.

"Having carefully weighed the new information now available on the increased cost of living, and recognizing the Company's obligation to the public and to industry, and with due consideration for the problems of all employees in adjusting themselves to changing conditions, this offer is made to the officers of the Union.

"It has been the Company's declared policy to maintain prices of its products at approximately the prewar level. On a weighted average of dollar volume, it is estimated that present prices of the Company's products are not more than 2% to 3% higher than prewar, even though the average prices of all products and services have increased 33% during this same period, as stated by the Government.

"Four months ago, raw materials and purchased components were approximately 7% higher, on the average, than prewar. Since then, steadily increasing prices from our suppliers indicate that by mid-year 1946, the purchased material and components will represent an increase over prewar of approximately 11%.

Prices Frozen by OPA

"Now if this additional wage increase of 10% is added to the earlier 30% advance in wage rates the total advance is more than 40% in labor rates since January, 1941. Together these increases will represent additions of approximately $25,000,000 for material and $93,000,000 for labor in 1946 over our 1940-41 labor and material costs. Our present selling prices, as we resume production of prewar products, are frozen by OPA at substantially prewar levels. The effects of these increases in labor and material costs without compensating price increases are graphically illustrated by applying them to the 1940 volume of business. In that year this Company did a gross business of $411,000,000, and reported earnings of $56,000,000. On that volume of business, costs would be $55,000,000 higher for labor and $12,000,000 for materials. Together these increases would aggregate $67,000,000, exceeding the earnings reported in 1940 by $11,000,000. It is perfectly clear that there is nothing in the Company's position or prospects that warrants an increase in wages or salaries at this time.

"It is also apparent that the Company can no longer adhere to its policy of maintaining prewar price levels. We regret that through this decision we join the forces of inflation.

"The management of this Company has considered its responsibilities threefold: to the public through continuing better products at lower prices; to the employees through satisfactory working conditions with rates on the average equal to or greater than those paid for similar employment in the communities in which they reside; and to the stockholders for a satisfactory return on the money invested.

"The Company has planned an expansion program through the acquisition of new facilities, the majority of which were Government-owned facilities operated by the Company during the war, that would increase total employment from a prewar average of 70,000 to a 1946 objective of 140,000 employees, if these plans are carried forward to completion.

"Even with these increased facilities it will be necessary, in 1946, for the majority of the productive employees to work 44 to 48 hours per week. Present production plans indicate a work week for the productive employees during next year, equal on the average to the peak wartime production of 1943 and 1944.

"These stated objectives — of higher rates for the employees with larger weekly 'take home' which is being offered; continuing high quality products for the customer at reasonable prices; and fair dividends to the stockholder—can be obtained only through increased productive effort from all members of the organization."

Thousands Attend Annual G-E Club Party for Children



Here are scenes snapped by our photographer at the G-E Club Christmas Party for the kiddies Saturday, December 22. Top row, left, one of the star dog performers "stretches" after climbing the ladder. Top center needs no explanation as one of the doggies plays "momma." The pony, top right, also drew a lot of attention from the delighted children at the party. Five performances were given throughout the day to accommodate the crowd.

Middle row of pictures, left, shows Jerry Coe, accordionist, doing his act. The act that practically stole the show is shown middle row, center—the chorus line of dogs. Jimmy Nelson, ventriloquist, and his pal, "Chuckles," are shown in middle row, right.

Bottom row, left, a featured canine performer does a balancing act on a rope. Bottom center, Santa arrives to lead the children in singing "Jingle Bells." Bottom right, pictures part of the crowd, enjoying the festivities.

Howdy, Folks:
BUILDING 4-3

Happy New Year, folks, and wishing you the best of everything in the coming year. . . . Welcome to ex-service men Harry Francis and Jimmie Fasnough in Small Lot. Glad to have you boys back with us again. . . . This really seems to be vacation week, as Hester Seidel, Clara Nahrwold, Alice Pelkey, Mary Archbold, Fletta Erickson, Vic Robinson, and Florence Stanski are all on their vacations. . . . Florence Stanski is especially a happy gal now that her fiance is home with his discharge from the Navy and also her brother with his discharge from the Army. . . . Velva Smith celebrated her birthday December 17. Happy birthday, Velva, and many more of them. She was so excited that morning that when she mailed a letter she dropped her street-car pass in. That was too bad, Velva, especially since you just bought the pass that morning. . . . From what we hear Lorhene Wilson really promised to get Bessie Justus a nice Christmas gift. How about that, gals? . . . This is all, folks, without your help we won't be able to have a column so please put your news in the box so we can have one.

Your Country Cousins.

The electronically cooked hot dog is on the way. A robot will produce it, wrapped in a warm split roll, a few seconds after insertion of a coin.

NEWS FROM

Our Men and Women in the Services

More G-E Servicemen Write of Return to States

S/Sgt. Gilbert Brookhart Hopes To Return To G-E Soon

Dear Editor:

I take pleasure in informing you of my recent return to the United States and discharge from the Army.

I returned to the United States on December 1 and was discharged at Camp Atterbury on December 9 after 25 months of overseas service in North Africa and the China-Burma-India Theater.

I am a former employee of Bldg. 4-2 and plan to apply for my old job approximately February 1 after a trip to New Mexico and back up through the States.

Sincerely yours,
S/Sgt. Gilbert Brookhart



Gilbert Brookhart

With Aviation Group

Dear Editor:

. . . I am a member of an aviation group whose purpose is to overhaul aircraft returned from overseas. These planes as turned over to training groups for use as pilot trainers. My particular function in the group is to order and expedite parts and equipment for overhaul requirements.

I do most certainly appreciate receiving the NEWS weekly, as it keeps me up to date on the functions of the various departments, the winners of suggestion awards, who's where in the armed services, and who has what job. These are the things in which I am most interested and without the paper I could not keep up with the times.

Sincerely yours,
Corp. Jack W. Bendure

Camp New York, Reims, France
November 14, 1945

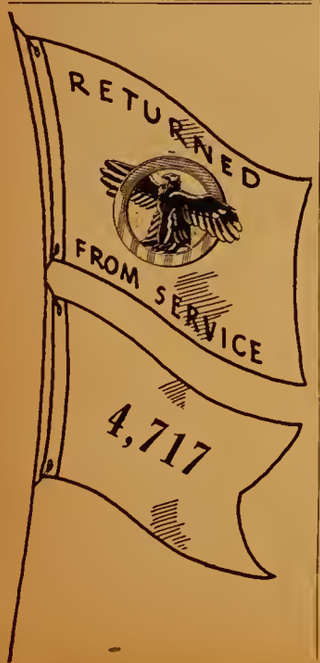
Dear Editor:

I wish to take the opportunity to thank you for sending me the WORKS NEWS; it has been a means by which I could keep in contact with what my friends in the Bldg. 26-2 were doing.

Over three years ago I left the General Electric Company and entered the Armed Forces, during that time I have served in five countries. . . .

In a few weeks I expect to return to the United States and be discharged.

PFC Gerald L. McGregor



Reinstating Veteran's Lapsed War Insurance

Any World War veteran who has allowed his National Service Life Insurance to lapse may put it back into effect at any time within six months of leaving the service, provided he is in as good health as when the policy lapsed. He should see at once Herbert V. Smith, contact representative of the local Veterans Administration office, on the fourth floor of the Utility Bldg.

Mr. Smith will be glad to help reinstate the insurance. If the veteran has lost the insurance certificate sent to his home address at the time of his induction, Mr. Smith will get a duplicate from Washington, and he will answer any other questions. He can be reached by telephone by calling A-8289.

Notice

Because of the conclusion of hostilities, many employees of the Fort Wayne Works will be returning to the United States. The WORKS NEWS asks all men and women now stationed overseas to notify the editor as soon as possible of any changes of address, so that the WORKS NEWS mailing list may be kept up to date.

All service personnel discharged from the armed forces are also asked to notify the WORKS NEWS to that effect.

One man's efforts toward Safety may be small, but all together we can do a great deal.

Lowe'l Kelsey Now In States After Accident

Lowell Kyle Kelsey, who was injured in an automobile accident the day before Thanksgiving Day, in the Azores, landed in the States December 21, at Mitchell Field, New York, on a hospital plane. He was greeted by Santa Claus, who gave all aboard the plane a gift from the Red Cross.

During the telephone conversation with his family, Lowell said that he was feeling fine and would probably be stationed near Fort Wayne. He said that the patrol car in which he was riding slipped from the road, fell over a cliff, and landed within 15 feet of the ocean.

Goggles are to protect your eyes, not your cap.

Gerald R. Scherer Cited for Bravery

T/4 Gerald R. Scherer, who was formerly employed at Winter Street and is now stationed at Maluka, Mindanao, has been recommended for the Bronze Star Medal for his demonstration of courage in the face of danger.

During severe air attacks by the enemy on October 25, 1944, the Navy Gunnery Officer had asked men to volunteer to be stationed at the forward 3-inch gun, the aft 3-inch gun and on the top deck, all exposed positions. Gerald, a member of the Medical Section of the 865th Engineer Aviation Battalion, immediately volunteered to take the top deck where he stayed during the numerous raids on the ship. Despite the fact that he had no cover, he conducted himself in a cool manner and carried out his duties faultlessly when called on to give aid to wounded men of the Navy Armed Guard, the official report stated.

Capt. William E. Barbry, an eyewitness, wrote: "I was present when the Navy gunnery officers asked for volunteers from the medical section to serve as aid men at the gun positions. T/4 Scherer immediately volunteered. During the numerous air raids I observed, T/4 Scherer remained cool and on occasion when he had to treat a wounded gunner did so skillfully despite the fact that the bombers were still making their run."

Gerald's father, Louis C. Scherer, works in Bldg. 19-4.

"Farewell" Letter

Dear Editor:

It's been quite a while since I last wrote so will take the time tonight to write you my farewell letter from overseas, as I am supposed to sail the 15th with an outfit that's coming back to the States for deactivation; so hope the boat's on schedule, but anything can happen as it often has.

Thanks again for sending the WORKS NEWS as I have enjoyed every copy of it.

Will close hoping to be back in Indiana soon.

As ever,
Sgt. Lester Dunfee

Tokyo, Honshu
December 7, 1945

Dear Editor:

I am preparing to embark for the United States within the immediate future. . . .

I want to express my sincere thanks for receiving the NEWS. It has meant much to be able to keep abreast of events at the Fort Wayne Works and I have really appreciated it. Thank you for your courtesy in keeping the NEWS following me all through the Pacific.

Yours respectfully,
S/Sgt. John T. Howerton

Welcome Back to G-E

Veterans of World War II

A large group of veterans of World War II have returned to General Electric to resume their peace-time jobs. Look them up, and tell them how glad you are to see them back at G-E.

Name	Location	Name	Location	Name	Location
James J. Fosnaugh	Bldg. 4-3	Paul Angel	Bldg. 19-5	James A. Jolly	Bldg. 19-2
Louis H. Webster	Bldg. 19-4	Richard C. Schroff	Bldg. 26-5	Dorothy C. Hatcher	Bldg. 2-3
Albert D. Dubach	Bldg. 20-2	William C. Rapp	Bldg. 20-2	Dallas W. Haiflich	Bldg. 20-2
Duane D. Duff	Bldg. 20-2	John W. McKee	Bldg. 19-4	Richard C. Nix	Bldg. 4-4
Kenneth E. Ford	Bldg. 17-4	Stanley Wisniewski	Bldg. 17-2	Kenneth C. Castor	Bldg. 18-4
Carl J. Raupfer	Bldg. 20-2	James H. Woody	Bldg. 2-2	Harry Plough	Kokomo
Homer E. Bates	Bldg. 19-5	John E. Brandyberry	Bldg. 17-2	Richard Berg	Kokomo
Thomas A. Huffman	Bldg. 26-B	Delmar D. Wagoner	Bldg. 17-1	Ivan Frazer	Kokomo
Francis F. Fann	Bldg. 4-5	Paul H. Koldeway	Bldg. 17-2	Max Springer	Kokomo
Vaughn Nicole	Bldg. 4-4	Donald F. Holle	Bldg. 17-1	Charles Hollingsworth	Kokomo
Raymond Joseph Miller	Bldg. 27	John R. Schroeder	Bldg. 19-5	Robert Pratt	Kokomo
Wilfred Bleeke	Winter St.	Dale Blessing	Winter St.	Orin Reed	Kokomo
Ward M. Hall, Jr.	Bldg. 19-2	William R. Kent	Bldg. 18-5	Emanuel Smith	Kokomo
Robert F. Keller	Bldg. 4-4	Lawrence Haupt	Bldg. 20-2	Raymond Bogue	Kokomo
Donald G. O'Brien	Bldg. 17-4	Carl A. Alter	Bldg. 19-5	Arnold Cohee	Kokomo
John P. Butler	Bldg. 19-2	DeLoss L. Stabler	Bldg. 4-4	William Loop	Kokomo
James F. Noyes	Bldg. 19-5	Oris N. Cagnet	Bldg. 26-4	Gilbert Enyert	Kokomo
Woodward Huffman	Bldg. 17-1	Paul L. Williams	Bldg. 8-2	Robert Lytle	Kokomo
Herbert E. Telley	Bldg. 4-3	Harold Whonsetler	Bldg. 4-4	A. O. Kirkpatrick	Kokomo
Eldon S. Clevenger	Bldg. 26-1	Therman W. Metzger	Bldg. 17-2	George Farmer	Kokomo
John Gilleff	Bldg. 4-4	Robert Hedges	Bldg. 20-2		
George Schaaf	Bldg. 19-1	Osborn B. Kissell	Bldg. 6-1		

How Well Has General Electric Met These Objectives?

HIGHER WAGES

Here's how General Electric's increased production and efficiency have affected G-E workers. *Average hourly earnings for men, not including overtime pay,* have gone up as follows:

1935	$ .72
1936	.73
1937	.81
1938	.87
1939	.86
1940	.85
1941	.89
1942	.96
1943	1.05
1944	1.09
1945 (Sept.)	1.09

Overtime pay gave G-E workers more on top of this. G.E. has made jobs for nearly three times as many. 55,766 worked for G.E. 10 years ago. 145,000 have jobs today, and at much higher pay.

LOWER PRICES

G.E. has an obligation to a second group of people—the public. The public wants improved products at fair prices.

"More goods for more people at less cost"—G.E.'s goal—is not a part-time assignment. It is a job for management and worker alike if G.E. is to keep growing, keep raising wages, keep making more jobs for more workers.

A few figures show typical price decreases:

Refrigerator	1935	$199.00
	1941	129.95
Lamp	1935	.15
	1945	.10 PLUS TAX
Transformer	1935	76.32
	1941	69.30
Motor	1935	12.80
	1941	8.50
Radio	1935	47.50
	1941	27.95

FAIR PROFITS

G.E. during the war earned 4.7¢ on each dollar of sales. Of this 4.1 was paid to its more than 200,000 stockholders and the remaining six tenths of a cent on each dollar was retained in the business to assist in carrying on and expanding its operations.

All money earned over this .7¢ was turned back to the U.S. Government. G-E cost-saving methods had made war goods for less money than the Government expected.

These dividends have been paid per share of common stock since 1935:

1935	$ .70
1936	1.50
1937	2.20
1938	.90
1939	1.40
1940	1.85
1941	1.75
1942	1.40
1943	1.40
1944	1.40
1945	1.60

GENERAL ELECTRIC'S OBJECTIVE is to keep prices moving downward keep wages going up and to earn a fair profit. This calls for volume production more efficient work and methods. With the help of every single employee General Electric believes it can show our country as it did in wartime an example of American enterprise at its best.

More Goods for More People at Less Cost

GENERAL ELECTRIC

California Won't Like This . . . .



Sam Mastromarco, Bldg. 9, is shown above with the lemon tree he raised in his home. The tree now has six lemons on it, each weighing about three pounds. Sam isn't sure what the California Chamber of Commerce would say about it, but he's justly proud of those super-lemons he's babied along in this climate.

G-E's Minesweeping Equipment Aids Clearance of Waterways

Clearing channels, harbors and other waterways of magnetic mines, which would jeopardize peacetime voyages of commercial and passenger vessels, is being greatly expedited by the U. S. Navy as a result of minesweeping equipment developed and manufactured by General Electric for the protection of convoys and other wartime navigation, it was revealed this week.

Approximately 500 minesweepers incorporating General Electric's magnetic minesweeping equipment are now being operated by the U. S. Navy in both the Atlatntic and Pacific theaters, according to word received recently by the General Electric Company from the office of the Chief of Naval Operations and the Bureau of Ships in Washington.

Work To Continue

While no accurate estimate of the completion of the Navy's minesweeping program can be made because of varied uncertain factors not yet determined, it is probable that the clearance operations will be carried on "for many months," according to the Navy department.

Minesweeping by the U. S. Navy minecraft, it was announced, is now under way in the Japanese home waters, along the East China Coast, in the Philippines, in the Marshalls, Marianas, Caroline and Gilbert Islands, and in many other Pacific areas. Other Allied minesweepers, built in the United States, are occupied in the Mediterranean, English Channel, North Sea, Baltic and contiguous waters.

Has Big Role

Declaring that the G-E equipment "is playing an important" part in the implementation of the minesweeping and degaussing of ships, the Bureau of Ships and the Navy Department said that the program of degaussing ships, or demagnetizing them so they will not generate magnetic disturbances which would explode any mines in their path, also is being continued in "full force."

Minesweeping equipment and other instruments used in the degaussing of ships were developed at the war's beginning in the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory of General Electric at Schenectady under the supervision of C. W. LePierre, G-E engineer.

Manufacture of the instruments, the details of which are still shadowed in military secrecy, also was carried out at the Schenectady Works.

"Nothing Ever Happens in 2-3"

Upon special request the Chamber of Commerce arranged a beautiful blanket of snow for Christmas, so you see that just for the asking you can have the kind of weather you want just by knowing an active (dues paid in full) member of this very reputable organization. . . . Unfortunately we have no Christmas stories yet, we are confident, however, that next week should be very fruitful with stories of interest. . . . Since we are on the subject of Christmas, this seems to be the opportune time to mention the Bldg. 2-3 Christmas party which will be held on December 28 at Stolzenau Hall, corner of Brackenridge and Calhoun. If you are an individual who is fun-loving and likes crowds, then by all means give that necessary dollar to one of the contact girls. Everyone is cordially invited. We might add that all 2-3 parties are simply bang-ups, so don't fail to be present. . . . Perry Esterline is well known for his desirable personality, and he is well liked by both men and women. Being a fellow of good judgment and discernment, he always says the right thing at the wrong time, thus it happened that he was delightfully surprised by a whole mouthful of Boston cream pie—not in his mouth but all over his face. For a minute he looked like good Saint Nick with that icing beard. . . . The Production girls enjoyed a very lovely potluck in the conference room in Bldg. 2-3 office. Such very satisfying remarks were heard that the rest of us are envious for not having been in the Production Section. What could be more delightful than eating by candlelight during a working day lunch period? . . . Our demure Ruth Zwick was looking for her coat the other day, but her efforts were all in vain. She hunted and hunted and finally she burst into a knowing laugh and beamed, "Oh, I was looking for my blue coat, but I wore my black one today!" . . . Well, this week is the selected week for making all the resolutions that are broken before the New Year's Day is ended. We are hoping that you all resolve to report all amusing incidents about your friends and fellow workers. We are certain that you all realize how important a good laugh is to personal happiness, and that extra smile always helps. . . . Bldg. 2-3 Office hopes that in their small way they can wish everyone a most successful and prosperous New Year and also to the Editor of the WORKS NEWS, who has done a very excellent job.

The cost of Safety is only a thought.

"Chattin' in 2-2"

Now that Christmas is over, we will all get back on the beam, and see what Ole Santa brought to all of us. I hope he brought everyone a lot of good health and prosperity. By the way, did anyone get any of those gorgeous nylons? ? ? . . . We are still having these late vacationers; they are J. Mueller, Marge Human, Jennie Kemp, and Pat Culbertson. . . . We wish to welcome Harry Woody back to Bldg. 2-2 again after serving in the Army over three years. . . . Sorry to lose Elsie Miller to second trick; hope you will like the change, Elsie. . . . Also very glad to see Ruth Laymon and Katie Hendricks back to work again after recent illnesses. . . . The mechanism group, Carrie Hans, Sophie Sinn, Virgil Spreer, Mary Redding, Lucille R. Emma Heinrich, Lula Ore, and Ethel Kootz enjoyed a potluck dinner and Christmas exchange last week. . . . The birthday club was entertained by Vera Null at her home Thursday night with a birthday and Christmas dinner. Those present were Eileen Smoak, Sadie Wolff, Fern Bainbridge, Hazel Obrian, Louise Walker, Adele Kuckuck, and Esther Cameron. Also Christmas gifts were exchanged.

"Flash"—News From 2nd Shift

The gang on second trick enjoyed a potluck dinner and gift exchange Wednesday night, December 19. A nice time was had by all. . . . Lucille Fullencamp had a nice Christmas surprise, her friend from overseas arrived unexpectedly. And was she happy!!!! . . . We are sorry to hear of the illness of Alma Raymer and Russel Case. We wish them a very speedy recovery. . . . It seems Sarah Cooper's by-word is "I'll take Nylons any day;" and who wouldn't I'd like to know. . . . We want to thank the Elex Club for the nice gifts and the program that was given for the members. . . . Until next week then, I shall say So Long.

G-E Movie

The G-E movie, "Metal Magic," will be shown at the Eastern Theatre Thursday and Friday, January 3 and 4. Employees are urged to see this interesting factual picture.

They Go Rolling Along



BUMPER TO BUMPER, IN AN ENDLESS PARADE, SCARCELY GIVING A PERSON TIME TO BECOME FAMILIAR WITH ONE UNTIL ANOTHER ROLLS IN VIEW; YET EACH ONE LEAVES ITS IMPRESSION, EITHER GOOD OR BAD. It is the good impressions we have portrayed in the above picture—good because each one represents one year without a lost-time accident. As of January 1, 1946, there will have been 19 of them in this parade.

Rollie Wickliffe, foreman in Bldg. 26-4, Transformer Division, in the above picture, and all employees under his supervision, received city-wide recognition for this achievement at the recent Foremen's Safety Conference at the Chamber of Commerce, sponsored by the Industrial Safety Division of the Safety Council. Rollie was selected as the Safety Ace Foreman of the Fort Wayne Works. Last year a similar recognition was given Dean Lockwood, foreman in Bldg. 26-4, and employees under his supervision, for having worked over 2 million man-hours without a lost-time accident. This record is now well over 3 million man-hours. Many outstanding safety records were made during 1945 by divisions and sections. Recognition will be given for these accomplishments during the month of January, 1946.

BEING A SAFETY ACE WORKMAN DURING THE COMING YEAR WILL HELP A LOT TOWARDS MAKING 1946 A GOOD YEAR FOR YOU.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Annual Elex Christmas Party Is Outstanding Affair



Shown above are scenes from the Elex Christmas Party at the G-E Club Thursday, December 20. Top row, left, L. C. Swager, Assistant to Manager in charge of Labor Relations, gets gift of toy drum from Elex Club. He then proceeded to accompany the band—and did very well, 'tis reported. Top center, Sue Cameron, Elex president, addresses the girls. Top right, Benny Strong, orchestra leader, and his female singer, entertain the large crowd.

Center row, left, pictures Marty Boyle, past president of Elex, assisting in distribution of gifts to Club members. In center row, Cora Polhamus almost stole the show when she was pressed into service by the band and sang "Silent Night" for the group. Irene Meyers is shown on stage in center row of pictures, right.

Lower row, left, the male singer is pictured in featured number. Lower center, Santa Claus makes his entrance. Lower right shows part of the crowd enjoying the party.

HIGH SPOTS ● IN BUILDING 4-2

The girls of Group 15x50 held their Christmas party and gift exchange at the Gridiron Room on December 18. Those attending were Therese Rumbaugh, Betty Cox, Florence Amans, Mildred Huntine, Ethel Daler, Helen Akey, Phyllis Hemsoth, Eleanor Schnelker, and Ruth Papenbrock. The grab bag prizes afforded much of the evening's fun. Therese is all set for New Year's, now that she drew a pink elephant, and Ethel can add more fruit to her collection. . . . One noon recently, an interesting occurrence took place when Alice Reuille and Dorothy Miller attempted to assemble the "cut out" pictures that Wanda Hilsmier was giving to her little niece and nephew. It took a lot of effort and coaching from the sidelines, but they finally succeeded. . . . Ed McKering is going to make some little girl happy on Christmas morning. At least he should, after going to all the trouble of steering that cut little doll buggy through the crowds of shoppers. . . . Ed Glusenkamp is thinking seriously of patenting his invention for carrying candy suckers while not in use. . . . The Inner Circle Club held their Christmas party at the Yacht Club Thursday, December 20. A chicken dinner and gift exchange were the highlights of the evening. Those attending were Mary Stewart, Edna Mowery, Mary Meinzen, Beatrice Teeters, Ruth Hess, Vera Drewett, Lucille Slater, June Schieman, Vicky Fuhrman, Lottie Hess, Mildred Cook, Anna Toteran, and Beulah Reinwald. . . . A Happy New Year to all.

India and China now are linked for the first time by telephone and telegraph after installation of a 1,750-mile pole line from Calcutta to Kunning by Signal Corps troops of the India-Burma area.

Dial telephone service has been installed in San Juan, Puerto Rico, at a cost of about $2,500,000. More than 12,000 new automatic phones now are in use.

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GAGES



Gages are used to determine the dimensional fitness of a given finished work piece to function alone or in the assembly of which it becomes a part, and to measure other gages and instruments. They assure the interchangeability of parts produced, prevent unsatisfactory parts from being released, and sort out correct from incorrect parts.

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KNOW YOUR GAGES

WINTER STREET RUMBLINGS

STATION 38 BROADCASTING

We are trying to get the second trick in the news, so here goes. . . . Fred Ginzel, our new foreman, has crossed a milestone in his life. Happy birthday, Fred. . . . Fred Wilson has almost as good timing as Engelman these days. . . . Russel Butler doesn't seem to have much trouble these cold days getting to work. Maybe Bob Gass should get his recipe. . . . George Graue must be going to have a fire sale; he has his tools painted red, or is it so he can find them. . . . Wilbur Scott is our Eddie Cantor. No, he doesn't sing, but he has five girls. Congratulations on the fifth, Scotty. . . . Mina Cleverly, our time clerk, seems to be contented in her little office these days. . . . We notice Jack Leland has cut down on those expensive cigars lately. We wonder why? . . . Frank Mitzner is always betting on a sure thing, but he always loses. Why is that, Frank? . . . Has Glen Gudakunst given up the buying, selling and trading business or is it the weather? . . . We would like to hear from the second and third tricks for some news items. Here's wishing you all a Happy New Year. So long.

PRODUCTION

Our sincerest sympathy is extended to Ben Stiegler whose mother passed away recently. . . . We wish to welcome Jayne Wells who is with us, and we hope that she likes her new job. Jayne was discharged from the Waves. . . . Well, I wonder when "Mickey" McClain is going to wear that fingernail polish and the leg makeup that he received so graciously at the Production Christmas Party. It would be so becoming on you. . . . Does anyone have any old curtains that we would use for the new office? It is newly decorated, and all Ray Barrick needs in there is curtains to make it more home-like. . . . Betty Wilson couldn't get her boots on the other day. What's the matter, Betty, was the snow leaking in or did someone put paper in the toes? . . . When Charlie Lammiman was asked where his hat was on a cold day, he replied if you had good red corpuscles like I have you wouldn't have to have a hat. . . . Is "Mike" Hunter allergic to waste baskets or did he have a sudden chill Wednesday afternoon? Glenn Bordner saved the day like a true veteran. (Recognition for this item goes to Phil Rockefeller.) Thanks Phil. . . . Jim Duff must have hit a snow drift with his bicycle. We see that he didn't make it at 8:00. Put some skis on the wheels, Jimmie. . . . Mary Jo doesn't know twins when she sees them, and after she got the new glasses, too. Shorty Redding had his twins' pictures here, and Mary Jo asked which was the oldest.

SPARE PARTS CHATTER

Our Section is certainly enlarging; new members in our family are Jim Bireley, Bob Eicks, and Maurice Brown. . . . Frances was very happy to receive a long distance telephone call from her son, Arnold, who has been overseas for the past twenty months. He ordered fried chicken and chocolate pie for his homecoming dinner Sunday evening. I bet someone had an enormous appetite. He brought back another veteran of the war, a little dog named "Piggy." . . . Marcella came in this morning very thrilled. She had just received two large packages from her friend Jerry. We bet Christmas will come long before December 25. . . . Jerry and Lorraine are taking cooking lessons from Vivien. After the lessons are completed, Billy will sample the food to see who is the best cook. . . . Poor Sue can't eat, talk or hardly drink. Those darn old wisdom teeth are a nuisance. Little Judy wanted to be her Mommy's nursemaid. . . . Grace was very surprised when the girls presented her with a lovely pair of rhinestone earrings and a cologne set. . . . Don't be so blue, Lorraine, your Bud will soon be well. . . . Notice: Funeral for Florence's infant love bird is to be held Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Please omit flowers, Florence's request. . . . Marguerite received the most beautiful hand tooled brown leather purse from Mexico. We are all envious of her.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Henry Luedeke is taking his vacation this week. Sorry to hear that you're sick. . . . Matt Krebs is not feeling so well either and is confined to his home. . . . Elmer Platt is envious of the birds, he would like to go south. Destination, South America. . . . What is this we hear? Charlie Spice is getting a free meal. . . . Bess Iannucilli is a new employee of the Miscellaneous Section. She was a former Power Drive employee. Good luck, Bess. . . . The Evaporator bowling team ended the first half sharing the first place with two other teams. . . . It doesn't pay to brag about what you will roll in bowling. Morgan had a bad night and rolled a 360. . . . We hope you had a Merry Christmas and wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

BASKETBALL TEAM

The basketball team played one game last week, a non-league encounter with Murray's Independents of Lancaster. The Winter Street boys came through with a hard-earned 35 to 33 victory in a thrilling game. The game started slowly and wound up in a fast finish. The Lancaster boys had plenty of chances to tie the score in the last few seconds but the ball rolled off the hoop each time. Winter Street led all the way 8 to 2 at the end of the first quarter, 16 to 12 at the half and 27 to 20 at the end of the third quarter.

The game was played at the Bluffton High School gym. Charles Hooley returned to the Winter Street lineup and led the scoring with 9 points while J. Platt led Lancaster with 8. Our next game is with the Messengers Wednesday, January 2.

Lineup and summary:

Lancaster	G	F	T	Winter St.	G	F	T
J. Platt	2	4	8	Davis	3	0	6
Decker	3	1	7	Frazier	2	0	4
Fisher	3	0	6	Herndon	2	0	4
Elzey	2	0	4	Pfeiffer	3	2	8
Fauze	1	0	2	Beaman	2	0	4
R. Platt	3	0	6	Hooley	4	1	9
				Butcher	0	0	0
Totals	14	5	33	Totals	16	3	35

TOOL ROOM AND MAINTENANCE

We received a visit last week from Bud Scheffer who formerly worked in the Grinding Section of the tool room. Bud now lives in Wisconsin and says that when he moves again it will be South.

MACHINE SHOP

This writing will have to be short and sweet, cause there ain't much news and I don't have much time, but in answer to numerous inquiries, Patterson gave me the gate when she went upstairs, but I'm still on the loose and at this writing have a few fine prospects lined up. . . . John Leeuw left us and we have in his place a returned veteran, Marion Zent. Best of luck to you from here on, Marion. . . . The Winter Street basketball team traveled to Bluffton, Thursday evening to engage the Murray Independents in what promised to be a thriller. I don't have a car or I'd have been a real supporter of the old Alma Mater. The score? Murray 33, G. E. 35. The scoring for Murray was equally divided, while for G-E, Hooley was the outstanding performer.

REFRIGERATOR ASSEMBLY

Dan Hill is back with us again after being discharged from service. We are more than glad to have you back with us, Danny. . . . Joe Brown is going to leave us; lots of good luck, Joe; we enjoyed you and will miss you. . . . Charles Fryback is on the sick list. Hope you get well soon, Charley. . . . Well ice fishing season is in now. We are looking forward to a fish fry to be furnished by our top fishermen, Jack Herney and Gus Herbst. . . . Clem Leffers seems to have a hard time starting the old bus these cold mornings. Clem says he should be working second trick, then he knows he could get here on time.



Hoot Mon! Here it is, being a white Christmas—for us—but a blue one for Cousin Malcolm and all the other lads still stuck "Over there."

Weel, anyway, now thot the season has arrived when the lassies o' the Elex couldn't be coaxed out from under the mistletoe on a bet, and there are revolutions going on in the rest o' the world, it's time for resolutions over here.

Here's me list, subject tae change without notice on January 1, 1946, and not responsible for breakage thereafter:

I hereby firmly and solemnly resolve:

1. To settle doon to peacetime industry in '46 and do my part tae bring prosperity back.
2. To realize thot prosperity is having lots o' THINGS, not just having lots o' MONEY, so in spite o' how I feel about getting money, I will do me part to help improve the output o' THINGS.
3. To get more C. R.* suggestions written.
4. To get better C. R.* suggestions written.
5. To get my C. R.* suggestions written clearer, wi' more sketches and explanations.
6. To get Cousin Colin tae stay home next year and trim the tree, not go out and trim me.
7. To spend New Year's Eve going around in a revolving door. I believe thot's a cheap way tae get dizzy—and it doesn'a leave a hangover.

*COST REDUCTION.

P's and Q's OF SEVENTEEN ONE

Not long ago, Walter Prince borrowed a needle and thread. As yet he hasn't given us any hint as to why or for whom he needed it. Here's hoping we find out soon. . . . All the changes on this floor have sent Al Middough out in search of a pair of binoculars. He complains of not being able to see anything. If anyone has a pair, please contact Al. . . . Have you noticed Ernie Riley's 1946 calendar? . . . Janie Myers has been going around in a daze for the past week. Friend Bob is on his way to the States from the Pacific. Janie came to work the other day with two headscarfs. Only thing one of them was not doing much in keeping her head warm, for it was tucked up her sleeve. . . . The other day Elenor Glass was really having a time finding a chair that suited her. She tried three of them. The third one was just right. Gee! That reminds me of a story that I read long ago. Let me see. Oh! I know, "Goldie Locks and the Three Bears." . . . Howard Monroe, ex-serviceman in Bldg. 17-2, made himself two sandwiches to bring to work the other day. When he sat down at noon, he discovered he had brought the remaining loaf of bread also. Wonder what made him do that. . . . Have you seen the Christmas card George Mosshammer sent his helper in the tool room? George can really pick them out. . . . Henry Papenbrock misplaced his boots last week. When Henry got to work he certainly had wet feet. . . . The new Elex contact girl is Doris Fox. . . . After a long absence we are glad to have John Shannahan back with us. Hope you are feeling better. . . . The first shift inspectors had their Christmas Party and gift exchange at the Berghoff Gardens. Those present were Elenor Glass, Rixie Miller, Helene Evanoff, Elizabeth Love, Veora Habig, Neoma Zimmerman, Janie Myers, and Virginia Meyers. . . . The new girl in the office is Agnes Steward. . . . Happy New Year, everybody.

Taylor Street Closes Athletic Fund With Gift to G-E Club

The Taylor Street Athletic Fund was closed earlier this month by awarding the balance of $74.37 to the G-E Club, Joseph S. Dickerson, chairman of the committee, has announced.

The close of the Supercharger Plant found the Athletic Committee with a balance of $86.37, and by vote of the committee it was decided to give $10 in prize money to the Summer Bowling League, settle current service charges at the bank, and then award the balance to the Fort Wayne G-E Club.

Mr. Dickerson also announced trophies and the trophy case has been placed in the G-E Cluh, where it will continue to be displayed in the trophy room.

The first postwar washing machine produced by one electrical manufacturing company went to Seabees on the Island of Tinian in the South Pacific.

Gecode Club Has Gay Christmas Party



Santa Claus and four of his elves were the center of interest at the Gecode Club Christmas Party Saturday, December 15, at the Masonic Hall. Santa's elves were portrayed by Irene Ewell, Emma Goldner, Mina Lampy, and Betty White (above). The Chimes Hour Choral group from radio station WLOK, Lima, Ohio, were the featured entertainers at the affair. Below is one of the groups at the dinner.



Ditties — FROM DISTRIBUTION

Shirley Hughes, our new typist, arrived just in time for Christmas festivities. Welcome, Shirley. . . . Distribution Division was very well represented at the Elex Christmas party last Thursday night, which was a huge success, say all who were present. . . . We have just heard that Betty Yoder and Lois Tritch joined a certain club. Congratulations, girls. . . . Charlene Auker had a birthday last Saturday. My what a cute little doll she got! She also received a penny from some thoughtful person. Now you are well on the road to wealth, Charlene. . . . Our hero for the week is Art Walda, official calendar hanger. Three cheers for Art. . . . Lucile Stevens left us last Friday. Best of luck, Lucile. . . . More and more happy girls. This week it's Irene Draper, Rosy Broxon, and Mary Howe. Irene and Rosy each received a telegram from their husbands announcing their arrival back in the States. Mary Howe expects her husband home to start the New Year with her. . . . Fourteen girls attended Addie Levenberger's Christmas party. And thus another party goes down in the book of memorial parties. . . . Christmas was complete for both Mareen Hendricks and Lorraine Wojak. Each one spent Christmas with the one and only. Mareen had the added luck of having a vacation Christmas week. . . . We have a brand new year ahead of us, with loads of opportunities, so here's a great big HAPPY NEW YEAR from all of us to all of you.

Nomore

In Toledo, according to the National Safety Council, a woman driver's car blew a tire at a railroad crossing, careened down the tracks, struck a signal switch, and threw a red block against an approaching train!

WIRE & INSULATION — Ravelings

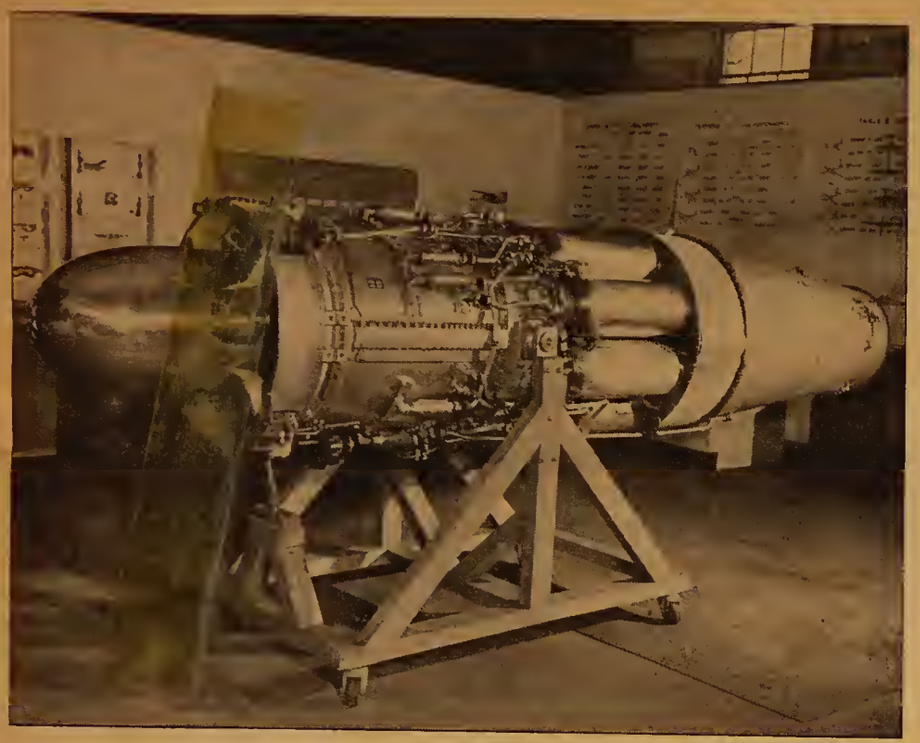
Bldgs. 8 and 12

Bertha Keltsch, of the Mica section, is retiring this month after a service of more than 30 years. Here's wishing you loads of luck, Bertha; we'll miss you. . . . While Gebert is on his vacation, who will take care of the cat, dog, and furnace? Do you know anything about it, Steve? . . . It seems as though Red Noyes and Ray Snyder have become a couple of "clock-watchers," only this time they watched the wrong clock. Do you boys like ringing out with the girls, or do you just like to hear the little bell ring? . . . No, Al Hambrock has not taken up wrestling as a hobby. That "cauliflower" effect you have noticed on his ear recently was caused by overexposure to the sub-zero temperature while attempting to start his Plymouth.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! Sure hope that everyone had a very Merry Christmas, and that you are all in trim to welcome in the new year. . . . The Data Bureau was entertained with a Christmas party and exchange at the home of Dolores Gerke a week ago Thursday night. A gay time was had by all! . . . Ollie Smith, Bldg. 18-5, spent the last two weeks in Florida. She sent a box of oranges to us which arrived on Christmas Eve. Mmmm—Were they good! . . . Mr. Kappel, Data Bureau, is taking his vacation this week. Hope Santa remembered him. . . . Dolores Gerke, Data Bureau, spent the last week enlarging their chimney, so Santa would be sure to pay her a visit. . . . The Yacht Club was the scene of both the Bldgs. 18-2 and 18-3 Christmas parties and exchanges. . . . Bob Barnes, Bldg. 18-2, spent his vacation last week by playing Santa Claus and trimming the tree. . . . Doris Siebold, Bldg. 18-2, has been all a'dither since she received a phone call from New York last Friday from her fiance, Cal Schultz, a former Bldg. 18-1 employee. Yes, he is home for Christmas after being overseas more than three years. . . . Lydia Swift, Bldg. 18-2, is spending her vacation during the holidays by touring the East. . . . The Employment Office Christmas Party was a great success. Warren Locker played Santa Claus by distributing the gifts. Imagine his surprise when he found an enlarged picture of himself marking his place at the dinner table. . . . A good time was had by all at the Order and Stores Christmas Party. Good food, singing, and dancing was enjoyed by everybody. Special mention goes to our toastmaster, Andy Gerber, and his helpers, Florine Sievers, Dorothy Volz, and Jim Fox. Also want to congratulate Roland Flightner for his winning of attendance prize. What did he get? You will have to see Roland personally. . . . Carl Starke's section of the Order and Stores division enjoyed a potluck and gift exchange last Monday noon, December 24. . . . The Bldg. 18-1 Payroll Section's annual Christmas Party was held a week ago Wednesday evening at the Fairfield Manor. We wish to thank Ginny Gutermuth and Isabel Bartholemew for the swell planning of the party. Good Old Santa Claus helped in the exchange of gifts. May we suggest that in the future Santa would tie his (or should we tell the truth and say "her") pillows on better. . . . Thelma Barbeau, Laura Moore and Lou Klingensmith, Bldg. 18-1, can relate a funny experience which happened after the party. It is the story of the door that should never lock—but did! . . . Carl Click was home and visited Bldg. 18-B. He left last Saturday for California, where he will be stationed. . . . Kenny Petgen, Bldg. 18-B, is very ill with malaria fever. We certainly do hope that it won't be long until he is completely well again. . . . Everyone enjoyed the Mailing Division Christmas exchange last Friday. . . . We express our sympathy to Betty Lou Bakle, Bldg. 18-4, on the death of her sister.

Opens Way To Cheaper Jet Power



Streamlined like a torpedo, this axial flow G-E Jet has been developed to drive military and civilian planes at great speeds on long flights. This light turbo jet power plant, which was developed for the Army Air Forces at the Schenectady Works of General Electric Company, is more powerful at high speeds than any reciprocating engine in the air today. Known in the Army Air Forces as the J-35, it has such a small frontal area that it will fit snugly in the wings of large transport planes. (See story this page.)

Jet Developed To Drive Planes At Peak Speeds on Long Flights

Shaped like a streamlined torpedo, a new axial flow turbo jet engine has been developed to drive military and civilian planes at great speeds on long flights, it was announced last week by General Electric Company with approval of the War Department.

More powerful at high speeds than any conventional engine in the air today, this axial flow G-E Jet, which was developed for the Army Air Forces at the Schenectady Works of General Electric Company, marks definite improvements in aerodynamic design and fuel consumption. This opens the way to greater range and more economical operation of airplanes than previously has been possible with power generated by turbo jets.

New Designs Possible

These advanced characteristics already have resulted in both civilian and military planes being studied and designed to use the axial flow G-E Jets at speeds well in excess of 500 miles an hour, around which point the efficiency of propellers begins to decline sharply.

Known in the AAF as the J-35 and industrially as the TG-180, this engine is long and light in comparison with reciprocating engines. The frontal area of the axial flow G-E Jet is far less than for any reciprocating aircraft engine now used on large airplanes. This reduces air drag.

Other Advantages

Because of its design, the engine also has other advantages. It will fit more snugly in the wings of a big civilian transport or bomber than any powerful reciprocating engine.

The generation of power in these engines is simple in principle. Air rams into the relatively small diameter axial flow compressor. Through multi stages the air is compressed and then forced almost in direct line into combustion chambers. There fuel is added, usually kerosene. It burns intensely, raising the volume of the gases, which then expand through the buckets of a turbine and on out of the jet exhaust. Release of these gases at high velocity creates the reactive thrust, which drives the plane forward.

One Moving Part

The turbine, rotating many thousands of times a minute under pressure of gases over 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit, is connected by a shaft with the compressor rotor, making actually but one major moving part in the J-35.

Sustained high speed is possible for planes powered by these engines, since they function most economically when running at nearly full throttle. This means that the cruising speed of an axial flow G-E Jet is practically top speed. When functioning at that rate, it will drive a plane further on a given amount of fuel than it will at lesser speed.

Even when operating at peak speeds these engines have virtually no vibration because there are no explosions in the axial G-E Jet.

Powered by engines of this type, large airplanes of the near future unquestionably will be designed to provide both sustained high speed and long range with maximum passenger comfort.

Sleuthing In 4-6

On Friday, December 7, M. L. Schmidt became the proud father of an eight and a quarter pound baby girl, which was named Keyes Lawien. Congratulations to both you and your wife. . . . If you notice those shining silver bells on Jane Winebrenner's coat, you can give the credit to her little five-year-old son, who made them for her. . . . The other day Bob Sharrow came in to work with a big cut on top of his head. Our advice to you, Bob, is that you are going to have to learn how to duck sooner. . . . The commotion you heard going on in the hall the other day was when Paul Horstman and Doc Potter had a collision. No one was hurt, except a bruised apple, which was knocked out of Doc's hand. . . . A discharged Marine was up to our floor the other day. He is Max Pippenger, who used to work in the FHP File room, and he was in the service a little over three years. We were happy to have you come up for a visit, Max. . . . We offer our deepest sympathy to Betty Hein, whose father died on December 10, and to John Reuille on the death of his mother-in-law. . . . If any one has seen two dozen eggs or, if possible, some little chicks running around, please notify Marian Menze. . . . We hope, very much, that everyone will have a happy and lucky New Year to come; and now that the war is over, maybe we can settle down to everlasting peace and prosperity. . . . Have you noticed that Patricia Newlin is wearing a DeMolay pin? We got the rumor around that it was from a certain young man by the name of George. For further details just ask Pat where, when, and what time she receeived the pin. . . . A surprise to most of us in Bldg. 4-6 was the wedding on December 16 of Eileen Hormann to Ted Jacobus, recently discharged from the Army. Best wishes and lots of good luck to both of you. . . . As Patricia Anselman was leaving work one evening last week to meet her husband, she saw a girl ahead of her with a dark coat and a blue head scarf just like Pat's! Just as Pat got to their car this young woman got in the car with Pat's husband. Imagine Pat's surprise and the woman's embarrassment to find out that she got the wrong husband. It just goes to show that these dark, cold winter evenings are responsible for cases of mistaken identity. . . . If you can top the last one, maybe you can't this. Three times in two days last week H. Von Gunten of the D.C. Section had the unhappy misfortune to slip off a waste basket. They'll do it every time. . . . What a nice present for Millicent Rian, also of the D.C. Drafting Section, when her friend arrived home around Christmas. It has been around 28 months since Millie last saw him. We hope you two will have lots of fun to make up for those absent months. . . . The girls in Bldg. 4-6 presented a very nice gift and a farewell scroll to Mary Wilhelm, our matron, who left us on Friday, December 21. We all miss her, but we hope she will have the best of luck and good health in the years to come. . . . Another recent visitor to Bldg. 4-6 was Chilton Jensen, an Ensign in the Navy, who formerly worked here in the Drafting Section. Chilton has spent a little over three years in the Navy. We hope to see you back to work on that drafting board very soon. . . . Happy to report that Mary Rogers is back with us, after having a case of the flu, which has been around to quite a lot of the folks up here. . . . Opal Sprunger got a new desk not so very long ago, and as she was cleaning it out, in one of the drawers she felt something very soft. She thought that it might be a dead mouse, and she asked Harry Richardson to find out. After some coaxing, Harry finally reached inside her desk and pulled out a big wad of cotton. Harry, you deserve a medal for bravery for this deed. . . . Before, we spoke of falling off waste baskets, it has now come to falling over chairs. Just ask Denver Druesdow about this, and for further proof he's got a couple of skinned shins. . . . If you want to know about the newly found "Huba, Huba, Club," please see either Marjorie Young or Marguerite Middendorf.

Notice

The Employees' Store will be closed all day Monday, December 31, and Wednesday, January 2 for Inventory.

It will be opened at 12 Noon, Thursday, January 3, 1946.

H. R. Shephard
Employees' Store
Bldg. 10-2

There is no safeguard for a wandering mind.



6-B BUSY BODIES

First of all, again we want to wish Norval Banter a happy birthday. He was presented with a hanky shower (now don't laugh) and for Christmas a small gift from the gang. Bert Herrman and Cliff Hosier likewise. . . . We all hope that no one has acquired indigestion after eating some of the cakes that Carl Steinbacker baked. He is a good baker. No kidding? . . . Snooper wants to retract a statement made in last week's paper. Robert Radebaugh and Jerry Slamin aren't leaving us. Instead, we have acquired a newcomer, John Dennison, an ex-sailor. Welcome, fella. . . . Herb Garletts is back after a week's illness. . . . Eleen Magers took quite a spill at the cafeteria last week, and some nice gentleman assisted her back on her feet again. . . . One day Bob Dammier drops about half a dozen eggs and the next, about that many light bulbs. What do you suppose the matter might be? . . . Art, when are you going to learn not to bet with women and especially Mary Laughlin? ? ? You lose more money that way. . . . Dean Wagoner is back with us and at his old job. Glad to see you, Dean. . . . Gee, Snooper looks bad today, I wonder how the ice in front of your home looks? ? ? ? . . . Gotta get rested after stuffing over the holiday and get ready for another. You know—Happy New Year—Everybody.

Snooper

TRANSFORMER — Clippings

The Lead Section had its annual Christmas party at the Victory Club. Those present were Betty Hawk, Mattie Brunner, Imogene Welch, Katherine Norris, Leona Lethwaite, Emogene Stambaugh, Golda Mentzer, Carrie Green, Elma Berger, Velma Meads, Lawrence Schuster, Rollie Wickliffe, Merlin Sweet, Ceal Romary, Lowell Kronmiller, Fred Bauks, and Ray Filler. They had a nice gift exchange. Of course, we know what a chicken eater Lawrence Schuster is; he had already ordered chicken for his dinner, but to his surprise when he opened his present, a nice big hen popped her head out. Merlin really enjoyed the music. By the way, your cigarette lighter came in handy to light the candles, Merlin. . . . We hope Arthur Suter did all right when he was buying new socks—he didn't know what size to buy. . . . It's too bad that Herb Driftmeyer had illness at home, for he really likes Santa Claus and Christmas. . . . We hope Margaret is feeling a lot better. . . . Lawrence Schuster and Golda Mentzer, your news collectors, wish everyone in the Transformer Division a Happy New Year.

"Caution is the oldest ehild of wisdom."—Vietor Hugo.

Plastics

Bldg. 12-3 Office

Some people always manage to exist through the sizzling summer months so they can gloat over we summer vacationers during the Christmas Crush. Gloater Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 are Al Barrier, who galloped off to Texas—Bob Chew, who is busily rehearsing his new Santa Claus role for "Junior"—Jim Denney, who is being "Official Carrier" for Mrs. Denney's last-minute shopping—and Jeannie Timmons, who will shortly leave to visit relatives in Ohio. . . . The Christmas Party at the Athletic Club was really lots of fun. Everyone laffed and laffed! Some parties are like that, you know. Poinsettias to Bob Karasek for his two stellar roles as Santa Claus and Mr. Hangover! "Ho-Ho-Ho Karasek" he is known as now! Bob was Mr. Hangover in a little skit written by Charlie Harris; and Charlie, Ed, Clarence, and Wayne were excellent in their parts, too, but Bob is nosier—pardon!—I meant, noisier! No foolin', you had to be really noisy to be heard above the general din! Out-of-town guests were Ed Foscue, from the Chicago Office, and Major and Mrs. Bill Bach. Really all grand people—and in case you're interested—super additions to any party! . . . 'Bye now—hope you're all really having the Happy New Year everyone has wished you so often.

Bldg. 12-3 First Shift

There sure wasn't any shortage of food on Thursday when the cleaning, inspection, and packing section had a potluck and gift exchange. Everyone had plenty to eat; and talk about good cooks, well we got 'em. Everyone had a grand time! . . . We hope Ruth Lange has a very nice vacation. . . . That smile on Effie Yinger's face is for a good reason. Her brother is home. All her family was home for Christmas for the first time in many years. We know they had a swell time. . . . Helen White's brother is home, as you can tell from that happy smile on Helen's face. . . . We want to wish that everyone had a very Merry Christmas and has a Happy New Year.

Bldg. 12-1 Third Shift

Surprise, we are back again two weeks in a row. . . . I guess about the best news for any particular person this week was that Frances Gordon's husband was home (for good) from the Merchant Marine. —when she got out of work Thursday A.M. . . . Oh, by the way, did anyone see a certain sailor that has been keeping Ann's front porch in use? We thought that we would get to meet him but we weren't lucky enough. . . . Danny Adams is back in our company again after a week on first shift, and Will Osmun is back again too. . . . If anyone has a dolly that is not being used to advantage, would you please give it to Charley Martin? We hear that that is all that he wants for Christmas. Please no paper dollies either. . . . Celia Stabler is back in circulation again, and she really was a sick little girl. Ask her how to doctor the flu. She is very proud, by the way, of a new necklace that was given her by her son who has just returned from the South Pacific. It is all made of shells, and by the son too. . . . Howard Teeters has decided that farm life is for him. He has been with us several months again after a three year leave to be in the Army. He has a farm of his own near Berne. Goodbye, Howard, and all kinds of luck to you and the family. Don't forget all your friends when you harvest that popcorn next fall. . . . Goodbye for this week, but before we sign off for good, Happy New Year from Plastics to all of you, and we do mean you!

Six Leave on Company Pension



William N. Garihan
Elgie O. Nickelson
Charles L. Moffatt
Armour E. Romary
Perry Shober
Robert C. Duryee

Six long-service G-E employees are leaving the Company to retire on Company pension, all to date January 1, 1946, it was announced today. William N. Garihan, Lieutenant of Police, leaves G-E with 29 years and 1 month of service. Charles L. Moffatt, a design engineer in the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, as 41 years and 6 months' continuous service. A guard in the Plant Protection Section, Perry Shober has 28 years and 6 months' service to date of retirement.

Elgie O. Nickelson, a designer in the Motor and Generator Engineering Division, leaves with 43 years and 2 months' service. Armour E. Romary, a drill press operator in the Motor and Generator Division, had continuous service to his retirement totalling 35 years and 8 months. Robert C. Duryee, an annealer in the Specialty Transformer Division, is leaving the Company with total service of 33 years.



Robert McCoy fractured his arm recently in a fall while on his way to work. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Wanted: A chair with non-skid rolls so Glen Sanders won't have to sit on the floor any more. . . . Mary Gullian entertained the Cost and Payroll girls at a dinner and gift exchange at her house recently. Rosie Lovegrove entertained the Personnel girls and Ruth Grant in the same manner. . . . Betty Gilson would like to trade her car for a horse and sleigh so she would be sure of getting to work. (Editor's note: Would also like to have one, Betty.) . . . Congratulations to Lee Wright of the Flange Section, who has a new boy at his house. . . . The G-E basketball team suffered a 55-35 defeat at the hands of the league leading Stellite team last Wednesday night. At no time did the G-E Club prove strong enough to pass their fast opponent. The Stellite team held a 29-21 lead at the end of the half. . . . Helen Smith entertained the girls' bowling team at her house recently. . . . Birthday greetings to Zelpha Turner, Veronica Vandenbosch, Helen Crist, Arlene Storms, Katie Harper, Robert Taylor, Alice Spradling, Carol Bonebrake, and Oma Kaade. . . . Welcome to Dale Lyons, who is to be Kokomo's plant engineer. . . . The next time there are any fish suppers out of town in cold weather, the request has been placed for a stove in the back of Joe Hartman's car so that Ralph Dennison won't have to build a fire to keep warm. . . . There is a rumor going 'round that Helen Smith is very proud of bowling a high game of 168. . . . Ruth Cox decided, "Never tell the lacers what you want for Christmas. They'll see that you get it." . . . Three boxes have been placed in the factory for your WORKS NEWS contributions. To get news in the paper the following week, it must be in the boxes not later than Thursday night. . . . Louise Major's little boy is home after spending eight weeks at Riley Hospital, Indianapolis. . . . Good luck to Bill Rosselot, who is going in business for himself. . . . Approximately 350 children of G-E employees attended the third annual Christmas party at the Colonial Theater last Saturday. After a two-hour motion picture, a comic and a western, Santa Claus arrived and presented every child with candy and an orange. . . . As it comes time to sign "30" to the Kokomo Keynotes for another year, may we say HAPPY NEW YEAR to each of you.

HOT SHOTS FROM Hollywood

Marylinn Bullerman

Chuck Lahrman is really having the troubles these days. Chuck bought a car minus a door on the left side. Now Chuck has tried and called every junk yard possible to obtain a door, but to no avail. Finally, he found out where he could get one, and now Chuck has to go all the way to Angola to get the door. . . . Last week's birthday celebrants were Margaret Lissner, December 22; Joyce Archbold, December 18; and Rosalind Sollberger, December 19. Congratulations, girls, and many more of them! . . . This cold, icy weather sure brings on some funny predicaments. Fred Gerhard's car went on the blink, and now poor Fred has to walk to work. . . . And talking about ice, the trolley bus and street cars sure share in the accident toll. Betty Raile, Joyce Archbold, Thelma Clevenger were aboard one noon, when a bus slipped and hit another bus. Then, too, we mustn't forget about Rosiland Sollberger, who slipped and fell off a street car and hurt her leg. . . . Charlie (Dumplings) Siders and Margaret Rectanus renewed old acquaintances when they discovered they were both born near each other. Charlie hails from Redkey, Ind., and Margaret from Dunkirk, Ind. . . . Quite a few Christmas parties were held over the Christmas season. A party was held at Doris Laughlin's where those present were Gerry Kunberger, Gerry Dochterman, Mary Henry, Katie Walper, Yvonne Klaehn, Carolynn Walker, Elda Mertz and Helen Friddle. . . . A Christmas dinner and exchange was held recently at the Castle Cafe at which Betty Stemmler, Ilene Shroyer, Helen Friddle, Jeanne McNeill, Rosalind Sollberger, Hester Root, Elnora Miller, and Gerry Garrison attended. . . . The Billing Section also held an exchange and party at the home of Margaret Rectanus. Those present were Betty Raile, Marylinn Bullerman, Thelma Clevenger, Carmen Sordelet, Ann Schlotzhauer, Joyce Archbold, Coleen Johnson, Marian Amsden, Virginia Linville, and Mary O'Connor. . . . Betty Kyvik, Hester Root, Edna Rhodes, Hattie Terhune, and Ruth Stier are the lucky girls who are on vacation. How we envy them. . . . We had a surprise visit here when Florence Calkins, a former employee, stopped in for a visit on her way to Boston, Mass. . . . Eugene Woodworth (Woody) and family left last Saturday to spend a week in Elgin, Iowa. . . . Well, folks, Christmas is over and we hope everyone had a swell Christmas and that the New Year will be a happy and prosperous one. Thanks a million to all who have helped to make this column successful during this year and hope that it will continue to be the same, if not better, during the coming year.

In a study made in Vermont, it was found that the average damage to an automobile involved in an accident was $56.20 when it was traveling 10 miles an hour or less. When the car was traveling over 50 miles an hour, the average accident damage was $454.67, according to the National Safety Council.

Thisa and Thata BUILDING 19-5

Everyone was dreaming of a white Christmas. Well, we sure had one. We know everyone had a very enjoyable Christmas and that Santa was good to them. . . . Since it's so icy now, we wonder if Hazel Herron took any flops yet. . . . A potluck Christmas supper and exchange was enjoyed by Norma Augsburger's last week. Those present were Marge Coughlin, Mable June Harding, Faye Folk, Phyllis Alles, Donna Bucher, Janet Sunday, Edwinna Moser, and Bonnie Mechling. Everyone had a nice time. Ask Marge Coughlin what she won as a door prize. . . . Georgie Erwin received a pre-Christmas present from her friend—a diamond ring. Congratulations, Georgie, are you going to receive the other one soon? . . . It seems as though Mary Nute and Margaret Hilgemann have been wearing their husband's T-shirts to work. Mary claims that she got them mixed up. Sure hope their husbands got them some shirts for Christmas. . . . Wonder why Thelma Purdue has been doing lots of crazy things lately. The other morning when she went to make coffee, she put the coffee in the bottom of the percolator instead of the top. Was it good coffee, Thelma? Also when she received a letter from her son, instead of reading it, she put it in the furnace. . . . It sure was good to see Flora Gilmore. Flora was up to visit us for a while. . . . Ethel Haye is starting a new fashion. She has been wearing her sweater tied around her knees. . . . Wonder why Phyllis Alles eats supper at 10 o'clock at night? . . . We want to welcome Faye Houser back to work with us. It sure is good to see you back, Faye. . . . There is a lot of this flu going around. Helen Engle, Genera Culler, and Evelyn Triplett recently recovered from it and are back to work. Glad to see you, girls. . . . We want to welcome Zoa Hamm, Bernice Gridges, Dick Bradley, Opal Lewis, and Georgie Bradley to our division. Hope you all like your new jobs. . . . We're sorry to lose Jeanette Hetrick from our division.

J. W. Crise

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fin award. The Coffin foundation was organized in 1922, and Mr. Crise was honored by the group the following year.

Mr. Crise has been prominent in civic organizations and enterprises and has served as a vice-president of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce for a number of years. He also has been a member of the Employment Security Board since 1936, and is now serving as president of that group.

Locally, he is serving on the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association, American Red Cross, War Chest, and Community Chest, and he has been treasurer of the Quarter-Century Club of General Electric for the last 14 years.

The Victory Bonds that you buy at present
Will win you a future that's very pleasant.

WINTER STREET BOWLING LEAGUE

	W.	L.
Drafting	26	19
Machinists	26	19
Evaporators	26	19
Compressors	24	21
Maintenance	24	21
Planners	24	21
Power Drive	23	22
Grinders	22	23
Designers	20	25
Engineers	19	26
Testers	19	26
Toolmakers	17	28

Whitey Michelfelder had high count for the evening with 551, including a 234 game. Other 200 scores were Geller, 226, 200; Bireley, 224; Kolmerten, 210; W. Kirke, 209; and Hildner, 201.

This ended the first half of the league, and three teams are tied for the lead. The second half will begin Tuesday, January 8, 1946. Tom Piepenbrink has the highest average for the first half, 184. Arnold Benecke is second with 179; George Haggenjos is third with 178, and Whitey Kolmerten and Jack Skevington have 172. Benecke had the highest three-game series for the first half, 656, while Michelderfer had the highest single game, 258. Compressors had the highest team score for one game, 1015, while Testers had the highest three game series, 2851.

Office Bowling League

	Won	Lost
Plant Eng.	27	18
Amplidynes	27	18
Aircraft	26	19
Dynamos	26	19
Designers	25	20
Blueprint	25	20
Motor Generator	24	21
Standardizing	21	24
Convertors	21	24
Alternators	20	25
G-E Club	14	31
General Service	14	31

600 Series: Blomker, 207, 233, 184—624.

200 Games: Kapsanis, 205; Johnson, 200; Cox, 223; Shroyer, 201.

I. A. Terry

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engineer in charge of the centrifugal compressor department of the Lynn River Works.

He was also made engineer in charge of the mechanical drive section, turbine department of the G-E Lynn River Works in 1932 and continued in this capacity until 1934, when he was placed in charge of the engineering section of the air conditioning department at the Schenectady and Bloomfield plants.

In 1939 he was appointed engineer in charge of both air conditioning and commercial refrigeration departments. Mr. Kelsey came to Fort Wayne in August of 1942, when he was named engineer in charge of the new Supercharger Plant. He continued in that capacity until his appointment as Works Engineer here, and effective January 1 will move to the Lynn River Works to take over his new assignment.

The man who rushes in headlong, often comes out feet first.

Firemen Still Lead Inter-Division League; Small Motor Office Second

Club Coach



Andy Smith

Under the coaching of Andy Smith, the G-E Club Girls' team has had two successful years of play. Last year the Club team won 23 out of 26 games, and the record so far this season shows 9 wins out of 10 starts. City Light has been the only team to knock off the Electricianettes this year.

Strictly Personal

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made hundreds of thousands of appliances that are even now being used by consumers, and every appliance that we manufacture is being produced, distributed, and sold to the public. Furthermore these goods are being sold at approximately pre-war prices, as we promised they would be more than a year ago. Next time you hear these charges, ask for proof, because if they are not true they are hurting your job.

I have had room here only to summarize these facts, without mentioning towns and figures, but because you may be interested in more details I have included as an appendix to this column a breakdown of plant expansion and change by cities, which you will find printed on Page 4 of this issue. It represents the situation as of today, and is subject to change.

Just a final word, however. I have spoken of greatly increased bsuiness, and of doubling our pre-war employment, as justifying this program of expansion. As of today this program is behind schedule. Worker efficiency is low. Some of this is due to the confusion of change-over and the shortage of materials. It is management's task to correct this. It is your job, and yours alone, to correct the human deficiency with enthusiasm and hard, careful work, and in this respect all of you truly have our common future in your hands.

Hard-Fought Battle Between Transformer and Small Motor Office Features Game This Week

By Walter Histed

The Firemen remained the only undefeated team in the league by annexing Wednesday night's opener, December 19, from Transformer 27-23 and Tool Division continued in their second place tie with Small Motor Office by dropping the Messengers 32-18.

Firemen, 27
Transformer, 23

The Firemen-Transformer game was a thriller from beginning to end with never more than five points separating the two teams at any time. The Transformer men belied their lowly spot in the league standings by carrying the battle to the Firemen all the way. Kent, playing his first game for the Firemen, and Heaston for Transformer with 8 points each topped the scorers for the game.

The summary:

FIREMEN 27	G.	F.	T.	TRANSFORMER 23	G.	F.	T.
Snyder	0	0	0	Schultz	2	1	5
Sitko	2	1	5	Yoder	1	1	3
France	2	0	4	Altevogt	0	1	1
Imel	1	1	3	Nickerson	0	0	0
Trott	1	1	3	Heaston	4	0	8
Bohde	0	1	1	Ehrman	1	0	2
Kent	3	2	8	Junk	1	1	3
Lindenberg	1	0	2	Wyckoff	0	1	1
Totals	10	7	27	Totals	9	5	23

Score by quarters—

Firemen	10	10	4	3—27
Transformer	6	7	5	3—23

Officials—Leakey and O'Connell.

Tool Division, 32
Messengers, 18

Tool Division kept on the heels of the Firemen by outscoring the Messengers 32-18. Trump and Habig paced the winners with 8 points each, while Noll was high for the Messengers with 6.

The summary:

TOOL DIVISION 32	G.	F.	T.	MESSENGERS 18	G.	F.	T.
Trump	4	0	8	Grepke	1	1	3
Geise	2	1	5	App	0	1	1
Bloom	2	2	6	Steel	2	0	4
Habig	3	2	8	Homan	1	0	2
Swaim	0	3	3	Noll	3	0	6
Morton	1	0	2	Schnurr	1	0	2
Gaskill	0	0	0	Roth	0	0	0
Spice	0	0	0				
Totals	12	8	32	Totals	8	2	18

Score by quarters—

Tool Division	8	7	10	7—32
Messengers	4	5	8	1—18

Officials: O'Connell and Leakey.

Squares Dance

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$2.50 for members and $3.00 for non-members may be obtained at the door. Dress will be semi-formal.

Special plans have been made to usher out 1945 and to welcome Kid Reconversion "Mr. 1946."

Open house activities, which have been suspended during the holiday season, will resume the regular schedule Friday evening, January 4.

Your life and your job are at stake when you break safety rules.

Standings

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Firemen	5	0	1000
Small Motor Office	5	1	.833
Tool Division	4	1	.800
Small Motor Factory	3	1	.750
General Service	2	4	.333
Winter Street	1	3	.250
Transformer	0	5	.000
Messengers	0	5	.000

Results of this week's games:

Small Motor Office, 32; Transformer, 30.

Firemen won from General Service by forfeit.

Next Week's Schedule

Monday, December 31:

No games scheduled.

Wednesday, January . :

7:30 Winter Street vs. Messengers.

8:45 Tool Division vs. Small Motor Factory.

Small Motor Office, 32
Transformer, 30

Transformer lost another heartbreaker, Wednesday night, when Small Motor Office edged them 32-30 in a hotly contested game. After a close first quarter in which the winners were ahead 5-4, Bill Kisler's team moved into a 17-11 half-time margin aided by the sharp shooting of Slack and Dent. Schultz and Ropa scored 10 of the 11 points scored by Transformer in the third quarter, but the winners maintained most of their lead by dropping in four foul goals in four attempts during the quarter which ended with Small Motor Office leading 27-22. Transformer outscored the winners in the final quarter 8-5, falling two points short of a tie in a hotly contested quarter.

Accuracy at the free throw line was the determining factor in the game as Transformer outscored the winners from the field 14 goals to 13 while the Small Motor men canned 6 of 9 foul tries against only 2 of 9 for Transformer.

SM. MOT. OF. 32	G.	F.	T.	TRANSFORMER 30	G.	F.	T.
Singleton	3	3	9	Schultz	5	0	10
Schuster	1	0	2	Heaston	1	0	2
Jennings	0	1	1	Ropa	4	0	8
Dent	5	2	12	Junk	3	0	6
Slack	4	0	8	Ehrman	0	2	2
Kisler	0	0	0	Nickerson	1	0	2
				Wyckoff	0	0	0
Totals	13	6	32	Totals	14	2	30

Score by quarters—

Small Motor Of...	5	12	10	5—32
Transformer	4	7	11	8—30

Officials: Fryer and Richards.

BOWLING

Anyone wishing to bowl on Friday night in the Ladies' League should get in touch with Voyce Brumbaugh, Bldg. 6-2, phone 2356.

EMPLOYEE TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

Persons seeking rides or riders should report necessary information to the WORKS NEWS, phone 441, by Tuesday noon of the week request is to be run.

BROADWAY PLANT

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